

OILS.—Range about as follows: Black oils, 25 to 30c per gallon; clear machine oils, 33 to 40c; cylinder oil, 50 to 75c, as to quality; castor oil, 10c per lb.; lard oil, 70c per gal.; tanner's or harness oil, 65c; neatsfoot oil, \$1.20; steam refined seal oil, 85c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 per gallon.

REFINED PETROLEUM.—Prices here are as follows: Silver star, 19½c; crescent, 22½c; oleophene, 2½c in barrels. Car lots 1c per gallon less. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 28c for cocene and 25c for aquilite.

WHEAT — GENERAL SITUATION — The strong market for wheat expected by many after the holidays, has not materialized so far. Some of the exchanges opened on Saturday, January 2, and on that day the market was strong, but this week the tendency of prices has been almost continuously downward. Thursday was the only day which gave a strong market, and prices declined on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Another epidemic of bank failures in the United States had something to do with the weakness, and European operators were selling in United States markets on same days quite freely, though at times there was good foreign buying and export engagements. The market has evidently been an uncertain one. Telegrams from San Francisco yesterday reported a scarcity of wheat on the Pacific coast. Stocks are very low there, and freights have declined on account of the scarcity of cargoes. Exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of the United States this week amount to 3,108,688 bushels, as compared with 2,707,000 last week, 3,471,000 in the first week of January, 1893, 2,507,000 in the corresponding week of 1895, 2,409,000 bushels in the like week of 1891, and as contrasted with 3,308,000 bushels in the like period of 1893.

WHEAT—LOCAL SITUATION—In Manitoba country markets there has been scarcely anything doing this week. The storm at the end of last week left country roads in bad shape, and besides this, prices are lower this week and farmers, who are in a position to hold the balance of their crop, will not sell at lower prices. Prices in Manitoba country markets, to farmers, range from 60 to 64c for No. 1 hard, according to freight rates and local conditions. In the Winnipeg market the week has been a quiet one. For No. 1 hard, cash, the price has ruled at about 78c most of the week, but to-day the feeling is firmer, and holders are asking 79c in some cases. This firmer feeling is perhaps due to the starting of an all rail movement eastward, and some wheat has been going for export via St. John all rail, a favorable through rate having been obtained from Fort William to Liverpool. Receipts at Fort William for the week ending Jan. 2nd, were 120,793 bushels; shipments 25,161 bushels; in store 2,268,672.

WHEAT—Winnipeg Street Price — The millers were paying up to 66c to farmers for choice samples of hard wheat.

FLOUR.—The weakness in wheat this week has not affected flour here. Quotations are the same as noted last week. The extreme range of quotations in the local market is from \$2.30 net for patents up to \$2.45, and \$2.10 net for bakers to \$2.25. XXXX \$1.30, second bakers \$1.75 to \$1.80. These are prices delivered to retail dealers in the city.

MILLSTUFFS.—There is a firmer tendency for bran, but shorts are unchanged. The price has been \$5 for bran and \$8 for shorts,

though large lots have sold \$1 under that price. The feeling is now to advance prices \$1 per ton for bran.

BARLEY.—For feed barley 20½ to 21c per bushel of 48 pounds has been paid to farmers, 23c being the usual price for loads offered here. City brewers are paying 23 to 25c for malting samples to farmers here, and 27 to 28c on truck here for car lots.

OATS.—Prices are about the same as quoted last week. In the Winnipeg market from 16 to 22c per bushel of 31 pounds is paid to farmers, as to quality for new oats. Car lots continue to sell at a wide range, and prices are somewhat irregular, quotations varying from 22c for light up to 28c for good white milling oats. One car of No. 2 white sold at 23c, but a few cars of fancy white sold at about 28c. The usual range is 23 to 25c for ordinary feed oats and 26 to 27c for choice white.

OATMEAL.—Prices are the same. Following are prices in large lots, with small lots to retail dealers held about 15c more. Rolled oatmeal in 50 lb sacks \$1.65 per sack, standard. \$1.90 and granulated \$1.90 in 98 lb sacks. Rolled wheat, 80 lbs, \$1.60 in round lots. Put barley, \$1.70 in round lots.

GROUND FEED.—Prices are steady. Prices range from \$13 to \$17 per ton, as to quality, the top price for rolled oat feed. Ordinary mixed mill feed is held at \$13 per ton.

FLAX SEED.—The prices paid to farmers at Manitoba points is still 45 to 50c per bushel for good milling seed.

OIL CAKE.—Oil cake holds at \$16 per ton, including bags, for nutted or ground meal.

BEANS.—Round lots to jobbers held at about \$1.10 per bushel.

BUTTER.—The market is very dull. Scarcely any business doing. Creamery is held at 22 to 23c, in a jobbing way, but there is practically nothing wanted. The western demand is limited. In the British Columbia markets new California grass butter is now being offered. Dairy grades here are also very dull, and are quoted in a jobbing way at 13 to 15c. In round lots 11c is the outside for choice lots.

CHEESE.—Dull. We quote the jobbing price at 8c to 10c as to quality.

EGGS.—Dealers continue to still pay 20c per dozen here for receipts of fresh. Receipts are not equal to the demand, but there are stocks in cold storage. No firmed are held here now.

GAME.—Rabbits bring 2c each and jack rabbits 20c each.

POULTRY.—Stocks have been fairly well cleaned up, but the demand is much slower now. Dealers will pay the following prices for receipts: Chickens, 6 to 7c; ducks, 8 to 9c; geese, 9 to 10c; turkeys, 9 to 10c.

LARD.—Prices are: Pure \$1.50 for 20 lb pails, and \$3.75 for 50 lb. pails; pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$5.75 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 7½c pound; cases of 30, one lb. tins, \$3.00.

CURED MEATS.—Smoked meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 11½c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 11c; do., backs, 10c; short spiced rolls, 7½c shoulders, 7c smoked long clear, 8 cents; fancy clear, 8½ cents; Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 6½c per lb.; shoulders, 6½c; backs, 8c; barrel pork, clear mess \$13.00; short cut, \$15.00; rolled shoulders, \$14 per barrel. Pork sundries, fresh sausage, 8c; bologna sausage, 6c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 8c; pickled tongues, 6c; sausage casings, 25 to 30c lb.

DRESSED MEATS.—The demand continues dull for nearly everything, but offerings are not large in beef, though a considerable number of hogs are offering. Dressed hogs are quoted at from 8½c for rough heavy up to 4½c for choice. A few fancy have brought a trifle more in a small way. Beef is slow sale. Country frozen beef is quoted at 8 to 4c as to quality, and fresh city dressed beef at 4½ to 5c, with fancy beef held up to 5½c. Mutton is quoted at about 5 to 5½c. Rough country mutton, 4 to 4½c.

HIDES.—We quote 5c as the general price for country frozen hides, or 5½c for No. 1 and 4½c for No. 2, calf, 8 to 10c lb. skins, 4 to 6c per lb.; dekins 10 to 20c each; kips, 4 to 5c; sheepskins range from 40 to 60c according to quality. Horsehides, 75c to \$1.25.

WOOL.—Nothing doing here and prices nominal at 7 to 9½c.

TALLOW.Dealers are paying 4c for No. 1 extra and 2½ to 3½c for undergrades. Rough tallow 2c.

SENECA ROOT.—The market is lower. We quote 19 to 20c per lb for dry root.

HAY.—Held at about \$5 per ton for baled prairie on truck here. Loose offering very freely and selling at \$2 to \$3 per load.

VEGETABLES.—Prices are: Potatoes, 25c Onions, 1c to 1½ lb; carrots, 30c bushel; beets, 30c bushel; turnips, 20c; parsnips, 60 to 75c bushel; celery, 25 to 30c dozen; cabbage, 30 to 40c dozen. These are prices dealers buy at from market gardeners.

LIVE STOCK.

There is nothing doing in live stock, except hogs. No cattle or sheep are wanted, as butchers are stocked up. We quote cattle nominal at 2½ to 3c; rough oxen, bulls, etc., 1c to 2c; sheep and lambs nominal at 2½ to 3c.

HOGS.—There is no change in prices. We quote: Good bacon stock weighing 150 to 300 pounds 9½c. Sows and heavy hogs 2 to 3½c, according to quality. Stags 1½ to 2½c, off cars here.

Minneapolis Markets.

The Market Record of Jan. 7. says that the market is more active but the tendency of prices is lower. Prices are as follows, in bbls. f. o. b.: First patents, \$1.35 to \$1.50; second patents, \$1.15 to \$1.30; first clears, 3.50 to \$3.60; second clear, 2.50 to \$2.70; Red Dog, per ton, 140 to 150 lbs. juve, 10.50 to \$11. These prices are 5c to 35c higher than a week ago.

Millstuffs Bran in bulk, \$1.75 to \$5.00; bran in sacks, 200 lbs. \$5.75 to \$3.00; bran in sacks, 100 lbs. \$5.25 to \$6.50; shorts in bulk, 4.50 to \$1.75; shorts in sacks, 100 lbs. 6 to \$1.25; millings, fine, 7.50 to \$3. These prices are 25c higher than a week ago for bran, but unchanged for other lines.

Oats—Range at 15c for light up to 16½c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Quoted at 20 to 25c per bushel as to grade.

Flax—Quoted at 71½c per bushel.

Hay—Prairie, \$3.50 to \$5.00 per ton, as to quality.—Market Record, January 7.

At the sheepskin sales in London, England, on Jan. 8, 1893, Cape of Good Hope and Natal skins were offered and of this number 2,693 were withdrawn. The demand was good and the home trade were the chief buyers. Coarse wool was nearly par., long wool was ½ to ¾ and others ¾ to \$1 lower. Lambs showed a decline of 2d.