

CHICAGO MARKET—May 31, 1899.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

| | CLOSING PRICES MAY 24 TO MAY 29. | | | | | TO-DAY'S PRICES. | | | |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|----------------------|----------|---------|---------|
| | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 29 | Opening. | Highest. | Lowest. | Closing |
| Wheat— | | | | | | | | | |
| May..... | | 75½ | 74½ | 74½ | 76½ | 77½ | 78½ | 77½ | 77½ |
| July..... | 75½ | 76½ | 75½ | 75½-½ | 77½-½ | 78½-½ | 79½-½ | 78 | 78½ |
| Sept..... | 75 | 76½-½ | 75½ | 75½ | 76½-½ | 78½-½ | 79 | 77½ | 78½ |
| Dec..... | | | | | | 78½ | 79½ | 78½ | 78½ |
| Corn— | | | | | | | | | |
| May..... | | 33½ | 32½ | 32½ | 32½-½ | ..... | 33½ | 32½ | 33½ |
| July..... | 33½ | 33½ | 33 | 32½ | 32½ | 33-½ | 33½ | 32½ | 33½-½ |
| Sept..... | 34 | 34½ | 33½-½ | 33½ | 33½ | 33½ | 34½ | 33½-½ | 33½ |
| Dec..... | | | | | | 32½ | 33½ | 32½ | 33½ |
| Oats— | | | | | | | | | |
| July..... | 23½ | 23½-½ | 22½ | 22½ | 22½ | 22½-3 | 23½ | 22½-½ | 23-½ |
| Sept..... | 20½ | 20½ | 19½-½ | 19½-½ | 20 | 20 | 20½ | 19½ | 20½-½ |
| Pork— | | | | | | | | | |
| July..... | 8 22 | 8 15 | 8 07 | 8 15 | 8 20 | 8 05 | 8 07 | 7 90 | 7 90 |
| Sept..... | 8 37 | 8 30 | 8 22 | 8 30-2 | 8 35 | 8 25 | 8 25 | 8 05 | 8 07 |
| Lard— | | | | | | | | | |
| July..... | 5 07 | 6 02 | 5 00 | 5 02 | 5 05 | 5 02 | 5 02 | 4 95 | 4 95 |
| Sept..... | 5 22 | 5 15 | 5 12 | 5 17 | 5 17 | 5 12 | 5 15 | 5 05 | 5 05 |
| Sht ribs— | | | | | | | | | |
| July..... | 4 72 | 4 67 | 62-5 | 4 67 | 4 65 | 4 60 | 4 60 | 4 50 | 4 50 |
| Sept..... | 4 85 | 4 80 | 4 75-7 | 4 80 | 4 80 | 4 75 | 4 75 | 4 65 | 4 65 |
| Puts and Calls for June 1 — | | | | | | | | | |
| Puts, July Wheat..... | | | | | 60½ | Puts, July Corn..... | | | 33½ |
| Calls, " "..... | | | | | 79½ | Calls " "..... | | | 33½ |

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WHEAT STILL STRONG—PROVISIONS CONTINUE TO DECLINE—CORN STEADY.

Chicago, May 31.

The firmness of undertone was expanded on the curb, the favorable influence being unfavorable winter wheat crop news and the decided strength in the South western markets.

So far as the crops are concerned, the situation seems to be a little more encouraging, weather conditions in the West being slightly more favorable. Advices from Russia state that the winter wheat crop in South Russia has been completely destroyed by a protracted drought. Any serious damage to the crop on the other side, of course, means that they must have our wheat, and the movements over the Eastern lines will be larger in consequence.

The series of holidays during the week—Chicago is celebrating again next Saturday—are a cause of anxiety to the traders, and they are very cautious about making any new deals in view of the uncertainty regarding crop developments. General rains have prevailed in all parts of the spring wheat districts and extended as well down into the winter wheat sections, but this only partly checked the flow of complaints about damage from insects.

These are not confined to any one section, but, as heretofore, covered practically all the winter wheat belt and made an impression on traders. Crop reports, instead of improving, got worse; and now the minimum damage to winter wheat is placed at 100,000,000 bush. with a probability of its reaching 135,000,000. As this loss is mostly in the surplus producing States, it means an immense loss of money to farmers.

Corn.—The market was in a weak position most of the day in consequence of further liquidation based on recent big estimates of area.

CHICAGO VISIBLE SUPPLY.

| | |
|----------------|-----------|
| Wheat Dec..... | 1,267,000 |
| Corn "..... | 3,248,000 |
| Oats "..... | 143,000 |

PAYNE MINING CO'Y, OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, Ltd.

SANDON, B. C., May 21, 1899.

DIVIDEND No. 41.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Payne Mining Company of British Columbia, Limited, held on the 20th instant, the regular monthly dividend (No. 41), of \$25,000 or 2 1-2c per share, was declared payable

JUNE 10th, 1899,

to stockholders of record June 1st. Transfer books close on June 1st, and reopen June 11th.

