



# GRAIN, LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKET

## WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, February 12, 1912)  
 Wheat—The past week has seen wheat hold remarkably steady, with a good demand all round until to day, Monday, when the American markets were closed because of Lincoln's birthday celebration. With lower British cables, our market sagged heavily, and the demand was wretched. Terminal stocks have increased a little but much wheat is now routed for Duluth, so that farmers should watch Duluth stocks in bond. The May option has declined a little, in fact about 100 cents the last week, and with milder weather and bigger receipts, consequently upon some new threshing, and a better car movement, there will not be the tightness in wheat there was a little while ago.

Farmers should note that on March 7 new tariffs will be filed covering wheat, oats, barley and flax to Duluth and Minneapolis at the same freight rates as to Fort William or Port Arthur. Grand Trunk shipment must also now go to Duluth, there being not enough room left at Fort William terminals.

The British markets have been a little easier the last two or three days, because of improved conditions in the Argentine, where the labor troubles have temporarily subsided. Tough and off grade wheats, however, are not in such good demand as a week or two ago, as exporters complain they cannot stand any good chance of getting the grain out in its tough condition, but before it can be shipped away from terminals, through lack of cars, the wheat is dried.

Oats.—Oats have become a little easier in sympathy with the decline in corn on the American side. We do not expect to see oats below 2 C.W. in grade go much higher for some little time, in fact at all. There is now such a big spread between 2 C.W.'s and Extra 1 Feeds, namely, about 4 cents, that farmers should be very careful, and pick out in loading some of their best oats, in the hope of getting a grade of 2 C.W., instead of running any chance of letting any frosted oats into such a car at all.

Barley.—In barley the demand seems entirely lacking for No. 3 and No. 4, but the lower grades have not changed.

Flax.—Flax has declined very sharply, due to heavy receipts, and an entire lack of demand. This grain, however, should not decline much further without taking a little upturn.

WINNIPEG FUTURES			
Wheat	OLD	NEW	July
	May	May	
Feb. 7	103	102	103
Feb. 8	103	102	103
Feb. 9	103	102	103
Feb. 10	102	102	103
Feb. 12	101	101	102
Feb. 13	101	101	102
Oats			
Feb. 7	44	44	44
Feb. 8	44	44	44
Feb. 9	45	44	44
Feb. 10	44	44	44
Feb. 12	44	44	44
Feb. 13	44	44	43
Flax			
Feb. 7	190		
Feb. 8	188		
Feb. 9	186		
Feb. 10	185		
Feb. 12	183		
Feb. 13	180		

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES		(Sample Market, Feb. 10)	
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1.07	\$1.07	
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 5 cars	1.07		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 7 cars	1.07		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1.07		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 5,400 bu., to arr.	1.07		
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 3,000 bu., to arr.	1.07		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 4 cars, elevator	1.04		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, transit	1.05		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.05		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 3,000 bu., sample, to arr.	1.07		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 5,000 bu., to arr.	1.06		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, to arr.	1.05		
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, soft	1.05		
No. 3 wheat, 8 cars	1.03		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1.02		
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	1.03		
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	1.03		
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	1.03		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car, elevator	1.02		
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1.02		
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1.01		

## QUOTATIONS IN STORE, FORT WILLIAM & PORT ARTHUR, from FEB. 7 to FEB. 13, INCLUSIVE

DATE	WHEAT										OATS		BARLEY				FLAX		
	1*	2*	3*	4	5	6	Feed	Rej. 1 1	Rej. 1 2	Rej. 1 2	Rej. 2 2	Rej. 1* Seeds	Rej. 2* Seeds	2cw. 3cw.	3	4	Lej. Feed	1NW 1Man. Rej.	
Feb. 7	98	95	91	84	74	64	58							41	35		47	46	
8	98	95	90	83	73	63	58							41	35		47	46	188
9	98	95	91	84	74	64	58							41	35		48	47	186
10	98	95	90	83	73	63	58							41	35		48	47	185
12	97	94	89	83	73	63	58							41	36		48	47	185
13	97	94	89	83			57								35		48	47	180

## WINNIPEG AND MINNEAPOLIS PRICES

The following were the closing prices for grain on the Winnipeg and Minneapolis markets on Saturday last, February 10. A study of these figures will show what the Canadian farmers lose through being barred from the United States markets. It must be remembered that the Minneapolis grades are of a lower standard than those required by the Winnipeg inspection, and all Canadian No. 2 Northern and much No. 3 Northern wheat would grade No. 1 Northern at Minneapolis.

