

## EASTERN MARKETS.

## CHICAGO

Wheat was dull and easy on Monday. May opened at 82½c or ¾c under Saturday's close, advanced ¾c, and then fell slowly away to 82½c, closing at 82½c. Near futures moved little. The decrease in the visible supply for the previous week was announced to be 882,000 bushels, nearly one-third of which was at Minneapolis. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	March.
Wheat .....	78	76½
Corn .....	47½	48½
Oats .....	—	—
Pork .....	13.85	—
Lard .....	7.35	7.42½
Short Ribs .....	7.42½	7.50

On Tuesday May opened at 82c, and ranged from 81½ to 82½c, closing at the bottom. January opened at 75½c, advanced to 75¾c, and fell away again. Trading was dull. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	March.
Wheat .....	75½	76½
Corn .....	47½	48
Oats .....	—	—
Pork .....	13.85	—
Lard .....	7.32½	7.40
Short Ribs .....	7.40	7.47½

Wheat was dull and active by spells on Wednesday. The break in pork brought on the late decline. The dealing in pork was of a professional nature. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	March.
Wheat .....	75½	76½
Corn .....	47½	48
Oats .....	—	—
Pork .....	13.85	—
Lard .....	7.32½	7.37½
Short Ribs .....	7.40	7.50

May Oats, 33c; May Pork, \$14.27½

Wheat opened strong and ¾c higher on Thursday, but weakened, May going down to 81½c. A sharp advance in pork again strengthened prices, and caused an advance to opening figures. May closed at 81½c. Pork advanced 40c, but lost some of the gain. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	March.
Wheat .....	75½	76½
Corn .....	48	48½
Oats .....	—	—
Pork .....	14.12½	14.25
Lard .....	7.37½	7.42½
Short Ribs .....	7.45	7.55

May Oats, 33½c; May Pork, \$14.52½

Friday was a strong day in wheat, prices advancing steadily and closing ¾c higher. The advance was caused by the report that leading operators were investing heavily in wheat. May opened at 81½c, and advanced, closing at 82½c. Pork was strong, and opened 7½c higher for May, declined 5c, and then advanced steadily. Closing prices were:

	Jan.	March.
Wheat .....	76½	77½
Corn .....	48½	49½
Oats .....	—	—
Pork .....	14.35	—
Lard .....	7.57½	7.62½
Short Ribs .....	7.55	7.65

Prices closed on Saturday, as follows:

	Jan.	March.
Wheat .....	76	—
Corn .....	—	—
Oats .....	48	—
Pork .....	14.15	—
Lard .....	7.47½	—
Short Ribs .....	—	—

## MINNEAPOLIS.

The Northwestern Miller says:—"Wheat has now lost five cents of the eight which it gained in the November-December bulge, and it has less friends to-day, apparently, than any other speculative article except pork. The simple facts are that the recent bulge was a wild one, and as was here said at the time, too rapid and heavy to be sustained for any great length of time. Prices are now very close to the bottom, in the opinion of conservative observers, and it is safe to look for liberal buying of wheat, both by foreign consumers and native speculators, at present values." On Thursday closing price were from 1 to 1½c lower than a week ago, and were as follows:

	Jan.	May.	On track
No. 1 hard .....	76½	80	78
No. 1 northern .....	75	78½	76½
No. 2 .....	73	76½	74

Quotations for flour in car lots were:—patents, \$4.15 to \$4.25; straights, \$4 to 4.15; first bakers', \$3.40 to \$3.65; second bakers', \$2.85 to \$3.00; best low grades, \$1.75 to \$1.85 in bags; and dog, \$1.40 to \$1.50, in bags.

Of the flour market the Miller says: "There is no life in this market, and prices have declined heavily without attracting purchasers. Some heavy sales of patents at the low figures now ruling are reported from New England, but otherwise there is no movement. The heavy purchases made in November-December by British buyers are beginning to arrive and have apparently gorged the market to such an extent as to preclude new business."

## DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

Closing prices for No 1 hard on each day of the week were:

	Cash	Jan.	May.
Monday .....	76½	—	76½ 81½
Tuesday .....	—	—	76½ 81½
Wednesday .....	—	—	75½ 80½
Thursday .....	—	—	75½ 80½
Friday .....	—	—	76½ 81½
Saturday .....	—	—	76½ 81½

## MONTREAL MARKETS.

## GRAIN.

There was little to note in the way of change. Quotations were: Red winter wheat, 85c to 87c; white winter, 85c to 87c; spring, 83c to 85c; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 86c to 87c; No. 2 do, 83 to 84c; No. 1 Northern, 83 to 84c; peas, 72½c to 73c per 66 lbs. in store; oats, 40c to 41c per 34 lbs; barley, 65c to 70c.

## FLOUR.

Strong bakers, \$4.10 to \$4.30.

## OATMEAL.

Oatmeal quoted: Standard, \$5.20; gannulated, \$5.45; rolled meal, \$5.75; rolled oats, \$6.00, in barrels.

## DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter is weaker, and as the month has passed away without any export movement, holders are becoming anxious to sell. Quotations will be shaded. Prices: Creamery is quoted at 20c to 22c; townships, 17c to 21c; western, 15c to 18c; medium and low grades, 10c to 14c; cheese is quoted at 9c to 9½c for medium; 10c to 10½c for fine; and 11c to 12c for finest.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

Dressed Hogs, car lots, \$6.90 to \$7.00; small

lots, \$7.25 to \$7.40; eggs, 17c to 18c; fresh, do, 18c to 20c; turkeys, 8c to 9c; geese, 6c to 7½c; ducks, 7c to 9c; chickens, 5c to 6½c per pound; mess pork, \$17.50 per bbl; city hams, 11½c to 12c; bacon, 10½c to 11c; shoulders 8½c; Tallow, 3½c to 4c; lard, 9½c to 9½c.

## MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

The following quotations on January 27th as compared with prices on the same day of the previous week, will indicate the course of the stock market:

	Jan. 19th Offered.	Jan. 19th Bld.	Jan. 27th. Offered.	Jan. 27th. Bld.
Montreal .....	217½	217½	218	217½
Ontario .....	112	110	113½	110
Toronto .....	195	190	199	191½
Merchants .....	124	122	125	124
Dominion .....	—	—	—	—
Commerce .....	111½	111	112½	112
Imperial .....	—	—	—	—
Federal .....	—	80	55	—
Molson's .....	140	133	—	132½
Union, ex. div. ....	95	89½	95	90
N. W. Land Co. ....	58	56½	58	57
C. P. R. ....	61	60½	59½	59½

## Another Order.

What are we coming to? The C. P. R. issued an order on Saturday to the effect that no grain would be received for shipment east of Port Arthur. Verily the ways of monopoly are past finding out. The country would be just about as well off with no railway at all, and then people would know what to expect. Railway monopoly has been most disastrous to this country from the commencement, but never more so than during the past few months.

A CORRESPONDENT writes: Leitch Bros. have leased the mill at Moosomin and intend remaining there with part of their staff about two months.

CONSIDERABLE excitement was caused in the city on Friday by a despatch to the effect that the Federal Bank was in difficulties. There was quite a run on the local branch here, but the bank remained open all day. The bank is known to have sustained heavy losses some time ago, but the election of a new board of directors very recently, gave renewed confidence, and the stocks advanced ten point. It now appears that the new directors, after an investigation of its affairs, have decided to wind up the bank. Since the failure of the Central Bank, there has been a steady run on the Federal, and it is said about \$1,500,000 have been paid out. In consequence of the loss of public confidence the bank will be wound up. The other chartered banks have given necessary assistance, and note holders and depositors will be paid in full.

"ISAAC."

"Vatt?"

"I see der brice uf t'read vas goeing oop."

"Yah."

"Rip dose buttons on dose coats what haf got two t'reads and stitich dose buttons mit one t'read. You hear, I-saac?"

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