

Hides—No. 1, 7c; No. 2, 6 cents; No. 3, 5 cents; calfskins, 8 and 6c; lambskins, 30c for good fresh skins.
 Potatoes—Carlots, 42½ to 45c; broken lots, 60 to 55c.
 Poultry—Turkeys, 8c to 10c, chickens 4 to 10c; fowls, 4 to 6c; ducks, 7 to 9c; geese, 5 to 7c.
 Game—Partridge, firsts, 70c a pair; seconds, 45¢50; deer, carcasses, 4¼¢50c per pound.
 Meats—Beef hinds, 5c to 8c; forecs, 3 to 5c; veal, 4 to 8½c; lamb, 6½ to 7c; mutton, 4½ to 5½c; hogs, carlots, \$8.10 Manitoba, \$8.75.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK MARKET

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Feb. 26.
 At the East End abattoir yesterday receipts were 600 cattle and 60 sheep and lambs.
 A feature of the market was the increased supply of good to choice cattle and as the demand was chiefly for this class of stock buyers did not experience the same difficulty in filling their wants as of late. The demand was fairly good and on the whole trade was active. The tone was steady and prices showed no change. Choice steers sold at 4½ to 4¾c, good at 3½ to 4¼c; fair at 3 to 3¼c; common at 2½ to 2¾c, and inferior at 1½ to 2c per pound. On account of the continued small receipts of sheep a stronger feeling prevailing in the market, and prices ruled ¼c per pound higher. The demand was good and sales were made at 3¼ to 3¾c per pound. The market for lambs was firm at 4½ to 5c per pound. The supply of live hogs at both the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific yards was small again to-day, in consequence, the tone of the market was firm at the recent advance in prices. The demand was good at 6½ to 7c per pound.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS

Montreal, March 1.
 Receipts of live stock at the East End abattoir on Thursday were 600 cattle and 50 sheep and lambs.
 The supply of cattle was larger than on Monday and consisted of common and inferior stock, for which the demand was limited, consequently prices for such were easier, but even at this lower level holders found it difficult to make clearance. Really choice steers were very scarce, in fact the market was bare of such and buyers stated that they were willing to pay 4½ to 5c for same. Fair to good stock were none too plentiful and there was a good demand for these. A fair trade was done in these grades. The best sold at 4½c, good at 3½ to 4¼c, and lower grades at 1½ to 3c per pound. The market for sheep and lambs was firm owing to small offerings. Sheep sold at 3½ to 3¾c, lambs at 4½ to 5c. Receipts of live hogs were small and the tone of the market firm in sympathy with the recent rise in prices in Toronto. The demand was good and all offerings sold at 6½c per pound weighed off cars.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, March 1.
 The cattle market is steady and unchanged. Quotations range from 11½ to 13c per pound, dressed weights, sheep, 12 to 14c.

LONDON SUGAR MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

London, March 1.
 Beet sugar is steady at 3s 3d for March.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, March 1.
 Cheese quoted 2s lower at 4s to 50s.

BRITISH LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

London, Feb. 25.—A weaker feeling developed in this market during the week for American cattle, and prices show a decline of ½c. The supply to-day was moderate and the demand fair with sales of choice States at 12½c.

Liverpool, Feb. 25.—There has also been a weaker feeling in this market for Canadian cattle and sheep and prices have declined ½c since this day week. Choice Canadian cattle sold to-day at 11½c, and sheep at 13½c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

Chicago, Feb. 25.—Wheat, Feb. open 74½c, close 74½c, May open 76½c, high 76½c, low 74½c, close 76½c. Corn, May open 41½c, high 41½c, low 40½c, close 41½c. Oats, May open 25½c, high 25½c, low 24½c, close 25½c. Pork, May open \$14.20, high \$14.22, low \$14.17, close \$14.20. Lard, May open \$7.57, high \$7.57, low \$7.53, close \$7.53. Flax, May \$1.02 b. Ribs, May open \$7.15, close \$7.15 b.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Wheat, Feb. open 74½c, close 74½c, May open 76½c, high 76½c, low 74½c, close 76½c. Corn, May open 41½c, high 41½c, low 40½c, close 41½c. Oats, May open 25½c, high 25½c, low 24½c, close 25½c. Pork, May open \$14.02, high \$14.15, low \$14.02, close \$14.15. Lard, May open \$7.47, high \$7.52, low \$7.47, close \$7.50. Flax, May \$1.01 a. Ribs, May \$7.05, close \$7.07 a. Flax, May \$1.01 a.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Wheat, May open 75½c, high 75½c, low 74½c, close 75½c. Corn, May open 42½c, high 42½c, low 41½c, close 42½c. Oats, May open 25½c, high 25½c, low 24½c, close 25½c. Pork, May open \$14.05, high \$14.12, low \$14.02, close \$14.12. Lard, May open \$7.50, high \$7.52, low \$7.47, close \$7.52. Flax, May \$1.01 a. Ribs, May \$7.07, close \$7.12.

