

GRAIN AND MILLING.

FLAX SEED MOVEMENT.

The shipments of flaxseed from the Argentine are larger than last year or in the previous season, but the receipts from the Black Sea, India, and from some other foreign sources are comparatively light, says the Minneapolis Market Record. There is said to be scarcity of seed in the hands of first sellers in Europe and owing to the general firmness, prices in London have recently been very firm, and seed in the northwest, for September have advanced 3 to 4 cents since the first part of August. Some cheap seed was offered abroad and taken from Russia a few weeks ago, but prices have hardened since and more money is asked. On the continent of Europe trading is said to be much restricted for the want of sellers, particularly of Indian shipments. New seed is not yet available for export from this country but for later along in the season Europe is looking to this country for larger shipments than usual, owing to the belief in a large crop for the northwest. It is possible that such expectations may not be fully realized. The crop is a large one but it is now apparent that it will not reach the proportions that some estimators give it. The Roumanian crops are largely reduced from previous seasons as a large portion of the area seeded was lost last spring and the ground used for other purposes. Kansas, as well as the northwest has a full crop this year which will probably swell the exports for the season to twice the exports of a year ago. The American shipments do not assume important proportions until early in September. It is believed that considerable sales have been made to go abroad. Such sales as yet not having been made public the extent of them can hardly be approximated.

GRAIN AND MILLING NOTES.

The Grenfell Milling Co., of Grenfell, Assa., have taken over the implement business of Coy & Powell, at that place.

Efforts are being made to have another grain elevator erected at Elkhorn, Man., with a capacity of 25,000 bushels.

It is reported that Sandison, the bonanza farmer of Brandon district of 15 years ago, who left there under a financial cloud, and has since been in South Africa, is returning for the purpose of paying his now outlawed debts.

A number of officials in the employ of the city of Winnipeg are getting increases in their salaries.

The Minneapolis Produce Exchange has issued an official notice stating that it will prosecute all shippers who send dairy butter or the lower grades to that market filled with a preparation to make it weigh more. The practice is contrary to state law. The "doctor" as the preparation is called makes the butter weigh nearly twice as much as in its natural state.

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Statistical Wheat Report.

WHEAT IN CANADA.

Stocks of wheat in Canada at principal points of accumulation are reported as follows:

| | |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Montreal | 101,000 |
| Toronto | 91,000 |
| Kingston | 35,000 |
| Coteau, Que. | 138,000 |
| Depot Harbor, Ont. | 12,000 |
| Prescott, Ont. | 20,000 |
| Winnipeg | 241,000 |
| Manitoba elevators | 810,000 |
| Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin | 2,054,000 |

Total Aug. 12 ... 3,562,000

Total a year ago ... 760,000

BRADSTREET'S REPORT OF STOCKS.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada, as reported by Bradstreet's on Aug. 12, were 48,503,000 bushels.

Total stocks in the United States and Canada a year ago were 9,892,000 bushels, according to Bradstreet's report.

Pacific coast wheat stocks on August 1 were 4,188,000 bushels, compared with 2,608,000 bushels a year ago.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The Chicago visible supply statement of stocks in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains, for the week ended Aug. 19, was 36,207,000 bushels, being a decrease of 99,000 bushels for the week. A year ago the visible supply was 5,850,000 bushels, two years ago 10,729,000 bushels, three years ago 45,189,000 bushels, and four years ago 35,088,000 bushels.

STOCKS OF OATS AND CORN.

The visible supply of oats in the United States and Canada, east of the Rocky Mountains is 4,039,000 bushels, compared with 2,910,000 bushels a year ago. The visible supply of corn is 7,965,000 bushels, compared with 16,123,000 bushels a year ago, according to the Chicago statement.

WORLD'S WHEAT STOCKS.

Stocks of wheat in America and Europe and afloat for Europe on Aug. 1 in each year for a series of years, were as follows—Bradstreet's report:

| | Bushels. |
|------|-------------|
| 1899 | 119,110,000 |
| 1898 | 59,733,000 |
| 1897 | 64,040,000 |
| 1896 | 108,331,000 |
| 1895 | 140,417,000 |

CROP MOVEMENT.

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States spring wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, Aug. 1, 1899, to date compared with the same period of last year:

| | This crop. | Last crop. |
|-------------|------------|------------|
| Minneapolis | 1,868,970 | 2,017,090 |
| Milwaukee | 424,000 | 413,045 |
| Duluth | 1,158,080 | 143,501 |
| Chicago | 1,352,398 | 1,503,339 |

Total ... 4,802,328 4,076,975

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal United States winter wheat markets, from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1899, to date, compared with the same period of last year:

| | This crop. | Last crop. |
|-------------|------------|------------|
| Toledo | 6,769,195 | 4,103,039 |
| St. Louis | 3,237,649 | 1,024,058 |
| Detroit | 622,279 | 938,251 |
| Kansas City | 2,822,555 | 4,481,800 |

Total ... 13,451,678 11,492,148

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