

cent. This is the second advance of 5 per cent. this fall. The advance in the price of chemicals is given as the reason for the increase." Quotations here are as follows:—Turpentine in barrels, inscribed gages, 80c per gallon; do. in barrels, guaranteed measurement, or in 5 gallon cans, 85c gallon; linseed oil in barrels, raw 77c; boiled 80c. benzine and gasoline, 50c; pure oxide paints, in barrels, 90c per gallon; coal tar \$6 a barrel; Portland cement, \$4.75 a barrel; Michigan plaster, \$1.40 a barrel, putty, in bladders, 3½c a pound, bulk in barrels, 3c; whiting in barrels, \$1.50 a cwt; Crown pure white lead, \$7.50; Royal Charter, \$7.00; Railroad, \$6.50; Alabastine, \$7.50 per case of 20 packages. Window Glass, first break, \$2.20.

GRAIN AND PROVISION MARKETS WINNIPEG.

Wheat was characterized by a steady feeling last week in leading American markets. Fluctuations were narrow and prices well maintained, though without any strong upward movements. The visible supply statement on Monday last showed an increase of 1,205,000 bushels for the previous week, making the total on Nov. 2, 25,712,578 bushels against 33,694,796 bushels a year ago. This increase was much less than expected and caused a firmer feeling. Another letter from Statistician Dodge, of the United States Government agricultural department was a matter of much comment early last week. His latest communication is to the effect that the wheat production will be 12.8 bushels per acre on about 38,000,000 acres or about 496,000,000 measured bushels, from which about 15,000,000 bushels must be deducted on account of short weight. This would bring the crop down to the vicinity of 471,000,000 sixty pound bushels. Total receipts of spring wheat at leading points in the United States since the commencement of the crop year have been 39,332,000 bushels, against 28,498,000 bushels to the same date a year ago. Receipts of winter wheat on this crop have amounted to 19,376,000 bushels against 23,651,000 bushels a year ago. Receipts this year to date of winter and spring wheat are, therefore, over 6,000,000 bushels greater than last year, but in this calculation allowance must be made for the earlier harvest and consequently earlier movement this year, as compared with last. As earlier falling off in receipts may, therefore, be looked for this year. There have been 22,500,000 bushels brought to Minneapolis, Duluth and St. Paul since the middle of August, when the new crop began to move. It is estimated that not less than 7,000,000 bushels have gone out in the shape of flour and wheat that has not been counted in the 22,500,000 bushels passing through the three Minnesota points mentioned. About 10,000,000 bushels are supposed to be held in country storage in Minnesota and Dakota. Farmers' deliveries since Nov. 1 have been about 500,000 bushels per day. About 20,000,000 to 25,000,000 bushels is the quantity now being figured on to be yet delivered by farmers in these states. This means a total crop of 55,000,000 to 59,000,000 bushels allowing for seed and local requirements.

The local movement has continued at about the same extent. Prices paid to farmers at provincial points have not varied materially from a week ago, 60c per bushel for best samples being the ruling quotation at most provincial points, and this included about all the more important country markets. At some points higher prices were paid, but this was mostly confined to some of the less important markets, where deliveries are light. The fact that the lake route will soon be closed, has an easy influence on prices. The following prices were paid to farmers on Friday last, at country points: Preherne, Hoiland, Cypress River, Carman, Morris, McLean, Killarney, Bois-evain, Plum Creek, Thornhill, High Bluff, Portage la Prairie, Carberry, Brandon, Chater, Kemnay, 60c. La Riviere, Deloraine, McGregor, 61c. Gretna, Clearwater, Cartwright, Griswold, Oak Lake, Virden, Whitewood, Regina 62c. Stonewall, Crystal City, Holmfield, Burnside, Douglas, Alexander, Wapella, 63c per bushel.

Eastern Canada markets were reported weaker early last week. Prices to farmers were reduced 2 to 3c per bushel through Ontario, making the price to farmers there about 77c at country points. The demand for Manitoba wheat in the east was quiet at lower prices. It is reported that No. 1 hard has been sold in Ontario as low as 90c, and offerings of No. 1 hard at Toronto were reported at 92 to 94c, with No. 2 hard at 90 to 92c. No. 2 northern is reported to have sold at 86c. At Port Arthur No. 1 hard appears to be at about 80 to 82c, this being the difference between views of buyers and sellers.

FLOUR.

An easier feeling in lower grade has led to a decline of about 10c in some grades. Patents and strong bakers are unchanged. Prices here are as follows per 100 pounds to the local trade: Patents, \$2.45; strong bakers, \$2.25; second bakers, \$1.70; XXXX, \$1.30; superfine, \$1.10; Graham flour, \$2.25; middlings, \$2.45 per 100 pounds.

