

10in, rough, \$18, dressed, \$19; 2nd common, stock, 12in, rough, \$16, dressed, \$17; do. 8 and 10in, rough, \$15, dressed, \$16; 10ft long and under, \$1 less per M. Shipley: 10in, \$10; 8in, \$15.50; 8 and 10in flooring and siding at \$1 per advance. Siding, ceiling and flooring: 1st, 6in, \$29; 2nd, 6in, \$25; 3rd, 6in, \$21; 4th, 6in, \$18; 1st, 5in, \$29; 2nd, 5in, \$25; 3rd, 5in, \$20; 4th, 5in, \$17; 1st, 4in, \$29; 2nd, 4in, \$25; 3rd, 4in, \$19; 4th, 4in, \$16; \$1 per M advance for dressing on both sides; \$1 per M less for lengths 10 feet and under. Bevel Siding: No. 1, 1st siding, $\frac{1}{2}$ in x 6 in, \$20; No. 2, 2nd siding, $\frac{1}{2}$ in x 6 in, \$17. Finishing ($\frac{1}{2}$, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 2in): 1st and 2nd clear, \$45; 3rd clear, \$40; selects, \$30; shop, \$25; 1 inch, 1st and 2nd clear, \$40; 3rd clear, \$32; No. 1 stock, \$35; No. 2 do. \$30; No. 3 do. \$25. Mouldings: window stops, per 100 ft lineal, \$1; parting strips, do, 60c; $\frac{1}{2}$ round and cove, do., 75c. Casing: 4 in O G, per 100ft lineal, \$1.75; 5in O G, do, \$2.25; 6in O G, do, \$2.50; 8in O G, base, do, \$3.50; 10in O G, base, do, \$4.25. Lath, 2d. Shingles: No. 1, \$3; No. 2, \$2.50; No. 3, \$1.50; No. 4, \$1.

PAINTS, OILS AND GLASS.

Business very dull, and quotations unchanged as follows: Turpentine in barrels, inscribed gages, 75c per gal; turpentine, in barrels, guaranteed measurement, or in 5 gallon cans, 80c gallon, linseed oil in barrels, raw 77c; boiled 80c; benzine and gasoline, 50c; pure oxide paints, in barrels, 90c per gallon; coal tar \$6 a barrel; Portland cement, \$4.90 a barrel; Michigan plaster, \$3.40 a barrel, putty, in bladders, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c a pound, bulk in barrels, 3c; whiting in barrels, \$1.50 a cwt; Crown pure white lead, \$7.50; Royal Charter, \$7.00; Railroad, \$6.50; Elephant pure white lead, \$7.50; Elephant No. 1. do., \$6.50; Bulls head do., \$6; Calsomine, \$6 per 100 pounds; Alabastine, \$7.25 per case of 20 packages. Window Glass, first break, \$2.20.

WINES AND LIQUORS.

Prices in this branch are given as follows:—Canadian rye whiskey, five year old, \$2.40; seven year old, \$3; old rye, \$1.75; Jules Rohin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet Debonche & Co., \$4.50; Martel, vintage 1885, \$6.50; vintage 1880, \$7.50; Hennessy, \$6.50 to \$7.50, for vintage 1885 to 1880; DeKuyper gin, \$3.50; Port wine, \$2.50 and upwards; Jamaica rum, \$4 to \$4.50 DeKuyper red gin, \$10.50 per case; DeKuyper green gin, \$6.00 per case; Tom gin, \$9.00 to \$10.00; Martel and Hennessy's brandy, one star, \$15.00 per case of 12 bottles; v. o., \$20.00; v. s. o. p., \$22.50.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

WHEAT

Wheat was rather slow and uninteresting early last week. On Wednesday signs of strength were shown, resulting in a heavy bulge in prices on Thursday. The visible supply statement on Monday last showed a decrease of 531,000 bushels. Northwestern state country elevator stocks show a reduction of 665,000 bushels during the week, and the total is now 3,600,000 bushels, against 3,700,000 bushels a year ago. Duluth stocks are moving out and will soon go into consumption. The active movement at Chicago on Wednesday was started by the publication by the *Farmers' Review* of a bulletin showing a deterioration of

three or four points in the condition of winter wheat during the past two weeks. The bulge on Thursday seems to have been a spontaneous upward movement, without any clearly definable cause, though there were rumors of crop damage, and export business was good.

Locally the weather has averaged rather chilly, with frosts at night, but fairly favorable for seeding, which was going on steadily throughout the country. Wheat is appearing above ground to some extent, but the weather has not been warm enough yet to encourage much growth. Navigation opened at Port Arthur last week, and wheat held there will be moving eastward. The total quantity in store at Lake Superior, however, is less than 400,000 bushels, and nearly all this is held on account of millers. It will not, therefore, be placed on the market. Wheat at country elevators in Manitoba and in Winnipeg is nearly all held in the same way, and the opening of navigation will let loose but a very small quantity of wheat to go on eastern markets. Practically all in store this side of Lake Superior is held by millers.

FLOUR.

