Wheat Markets Lack Vivacity Prices Record Small Decline

Liquidation and Short Selling at Chicago Keep Values on Down Grade—U. S. Visible Supply Shows Decrease.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Depressed by impending reciprocity and by rain in the drought-stricken southwest, miscellaneous holders of wheat sold out to-day with little or no reserve. Much evening up of open interests on the part of shorts caused a rally, but the close, tho firm, was at a net loss of ¾c to 1¼c. The day's trade left corn from ¼c to ⅝c higher than Saturday night. Oats unchanged to ¼c up; provisions, less expensive by a shade to 20c.

The firm tone at the finish in wheat resulted chiefly from purchases here by the northwest against sales for the home trade. This buying gave rise to rumors of export business. There was, however, no basis for the talk so far as U. S. wheat was concerned. A decrease of the visible supply in this country helped the tendency to recover during the last half of the day. Early in the session prices had suffered from large world shipments, a gain in European stocks, and from continued free offerings by Australia, India, Russian and the Argentine. But deeper sources of discouragement to owners were found in the outlook as to reciprocity and in a belief that the winter crops of Kansas and Okla., revived by rain, would soon show material improvement.

On the ensuing rally the buying for big shorts made Chicago relatively the strongest market in the country. Final prices here were the highest anywhere. May ranged between 91⅝c and 92⅝c, last sale being at the high price, and closed ⅝c off compared with Saturday.

Prospective wet weather delay to marketing of corn made that cereal comparatively strong, tho swayed heavily by wheat. Reports of large export sales could not be verified. May ranged between 48½c to 48⅝c, and 49¼c, closing ¼c lower at 49⅛c. Cash corn was about steady.

Oats sold the lowest of the season, because of unloading by tired out longs, but rallied sharply when other grain took an upward turn. Small short sellers were in a stampede when the gong cleared the pit. May had as high and low prices at 31¼c and 31⅞c, with last sales at 31⅜c to 31⅞c, a net rise of ⅛c to ¼c.

Provisions were bearishly affected by the large receipts of hogs here the last two days. In the end pork showed a loss of 7½c to 2c, but lard and ribs a trifle less than a nickel.

Receipts at Primary Centres.

Receipts of wheat in car lots at primary points, with comparisons, were as follows:

	Week	Year
	To-day.	ago. ago.
Chicago	22	29
Duluth	68	56 78
Minneapolis	350	123 328
Winnipeg	111	37 177

European Grain Exchanges.

The Liverpool exchange closed to-day ⅝d to ¾d lower than on Saturday for wheat, and ⅛d to ⅜d lower for corn. Antwerp closed ⅝c lower for wheat, Berlin ¾c higher, and Budapest 2c higher.

World's Shipments.

World's shipments, with comparisons, are given by Broomhall as follows:

	This wk.	Last wk.	Last yr.
Wheat	12,304,000	10,760,000	10,752,000
Corn	2,685,000	3,314,000	1,715,000

Quantity shipped for orders, included in above, 2,768,000 bushels, against 3,328,000 last week, and 2,656,000 last year. Total wheat taken by continent the past week, 7,376,000 bushels, against 5,080,000 last week and 4,696,000 last year.

On passage: Wheat, 41,168,000 bushels, against 37,960,000 last week, and 40,352,000 last year; increase, 3,208,000 bushels. Corn, 12,877,000 bushels, against 14,527,000 last week, and 8,795,000 last year; decrease, 1,650,000 bushels.

Shipments in Detail.

The world's wheat shipments in detail follow:

	This wk.	Last wk.	Last yr.
American	2,512,000	2,192,000	1,992,000
Russian	2,976,000	2,456,000	3,056,000
Danubian	1,024,000	712,000	224,000
Indian	888,000	776,000	272,000
Argentine	2,208,000	2,008,000	3,136,000
Australian	2,000,000	2,376,000	2,208,000
Austria-Hung.	.....	40,000	.....
Chili, N. Africa	96,000	140,000	64,000

European Visible Supply.

