

Minneapolis Markets.

Flour—The Market Record of April 22 reports the market very quiet, and no export trade doing. Prices as follows, in bbls. f.o.b.: First patents, \$1.15 to \$1.35; second patents, \$1.00 to \$1.20; first clears, \$1.15 to \$1.35; second clear, \$1.20 to \$1.40, Hot Dog, per ton 110 to 120, fine, \$8.50 to \$8.75. These are 15 to 35c higher than a week ago.

Mill-buffs Bran in bulk, \$3.75 to \$3.90; in sacks, 200 lbs. \$3.75 to \$7.00; bran in bulk, 100 lbs. \$7.25 to \$7.50; shorts in bulk, \$5.50, shorts in sacks, 100 lbs. 6.75 to \$7.50, fine, \$7.25 to \$7.50. These are 25c lower on bran and shorts.

Oats—Range in stly at 17 to 19c for No. 3. Barley—1½c higher. Quoted at 23½c per bushel for feed grade.

Flax—Quoted at 71½c per bushel, an advance ½c on the week.

Hay—Prairie, \$1.00 to \$3.50 per ton, as quality.—Market Record, April 22.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

The prices below are board of trade quotations for Chicago No. 2 wheat, No. 3 oats and No. 2 corn, per bushel. Pork is quoted per barrel and lard and short ribs per 100 pounds.

Wheat prices were excited and irregular Monday, influenced by the outbreak of war between Greece and Turkey. Prices ran a wide range and the early advance was held over to favorable crop reports, and a sharp demand etc. Closing prices were:

	Apr.	May	July	Sept.
Wheat	71	75	73-75	72½
Corn	21½	21½	25½	27½
Oats	—	17½	18½	19½
Meat Pork	—	8 47½	8 60	—
Lard	—	1 20	1 30	4 10
Short Ribs	—	1 77½	1 77½	4 85

Tuesday there were very heavy offerings of wheat at the opening, prices declined under the influence of a selling wave, sympathy with New York, where there was heavy selling. Closing prices were:

	Apr.	May	July	Sept.
Wheat	73½	73½	73½	71½
Corn	21½	21½	25½	27½
Oats	16½	17½	18½-3	19½
Meat Pork	—	8 47½	8 60	—
Lard	—	4 20	4 30	4 37½
Short Ribs	—	1 72½	4 75	4 80

That was higher at the opening on Wednesday, influenced by higher cables and some favorable crop reports, and export sales at New York. Then there was a tumble in wheat when an attempt was made to realize some large leads being offered. Closing prices were:

	Apr.	May	July	Sept.
Wheat	73½	73½	73½	70½
Corn	21½	21½	25½	26½
Oats	—	17½-1	18½-1	19
Meat Pork	—	8 45	8 57½	—
Lard	—	1 15	4 25	4 30
Short Ribs	—	1 70	4 75	4 82½

Thursday wheat opened strong, on cables export sales and unfavorable news, but broke again under liberal selling. Closing prices were:

	April	May	July	Sept.
Wheat	73½	73½	72½	69½
Corn	21½	21½	25½	26½
Oats	—	17½-1	18½	19½
Meat Pork	—	8 47½	8 57½	—
Lard	—	4 12½	4 22½	4 33½
Short Ribs	—	4 70	4 75	4 80

On Friday there were some bad crop reports at the opening, but prices declined after a temporary advance, on realizing sales, but advanced again on further bad crop reports from Kansas. Closing prices were:

	April	May	July	Sept.
Wheat	71½-75	74½-75	71½	71
Corn	21½	21½	25½-26	27½
Oats	—	17½	18½	19½
Meat Pork	—	8 52½	8 62½	—
Lard	—	4 15	4 25	4 35
Short Ribs	—	4 72½	4 77½	4 82½

On Saturday May wheat opened at 75½c and ranged upward, touching 77½c. Closing prices were:

