

GRAIN, LIVE STOCK AND PRODUCE MARKET

Liverpool Market Letter

By PROCTER & CO., LIVERPOOL, JANUARY 11, 1910.

Our market closed today about unchanged from a week ago, having in the interval been quite strong, and quite a large business has been done mainly in cargoes of Australian wheat and a few cargoes and a number of parcels of Plate wheat. The business, however, has been mostly of a speculative nature and in many cases has been the closing out of short sales. The demand at time of writing has subsided, and today both cargoes and parcels are almost unsaleable, and apparently the immediate demand has been satisfied. The continent also reports quiet markets with less demand. In the U.K. farmers are threshing rather more frequently, and there is an increase in the amount offering, and it is generally expected for the next three months that the movement of native wheat will be a fair one—decidedly larger than has been the case hitherto. Presumably this state of things should be the same on the continent.

Argentine.—Markets have been very excited over there, and wheat has been difficult to buy. The crop reports have been very conflicting and this season it will be most difficult to estimate the quantity of the crop owing to the tremendous variation. The attitude of the farmers generally is to hold back their wheat and they are offering to sell only the lighter weights. Broomhall in his report received today estimates the exportable surplus at 10,000,000 qrs. against a previous estimate of 12,000,000 qrs., but it is only a guess and a more than usually difficult guess to make. Yesterday there was a little more disposition to sell in Rosario and Buenos Ayres, but generally speaking the farmers there are very obstinate holders. A cargo of Ro-Fe wheat, 62½ lbs., Jan. shipment, has been cancelled here today at 41/-, owing to the great difficulty experienced in getting hold of this weight of wheat to ship. **Russia.**—All our advices speak of an enormous flood of grain back in the interior, but there has been difficulty in bringing down to the seaboard owing to the state of the roads. It is expected there will be a very large quantity sold for March-April shipment. Accounts of the growing winter wheat crop are very good. **Romania.**—Crop reports continue excellent. **India.**—We hear nothing but good reports of this crop, and later on, if the favorable promise is still maintained, we expect to see quite a considerable quantity of old wheat come on to the market; but in India, where famine has so frequently played such havoc with the country, they are cautious about parting with the balance of their old crop until they are practically certain that the new one is assured.

Continental Europe Wheat Situation

By H. WIENER & CO., ANTWERP, JANUARY 7.

Wheat.—Another week of firmness is behind us and the European markets, like the American, have displayed great activity. The extreme reserve on the part of Argentine sellers has been the principal promoter of the rise, for days are passing without any offerings of note, when in other years it was a rush of Plate wheats which always provoked at this period declining markets and prospects of large supplies in the near future.

Nothing similar this year, and precisely when more than ever before, we are to count on the Argentine Republic for ample and immediate supplies to bring us over the winter months. Offers from other countries contribute very little to replace the quantities going into consumption. It can, therefore, with the greatest certitude, be expected that for the next three months our supplies will hardly come up to our requirements and our expectation of high prices for spot wheat during this period remains unabated, while it is quite possible that spring will show us another image.

Though we admit that the Plate crop estimates will have to be reduced considerably, not only in quantity but also in quality, and while Canada also, after the heavy export of about 3,500,000 qrs., may perhaps not export more than 2,500,000 qrs. for the remaining of the season, we believe that Russia, India and Australia, and, furthermore, the greatly delayed native wheats, will give us sufficient wheat, not to be too hasty to engage purchases for this later period. But there is one drawback to this argument which might annihilate it entirely, and this is the prospects for the growing crop, which will certainly be this year of greater influence than usual, because it is admitted that the prosperity of last year's has allowed farmers to keep back unusually large quantities and they might only be disposed to part with them if a fine outlook on the fields invite to selling.

The mild weather all over Egypt with uncovered and heavily moist fields present a great danger. Should late frosts intervene, the disaster might be great. But this is only a possibility. With all things going right, our strong opinion goes not beyond the month of March, for the reasons we have exposed above, in spite of all sensational news America might, for the sake of their May manipulation, send us.

Feeding stuffs, like barley, maize, oats and rye, are kept very firm, especially owing to the reserve of North America. The firmness of wheat reflects on these feeding stuffs. As Russia is closed, offers are necessarily not very large and higher prices therefore are not to be wondered at.

Linseed continues to rise and the upward movement we are witnessing since a long while is unprecedented in the history of the article. Old crop is now touching £4.00, whilst new crop is at about £3.75, and there is no sign, so far, of an imminent reaction. India which was feared to be a menace for new crop values, holds very firmly and readily follows the rise.

Liverpool General Market Report

(Taken from The Corp. Trade News, January 11, 1910.)

Wheat cargoes are neglected, and 3d. to 4½d. lower to sell.

Australian wheat cargoes.—40/9 (approx. £1.22½) asked for 11,000 qrs. South Aust.-Vict., Dec.-Jan. 40/6 (approx. £1.21½) probably buys Jan.-Feb. Steamers early January offer at 41/3 (approx. £1.23½). Parcels to Liverpool for Jan. offer at 40/½ (approx. £1.21½).

Russian wheat cargoes are quiet and rather easier. Azoff-Black Sea afloat, 41/6 (approx. £1.24½) shipping-shipped, is held at 42/- (approx. £1.26). Jan.-Feb. 41/- to 42/9 (approx. £1.23 to £1.28½). Steamers Ulka on fine sample at opening Azoff, 40/6 to 41/- (approx. £1.21) to £1.23.

