

On Wednesday the leading feature of the grain market was a general dullness, and the amount of business transacted was light. The business of the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.13 to \$1.15; No. 1, \$1.05 to \$1.09; No. 2 hard, \$1.06 to \$1.10.

CORN, No. 2, 51 to 51½c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 41 to 42c; No. 2, 39½ to 40c; rejected by sample, 35 to 39c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.50 to \$7.00; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.50; clears, \$5.25 to \$5.65.

Thursday's market continued dull, in sympathy with eastern advices. Wheat was weak and inclined to drop. Corn was also weak. Oats remained firm. The following quotations represent the business of the day:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.13 to \$1.14½; No. 1, \$1.04 to 1.10½; No. 2 hard, \$1.05 to \$1.10½.

CORN, No. 2 51c to 51½c; no grade, 47 to 48c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 41 to 42c; No. 2 39 to 40c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.50 to \$7; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.50; clear, \$5.25 to \$5.65.

On Friday there was a slight drop in wheat. Corn was weak; oats steady. The business of the day is represented by the following quotations:

WHEAT, No. 1 hard, \$1.12 to \$1.13½; No. 1, \$1.05 to \$1.10; No. 2 hard, \$1.06 to 1.10.

CORN, 51 to 51½c.

OATS, No. 2 white, 40 to 41c; No. 2, 39 to 40c.

FLOUR, patents, \$6.50 to \$7; straights, \$5.50 to \$6.50; clears, \$5.25 to \$5.75.

CHICAGO.

The market for the week has been subject to considerable fluctuation. A considerable drop from the week before took place on Monday in nearly all kinds of produce. On Tuesday the market was slow and generally weak. Wheat was decidedly soft, and the same remark is applicable to the state of the provision market. Corn held firm, but oats suffered a decline. At the close quotations were:

Wheat, March,	\$1.08½	April,	\$1.09½
Corn, " "	50½	" "	58½
Oats, " "	40	" "	40½
Pork, " "	18.00	" "	18.22½
Lard, " "	11.20	" "	11.35

On Wednesday the market continued weak. All kinds of grain dropped somewhat. Provisions were weak and suffered a decline. Towards the close quotations were:

Wheat, March,	\$1.08	April,	\$1.08½
Corn, " "	57½	" "	57½
Oats, " "	42½	" "	43½
Pork, " "	18.00	" "	18.07½
Lard, " "	11.15	" "	11.30

On Thursday there was a generally stronger feeling. Considerable fluctuation occurred, but the close showed prices advanced over the previous day. At the close quotations were:

Wheat, March,	\$1.08½	April,	\$1.08½
Corn, " "	58	" "	58½
Oats, " "	42½	" "	42½
Pork, " "	18.10	" "	18.22½
Lard, " "	11.20	" "	11.35

On Friday, the market was very irregular and subject to fluctuation. Quotations towards the close were:

Wheat, March,	\$1.07½	April,	\$1.08½
Corn, " "	58	" "	58½
Oats, " "	42½	" "	42½
Pork, " "	18.10	" "	18.22½
Lard, " "	11.22½	" "	11.37½

On Saturday the market was slow but with a steady tone. Toward the close quotations were:

Wheat, March,	\$1.07½	April,	\$1.08
Corn, " "	58½	" "	58½
Oats, " "	42½	" "	42½
Pork, " "	18.15	" "	18.27½
Lard, " "	11.50	" "	11.42½

TORONTO.

STOCKS.

During the week there was a better feeling on change, and stocks advanced slightly. Federal was especially active. There is still, however, a good deal of uncertainty as to what the future may be, and considerable caution is exercised by dealers. On Wednesday prices generally were well maintained. Closing quotations on Wednesday were: Montreal, 207½; Ontario, 113½; Molsons, 130; Toronto, 186½; Merchants, 126; Commerce, 134½; Imperial, 141; Federal, 161½; Dominion, 200; Standard, 115; Hamilton, 115; British America, 115; North-west Land Company 58.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Another week of inactivity almost indicates the whole situation in the grain and produce trade. Offerings have been very light, and the demand not very active. The condition of the railroads has been the principal cause of light receipts, and the unsettled state of the market outside has checked the demand. Prices have changed but little.

FLOUR.

Transactions have been very few, and prices, though showing little change, have a tendency downwards. Buyers and sellers are still considerably apart. An exceptionally fine lot of choice extra brought \$4.70, but \$4.60 to \$4.65 are the regular figures. Extra is worth \$4.50 to \$4.55.

WHEAT.