MILLSTUFFS AND FEED.

Bran is still held at \$12 and shorts at \$14 per ton, with the demand good. Imported ground feed, mixed corn and oats, is selling at \$25 per ton. Ground mill feed if obtainable is worth about the same price.

OATS

Importations from the south are made at a cost of 40 to 41c per bushel on track here. For western shipment car lots from Ontario can be handled to better advantage, as through rates of freight can be obtained. In the city for broken lots, 45c is the regular price for good quality. Prices at country points in Ontario are quoted at 26 to 27c per bushel.

MEALS, POT BARLEY, ETC.

Prices are again lower, a decline of 10c being reported on standard and granulated, and 20c per sack on rolled oatmeal. The latter grade is now quoted under granulated, though of course there is a difference in weight of the sacks. Mostly Ontario meal. Prices are now as follows: Standard, \$2.40; granulated, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; rolled oats, \$2.40 per sack of 80 lbs. Cornmeal is held at \$1.65 per 100 lbs.; pot barley, \$2.75, and pearl barley, \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

BUTTER.

There is no change to note in the situation, and the tone of the market is easy, though prices are steady. Not much outside demand reported, and for small lots for local requirements, prices range at from 18 to 20c for good to choice dairy. At Toronto, creamery was reported to be worth 21 to 23c, and dairy 17 to

18c for good to choice. Choice creamery at Montreal ranged from 21 to 22c and dairy from 16 to 20c per pound for good to choice.

CHEESE.

Jobbing lots are held at 11c per pound in this market. The sale of the season's make at a factory was reported at 9½c. Toronto quotes cheese at 10 to 11½c, and Montreal at 10 to 10½c for finest late months, and as low as 9½c for earlier makes. These are large export lot prices. Sales at factories in Ontario were made on a lower basis than a short time ago, the balance of the season's make being picked up at 10 to 10½c.

EGGS.

Are unchanged at 20c per dozen for pickled, with fresh obtainable at about 24c.

CURED MEATS.

Prices unchanged as follows: Dry salt, 9½c; spiced rolls, 11½c to 12c; breakfast bacon, 13 to 13½c; hams, 14 to 14½c per pound; bologna sausage, 7c per pound; fresh pork sausage, 8c per pound; pickled pigs feet, \$1.50 per kit of about 20 lbs.; dried beef, 12½c per lb.

DRESSED MEATS.

There are no changes of importance in dressed meats, pork being slightly easier, but prices nearly the same all around. Beef holds steady at 5c for choice city dressed, and ranging as low as 4c per pound for common country dressed. Hogs average about 6c per pound. Mutton 8c, lamb 9c, and veal 6c per pound.

DRESSED POULTRY AND GAME.

Dressed poultry is now offering freely, the supply of all sorts being good. Prices tend lower. Chickens are worth 10 to 12½c, turkeys, duck and geese also bring about the same prices all around, the top quotations being for choice drawn birds. Drawn are preferred in this market.

LIVE STOCK.

Shipments of cattle are probably pretty well over for this season. A dispatch from Montreal last week said, "Twelve hundred head of western ranche cattle have arrived. They came from the vicinity of Strathmore, and were eight days under way. They are fine looking beasts and average about 1,350 pounds. Several cows being less able to stand transportation, died. About one thousand head were sold here at an average price of \$49 per head." A sale of the Cochrane ranche cattle is reported from England, at £18 5s per head, average price. The cattle are said to have given good satisfaction. Cable advices early last week were still unfavorable, and this had a weakening influence on business in export cattle at Montreal. At Montreal offerings were large, including a number of western ranche cattle. Prices were easier. Choice export were quoted at 4 to 4½c, but these prices were nominal, as it was difficult to make sales. Good to choice butchers' cattle ranged from 3 to 3½c, with a fraction over the top quotation for extra choice animals. Common to poor quoted at 2 to 2½c. Live hogs at Montreal hold at 5 to 5½c per pound.

SENACA ROOT.

Quoted at 27 to 28c per pound.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes keep climbing up in price, and sold at farmers' wagons as high as 70 to 75 cents per bushel. Other prices are as follows: Carrots \$1; parsnips \$1 to \$1.25 per bushel, beets, 90c per bushel, turnips 60c per bushel, onions \$1.50 per bushel, cabbage 50c to \$1.25 per dozen as to quality, celery 25 to 40c per dozen, hubbard squash, \$1.50 per dozen, pumpkins, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per dozen, citron, \$1.50 per dozen; sweet potatoes, 5c lb., or \$6.50 per barrel.

The grist mill at Lac la Biche, Alberta, is offered for sale by Peter Pruden. 21-inches Turbine wheel, one pair four foot stones, and smutter.