

The Farmers' Market

WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of The Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, November 27, 1916)
Wheat—There were strong markets during the early half of last week, due to an urgent demand for wheat to fill lake space, also to bad weather in parts of the Canadian West. November futures showed the greatest strength, with a premium over December at times as much as ten cents. Toward the end of the week there was a change in conditions on account of scarcity of ocean tonnage and some aggressive selling caused a sharp break in prices on Saturday. November price showed a decline for the day of eleven cents, leaving it unchanged from a week ago. There was a gain for the week of 51 cents in December and 21 cents in May. Foreign news had but little influence here during the week. News that Greece had joined the Allies was probably the outstanding item and did not cause any great change in the situation. Coarse grains have been steady, following the fluctuations in wheat to a small extent. The flax market has been more active than either oats or barley, its action depending largely on the interest shown by crushers.

WINNIPEG FUTURES				
	Nov.	Dec.	May	
Wheat—				
November 21	200	190	191	
November 22	204	194	192	
November 23	203	194	192	
November 24	201	194	191	
November 25	190	188	186	
November 26	189	186	185	
November 27	189	186	185	
Week ago	197	189	191	
Year ago	104	97	101	
Oats—				
November 21	65	67		
November 22	65	67		
November 23	65	67		
November 24	64	64		
November 25	63	65		
November 26	61	63		
November 27	61	63		
Week ago	62	65		
Year ago	42	38	40	
Flax—				
November 21	261	262	271	
November 22	265	266	274	
November 23	266	266	274	
November 24	260	259	267	
November 25	257	256	262	
November 26	254	251	260	
November 27	254	251	260	
Week ago	266	265	273	
Year ago	184	184	190	

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALE				
(Sample Market, Nov. 25)				
No. 1 hard wheat, 3 cars	\$1.92			
No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car	1.91			
No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car	1.94			
No. 1 hard wheat, 1 car	1.93			
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No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.92			
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.93			
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.93			
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.84			
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.81			
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1.82			
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1.77			
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1.79			
No. 1 western wheat, 1 car, club	1.78			
No. 1 western wheat, 1 car, mixed	1.85			
Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.43			
Sample grade wheat, 1 car	1.59			
No. 2 durum wheat, 2 cars	1.92			
No. 1 durum wheat, 1 car	1.99			
No. 4 durum wheat, 1 car	1.50			
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1.77			
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1.69			
No. 2 hard winter wheat, 1 car, Mont.	1.87			
No. 2 hard winter wheat, part car	1.96			
No. 6 yellow corn, 2 cars	88			
No. 6 mixed corn, 1 car	87			
No. 4 mixed corn, 1 car	92			
No. 3 yellow corn, 1 car, wild	90			
No. 2 mixed corn, 1 car	86			
No. 3 yellow corn, 1 car, wild	91			
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	54			
Mill oats, 1 car, l.o.b.	48			
No. 4 white oats, part car, barley	53			
No. 2 white oats, 1 car	54			
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	55			
No. 2 rye, 1 car	48			
No. 3 rye, 1 car, dockage	47			

Sample barley, 1 car, arrive	98	
Sample barley, 1 car	98	
No. 4 barley, 1 car	1.10	
No. grade barley, 1 car	1.04	
No. 3 barley, 1 car	1.08	
No. 5 barley, 1 car	1.00	
No. 6 barley, 1 car	1.01	
No. 1 flax, 400 bu., arrive	2.82	
No. 1 flax, 1 car	2.80	
No. 1 flax, 1 car	2.82	
No. 1 flax, 750 bu., arrive	1.28	

LIVERPOOL WHEAT MARKET				
Liverpool, Nov. 25.—Market steady.				
No. 3 Nor. Manitoba	Close	Prev.		
	\$2 21	\$2 21		
Cargoes (Liverpool)				
No. 1 Nor. Manitoba (about)	2 26	2 25		
Hard winter (about)	2 22	2 22		

Note—These prices are approximately the value of wheat at the rate of exchange of \$4.76 for spots and \$4.74 for cargoes. Rate of exchange is not furnished by Broomhall—Manitoba Free Press.

