

# The Farmers' Market

## WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company, Limited, June 19, 1915.)

Wheat—Market fairly active but range lower on excellent conditions over the whole of this continent. At the outset values here were heavy in sympathy with pressure in Minneapolis and Chicago on account of crop prospects in the South being very bright, this coupled with a poor enquiry from abroad, created a weak undertone and October here sold under the dollar mark. At this level resting orders took care of all offerings, the buying being all of good class. Wheat that probably will never come on the market again, the sellers being mostly tired holders who had bought higher up and had to liquidate it. Yesterday values ranged higher on firmer cables on the Liverpool market after the advances registered on this side the previous day, but today while the prices opened higher on few buying orders that were hard to fill, values later reacted under previous day's closing figures. Resting spots today were at one cent decline for July and 2½c on October. Demand for top grades of spot wheat poor, there being very little enquiry from Liverpool for our wheats just at present.

Oats—Market dull, there being very little trading in this grain, but values declined about 1½c following break in wheat. Spot demand good.

Barley—No demand and no buyers.

Flax—Fairly active during the sessions but final figures today were only one cent down from last Saturday.

WINNIPEG FUTURES			
	July	Oct.	Dec.
Wheat			
June 15	117½	99½	100½
June 16	119½	102½	102½
June 17	119½	102½	102½
June 18	122	104½	104½
June 19	121½	103½	103½
June 21	119½	100½	100½
Week ago	120½	103½	103½
Year ago	90½	82½	81
Oats			
June 15	54½	44	
June 16	55½	44½	
June 17	54½	44	
June 18	54	44½	
June 19	54	42½	
June 21	53½	43½	
Week ago	55½	44½	
Year ago	39½	36½	
Flax			
June 15	154	158½	
June 16	155½	159½	
June 17	155½	160	
June 18	157½	162½	
June 19	155½	160½	
June 21	151½	156½	
Week ago	155	160	
Year ago	138½	142	

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES		(Sample Market, June 19)	
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	81 26		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 3 cars	1 31½		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 30½		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 25½		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, part car	1 31½		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, part car	1 24½		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 30½		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1 20½		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 3 cars	1 26½		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1 23½		
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	1 25½		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1 27½		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1 27½		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1 27		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1 02		
Rejected wheat, part car	1 11		
Rejected wheat, part car	1 94½		
No. 3 mixed wheat, 1 car	1 24		
No. 3 mixed wheat, 1 car	1 12½		
No grade wheat, 1 car	15 00		
Screenings, 1 car, per ton	5 56		
Sample timothy, 9,000 lbs., to arrive	1 11		
No. 3 durum wheat, 1 car, mixed	1 104		
No. 3 durum wheat, 1 car, mixed	1 131		
No. 3 durum wheat, 1 car, Willmar	1 131		
No. 1 durum wheat, part car, mixed	1 23½		
No. 2 durum wheat, part car, mixed	1 21½		
No. 4 durum wheat, 1 car	1 03½		
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1 16½		
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1 22½		
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1 23½		
No. 3 corn, part car	7 14		
No. 2 yellow corn, 1 car	7 2		

however, those quoted being as follows: For unwashed medium, 20 to 18 cents; unwashed coarse, 18 to 16 cents; unwashed fine and merino, 14 to 12 cents; black wool worth two cents less.

Regina—According to the livestock market bulletin recently issued by the Saskatchewan department of agriculture, which covers a period from May 1 to May 31, the price offered for the Saskatchewan wool clip is 20 to 22 cents per lb. Market shows a strong upward trend with demand keen. Reduction in price is due to the Canadian embargo.

### AMERICAN BARLEY AND OATS

Minneapolis, June 19.—Cash oats closed as follows:—

No. 3 white oats, 46½ to 46½ cents.  
No. 3 oats, 44 to 45 cents.  
Barley, 63 to 70 cents.  
Duluth, June 19.—Cash oats closed at 46½ cents.

## The Livestock Markets

Chicago, June 19.—Hogs jumped higher in price today owing to receipts being less plentiful than expected. Cattle prices were about nominal. Most of the sheep and lambs went to killers direct.