European visible is as follows: Wheat, 108,888,000 bushels, against 107,168,000 bushels last week; increase, 1,720,000 bushels. Last week there was an increase of 1,240,000 bushels, and last year there was an increase of 2,000 bushels, when the total amounted to 85,872,000 bushels.

Liverpool Stocks.

Liverpool weekly stocks: Wheat, 4,536,000 quarters, against 4,060,000; Corn, 1,132,000 quarters, against 1,275,000 last week.

United States Visible Supply.

A comparison of the visible grain supplies in the United tSates to-day and on the corresponding dates of the past two years is as follows, in bushels:

	1911.	1910.	1911.
Wheat	41,647,000	25,319,000	43,632,000
Corn	6,765,000	10,506,000	10,771,000
Oats	9,607,000	8,763,000	16,279,000

Compared with a week ago, the visible wheat decreased 118,000 bushels, corn increased 1,825,000 bushels, and oats decreased 117,000 bushels.

During the corresponding week last year wheat increased 255,000 bushels, corn increased 1,029,000 bushels, and oats increased 46,000 bushels.

Canadian Visible Supply.

	This wk.	Last wk.	Last yr.
Oats	6,777,000	7,187,000	4,128,000
Wheat	9,902,000	10,105,000	8,127,000

In addition to the Canadian wheat shown in the official Canadian visible, there are 1,915,000 bushels in vessels at Buffalo and Duluth, 1,451,000 bushels in vessels in Canadian terminal harbors, and 1,271,000 bushels in store in bond in the United States, mainly Atlantic ports.

Primaries.

	To-day.	Last wk.	Last yr.
Wheat receipts	825,000	347,000	592,000
Wheat shipments	241,000	233,000	378,000
Corn receipts	230,000	357,000	817,000
Corn shipments	865,000	610,000	628,000
Oats receipts	1,000,000	501,000	478,000
Oats shipments	597,000	391,000	468,000

Note.—The primary receipts given above for to-day include Monday's receipts.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 700 bushels of grain, 10 loads of hay and one load of loose straw, with several lots of dressed hogs.

Wheat—Two hundred bushels sold at 83c to 86c.

Barley—Five hundred bushels sold at 67c to 68c.

Hay—Ten loads sold at $14 to $19 per ton, but only one load at latter price.

Straw—One load of loose, which was unsold at 3 p.m.

Dressed Hogs—Prices ranged at from $9.50 to $10 per cwt.

Market Notes.

Joshua Ingham bought 100 lambs at $6.60 per cwt., alive; 20 dressed hogs at $10 per cwt.

Grain—			
Wheat, bushel	$0 85	to	$0 86
Wheat, goose, bush	0 80		....
Rye, bushel	0 68		0 68
Barley, bushel	0 67		0 68
Buckwheat, bushel	0 48		0 50
Peas, bushel	0 78		0 80
Oats, bushel	0 39		....
Seeds—			
Alsike, No. 1, bush	$7 00	to	$7 50
Alsike, No. 2, bush	6 50		7 00
Alsike, No. 3, bush	5 50		6 00
Red clover, No. 1, bush	6 75		7 00
Red clover, No. 2, bush	6 00		6 25
Red clover, No. 3, bush	5 00		5 50
Timothy, No. 1, bush	6 25		....
Timothy, No. 2, bush	5 75		....
Alfalfa, No. 1, bush	13 25		....
Alfalfa, No. 2, bush	12 25		....
Hay and Straw—			
Hay, per ton	$12 00	to	$18 00
Clover or mixed hay	13 00		16 00
Straw, loose, ton	8 00		....
Straw, bundled, ton	14 00		....
Fruits and Vegetables—			
Onions, bag	$0 90	to	$1 00
Potatoes, per bag	0 90		1 00
Carrots, per bushel	0 35		0 40
Apples, per barrel	3 00		5 00
Cabbage, per dozen	0 25		0 30
Dairy Produce—			
Butter, farmers' dairy	$0 25	to	$0 29
Eggs, strictly new-laid, per dozen	0 29		0 35
Poultry—			
Turkeys, dressed, lb	$0 20	to	$0 24
Geese, per lb	0 14		0 15
Spring chickens, lb	0 15		0 18
Spring ducks, lb	0 18		0 20
Fowl, per lb	0 12		0 14
Fresh Meats—			
Beef, forequarters, cwt	$7 00	to	$8 00
Beef, hindquarters, cwt	9 50		10 50
Beef, choice sides, cwt	9 00		10 00
Beef, medium, cwt	8 00		9 00
Beef, common, cwt	6 00		7 00
Mutton, light, cwt	8 00		10 00
Veals, common, cwt	7 50		9 50
Veals, prime, cwt	10 00		12 00
Dressed hogs, cwt	9 50		10 50
Lambs, per cwt	10 00		11 50

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, car lots, per ton	$12 50	to	$13 50
Hay, car lots, No. 2	8 50		10 50
Straw, car lots, per ton	7 00		7 50
Potatoes, car lots, bag	0 80		0 85
Potatoes, N.B. Delawares	0 90		0 95
Butter, separator, dairy, lb	0 22		0 24
Butter, store lots	0 18		0 20
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls	0 26		0 28
Butter, creamery, solids	0 23		0 24
Eggs, new-laid	0 28		0 30
Eggs, cold storage	0 20		0 22
Cheese, lb	0 12		0 12½
Honeycombs, dozen	2 00		2 50
Honey, extracted, lb	0 10		0 11

Hides and Skins.

Prices revised daily by E. T. Carter & Co., 85 East Front street, Dealers in Wool, Hides, Calfskins and Sheepskins, Raw Furs, Tallow, etc.:

No. 1 inspected steers and cows	0 09½	to	....
No. 2 inspected steers and cows	0 08½		....
No. 3 inspected steers, cows and bulls	0 07½		....
Country hides, cured	0 08		0 08½
Country hides, green	0 07½		0 08
Calfskins	0 11		0 13
Sheepskins	0 95		1 20
Horsehides, No. 1	3 00		....
Horsehair, per lb	0 30		0 32
Tallow, No. 1, per lb	0 06		0 07

Toronto Sugar Market

Sugars are quoted in Toronto, in bags, per cwt., as follows:

Extra granulated, St. Lawrence	$4 20
do. Redpath's	4 20
do. Acadia	4 25
Imperial granulated	4 15
Beaver, granulated	4 15
No. 1 yellow, St. Lawrence	3 90
do. Redpath's	3 90
do. Acadia	3 90
do. Acadia, unbranded	3 80

These prices are for delivery here. Car lots, 5c less. Prices in barrels are 5c more per cwt.

Winnipeg Wheat Market.

	Prev. Close.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—					
May	95⅜	95½	95⅝	94	94¾
July	97	96⅝	96⅝	95⅝	95⅞
Oats—					
May	34¼	34⅛	34⅛	33⅞	34
July	35¼	35¼	35¼	34⅝	35⅛

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Local grain dealers' quotations are as follows:

Oats—Canadian western oats, No. 2, 37¾c; No. 3, 36½c, lake ports; Ontario, No. 2, 32½c to 33½c; No. 3, 31½c, outside.

Wheat—No. 2 red, white or mixed, 84c to 85c, outside points.

Rye—No. 2, 64c to 65c, outside.

Barley—For feed, 50c to 53c; for malting, 62c to 65c, outside.

Buckwheat—47c to 48c, outside.

Manitoba wheat—No. 1 northern, $1; No. 2 northern, 97½c; No. 3 northern, 95c.

Corn—No. 4 yellow, new, 51½c, Toronto freights, prompt shipment from Chicago.

Peas—No. 2, 78c to 80c, outside.

Manitoba flour—Quotations at Toronto are: First patents, $5.40; second patents, $4.90; strong bakers', $4.70.

