

New York Wheat.

New York, Dec. 12.—Wheat — Receipts 108,225 bushels; exports 287,983 bushels. Options opened firm on steady cables, foreign buying and small world's shipments. The heavy visible supply increase soon demoralized the market, however, and weakness ensued all the afternoon, except for a slight closing rally on covering; final prices were 3-8 to 5-8c net lower. Jan. opened 71 11-16 to 3-4; March opened 72 1-2 to 73 1-2, closed 72 5-8; May opened 69 13-16 to 70 3-8, closed 70. Dec. opened 71 1-8 to 72 3-8, closed 71 1-4.

New York, Dec. 13.—Wheat — Receipts, 199,500 bus; exports, 321,076 bus. Options opened firm and ruled so all day, closing strong, 1-2 to 7-8, net advance. There was active covering of shorts on bullish foreign news, a small interior movement strength in corn and big clearances. Jan., 71 15-16 to 71 15-16; March, 72 1-2 to 73 1-2, closed 73 1-2; May, 69 15-16 to 70 3-4, closed 70 3-4, Dec., 71 1-4 to 71 3-4, closed 71 3-4.

New York, Dec. 14.—Wheat: Receipts 72,150 bushels; exports 314,427 bushels. Options firm and for half a day showed a strong undertone on continued light spring wheat receipts, local covering and big clearances. The subsequent reaction was occasioned by foreign selling and rumors of increasing Russian stocks, closed 1-4 to 1-2c net lower. March 73c to 73 3-4c, closed 73c; May 70 7-16c to 71 5-16c, closed 70 1-2c; Dec. 71 1-2c to 72 3-4c, closed 71 1-2c.

New York, Dec. 15.—Wheat, March opened 74c, closed 74 1-2c. Dec. opened 72 1-8c, closed 72 7-8c. May opened 70 3-4c, closed 71 5-8c.

New York, Dec. 16.—Wheat — Receipts 39,775 bu., exports 173,638 bu. Options opened firm and showed remarkable strength all day in response to heavy covering, particularly by foreign houses. Liverpool cables were very strong, Argentine news continued bullish and outside trade showed improvement. Closed unsettled under later realizing but 3-4 cts. 1c. net higher; March 74 5-8 to 75 3-4, closed 75 3-8c; May 71 11-16 to 73, closed 72 3-8c; Dec. 73 to 74 1-4, closed 74c.

New York, Saturday, Dec. 17.—December wheat closed 73 3-8c and May at 71 5-8c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

Prices are quoted per bushel of 56 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, Dec. 12.—Wheat. Dec. opened 64 1-8c, closed 63 3-4c. a. May opened 65 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 65 1-8 to 1-4c. b. July 64c. Corn, July 34 5-8c. a. Dec. opened 33c, closed 33c. b. May opened 33 7-8c, closed 34 1-8c. a. Oats, Dec. 25 7-8c. b. May opened 26c, closed 26 to 1-8c. b. Ribs, Jan. opened \$4.67, closed \$4.70 to \$4.72. May opened \$4.85, closed \$4.90. Pork, Dec. \$8 17. Jan. opened \$9.37, closed \$9.47. May opened \$9.60 to \$9.62, closed \$9.70. Lard, Jan. \$5.26. May opened \$5.37, closed \$5.40.

Chicago, Dec. 13.—Wheat, Dec. opened 64 5-8c, closed 64 3-8 to 1-2c. May opened 65 1-8c, closed 65 7-8 to 66c. b. July 64 1-2c. b. Corn, Dec. opened 33c, closed 33 3-8c. May opened 34 1-8c, closed 34 5-8c. a. July opened 34 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 35 to 1-8c. b. Oats, Dec. opened 26c, closed 26 1-2c. a. May opened 26 to 1-8c, closed 26 1-2c. a.

Ribs, Jan. \$4.65 to \$4.67. May opened \$4.87, closed \$4.87. Pork, Dec. \$8.10. Jan. opened \$9.45, closed \$9.87. b. May opened \$9.70, closed \$9.65. a. Lard, Jan. opened \$5.26, closed \$5.22. May opened \$5.42, to \$5.46, closed \$5.42.

Chicago, Dec. 14.—Wheat, Dec. opened 64 3-4c, closed 64 1-8c. May opened 66 1-8c, closed 65 3-4c. a. July opened 64 5-8c. a. closed 64 3-8c. Corn, Dec. opened 33 1-8c, closed 33 1-8 to 1-4c. May opened 34 1-2 to 5-8c, closed 34 3-8c. July opened 35 1-8c, closed 34 3-4c. Oats, Dec. 26 1-4 to 3-8c. a. May opened 26 1-2, closed 26 1-4 to 3-8c. b. Ribs, Jan. \$4.65. May opened \$4.82, closed \$4.82 to \$4.85. Pork, Dec. \$8.10. n. Jan. opened \$9.35, closed \$9.87. a. May opened \$9.55, closed \$9.82. Lard, Jan. \$5.17. b. May opened \$5.40; closed \$5.37 to \$5.40.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Wheat, Dec. opened 64 1-4c, closed 65 7-8c. May opened 66 to 1-8c, closed 66 7-8 to 67c. b. July opened 64 3-4c, closed 65 1-4 to 3-8c. Corn, Dec. 33 3-4c. May opened 34 3-8c, closed 7-8 to 3-8c. b. July opened 34 7-8c, closed 35 3-8 to 1-2c. Oats, Dec. 26 5-8c. n. May opened 26 3-8 to 1-2c, closed 26 3-4c. Ribs, Jan. \$4.67. May opened \$4.82, closed \$4.85. b. Pork, Dec. \$8.10. Jan. opened \$9.32, closed \$9.35. b. May opened \$9.60, closed \$9.65. Lard, Jan. \$5.17. May opened \$5.37, closed \$5.37.

