



GRAIN, LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKET

WINNIPEG MARKET LETTER

(Office of the Grain Growers' Grain Company Limited, March 4, 1914.)

Wheat.—The month of March, often known as the Bulls' Month, being a month of crop scares, etc., has come in with higher wheat, and a better all round enquiry, even for the lower grades. Stocks have continued to pile up at terminals until the wheat stocks at Fort William and Port Arthur are almost exactly two and one-half times what they were a year ago, although oat stocks are a little less. And of course there is a considerable quantity of Canadian wheat at Duluth to be reckoned with, seeing that there was no corresponding stocks there last year. The demand for tough and off grade grain has again lessened, and sellers are very much at the mercy of buyers. The situation will be very much this way until the opening of navigation. Farmers having off grade smutty wheat, which is not tough, should by all means keep this at home, as shipping it now is merely sacrificing it. The demand for Duluth stuff some days is fairly good, while other days there is no demand for 1, 2 and 3 Northern unloaded at Duluth. After March 7, some tough and damp 6 and feed wheat might well be worked to Minneapolis, but we think that shipments should not be made to that point before samples have been submitted. However, it is felt in best informed circles, that while our stocks will be very huge on the opening of navigation, they will rapidly melt away, for the world wants our wheat, and will take all that can be forwarded in good condition. The biggest millers continue to buy our 1, 2 and 3 Northern, particularly 1 and 2 Northern, going to show they consider these grades will be scarce in July and August.

Oats.—The market is off a little in oats the last day or two, due to weakness in American corn, but altogether oats continue remarkably steady and strong.

Barley.—For No. 4 barley there has been absolutely no demand. The trouble seems to be that western barley which is clean and weighs 45 lbs. to the bushel, must be graded No. 3 barley whether it is frosted or not. The result is, the world is afraid to use our barley, it is claimed, because it contains more or less frost.

Flax.—This grain has been quite erratic the past week again, with a fair demand. Good seed flax is going to be scarce, and farmers having that stuff should carefully clean it up now when they have time, and advertise it. There is bound to be a very great demand for it in the North Central and South Central parts of Saskatchewan.

WINNIPEG FUTURES

Wheat—	Old		New		
	May	May	July	July	
Feb. 28	101	100	101	101	No. 3 wheat, 1 car
Feb. 29	100	100	101	101	No. 3 wheat, 1 car, king heads
Mar. 1	101	101	102	102	No. 3 wheat, 1 car, king heads
Mar. 2	102	101	102	102	No. 3 wheat, 1 car
Mar. 4	101	101	102	102	No. 4 wheat, 2 cars
Mar. 5	101	101	102	102	No. 4 wheat, 3 cars
Oats—					
Feb. 28		43	42	42	No. 4 wheat, 1 car
Feb. 29		43	43	43	No. 4 wheat, 1 car
Mar. 1		43	43	43	Rejected wheat, 1 car
Mar. 2		44	44	44	Rejected wheat, 1 car, musty
Mar. 4		43	43	43	Rejected wheat, 1 car
Mar. 5		43	43	43	No grade wheat, 1 car
Flax—					
Feb. 28		184			No grade wheat, 1 car
Feb. 29		181			No grade wheat, 4 cars
Mar. 1		183			No grade wheat, 1 car, frost
Mar. 2					No grade wheat, part car, bin burnt
Mar. 4		183			No grade wheat, 1 car
Mar. 5					No grade wheat, 1 car

MINNEAPOLIS CASH SALES

(Sample Market, March 2)

No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1.08	No. 1 durum wheat, 5 cars	1.05
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 3 cars	1.08	No. 1 durum wheat, 1 car, to arr.	1.05
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 6 cars	1.08	No. 1 durum wheat, 2 cars	1.04
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 2 cars	1.08	No. 2 durum wheat, 1 car	1.01
No. 1 Nor. wheat, part car	1.08	No. 3 white oats, 1 car	.50
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 8 cars	1.08	No. 3 white oats, 3,000 bu., settle-	.50
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 1,000 bu. to arr.	1.08	ment	.50
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 34,600 bu. to arr.	1.08	No. 4 white oats, 4 cars	.49
No. 1 Nor. wheat, 7,400 bu. to arr.	1.08	No. 4 oats, 1 car, seedy black oats	.47
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car	1.06	No. 3 oats, 1 car	.49
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 7 cars	1.06	No grade oats, 1 car	.48
No. 2 Nor. wheat, part car	1.06	No. 2 rye, 1 car	.87
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 10 cars	1.06	No. 3 rye, part car	.85
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 6 cars	1.06	No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	1.18
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1 car, velvet	1.07	No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	.98
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 1,000 bu. to arr.	1.06	No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	.92
No. 2 Nor. wheat, 2,900 bu. to arr.	1.06	No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	.95
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	1.04	No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	.90
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	1.04	No. 2 feed barley, part car	.95
No. 3 wheat, 4 cars	1.04	Sample barley, 1 car	1.18
No. 3 wheat, 7 cars	1.04	Sample barley, part car	.95
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	1.04	Sample barley, part car	.71
No. 3 wheat, 1 car, velvet	1.07	Sample barley, part car	.80
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	1.04	Sample barley, 1 car	1.19