Ontario flour—Winter wheat flour, $3.55, seaboard.

Millfeed—Manitoba bran, $20 per ton; shorts, $22; Ontario bran, $22 in bags; shorts, $24, track, Toronto.

Chicago Markets.

J. P. Bickell & Co., Manufacturers' Life Building, report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade:

	Prev. Close.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—					
May	92⅞	92½	92½	91⅝	92½
July	91½	91½	91½	90⅝	91
Sept.	90⅝	90⅝	91¼	89½	90⅛
Corn—					
May	48⅞	48⅞	49¼	48½	49⅛
July	49⅞	49¾	50¼	49½	50⅛
Sept.	50¾	50⅝	51⅛	50½	51⅛
Oats—					
May	31⅝	31½	31⅞	31¼	
July	31½	31	31¾	31	31¾
Sept.	31⅝	31⅛	31⅝	31	31⅝
Pork—					
May	17.70	17.50	17.62	17.37	17.62
Lard—					
May	9.45	9.37	9.45	9.30	9.42
Ribs—					
May	9.45	9.35	9.45	9.30	9.42

Chicago Gossip.

J. P. Bickell & Co. say at the close:

Wheat—Additional moisture in the southwest and weaker foreign cables induced liquidation early in session, but good buying around extreme low by shorts and investors turned market, values losing ⅜c to ½c for the day. The recent decline has been severe, and everything bearish in situation about discounted. Improved cash demand was noted to-day, and slight decrease in visible was recorded. Buy on declines for moderate profits.

Erickson Perkins & Co. had the following at the close:

Wheat—The market opened weak, continued heavy in tone all day, rallying moderately, however, from the low point of the morning. General rains in the drought district of the southwest contributed to the weakness and caused additional liquidation, as well as more or less short selling of the new crop futures. The best buying came from covering by short interests. Northwestern markets were weaker than our own. The further break in prices does not seem to stimulate the cash demand locally, and business in that department was of very small proportions. The market is still without leadership on the bull side, the chief buying again coming from short sellers. Statistically at least wheat is in as weak a position, or weaker, than it was a month ago, for we have as much or more wheat in sight, and are just that much nearer a new crop.

Corn—Prices showed a little easier tendency early in the session on weakness in wheat, but the market held very steady and rallied back to Saturday's prices. The unsettled weather thruout the belt with higher temperatures, was construed to mean that the movement would be more or less interfered with. However, supplies seem to be ample.

Oats—Opening prices were the low of the day, and market rallied with other grains. As in wheat, the best buying came from short interests. Shipping demand shows no improvement, and sales were difficult to make, except at concessions. The movement, however, seems to be somewhat lighter. On any good rally we think the market should be sold again.

Liverpool Wheat Market.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 14.—The market at opening to-day and during yesterday's session showed steadiness on the decrease in local stocks here and improved demand for spot. At the opening to-day values were ½d lower to ¼d higher than Saturday, with the principal strength in March. Following the opening, there developed an easy undertone. Pressure resulted from the liberal world's shipments, increase on passage, heavy Russian shipments, and continued free offers of Plata and Australian wheat.

Flour Lower Across Border.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 14.—Since last Friday millers have made further cuts of 15 to 20 cents a barrel in prices of flour, making a reduction of 50 cents a barrel in the past fortnight.

Montreal Grain and Produce.

MONTREAL, Feb. 14.—The foreign demand for wheat to-day was quiet, and consequently only a few loads were worked on the break in the Winnipeg prices. Oats were quiet and prices easy in sympathy with the weakness in the west. On account of the steady decline in wheat values, the demand for flour from all sources has fallen off, and business is quiet. On increased arrivals of American potatoes an easier feeling has developed in the market, and prices have declined five cents per bag, with sales of car lots at 82½c to 90c.

Owing to larger receipts of eggs, prices of new-laid have declined 2c per dozen, but cold storage stock is steady. Cheese is stronger.

