

CHICAGO MARKET.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK.

A comparison of this week's range of prices with last week's shows wheat fully 1 cent lower in all options; corn about 1 1/2 cents higher; oats 1/2 higher; Pork 10, 5 and 8 cents lower; Lard 10, 20 and 10 cents lower; short ribs 7, 5 and 10 cents lower. The tendency in wheat for the moment, therefore, is downward, but there are many strong points, however, in the wheat market position to bring about sharp rallies. The winter wheat receipts, for instance, have fallen off considerably. The Price Current records of the total primary movement show about 7 millions as compared with the 9 1/2 of last year, the 9 millions of 1897 and the 10 millions of 1892. Exporters also are reporting a good foreign demand, which would have caused a large amount to be worked, but for the recent advance in ocean freights amounting to from 1 1/2 to 2 cents per bushel. This advance may be looked upon as the first real effect of the war in South Africa and it could not be helped as no less than 32 of the regular British line steamers have been withdrawn for military service. The double holiday at Chicago had some influence in breaking prices at the beginning of the week as did also large Argentine shipments, which in previous years ceased about the 1st of September. This year the total acreage under wheat in the British Isles is 100,800 less than last year and the yield, though the good average one of 29 1/2 bushels, is not equal to last year's 34 1/2 bushels.

In a speculative way the market does not exhibit much strength and appears for the present slowly dragging back towards the low prices of last month. So far anticipation of a war in South Africa, after a few days of covering of shorts and a little speculative buying has resulted in but the advance in ocean freights and an almost equivalent loss on this side of the Atlantic in the price of wheat. The first twelve days of the month have followed suit with most of the earlier months of the past year in developing weakness, and cause for an upturn is as much in the background as on the tenth of preceding months, but the rallies came.

CHICAGO RANGE FOR WEEK.

| | May | Oct | Dec | 75 | 71 | 73 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 71 | 72 1/2 |
|----------|----------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| Wheat | 76 1/2 | 71 | 73 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 71 | 73 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 71 | 72 1/2 |
| Corn | 31 1/2 | 31 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 | 31 1/2 |
| Oats | 24 1/2 | 23 | 23 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 23 | 23 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 23 | 23 1/2 |
| Pork | 9 7/8 | 8 2/8 | 8 3/8 | 9 5/8 | 8 0/8 | 8 0/8 | 9 5/8 | 8 0/8 | 8 10 |
| Lard | 5 57 | 5 35 | 5 42 | 5 45 | 5 35 | 5 37 | 5 45 | 5 35 | 5 37 |
| Sht Ribs | 5 07-10B | 5 07 | 5 07 | 5 10 | 5 07 | 5 07 | 5 05 | 5 00 | 4 97 |

STRAWS.

The chaplain of the British regiment stationed at St. Helena has written to Mr. A. Blue, director of the Bureau of Mines, stating that a number of mine owners of South Africa are alarmed at the outlook of affairs and are anxious to move out. The chaplain says that they would not be averse to come to Canada, if there is a good outlook and he writes concerning prospects. Mr. Blue has replied, pointing out the many advantages which Ontario possesses.

CHICAGO MARKET—October 13, 1899.

In the Bartlett Frasier Co., Chicago. H. J. Coon, Manager, 39 St. Sacramento St.

