

New York Wheat.

New York, Jan. 30.—Wheat—Receipts, 160,000 bu; exports, 47,350 bu. Options were about steady, but experienced an irregular day through lack of outside trade and persistent selling by foreigners. The weakness was varied by a mid-day rally on big clearances and a cold wave scare. The government report promised late to-day was also a bearish influence. Wheat closed weak at 7-8 to 1 3/8c net iceline, March, 8 1/2 to 85c closed 84c; May, 80 11-10 to 81 1-8c, closed 80 3-4c; July, 78 1-2 to 79 1-2c, closed 78 3-4c.

New York, Jan. 31.—Wheat—Receipts 249,000 bushels, exports 20,001 bushels. Options opened weak under bearish cables and the government crop report. Liquidation began early and continued all day, supplemented by local and foreign short selling, bearish Liverpool cables and light clearances. The cash trade was neglected by exporters. The market closed heavy at 2 1-8 to 7-8c net decline. March closed 81 1-8c, May 78 3-8c, July 76 5-8c.

New York, Feb. 1.—Wheat, March 80 7-8c. May opened 78 1-8c, closed 78 1-8c. July opened 76 3-4c, closed 76 1-2c.

New York, Feb. 2.—Wheat — Receipts 64,000 bushels; exports 110,320 bushels. Options opened stronger on foreign buying, but sold off. March opened 80 3-8 to 81 5-8c, closed 80 5-8c; May opened 77 3-8 to 78 3-4c, closed 77 5-8c; July opened 75 7-8 to 77c, closed 76 1-8c.

New York, Feb. 3.—Wheat: Receipts, 125,000 bushels; exports, 50,646 bushels. Options were weak throughout practically the entire day. It was a case rather of light demand than of oppressive offerings, the break in Wall street discouraging buyers. Most of the news was bearish, including big Argentine shipments, lower cables and slow west. The export trade however, was again fairly brisk. Wheat closed weak at 5-8 to 3-4, net decline. March, 80 3-16c to 80 1-8c, closed 80, May, 76 3-4c to 77 11-16c, closed 77c, July, 75 1-8 to 78, closed 75 1-4c.

New York, Feb. 4.—Wheat closed to-day as follows: March delivery, 79 1-4c; May, 76 3-8c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel of mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Wheat, May opened 77 5-8c, closed 76 7-8c. July opened 74 5-8c, closed 74 3-8 to 1-2c. Corn, May opened 38 3-4c, closed 38 1-8c. July opened 39c, closed 38 1-2c. Oats, May opened 28 5-8c, closed 28 1-8 to 1-4c. July opened 26 7-8c, closed 26 5-8c. Ribs, Jan. \$5.05. May \$5.20 to \$5.22. Pork, Jan. \$10.27. May \$10.52. Lard, Jan. \$5.70. May \$5.90.

Chicago, Jan. 31.—Wheat, May opened 76 1-4c, closed 74 5-8 to 3-4c. July opened 73 3-4c, closed 72 8-8c. Corn, May opened 37 3-8c, closed 37 1-2c. July opened 38 1-4c, closed 37 7-8c. Oats, May opened 28c, closed 26 3-4c. July opened 28 1-2c, closed 26 1-4c. Ribs, Jan. \$5. May \$5.12. Pork, Jan. \$10.10. May \$10.35. Lard, Jan. \$5.60. May \$5.80.

Chicago, Feb. 1.—Wheat, May opened 74 3-4c, closed 74 3-8 to 1-2c. July opened 72 3-4c, closed 72 8-8c. Corn, May opened 37 5-8 to 3-4c, closed 37 7-8c. July opened 38 1-3c, closed 38 1-4 to 3-8c. Oats, May opened 29c, closed 28 1-8c. July opened 26 1-2c, closed 26 5-8c. Ribs, May \$5.17. Pork, May \$10.40. Jan. \$10.20. Lard, May \$5.82.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Wheat, May opened

75c, closed 75 5-8c. July opened 72 5-8, closed 72 5-8 to 3-4c. Corn, May opened 38c, closed 38c. July 38 3-8 to 1-2c, closed 38 5-8 to 3-4c. Oats, May opened 28 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 28 1-4 to 3-8c. July opened 26 3-4c, closed 26 3-4c. Ribs, May \$5.20. Pork, May \$10.45. Lard, May \$5.88 to \$6.90.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—Wheat, May opened 73 7-8 to 5-8c, closed 73 3-4c. July opened 71 3-4 to 7-8c, closed 71 1-8c. Corn, May opened 38 1-4c, closed 38 5-8 to 3-4c. July opened 38 3-8 to 1-2c. Oats, May opened 28 3-8 to 1-2c, closed 28 1-8c. Ribs, May \$5.15, closed \$5.10. Pork, May opened \$10.40, closed \$10.20. Lard, May opened \$5.85, closed \$5.75.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Wheat opened at 73 1-8c for May, and ranged downward to 72c. Closing prices were: Wheat—May 72 1-8c; July 70 1-8c.

Corn—Feb. 35 7-8c May 36 3-4c. Oats—Feb. 26 7-8c; May, 27 7-8c. Pork—Feb. \$9.90; May, \$10.07.

Lard—May, \$5.70. Ribs—May, \$5.05.

