CHICAGO MARKET.

STRONG MARKET IN WHEAT ALL DAY— REALIZING AT THE CLOSE CAUSED THE DECLINE.

Chicago. Feb. 8.

There are too many good reasons for thinking that wheat will go lower, to allow of even strong bull arguments forcing advances continuously, but these bull arguments are real and are convincing as witness the strong wheat market this morning. Foreign buyers are not yet fully awakened to the necessity of taking supplies for more than immediate wants. They buy on all weak spots and in view of the great damage to the French crop are buying on these spots without hesitation. Foreign markets are cabling higher quotations for wheat and American markets to-day are unanimous in following suit. The New York market as well as the Chicago one are feeling the influence of a stronger export demand. For a week or two now there has been a better feeling in the grain market. It has sprung up mainly from the belief that with money easier everywhere, stocks of wheat, etc., will be carried easily. All over Europe now money is certainly easier. Belgian, Dutch and French banking houses having reduced their rates of money. Supplies diminishing also as the season advances and anxieties about the coming crop will help in the upward movement, which, though small, appears to be steady. The causes for advance are certainly real enough.

Liverpool—Wheat opened ⅛, ¾, ⅛ higher for March, May, July, contrary to expectation after a strong closing in Chicago yesterday and closed ½, ⅜, ½ higher than last night on bad news from French crop.

Opening March, May, July: 5-10⅜, 5-10⅛, 5-10¼; closing, 5-10¾, 5-10¼, 5-10½.

New York wheat opened same as closing last night, but gained ½ cent in sympathy with Chicago.

Chicago—Wheat opened ⅛ to ¼ lower than last night, but on good buying by bulls on bad French reports and outsiders' support went gradually up 1 cent before noon time, at that price there was some realization which broke the market ½ cent. Our advice is wheat is a buy on any weak spots.

Corn opened steady at last night's closing and sold ⅜ higher first half hour. There are too many shorts in corn and with so many bad news will sell higher in the near future.

Provisions, as we have said this week, are getting stronger every day. This morning May Pork sold at an advance of 20 cents and more demands at that price.

Our lots to-day: Wheat 19, corn 718, oats 175.

N. W. cars, Minn., 236, Duluth 64, Last week 314, last year 810.

This French crop news is liable to give us a rather bull market.

I think safest plan is to take long side in wheat.

The foreigners are good buyers of wheat, some realizing over 69, but market has firm undertone and trade is broadening.

There is a cable here from France saying: Accept all offers wheat and corn. Consider condition of wheat in ground very serious.

Primary receipts:

Last week 268,674, shipments 147,828.

Last year 453,661, shipments 132,825.

Four ports last year, receipts 178,902; shipments 276,124.

Exports flour last year 106,979 barrels.

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From the Bartlett Frazier Co., Chicago. H. J. Coon, Manager, 39 St. Sacrament St.

	Closing prices Feb. 2	Feb. 3	Feb. 5	Feb. 6	Feb. 7	To-day's prices. Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing
Wheat—									
Feb	.....	66⅛ N	66A	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May	67⅞	68¼-⅜	68¼-⅜	67⅞-⅞ A	67⅞-⅞ A	68⅛-⅜	69¼-½	68¼-⅜	68⅜ B
July	68⅞-⅞	69⅛ B	69	68¼-⅜	69	69-⅛	69⅛	69	69⅛-¼
Corn—									
Feb	.....	30⅞ N	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May	33⅞ B	33⅞ B	33¼-⅜	33¼-½ A	33¼-⅜ B	33⅛-⅜	33⅞	33¼-⅜	33¼ A
July	33⅞-½ A	33⅞-¼ A	34	33¾-¼ A	34¼-½ B	34¼	34½	34¼	34⅜ A
Oats—									
Feb	.....	22⅞ N	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May	23¼-⅜	23½ A	23⅜	23⅜ B	23⅝	23⅜	23⅜	23⅜	23⅜ B
July	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞	23⅛-½ A	22⅞	22⅞	23⅛	22⅞	22⅞
Pork—									
Feb	.....	10 75 N	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May	10 75 A	10 95 A	10 87	10 95-97	11 12 B	11 25	11 30	11 15	10 20
July	10 80	10 97	10 92	11 02	11 17	11 25	11 35	11 25	10 25 A
Lard—									
March	.....	5 97 N	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May	5 92 B	6 07	6 05	6 10B	12-17 B	6 15	6 20	6 15	6 15-17
July	6 02	6 15 B	6 12	6 17B	6 23	6 25	6 27-30	6 25	6 25 A
Short ribs—									
Feb	.....	58⅞ N	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
May	5 80	5 90-2	5 87-90	5 92 B	6 00-2	6 00	6 12	6 00	6 10
July	5 82 5	5 95 B	5 90-2	5 95 B	6 02	6 05	6 12	6 05	6 10