Chicago, March 1.—Wheat, March open 74½c, close 74½c, May open 76½c, high 76½c, low 74½c, close 76½c. Corn, May open 41½c, high 41½c, low 40½c, close 41½c. Oats, May open 25½c, high 25½c, low 24½c, close 25½c. Pork, May open \$14.02, high \$14.07, low \$14.02, close \$14.07. Lard, May open \$7.40, high \$7.47, low \$7.40, close \$7.47. Flax, May \$1.01 a. Ribs, May \$7.07, close \$7.12.

Chicago, March 2.—May wheat opened at 75½c and ranged from 75½c to 75½c. Closing prices were—Wheat—March, 73½c; May, 74½c. Corn—March, 39½c; May, 41½c. Oats—March, 24½c; May, 25½c. Pork—March, \$13.95; May, \$14.12. Lard—March, \$7.40; May, \$7.45. Ribs—March, \$7.00; May, \$7.05.

A week ago May option closed at 76½c. A year ago May wheat closed at 65½c; two years ago at 72½c, three years ago at \$1.05, four years ago at 70½c, five years ago at 65½c, six years ago at 55c.

New York.

New York, Feb. 25.—Wheat, May open 80½c, high 80½c, low 80, close 80½c b. New York, Feb. 26.—Wheat, May open 80½c, high 80½c, low 80, close 80½c n. New York, Feb. 27.—Wheat, May open 80½c, high 80½c, low 79½c, close 80c b. New York, Feb. 28.—Wheat, May open 80 a, high 80½c, low 79½c, close 80c a. New York, March 1.—Wheat, May open 79½c, high 80, low 79½c, close 79½c. New York, March 2.—Wheat closed at 79½c for May option. July 79½c.

Minneapolis Markets.

Minneapolis, Feb. 25.—Wheat, May open 74½c, high 75, low 74½c, close 74½c. Minneapolis, Feb. 26.—Wheat, May open 74½c, high 74½c, low 74½c, close 74½c. Minneapolis, Feb. 27.—Wheat, May open 74½c, high 74½c, low 74½c, close 74½c. Minneapolis, Feb. 28.—Wheat, May open 74½c, high 74½c, low 74½c, close 74½c. Minneapolis, March 1.—Wheat, May open 74½c, high 74½c, low 74½c, close 74½c. Minneapolis, March 2.—Wheat closed at 74½c for May option. Cash No. 1 hard wheat closed at 76½c, No. 1 northern at 74½c.

Duluth Wheat.

Duluth, Feb. 25.—Wheat, May open at 76½c, high 76½c, low 76½c, close 76½c b. No. 1 hard 75½c, No. 1 northern 73½c. Duluth, Feb. 26.—Wheat, May open at 76½c, high 76½c, low 76½c, close 76½c. No. 1 hard 75½c, No. 1 northern 73½c. Duluth, Feb. 27.—Wheat, May open 76½c, high 76½c, low 76½c, close 76½c. No. 1 hard 75½c, No. 1 northern 73½c. Duluth, Feb. 28.—Wheat, May open at 76½c, high 76½c, low 76½c, close 76½c. No. 1 hard 75½c, No. 1 northern 73½c. Duluth, March 1.—Wheat, May open at 76½c, high 76½c, low 76½c, close 76½c. No. 1 hard 75½c, No. 1 northern 73½c. Duluth, March 2.—May option closed at 76½c for No. 1 northern wheat. Cash No. 1 hard closed to-day at 74½c and cash No. 1 northern at 73½c.

A week ago May wheat closed at 76½c. A year ago May wheat closed at 66½c; two years ago at 71½c; three years ago at 69½c; four years ago at 76½c; five years ago at 66c; six years ago at 60½c.

Winnipeg Closing Wheat.

Trading is very light. No. 3 hard closed to-day at 67½c per bushel Fort William.

Chicago Flax Market.

Chicago, March 2.—May flax closed at \$1.60 per bushel.

Liverpool Prices.

Liverpool, March 1.—Closing: Wheat, spot, No. 1 California firm at 6s 2½d, No. 2 red western winter dull at 5s 11½d; No. 1 northern spring dull at 6s 2½d. Futures steady; May 5s 11½d; July 6s ½d. Liverpool, March 2.—Wheat closed to-day ¼ to ¾d lower.

British Stocks.

London, March 1.—1 p.m.: Consols for money 97 1-16 ex-interest, do for the account 97 1-16 ex-interest; Atchafson 36½, C. P. R. 32½, St. Paul 16½, Illinois Central 13½, Louisville 91, U. P. pf. 85½, N. Y. C. 14½, Erie 25½, Pennsylvania 76, Reading 15½, Erie 1st pf. 65½, Northern Pacific pf. 39½, G. T. R. 7, Anaconda 36, Idaho Mines 42½. Bar silver quiet at 25 1-16d per ounce. Money 4½c per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3½c per cent; do. for three months bills 3½c per cent.

Winnipeg Prices, Paints, Oils, Glass, Etc.

ALABASTINE—Cases of 20 packages, \$6.50; Muralo, do, \$6.50.
 BENZINE—Case, \$2.50.
 DRY COLOIS—White lead, 7½c red lead, 8c; yellow ochre in barrel lots, 2½c, less than barrel lots, 3c; golden ochre, barrels, 3½c, less than barrels, 4c; Venetian red, barrels, 3c, less than barrels, 3½c; American vermilion, 15c; English vermilion, \$1 per lb.; Canadian metallic oxides, barrel lots 2½c, less than barrels, 3c; English purple oxides, in casks, 3½c, less quantities, 4c lb.
 GASOLINE—Stove, per case, \$3. naphtha, \$2.90.
 GLASS—Single glass, first break, 16 to 25 united inches, \$2.50; 20 to 40, \$2.75 per 50 feet boxes; 40 to 50, \$3; 50 to 60, \$3.50; 60 to 70, \$7 per 100 feet boxes.
 LINSEED OIL—Raw, gal., 83c; boiled gal., 86c in barrels; less than barrels, 5c gal, extra, with additional charges for cans and cases.
 OILS—Black oil, 25 to 30c gal.; clear machine oil, 30c, cylinder oil, 53¢78c, as to quality, castor oil, 11½c per lb., tanners' or harness oil, 65c; neatfoot oil, \$1; steam refining oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 gal.
 PREPARED PAINTS—Pure liquid colors, gal., \$1.30¢73.00, as to shade and quality.
 PUTTY—in bladders, barrel lots, 2½c lb. in 100b kegs, 2½c; do. less than barrel.
 REFINED PETROLEUM—Silver Star, 19c; Oleophene, 21c; Sunlight, 22c; Ecene, 24c per gallon; Diamond, 25c; T. & P., 24c; Solar, 22c; Brilliant, 11½c per gal. in barrels. T. & P., cases, \$2.75; Solar, case, \$2.55.
 TURPENTINE—Pure spirits in barrels, 65c; less than barrels, 73c per gal. An additional charge for packages of small quantities.
 VARNISHES—No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50; elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$1.50¢\$1.75, hard oil finish, \$1.50¢\$2, brown Japan, \$1; house painters' gold size Japan, \$1.70; coach painters' do. \$2¢\$2.27; No. 1 brown shellac, \$2.25; pure orange shellac, \$2.50.
 WHITE LEAD—Pure, \$7.25 per 100lb; No. 1, \$7.00.
 WHITING—\$1.25 per 100lb gross weight.

The Growing Wheat Crop of India.

