

## WHOLESALE MERCHANTS.

## To the Trade

## One Hundred

and thirteen packages of new goods, received into our warehouse yesterday, the greater part of which are

## Mantlings.

You want to see the newest Mantle Cloths. You want to secure the best value for your money.

## You want

to have a large selection to choose from. These wants we are now in a pre-eminent position

## To supply.

**John Macdonald & Co.**  
Wellington and Front Sts. East,  
TORONTO.

## UNSTEADY WHEAT MARKET

## Futures Are Depressed Again in Chicago.

## CORN SITUATION STRONG ON DAMAGE REPORTS—ENGLISH AND AMERICAN CROP ESTIMATES—PRIME ON CORN AND OATS—TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS—NOTES AND GOSSIP.

Wednesday Evening, Aug. 31.  
The price of cash wheat to-day fell 1/2c per bushel in Chicago, 2c at Duluth and 3c to 3 1/2c at Minneapolis, and the speculative market was in sympathy of the decline to the extent of 3c. Bearish sentiment prevailed on the world's wheat supply also likely had their effect. One bullish factor at present is that all farmers' deliveries are in excess of the normal amount, and that no stocks are accumulating. The market closed near the low point of the day.

At Liverpool to-day September wheat declined 3/4d per cental, the December option holding steady. On the Liverpool Board corn futures declined 1/4d to 3/4d per cental.

Peas are 1/2d in Liverpool.

Chicago December wheat puts, 61 1/2c; call, 62c. Corn puts, 39 1/2c; call, 39c. December wheat puts at Chicago, good all next week, 60c; call, 60c. Corn puts, 29 1/2c; call, 31 1/2c.

Stocks of wheat at Port Arthur and Fort William, 75,402 bushels, against 207,102 bushels a week ago and 600,941 bushels a year ago.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day, 647 cars, as against 331 cars the corresponding day of last year. Duluth wheat receipts to-day, 119 cars. Kansas City wheat receipts to-day, 146,400 bushels, against 214,800 bushels same day last year.

Corn receipts of grain at Chicago to-day: Wheat 236, corn 407, oats 354. Estimated for Thursday: Wheat 220, corn 675, oats 380.

St. Louis wheat receipts to-day, 61,000 bushels, against 81,000 same day last year. Total clearances to-day: Wheat, 17,194 barrels and 13,993 sacks; flour, 60,848 bushels.

Exports at New York to-day: Flour, 17,194 barrels and 13,993 sacks; flour, 60,848 bushels.

## This Year's Crops.

One authority places this year's European wheat crop at 1,440,000,000 bushels, against 1,208,000,000 bushels in 1897. Oscar K. Lyle of the New York Produce Exchange makes the following remarks concerning the American wheat crop: "As to the present crop, the expectation at this time is for about 400,000,000 bushels winter and spring wheat. The production of wheat in 1898 is expected to be 350,000,000 bushels. Probably 300,000,000 is nearer than 350,000,000. The spring wheat is yet an unknown quantity, but will probably fall below many high estimates."

## Prime on the Corn Crop.

Prime's weekly review says that the rains have helped corn in Illinois a little, but there is nothing new to occur that will make even an average crop in that State. No old oats in the market, and new oats are moving slowly. From Eastern Iowa stocks of old corn not very large, and farmers are beginning to sell at present prices freely during September. Eastern Nebraska will need nearly all of October for the corn crop to mature. There is considerable old corn in the country, but the present low price will not bring it out. Oats are a heavy crop. Nebraska says she is receiving many inquiries for oats from interior points in Illinois and Missouri, something unheard of before.

## Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing prices at important centres:

Chicago	Aug. 31	Sept. 1	Dec.
New York	60 1/2	60 3/4	60 1/2
St. Louis	60 1/2	60 3/4	60 1/2
Milwaukee	60 1/2	60 3/4	60 1/2
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Flour—Straight rollers, in barrels, middle freight, are quoted at \$3.10 to \$3.20.

Wheat—Millers are offering 6c to 6 1/2c for new red and white Ontario wheat at north and west points, but exporters can buy American wheat at Toledo and Detroit at a price equal to 6 1/2c to 6 3/4c north and west. Farmers are bringing nothing forward, and will not likely till the middle of September.

Oats—New white oats quoted at 24c to 25c north and west, but little doing.

Barley—Quoted at 39c to 40c, middle freight, for No. 1.

Buckwheat—Prices nominal.

Rye—Sells at \$9 west and shorts at \$14 west.

Corn—Canadian, 35c west, and American 35c to 36 1/2c north and west.

Peas—New peas are quoted at 40c to 50c north and west in car lots.

Oatmeal—Car lots of rolled oats in bags on track at Toronto, \$3.00; in barrels, \$3.20.

## ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Yesterday's receipts in grain were 2750 bushels, all told, with but slight change in prices.

Wheat steady; 1250 bushels sold as follows:

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Oats, bush, \$0.27 to \$0.28.

Peas, bush, \$0.55 to \$0.56.

Buckwheat, bush, \$0.48 to \$0.49.

Red clover, bush, \$3.25 to \$3.75.

Alfalfa, bush, \$4.00 to \$4.50.

Timothy, bush, \$7.50 to \$8.00.

Straw, per ton, \$6.00 to \$7.00.

Hay, old, per ton, \$7.00 to \$8.50.

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