

year, in Europe, are about 20,000,000 bushels larger than one year ago, but this is offset by stocks in America, which are about the same quantity less than a year ago. This is according to statistics compiled by the Liverpool Corn Trade News, and Chicago Trade Bulletin. Bradstreet's statement published elsewhere in this issue, differs materially from this, but covers stocks not included in the former statement.

In the Winnipeg market there has been very little business doing in wheat since the close of navigation. A few lots have changed hands to go into store. No export business is doing, prices being too high here to permit of exports on all rail freight rates. Values were firmer here early in the week in sympathy with the spurt in United States markets. The advance here, however, was mainly nominal, in the absence of much business. The range of prices during the week has been from 5½ to 5c per bushel, for December delivery, c. i. f. Fort William. At the close we quote 5½c for No 1 hard, December, including freight to Fort William. In Manitoba country markets prices have been more irregular and at several points a strong tendency has been shown. This probably indicates light deliveries. At some 18 cent freight rate points to Fort William, 10c is paid to farmers, and there has been a tendency to extend this quotation to several 19 cent freight rate points, for No. 1 hard, while at a few points 41 to 13c has been paid for best samples. At other country markets on the same freights, 35 to 40c is paid. The advance has been felt in low grades quite sharply at some points. No. 2 hard 2 to 3c less, No. 3 hard 30 to 33c, frosted wheats, 23 to 31c. The movement of wheat from interior points to Fort William for storage is much larger since the close of navigation than it was after the close of navigation last year. This is probably owing to a fear that storage space will be scarce later on, on account of the large quantity of wheat held in the country, and dealers are therefore hurrying the wheat forward to get all the space possible while it can be had. We publish in another column this week an extended statement of the movement of Manitoba wheat up to the close of navigation, also in another column a summary of the final crop report of the Manitoba department of agriculture making a slight increase in the crop over the August estimate.

FLOUR.—There is no change here this week, but prices in Eastern Canada markets have been very weak since the late declines in Manitoba brands there. Ontario brands of flour have declined sharply in the east, having been affected by the drop in Manitoba brands of flour. Sales by millers here are now made at \$1.70 to \$1.75 for patents and \$1.50 to \$1.55 for strong bakers per sack of 48 lbs. delivered to city retail dealers; second bakers, \$1.30 to \$1.35; xxx, \$1.10 to \$1.15, delivered.

MILSTUFFS. City mills are selling at \$9 per ton for bran and \$11 for shorts, delivered in the city. Small lots \$1 per ton more.

OLDS. Prices are about the same as last week. 10c is still the top price, and dealers were paying 15 to 16c for farmers' loads, mostly 15c. There is no local business doing in car lots. A few cars are being bought in the country for shipment east at about 13½ to 14c per bushel of 34 lbs. for cars on track at Manitoba country points, 11½c has been paid in the country, but the feeling is easier. Prices were ½c lower at Montreal on Monday.

BURLEY.—Farmers' loads here are taken at 18 to 20c per bushel of 15 pounds, but there is very little demand. A few cars are being bought in the country at 16 to 17c for shipment east.

WHEAT.—Local farmers' market. Farmers' loads are being taken at the mills here

at 40 to 43c per bushel of 60 pounds for milling, as to quality. Smutty wheat for feed 30 to 35c per bushel.

GROUND FEED.—Prices range from \$11 to \$13 per ton, as to quality, the top price for rolled oat feed, and the lowest price for mixed mill feed.

OATMEAL.—Rolled oatmeal is irregular, but appears to sell mostly at about \$1.25 per sack of 80 pounds in broken lots to retail dealers.

OIL CAKE.—Ground oil cake meal is quoted at \$20 per ton in sacks.

FLAX SEED.—Flax seed at Chicago yesterday was quoted 9½ for cash seed. Prices to farmers in Manitoba country markets are 60c per bushel.

BUTTER.—The market is much about the same as last reported. Eastern markets neither easy. We quote fair to choice round lots of butter, rolls or tubs, at 12 to 13c and held goods at 8 to 10c, as to quality. It would require to be a very choice lot to bring 11c. Dealers are selling at 15 to 17c for dairy tubs and 15 to 16c for rolls in small lots.

CHEESE.—It was reported in a provincial paper that a country factory (Miniota) had netted 8c per lb. on a consignment of cheese sent to Glasgow. This is regarded as a mistake by the local dealers. If the Miniota cheese netted 8c, it did very much better than the general run of shipments this year. Cheese is jobbing here in small lots at 8½ to 9c.

EGGS.—Dealers advanced prices 1c this week and they are now paying 21c per doz for receipts of fresh eggs. Lined are being offered at 18c, though there have been sales at 15c lately of a lot which was being cleared out. Quality of course varies.

