

collapse of other markets there was decided weakness here and 70 1-2c was all that buyers would pay for basis 1 hard spot after the United States markets closed. Yesterday the tone revived and spot 1 hard was sought for at \$71 1-2c. Closing prices yesterday were: 1 hard 71 1-2c, 2 hard and 1 northern 67 1-2c; 3 hard, 2 northern and 1 spring, 64c; scoured 1 and 2 hard and 1 northern, 65c. These prices are for wheat in store Fort William, delivery on or before Nov. 15. There are a good many cars of tough and damp wheat now arriving at Fort William. There is as yet no settled market price for this class of wheat. The Canadian Pacific Railway company is putting a drying or curing plant into their Port Arthur elevator, which will have a capacity for treating 50 cars per day by means of hot air. It is expected to be ready for work in about two weeks. As soon as a few cars have been treated, samples of the treated wheat will be distributed to the trade, and prices will be fixed according to market value.

FLOUR—Quotations are the same as last week. Prices here to retail dealers are as follows: \$2.05 for patent, \$1.85 for strong bakers, \$1.45 for second bakers and \$1.15 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs. Discount of 5c per sack net.

MILLEED—Prices steady. Bran is quoted at \$9 and shorts at \$11 per ton for small lots, with large lots at 50c to \$1 per ton less as to quantity.

GROUND FEED—Chop feed is quoted at \$15 to \$16 per ton as to quality. Oil cake is quoted at \$26 to \$27 per ton.

WHEAT—The price to retail dealers has advanced 5c per sack to \$1.85 to \$1.90, owing to the advance at the mills south. Manitoba millers hope to be able to supply the local markets shortly, when prices will be lower. Only a hand to mouth business is doing now.

OATS—Supplies have been coming forward more freely and the market is decidedly easier. So far prices have been far above a shipping basis and the supply has been barely equal to the local demand. Local dealers, however, are now getting a little stock ahead and they are less keen to buy. Cars have been quoted this week at 28 to 30c per bushel of 34 pounds on track here, and any considerable increase in offerings would cause a further drop. In fact buyers are not now bidding over 20c on cars in the country, equal to 25 to 27c on track here. The market will depend on offerings. If supplies should exceed local wants, much lower prices would rule.

BARLEY—A few cars of feed barley have been offered, and this quality is quoted at 28 to 30c per bushel of 48 pounds on track here, with an easier tendency. Maltng barley is very scarce. A car of rather poor quality sold at 33c on track here, and 34 to 35c would be paid for good samples.

WHEAT—Local market — Farmers have been offering a number of loads of damp wheat here, which have been taken for chicken feed, etc., at 30 to 35c per bushel. Only a limited quantity can be disposed of in this way.

BUTTER—Creamery—The market is firm, at about the same prices as quoted last week. For fresh late made goods about 20c has been paid. Held lots of earlier make are quoted at 18 to 19c as to quality.

BUTTER—Dairy—The market is firm at 15 to 15 1-2c here as to quality for choice lots of fresh goods.

CHEESE—The market is quoted the same as last week. We quote 83-1 to 9c for Manitoba cheese, to factories. There is a demand for small sizes at a premium over large cheese.

EGGS—Receipts are practically nil. About 18c would be paid here for receipts of fresh, if offered. Cold storage stock has been selling to the retail trade at 18 to 19c per dozen; pickled stock at 17c and fresh at 20c. Eastern eggs are now offering in this market.

POULTRY—Dealers report an active demand for all kinds of poultry, and shippers may rely upon getting good prices for anything in this line which they may have to sell. Prices this week are as follows: Dressed chickens, mixed lots, 10c per lb.; selected, 12c; turkeys, 12c; ducks, 10c.

GAME—Plentiful and in good demand at following prices: Mallard ducks, 30c to 40c per pair; canvas backs, 35c to 50c; smaller varieties 20 to 25 per pair. Wavys and small geese, 40 to 50c each; large geese, 60c each; rabbits, 7 to 8c each.

