

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO FARMERS AND SPORTSMEN

WITH THE FARMERS

PRODUCE MARKET COMPARISONS

A comparison of the market prices of farmer's produce at the larger markets may be interesting to producers who are in doubt whether to sell now or hold a while longer. Potatoes, poultry, butter and eggs are all imported into portions of Alberta. So a comparison of the prices at the eastern or western market with the price at Edmonton may indicate to what extent these important items may affect the price of farmer's produce here.

The following remarks are quoted from an exchange on the butter situation at Vancouver:

"Butter in the east is reported to be showing a firmer tone, and eastern creamery is quoted at 27 to 29 cents. It is stated that owing to the high price of butter in the eastern states large shipments are crossing the border from Quebec, it being possible to pay the duty of 6 cents per pound and still make a good profit. Cream is also being exported in large quantities, and it is believed that this exceptional condition will result in eastern butter commanding a considerable higher price; if this takes place the effect will be felt in the local market."

Why should potatoes, butter, eggs and poultry be shipped into Alberta by the carload when the farmers of the Edmonton district can produce these in such abundance. The prices both east and west are now such that the farmers here need fear no very low import prices. Though a gentleman in the city, who is in the commission business, remarked the other day that the freight rates on the long haul from eastern markets to Southern Alberta were lower in proportion to the rates in force from Edmonton to the southern towns and cities of the province. The Board of Trade should attend to this if true. It is worth investigating.

Butter.
Winnipeg—Jobbers are asking for choice creamery fresh churned bricks 28c. per lb., solids 26c., and are paying for choice dairy tub butter 15c. to 20c. per lb., rolls and prints 15c. to 16c. per lb.
Vancouver—Local creamery, 30c. to 31c.; Ontario creamery, 27c. to 28c.
Toronto—Dairy prints, 21c. to 22c.; creamery prints, 25c. to 26c.
Montreal—Choice creamery, 24 1/2c. to 24c.
Nelson, B.C.—Creamery 35c. to 40c.; dairy, 30c.
Calgary—Fancy dairy retail at 25c. to 28c.

Eggs.
Winnipeg—Another advance of 1c. per dozen has occurred. Jobbers are paying for Manitoba eggs, fresh laid, 28c. to 31c. per dozen.
Vancouver—Fresh local eggs continue plentiful at from 48c. to 45c. per dozen; Ontario eggs, 25c. to 28c.; Manitoba eggs, 24c.
Toronto—Eggs are higher. New laid, 25c. to 28c. per dozen; in case lots, No. 2, 23c. to 23c.
Montreal—Good demand. Select new laid, 24 1/2c. to 25c.; straight receipts, 21c.
Nelson, B.C.—Fresh, 50c. case, per dozen, 35c.
Calgary—Strictly fresh, retail at 45c. per dozen.

Poultry.
Winnipeg—Prices on fowls, chickens and ducklings are lower. Jobbers are paying for live fowls, 9c. per lb. f.o.b. Winnipeg; geese, 10c.; ducks, 10c.; ducklings, 11c.; turkeys, 17c.; spring chickens, 12 1/2c. per lb.; broilers, 15c. per lb.; Vancouver—Turkeys, 20c. per lb.; geese, 19 1/2c.; ducks, 25c.; roast

spring chickens, 11 to 12 1/2c. lb.; turkeys, 18c. lb.; ducks, 15c. lb.; geese, 12c. lb.
Butter—No. 1 dairy, 21 to 28c., according to quality.
Eggs—Fresh laid, 25c. doz.
City Market at Edmonton.
Hay continues to be plentiful, but the price still remains firm. In fact, a load of timothy hay sold yesterday for \$27.00 per ton. The prices range from that down to \$20.00 per ton for a load of hay cut late after the frost.
New oats are beginning to come in now and the price is weakening somewhat. Potatoes are 12 to 13c. at this, the disfiguring season. Some local poultry is offering.
Hay—Timothy, \$25.00 to \$27.00 per ton.
Upland hay, \$18.00 to \$20.00; slough hay, \$10.00 to \$15.00 per ton.
Green feed, \$13.00 to \$15.00 per ton.
Oats—\$3 to 3 1/2c. per bush.
Potatoes—10 to 12c. per bush.
Butter—30c. lb. for good quality.
Eggs—30c. for fresh.
Live chickens—50c. per pair.

Meat Market Comparisons.
The following comparison quotations will give some idea of the general direction of the market for meats both live and dressed:
Cattle.
Winnipeg—Export steers freight assured, 4 1/2 to 4 3/4; good butchers steers and heifers, 4 1/4 to 4 1/2; lower grades, 3 1/2 to 4c.; bulls, 2 1/2 to 3 1/4; good cows, 3 1/2 to 4c.
Toronto—Choice steers lower and sold at \$5.50, while lower grades brought \$4.00 to \$5.50; cows \$3.25 to \$5.00; bulls \$2.75 to \$3.50. Calves sold all the way from \$3.00 to \$15.00 according to quality.
Hogs.
Winnipeg—Live hogs, from 150 to 250 lbs., \$2.75 to \$3.00 cwt.; 250 to 300 lbs. hogs are \$2.75 to \$3.00 per cwt. on cars.
Toronto—Live hogs, \$3.25 for select; light and fat, \$3.85; dressed hogs \$12.25 to \$12.75 per cwt., farmers' lots.
Montreal—Hogs unchanged at \$3.00 to \$3.25; sows \$3.00 to \$3.35.
Sheep.
Winnipeg—Choice mutton sheep are worth 5 1/2 to 5 3/4; and lower grades at 4 1/2 to 5c.; lambs, 6 1/2 to 7c. per lb.
Montreal—Sheep were steady at \$3.50 to \$4.00; lambs, \$5.00 to \$5.00.

