

The Farmers' Market

WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, September 6, 1913)

Wheat—Good general trade this week, the market attracting more general attention, ruling active and higher, holding part of the advance up to the last. Resting spots show October up 1c. to 1c., December gained 1 1/2c. as also did May. Considerable strength was displayed at the outset, due to higher Liverpool and American markets, and as the week advanced there was fair buying and less offering. Foreign markets were stronger and world's shipments, while large, more than half of same came from North America. Foreign crop news was "bullish." Weather in the United Kingdom was unfavorable. Yields in France were below last year, but in Russia the conditions are favorable for maturing and harvesting the crop. Weather conditions in general throughout Canadian Northwest are fair; cutting is finished in Manitoba and threshing will commence in Saskatchewan early next week. Receipts while not large as yet are of course considerably over a year ago, and quality is running at present very good. Cash demand is fair at going prices with milling interest all in the market.

Oats—A good business and a higher range of prices was the feature of this week's oat market. The advance in other grains helped oats early and there was an increase in the buying. At the close sales were at gains of 1c for October delivery, 1 1/2c for December delivery and 1 1/2c for May over previous Saturday's close. Cash demand is fair and prices averaged higher also on the lower grades.

Barley—Due to a new enquiry which centred in our market during later part of week, prices advanced over 2c. on No. 3 C.W. and over 1c. on the lower grades. Receipts are not very large as yet, but quality is good.

Flax—Higher during the week, but lost all gain later and the close sees October option unchanged from a week ago. Receipts are as yet small.

	Oct.	Dec.	May
Wheat —			
September 2	87	85 1/2	90 1/2
September 3	88 1/2	87 1/2	92 1/2
September 4	88 1/2	87 1/2	92 1/2
September 5	87 1/2	86 1/2	91 1/2
September 6	87 1/2	86 1/2	91 1/2
September 7	87	85 1/2	91
September 8	87	85 1/2	91
Oats —			
September 2	35 1/2	35 1/2	39 1/2
September 3	36 1/2	36 1/2	40 1/2
September 4	36 1/2	36 1/2	40 1/2
September 5	36 1/2	36 1/2	40 1/2
September 6	36	36	40 1/2
September 7	36 1/2	36 1/2	41
September 8	36 1/2	36 1/2	41
Flax —			
September 2	133	132	
September 3	135 1/2	134 1/2	
September 4	135 1/2	134 1/2	
September 5	133	132	
September 6	131	130 1/2	
September 7	132 1/2	132	
September 8	132 1/2	132	

Spot	Close	Prev.
Manitoba No. 1	81 1/2	81 1/2
Manitoba No. 2	1 10	1 10
Manitoba No. 3	1 06 1/2	1 06 1/2
Duluth No. 1	1 08 1/2	1 08 1/2
Duluth, New & Red Winter	1 03 1/2	1 03 1/2
Australian	1 12 1/2	1 12 1/2
Rouse (New)	1 07 1/2	1 07 1/2
Futures Steady		
October, Manitoba's	1 05 1/2	1 05 1/2
December, Manitoba's	1 05 1/2	1 05 1/2
March, Manitoba's	1 06 1/2	1 06 1/2
Antwerp		
September—Danubian	1 03 1/2	1 03 1/2
September—Kaukas	1 04 1/2	1 04 1/2
September—Manitoba	1 03 1/2	1 04 1/2
Flax Markets		
Antwerp—October—Plate	1 46 1/2	1 48 1/2
London—Oct.—Nov.—Plate	1 50 1/2	1 51 1/2
London—Oct.—Nov.—Calcutta	1 59	
Hull—Spot	1 48 1/2	1 48 1/2
Hull—Plate—Sept.—Oct.	1 50 1/2	1 51 1/2

Note.—Basis of exchange for wheat is 4 86 2-2. Basis of exchange for flax 4 86; and all on basis of pure. Winnipeg Free Press.

Liverpool, Sept. 6.—Market opened under realizing induced by the easier cables and the weakness in Winnipeg. Later shorts covered and prices recovered, stimulated by the expectations of lighter American shipments this week, as

indicated by Bradstreets, and an improved demand for spots with European offers light. Spot markets, both wheat and corn, closed steady and unchanged.

