

HAMS.

The improvement recorded during the previous week was well maintained during the last week, both country and city trade having been good. Stocks continued large and prices have been flexible, the quotation having had a range of from 17½c to 18c for first-class smoked.

BACON.

A good business was done during the week in bacon the demand for all grades from dry salt to prime breakfast having been steady. The range of quotations remained unaltered from last week. Dry salt was sold from 15c to 15½c; long clear 15½c to 16½c; spiced roll 17½c to 18½c; American and Canadian breakfast 18c to 18½c.

MESS PORK.

The trade in mess pork during the week showed a steady demand at the settled price of \$25. The supply in the city is good and the Eastern markets continue to indicate steady prices and a supply equal to the demand for some time to come.

CORNERED BEEF.

The quotation for cornered beef has become petrified at \$18, at which price the business of last week was transacted. The quantities disposed of represented a fair average demand.

WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

There has been but a light demand for money in commercial circles during the week, owing to the dullness that exists at this season. For real estate payments it has been as active as ever, and the securing of funds as difficult. The banks as a rule refuse to advance for town property transactions, but are prepared to take care of all the commercial business that comes their way. There have been quite a number of renewals among this class, but the banks seem to have full confidence, and meet all reasonable demands. In landed mortgage loans, the business has been light during the week, and 10 per cent. has been the steady quotation of interest rates. Commercial paper is unchanged, and ranged from 8 to 10 for gilt edge, and 10 to 12 for ordinary.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The week opened with a change in the long steadiness of flour, prices having begun to advance. Wheat and corn held the firm tendency of the previous week with an inclination to advance. Oats changed but very little.

On Tuesday the receipts were light owing to the disturbed travel. Quotations based on the day's sales were:

WHEAT ranged: No. 1 hard, 1.05 to 1.07½. No. 1, 1.03c to 1.04. No. 2 hard, 1.02c to 1.04½.

CORN was quoted: No. 2 new, 49c to 50c. Rejected new, 46c to 48c.

OATS ranged, No. 2 white, 35c to 36c. No. 2 mixed, 34c to 35c. Rejected, 32c to 33c. Samples 32c to 36c.

FLOUR quotations were: Patents, \$6 to \$6.65. Straights, \$5.25 to \$5.75. Clears, \$5 to \$5.50.

On Wednesday there was a decidedly firm feeling in wheat, and a slight advance took place. Both corn and oats were steady. The following quotations are based upon the day's sales.

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.07 to \$1.08½. No. 1, \$1.04 to \$1.06. No. 2 hard, \$1.05 to \$1.06.

CORN, No. 2, 49c to 50c. Rejected, 44c to 46c according to samples.

OATS, No. 2 white, 36c to 37c. No. 2 mixed, 35c to 36c. Rejected, 33c to 34c. Samples, 33c to 37½c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6 to \$6.50. Straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00. Clears, \$5.25 to \$5.50.

On Thursday there was very little change from the figures of the previous day. Wheat offerings were small, while a good demand existed. There was a good speculative demand for corn. The following quotations represented the day's sales:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard \$1.07 to \$1.08½; No. 1 \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 2 hard \$1.05 to \$1.06½.

CORN, No. 2, 49c to 50c; Rejected 45c to 46c, according to quality.

OATS, No. 2 white 36c to 37c; No. 2 mixed 35c to 36c; Rejected 33c to 34c.

FLOUR, Patents \$6 to \$6.65; Straights \$5.50 to \$6.00; Clears \$5.25 to \$5.50.

On Friday there was another advance in the price of wheat, while corn held firm, although sales were firm. Oats were slightly weaker. The following are quotations respecting sales:

WHEAT: No. 1 hard, \$1.08 to \$1.09½. No. 1, \$1.05 to \$1.07. No. 2 hard, \$1.05 to 1.07½.

CORN, No. 2 new, 49c to 50c. Rejected new, 45c to 47c.

OATS, No. 2 white 35½c to 36½c. No. 2 mixed, 34½c to 35½c. Rejected, 33c to 34c. Samples 33c to 37c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6 to \$6.65. Straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00. Clears, \$5 to \$5.50.

On Saturday there was very little change in grain prices. Wheat ranged about the same as yesterday, although higher figures were asked. Corn and oats were practically unchanged. The following are quotations.

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.08 to \$1.10. No. 1 \$1.05 to \$1.07. No. 2 hard \$1.05 to 1.07.

CORN, No. 2 49c to 50c. Rejected 45c to 47c according to quality.

