

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

[All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, August 5.

GREEN FRUITS.—Lemons are firm and higher, cheaper grades being out. Pineapples are out of the market. A few watermelons have been coming forward, but the market has not been generally supplied. What are here are small sizes. Blueberries are lower, and something of a drug. Apples received to date have not been of very good quality, but better stock is looked for. Prices are: California oranges, St. Michaels, \$5.25 to \$5.50 per box; do. Valencias, \$6.75 to \$7; Messina lemons, \$7.00 per box; tomatoes, \$2 to \$2.25 per crate of four baskets; California peaches, \$2 to \$2.25 per box; Pears, \$3 to \$3.50 per box; plums, \$2.50 to 3.00 per crate; bananas, \$2.75 to 3.50 per bunch; Georgia grapes, \$1 per lb basket; southern apples, \$6.00 to 6.50 per barrel; blueberries, 4 to 5c per lb. Native raspberries are selling on the street market at \$1.50 to \$2 per pail.

THE CHEESE OUTLOOK.—A leading handler of cheese writes THE COMMERCIAL as follows, which is quite true:—"There is considerable cheese in the country, and a number of factories are yet holding nearly all of the June cheese, expecting to sell it at an advance price. It is a mistake to hold cheese so long, as all June cheese is now off flavor, and cannot give satisfaction to purchasers, who should be on the lookout when buying cheese of that description. Such cheese is worth one cent less than July cheese, either for local trade or shipping. Cheese makers should not be encouraged in holding their goods so long, by buyers paying one price for all kinds of cheese, good, poor, bad, or off flavor."

PAINTS AND OILS.—The only feature to note is an advance of 2c in linseed oils, the price now being 66c for raw and 69c for boiled.

GENERAL WHEAT.—Wheat seems dirt cheap at under 1c per pound at Lake points, which it has sold at this week. The principal feature of the week was the bulge on Wednesday. On Monday United States markets were lower, Chicago markets closing 1½ to 2½ lower than Saturday. Cables were lower. The visible supply increased 446,000 bushels. Prices were strong by turns on Tuesday, but closed lower in United States markets, as further financial failures were announced. Considerable wheat was sold for export, and aside from the general financial depression, conditions favored higher prices. Wednesday brought a bulge, prices 3 to 4c higher in some United States markets. There was much excitement at Chicago among shorts, and a good demand for cash wheat. Export clearances for the day were over 1,000,000 bushels. Prices settled down on Thursday and Friday, under continued bank and heavy commercial failures, and lighter export demand. A telegram on Friday said that new fall wheat was being marketed at some western Ontario points. It is being taken by millers who are paying from 57 to 58c per bushel. Exporters say they cannot touch it at this price.

Locally the situation is very dull. There is very little wheat moving, Winnipeg inspection returns showing only fifteen cars inspected here in the week, as compared with 179 cars a year ago. In store at Lake Superior ports there are 1,819,792 bushels of Manitoba wheat, being a decrease of 91,924 bushels. This wheat is not held by western men to any extent, having passed out of their hands some time ago. The inspection returns for the year ended June 30, show 7,228,650 bushels of wheat inspected at Winnipeg, as compared with 8,631,800 bushels inspected for the previous year. These figures include wheat which goes out via Duluth and is inspected at Emerson, but do not include wheat which passes Winnipeg for inspection at Fort William.

The Manitoba crop outlook continues favorable, especially under the prospect of an early harvest. With a continuation of favorable weather, the appearance now is that harvest will be over early. It is reported that some wheat has been cut this week, but there are patches considerably in advance of the general crop. Some barley harvesting has been done this week. The general impression among those who know best is that while the crop will not be a very heavy one, the average yield will be satisfactory, with the prospect of a high quality. The crop is not even, and is therefore a difficult one to estimate. There are some grand crops in sections, while other districts are rather inferior, and there are very fine and poor fields in the same sections.

FLOUR.—Flour has had an easier tone again, one mill which was getting an advance of 5c over our prices quoted this and last week, having reduced its price to the same figure. There is said to be more or less cutting in prices. Prices in small lots to the local trade are quoted: Patents, \$1.80, strong bakers' \$1.60; XXXX 70 to 95c; superfine 75 to 50c. Low grades irregular. Brands of some mills sell at 5 to 10c under these prices, even in small lots.

MILLSTUFFS.—The price to the local trade, less than car lots, delivered is the same at \$8 to \$9 for bran and \$10 to \$11 for shorts as to quantity. Millstuffs generally have been somewhat scarce, as the mills have been shipping east.

GROUND FEED.—Held at \$17 to 20 per ton as to quality. Oil cake meal, sacked, \$26 per ton.

OATMEAL, ETC.—Unchanged. Rolled oats quoted at \$2.20 per sack, while some brands are quoted \$2.30. Granulated varies from \$2.20 to \$2.30; standard about \$2; cornmeal \$1.60 to \$1.65; beans, \$1.80 to \$1.99 per bushel; split peas, \$2.40 to 2.50; pot barley \$2.40 to 2.50; pearl barley \$4 per sack.