There has been a slight movement at prices generally unchanged. Quotations are: No 1 fall, \$1.06; No. 2 fall, \$1.03 to \$1.04; No 1 spring, \$1.10; No. 2, \$1.08; No. 3, \$1.02 to \$1.03.

OATS.

There is a good demand for all offering, and prices are fairly steady. Quotations are from 43 to 44c on track; on street, 46 to 47c.

BARLEY.

Very light offerings, with prices same as last week, but with an easier feeling. No. 1 is quoted nominal at 75 to 76c; No. 2, 72c; extra No. 3, 65 to 66c; No. 3, 53 to 46c.

PEAS.

Scarce and firm at from 76 to 77c for a No. 2 article. No. 1 cannot be had.

SEEDS.

Quiet, with prices firm at \$7.25 to \$7.65 for clover, and \$2.10 to \$2.25 for timothy.

POTATOES.

There is an easier feeling in prices. Car lots have sold at from 60 to 65c per bag. Street prices, 70 to 75c per bag.

APPLES.

Scarce and in good demand at from \$2.50 to \$3.25 for good cooking qualities.

BUTTER.

The situation in the butter trade is unchanged. All that is offered is wanted for the local market. Choice is firm at 20 to 21c; medium, 16 to 18c; inferior, 14 to 16c; rolls, 18 to 20c.

EGGS.

Prices are declining, owing to increased receipts. Fresh are worth 22 to 24c, and a further fall is expected. Nothing doing in packed and limed.

DRIED APPLES.

Steady and unchanged at 19c for lots; small lots of barreled, 9½ to 10c.

MEATS.

Market very inactive, but prices have not undergone any change. Quotations are: Mess pork, \$22; bacon, long clear in car-lots for Manitoba at 11c; small lots, 11½ to 11¾c; Cumberland, 10c in large lots; rolls, 11½ to 12c; bellies, 13 to 13½c; hams, smoked, 13 to 13½c; pickled, 11½ to 12c.

Markets by Telegraph.

Special Despatch to The Commercial:

STOCKS.

Toronto, March 12.—Stocks were active but weak, all but Montreal. The market broke on Saturday and closing bids to-day show a heavy fall on the week. Closing bids: Montreal, 204½; sales, 204½; Ontario, 112; sales, 112½; Toronto, 183½; sales, 182½; Merchants, 123; sales, 123½; Commerce, 133½; sales, 133½; Imperial, 139; sales, 139½; Federal, 158½; sales, 158½; Dominion, 198½; sales, 199; Standard, 114½; sales, 114½; Hamilton, 113; North-west Land, 56½; sales, 57½. The feeling this afternoon is slightly improved on the morning.

Special Despatch to The Commercial.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Toronto, March 12.—Produce dull and inactive, with wheat and flour declining. Flour, not wanted, superior, extra, offered freely at \$4.50 to \$4.55 without buyers. Wheat, inactive, No. 2 fall offered at \$1.02, with \$1 bid; best bids for spring, \$1.09 for No. 1, \$1.07 for No. 2. Oats, steady, sales at 44c. Barley, quiet, because scarce, prices steady at 76c for No. 1; 72c No. 2; 66c extra No. 3; 53 to 56c No. 3. Peas, firm, sales equal to 78c here. Rye steady at 67c bid. Seeds, inactive, prices unchanged. Butter, firm - choice at 20 to 21c; offerings very small. Meats, quiet and steady at 71c for long clear; 10c for Cumberland; in round lots; a lot of 1,000 pickled hams sold at 12c. Lard is tending upward, tennets, 14c; pails, 14½c.

Moose Jaw and Emerson correspondence crowded out this week.

We understand that a new paper to be called the *North-west Advocate* is shortly to be started in Moose Jaw.

Messrs. Brad & O'Connell, hotel keepers at Dominion City, have dissolved partnership. The business will be carried on by Mr. Brad.

The firm of R. J. Whitla & Co., have already received six hundred cases of new goods for the spring trade. This certainly indicates well what confidence wholesale men have in the country and its prospects.

Winter & O'Neil have been trying to fix things. Winter went out of the business, and P. K. O'Neil was to carry it on and assume all liabilities. There was some trouble, and O'Neil sold out to A. E. Gavin, whose reign was short, as the sheriff is now in charge looking to the interest of Winter & O'Neil's creditors.—*Brandon Cor.*

Two meetings have been held by the Councils of Emerson and the municipality relative to the unoccupied land lying east of this town. We understand that a movement will be made at once to attract the attention of the incoming immigration this spring. Large maps showing the location will be issued, with a sketch of the quality of the lands, etc., printed on the opposite side. The matter is now undergoing some consideration, but will be fully ventilated and advertised in a week or so.