

Chicago Board of Trade Prices.

On Monday, March 31, wheat opened at about Saturday's closing prices, and had a lower tendency. May started at 79½c, and ranged downward to 79¼c. June ranged from 79½ to 79¾c. July from 77½ to 78c. Trading was dull, and features unimportant. Corn and provision were strong. Closing prices for futures were:

	March	May	June	July
Wheat	78½	79½	79½	77½
Corn	29½	30½	30½	31½
Oats	22	22½	21½	21½
Pork	10.50	10.60	10.67½	10.75
Short Ribs	6.12½	6.17½	6.22½	6.27½
Lard	5.20	5.20	5.25	5.30

There was no meeting of the board on Tuesday, owing to elections. Wheat opened fractionally lower on Wednesday. May started at 78½c, and ranged from 78½ to 79½c, June ranged from 78½ to 79½c, and July from 77½ to 78½c. Trading was very large. Closing prices for futures were:—

	April.	May.	June.	July.
Wheat	79	79½	79½	78½
Corn	29½	30½	30½	32½
Oats	22½	22½	21½	22
Pork	—	10.60	10.70	10.80
Lard	—	6.17½	6.22½	6.27½
Short Ribs	5.17½	5.20	5.25	5.30

The market opened strong on Thursday and ½ to ¾c higher, but weakened on large offering and closed ½ to ¾c lower than yesterday and at about the lowest point of the session. Good Friday will be observed as a holiday, consequently there will be no meeting of the board. Futures closed as follows:

	April.	May.	June.	July.
Wheat	—	79½	79½	78½
Corn	—	30½	31½	31½
Oats	—	22½	21½	22½
Pork	—	10.55	10.65	10.75
Lard	—	6.15	6.20	6.25
Short Ribs	—	5.12½	5.17½	5.22½

Minneapolis Market.

Prices at Minneapolis on Wednesday last were: No. 1 hard wheat unchanged on track, 79½c; No. 1 northern, 78½c. Bran, lower at \$9 to \$9.25; shorts, \$9.25 to \$10; corn 28 to 28½c; barley, 25 to 35c; feed higher at \$10.75 to \$11.50. Hay, \$5.50 to \$7.50; oats firmer at 21½ to 23c; seed oats, 24 to 25½c. Eggs easy at 12 to 12½c per dozen; potatoes, 30 to 35 in car lots; Apples, \$3 to 4.50 barrel; beef, 2 to 4c lb.; Mutton, 7 to 7½c lb; pork, 4½ to 4¾c lb; flour, patents, sacks, car lots, \$4.25 to 4.40; bakers, \$2.80 to 3.20.

A New Wholesale House.

The members of the firm of Dawson, Bole & Co., with their staff, arrived in Winnipeg from Regina last week and at once set to work to get things in shape for opening business here. The balance of their stock at Regina was shipped to Winnipeg before they left the former place, and large importations of new stock are being received daily. The firm will be ready for business in their new quarters this week, at 60 Princess street, the warehouse lately occupied by Parsons, Bell & Co. In this building, with its four floors and basement, the firm will have ample room to carry on a large business. The lines handled will be heavy drugs, patent medicines, toilets, including a large line of toilet soaps, tobaccos, cigars, pipes and tobaccoists sundries. The basement will be used for heavy drugs. The offices will be located on the first floor, in the front, and the rear portion will be taken up with original packages, mainly. The

tobacco and cigar department will be on the second floor. This will be one of the special features of the business. The firm has already a large trade in this line in the West. The firm has full control of several brands of cigars which have a large sale in the West. Another very important feature is the manufacturing department, which will occupy the entire space on the third floor. A number of patent medicines and preparations which already have a large sale in the West, will be manufactured, also tinctures, extracts, essences, etc. The fourth floor will be filled up with light packages, etc.

The firm of Dawson, Bole & Co. cannot be considered altogether a new house. The firm has done a large jobbing trade throughout the territories for years, and has enjoyed a steadily growing trade. To further increase its field it was decided to move from Regina to Winnipeg, in order that the branch railway lines which centre here, might also be worked. The move will more than double the field which the firm will be able to cover, while at the same time the cost of carrying on business will not be increased very materially.

Toronto Protests.

At a meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade held last week the following resolution was passed: "That this council views with concern the cancellation of mixed car rates under the Canadian joint freight classification No. 6 between ports in the east and points in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, and British Columbia, and would respectfully urge upon railway companies that the abolition of such rates would seriously interfere with existing commercial intercourse between the provinces of the Dominion, and request that mixed car rates between the said points be restored under the Canadian joint freight classification No. 7, which went into effect on 10th February, 1890."

A WINNIPEG firm recently purchased a second-hand safe. The safe was duly delivered to the purchaser, and when opened was found to contain \$20 in one of its apartments. It is needless to remark that no mention of this was made in the invoice.

The Brandon papers report good building prospects. A large number of new residences have been arranged for, and the Imperial Bank will erect a three story bank building. This evidence of the prosperity of our ambitious western city is pleasing.

The newly formed board of trade of Morden, Man., has received its charter, and the following officers have been elected: H. P. Hansen, president; W. J. Sutton, vice-president; H. J. Pugh, treasurer; J. H. Smith, secretary. Council: W. Garrett, Geo. Ashdown, T. Duncan, J. T. Bloway, J. Heiman, D. McMillan, Harry Meikle and Dr. Wilson. The board at a recent meeting discussed the Winnipeg retailers' convention, and tendered a vote of thanks to the local delegates to the convention, who were present and gave a report of the proceedings of the convention. Insurance rates, the credit system, exemptions, etc., were discussed, and the advisability of establishing a creamery was taken into favorable consideration. A resolution was also passed to memorialize the Dominion Government in favor of the Hudson's Bay railway. The board will no doubt be a great benefit to the thrifty town of Morden.



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