Toronto, June 18.—The improved buying spirit which was a feature of Wednesday's business, coming after the dull days, was still apparent yesterday at the yards, but there were few shipments for sale. There were not two hundred head of cattle and few choice butchers among the lot. Choice steers reached \$8.50. Milkers and springers are slow because no good ones are for sale. Spring lambs are weaker, only two lots reaching 14 cents per pound. Others ranged from 10½ to 13 cents per pound. Hogs are unchanged, choice lots at \$9.60 to \$9.55. Packers are credited with the intention of attempting to force a cut on prices next week when hogs from the northwest are expected to arrive in large numbers.

Calgary, June 19.—The Alberta Farmers' Co-operative Elevator Company Livestock Department reports that twenty-one cars of hogs and three of fat cattle went East during the week, one mixed car of hogs and sheep to Penitence, one car of cattle to Vernon, B.C., and one (stockers) to Strathmore. No shipments were made to New Westminster, the first time for a long time that the Vancouver-Prince Rupert Meat Co. have not shipped something. Hogs—The bulk of the hogs are still going East, altho at greatly reduced prices to those that have prevailed on this market for some time; \$8.27½ was the top we reached, and bulk of our hogs sold at \$8.15. Latest Toronto and Montreal reports are not reassuring and we see little prospect of higher prices for next week. Light hogs did not seem to find so ready a clearance and quite a few remained undressed. Cattle—The market for fat cattle depended mostly on the local butcher demand as the large packers were not buying and \$7.25 was the price for the average run of steers. One particularly choice cow sold at 7 cents, but this was exceptional. There was a demand from Winnipeg for common steers, and this was filled by country buying and three car-loads were shipped. Sheep—Sheared fat wethers, ewes and lambs, \$7.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50 respectively.

Winnipeg, June 21.—The receipts of cattle have been moderate with fewer grass cattle than expected and the result has been a general strengthening of the market. Choice grain fed cattle are bringing about \$8.50. If the run of cattle increases and more grass fed steers come to market the price will probably break. Shippers are advised to watch the market closely. Hogs are not in very good demand just now and prices have been steadily declining. Choice hogs are worth from \$8.25 to \$8.35.

LIVERPOOL MARKET  
Liverpool, June 19.—Market dull with a firm undertone, influenced by less favorable reports from America as shown by the Modern Miller and tightening of Indian offers. Spot firm, all unchanged; cargo market steady; winters 44d higher, Manitobas 3d higher, Plates unchanged, Indians 1½d higher. Expectations of smaller American shipments caused an improved millers' demand.

Corn—Some pressure, early, but later prices hardened. Plate offers are firm. Broomhall says less favorable European crop prospects and lateness of American harvest causing apprehension.

Argentine weather generally favorable, being clear and colder. Buenos Ayres wheat closed yesterday under pressure of foreign influence, with export bids lowered. Corn firm, with arrivals grading unsatisfactory.

WOOL  
Toronto, June 16.—John Hallam Ltd. reports that wool is higher and the demand is good. The modification of the embargo caused a substantial advance, but should permits to ship to the United States be withheld at any time, it would undoubtedly result in a sharp decline, so growers are not taking chances but are taking advantage of the present high prices to market their wool. Unwashed merino, heavy, 17 to 18 cents per lb.; unwashed merino, medium, 19 to 20 cents per lb.; unwashed merino, light, 21 to 22 cents per lb.; unwashed crosses, heavy, 20 to 21 cents per lb.; unwashed crosses, medium, 22 to 24 cents per lb.; unwashed crosses, light, 25 to 27 cents per lb.; unwashed coarse, heavy, 20 to 21 cents per lb.; unwashed coarse, medium, 22 to 23 cents per lb.; unwashed coarse, light, 24 to 26 cents per lb.; washed, 30 to 40 cents per lb.

Winnipeg, June 21.—Dealers here state that the market is now reasonably settled and the apparent possibility of a long drawn out campaign in Europe is keeping the values up. The market generally is slow. There is no change in prices.