QUOTATIONS IN STORE, FORT WILLIAM & PORT ARTHUR, from FEB. 28 to MAR. 5, INCLUSIVE

DATE	WHEAT										OATS		BARLEY				FLAX	
	1'	2'	3'	4	5	6	Feed	Ref. 1	Ref. 2	Ref. 3	2cw.	3cw.	2	4	Laj.	Feed	1NW	1Man.
Feb. 28	97	94	89	81	69	59	55				40	35	51	47	46	184		
29	96	93	89	81	69	59	55				40	35	51	47	46	181		
Mar. 1	98	95	90	82	70	60	55				41	36	51	47	46	183		
2	98	95	90	82	70	60	55				41	36	51	47	46	184		
4	98	94	90	82	70	60	56				40	36	51	47	46	185		
5	97	94	90	82	70	60	55				41	36	60	50	47	46		

WINNIPEG AND MINNEAPOLIS PRICES

The following were the closing prices for grain on the Winnipeg and Minneapolis markets on Saturday last, March 2. 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.	\$1.09
No. 2 Nor. cash wheat	95c.	\$1.06
No. 3 Nor. cash wheat	90c.	\$1.03
May wheat	102c.	\$1.08
July wheat	102c.	\$1.09
No. 3 White oats	80c.	50c.
Barley	46c. to 60c.	70c. to \$1.25
Beef Cattle, top	Winnipeg	Chicago
Hogs, top	\$6.25	\$8.60
Sheep, top	\$7.25	\$6.52
	\$5.50	\$7.10

Sample barley, 1 car	1.15
Sample barley, 1 car	.70
Sample barley, 1 car	.76
Sample barley, 1 car, wheaty	.87
No. 1 flax, 4 cars	2.02
No. 1 flax, 1 car	2.02
No. 2 flax, 1 car	1.96
No. 2 flax, 1 car	1.92
No. 2 flax, 1 car	1.99
No. 2 flax, 1 car	1.98
No grade flax, 1 car, dockage	1.94
No grade flax, 17 sacks	1.95
No grade flax, 2 cars	1.86
No grade flax, 2 cars	1.83
No grade flax, part car	1.10
No grade flax, part car	1.85
No grade flax, 1 car	1.70

STOCKS IN TERMINALS

Total wheat in store, Fort William and Port Arthur, on March 1, was 15,404,561.10, as against 14,685,697.50 last week, and 6,675,847.10 last year. Total shipments for the week were 877,259, last year 338,086. Amount of each grade was.

	1912	1911
No. 1 Hard	3,600.10	5,450.00
No. 1 Nor.	462,056.10	957,773.40
No. 2 Nor.	1,707,595.50	1,718,832.10
No. 3 Nor.	2,606,195.00	1,673,967.10
No. 4	2,542,341.30	834,052.10
No. 5	1,313,799.20	485,949.50
Other grades	6,968,913.10	999,222.10

Stocks of Oats—

No. 1 C.W.	38,431.00	227,173.11
No. 2 C.W.	764,422.21	3,294,349.16
No. 3 C.W.	355,982.14	419,234.28
Ex. 1 Feed	824,401.27	
No. 1 Feed	839,981.07	
No. 2 Feed	265,661.18	
Mixed		7,470.30
Others		936,293.30

	15,404,561.10	6,675,847.10
Barley	3,700,026.05	4,884,522.13
Flax	684,611.00	323,900.00
Shipments	788,289.00	374,388.00

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK

Chicago, Ills., March 4.—Cattle—Receipts 20,000; market strong. Beeves, \$5 to \$8.85; Texas steers, \$4.70 to \$6; western steers, \$5.10 to \$7.10; stockers and

feeders, \$4.10 to \$6.20; cows and heifers, \$2.25 to \$6.70; calves, \$6 to \$8.75.

Hogs—Receipts 53,000; market 5c. to 10c. up. Light, \$6.35 to \$6.64; mixed, \$6.35 to \$6.63; heavy, \$6.35 to \$6.63; rough, \$6.35 to \$6.45; pigs, \$4.20 to \$6.35; bulk of sales, \$6.45 to \$6.53.

Sheep—Receipts 35,000; market steady. Native, \$3.25 to \$8.50; western, \$3.75 to \$4.90; yearlings, \$4.90 to \$5.75; lambs, native, \$4.50 to \$7; western, \$5 to \$7.15.

CANADIAN VISIBLE

(Official to Winnipeg Grain Exchange)
March 1, 1914
Wheat Oats Barley
Tl visible 25,536,822 5,660,837 1,472,231
Last week 24,009,718 5,035,040 1,334,319
Last year 11,765,631 7,084,183 521,369

Ft. William	10,131,815	2,208,790	274,502
Pt. Arthur	5,262,746	1,491,235	410,108
Depot Hbr.		82,551	
Meaford	25,758	4,340	
Mid. Tiffin	902,569	129,105	115,175
Collingwood	26,496		
Goderich	269,142	62,779	4,839
Sarnia, Pt.			
Ed.	246,619	26,500	1,712
Pt. Colborne	148,197	40,347	
Kingston	36,000	13,000	7,000
Prescott	94,150	1,800	
Montreal	26,044	257,933	86,890
Quebec	8,890	70,600	7,610
St. John, N.B.	367,415	1,900	26,066
Victoria Hb.	225,176		

Totals	17,773,017	4,390,880	933,902
In vessels in Can. ter.			
harb's	5,663,785	82,000	
At Buffalo and Duluth	2,100,020	1,187,957	538,329
	25,536,822	5,660,837	1,472,231

Canadian visible supply of grain afloat in Canadian and American harbors and elevators, March 1:

Thorold	10,000		
Pt. Colborne	215,000		
Goderich	108,521		
Pt. Arthur	3,601,767		
Pt. Arthur	1,728,497	82,000	
	5,663,785	82,000	
Duluth	1,900,000	1,000,000	25,000
Buffalo, in store	200,020	130,831	238,308
Buffalo, in bond		57,126	275,021
	2,100,020	1,187,957	538,329