Dressed Meats.
Winnipeg—Beef, 8 1/4; city dressed hogs, abattoir killed, 15c.; farmers hogs, 14c.; mutton, 13 1/2c.; lamb, 15c.; veal, 7 to 10c.
Vancouver—Beef, 8 to 10c.; hogs, 14 to 15c.; veal, 10 to 14c.; lamb, 15c.; mutton, 13 to 14c.; Australian mutton, 11 to 12c.
The Grain Market.
Brackman-Ker Milling Co. quote milling oats at 20c. and barley at 15c. Campbell and Ottewill of Edmonton have their mill shut down for repairs for a few days. No new wheat has as yet been offered there, so they cannot quote a market price. Owing to the recent slight drop in the price of eastern markets there seems to be a tendency of the farmers to hold on to their grain and especially so as they are still busy threshing.
The Alberta Milling Co. of Edmonton quote the following prices for wheat, but report very little new grain yet offered. No. 1 northern, 81c. No. 2 northern, 79c.; No. 3 northern, 77c. to 78c.

Live Stock Market at Edmonton.
Hogs—150 to 225 lbs., 7 1/2c.; heavy sows, 6 to 7c. lb.
Cattle—Steers, 3 to 4c. lb.; cows, 2 to 3c. lb.; heifers, 2 1/2 to 3 1/2c. lb.; bulls, 1 1/2 to 2 1/2c. lb.; calves, medium weight, 200 to 250 lbs., 4 to 4 1/2c. lb.; 250 lbs. and up, 3 to 3 1/2c. lb.
Sheep—5 to 5 1/2c. lb.; lambs, 6 to 6 1/2c. lb.
Produce Prices at Edmonton.
Live poultry—Fowl, 10 to 11c. lb.

FRIDAY'S GRAIN MARKETS.
Winnipeg, Oct. 7.—Except for the last quarter of an hour an extremely dull, narrow, scalping market prevailed all day. There was brisk trading however at the close, as a good demand for cash wheat of all grades at one cent over the option for number one northern, two and three quarters cents under for number two; six and one half cents under for number three; one and three quarters under for number four and seven and one half cents for number five. Cakes were three eighths to five eighths lower, but exporters were good buyers of all grades and were reported to have secured a fair amount of cash wheat at the close. A decline of one quarter for number one northern, but an advance of one quarter for number two and one half cent for number three northern, over the previous close. Lower grades were firm. Options at the close showed an advance of one eighth cent for October, unchanged for November and May, an advance of one eighth cent for December. Trade in oats was very dull, and October and December closed one cent. Flax showed a slight advance. The American markets were just as narrow as the local and at the close showed a slight advance. Weather conditions were cloudy with slight falls of rain over the Canadian west.

Open.
Wheat..... 98% 92%
October..... 98% 92%
November..... 98% 92%
December..... 98% 92%
May..... 101% 101%
October..... 33% 33%
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THE WHEAT SITUATION.
The Winnipeg Commercial of a recent issue sums up the past week's grain market as follows: "Legitimate influence at the moment is being exercised to encourage the believer in higher prices. Stocks are ample in all directions and the talk that stocks are, as it were, all in the show window is in the nature of a warning to the market. The market is meaningless in view of all this, and to the contrary. Export trade in flour and in wheat is so small as to be hardly worth the mention. Weekly shipments, of course, show that some wheat is clearing from America every week, but we understand this mostly by the winter grades, and practically all of it is being shipped from the Pacific Coast States. On the surface it would appear that there must be an urgent demand in Europe or the colossal weekly world's shipments would not be taken care of as they have been and while this demand is present, the heavy shipments also show that export countries consider their grain an urgent need for them getting rid of the surplus as soon as possible. These large shipments will undoubtedly be made smaller, but in the meantime the European demand is being filled without Canada or the United States getting rid of any material quantity of their surplus. Should the Argentine come on later with a bumper crop it will certainly put Europe in a very independent position as far as taking wheat from North America is concerned.

FOREIGN CROP CONDITIONS.
The whole show improvement, and this is particularly true of the United Kingdom. Reports from Argentina are of continued rains in the southwest, which are very beneficial. The crop summary for the Argentine is as follows: United Kingdom—Opinion is regarding the harvest state that the condition is better than previously expected and that the weather is favorable. France—Rain is needed to enable plowing to be done. Farmers' offerings are light, although threshing returns are very favorable. Germany—Weather is favorable for plowing, although there is much vermin. Russia—Weather is reasonable. Arrivals are large and stocks increasing. Roumania—Seeding is progressing slowly, being delayed by the cattle disease. Italy—The revised official report makes the wheat crop 153,304,000 bushels, against 132,600,000 bushels last year.