	April	May	July	Sept.
Wheat	—	77	76½	—
Corn	—	—	—	—
Oats	—	—	—	—
Meat Pork	—	—	—	—
Lard	—	—	—	—
Short Ribs	—	—	—	—

Last week May delivery closed at 78½c. A year ago May wheat closed at 68½c. Two years ago at 68c, and three years ago at 58½c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday	May, 78c	July, 76½c	Sept. 71½c
Tuesday	May, 76½c	July, 75½c	Sept. —
Wednesday	May, 74½c	July, 74½c	Sept. —
Thursday	May, 74½c	July, 74½c	Sept. 69½
Friday	May, 76½c	July, 76½c	Sept. —
Saturday	May, 78½c	July, 78½c	Sept. 72 1-2

On Saturday, April, 21 cash No. 1 hard closed at 79½c, and cash No. 1 Northern at 79½c.

Last week May deliveries closed at 74½c. A year ago May closed at 63½c. Two years ago at 67½c, and three years ago at 60½c, and four years ago at 65½c.

New York Wheat.

On Saturday, April 21, May option closed at 83½c and July at 82c. A week ago May option closed at 77½c and two weeks ago at 72½c.

Minneapolis Wheat.

On Saturday, April 21, No. 1 Northern wheat closed at 76½c for May option, 76½c for July, and 70½c for September. A week ago May wheat closed at 78½c.

Winnipeg Clearing House

Clearings for the week ending April 22, were \$12,051; balances, 126,602. For the previous week clearings were 954,497. For the corresponding week of last year clearings were 967,109 and for the week two years ago, were 631,065.

Grocery Trade Notes.

It is reported that several large jobbers have had firm offers of Columbia river salmon in tall cans made to them at \$1 spot, but that they have declined to buy—New York Commercial Bulletin.

The California Grocer, April 9th, says: "Currants have again advanced owing to the shortness of stocks in first hands, and to the prospect of a diminished yield, which is due as much or more to the discouragement caused to the growers by unremunerative prices, as to the present warlike excitement in Greece. Since our last issue there has been some wholesale business here. In California products there has been a little movement, chiefly in the low grades of peaches, which are now closely cleaned up; the remainder of this fruit in first hands in now very small and consists chiefly of the better qualities. Stocks of apricots are now also only nominal. Prunes are very dull, and the business passing is still in the outside growths at low prices. The quotations on Santa Clara 40-50 is reduced ½ cent. Raisins are slow, and the prices of 3 and 4 crown loose muscatels are clipped. All the talk about damage to the growing crops is, so far, downright nonsense.

The steamer Fremont will be the first fruit vessel to arrive at Montreal this season. She is expected about April 20th. Her cargo consists of 4,000 boxes Messina lemons, 6,200 boxes Messina oranges and 8,000 boxes of Sorentos. She will be followed by the Sir Walter Raleigh, with 30,000 boxes of oranges and lemons. The steamship Victoria has been chartered by the Thomson Line, and she will have a cargo of 35,000 boxes of oranges and lemons. The Escalona will be the fourth to arrive, with 25,000 boxes of fruit, and she will call at Valencia for case oranges. There is also another outside steamer chartered to come here with a full cargo of fruit.—Gazette.

South Dakota Seeding.

Sioux Falls, S. D., April 20—A Trip through the state shows that farmers are busily engaged at plowing and seeding. There is every prospect of a good crop. In years past small grain has been sown as late as May 1. Contrary to first expectations, and largely owing to the prospect of high prices, the acreage of wheat is being increased, while the corn acreage will be decreased. Rye and barley stand two inches high. In Turner and Lincoln counties, during the past week, threshing has been in progress on a hundred farms. Grain that has been stacked all winter, exposed to the weather, shows a loss of from 25 to 50 per cent. and an investigation shows that very little small grain was lost by the overflow of the creeks and rivers. Farmers are predicting a very great hay crop.

R. B. Gallagher, representing S. Green-shields, Son & Co. dry goods, Montreal, returned to Winnipeg last week, and will start soon on one of his regular western trips.