INTERIOR TERMINAL ELEVATOR STOCKS				
Movement of grain in interior terminal elevators during the week ending Wednesday, November 23, was as follows:—				
Elevator	Grain	Rec'd during week	Ship'd during week	Now in store
Saskatoon	Wheat	39,458.40	16,698.20	89,610.20
"	Oats	14,246.16	1,845.20	18,009.14
"	Barley			856.42
"	Flax	1,133.29		1,007.10
Moore	Wheat	89,497.50	75,075.20	278,631.30
"	Oats	147.21	2,231.16	45,992.10
"	Barley		1,796.42	714.24
"	Flax	63.42		782.29

STOCKS IN TERMINALS				
Fort William, November 24, 1916.—1916 Wheat				
This Year	Last Year			
1 hard	48,025.10	90,293.20		
1 Nor.	823,299.50	8,221,869.30		
2 Nor.	3,370,514.50	2,972,957.20		
3 Nor.	3,228,965.10	2,818,044.30		
No. 4	1,659,886.10	1,368,877.20		
Others	5,042,025.30	2,573,311.40		
This week	14,172,716.40	This week	15,045,353.40	
Last week	12,752,800.10	Last week	17,932,173.20	
Increase	1,419,916.30	Increase	113,180.20	
1 C.W.	30,405.10	Oats	76,866.04	
2 C.W.	2,088,046.23		1,745,656.29	
3 C.W.	660,986.08		600,663.13	
Ex. 1 fl.	577,350.11		217,197.02	
Others	2,119,945.13		1,333,969.01	
This week	5,476,733.31	This week	4,074,382.15	
Last week	5,111,764.07	Last week	3,903,262.15	
Increase	364,969.24	Increase	171,120.00	

Cash Prices Ft. William and Port Arthur from November 14 to November 20 inclusive

Date	WHEAT					Feed	OATS					BARLEY			FLAX		
	1*	2*	3*	4	5		2CW	3CW	4F	1F	2F	No. 3	No. 4	Ref.	1NW	2CW	3CW
Nov. 21	201	197	192		161	106	65	64	64	63	63	115	105	95	95	256	233
22	205	201	196	177	164	109	66	64	64	64	63	115	105	95	95	265	237
23	204	200	195	177	159	107	65	64	64	63	63	112	102	93	93	266	236
24	201	198	193	176	154	105	65	64	64	63	62	113	103	92	92	260	237
25	190	187	182	169	148	100	63	62	62	61	61	115	105	90	90	257	229
27	189	186	181	167	146	100	62	61	61	60	59	110	100	88	88	254	226
Week ago	200	195	189	173	158	106	66	65	65	64	63	113	101	91	91	266	238
Year ago	101	99	95	90			40	37	37	36	35	96	81	84	84	182	179

THE MARKETS AT A GLANCE

LIVESTOCK		Winnipeg Nov. 27	Year Ago	Toronto Nov. 24	Calgary Nov. 25	Chicago Nov. 23	St. Paul Nov. 23
Cattle							
Choice steers		\$6.50-7.25	\$5.75-6.00	\$5.25-6.75	\$5.00-6.00	\$4.00-12.00	\$4.00-11.25
Best butcher steers		6.25-6.75	5.50-6.75	7.00-7.25	7.00-7.25	9.00-11.00	7.75-9.25
Fair to good butcher steers		5.00-6.00	5.25-5.50	6.00-7.75	7.50-8.00	7.50-8.00	5.25-6.00
Good to choice fat cows		5.75-6.25	4.75-5.00	6.25-7.00	8.00-8.00	7.15-8.50	6.75-7.50
Medium to good cows		4.75-5.50	4.25-4.50	5.50-6.25	4.25-4.75	5.50-7.15	5.75-6.50
Common cows		4.00-4.50	3.25-3.50	4.75-5.50	4.00-4.25	4.00-5.25	4.75-5.50
Canvases		3.00-3.75		3.50-4.25	2.00-3.00	3.65-4.50	3.65-4.50
Good to choice butters		6.00-6.50	5.40-5.50	7.50-8.00	6.00-6.50	7.50-10.75	6.75-7.50
Fair to good butters		5.00-5.75		6.75-7.50	5.50-6.00	4.50-6.25	4.75-6.50
Best cows		5.75-6.25			5.00-6.00		
Best butcher butters		5.25-6.00	4.00-4.50	6.00-6.50	4.00-5.00	6.00-8.00	6.00-6.25
Common to choice butters		4.25-5.00		4.25-5.10	3.50-4.00	4.50-6.25	5.00-5.75
Fair to good feeder steers		5.00-6.25	5.50-5.75	6.40-7.25	6.25-6.60	6.50-7.50	6.00-7.25
stocker steers		5.00-6.25	4.75-5.00	5.25-6.75	6.25-6.50	6.00-7.00	5.50-7.25
Best milkers and springers (cash)		\$65-\$85	\$65-\$75	\$75-\$110	\$95-\$100		\$90-\$95
Fair milkers and springers (cash)		\$45-\$55	\$45-\$55	\$50-\$70	\$55-\$75		\$45-\$65
Hogs							
Choice hogs, fed and watered		\$11.35	9.00-9.25	11.00	\$10.15	9.10-9.75	8.50-9.30
Light hogs		\$9.00		8.25-9.15		8.40-9.65	8.75-9.90
Heavy sows		\$7.00	6.25-7.50	\$7.25		8.40-9.35	
Stags		\$5.50	\$4.50			9.75-10.25	
Sheep and Lambs							
Choice lambs		10.00-11.00	\$8.00	10.75-11.35	\$10.00	10.35-11.95	8.00-11.00
Best killing sheep		8.00-9.00	\$6.50	7.00-8.50	8.50-10.00	6.50-9.25	5.50-8.75