A week ago May option closed at 77 3-8c. A year ago May wheat closed at 95c; two years ago at 77c; three years ago at 67 1-8c; four years ago wt 57 3-4c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—May 75 1-8c.
Tuesday—May 73 1-4c.
Wednesday—May 72 7-8c.
Thursday—May 73c.
Friday—Cash 69 3-8c; May 72 1-8c.
Saturday—May, 71 1-8c; July, 71 1-2c.

Cash No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at 70 5-8c, and cash No. 1 northern at 68 5-8c.

A week ago May wheat closed at 75 1-8c. A year ago May wheat closed at 93 1-2c, two years ago May option closed at 76 3-4c; three years ago at 64 1-4c, four years ago at 58 1-8c, and five years ago at 60c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, Feb. 4.—No. 1 northern wheat closed to-day at 69 3-4c for February, and 70 for May; cash, No. 1 northern, 69 3-4c, cash No. 2 northern, 67 3-4c.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, Feb. 4.—Flax seed closed to-day at \$118 3-4 for cash, and May \$118.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 3.—Wheat, spot dull. No. 1 California 6s 9d to 6s 9d; No. 2 red western winter 6s 2d; No. 1 red northern spring 6s.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Feb. 3.—Trading was moderately active at the opening, but the dealings lacked a decided tone. The railways were mainly better, but most of the specialties showed a disposition to sag. Long Island and Consolidated Gas sold up two points. The opening prices were: Atchison 22 1-4; Manhattan 113 1-2; Brooklyn Transit 93 1-8; Northern Pacific 61 1-2; do. preferred 80 1-4; Rock Island 118 7-8; Sugar 134; St. Paul 127 3-4; Southern preferred 50 5-8; Tobacco 145 1-2; Union Pacific 47 5-8; do. preferred 80 1-4; Federal Steel 52; do. preferred 87; Western Union 95 3-4.

Money on call nominally 2 1-2 to 3 per cent; prime mercantile paper 2 1-2 to 3 1-4 per cent; sterling exchange steady at \$4.85 1-2 for demand, and at \$4.83 1-2 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.84 1-2 and \$4.86 1-2; commercial bills \$4.82 1-2; silver certificates nominally 59 1-2 to 60 1-2. Bar silver 59 1-4. Mexican dollars 47; Government bonds steady.

The one-armed man has to fight the battle of life single-handed.

WINNIFEG CLOSING WHEAT.

Wheat closed to-day (Saturday) dull, weak and lower, in sympathy with the decline of about 1c to-day in United States markets. Holders were asking 69 1-2c, Fort William, for export No. 1 hard, but buyers were not offering over 69c.

CALL BOARD.

The call board of the Winnipeg Grain Exchange, which has been dormant for some time, will be started again on Monday.

WINNIFEG WHEAT INSPECTION.

Returns for last week report 214 cars of wheat inspected, which graded as follows: 1 hard, 47 cars; 2 hard, 5 1 northern, 67; 2 northern 20; 1 spring 8; 2 spring, 3; 1 frosted; 1 rejected, 8; no grade 55.

BRADSTREET'S REPORT.

New York, Feb. 4.—Bradstreet's to-day reports: A quieting down of speculative interest is noticeable in a number of markets this week, without, however, bringing to light any important impairment of the underlying strength of the general business situation. The important price recessions of the week are those noted in wheat and other cereals, except oats. Immediately instrumental in bringing about this might be mentioned the final government estimate of last year's crop, placing it at 675,000,000 bushels, far in excess of the earlier estimates by the same authority, and exceeding all but the most sanguine of trade estimates, which had generally fixed upon 650,000,000 bushels as the probable maximum yield. It is worth remembering, however, that this estimate of yield is supposed to be based on a yield one year ago of only 530,000,000 bushels, whereas the movement of the crop and the best trade estimates incline to a total for the 1997 crop of 590,000,000 bushels. Inasmuch as the gain in acreage this year is reported by the government as not far from 5,000,000 acres, it will be seen that the indicated increase in yield is quite a conservative one.

BRITISH STOCKS.

London, Feb. 3.—4 p.m.—Consols for money 111 1-16; consols for the account 1113-16; Canadian Pacific 88 7-8, Erie 16; Erie first preferred 41 5-8; Illinois Central 119 1-2; Northern Pacific preferred 41 5-8; Illinois Central 119 1-2; Northern Pacific preferred 82 3-8; St. Paul common 131 1-8; New York Central 137 1-2; Grand Trunk 7 3-4; Pennsylvania 67 7-8; Reading 11 5-8; Union Pacific preferred 82 1-2; Atchison 23 1-8. Louisville 67 3-4. Bar silver 27 3-6. Money 1. The rate of discount in the open market for both short and three months bills is 1 1/8-16 to 2 per cent.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Feb. 4.—Wheat closed 1-4d lower.

Another cable from Liverpool on Jan. 30 quoted choice United States cattle at 12 1-2c; choice Canadians at 11 1-2c to 12c; bulls, 9 1-2 to 10c, and lambs at 14 1-2c.

"Have you put up much fruit this season?" asked the young housekeeper. "There's no use with my two boys in the house," replied her neighbor. "They have eaten everything we have."

"Except the door-jam," added her husband.