OATS.—Quiet, and held at about the same as a week ago, cars on track at 30 to 32c per bushel, local freights paid. A few loads offering on the street market bring about 30c per bushel. Car lots, country points, about 2½ to 2½c per bushel of 34 pounds for feed grades.

BARLEY.—On track here, local freight paid, at 30 to 33c per bushel of 48 pounds, and at about 22 to 23c on track at country points.

Butter.—No new features to note in butter. A fair range of quotations appears to be from 12 to 14c, for dairy.

CHEESE.—The present idea of prices is 8 to 8½c to the factories. Some small cheese have been sold at 8½ to 9c. Note what is said elsewhere about cheese in this issue by a correspondent.

Eggs.—Dealers are paying 11c for receipts, and selling at 12 to 12½c, candled, per dozen.

CURED MEATS.—We quote: Dry salt long clear bacon 11½ to 12c; smoked long clear 12½c; spiced rolls 10½ to 11½c; breakfast bacon 14 to 15c; smoked hams, 13 to 14c; the lower price; for heavy hams; shoulders, 10½ to 11c; meat pork, \$20.00 per barrel. Sausage quoted: Pork sausage, 9c; bologna sausage 9c lb; German sausage, 9c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 9c per half lb. packet.

LARD.—Pure held at \$2.60, in 20-pound pails, per pail, compound, lower at \$2.20 per pail.

DRESSED MEATS.—Beef quoted at 5 to 5½c as to quality, and is claimed that 6c is obtainable for a little very choice stuff. Mutton lower at 11c. Pork, 7 to 7½c. Veal 7 to 8c.

POULTRY.—Spring chickens have sold at about 35 to 40c per pair; fowl at 50 to 75c per pair, as to size and quality.

VEGETABLES.—New potatoes are now reasonable in price and bring 50c to 60c per bushel. Cabbage, 40c per dozen. Cauliflower, 40c to 50c per dozen.

HYDES.—Dull and unchanged. We quote Winnipeg inspected here as follows: No.

1 cows, 30; No. 2, 25; No. 3, 1½c; No. 1, heavy steers, 15; No. 2 steers, 30c. Real veal 8 to 13-lb skins, 4 to 5c per pound. Kips about same as hides. Sheepskins, sheerlings, 15 to 25c each. Lambskins, 20c to 25c. Tallow, 4½ to 5c rendered; 2 to 3c rough.

WOOL.—Considerable wool has been brought lately, but at lower prices than earlier in the season. Ordinary long wools bring 7 to 8c per lb; mixed quality, containing some finer grades 8 to 9c lb; downs 9 to 10c as to quality; fine wools, such as good merino grades, 10 to 11c. A considerable portion of the western ranch clip has been bought up. A lot from southern Manitoba, which it is said cost the buyer there 11c, sold here this week at 9c.

SENEGA ROOT.—It is said that high prices are being paid for lots shipped here to be put up for competition. Up to 32c it is claimed has been paid, but the tendency is now easier. From 23 to 3½ will probably about cover the range for good dry root.

LIVE STOCK.—A further shipment of live stock was made to Montreal this week, consisting of eight cars of pigs and five of cattle. We quote beef cattle here at 3 to 3½c; hogs 5 to 5½c; sheep 5c.

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

Below is shown the number of cars of wheat inspected at Winnipeg for five weeks ending on the dates given, and compared with the same weeks of last year:—

Grade.	July 1.	July 8.	July 15.	July 22.	July 29.
Extra Manitoba					
hard	0	0	0	1	0
No. 1 hard	0	2	0	7	0
No. 2 hard	46	22	16	7	4
No. 3 hard	21	27	15	15	5
No. 1 Northern	2	0	0	1	0
No. 2 Northern	0	0	0	1	1
No. 3 Northern	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 White type	1	0	0	0	0
No. 2 White type	0	0	0	0	0
No. 1 Frosted	0	0	0	1	0
No. 1 Spring	6	5	5	0	0
No. 2 Frosted	4	3	1	0	0
No. 3 Frosted	1	0	0	0	0
Rejected	26	12	15	5	3
No Grade	12	11	3	4	2
Feed Wheat	1	0	0	1	0
Total	122	84	52	38	15
Same week last year	324	266	166	131	179

Duluth Wheat Market.

No. 1 Northern wheat at Duluth closed as follows on each day of the week:

Monday—July, 5½c; September, 57½c.
Tuesday—August, 5½c; September, 57½c.
Wednesday—August, 5½c; September, 60½c.
Thursday—August, 57½c; September, 60½c.
Friday—August, 5½c; September, 59c.
Saturday—August, 57½c; September, 59½c.

The Canadian Australian Trade.

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