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES.

STOCKS.	Shares. Par Value	CAPITAL. Paid up.	Rest as per Last Statement.	Div. per ct. Last half year.	Div. per ct. Last year.
MISCELLANEOUS.	$	$	$		
British America	50	750,000	*79,381	3½	122⅞
Western Assurance	40	1,000,000	†296,743	5	159⅞
Canada Life	400	125,000	.....	10	535
Confederation Life Association	100	100,000	.....	7½	277½
Imperial Life Assurance Co	100	650,000	47,821	...	147
Consumers' Gas	50	1,700,000	.....	2½qr	218
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land Co	40	400,000	.....	...	54
Victoria Rolling Stock Co	5000	60,000	60,000	10	.....
Toronto Electric Light Co., Old	100	1,400,000	.....	1¾	135¾
" " " " New	.....	240,000	.....	1¾	134
Canadian General Electric Co	100	900,000	40,000	-	171⅞
" " " " 20 p.c	100	300,000	.....	3	104
Hamilton Electric Light	100	250,000	60,000	1	80
LOAN and SAVINGS CO.					
British Canadian Ln & Invest. Co.	100	398,481	120,000	3	.....
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	100,000	1	38
Can. Landed & Nat'l. Inv't. Co	100	1,004,000	350,000	3	80
Canada Permanent Ln. & Sav. Co	50	2,000,000	1,200,000	3	125
" " 20 per cent		600,000			122
Canadian Savings & Loan Co	50	734,175	220,000	3	112
Central Canada Ln. & Sav's Co	100	875,000	360,000	1½qr	134
" " 20 per cent		325,000			.....
Dominion Savings and Invest. Soc	50	930,627	10,000	2½	75
Freehold " "	100	476,100	300,000	3	70
" " " 20 per cent		843,000	.....	3	80
Hamilton Provident & Inv't Soc	100	1,100,000	300,000	3	109½
Huron & Erie Ln. & Savings Co.	50	1,000,000	750,000	4½	177
" " 20 per cent	.....	400,000	.....	4½	166
Imperial Loan & Inv't Co	100	725,155	160,000	3	80
Landed Banking & Loan Co	100	700,000	160,000	3	100
London & Can. Ln. & Agency Co	50	700,000	210,000	1½qr	50
London Loan Co	50	631,500	83,000	3	108
London & Ontario Investment	100	550,000	100,000	3	85
Manitoba & North-West Loan Co	100	375,000	50,000	....	45
North of Scotland Can. Mortg. Co	£10	730,000	41[illegible],633	5	.....
Ontario Loan & Debenture Co	50	1,000,000	490,000	3½	121
Peoples Loan & D. Co	50	539,429	40,000	....	25
Real Estate Loan Co	40	373,720	50,000	2	61
Toronto Savings & Loan	100	600,000	105,000	3	126
Union Loan & Savings Co	50	699,020	200,000	1	38
Western Canada " "	50	1,000,000	770,000	3	.....
" 25 per cent	.....	500,000		3	98

* After deducting $511,982 for reinsurance † After deducting $792,049 for reinsurance.

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