| | CLOSING PRICES OCT. 6 TO OCT. 12. | | | | | TO-DAY'S PRICES. | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|----------|--------------|------------------|------------|--------|----------|
| | 6 | 7 | 10 | 11 | 12 | Openng. | Highest | Lowest | Closng |
| Wheat— | | | | | | | | | |
| May | 75 1/2 B | 75 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 76 1/2 | 75 1/2 A | 75 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 75 1/2 | 75 1/2 A |
| Oct | 71 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 71 | 71 |
| Dec | 72 1/2-1/2 | 72 1/2 | 72 1/2 | 73 A | 72 1/2 | 72 1/2-1/2 | 72 1/2-1/2 | 72 | 72 1/2 B |
| Corn— | | | | | | | | | |
| May | 31 1/2-1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2-1/2 | 32 1/2 | 32 1/2 B | 32 1/2 | 32 1/2 | 32 1/2 | 32 1/2 B |
| Oct | 31 B | 31 | 31 | 31 1/2 | 32 1/2 A | 32 1/2 | 32 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 |
| Dec | 30 1/2-1/2 B | 30 1/2 | 30 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 B | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 | 31 1/2 |
| Oats— | | | | | | | | | |
| May | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2-1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 24 1/2 | 23 | 24 1/2 |
| Oct | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 A | 22 1/2 B | 22 1/2 A | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 A |
| Dec | 22 1/2 | 23 | 22 1/2 | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2-1/2 A | 23 1/2-1/2 | 23 1/2-1/2 | 22 1/2 | 23 |
| Pork— | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 9 7/2 B | 9 7/6 | 9 67 B | 9 67 | 9 55 B | 9 55 | 9 55 | 9 50 | 9 55-57 |
| Oct | 8 15 | 8 15 | 8 17-20 | 8 15 | 8 00 | 8 10 | 8 12 | 8 02 | 8 10-12 |
| Dec | 8 30 | 8 30 | 8 27 | 8 25 | 8 10 | 8 10 | 8 12 | 8 02 | 8 10-12 |
| Lard— | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 5 55-57 | 5 57 | 5 55-57 | 5 52 | 5 45-7 A | 5 45 | 5 45 | 5 40 | 5 45 B |
| Oct | 5 35 | 5 35 | 5 37 | 5 35 | 5 27 | 5 27 | 5 27 | 5 22 | 5 27 |
| Dec | 5 42 B | 5 45 | 5 42 B | 5 37-40 | 5 32 B | 5 32 | 5 32 | 5 30 | 5 30-33 |
| Sht ribs— | | | | | | | | | |
| Jan | 5 07-10B | 5 10 | 5 07 | 5 05 | 5 00 | 4 97 | 5 00 | 4 95 | 5 00 A |
| Oct | 5 07 B | 5 07 | 5 07 | 5 03 | 4 95 A | 4 92 | 4 92 | 4 80 | 4 92 |
| Dec | 4 97 B | 4 97 | 4 97 | 4 95 | 4 90 | 4 87 | 4 87 | 4 85 | 4 87 B |
| Puts and Calls for Oct 14— | | | | | | | | | |
| Puts, Dec. Wheat | 72 1/2 | | | | | | | | |
| Calls " " " | 72 1/2 | | | | | | | | |
| Curb Dec. Wheat | 72 1/2 | | | | | | | | |
| Puts, May Corn | 32 1/2 | | | | | | | | |
| Calls, " " " | 32 1/2-1/2 | | | | | | | | |

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Oct. 13, 1899.

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| Bank of England rate | 5 |
| Open discount rate | 4 1/2-1/2 |
| Paris Rentes | 100-52 1/2 |
| French Exchange | 25f. 30 1/2 |
| Consols, money | 103 1/2 |
| Canadian Pacific | 93 1/2 |
| New York Central | 137 1/2 |
| St. Paul | 127 |
| Union Pacific | 77 |

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| " 1st preference | 83 1/2 |
| " 2nd " | 52 1/2 |
| " 3rd " | 21 1/2 |
| G. T. R. Com. | 93 1/2 |
| O. P. R. | 93 1/2 |

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|--------------|----------------|------|--------------|
| Sept. 7 | \$72,545.59 | Inc | 17,682.11 |
| " 14 | 58,003.50 | " | 1,359.07 |
| " 21 | 50,856.80 | " | 8,475.07 |
| " 30 | 59,332.60 | " | 6,115.01 |
| Month | 241,638.40 | " | 33,631.29 |
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