

pound; zinc scrap, 1c per pound; rags, country mixed, 50c per cwt; clean, dry bones, 30c per cwt; rubber boots and shoes free from acetates and rivets, 6c per lb. Good quart beer bottles are worth 25 to 30c per dozen; pints 10c per dozen; square gin bottles, 30 to 35c per dozen.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT—Stronger markets is the record of the wheat trade the past week, for a gradual advance in prices has taken place daily since Monday, resulting in a gain of fully 2c per bushel in the Chicago market, and 1c per bushel in New York. Spot wheat in Liverpool did not respond to the quickening movement until yesterday, when it was in better demand and price improved equal to about 1-2c per bushel. The principal cause of the advance seems to be the demand for September wheat in Chicago, to fill short sales of this month's option. Contract wheat for September delivery there, has advanced 3c per bushel on the week, against 2c for December and May, and yesterday Chicago September closed at 74 1-2c, while New York September closed at 74 1-2c, only 1-2c more for the same wheat, although the freight to carry it from Chicago to New York is fully 5c per bushel. No doubt the sentiment caused by the situation between Great Britain and the Transvaal has a tendency to stiffen the market, but this alone does not fully account for the present advance. The improvement in price does not as yet seem to stimulate the demand for actual wheat. Lake freights continue high and vessel space scarce, which hinders the trade a good deal and there seems little expectation of any improvement in the freight situation this side of the close of navigation. Primary receipts in the States are large and are reflected in the large increase last week in the American visible supply, amounting to 3,171,000 bushels. The total supply now stands at 39,896,000 bushels against 10,188,000 bushels same date last year. The world's shipments last week were 6,165,000 bushels, and the increase in the world's visible supply was 6,098,000 bushels. This week the Argentine shipments are heavy, 1,300,000 bushels against nothing last year, and the American exports from both coasts for this week are also large, 4,630,765 bushels. The above statistics showing large increases in visible reserve stocks, and liberal current shipments from exporting countries are not calculated to advance the value of wheat in the near future, however much the short interest in Chicago September wheat may excite that market in the meantime in their attempts to cover. The local market has followed the advance in Chicago and the price of 1 hard has risen about 2c per bus. on the week. On Monday and Tuesday spot wheat Fort William commanded 67 3-4c per bus. for 1 hard, and by Thursday the price was 68 1-2c, and yesterday after beginning at 68 1-2c in the morning, it gradually rose to 69 1-2c after outside markets closed. The situation is firm in the meantime, and while the demand is not extensive, it is good. Wheat en route to Fort William, which has passed Winnipeg, sells for the same price as spot wheat. For October delivery sales were made yesterday from 68 1-4c up to 69 1-2c for 1 hard, tional, 2 hard and 1 northern are although the latter price was except 3c less than 1 hard. 3 hard and 2 northern are 7c less than 1 hard,

and 1 frosted 6c under 3 hard. Old 1 hard sells at 11-2c less than new. Dried wheat is practically out of the market. Wheat in store Duluth sells for 1-2c less than in store Fort William.

FLOUR—Ogilvie's Hungarian patent is worth \$1.75; Glenora, \$1.55; Manitoba strong bakers, \$1.35; XXXX, 95c; Lake of the Woods patent, \$1.75; strong bakers, \$1.55; second bakers, \$1.35. XXXX, \$1.05 per sack of 98 pounds, delivered in Winnipeg.

MILLFEED—Bran is quoted at \$10.50 per ton and shorts at \$12.50. Stocks are very light.

GROUND FEED—Best grades of corn feed \$19, inferior grades \$17.50. Oat chop \$22 for best. Mixed feed of barley and oats, \$20 per ton. Oil cake \$24 per ton.

OATS—Carlots of oats are arriving more freely and the price has declined again this week, 28 to 30c is now the prevailing quotation for cars on track Winnipeg. Deliveries at country points while sufficient to keep the market fairly well supplied are not by any means liberal. Farmers are too busy to bother drawing out oats yet and would rather devote themselves to more pressing work even if they have to sell at much lower prices later on. This fact is helping to keep up the price as deliveries would probably drop off altogether if too low a level was adopted by buyers.

CORN—Cars of corn are still arriving occasionally, 40 1-2c was paid for a carlot on track Winnipeg on Friday.

BARLEY—The market is dull. Dealers do not want to pay more than 28 to 30c for new barley in cars here.