### Cash Prices Fort William and Port Arthur from June 8 to June 14 inclusive

Date	WHEAT						OATS						BARLEY				FLAX			
	1*	2*	3*	4	5	6	Feed	2CW	3CW	Ex1Fd	1Fd	2Fd	No. 3	No. 4	Rej.	Feed	1NW	2CW	3CW	Dej.
June 15	118½	...	...	108	101	96	...	54	52½	52½	51½	50½	71½	...	...	...	153	150	...	...
16	...	...	...	110	103	98	...	55	53½	53½	52½	51½	...	...	...	...	154	151	...	...
17	...	...	...	114	110	102½	97½	...	53½	52	52	51	49½	...	...	...	154	151	...	...
18	...	118½	116½	112½	105½	100	...	53½	52	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	156	153	...	...
19	120½	118	115½	111½	104½	...	...	53½	52	52	...	49½	...	...	...	...	154	151	...	...
21	118½	116	113½	109½	102½	...	...	53	51½	51½	50½	49	...	...	...	...	150	147	...	...
Week ago	121	118½	115½	110½	103½	98½	...	55	53½	53½	52½	51½	...	...	...	...	154	151	...	...
Year ago	90½	89½	87½	83½	...	...	...	39½	39	39	37½	36½	53½	52	49	48½	137½	134½	122½	...

### THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

LIVESTOCK	Winnipeg		Toronto	Calgary	Chicago	St. Paul	COUNTRY PRODUCE	Winnipeg		Calgary	Saskatoon	Regina	Brandon
	June 21	Year Ago	June 18	June 19	June 19	June 19		June 21	Year Ago	June 18	June 18	June 19	June 18
<b>Cattle</b>	\$ c c c	\$ c c c	\$ c c c	\$ c c c	\$ c c c	\$ c c c	<b>Butter (per lb.)</b>						
Choice steers, dry feed	8.00-8.50	7.50-7.75	8.10-8.50	7.00-7.25	...	...	Fancy dairy	18c-20c	20c	27c	...	20c-25c	20c
Best butcher steers and heifers	7.10-7.75	7.25-7.50	8.00-8.40	6.75-7.00	...	...	No. 1 dairy	19c	18c	18c-25c	...	18c-20c	19c
Fair to good butcher steers and heifers	6.35-7.10	6.50-7.00	7.00-8.00	6.00-6.50	...	...	Good round lots	16c-17c	14c-15c	16c-18c	...	16c-20c	17c
Best fat cows	6.50-7.00	6.00-6.50	6.75-7.25	6.00-6.50	...	...	Eggs (per doz.)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Medium cows	5.75-6.25	5.35-5.75	5.75-6.25	...	...	...	Strictly new laid	15c-16c	18c-20c	22c-25c	...	20c	19c
Common cows	5.00-5.50	4.75-5.00	5.00-5.75	5.00-5.75	...	...	Potatoes	...	...	...	...	...	...
Choice heifers	7.00-7.50	7.00-7.50	7.50-8.10	...	...	...	In sacks, per bushel	50c-55c	\$1.00-\$1.10	75c	...	75c	65c
Best bulls	5.50-6.00	5.50-6.00	6.75-7.50	...	...	...	Milk and Cream	...	...	...	...	...	...
Common and medium bulls	4.85-5.25	4.50-5.00	5.75-6.25	4.25-5.75	...	...	Sweet cream (per lb. butter-fat)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Best feeding steers	6.00-6.50	7.00-7.40	6.75-7.40	4.25-5.75	...	...	Cream for butter-making purposes (per lb. butter-fat)	...	...	...	...	...	...
Best stocker steers	6.00-6.25	6.50-7.25	...	...	...	...	Sweet milk (per 100 lbs.)	22c	25c-24c	22c	...	27c	22c
Best milkers and springers (each)	\$60-\$75	\$60-\$75	\$85-\$100	\$65-\$80	...	...	Dressed Poultry	\$2.00	\$1.50	47c per lb. of butter-fat	...	\$2.00	\$2.50
Common milkers and springers (each)	\$38-\$45	\$45-\$55	\$45-\$65	\$60-\$65	...	...	Roosters	14c	...	18c	...	14c	...
<b>Hogs</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	Fowl	12c	...	10c-12c	...	14c-18c	11c
Choice hogs	\$8.25-\$8.35	\$7.25	\$9.60-\$9.65	\$8.15	\$7.90	\$7.60	Ducks	14c	...	14c-18c	...	14c-18c	...
Heavy sows	\$6.00-\$6.50	\$5.75	...	...	\$6.25-\$7.50	...	Geese	...	...	16c-22c	...	16c-22c	...
Stags	\$4.50-\$5.00	\$4.80	...	...	...	...	Turkeys	14c	...	15c	...	18c-22c	...
<b>Sheep and Lambs</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...	<b>Hay (per ton)</b>	...	...	...	...	...	...
Choice lambs	\$8 yearlings	\$5.00 each	\$10.50-\$14	\$7.50	\$6.00-\$7.00	\$5.00-\$9.25	No. 1 Red Top	\$17	\$11	...	...	\$20	...
Best killing sheep	\$6.50-\$7.00	\$5.00-\$5.50	\$5.00-\$6.25	\$6.50	\$7.75-\$10.35	\$6.00-\$7.00	No. 1 Upland	\$14	\$15-\$15	\$14	\$6-\$8	\$18	\$12
							No. 1 Timothy	\$21	\$19-\$21	\$16	\$6-\$10	...	...
							No. 1 Midland	\$15	...	...	...	...	...