(Signed), F. E. SARGEANT, Secretary.

TORONTO STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES.

| STOCKS | Shares. Par Value | CAPITAL. | | Rest as per L'n. Statement. | Div. perct. Last half year. | Buyers |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------|
| | | Paid up. | | | | |
| MISCELLANEOUS. | | | | | | |
| British America..... | 50 | \$ 750,000 | \$ 79,381 | 3½ | 126½ | |
| Western Assurance..... | 40 | 1,000,000 | 1296,743 | 5 | 164½ | |
| Canada Life..... | 400 | 125,000 | ..... | 10 | ..... |  |
| Confederation Life Association..... | 100 | 100,000 | ..... | 7½ | ..... |  |
| Imperial Life Assurance Co..... | 100 | 450,000 | 47,821 | ..... | 155 | |
| Consumers' Gas..... | 50 | 1,700,000 | ..... | 2½qr | 229 | |
| Ontario and Qu'Appelle Land Co..... | 40 | 400,000 | ..... | ..... | 60 | |
| Victoria Rolling Stock Co..... | 5000 | 60,000 | 60,000 | 10 | ..... |  |
| Toronto Electric Light Co., Old..... | 100 | 1,400,000 | ..... | 1½ | 139½ | |
| " " " " New..... | ..... | 240,000 | ..... | 1½ | 134½ | |
| Canadian General Elect. Co..... | 100 | 900,000 | 40,000 | 4 | 153 | |
| " " " " Pref..... | 100 | 300,000 | ..... | 3 | 107 | |
| Hamilton Electric Light..... | 100 | 250,000 | 60,000 | 1 | 78 | |
| LOAN and SAVINGS CO. | | | | | | |
| British Canadian Ln & Invest. Co..... | 100 | 398,481 | 120,000 | 3 | ..... |  |
| Building and Loan Association..... | 25 | 750,000 | 100,000 | 1 | ..... |  |
| Can. Landed & Nat'l. Inv't. Co..... | 100 | 1,004,000 | 350,000 | 3 | 100 | |
| Canada Permanent Ln. & Sav. Co..... | 50 | 2,000,000 | 1,200,000 | 3 | 110 | |
| " " " " 20 per cent..... | 50 | 600,000 | ..... | 3 | 110 | |
| Canadian Savings & Loan Co..... | 50 | 734,175 | 220,000 | 3 | 114 | |
| Central Canada Ln. & Sav's Co..... | 100 | 875,000 | 250,000 | 1½qr | 134 | |
| " " " " 20 per cent..... | 50 | 325,000 | ..... | ..... | ..... |  |
| Dominion Savings and Invest. Soc..... | 50 | 930,627 | 10,000 | 2½ | 67½ | |
| Freehold " " " "..... | 100 | 476,100 | 300,000 | 3 | ..... |  |
| " " " " 20 per cent..... | 100 | 843,000 | ..... | 3 | 153½ | |
| Hamilton Provident & Inv't Soc..... | 100 | 1,100,000 | 300,000 | 3 | 109 | |
| Huron & Erie Ln. & Savings Co..... | 50 | 1,000,000 | 750,000 | 4½ | 111 | |
| " " " " 20 per cent..... | ..... | 400,000 | ..... | 4½ | 170 | |
| Imperial Loan & Inv't Co..... | 100 | 725,155 | 160,000 | 3 | 84 | |
| Landed Banking & Loan Co..... | 100 | 700,000 | 160,000 | 3 | 110 | |
| London & Can. Ln. & Agency Co..... | 50 | 700,000 | 210,000 | 1½qr | ..... |  |
| London Loan Co..... | 50 | 631,500 | 83,000 | 3 | 107 | |
| London & Ontario Investment..... | 100 | 550,000 | 100,000 | 3 | ..... |  |
| Manitoba & North-West Loan Co..... | 100 | 375,000 | 50,000 | ..... | 35 | |
| North of Scotland Can. Mortg. Co..... | £10 | 730,000 | 418,533 | 5 | ..... |  |
| Ontario Loan & Debenture Co..... | 50 | 1,200,000 | 490,000 | 3½ | 139 | |
| Peoples Loan & D. Co..... | 50 | 599,429 | 40,000 | ..... | ..... |  |
| Real Estate Loan Co..... | 40 | 373,720 | 50,000 | 2 | 55 | |
| Toronto Savings & Loan..... | 100 | 600,000 | 105,000 | 3 | 121 | |
| Union Loan & Savings Co..... | 50 | 699,020 | 200,000 | 1 | ..... |  |
| Western Canada " "..... | 50 | 1,000,000 | 770,000 | 3 | 116 | |
| " " " " 25 per cent..... | ..... | 500,000 | ..... | 3 | 95 | |

* After deducting \$511,982 for reinsurance. † After deducting \$792,049 for reinsurance. This List is compiled from the fortnightly circular issued by the Secretary Toronto Stock Exchange.