LARD.—Lard is again easier. Prices are:—Pure, \$1.80 for 20 pound pails, and \$1.50 for 5 lb pails, pure leaf lard in 3, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$6.50 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 5½c pound.

CURED MEATS.—Smoked meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 11c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 11½; do. backs, 10½; picnic hams, 8c; short spiced roils, 7½; long rolls, 7½; shoulders, 6½; smoked long clear, 9c; smoked jowls, 5½c. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 7½c per lb; shoulders, 5½c; backs, 8½c; barrel pork, heavy mess \$13.00; clear mess \$13.00; short cut, \$16.00; rolled shoulders, \$14 per barrel, pork sundries; fresh sausage, 7c; bologna sausage, 7c; German sausage, 7c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 2½c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 30c lb.

POULTRY.—Large stocks of poultry are being brought in from the east—mostly turkeys and geese—in consequence of the scarcity of Manitoba poultry. One local house is bringing in 150,000 pounds of Ontario poultry, for the local and western trade. The bulk of this will go to British Columbia. Ontario turkeys are selling here at 12c per lb. Dealers are paying 6½ to 8c for chickens, 8 to 9c for ducks and geese, and 10c for good turkeys.

DRESSED MEATS.—Prices have held about the same. For hogs, 5c is still the general price, though 4½c is sometimes the top bid for heavy hogs. Receipts were light and prices are holding up much better than was expected, especially as Eastern Canada markets are weak and lower, at \$1.50 to \$1.80 for car lots of hogs, per 100 pounds. Freight rates have been lowered on shipments of dressed meat to Eastern Canada, but prospects are not good for shipping east, owing to the low prices prevailing at Toronto and Montreal for all kinds of dead meats. Country frozen beef is selling at 3c to 4c as to quality, and city dressed dressed beef at 4 to 4½c, with

choice unfrozen held at 5c. Mutton and lamb, 5½ to 6c, veal, 4 to 6c, large calves, a good many offering, at 4 to 4½c.

GAME.—Rabbits, 8c each; jack rabbits, 50c each.

VEGETABLES.—Following are prices on the street market: Potatoes, 20c per bushel, cabbage 25 to 40c per dozen, as to size, celery 25 to 40c per dozen bunches; onions 40 to 50c per bushel; turnips 10 to 15c per bushel; parsnips, 40 to 50c bushel; carrots 25c; beets 25c bushel.

HIDES.—Prices are easier. About 4c is the highest now paid by some dealers for green country hides, unspotted, and the price is claimed to be too high, as it is equal to 4½c for No 1 green hides, as about half of the country hides grade No 2. Cured light hides are worth 6c in Chicago. Taking the price at 4½c and adding 6c per 100 lb for cost of curing, and 9c freight to Toronto, the price laid down there would be 6.0½c per lb for cured hides, without allowing anything for commissions etc. Green hides in Toronto are quoted at 5c now. We quote prices here as follows: Green frozen hides, 1 to 4½c, 5 lbs tare off. We quote: Calf, 8 to 15lb skins, 5 to 6c per lb; deacons, 15 to 20c each; kips, 4 to 5c; sheep and lambskins recent kill, 40 to 50c. Tallow, 4 to 5c rendered and 2 to 3c rough.

WOOL.—Manitoba fleeces, nominal 10 to 12c per lb.

SENECA ROOT.—Nominal at 18 to 20c per lb. Outside markets are very weak.

HAY.—Prices are easier. Baled prairie is offered at about \$3.50 on cars in the country.

LIVE STOCK.

LIVE STOCK.—There is not much doing in any class of live stock. A few choice animals are wanted for the holiday market. We quote cattle at 2 to 2½ for common to fair, and 3c for choice butchers. A few head of fancy cattle for holiday display have sold at between 4 and 5c per lb. Hogs are steady at 3½c off cars here for car lots or average picking quality. Sheep are normal, few being wanted; 3c has been paid for choice cheep and lambs for the holiday market.

At Chicago yesterday hogs were quoted at an extreme range of \$3.35 to \$3.60 per 100 lbs. The bulk of sales were at \$3.50.

At Toronto on Tuesday last there was a large run of poor cattle. The best brought 2½ to 3c per lb. shipping sheep 2½ to 2¾c, lambs 2½ to 3½c, hogs, best bacon \$3.60 per 100 lbs off cars, other grades 2 to 2½c per lb.

Dairy Men to Organize

There is some talk of a business organization of the Manitoba dairy trade, on the lines of something in the nature of an exchange. The matter will likely come up at the next meeting of the Manitoba Dairy Association. No doubt an exchange where buyers and sellers could meet at stated times would prove a great convenience to the trade, and something in this line will probably be effected in the future. Possibly favorable arrangements could be made to organize in connection with the Winnipeg Grain Exchange.

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