River Plate wheat cargoes.—40/- (approx. £1.20) asked for a steamer Barusso 61½ lbs., loading, and 41/3 (approx. £1.23½) for Rosafe, 62½ lbs., same position. 39/9 (approx. £1.19½) asked for 5,000 tons Rosafe, 62½ lbs., Jan.-Feb. Parcels to Liverpool of Jan.-Feb. Rosafe, 62 lbs., offered at 39/- (approx. £1.17). 38/3 (approx. £1.14½) asked for Barusso, 62 lbs., same position. 38/7½ (approx. £1.15½) asked in London for Barusso 62½ lbs. Jan.-Feb.

Canadian and U.S.A. wheat.—Parcels to Liverpool are easy at about 6d. decline. Parcels to London are easier and very quiet.

No. 1 Nor. Man.	(pel. L'p'l)	Afloat	39/4½	approx. £1.18½
No. 2 Nor. Man.	"	Jan.-Feb.	39/	" 1.17
No. 3 Nor. Man.	"	Jan.-Feb.	38/6	" 1.15½
No. 1 Nor. Man.	(pel. Ldn.)	Feb.-March	40/9	" 1.22½
No. 2 Nor. Man.	"	Feb.-March	40/3	" 1.20½
No. 3 Nor. Man.	"	Jan.-Feb.	39/6	" 1.18½
Indian wheat.	Parcels to Liverpool	are quiet, unchanged.		
Choice White Kurrahee	Dec.-Jan.		8/5½	approx. £1.21 4½
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Indian parcels for London	are easy, 3d. to 9d. lower.			
Choice White Kurrahee	Jan.-Feb.		42/3	approx. £1.26½
Red Kurrahee	Afloat		42/-	" 1.26
No. 2 Club Calcutta	April-May		40/9	" 1.26½

SALES OF CARGOES TO ARRIVE

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 5.				
5,500 tons Victorian, expected Feb. shipment, sold last night		40/3	approx. £1.20½	
THURSDAY, JAN. 6.				
5,000 tons Barusso, Jan.-Feb. shipment		38/10½	approx. £1.16½	
FRIDAY, JAN. 7.				
1,000 qrs. South Australian, Jan. 15-Feb. shipment		40/9	approx. £1.22½	

SALES OF PARCELS

THURSDAY, JAN. 6.				
1,000 qrs. No. 1 Nor. Man.	Afloat	40/-	approx. £1.20	
3,000 qrs. No. 1 Nor. Man.	Feb.	39/-	" 1.17	
TUESDAY, JAN. 11.				
1,000 qrs. No. 1 Nor. Man.	Jan.-Feb.	39/3	" 1.17½	

Winnipeg Futures

Following are the quotations on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange during the past week for wheat, oats and flax seed for May delivery:

DATE	WHEAT	OATS	FLAX
Jan. 19	106½	38½	185
Jan. 20	106½	38½	195
Jan. 21	107½	39½	197½
Jan. 22	107½	39	198
Jan. 23	106½	38½	193
Jan. 25	106½	38½	187

Liverpool Spot Cash

(Corn Trade News, Jan. 11, 1910)

Australian	9/7 approx. £1.38		
1 Nor. Man.	8/6½ "	1.23	
2 Nor. Man.	8/5 "	1.21 1.3	
3 Nor. Man.	8/4 "	1.20	
No. 4 Man.	8/2 "	1.17 3.5	
Ch. White Karachi	Ord. terms	1.22 4.5	
Red.—Ord. terms	8/3½ "	1.19 2.5	
2 Hard Winter	8/7	1.23 3.5	
2 Red Winter	8/7	1.23 3.5	
Barusso	8/8 "	1.24 4.5	
Russian	8/3½ "	1.19 2.5	

Barley

No. 3 33

No. 4 17

Rejected 2

52

Flax

No. 1 N.W. Manitoba 59

No. 1 Manitoba 3

No Grade 2

64

Grand Total 1321

Stocks in Terminals

Total wheat in store, Fort William and Port Arthur, on Jan. 21, was 4,935,702 bushels, as against 4,772,965 bushels last week, and 4,600,156 bushels last year. The total shipments for the week were 332,138.39 bushels; last year, 566,229 bushels. Amount of each grade was:

1910	1909
One Northern	290 63
Two Northern	318 182
Three Northern	160 115
No. 4	51 33
Feed	3
Rejected 1	21 21
Rejected 2	38 24
No grade	11 8
Condemned	1
No. 5	10 16
No. 6	4 7

1910	1909
925	485

4,935,702.30 4,600,156.30

STOCKS OF OATS

No. 1 White 175,293.32

No. 2 White 1,402,610.02

No. 3 White 215,030.10

Mixed 8,293.14

Other grades 107,731.24

1,903,979.15 2,369,734.00

STOCKS OF FLAX

Barley 417,554.00 420,571.00

Flax 651,065.00 732,386.00

Canadian Visible

(Official to Winnipeg Grain Exchange)

Winnipeg, Jan. 21.

WHEAT OATS BARLEY

Ft. William 2,078,598 542,684 126,152

Pt. Arthur 2,857,104 1,366,294 291,402

Depot H'br'r. 21,110 97,334

Meaford 306,751 61,642 74,382