Dressed hogs—Country dressed, $9 to $10; abattoir, $10.50 to $10.75 per 100 lbs.

Beef—Plate, half-barrels, 100 lbs., $8.75; barrels, 200 lbs., $17; tierces, 300 lbs., $25.

Lard—Compound tierces, 375 lbs., 10¾c; boxes, 50 lbs. net (parchment lined), 10¾c; tubs, 50 lbs. net, grained, two handles, 11c; pails, wood, 20 lbs. net, 11¼c; tin pails, 20 lbs. gross, 10½c.

Pork—Heavy Canada short cut mess, barrels, 35 to 45 pieces, $25; half-barrels, $12.75; Canada short cut and back pork, 45 to 55 pieces, barrels, $25; Canada clear pork, barrels, 30 to 35 pieces, $24.50; bean pork, small pieces, but fat, barrels, $20.50.

Oats—Canadian western, No. 2, 39⅝c to 40c, car lots, ex-store; extra No. 1 feed, 38¾c to 39c; No. 3 C.W., 38¼c to 38½c; No. 2 local white, 37¾c to 38c; No. 3 local white, 36¾c to 37c; No. 4 local white, 35¾c to 36c.

Flour—Manitoba spring wheat patents, firsts, $5.60; seconds, $5.10; winter wheat patents, $4.75 to $5; strong bakers', $4.90; straight rollers, $4.35 to $4.50; in bags, $1.90 to $2.

Rolled oats—Per barrel, $4.45; bag of 90 lbs., $2.10.

Feed barley—Car lots, ex-store, 49c to 50c.

Corn—American, No. 3 yellow, 56½c to 57c.

Millfeed—Bran, Ontario, $20; Manitoba, $20 to $22; middlings, Ontario, $22.50 to $23; shorts, Manitoba, $22 to $25; moullie, $25 to $30.

Eggs—Selected, 28c; fresh, 30c; No. 1 stock, 24c to 25c; No. 2, 21c to 23c.

Cheese—Westerns 11⅞c to 12⅛c; easterns, 11½c to 11¾c.

Butter—Choicest, 24½c to 25c; seconds, 22c to 23c.

East Buffalo Live Stock.

EAST BUFFALO, Feb. 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; market light and steady; prime steers, $6.50 to $6.75; butcher grades, $6 to $6.25.

Calves—Receipts, 100; market fairly active and steady; cull to choice, $5.75 to $10.25.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 3000; market active and firm; choice lambs, $6 to $6.15; cull to fair, $4.75 to $5.90; yearlings, $5 to $5.25; sheep, $3 to $4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 4250; market fairly active and lower; yorkers, $7.60 to $7.70; stags, $5.50 to $6; pigs, $8; mixed, $7.35 to $7.50; heavy, $7.15 to $7.30; roughs, $6.50 to $6.70.

72 CARS AT CITY YARDS CATTLE TRADE STEADY

Butchers' Cattle Firm But No Higher—Sheep, Lambs, Calves, Strong—Hogs Lower, $6.90.

The railways reported receipts of 72 carloads at the City Yards, consisting of 1210 cattle, 970 hogs, 615 sheep and lambs and 145 calves.

The quality of the cattle generally was better than usual, and more of the better class were on sale.

Trade was good, but not just as brisk as it was last Thursday.

Prices, as far as we could see, were about the same as at the Junction on Monday.

All offerings were sold, and the market cleaned up in good time.

There were several lots of cattle of export quality and weight, the bulk of which were bought by the Harris Abattoir Company for the local market.

Notwithstanding the high prices, many of the drovers complained of losing money.

Butchers.

Geo. Rowntree bought 516 cattle for the Harris Abattoir Company, which was more than half of what was on sale. The prices paid were as follows: Butchers' steers and heifers, $5.40 to $6.20; butchers' cows, $2.75 to $5.50; butchers' bulls, $4.00 to $5.50.

Milkers and Springers.

There were about 20 fresh arrivals of milkers and springers, which sold at from $40 to $75 each.