### WINNIPEG and U.S. PRICES

Closing prices on the principal western markets on Saturday, June 19, were:		
Cash Grain	Winnipeg	Minneapolis
1 Nor. wheat	\$1 20	\$1 31
2 Nor. wheat	1 18	1 28
3 Nor. wheat	1 15	1 26
3 white oats	52	46
Barley	65-70	
Flax, No. 1	1 54	1 76
Futures—		
July wheat	1 21	1 19
Oct. wheat	1 03	Sept. 1 04
Dec. wheat	1 03	1 05

## Country Produce

CALGARY PRODUCE—Butter is very plentiful and the price is likely to keep low for some time. The egg supply has fallen away and prices are firmer. The demand for dressed poultry is very slow. Old potatoes are slow sellers and some new ones from B.C. are coming forward. Dressed hogs (100 to 150 pounds) are worth 10½ cents per pound with heavier weights selling for 9 cents per pound. All the prices quoted for this market are from The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, Produce Dept., Stall #4, Calgary Public Market.

SASKATOON PRODUCE—Business is very brisk on this market with a steady influx of the best quality of butter and eggs. Garden stuff in this district severely damaged by recent frosts. Dressed hogs (100 to 150 pounds) are worth 9½ to 10½ cents per pound. Dressed beef 11½ to 12½ cents and veal 11½ to 13 cents per pound.

REGINA PRODUCE—Dressed hogs (100 to 150 pounds) are worth 10 to 10½ cents per pound with heavier weights 9 cents per pound.

WINNIPEG PRODUCE—Note: Prices are f.o.b. Winnipeg, except those for cream, which are f.o.b. point of shipment.

Butter—Fancy dairy butter is worth this week a cent more owing to a generally improved demand. Prices today are: Fancy dairy, 18 to 20 cents per pound; No. 1 dairy, 19 cents per pound; and good round lots, 16 to 17 cents per pound.

Eggs—The supply of eggs continues very large and prices have not improved on this market. Eggs are worth today 15 to 16 cents per dozen.

Potatoes—There is no change in the market value of potatoes this week, dealers still offering 50 to 55 cents per bushel. Some new potatoes are coming onto the market from the South and dealers state that these are worth \$2.00 to \$2.10 per bushel.

Milk and Cream—There is no change in cream or milk prices this week. Sweet cream is quoted at 27 cents per pound of butterfat. Sour cream is worth 22 cents per pound of butterfat f.o.b. point of shipment. This price works out at from 24 to 25 cents per pound of butterfat delivered in the city. Sweet milk is worth \$2.00 per hundred pounds.

Poultry—Live poultry is in good demand on the local market, but very little is being sent in from the farms just now. Live hens are worth 12 cents per pound, roosters 10 cents, ducks 12 cents, geese 12 cents and turkeys 13 to 15 cents per pound.

Hay—There is not a particularly good demand for hay just now, but shipments are abnormally small at this time of the year, hence prices are keeping high. No. 1 Timothy is worth \$21 per ton; No. 2, \$20 per ton; No. 1 Red Top, \$17 per ton; No. 2, \$15 to \$16 per ton; No. 1 Upland, \$14 per ton; No. 2, \$12 to \$13.50 per ton; No. 1 Midland, \$15 per ton; and No. 2 Midland, \$12 per ton.

Hides—The quality of hides is improving now and dealers are offering the following prices: Green salted hides, unbranded, No. 1, 15 cents, No. 2, 12 cents; branded, 11 cents flat. Green salted bulls, oxen and stags, 10 cents flat. Green salted horsehides, large, \$5.00; medium, \$2.00; small, \$1.25. Green hides worth one cent less than salted. Dry flint butcher hides, 20 cents; dry rough and fallen hides, 16 cents; dry horsehides, 50 cents to \$1.00.