

New York Wheat.

New York, Feb. 14.—Wheat receipts, 71,225 bushels; exports, 39,824 bushels; sales, 2,275,000 bushels futures; 24,000 bushels spot. Spot steady; No. 2 red, \$1.03 3-4 to \$1.04 1-4 f.o.b. afloat spot; No. 1 Northern, Duluth, \$1.10 f.o.b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, \$1.09 3-4 f.o.b. afloat spot. No. 1 hard, Duluth, \$1.11 1-4 f.o.b. afloat to arrive. Options opened easy at 1-4c decline, following cables and advanced sharply on covering inspired by large clearances and bullish Argentine news. There was an irregular decline based on disappointing export demand, with a final slight rally on a scare of shorts, closed unsettled at 1-8c net decline. No. 2 red f.o.b. closed \$1.02 3-4; March, \$1.02 1-2 to \$1.02 3-4, closed \$1.02 3-4; May, 97 3-4 to 98 5-8c, closed 98 1-4; July, 89 3-4 to 90 3-8c, closed 90 1-4c.

New York, Feb. 15.—Wheat receipts, 84,175 bushels; exports, 16,272 bushels; sales, 5,355,000 bushels futures; 120,000 spot. Spot steady. No. 2 red, \$1.05 3-8 f.o.b. afloat spot; No. 1 Northern, Duluth, \$1.10 7-8 f.o.b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, \$1.10 3-8 f.o.b. afloat spot. No. 1 hard, Duluth, \$1.11 7-8 f.o.b. afloat to arrive. Options opened strong at 1-4 cent advance on higher cables and further improved on nervous covering, inspired by strength in Chicago, May wheat, which crossed New York prices. An afternoon reaction under long selling and smaller export demand was followed by a second short scare, and the close was firm at 1-4 to 5-8c net advance. No. 2 red, Feb., closed \$1.03 1-4; March, \$1.03 1-2 to \$1.03 1-2; closed \$1.03 1-2; May, 98 1-4 to 99 7-16c, closed 98 7-8c; July, 90 3-16c to 91, closed 90 1-2.

New York, Feb. 16.—Wheat:—Receipts 15,725 bushels; exports 41,616 bushels; sales 5,455,000 bushels futures, 232,000 bushels spot. Spot firm. No. 2 red \$1.06 to \$1.06 3-8, No. 1 Northern Duluth \$1.11 7-8 to arrive; No. 1 hard Manitoba, \$1.11; No. 1 hard Duluth \$1.12 7-8. Option: opened strong at 1-2 to 5-8 advance on renewed activity among shorts based on May corner at Chicago. Local traders were bearish and fought the advance, causing a mid-day reversion, but were finally run in by a second sensational advance at Chicago. Prices closed strong and 1c to 2 3-4c net higher, the latter on July. On the curb May jumped to \$1.00 1-2; No. 2 red Feb. \$1.06 1-8 to \$1.06 1-4, closed \$1.05 1-8; March \$1.04 3-4 to \$1.05 3-8, closed \$1.05 3-8; May 98 7-8c to 99 7-8c, closed 99 7-8c; July 90 5-8c to 93 1-8c, closed 93 1-3c.

New York, Feb. 17.—Wheat receipts, 31,450 bushels; exports, 114,298 bushels; sales, 3,605,000 bushels futures; 116,000 bushels spot. Spot steady; No. 2 red, \$1.08 1-8 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 Northern, Duluth, \$1.13 1-8 f.o.b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, \$1.12 5-8 f.o.b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 hard, Duluth, \$1.14 1-8. Options opened stronger at 1 5-8c to 2c advance, influenced by better foreign news and a bad scare of shortage. Foreign houses traded both ways. The Havana news had no important effect. No. 2 red, March, \$1.06 1-2 to \$1.07 7-8, closed \$1.06 7-8; May, \$1.00 7-8 to \$1.01 1-4, closed \$1.01 1-8; July, 93 1-2c to 95c, closed 94 1-4c.

New York, Feb. 18.—Wheat. Receipts: 9,250, sales 4,485,000 bushels futures 32,000 spot. Spot steady, No. 2 red \$1.06 3-4 f.o.b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 Northern Duluth \$1.12 1-4 f.o.b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 hard Manitoba \$1.12 1-4 f.o.b. afloat; No. 1 hard Duluth \$1.13 3-4 f.o.b. afloat to arrive. Options opened weaker at a partial 3-4 to 7-8 decline, following heavy Argentine shipments and unsatisfactory cables. They declined further on liquidation, but rallied in the last hour on reported heavy freight room engagements for Letter wheat and bullish Argentine crops news. Closed steady at 1-4 to 1 1-4 not decline. No. 2 red

March \$1.05 3-4 to \$1.06 7-8, closed \$1.06 1-4; May \$1.00 to \$1.01, closed \$1.00 3-4; July 92 1-2 to 93 1-2, closed 93.

On Saturday, February 19, No. 2 red wheat closed at \$1.02 7-8 for May option, and 95c July.

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 for mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 60 pounds.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, Feb., \$1; May, 98 1-4c; July, 85 1-4c.

Corn, Feb. 28 5-8c; May, 30 1-4 to 3-8c; July, 31 1-2c.

Oats, May, 26 1-4c; July, 24c.

Mess pork, May, \$10.95; July, \$10.97 1-2.

Lard, May, \$5.20, July, \$5.30.

Short ribs, May, \$5.32 1-2; July, \$5.40.