Veal Calves.

There were 145 veal calves reported to be on sale. Prices were steady to strong at $3.50 to $8.50 for the bulk, with a few choice new milk-fed veals as high as $9 to $9.75.

Sheep and Lambs.

Sheep and lambs were firm at following prices: Sheep, ewes, $4.25 to $4.60; rams, $3.50 to $4; lambs, $6 to $6.50, and a few selects were quoted at $6.75.

Hogs.

Hog prices on the Toronto market are certainly lower. The bulk of the hogs sold to-day at $6.90 f.o.b. cars, and $7.15 to $7.20 for hogs fed and watered at the market. Several lots were sold at $7 per cwt. f.o.b. cars at country points, and we heard of drovers at many points thruout the country paying $7.15 and $7.25 to the farmers, but on the market here to-day, as we said before, $6.90 was the ruling figure for hogs f.o.b. cars at country points.

Representative Sales.

Corbett & Hall sold three loads of cattle as follows: Butchers' steers and heifers, $5.40 to $6.10; cows, $4.25 to $5; export bulls, $5.25 to $5.50; butcher bulls, $4.25 to $5, and lambs at $6.60.

C. Zeagman & Sons sold one load good to choice cows, 1040 to 1200 lbs. each, at $4.50 to $5.20; one load mixed butchers, 700 to 800 lbs. each, at $4.75 to $5.25 per cwt.

Maybee & Wilson sold: 24 butchers, 1238 lbs each, at $6.20; 22 butchers, 1200 lbs., at $6.15; 10 butchers, 1150 lbs., at $5.85; 12 butchers, 1000 lbs., at $5.75; 24 butchers, 980 lbs., at $5.75; 12 butchers, 1050 lbs., at $5.75; 12 butchers, 950 lbs., at $5.60; 16 cows, 1150 lbs., at $4.75; 12 cows, 1100 lbs., at $4.25; 6 cows, 1200 lbs., at $4.85; 7 bulls, 1000 to 1500 lbs., at $4.70 to $5.25; 3 milkers, at $195 for the lot; 1 milker at $55, and some canners at $2.75 per cwt.

Dunn & Levack sold: 15 butchers, average 1150 lbs. each, at $6 cwt.; 19 butchers, 1035 lbs., at $5.90; 13 butchers, 1090 lbs., at $5.90; 4 butchers, 980 lbs., at $5.80; 18 butchers, 990 lbs., at $5.75; 5 butchers, 970 lbs., at $5.70; 2 butchers, 850 lbs., at $5.65; 21 butchers, 915 lbs., at $5.62½; 13 butchers, 960 lbs., at $5.60; 20 butchers, 930 lbs., at $5.50; 3 butchers, 930 lbs., at $5.40; 8 butchers, 850 lbs., at $5.35; 8 butchers, 800 lbs., at $4.90; 4 butchers, 670 lbs., at $4.50; 3 butchers, 680 lbs., at $4; 3 butcher cows, 1230 lbs., at $5.30; 3 butcher cows, 1150 lbs., at $5; 2 butcher cows, 1320 lbs., at $5; 4 butcher cows, 1150 lbs., at $4.80; 5 butcher cows, 1050 lbs., at $4.70; 6 butcher cows, 1100 lbs., at $4.70; 4 butcher cows, 940 lbs., at $4.25; 2 butcher cows, 1090 lbs., at $4.25; 2 butcher cows, 1070 lbs., at $4.25; 1 butcher bull, 1920 lbs., at $5.20; 1 butcher bull, 1490 lbs., at $5; 1 milch cow, $75; 1 milch cow, $55; 1 milch cow, $50; 6 milch cows, $58 each.

A. W. Maybee sold two loads butchers, 900 to 1100 lbs. each, at $5.65 to $5.85; two loads of cows, 1000 to 1200 lbs. each, at $4.50 to $5.25; 7 bulls, 1000 to 1200 lbs. each, at $4.60 to $5.25; 1 springer at $61.