No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car	80 91
No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car	90 1/2
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 15 cars	90
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	88 1/2
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1,000 bu., to arrive	95 1/2
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car, dockage	92 1/2
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	88 1/2
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	81
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, sample	84
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	86 1/2
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, sample	87
No. 3 wheat, 6 cars	84
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	85
Sample grain, 1 car	86
Rejected wheat, 1 car	85 1/2
No grade wheat, 1 car, bin burnt, tough and musty	83 1/2
No grade wheat, 1 car	84
No grade wheat, 1 car	76
No grade wheat, 1 car	85
No grade wheat, 1 car	82 1/2
No grade wheat, 1 car	86
No grade wheat, 1 car, heating	82
No grade wheat, 1 car	85 1/2
No grade wheat, 1 car	84 1/2
No. 2 durum wheat, 1 car	82 1/2
No. 1 durum wheat, 1 car	84 1/2
No grade durum wheat, 1 car	81 1/2
Screenings, 1 car, heating	16 00
Rejected mixed wheat, 1 car	79
Mixed wheat, 1 car, w.b.	87 1/2
No. 2 hard winter wheat, 1 car	88 1/2
No. 4 white oats, 8 cars	40 1/2
No. 3 white oats, 3 cars	41
No. 3 white oats, 8,000 bu., to arrive	43 1/2
No. 3 oats, 1 car	39
No. 3 oats, 1 car	39 1/2
No. 3 oats, 1 car	38 1/2
No. 2 rye, 4 cars	64
No. 2 rye, 7 cars	63
No. 1 feed barley, 3 cars	64
No grade barley, 1 car	64
No. 4 barley, 1 car	69
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	64
No grade barley, 1 car	61
No grade barley, 1 car	62 1/2
Sample barley, 1 car	72
No. 4 barley, 1 car	66
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	62
No grade barley, 1 car, part hot	58
No grade barley, 1 car, black oats	60

Sample barley, 1 car	61
No grade barley, 1 car	62 1/2
No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	69
No. 2 feed barley, 2 cars	65
No. 1 flax, 1 car, part dockage	1 49
No. 2 flax, 1 car, dockage	1 45 1/2
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1 45 1/2
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1 48
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1 45 1/2
No. 1 flax, 1 car, dockage	1 49 1/2

Wheat —		Barley —	
1 Northern	103,000	3 C.W.	61,099
2 Northern	190,000	4 C.W.	103,000
3 Northern	113,000	Other grades	Not given
Other grades	Not given		
Total wheat	788,000	Total barley	251,000
Oats —		Flax —	
2 C.W.	1,732,000	1 N.W.C.	605,000
Other grades	Not given	2 N.W.	921,000
		Other grades	Not given
Total oats	2,061,000	Total flax	1,620,000

	Wheat	Oats	Barley
Pt. Arthur and	788,000	2,031,000	251,000
Montreal	1,090,808	1,182,239	468,509
Kingston,			
Goderich, etc.			
Total this week	2,520,493	5,037,571	832,305
Total last week	2,440,181	5,687,442	1,037,229
Total last year	4,527,302	1,983,405	581,841

Cattle—Receipts, 500, steady. Beeves, \$6.00 to \$9.15; Texas steers, \$6.70 to \$7.75; western steers, \$6.00 to \$7.90; stockers and feeders, \$5.50 to \$7.90; cows and heifers, \$3.70 to \$8.60; calves, \$8.75 to \$12.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 9,000; slow; steady to 5c. above yesterday's average. Bulk of sales, \$7.90 to \$8.60; light, \$8.50 to \$9.25; mixed, \$7.65 to \$9.20; heavy, \$7.50 to \$8.80; rough, \$7.50 to \$7.75; pigs, \$4.25 to \$8.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 4,000; steady. Native, \$3.50 to \$4.75; western, \$3.75 to \$4.60; yearlings, \$5.00 to \$5.75; lambs, \$5.50 to \$7.65; western, \$6.00 to \$7.80.

LIVERPOOL LIVE STOCK
Liverpool, Sept. 6.—Deveney and Company state that the cattle trade at Birkenhead remains unchanged, and quotations are the same as last week, viz., 13 1/2 cents to 14 cents per pound.