OATS, No. 2 white, 35½c to 36c. No. 2 mixed, 34c to 35c. Rejected 33c to 34c. Samples, 33c to 37c.

FLOUR, Patents, \$6 to \$6.65, Straights, \$5.50 to \$6.00. Clears, \$5.25 to \$5.50.

CHICAGO.

The grain market held firm during the week with an inclination to advance. The intention is evidently to make a corner in January corn, and the chances are that it will be effected. Pork and lard were irregular but held firm at a slight advance. Oats also showed a slight advance.

On Tuesday wheat was rather quiet, corn strong and oats slightly firmer. Pork and lard were a shade lower. Quotations near the close were as follows:

Wheat, January,	53½c,	February	98½c
Corn,	62½c,	"	55½c
Oats,	36½c,	"	36½c
Pork,	17.40,	"	17.50,
Lard,	10.65,	"	10.72

On Wednesday wheat made a decided change and corn made a sharp advance, oats also being firmer. Pork and lard were comparatively unchanged. The following were quotations near the close:

Wheat January,	\$1.0½c,	February	\$1.01c
Corn,	65c,	"	56½c
Oats,	37½c,	"	37½c
Pork,	17.40	"	17.52½
Lard,	10.70,	"	10.77½

On Thursday the grain market was nervous and higher, with numerous fluctuation. Pork and lard were lower a little. Quotations near the close were:

Wheat, January,	\$1.01c,	February,	\$1.01c
Corn,	65½c,	"	56½c
Oats,	37½c,	"	37½c
Pork,	17.30	"	17.40
Lard,	10.65	"	10.75c

On Friday wheat and corn were both strong but not higher. Oats were firm, and pork and lard slightly lower and rather weak. The following were quotations near the close:

Wheat, January,	\$1.01½c,	February,	\$1.01½c
Corn,	65	"	56½c
Oats,	37½	"	37½c
Pork,	\$17.20,	"	\$17.30
Lard,	\$10.60,	"	\$10.70.

On Saturday the following were quotations near the closing of the day's business:

Wheat, January,	\$1.01½c,	February	\$1.01½c.
Corn,	65c,	"	56½c.
Oats,	37½c,	"	37½c.
Pork,	\$17.25,	"	\$17.37½c.
Lard,	\$10.65,	"	\$10.77½c

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

The past week has been one of buoyancy in stock circles, and has done much towards realizing the expectations of a month ago, regarding a steady improvement as 1883 advanced. The slight check to the firm feeling which was evident on Monday morning passed away on Tuesday, and the tendency to advance again set in. Wednesday showed a continuation of the same feeling, and the stock of several banks made material advances. There was a general complaint of a tightness of money, but it did not seem to check the general advance. Many were possessed of the idea that a decline was to be expected, and looked for the same both here and in Montreal, only to be disappointed, and in the afternoon closing bids were as follows: Montreal 203; Ontario 110½; Toronto 180½; Merchants 122; Commerce, 133½; Imperial 139½; Federal 156½; Dominion 200½; Standard 114½; Hamilton 114½; North-west Land Co., after several days of unusual dullness, improved slightly and closed at 42 bid, with holders refusing to let go below 42½.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

There has been an exceedingly active feeling in the grain markets of the past week, and buyers were at all times in humor to take hold. There was a scarcity of almost every class of grain, and in some instances the supply was far from equal to the demand.

FLOUR.

There has been very little change in the price during the week. Some special lots of Superior extra sold as high as \$4.30, but \$4.25 was what was generally asked and \$4.20 bid. The feeling has been rather quiet.

WHEAT.

The demand has been lively with an upward tendency; No. 2 Fall was worth 94c, and No. 3 could not be had on Wednesday at 91c. Spring was very scarce and sold freely when offered at 97c for No. 1; 95c for No. 2, and 92c for No. 3. Goose sold on the streets at 90c to 91c.

OATS.

Were scarce, but did not differ much in price from the previous week. The range was from 40c to 41c, although some street lots brought 42c.

BARLEY.

Has continued steady, with offerings small. Prices varied very little during the week, and were as follows: No. 1 77c; No. 2 72c; No. 3 extra 63c; No. 3, 51c to 52c.

POTATOES.

Were in active demand, and car lots sold as high as 65c.

BUTTER.

There has been but little demand during the week for shipping lots. Choice dairy was worth from 19c to 21c. Good store packed sold at 15c. Inferior were not wanted, but were offered at 12½c to 13½c.

EGGS.

Have been rather scarce, and have sold freely when offered. Prices have ranged: Fresh 25c in round lots; limed 22c to 23c.