James Armstrong sold 24 bulls from the Donlands Farm, 1270 lbs. each, at $4.90.

Representative Purchases.

Wesley Dunn bought: 50 sheep at $4.25 per cwt.; 350 lambs at $6.40 per cwt.; 100 calves at $8 per cwt., all of which are average quotations.

E. Puddy bought 200 hogs at $7 per cwt., f.o.b. cars.

W. J. Neely bought 120 cattle, as follows: Butchers' steers and heifers, $5.50 to $6.10; cows at $3 to $5 per cwt., canners at $2.50 to $3.

D. Rowntree bought for the Harris Abattoir Company 125 lambs at $6.35 to $6.75 per cwt.; 75 calves at $5 to $9.75 per cwt.; 50 sheep at $3.50 to $5 per cwt.

James Armstrong bought 9 milkers and springers at $40 to $60 each.

Wm. Etridge bought 8 milkers and springers at $48 to $65 each.

Union Stock Yards.

Receipts of live stock at the Union Stock Yards were 10 carloads, consisting of 191 cattle, 8 hogs, 14 sheep and 1 calf.

All offerings were sold readily at about the same values as were paid on Monday.

Maybee & Wilson sold: 20 exporters, 1150 lbs. each, at $6.15; 21 exporters, 1000 lbs. each, at $5.85.

E. Puddy bought on Monday 55 cattle, 950 to 1050 lbs. each, at $5.50 to $5.70 per cwt.

Rice & Whaley sold: 13 exporters, 1138 lbs. each, at $6.25; 10 exporters, 1030 lbs., at $6.25; 10 exporters, 1440 lbs., at $6.25; 10 exporters, 1416 lbs., at $6.25; 18 exporters, 1318 lbs., at $6.15; 19 exporters, 1248 lbs., at $6.15; 20 exporters, 1328 lbs., at $6.15; 18 butchers, 1241 lbs., at $5.95; 4 butchers, 932 lbs., at $5.75; 2 cows, 1185 lbs., at $4.75; 1 cow, 1070 lbs., at $3; 12 butchers, 1052 lbs., at $5.85; 1 butcher, 850 lbs., at $5.60; 5 cows, 1200 lbs., at $4.75; 1 export bull, 1500 lbs., at $5.50; 8 hogs, 221 lbs., at $6.90, f.o.b.; 2 lambs, 115 lbs., at $6.50; 8 lambs, 122 lbs., at $6.50; 2 sheep, 180 lbs., at $4.25; 1 ram, 200 lbs., at $4; 1 calf, 140 lbs., at $8.

Chicago Live Stock.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—Cattle—Receipts estimated at 5000; market slow and weak; beeves, $5 to $8.80; Texas steers, $4.20 to $5.50; western steers, $4.50 to $5.70; stockers and feeders, $2.85 to $8.80; cows and heifers, $2.85 to $5.80; calves, $6.75 to $9.25.

Hogs—Receipts estimated at 25,000; market slow, 10c lower; light, $7 to $7.30; mixed, $6.75 to $7.15; heavy, $6.65 to $7.10; rough, $6.65 to $6.80; good to choice, heavy, $6.80 to $7.10; pigs, $7.15 to $7.45; bulk of sales, $6.90 to $7.10.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts estimated at 20,000; market steady; native, $2.75 to $4.45; western, $2.75 to $4.50; yearlings, $4.60 to $5.50; lambs, native, $4.50 to $6.25; western, $4.50 to $6.25.

Expert Snow on Wheat Situation.

Crop Expert B. W. Snow has put out the following: The breaking of the long drought in Kansas and Oklahoma comes early enough to start growth in wheat, where seed has lain all winter unsprouted. The plants which germinated last fall have clung stubbornly to life, and will now show rapid development. It looks now as if the worst district may show a fair prospect when spring growth begins. Elsewhere the situation is good, and general average for wheat is much better than it was in December.

