

slightly weaker. Good Manitoba is worth 15c and eastern 14 to 15c.

BACON.

The local demand has been steady while the supply has been very limited. Dry salt is scarce and firm at 13c, and smoked is fairly out of the market. Rolls are worth 15c and English breakfast 17c.

HAMS

have been very scarce and the stock of smoked in the city is held firm at 17c. Stocks are decreasing.

MESS PORK.

The sale of the week have been about a fair average with the demand steady. The price has been steady at \$21 with an offer of one heavy at \$20.30.

MESS BEEF.

A few barrels changed hands during the week at the old figure of \$17.

MINNEAPOLIS.

The wheat market the past week has been very sick. Decreased receipts seems to have little effect, probably because everybody is pretty well loaded up, and although the close was 3c above the lowest prices for the week, there was no buoyance whatever, and trading was light. Everything points to a further decrease in receipts, the general belief being that those farmers who were compelled to sell promptly have all been heard from. A hard freeze, however, would be apt to increase receipts, by stopping the plows. Shipments continue heavy, the bulk being of wet and damaged stuff which cannot be used here. The early reports of great damage by rains seem to have been greatly exaggerated.

Following were the highest and lowest wheat prices by grade on 'change during the week ending to-day, together with to-day's closing prices and the prices one year ago:

Wheat. Highest. Lowest. Closing 1888:				
				Oct. 31.
No. 1 hard	73½	71½	72	\$1.02½
" 2 "	69	67	68	.97
" 1 "	64	61½	62	.93½
" 2 "	60	59	59	.88

Futures have held their own. No. 1 hard, November; closing at 73c, December, 75c, and May 82c; No. 2 hard, November 69c, December 70c.

Coarse grains have been steady. No. 2 corn closing at 55c, and No. 2 oats at 25 to 26c.

MILLSTUFF—Has been weak and lower, closing at \$7 for bulk bran and \$9 to 10.50 for shorts.

FLOUR—There is little change in the flour market. The immense output is shipped as fast as cars can be obtained and little or none is being stored. Millers are pushing their flour into new markets and their agents are very active, so that the bulk of the grain production is rapidly reaching consumers. Export trade is dull, with light inquiry, but low prices are telling abroad, and foreign millers are finding the present competition the hottest they have ever experienced. Domestic trade is reported quiet, though the demand is fair and steady. Increased freight rates, although expected and therefore discounted in advance, have had a slightly depressing effect.

Quotations at the mills for car or round lots

areas follows: Patents, \$1.60 to \$1.90; straights, \$1.25 to \$1.50; first bakers', \$3.45 to \$3.90; second bakers', \$3 to \$3.25; best low grades, \$1.75 to \$2, in bags; red dog, \$1.50 to \$1.70, in bags.

The flour production of Minneapolis continues to grow weekly, and there can be no doubt of the ability of the mills to make daily on this crop as much flour as their highest capacity (26,500 bbls) was ever rated by us. The output last week showed an increase, again surpassing all previous records. The week's work was 150,000 bbls averaging 25,000 bbls daily—against 146,000 bbls the preceding week. But for the loss of a day's time each, by two large mills, coupled with slight stoppages of other mills, the amount would have been larger. The twenty-one regularly operated mills are made to do all they can, their owners clamoring for more flour, and hardly a day passes but one or more out-does all former records as to capacity. There is no change to note in the flour market. Domestic trade is quiet and steady, with foreign business fair.

The following were the receipts at and shipments from Minneapolis for the weeks ending at the dates given:

RECEIPTS.			
	Oct. 28.	Oct. 21.	Oct. 14.
Wheat, bush..	831,000	1,193,000	1,093,930
Flour, bbls ..	875	650	752
Millstuff, tons.	133	26	12

SHIPMENTS.			
	Oct. 28.	Oct. 21.	Oct. 14.
Wheat, bush ..	162,000	196,000	117,660
Flour, bbls ..	161,025	150,938	142,095
Millstuff, tons...	3,672	4,452	4,436

The wheat in store in Minneapolis elevators, as well as the stock at St. Paul and Duluth, is shown in the appended table:

MINNEAPOLIS.			
	Oct. 27.	Oct. 20.	
No. 1 hard ..	542,963	556,407	
No. 2 hard ..	23,168	19,394	
No. 1 ..	1,012,734	895,082	
No. 2 ..	105,494	116,483	
No. 3	
Rejected ..	71,696	25,829	
Condemned	
Special bins ..	609,352	429,348	
Total.....	2,445,407	2,042,543	

ST. PAUL.			
	Oct. 29.	Oct. 21.	Oct. 14.
In elevators, bus.....	186,000	136,200	102,700

DULUTH.			
	Oct. 29.	Oct. 21.	Oct. 14.
In elevators, bus.....	1,427,000	1,278,600	1,145,593

CHICAGO.

On Monday the wheat market was quiet and a shade lower, prices fluctuating considerably. Corn opened steady but declined towards the close. Oats dull. A small call for pork but a good demand for lard which closed steady.

	Oct.	Nov.
Wheat, ..	\$0.73½	\$0.74½
Corn ..	42½	42½
Oats ..	25½	25½
Pork ..	15.50
Lard ..	7.05	6.85

On Tuesday wheat opened firm and steady, and on the publication of the report of the visible supply, showing only an increase of 1,500,000 bus instead of 3,000,000 as was anticipated, it advanced and closed 3c over yesterday. Corn lower but firm.

	Oct.	Nov.
Wheat ..	\$0.74½	\$0.75
Corn ..	41½	41½
Oats ..	25½	25½
Pork ..	15.50
Lard ..	7.00	6.85

On Wednesday wheat again declined, closing 3c below yesterday. Market quiet but steady. Corn opened strong and advanced but to the close it settled back about the same as yesterday. Pork opened higher than yesterday but closed the same. Lard in fair demand.

	Oct.	Nov.
Wheat ..	\$0.75	\$0.75½
Corn ..	42½	43½
Oats ..	25½	25½
Pork ..	15.50
Lard ..	6.90	6.82½

On Thursday wheat opened quiet but closed 3c over yesterday. Corn firm but unchanged. Oats dull but easier. Lard stronger and higher.

	Oct.	Nov.
Wheat ..	\$0.75½	\$0.75½
Corn ..	42½	42½
Oats ..	25½	25½
Pork ..	15.50
Lard ..	6.90	6.87½

On Friday wheat a fluctuating market and closed 3c under yesterday. Corn market unsteady and closed under yesterday. Lard higher and in good demand.

	Oct.	Nov.
Wheat ..	\$0.74½	\$0.75
Corn ..	42½	42½
Oats ..	25½	25½
Pork ..	15.50
Lard ..	7.02	6.87½

On Saturday the wheat market fluctuated a good deal but closed 3c over yesterday. Corn also was a shade higher.

	Nov.	Dec.
Wheat ..	\$0.74½	\$0.76½
Corn ..	42½	39½
Oats ..	25½	26½
Pork ..	13.25	13.50
Lard ..	6.87½	6.85

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

The market during the past week has been declining downward, although there has been no marked fall in any of the leading stocks. Bank stocks, with the exception of Hamilton, Standard and Merchants, have all eased off a little, the range of the decline being from ½ to 2c. There has been an absence of excitement, and the general tone of the market being weak and neglected, the lower quotations reached are the results of that feeling, and not of any particular turn that events have taken since our last report. A comparison of closing bids on Wednesday, Oct. 22 and Oct. 29, will give an index to the tone of the market: