

543,000 bushels and five years ago 3,333,000 bushels.

FLOUR—With wheat jumping up at the rate of 10c a day, the flour market could not be otherwise than excited, but while prices have advanced sharply, they have not kept pace with wheat. Prices were advanced 20c per barrel on Thursday all around, and the Ogilvie company quoted another advance yesterday, making a total advance for the week of 60c per barrel, to \$3.20 for patent, \$3.00 for Glenora, \$2.60 for second bakers, \$2 for XXXX per sack of 98 lbs.

MILLFEED—Prices are firm, but not changed. We quote bran at \$12.00 and shorts \$14.00 per ton in bulk. Large lots \$1 per ton less.

GROUND FEED—Pure grain feed is quoted at \$22 to \$24 for rolled out feed. Inferior mixed mill feed, \$18 to \$20 per ton. Ground corn very strong at \$17 to \$18 per ton. Oil cake is out of the market.

OATMEAL—Prices in lots to the retail trade held at \$2.20 per sack for rolled meal.

BARLEY—There is some local demand for seed, but there is no barley moving and practically none to be had. Nominal at 45 to 50c per bushel of 48 lbs.

CORN—No business has been reported in corn recently. It would cost about 45c on track here now, to lay down from the south.

OATS—The market is very firm. About all the oats held by dealers have been bought up by one local grain concern, so that it may be said one house has a corner on the market. The other dealers sold out in round lots at about 38c in the country, equal to 47 to 48c on track Winnipeg, freight paid. Prices have been advanced about 3c per bushel, and 45c per bushel is about the inside price now. It is said the principal holders will ask 46c. As we have four to five months to run before new oats will come to market, it is difficult to say how far prices may be advanced before relief comes with the new crop.

BUTTER—Creamery—The only thing done in new creamery so far is the purchase of a few little lots of bricks at about 20c for the local city trade. We hear of further purchases of creamery in the east for the British Columbia trade, at prices ranging about 17 1/2c, equal to 19 1/2 to 20c laid down at Vancouver.

BUTTER—Dairy—The market holds fairly steady at the prices quoted a week ago. 18c still being obtainable for choice dairy, and we quote 16 to 18c as to quality for good to choice fresh butter. Of course the supply and demand at these prices is limited to local requirements yet.

EGGS—The market opened at 12c on Monday and declined to 11c on Tuesday and on Thursday prices were down to 10c, at which figure commission houses were selling. Parkers are now in the market and they are buying for 9c net for receipts. The market is still easy and a further drop of 1c may take place, so that country dealers should again reduce their limit to the basis of a 9c market here at least.

CHEESE—Easy at 9 1/2 to 10c for held stock.

DRESSED MEATS—The market is firmer all around and the tendency is higher for beef and hogs. Live hogs and cattle are casting higher. In fact the market for beef and hogs is very strong. Receipts of hogs are light. We quote hogs 7 to 7 1/4c for country dressed. Beef 6 1/2 to 6 3/4c for city

dressed, and up to 7c has been paid for choicest beef. Mutton 8c for cold storage stock and 9 to 10c for fresh dressed. Veal, 7 to 9c, as to quality.

DRESSED POULTRY—Good chickens will bring 60c to 75c per pair live, and turkeys 11c per lb. live weight or 15c dressed.

GAME—No game offering. Close season for ducks.

CURED MEATS AND LARD—The market is very strong but there is no advance here yet. See quotations on another page.

VEGETABLES—Pie plant is lower. Other lines about same. Potatoes 35 to 40c per bushel, as to quality and variety; onions, native, 2 to 2 1/2c per lb.; imported, 3c to 4c, as to quality; cabbage, 11-2c per lb; beets, 40 to 50c per bushel; turnips, 20c to 25c per bushel; parsnips, 11-2 to 2c. Green stuffs in onions, lettuce, radishes, etc., is offering at 25c dozen bunches; rhubarb, \$1.50 per box.

HAY—Held at about \$12 per ton for cars of baled. One car from Dakota has arrived here, costing about \$11.50. Loose hay sells on the street at \$8 to \$10 per ton.