FROST IN SOME PLACES
The Grain Exchange weather report shows frost occurring at several points in Saskatchewan and Alberta on Sunday, Sept. 7. The lowest point indicated on Monday's weather map was 28° at Humboldt. Warmer weather is general and the probabilities are favorable.

WINNIPEG AND U.S. PRICES

	Winnipeg	Minneapolis
Cash Grain		
1 Nor. wheat	80 88 1/2	80 89 1/2
2 Nor. wheat	80 1/2	87 1/2
3 Nor. wheat	84 1/2	85 1/2
No grade		76-86
3 White oats	34 1/2	41
Barley	42 1/2-48	57-75
Flax, No. 1	1 20	1 48 1/2
Futures		
October wheat	87 1/2 (Sept.)	86 1/2
December wheat	86 1/2	80 1/2
May wheat	91 1/2	94 1/2
	Winnipeg	Chicago
Beef Cattle, top	86 10	89 15
Hogs, top	9 25	9 25
Sheep, yearlings	5 50	5 75

Winnipeg Live Stock

Stockyard Receipts

Receipts at the Winnipeg stockyards amounted to 1,932 cattle, 200 calves, 2,332 hogs and 2,601 sheep, as compared with the previous week's totals of 1,080 cattle, 103 calves, 1,788 hogs and 793 sheep. For the corresponding week last year the receipts were 2,196 cattle, 1,138 hogs and 1,038 sheep.

Cattle
Up to Wednesday noon the cattle receipts were quite light and the market ruled strong. With the arrival of 30 carloads, however, the market became slow and draggy for the balance of the week, and prices underwent a decline of 15 cents on many grades and of 25 cents on a couple lines. The bulk of the arrivals were common stuff, with few good enough to reach 6 cents. Most of the best butcher steers and heifers sold from \$5.30 to \$5.95, and the fair to good kind sold around \$5.15 and \$5.25. Stockers and feeders are in only fair demand and they are selling steady. Good fresh cows and milkers that have just calved are selling pretty well, but late springers and common under-sized milkers are almost impossible to dispose of. Veals are somewhat lower, the best selling at \$7.75 to \$8.00.

Hogs
The hog market kept strong throughout the week, all the choice kept selling at \$9.25. With the new week, however, a very slow and draggy feeling prevailed the market, and dealers were bidding only 9 cents on Monday. Whether the market would be depressed to the 9 cent level could not be definitely known, but the probabilities were that the lower prices would hold for some days.

Sheep and Lambs
A good supply of sheep and lambs came in during the week, but the demand was maintained steady and prices held firm at previous quotations, \$6.50 to \$7.00 for choice lambs, and \$5.00 to \$5.50 for best killing sheep.

Country Produce

Note.—Quotations are l.o.b. Winnipeg, except those for cream, which are l.o.b. point of shipment.

Butter
Butter prices remain at last week's prices, but the supplies have fallen off about twenty per cent. on account of harvesting, and will be still more curtailed a little later. The tendency is to stronger prices, but it may be some little time before an advance is quoted. The ruling prices are 24 cents for fancy dairy, 18-20 cents for No. 1 dairy and 17-18 cents for good round lots.

Eggs
Eggs have been coming in more plentifully the past few days than for five or six weeks back. The warm days helped the hens to lay more abundantly and local firms have been gratified to receive larger shipments than they were expecting. Cuddled eggs are worth 32-23 cents, but the strictly new-laid command three cents or more higher.

Potatoes
New potatoes are still being shipped in very large quantities, with the result that produce men claim even last week's reduced figure of 35 cents a bushel is too high for general quoting today (Monday). They are quoting 35 cents a bushel or 30 cents in carload lots, and the tendency is still downward.

Milk and Cream
Supplies of milk and cream are keeping up wonderfully well considering the interference from harvest and threshing. Prices are the same as before, 30 cents for sweet cream, 25 cents for butter-making and \$2.00 per hundred pounds of sweet milk. Dairy men think there will be no change for a couple of weeks at least.