The local market continues to advance, and people are wondering where it is going to stop. Prices on patents and strong bakers were put up 15c per hundred last week. Low grades were not changed, but are strong in consequence of the advance on high qualities, and a further advance in these grades is expected. In eastern Canada market prices are strong and holders are trying to obtain advances, but quotations there are considerably under prices demanded here. At Winnipeg prices are as follows per 100 pounds to the local trade: Patents \$3.00; strong bakers, \$2.75; second bakers, \$2.20; XXXX, \$1.40; superfine, \$1.25 Graham flour, 2.75; middlings, \$3.00 per 100 pounds.

MILLSTUFFS AND FEED.

Prices held unchanged at \$14 per ton for bran and \$16 for shorts, in small lots, and the demand good. Ground feed steady at \$21 per ton, in small lots.

MEALS, POT BARLEY, ETC.

Steady at the advance noted last week. Prices are quoted as follows: Standard, \$2.40; granulated, \$2.50 per 100 lbs.; rolled oats, \$2.60 per sack of 90 lbs. Rolled oats are also obtained in 80 lb sacks at \$2.50. Cornmeal is held at \$1.50 per 100 lbs.; pot barley, \$2.75, and pearl barley, \$3.25 per 100 lbs.

OATS

Held firm on the spot, though lower prices south were expected by some, now that the demand for seed oats is about over. Lots from store were held at 46 to 48c for feed, and at 50c and upward for seed qualities. The demand for seed oats in car lots is about over, though there was a considerable local demand for small lots of such qualities. Car lots ordinary quality quoted at 44 to 47c.

BARLEY.

There has been considerable local demand for seed barley. Some has been brought in from the south, but of very poor quality as a rule, and hardly fit for the purpose, costing 55 to 62c.

CHEESE.

Jobbing in small lots at about 13c per pound, and mostly Ontario make in the market. Some has been brought in from the south.

BUTTER.

The movement in new butter continues very backward, and very little new is arriving. What comes sells readily at 17 to 20c as to quality, and a good deal more wanted. In the absence of new, old has to be taken, bringing from 10 to 15c as to quality, the latter an outside quotation for choice in small lots only. If receipts for new continue so light for long, stocks of old will be reduced considerably yet

before there is enough spring make to supply the demand.

KIDS.

Arriving slowly, and local receipts not in excess of the demand. Jobbing prices last week ranged from 12 to 13c.

LARD.

Steady and unchanged at \$2.20 per pail of 20 lbs.

CURED MEATS.

Prices hold at about last week's quotations, with the feeling firm and tendency strong. Prices here are as follows: Long clear dry salt bacon, 9 to 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; spiced rolls, 11c; breakfast bacon, 12 to 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, the higher price for boned; smoked hams, 13 to 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ c per pound; mess pork, \$13 per bbl.; bologna sausage, 7c, German bologna, 9c per pound; fresh pork sausage, 8c per pound; pickled pigs feet, \$1.50 per kit of about 20 pounds; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 9c per packet.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

Hardly anything doing in hides. Very few country hides coming in, and not many city butchers' offering. Judging from the quantity of hides offering, very few cattle are being killed, and this agrees with the statements of the butchers that the consumption of meats is away below the average this spring, for some reason or another. Local prices are unchanged, and are proportionately higher than eastern markets. Prices are strong at Montreal and Toronto, and slightly better prices are being realized in those markets. In the United States there is a firm upward movement. Country hides in the Winnipeg market are worth about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3c per pound. Heavy steers are worth 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for No. 1, and 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for No. 1 cows; No. 2, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for heavy steers and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for No. 2 cows; No. 3, 2c. Calfskins, No. 1, 5c, No. 2, 4c. Sheepskins, 50 to 55c. Tallow, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3c for rough and 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c for rendered.

LIVE STOCK.

Not much doing in cattle last week. A load of western cattle, costing it is understood, considerable over 4c per pound, arrived, but were not up to the expectations of the purchaser, who will not more than clear himself on the transaction. The load spoken of in our last report as offered at 4c without takers, sold on an average at considerably under that price. There were some cows in the lot, however. A very poor lot of western sheep arrived in the market, proving a poor speculation for the purchaser.

DRESSED MEATS.

Dressed meats held at about last week's prices. There was some little cutting in mutton, but some of the stuff offered was not of choice quality. Beef appears to be plentiful, notwithstanding the scare that there would be a shortage. Pork is none too plentiful and good veal is rather scarce, though plenty of poor is offering. The fresh meat trade all around is slow, and the consumption does not appear to be near the average for this season of the year. Butchers are all grumbling about the dullness. Beef is held generally by wholesalers at about 8c for good, with some offering at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$, and very little going over 8c. Mutton has ranged from 12 to 14c as to quality and desire to sell. About 13c per pound is the usual prices. Pork has a wide range, but is generally bought at within the range of 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c, and has been held at 9c. Veal, 7 to 10c as to quality.

POULTRY AND GAME.

Chickens in demand at 80c to \$1 per pair. Turkeys will bring 20 to 22c per pound. Wild ducks plentiful, and bringing 15 to 25c per pair.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes have been offering freely in car lots, and have sold at 60 to 65c per bushel as to quality, the higher prices for sacked, and others loose in cars. From store small lots sell at 70c. There is a little more green stuff in the market, but prices are high. Carrots are not obtainable at any price. Quotations are as follows: Carrots, \$1.50; parsnips \$1.50 per bushel, beets,