The government crop report of India, under date of Calcutta, January 5, in its first general memorandum on the wheat crop of the season 1900-1901, states that in northern India the prospects of the wheat crop could hardly be better. Sowings were made in favorable conditions over a largely increased area, and the winter rains have come in time to encourage the anticipation that the yield will be abundant. The remarks apply especially to the provinces which most extensively furnish the export trade with wheat. In the central provinces, Berar and Bombay, on the other hand, conditions are not so favorable. In these provinces the area sown was much smaller than the average, partly because the soil was not moist enough at the sowing season, and partly because the cultivators placed under Jawar and other grain much land which ordinarily would have borne wheat. Nor are the present prospects in Bombay and Berar very encouraging, for the winter rains which have so benefitted the wheat crop in Upper India have not penetrated to those tracts. In the Punjab the area estimated to be under wheat is about 7,800,000 acres, which is 23 per cent. in excess of the area finally reported last year. The increase

is chiefly due to timely rain throughout the province. Approximately 4,500,000 acres are irrigated land. The crop is in very good condition and, improved as it has been by the recent rains, an excellent yield is expected. Later reports by cablegram indicate that the crop in the upper and central provinces has sustained damage by storm. It is also noted that the distress in Bombay is increasing.

Carlonds of Molten Iron.

The construction of a new bridge across the Monongahela, to be opened for service within the next few days, directs attention afresh to a striking feature of modern metallurgy. The new bridge has been built for the Carnegie Company, and will be used in the conveyance of molten iron from the 'candle furnaces' to the Homestead Works, nearly a mile off. At the present time Homestead obtains molten metal from Duquesne, about four and a-half miles away. The new route has been laid out so as to save time and distance. There has been for some time one "hot-metal" bridge across the Monongahela, controlled by the Carnegie Company, and, besides the new one about to be opened, a third is in progress of erection for the Jones and McLaughlin interest. It will thus be perceived that the practice has proved so successful that it is being rapidly extended. One gets a vivid idea of this remarkable procedure when he reads about the precautions taken in the construction of the new bridge to prevent harm in case any of the molten metal leaks or slops over while in transit from the iron furnace to the steel works. The spaces between the ties are to be filled with sand so that no iron may fall to the decks of passing steamers. The ties will be of wood, but are to be protected by a covering of sand. On either side of the track there will be raised a screen of heavy metal plates, faced with firebrick and reaching to a height of four feet. An extension of thinner plates will bring the screen up to six feet farther. The cars are ladle-shaped, and the molten metal runs directly into them when the furnaces are tapped. A locomotive then draws the train to the steel works at a moderate pace. The glowing freight, says the New York Tribune, is still in a fluid condition when it reaches the mixers there. If it were not the cars would be ruined—Scientific American.

Winnipeg Raw Fur Prices.

Following is a list of the prices now being paid by responsible fur buyers in Winnipeg for consignments of furs from all parts of the west:

	From	To
Badger, prime	\$25	\$50
Beaver, black, small	4.00	10.00
Beaver, black, middling	5.00	12.00
Beaver, black, large	12.00	20.00
Beaver, brown, small	3.00	8.00
Beaver, brown, middling	8.00	12.00
Beaver, brown, large	12.00	18.00
Beaver, large	5.00	7.50
Beaver, middling	3.00	5.00
Beaver, small	1.50	2.50
Fisher, according to size and color	4.50	8.00
Fox, silver, according to size and color	50.00	150.00
Fox, cross, according to size and color	5.00	15.00
Fox, red, according to size and color	1.00	2.50
Marten, large, dark	5.00	10.00
Marten, large, brown	4.50	7.00
Marten, large, light, pale	3.50	4.00
Mink, according to size and color	1.00	2.00
Musquash, winter	.03	.10
Musquash, spring	.06	.12
Otter, according to size and color	5.00	10.00
Skunk, according to size and color	25	75
Wolf, timber	1.50	2.50
Wolf, prairie	.50	1.00
Wolverine, according to size and color	3.00	6.00

The above prices are for prime skins only, and vary according to size and color.

J. Cockshutt, one of the best known residents of Brantford, Ont., and vice-president of the Cockshutt Plow Co., is dead. Deceased suffered from an attack of la grippe, which developed into pneumonia. He had reached the ripe age of 87 years. He is survived by five sons and three daughters, one of whom is president of the Cockshutt Plow Co.