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Wheat, Dec. opened 66 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 66 3-8c. May opened 67 1-8c, closed 67 3-4c. July 66 1-4 to 3-8c. a. Corn, Dec. opened 33 3-4, closed 34 1-4c. a. May opened 35 to 1-8c, closed 35c. b. July opened 35 1-8c, closed 35 3-8c. Oats, Dec. 26 3-8c. May opened 26 3-4c, closed 26 3-4c. Ribs, Jan. opened \$4.70, closed \$4.65. a. May opened \$4.87, closed \$4.82. Pork, Dec. \$8.05. n. Jan. opened \$9.37, closed \$9.35. May opened \$9.70, closed \$9.62. Lard, Jan. opened \$5.17. b, closed \$5.10 to \$5.12. May opened \$5.37. b, closed \$5.32 to \$5.35.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—May wheat opened at 67 1-2c, ranged from 66 1-2 to 67 1-8c, and closed at 66 7-8c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—Dec. 65 1-8c, May 66 7-8c, July 64 7-8c.
Corn—Dec. 34c, May 34 7-8c, July 35 1-4c.
Oats—Dec. 26c, May 26 5-8c.
Pork—Dec. \$8.10, Jan. \$9.40, May \$9.65.
Lard—Jan. \$5.12, May \$5.32 to \$5.83.
Ribs—Jan. \$4.65, May \$4.82.
A week ago December option closed at 64 1-8c. A year ago December wheat closed at 99c; two years ago at 76 5-8c, three years ago at 54 5-8c, four years ago at 58 5-8c.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—Dec., 61 3-4c; May, 64 5-8c.
Tuesday—Dec., 62 3-8c; May, 65 1-8c.
Wednesday—Dec., 62 3-8c; May, 64 7-8c.
Thursday—Dec., 63 1-4c; May, 66c.
Friday—Cash, 63 3-4c, Dec., 63 3-4c, May 66 3-8c.
Saturday—Dec. 62 7-8c; May 65 1-8c.
A year ago December wheat closed at 98c two years ago December option closed 77 3-4c, three years ago at 51 1-4c, four years ago at 59 1-4c, and five years ago at 60c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, Dec. 17.—No. 1 northern wheat closed at 63 3-4c for December and 64 7-8 to 66c for May; Cash No. 1 northern 64c, cash No. 2 northern 62c.

CHEESE MARKETS.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Cheese, white, 47s; colored, 48s. This is an advance of 1s. over last week's prices.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

No. 1 hard wheat closed at 64 to 64 1-2c December delivery, May, 69 to 69 1-2c. No. 2 hard and 1 northern 61 1-2c under No. 1 hard.

TURPENTINE HIGHER.

Turpentine advanced 2c this week in the local market to 65c for barrels, and 70c for smaller lots.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 16.—Wheat firm; corn firm. Wheat—No. 2 red western winter 6s 2d; No. 1 red northern spring 6s. Corn—American mixed spot old 3s 10 1-4d. Receipts during the past three days: Wheat, 200,000 cwt, all American; American corn, 71,500 cwt. Butter—Pinest United States 88s; do. good 86s.

Closing—Wheat—No. 1 red northern spring firm at 6s 1-2d.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT.

Liverpool, Dec. 17.—Wheat closed 3-8d lower.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Flax seed closed \$1.08 1-2 for cash and May, \$1.08, and Sat Chicago

MONTREAL STOCKS.

Montreal, Dec. 16.—C. P. R. London 88. Commercial cable Montreal 184 7-8 and 186.

BRITISH STOCK MARKET.

London, Dec. 13.—Trade in cash was slower, but the undertone to the market was steady for cattle. Prices show no change from a week ago. Ontario, Canadian and Argentine sold for 10 1-2. For sheep, prices were irregular; Canadians selling 1-2c lower at 10 1-2c; while Argentines were 1c higher at 11c. Omani lambs brought 12c.

Liverpool, Dec. 12.—A stronger feeling prevailed in Canadian cattle. Owing to the smaller supplies prices advanced 1-4c to 1-2c, choice selling at 10 1-4c.

BRITISH STOCKS.

London, Dec. 16.—1 p.m. closing—Consols for money 110 1-4; consols for the account 110 1-2; Canadian Pacific 87 7-8; Grand Trunk 7 3-4; Sar silver 27 9-16d; Money 3. The rate of discount in the open market for both short and three months bills is 3 1-2.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York, Dec. 16.—The stock market opened strong. Atchison 19; Burlington 122 1-2; Louisville 64 3-8; Leather transferred 69 3-4; Manhattan 98 3-8; Missouri Pacific 44 1-2; Northwest 113 1-4; Northern Pacific 41 7-8; do. preferred 77; People's Gas 109; Rock Island 110; St. Paul 116 3-8; Southern preferred 32 3-4; Union Pacific 38 1-2; do. preferred 70 3-4.
Money on call steady at 2 1-4 to 2 1-2. Prime mercantile paper 3 to 4. Sterling exchange firmer at \$4.84 for demand and at \$4.81 3-4 for sixty days. Posted rates \$4.92 1-2 and \$4.85 1-2. Commercial bills \$4.80 3-4. Silver certificates 69 1-2 to 60 1-2. Bar silver 59 5-8; Mexican dollars 47; Government bonds strong.

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