Barley		Flaxseed	
3 C.W.	176,215.11	1 N.W.C.	912,547.23
4 C.W.	366,246.02	2 C.W.	244,407.13
Ref.	84,694.45	3 C.W.	27,802.32
Feed	305,604.04	Others	15,620.20
Others	121,982.31		
This week	1,054,742.45	This week	1,200,377.32
Last week	1,050,701.16	Last week	919,922.29
Increase	4,041.29	Increase	280,455.03
Last year's total	778,672.40	Last year's total	672,304.36

SHIPMENTS			
Wheat	1916—Lake	1915—Lake	
Oats	4,049,870.50	9,788,382.00	
Barley	1,402,006.12	2,314,967.00	
Flax	262,672.33	196,966.00	
	47,609.21	44,044.00	
Wheat	1916—Rail	1915—Rail	
Oats	218,687.00	182,081.00	
Barley	82,457.04	92,351.00	
Flax	22,671.04	7,821.00	
	589.46	975.00	

CANADIAN VISIBLE SUPPLY

Week ending November 24, 1916.—			
	Wheat	Oats	Barley
Ft. William and Pt. Arthur Ter.	14,172,716	5,476,733	1,034,742
In Vessels in Can. Ter. Harbors	6,745,543	10,173,739	536,460
Total	20,918,259	15,650,472	1,561,202
At Buffalo and Duluth	4,930,663	1,610,669	45,000
Total this week	25,848,922	17,261,141	1,606,202
Total last week	23,150,052	16,201,058	1,627,939
Total last year	27,173,063	6,765,319	1,181,346

SOUTH ST. PAUL
South St. Paul, Nov. 25.—Cattle supplies have been coming in such numbers the past two weeks as to depress prices, although there has been a marked scarcity of high grade stock. Hogs are coming in unprecedented numbers for this time of year, while sheep and lambs comprise a fair share of the receipts.
Packers worked to get cattle cheaper during the week and succeeded in getting cost of most beef on the hoof down 15 to 25 cents.
The coming week will bring special competition from poultry on the meat trade, but the beef market is healthy enough to hold its own and to support the cattle market, provided the country lets up on the shipping of excessive assortments of riffs such as have been glutting the yards. Cold weather whets the popular appetite for all classes of meat, and labor is well employed everywhere so as to have sufficient buying power to gratify this appetite.
Not any very voluminous supply of feeding cattle went back to the country from here during the week. Break in price of 25 to 50 cents occurred and should stimulate interest on the part of countrymen who can now get a pretty decent class of stockers and yearlings between \$5.00 and \$6.00 and heavier feeding steers at a little more, or heifers of good breeding from \$5.25 to \$6.00 at the outside.
There was a wide spread between best heavy hogs and the common light droves this week owing to the predominance of the latter among arrivals. The final sessions witnessed sale of heavy droves often at \$9.25 to \$9.35, mixed kinds from \$8.90 to \$9.10 and light droves between \$8.50 and \$8.85, with pigs at \$7.50.

WINNIPEG
Winnipeg, Nov. 25.—The Livestock Department of The Grain Growers' Grain Co. reports receipts of livestock at the Union stockyards for the past

WINNIPEG and U.S. PRICES

Closing prices on the principal western markets on Saturday, Nov. 25, were:—