Australia.—The minister of finance predicts a record crop this season. According to an official report, the weather is good, and crops are fair. India—Seeding prospects are good. Routine statistics are generally bearish. A pronounced increase in the United States visible supply is shown, the Danube 3,232,000 bushels, which places the total at 32,242,000 bushels, compared with 16,460,000 bushels a year ago. (The Canadian visible supply increased 908,000 bushels for the week, making the total 4,138,000 bushels. European visible supply of wheat amounts to 31,715,000 bushels, against 31,132,000 bushels a week ago, and 58,600,000 bushels a year ago. According to Bradstreet's the world's stocks show an increase of 2,513,000 bushels. World's shipments were 15,360,000 bushels, compared with 11,632,000 bushels for the like period a year ago. Of this Russia contributed 8,630,000 bushels, and the Danube 3,232,000 bushels, while the United States and Canada sent out only 1,630,000 bushels.

ONWARD FARMING PROGRESS.
One authority says that "Farming has advanced more in the past two generations than in all the ages gone before." Scientific farming is only of recent date. The farmer of today is better informed and trained to today to observe and to think and so is better able to deal intelligently with his practical problems.
The Old Ox Yoke.
Take farming in Alberta for example. Many still tell of the time when there was none. The only a little while since the homesteader with his oxen and a twelve inch plow rolled over a narrow strip of sod. Then followed the gang plows and disc plows, blackening a yard-wide furrow. The pioneers sowed by hand but later the drills came into use and grew in width. The bigger machinery made it possible to cultivate more land and thus cheapened production since so much of the farm machinery is used for so small a part of the year.
Tractor Engine Tractors.
Today, steam and gasoline engines are displacing the oxen and the horses so all larger areas of Alberta's rich soil are brought under cultivation each year. There big power tractors are used to haul from six to ten furrow plows and often a whole procession of implements follow in the wake of the modern monster of the western plains which tears up the old stumping ground of the settler. Plow, disc, harrows and packers or perhaps a drill may be hauled behind the engine. While some even use the gasoline engine to haul the binder and also to haul the loaded wagons to market after threshing, which is now no longer done with the fall or the horsepower.
Rapid Future Progress.
The progress of the past has been rapid, but what about the future. It will be just as great. The pioneer never predicted the gasoline plow. Implements not dreamed of now will be

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EDISON
Bulletin News Service. Owing to ill-health, has rented his farm to Edison and W. J. Bar will leave on a trip. He will be greatly missed friends throughout the Fall plowing is in full swing has been this year. His work is being Method work is being Edison, Oct. 4.

KEEPHIL
Bulletin News Service. Men and supplies for the camp passed through. This is usually the commencement logging. Wynand Demill gave birthday, Saturday, accepted his invitation a joyous time. Mr. J. Bell, the prosomary has left here. A bear hunt is on the part, Schweitzer got in a brush is still at large. A surprise party was Nelson at Woodland last day of teaching. Keephil, Oct. 1.

MOSSIDE
Bulletin News Service. Mr. Yates and family to Edmonton for their children the benediction was given. Mr. and Mrs. Barto Prof. Wallace, J.P., of week. The two malls a were appreciated by our people and Saturdays from the outside world. Mr. Baldwin has done a considerable additional. Mr. J. E. Witacker into a trip to visit his daughter. Miss Edith Trehan from a year's visit to North Dakota. Mosside, Oct. 5th.

PADDLE RIVER
Bulletin News Service. August Loitz, home 35-58-3 W. 5, returned Monday morning from where he has been at the plastering trade brought with him a thorough bull calf which from an Ontario breeder fair in Edmonton at a credit to Mr. Loitz's side on No. 23-58-2 is now heard in the Pembina River delta. Operation on Saturday morning Douglas O'Brien placed 3 W. 5. So far the more than the farmers' city, off-pitt.

Through travel from boine and all lower Plains, by way of Luny increasing. Several settlers are for a black bear remain the Pembina River near Next Saturday week will be held at Duk place on No. 23-58-2 mine whether a school be formed as indicated the Bulletin a few issues into a fourteen children in the district proposed sentiment seems to be in favor of a school. Mr. A. Vieth, of St. Asaph, Co., Edmonton this week. He with a party of men for claims at Fort McKay, Basca. Mr. M. Bertrand left Croward, where he cont into business. Rev. Bishop Holmes arrived Saturday night. The Bishop has been in Canada the past interests of his diocese he met his two daughters arrived from school in expect to leave in about time for Croward, the quarters. A joint picnic of the of the English Church Church was held last afternoon on the flats we adjoining muskeg creek. Trees were indulged in this was had by of the refreshments were set Methodist Hall, in pl open. R. E. Burbank returned from Edmonton went an operation for Mr. M. J. Cauthers, Grand Union Hotel, returned from a ten days' visit in St. Albert. His family to move here about next month. Mr. Jas. McCashan,

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