Chicago, Feb. 15.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, Feb., 99 3-8c; Feb., \$1; July, 85 3-4c.

Corn, May, 30 3-4c to 7-8c, July, 31 7-8c to 32c; Sept., 33c.

Oats, May, 27 1-8c to 1-4c; July, 24 1-2 cents.

Pork, May, \$11.15, July, \$11.15.

Lard, May, \$5.20, July, \$5.27 1-2.

Ribs, May, \$5.32 1-2, July, \$5.40.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—Feb. \$1.04 1-4, May \$1.03 1-4, July 89 1-2c.

Corn—May 31 1-4c to 3-8c, July 32 1-2c, Sept. 33 5-8c.

Oats—May 27 5-8c, July 24 3-4c to 7-8c.

Mess pork—May \$11.10, July \$11.10.

Lard—May \$5.77 1-2, July \$5.25.

Short ribs—May \$5.27 1-2, July \$5.35.

Chicago, Feb. 17.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat, No. 2 red, May, \$1.04 1-8; July, 99 cents.

Corn, No. 2, May, 30 7-8c to 31c; July, 32 1-8c; Sept., 33 3-8c.

Oats, No. 2, May, 27 1-8c; July, 24 1-2 cents.

Mess pork, May, \$11.07 1-2, July, \$11.05.

Lard, May, \$5.17 1-2; July, \$5.22 1-2.

Short ribs, May, \$5.25; July, \$5.32 1-2.

Chicago, Feb. 18.—The leading futures closed as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 May \$1.03 1-2; July 89 5-8.

Corn—No. 2 May 30 1-2 to 30 5-8; July 31 5-8 to 31 3-4; Sept. 32 7-8.

Oats—No. 2 May 26 3-8 July 24 1-3.

Mess pork—May \$10.95, July \$10.95.

Lard—May \$5.20, July \$5.27 1-2.

Short ribs—May \$5.25, July \$5.32 1-2.

On Saturday, February 19, May wheat opened at \$1.03 1-2 and ranged up to \$1.09. The market was a wild one, varying 1 cent at a time, between sales. Closing prices were:

Wheat—May, \$1.06; July, 92c; Sept., 92 1-8c.

Corn—Feb., 29 5-8c; May, 31 1-8c.

Oats—Feb., 26 5-8c; May, 27 1-8c.

Pork—May, \$11.02 1-2; July, \$11.

Lard—May, \$5.20; July, \$5.30.

Ribs—May, \$5.27 1-2; July, \$5.32 1-2.

Flax Seed—Cash, \$1.27; May, \$1.28.

A week ago May option closed at 97 3-4c. A year ago May wheat closed at 76 1-2c, two years ago at 64 5-8c, and three years ago at 53c.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

On Saturday, February 19, No. 1 Northern wheat closed at 98 1-4c for May option, 97 3-8c for July and 80c for September.

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Feb. 19.

Dry Goods—Business in all lines is increasingly active. Values, particularly in woolen goods and heavy cottons are very firm. Large numbers of orders from Manitoba and the Pacific coast for staples. Flour sacks have advanced. Makers have agreed to a schedule of prices. Remittances are improving and there are fewer failures. Larger cash sales reported this week.

Groceries—Sugars are slow; other groceries active. Stocks of Ceylon teas at 12 1-2 and 13 cents are exhausted. Heavy demand from Manitoba and British Columbia for canned vegetables. One thousand cases of tomatoes sold at \$1.15.

Hardware—The hardware trade is improving with a good demand from the west. Shelf hardware and metals are firm; sisal and manilla rope have been advanced 1-2c.

Produce—Grain markets very active and firm. A private letter received here says Ogilvie bought thirty thousand bushels No. 1 hard wheat afloat Fort William at 98, May delivery. Manitoba wheat dearer. Manitoba flour 40c higher. Millfeed 50c higher; Rye two cents up. Oats cent and half dearer.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—May 95 3-8c, July 94c.

Tuesday—May 95 5-8c, July 93 3-4c.

Wednesday—May 98c, July 96c.

Thursday—May 98 3-4c, July 97 1-4.

Friday—May 98 3-8c, July 97c.

Saturday—May, \$1; July 98c.

Cash, No. 1 hard closed on Saturday at \$1.01 1-2, and cash No. 1 Northern at \$1.01 1-2.

Last week May options closed at 98 3-8c.

A year ago May options closed at 76 1-2c, and two years ago at 61 7-8c, three years ago May option closed at 57 7-8c, and four years ago closed at 60 3-8c.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

The market is irregular to-day, (Saturday) with 98 to 98 1-2c quoted for No. 1 hard, afloat Fort William.

BUSINESS IN ONTARIO.

Special to The Commercial.
Toronto, Feb. 18.—Business moved greatly since last week, but a heavy snow storm on Tuesday checked the movement in spring goods and caused quite a serious set back. Orders during the first part of the week were very numerous and the wholesale dry goods houses have been busy day and night shipping out goods. The mills are all very busy and it is difficult now to get prompt delivery of cottons, cottonades, linens, grey cottons and woollens. Two of the mills working on blankets have sufficient orders now to keep them busy for the next six months. The Canadian tweed manufacturers are selling more goods than ever before. A year ago many of them went to great expense in having their looms altered in order to turn out 6-4 cloths instead of the 3-4 sort formerly turned out, the change being made to compete with the English goods. Their enterprise has been well rewarded.

The Ontario rolling mills, at Hamilton, Ontario, were destroyed by fire recently. About 230 men are thrown out of employment.