HAY—Baled hay on track is worth \$5.50 to \$6.50 per ton. The demand has brightened up this week. The quality of offerings is not extra good as the hay has been left in the fields too long consequently does not press up nicely.

COUNTRY WHEAT—55 to 56c is being paid to farmers at Manitoba country points, according to freights between 200 and 300 carloads per day has been received at country elevators.

FLAX—The market for flax has opened at 80c per bushel to farmers at country points, and a few loads have already been delivered. This price is for clean, new seed and is an advance of 15c over what was paid last year. At 80c flaxseed should pay the farmer very well. The seed is showing, so far, much better quality than last year when it was damp and dirty.

OATMEAL—Carlots of oatmeal on track Winnipeg are worth \$1.65 per sack of 80 pounds. Some cars of new meal have been handled this week at that figure, which is the price paid by wholesale firms to the brokers.

BUTTER—Creamery—Factories have been getting 20c this week for choice creamery butter put up in boxes. This is an advance of 1c over a week ago. The demand exceeds the supply.

BUTTER—Dairy—For finest dairy 14c is the price now offered by commission houses, net rate. For round lots from 12 to 14c is paid according to quality and age.

CHEESE—Buyers are paying 11 to 11 1-2c and selling at 12 1-2 to 13c per pound.

EGGS—16c is being paid for candled eggs delivered at Winnipeg.

VEGETABLES—Deliveries of potatoes are small as yet, but digging will commence on a more active scale next week and the market will then be filled

up. No change in prices has occurred since our last report. The hard frost of Thursday night finished vegetable plants effectually. We quote prices to-day as follows: Choice new potatoes, 25c per bushel; peppers, 10 to 20c per dozen; citron, 11-2 to 2c per pound; carrots, 45c per bushel; turnips, 20c per bushel; parsnips, \$1.00 per bushel; green onions, 10c per dozen bunches; cauliflower, 40 to 50c per dozen; tomatoes, native, 21-2c per pound, cucumbers, 10 to 20c per dozen; cabbage, 25 to 35c per dozen; celery, 20 to 25c per dozen bunches; pumpkins, 11-2 to 2c per pound; squash, 1c per pound for ordinary, 2c for Hubbard; marrow, 30 to 50c per dozen.

HIDES—We quote: Inspected hides, No. 1, 7c; No. 2, 6c; No. 3, 5c; Branded hides grade No. 2 and bulls No. 3; kip, 6 to 6 1-2c; calf, 8c; deakin skins, 55 to 55c each; shearling sheepskins, 10 to 20c; horsehides, 50 to 75c each.

WOOL—7 to 8c per pound will be paid for mixed lots.

SENECA ROOT—Very little root is coming in. One or two lots is all we have heard of this week. The price is now up to 30c delivered at Winnipeg, for round lots of root. Business seems to be about over for the season as diggers have found more profitable work in the harvest fields lately. About all the root now to come in is some lots which have been held for high prices.

DRESSED MEAT—We quote prices as follows: Beef, good to choice, 6 to 7c mutton, 9 to 10c; lamb, 10 to 11c; veal, 7 1-2 to 9c; pork, 7c per pound.

POULTRY AND GAME—Quotations are: Fowl 55 to 60c per pair; spring chickens 35 to 50c per pair; ducks 60c per pair; geese 60 to 75c each; turkeys, 11c per pound; wild ducks, 25 to 40c per pair according to size and variety.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Export cattle are moving freely and shipments have been large this week. Choice export cattle are worth from 31-1 to 31-2c off cars here and butchers' cattle 3 to 31-4c. There are no stockers moving.

SHEEP—Some loads of western sheep have come in and are quoted at 4 to 4 1-2c per pound.

HOGS—Deliveries are very light and will be for a few weeks yet, until farmers have more time for marketing. We quote 4 3-4 to 5c per pound here, the latter price for good bacon hogs. Extra choice hogs are worth 5 1-8c and this figure has been paid for some.

MILCH COWS—Good new milkers are worth from \$30 upwards in the city.

HORSES—There is a good demand for work horses, and from \$100 upwards is freely paid for these.

A large deposit of coal is said to have been discovered near Dawson City, Yukon.

C. P. R. traffic receipts for the week ending Sept. 14th, were \$563,000; for the same week last year these were \$511,000.

Scarcity of vessels still seriously menaces the coal trade of the western states. Stocks at lake ports are nothing like what they ought to be.

M. Aldous, of the Hudson's Bay company's land department, Winnipeg, arrived home on Monday from a 626 mile drive across country from Edmonton to Yorkton.