ELK LAKE-GOWGANDA ROAD URGED BY 500 PIONEERS

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was built in the Gatineau Valley thru a country rougher in every particular than the country to be found between Charlton and Elk Lake. Yet this same railway, which had since been taken over by the C. P. R., had been maintained thru the business accruing to it from the fertile lands thru which it ran.

British Capital There.

Mr. Dignum, managing director of Reeves-Dobie Mines at Gowganda, stated that he represented British investors and was heartily in favor of this railway project. Seventy-five per cent. of the money that was invested in his mine had come from Great Britain. He had already spent $250,000 in hard cash on his property. In freight charges alone he had spent $20,000. The cost of working the property and of shipping the ore and getting results was out of proportion to the present possible earnings. He believed that a million and a half of dollars had been spent in taking freight into Elk Lake and Gowganda. This was a point that should weigh with the government.

William J. Hanley, barrister, Elk Lake, now took the floor and in a loud, clear and convincing voice, expressed the opinion that after all the oratory it was time to get down to business. Bill seemed to sense the view of the meeting. And the meeting became a committee of the whole to adduce facts.

When by means of questions and answers a mass of facts was adduced, a committee of twenty, the most representative men of the north, was chosen to collate the data and prepare the program for to-day's meeting with the cabinet. At a late hour last night, the committee was still at work and will resume labors this morning.

The Speakers To-Day.

The speakers for the deputation to wait on the Ontario Government to-day, who will be introduced by R. T. Shillington, M.L.A., are the following: J. R. L. Starr, Toronto; M. L. Foley, Toronto, and W. R. Hensey, New York, on mining; W. J. Hanley, Elk Lake, and A. J. Young, North Bay, on transportation; W. A. Houser, Earlton, and W. T. Craig, Gowganda, on timber and farming; Geo. Taylor, New Liskeard, on New Ontario and its resources.

R. R. Gamey, M.L.A., will sum up the general arguments, and Col. A. Hay of Toronto and Haileybury, will probably speak also.

Some of the people at the meeting were: G. V. Harcourt, M.D., reeve of James (chairman), Elk Lake; Lt.-Col. H. E. McKee (secretary), Elk Lake; R. T. Shillington, M.L.A., Cobalt; H. E. Donovon, M.L.A., Brockville; M. L. Foley, president Calcite Lake Mining Co., Toronto; Mr. Hensey, president Bishop Mines, New York; A. A. McKelvie, director T. & H. B., New Liskeard; H. D. Eby of Eby, Blain & Co., Toronto; Geo. Taylor, president T. & H. B., New Liskeard; Mr. De Aguero, president Moosehorn, New York; Mr. Houser, representing farming interests, Earlton; Col. Hay, Silver Lake Mining Co., Toronto; H. H. Lang, director Langham mines, Cobalt; W. J. Hanley, barrister, Elk Lake; E. J. Dignum, director Reeves-Dobie, Toronto; Mr. Craig, James Bay Lumber Co., Gowganda; Ludger Jodouin, vice-president Elk Lake Board of Trade; P. De Tamble, director Syracuse Mining Co., Syracuse; W. H. Stuart, Stuart Mines, Lawson; Anson Gard, publisher, Toronto; A. J. Young, North Bay; T. Cahill, postmaster, Elk Lake; J. J. Fricque, Powerful Mining Co., Montreal; J. A. McAndrew, Elk Lake Power Co.; Cyril Young, ex-mayor, Haileybury; Mr. Grier, Welsh Mines, Gowganda; J. R. L. Starr, barrister, Reeves-Dobie, Toronto; Pete Farah, Big Pete Mine, New Liskeard; John Munro, Munro Mines, Elk Lake; M. Hackett, Munro Mines, Elk Lake; W. Folk, merchant, Charlton; Geo. Duclos, Duclos Mine, Tudhope; Mr. Kingsmill, president Haileybury Board of Trade; Mr. C. Abrey, Lovigne Lake Mining Co.; S. Mullen, Shining Tree; E. B. Felton, Boston, and many others.

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