	Winnipeg	Minneapolis
No. 1 Nor. cash wheat	98c.	\$1.07
No. 2 Nor. cash wheat	95c.	\$1.05
No. 3 Nor. cash wheat	90c.	\$1.03
May wheat	102c.	\$1.06
July wheat	103c.	\$1.07
No. 3 White oats	85c.	50c.
Barley	47c. to 48c.	90c. to \$1.27
Beef Cattle, top	Winnipeg 85.25	Chicago 88.65
Hogs, top	87.50	86.37
Sheep, top	85.50	86.50

No grade barley, 1 car	1.10	1,500; market slow and weak. Beeves, \$4.80 to \$8.65; Texas steers, \$4.65 to \$5.85; western steers, \$4.90 to \$7.10; stockers and feeders, \$5.85 to \$6.10; cows and heifers, \$2.10 to \$6.60; calves, \$5.75 to \$8.35. Hogs, receipts 20,000; market steady; light, \$5.95 to \$6.30; mixed, \$6 to \$6.37; heavy, \$6 to \$6.37; rough, \$6 to \$6.15; pigs, \$4.40 to \$6; bulk of sales, \$6.20 to \$6.30. Sheep, receipts 2,000; market steady; native, \$3.15 to \$4.60; western, \$3.40 to \$4.60; yearlings, \$4.70 to \$5.50; lambs, native, \$4.25 to \$6.50; western, \$4.50 to \$6.50.
No grade barley, 1 car	1.00	
Western barley, 1 car	1.15	
Sample barley, 1 car	.95	
Sample barley, 1 car	1.01	
Sample barley, 1 car	1.09	
No. 1 flax, 1 car	2.08	
No. 1 flax, 1 car, choice	2.12	
No. 1 flax, 1,000 bu., to arr.	2.09	
No. 1 flax, 26 sacks	1.90	
No. 2 flax, 1 car	2.02	
No. 2 flax, 1 car	2.02	
No. 2 flax, 1 car	1.98	
No grade flax, 1 car	2.00	

## CANADIAN VISIBLE

(Official to Winnipeg Grain Exchange)  
 Feb. 9, 1912  
 Wheat Oats Barley  
 Tl visible 22,402,458 4,417,817 902,322  
 Last week 22,724,680 4,824,522 1,619,987  
 Last year 13,268,998 7,585,769 435,807

Pt. William	8,422,761	1,840,290	244,758
Pt. Arthur	5,081,139	1,423,904	401,821
Depot Hbr.		103,751	
Meaford	42,224	3,453	
Mid. Tiffin	945,889	159,510	115,175
Collingwood	230,830		
Goderich	339,007	182,079	16,489
Sarnia, Pt. Ed.	144,892	34,403	17,120
Pt. Colborne	251,254	89,047	
Kingston	52,211	55,887	7,057
Prescott	152,150	3,000	
Montreal	103,853	318,708	95,602
Quebec	4,180	104,938	4,300
St. John, N.B.	522,476	2,347	
Victoria Hbr.	461,061	14,500	

At Midland and Tiffin there are 519,261 bushels of U.S. oats in bond.

Canadian visible supply of grain afloat in Canadian and American harbors and in elevators Feb. 9, 1912:

	Wheat	Oats	Barley
Thorold	40,000		
Sarnia	203,388		
Pt. Colborne	215,000		
Midland	190,000		
Goderich	108,521		
Pt. William	3,163,116		
Pt. Arthur	1,728,497	82,000	
	5,648,522	82,000	
Duluth	132,000	233,000	
Buffalo	not reported.		

## CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

Chicago, Feb. 10.—Cattle receipts

MINNEAPOLIS BARLEY  
 Minneapolis, Feb. 10.—There was no quotable change in the barley market to-day. Demand continued slow for all grades except the choice malting barley. Receipts were about normal and were composed largely of the medium and low feeding varieties. Prices closed in the same range as yesterday. Receipts, 30 cars; year ago, 28 cars; shipments, 20 cars. Closing range, 90c. to \$1.27.

## MONTREAL LIVE STOCK

Montreal, Feb. 12.—At the Montreal stock yards, west end market, the receipts of live stock for the week ending Feb. 10 were 1,700 cattle, 350 sheep and lambs, 2,275 hogs and 350 calves, while the offerings on the market this morning for sale amounted to 950 cattle, 225 sheep and lambs, 1,575 hogs and 225 calves.

A feature of the trade to-day was the stronger feeling in the market for cattle, and prices since this day week show an advance of 25 cents per 100 pounds, which is attributed to the smaller offerings, the improved quality of the stock coming forward and the increased demand for both local and out of town butchers for the better grades. The gathering of buyers was larger than usual, and as they were all well cleaned out of good beef, the demand was stronger, and a fairly active trade was done at satisfactory prices to both buyers and sellers. A feature of the trade was the demand for bulls for shipment to Quebec, and as there was quite a number on the market, sales were made freely of choice stocks weighing from 1,500 to 2,000 pounds at \$5.50 to \$6 per 100 pounds. Full loads of choice brought \$6.70, and in a jobbing way as high as \$7 was realized, and in some instances drovers asked the latter price for full loads.

The tone of the market for sheep and lambs was very firm on account of limited supply available and to good demand for the same. Calves are becoming more plentiful, but the quality of the stock is only medium, and a good many of them are far too young to be fit for killing. There was no change in the condition of the market for hogs, prices being firm under a good demand and smaller supplies, and sales of selected lots were made at \$7.25 to \$7.35 per 100 pounds weighed off cars.

In spite of its great oil fields, the United States imports refined petroleum.