

CHICAGO MARKET.

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REVIEW OF THE WEEK.

The wheat market this week though ending with 69½ as high for May wheat an advance of ½ or ¾ on Friday's prices last week, has been duller and lower generally throughout the week. Before yesterday, the high price for this option did not once come up to the 68½ of the week before, and on Tuesday it sank as low as 67½, the lowest for the week. Advance began on Wednesday and became something of a bulge on Thursday. Higher Liverpool cables, a predicted cold wave in the West; report of good foreign acceptances, and more serious damage caused to the French crop were among the causes contributing to the ¼c advance. American visibles, though showing a decrease of over one million bushels had some, but very little influence in causing the advance, because European visibles, as stated by Beerbohm, show increase more than 600,000 bushels as compared with last year. The American visible supplies have no longer a monopoly in furnishing bull or bear market influences, Argentine and Australia with their great supplies make very large bulges almost impossibilities.

Corn held firm all week and on Wednesday and Thursday in sympathy with the strong wheat market advanced ½ to 33½ for May. Oats acted similarly, ending the week with a gain of ¼c for the May variety, which sold yesterday at 23¾. As usual at this season the uncertainties of the weather have produced some damage to crops and given occasion to anticipations of more damage. In the case of the French crops at least the damage is believed to have been really serious.

Provision market, especially in Pork, has been particularly strong. The total gain in the high for May Pork is 35 cents, the advance beginning as early as Tuesday and reaching on Thursday to 11.30.

Lard, at 6.20 for May, shows an advance of from 17 to 20 cents and Short Ribs sharing in the general movement gained 17 cents, the May variety selling on Thursday from \$6 to \$6.12.

Wheat at Liverpool opened this morning with a loss at 6d and closed without any change; spot firm; futures steady.

Opening March, May, July, 5-10½, 5-10½, 5-10½, closing 5-10½, 5-10½, 5-10½.

Argentine shipments 912,000.

Present visible supply wheat in chief ports of Argentine 6,256,000 bushels compared with 2,208,000 a year ago.

Corn 720,000 compared with 786,000 a year ago.

Our Argentine agent confirms the report of The London Times yesterday re the damage to the corn crop.

New York wheat opened at an advance of ½c, ¾c March and May. Movements in earlier sales were downward.

There was a strong opening in the Chicago market and good realizing, this caused a break of ½ cent in wheat; the demand was good at 68½. Think long side, on all soft spots is the safest, as we are in season of crop scares.

Corn—Although not very active, is strong and there seems to be a good deal wanted around 38½.

Oats were less active, yet they show some signs of working higher.

	CLOSING PRICES FEB. 3 TO FEB. 8.							TO-DAY'S PRICES.			
	3	5	6	7	8	Openin.	Highest	Lowest	Closing		
Wheat—											
Feb.	68½ N	68 A									
May ..	69½ B	69½ A	67½ A	67½ A	69½ B	68½-1½	68½	68½	68½	68½ A	
July ..	69½ B	69	69½ B	69	69½ B	69½-1	69½	69½	69½	69½ B	
Corn—											
Feb ..	30½ N										
May ..	33½ B	33½ A	33½ A	33½ B	33½ A	33½-1	33½	33½	33½	33½ A	
July ..	33½ A	34	33½ A	34½ B	34½ A	34½	34½	34½	34½	34½ A	
Oats—											
Feb ..	23½ N										
May ..	23½ A	23½	23½ B	24	23½ B	23½	23½	23½	23½	23½ B	
July ..	22½	22½	23½ A	22½	22½	22½	22½	22½	22½	22½	
Pork—											
Feb ..	10.75 N										
May ..	10.95 A	10.87	10.95-97	11.1	10.20	11.20-30	10.30	10.07	10.10 A		
July ..	10.97	10.92	11.02	11.2 B	10.25 A	11.15-17	11.20	11.15	11.15 A		
Lard—						17					
March ..	5.97 N										
May ..	6.07	6.05	6.10 B	6.12	6.17 B	6.15-17.6	6.17-20	6.20	6.10-12	6.12	
July ..	6.15 B	6.12	6.17 B	6.22	6.25 A	6.25-27	6.25-27	6.20	6.20 B		
Short ribs—											
Feb ..	58½ N										
May ..	5.90-2	5.87-90	5.92 B	6.00-2	6.10	6.10-12	6.10-12	6.02-05	6.05		
July ..	5.95 B	5.90-2	5.90 B	5.92 B	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.05	6.07		

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES.

STOCKS.	Shares Par Value	CAPITAL.		Rest as per Last Statement.	Div. per cent.	Buy- ers Last half year.
		Paid up.	Surplus			
MISCELLANEOUS.						
British America	50	750,000	\$79,381	3½	12½	
Western Assurance	40	1,000,000	1296,743	5	159½	
Canada Life	400	125,000		10	536	
Confederation Life Association	100	100,000		7½	27½	
Imperial Life Assurance Co.	100	450,000	47,821	...	147	
Consumers' Gas	50	1,700,000		2½ qr	218	
Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land Co.	40	400,000		...	64	
Victoria Rolling Stock Co.	5000	60,000	60,000	10	....
Toronto Electric Light Co., Old	100	1,400,000		12	135½	
" " " New		240,000		12	134	
Canadian General Electric Co.	100	900,000	40,000	4	171½	
" " " 20 p.o.	100	300,000		3	104	
Hamilton Electric Light	100	250,000	60,000	1	80	
LOAN and SAVINGS CO.						
British Canadian Ln & Invest. Co.	100	398,481	120,000	3	....
Building and Loan Association	25	750,000	100,000	1	38	
Can. Landed & Nat'l. Inv't. Co.	100	1,004,000	350,000	3	80	
Canada Permanent Ln. & Sav. Co.	50	2,000,000	1,200,000	3	125	
" " 20 per cent		600,000		12	122	
Canadian Savings & Loan Co.	50	734,175	220,000	3	112	
Central Canada Ln. & Sav's Co.	100	875,000	380,000	1½ qr	134	
Dominion Savings and Invest. Soc.	50	325,000	10,000	2½	75	
Freehold: " " 20 per cent	100	930,627	300,000	3	70	
" " " 20 per cent		843,000	.....	3	80	
Hamilton Provident & Inv't Soc.	100	1,100,000	300,000	3	109½	
Huron & Erie Ln. & Savings Co.	50	1,000,000	750,000	4½	177	
" " " 20 per cent		400,000	.....	4½	166	
Imperial Loan & Inv't Co.	100	725,155	180,000	3	80	
Landed Banking & Loan Co.	100	700,000	160,000	3	100	
London & Can. Ln. & Agency Co.	50	700,000	210,000	1½ qr	50	
London Loan Co.	50	631,500	63,000	3	108	
London & Ontario Investment	100	550,000	100,000	3	85	
Manitoba & North-West Loan Co.	100	375,000	50,000	...	45	
North of Scotland Can. Mortg. Co.	£10	730,000	418,533	5	....
Ontario Loan & Debenture Co.	50	1,200,000	490,000	3½	121	
Peoples' Loan & D. Co.	50	599,429	40,000	...	25	
Real Estate Loan Co.	40	373,720	50,000	2	61	
Toronto Savings & Loan	100	600,000	105,000	3	126	
Union Loan & Savings Co.	50	699,020	200,000	1	88	
Western Canada " " 25 per cent	50	1,000,000	770,000	3	....
		500,000		3	95	

* After deducting \$511,982 for reinsurance. † After deducting \$792,049 for reinsurance. This list is compiled from the fortnightly circular issued by the Secretary Toronto Stock Exchange.