Dressed Meats
Dressed beef is at an even 10 cents for choice, and 1 spring lamb is 16 1/2 cents. Other dressed meats are unchanged; hogs 12-13 cents, mutton 13 cents and veal 13-14 cents. Local butchers are having trouble in getting any first-class supplies from Manitoba farmers, first, because few seem to have choice quality of dressed meats, and secondly, those few are now too busy with the harvest to pay attention to this side-line.

Hay
Hay is up \$2.00 to \$3.00 a ton, except on Timothy, which stands at the same level, \$14.00. The harvesting has cut down the deliveries and this has raised prices for the time being. No. 1 Red Top is now \$12.00-\$13.00, No. 1 Upland \$11.00-\$12.00, with No. 2 grades a dollar less. After shipments get heavy again the prices will probably decline to last week's level.

Hides, Wool, Tallow
Winnipeg dealers are quoting as follows:
Hides—Cured hides, 12 cents per lb.; delivered in Winnipeg; green hides, 11 cents; western branded hides, 9 1/2 to 10 cents; shearlings and lambskins, 15 to 35 cents each.
Tallow—No. 1 tallow is worth 5 to 5 1/2 cents lb.; No. 2, 4 to 4 1/2 cents, delivered to the trade.
Wool—Manitoba wool is bringing 10 to 12 cents per lb. for coarse; 11 to 13 cents for medium.
Seneca Root—We quote 48 to 50 cents per pound.

Cash Prices in Store Fort William and Port Arthur from September 2 to September 8 inclusive

Date	WHEAT					OATS					BARLEY				FLAX					
	1°	2°	3°	4	5	6	Feed	2CW	3CW	Ex1Fd	1Fd	2Fd	No. 3	No. 4	Rej.	Rec	1Nw	2CW	3CW	Rej.
Sept. 2	New	88	85 1/2	83				34 1/2	33 1/2	34	33 1/2	31 1/2	46	44	41	41	130	127 1/2	115 1/2	
3	88 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2					35 1/2	33 1/2	34	33 1/2	32	46	44	41	41	133 1/2	131 1/2	117 1/2	
4	89 1/2	87 1/2	85 1/2					35 1/2	33 1/2	34 1/2	33 1/2	32	47 1/2	45 1/2	42	42	132 1/2	129 1/2	117	
5	89	86 1/2	84 1/2					35 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	32 1/2	48	46 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	131	128	115 1/2	
6	88 1/2	86 1/2	84 1/2					35 1/2	34 1/2	35	34 1/2	32 1/2	48	46 1/2	42 1/2	42 1/2	129	126	113 1/2	
8	88 1/2	86 1/2	83 1/2					35 1/2	35 1/2	35	34 1/2	32 1/2	49	46 1/2	43	43	131	128	115 1/2	

THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

CORRECTED TO MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Winnipeg Grain	MON.	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO	Winnipeg Live Stock	MONDAY	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO	Country Produce	MON-DAY	WEEK AGO	YEAR AGO
Cash Wheat				Cattle				Butter (per lb.)			
No. 1 Nor.	88 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	Extra choice steers	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	8 c. 8 c.	Fancy dairy	22c	22c	23c-24c
No. 2 Nor.	86 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	Choice butcher steers and heifers	5 75-6 10	5 85-6 25		No. 1 dairy	18c-20c	18c-20c	22c
No. 3 Nor.	83 1/2	82 1/2	91		5 50-5 65	5 60-5 75	5 50-5 75	Good round lots	17c-18c	17c-18c	20c
No. 4	79	80		Fair to Good Butcher steers and heifers	5 15-5 25	5 25-5 40	4 75-5 25	Eggs (per doz.)			
No. 5	71 1/2	72		Best fat cows	5 25-5 40	5 25-5 50	4 50-4 85	Cuddled	22c-23c	22c-23c	24c
No. 6	67	62		Medium cows	4 25-4 60	4 25-4 75	3 75-4 00	Potatoes			
Feed	60			Common cows	3 00-3 25	3 00-3 25	3 00-3 25	New, per bushel	30c	35c	35c
Cash Oats				Best bulls	4 00-4 25	4 00-4 25	3 50-3 75	Milk and Cream			
No. 2 C.W.	35 1/2	33 1/2	43								