DRESSED MEATS—Pork continues downward in price, though the supply is still limited. Packers will not bid over 6c for dressed hogs here, but butchers have been paying 61-2c. As soon as the supply exceeds the demand from butchers, prices will drop to figures offered by packers. Mutton holds steady. Beef unchanged; 5 to 5 1-4c is the general price for good beef. Mutton, 7 to 7 1-2c; lamb, 8c; veal, large calves are plentiful at 4 1-2 to 5c; real veal, 61-2 to 7c.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes hold at 35 to 40c per bushel; turnips, 15 to 20c bushel; parsnips, 11-2c per lb.; carrots, 35 to 40c; beets, 35 to 40c per bushel; celery, 25 per dozen; cabbage, 25 to 60c per dozen; onions, 30c to \$1 per bushel; Spanish onions, \$2 per crate.

HIDES—The market is easier, owing to the lower tendency in the United States and eastern markets. The price of city hides holds at 7c for No. 1, as contracts have been made at this price for the month. Country hides are now coming as frozen stock, as the weather is too cold to cure hides except in a building where they will not freeze. Country butchers' hides are quoted at 6 to 6 1-2c here flat 5 lbs tare. We quote Hides No. 1 7c; No. 2 6c; No. 3, 5c. Brandled hides usually grade No. 2 and bulls No. 3; kip, 6c to 7c; calf, 5c; deacon skins, 15c to 25c each; sheepskins and lambskins, 30 to 50c; horse hides, 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

WOOL—Nominal, 5c to 8 1-2c per lb. **SENECA ROOT**—Nominal at 20 to 21c.

HAY—There has been a large demand for baled hay recently to supply camps in the lumber woods. Offerings have been limited and \$8 to \$8.50 has been paid for car lots on track here. Loose hay on the street market has sold at \$8 to \$10 per ton for farmers' loads.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—The export movement keeps up, but the shipping season for fat cattle will close in about ten days, though a few shipments may be made a little later. The feature of the market is the weakness in stocker cattle. Shipments of Manitoba stocker cattle have been going steadily along to the United States for some time, but it is said that recent

shipments have not paid expenses and cost of the animals owing to the lower markets south. Mr. Blunderfield, a Winnipeg shipper, who returned this week from the south, where he had taken a lot of Manitoba cattle, said that Manitoba cattle sold at St. Paul as low as had been paid for them here. He says that 2c is all that can be paid for stockers here now, to make it safe to ship. This will knock out the stocker trade, and it will not be any loss to the country either. Fat cattle are easier, but prices are not materially changed. The best will bring 3c off cars here, and common cattle from 2c upward.

MILCH COWS—The good demand for milch cows continues and there are no new developments in the market. Cows are scarce and readily bring from \$35 to \$50 apiece, the latter price being an extreme one for exceptionally good animals. These prices are for new milkers.

HORSES—The market is a little quieter this week, although the feeling is good and prices continue at the figures given in these columns for some weeks back. Now that winter has apparently set in it may be expected that there will be a good demand for horses for the bush. Prices being paid this week range all the way from \$50 up.

HOGS—Offerings of live hogs continue very light. Farmers are too busy to market hogs, and as they have lots of feed grain now, they will be in no hurry to market, and will likely feed up to heavier weights than usual. A few have been taken at 5 1-4c off cars here. The tendency, however, is easier, and a 5c market is expected shortly, as packers will not bid over 5c off cars here, and butchers will not be in the market for many live hogs after this date, as they will be supplied with country dressed stock.

Sheep—Sheep are steady at 3 to 3 1-2c as to quality, the latter price being for straight bunches of good weathers. 3 1-2 to 4 1-4c is quoted for lambs. A few car loads are arriving, but local buyers have about all their wants contracted for, for the season.

Freight Rates.

Ocean rates are strong at 5d on grain from New York to Liverpool.

On November 10 the rates on wheat was advanced 2c per 100 lbs from Chicago to New York.

The through rate on wheat from Chicago to Liverpool is 17 1-2c per bushel, and corn 17 1-4c. Flour is 32.69 to 34.69c per 100 lbs.

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