HIDES—Advices from other markets are firmer. Hides at Chicago advanced recently. Calfskins, however, are weak and 1c to 2c lower. Local prices are unchanged. We quote green hides, No. 1 6 1/2-2c; kip 6 to 6 1/2-2c; calf 7 to 9c lb; deacon skins, 15 to 25c each; sheep pelts nominal at 75c to 80c each for fresh skins; horse hides, 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

WOOL—Nominal and easy at 8 to 9c. In the United States wool is very dull and buyers are bidding 1 to 2c lower.

TALLOW—Quoted at 3 1/2-2c for No. 1 and No. 2 to 2 1/2-2c for other grades as to quality.

SENECA ROOT—Nominal and weak. No demand from consuming markets. Quoted 10 to 15c.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Stocker cattle are still in demand to ship south at \$10 to \$13 for yearlings and \$17 to \$24 for two years old cattle. Some also are going to the western ranchers. British markets declined again, but the British market is not any guide to the local situation this season, as prices for the local trade and for British Columbia are too high for export and it is not likely any export business will be done worth mentioning next grass cattle are ready to ship. The tendency is rather. We quote the local market for butchers cattle at 3 1/2 to 4c for fair to choice fat stock and it is said 4 1/4-4c was paid this week by a city butcher for a load or two.

SHEEP—The market is steady at about 4 1/2-2c. Lambs \$2.50 to \$3.50 each.

HOGS—The market is firm at 5 1/2-8c for best bacon hogs, showing an advance of 1-8c this week. The supply is limited and unless offerings increase materially they will hardly be equal to the local demand. We quote choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 lbs at 5 1/2-8c per lb; 250 to 300 lbs, \$4.25 to \$4.75; heavy hogs over 300 lbs, \$3.25 to \$4, as to quality, live weight.

HORSES—Horses are being brought in from the United States and the east, but the demand is quieter. The usual range is \$225 to \$250 for fair to good farm teams.

Minneapolis Markets.

Principal changes in prices compared with a week ago are as follows: Flour 25c higher, ground corn 50c higher ton, flax seed 5c higher, oats 1c higher, butter 1-2c higher, eggs 1-4 to 1-2c higher, hogs higher, poultry scarce and higher, potatoes 3 to 5c higher.

Flour—Prices in barrels. First patents, \$6.35 to \$6.55; second patents, \$6.15 to \$6.35.

Millfeed—Shorts, in bulk, \$10.75 to \$11; bran in bulk, \$10.75 to \$11; corn feed, \$12.50 to \$14.50 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 32 1/2-8c for No. 3. Oats—Held at 30 1/2-2c for No. 3 White.

Barley—Feed, quoted at 36c.

Flax seed—\$1.30 1-2 per bushel.

Eggs—9 1/4 to 9 1/2c for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 5c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 8 to 10c; fair to good 7 to 7 1/2c.

Butter—Creamery, 16 to 17c; seconds, 15c; dairy, 14 to 16c for good to choice; seconds, 13c.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 1 to 6 1/2-2c; lambs, 5 to 8 1/2-2c; hogs, 4 to 4 1/4-4c; for heavy and 4 1/2-2c for medium and light.

Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 10 to 18c; named varieties, 48 to 65c.

Poultry—Chicken, 5 to \$1-2c, turkeys 9 to 9 1/2-2c; ducks 8c; geese 7c, all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 7 3/4-4c for No. 1, 6 3/4-4c for No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 5 1/2 to 6 3/4-4c; sheepskins 40 to 80c each; tallow, 2 1/4-4c to 3 1/4-4c; seneca root, 19 to 20c.

Hay—\$6.50 to \$9.00 per ton, including timothy.

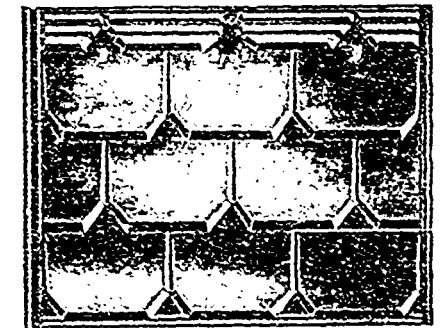
Cattle—Sales: 15 cows, av 1,971, \$3.50; 10 av 936, \$3.50; 1 heifer av 631, \$2.75; 8 stockers, ave 673, \$1; 1 bull, av 1,820, \$3.35.

Hogs—Sales: 52 hogs, av 228 lbs, \$3.35; 40 hogs, av 200 lbs, \$3.90; 74 av 186, \$3.87 1-2.

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