

New York Wheat

New York, April 3.—Wheat — Receipts 35,200 bushels, exports 51,998 bushels. Options opened strong but became top heavy and under subsequent vigorous bear attacks, declined sharply. Attendant features were light export demand and disappointing visible supply reduction and small leanerance. Closed weak at 1 1/2 to 1 5/8 decline from Saturday's official close.

New York, April 4.—Wheat — Receipts 15,200 bushels; exports, 39,431 bushels. Options were weak on cable news, foreign selling and better tone. The crowd over-sold, however, and in the last hour covered shorts on news of higher Northwest markets, leaving the final tone firmer, although 1-8 to 5-8c below last night. The seaboard clearances and the import trade were small.

New York, April 5. — Wheat, receipts 1,500 bushels; exports, 42,991 bushels. Options opened steady on cables. They later declined under liquidation and fine western weather, but had an afternoon recovery on a bad scare of shorts, attended by export rumors and unfavorable Kansas crop news. Closed strong at 1c to 1 1/8c net advance.

New York, April 6. — Wheat, receipts were 5,600 bushels; exports, 172,707 bushels. Options opened firm and sustained an irregular advance on bad crop news and foreign buying. In the afternoon, bear traders, gaining courage through small clearances, and export interest, attacked the market with success. It broke a cent from the top and closed easy at a partial 1-8c net advance.

New York, April 7.—Wheat, May opened 77 3/8c, closed 76 7/8 to 3-4c.

New York, April 8.—Wheat closed today as follows: May, 76 3/8c; July, 76c.

Chicago Board of Trade Prices

Prices are quoted per bushel of 60 pounds for wheat, bushel of 56 pounds of corn, bushel of 32 pounds of oats, per barrel of mess pork, and per 100 pounds for lard and short rib bacon; flax seed per bushel of 56 pounds.

Chicago, April 3.—Wheat, May opened 73 3/8c, closed 71 7/8 to 72c b. July opened 73 1/2c, closed 72 to 1-8c a. Corn, May opened 35 1-4c, closed 34 7-8c b. July opened 36 to 35 7-8c, closed 34 5-8c a. Sept. opened 36 1-2 to 36 1-4c a. Oats, May opened 26 3-4c, closed 26 1-2c. July opened 25 3-4c, closed 25 1-2 to 5-8c. Ribs, May opened \$4.75 b, closed \$4.75 b. July opened \$4.87 to \$4.90, closed \$1.87. Pork, May opened \$9.12, closed \$9.10 b. July opened \$9.25, closed \$9.22 to \$9.25. Lard, opened \$5.27 b, closed \$5.27 b. July opened \$5.45, closed \$5.42 a.

Chicago, April 4.—Holiday.

Chicago, April 5.—Wheat, May opened 72 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 73c a. July opened 72 1-8 to 1-4c, closed 72 3-4c. Corn, May opened 34 7-8 to 5-8c, closed 35c a. July opened 35 5-8c, closed 35 5-8c b. Sept. opened 36 1-4c a, closed 36 1-4c b. Oats, May opened 26 1-2c, closed 26 5-8c. July opened 25 1-2c, closed 25 7-8c. Pork, May opened \$9.12 1-2c, closed \$9.25. July opened \$9.25, closed \$9.37 1-2c.

Chicago, April 6.—Wheat, May opened 73 3-4c, closed 72 5-8c. July opened 72 3-4c a, closed 72 3-4c. Corn, May opened 35c a, closed 34 7-8c a. July opened 35 5-8c, closed 35 1-2c. Sept. opened 36 1-4c b, closed 36 1-8c. Oats, May opened 26 5-8c, closed 26 3-4c. July opened 25 7-8c, closed 26 b. Pork, May opened \$9.25, closed \$9.25 b. July opened \$9.37 1-2c, closed \$9.37 1-2c.

Chicago, April 7.—Wheat, May opened

72 7-8 to 3-4c, closed 71 3-4c b. July opened 72 7-8 to 3-4c, closed 72 1-8c a. Corn, May 34 7-8 to 3-4c, closed 34 1-2c. July opened 35 1-8 to 1-2c, closed 35 1-4c a. Sept. opened 36 1-8c, closed 35 7-8c. Oats, May opened 26 3-4c, closed 26 1-2c. July opened 26 1-8c, closed 25 5-8c. Sept. opened 24 3-8c, closed 24 1-8c. Pork, May opened \$9.25 b, closed \$9.27 1-2c a. July opened \$9.37 1-2c, closed \$9.40 a.

Chicago, April 8.—Wheat opened at 72 1-4c for May, and ranged downward to 71c. Closing prices were:

Wheat—May, 71c; July 71 3-8c.
Corn—May 34 1-4c, July 34 7-8c.
Oats—May, 26 1-4c; July, 25 1-8c.
Pork—May, \$9.27 1-2; July \$9.37 1-2.
Lard—May, \$5.27 1-2; July \$5.42 1-2.
Ribs—May \$4.75; July \$4.87 1-2.

A week ago May option closed at 72 3-4c, a year ago May wheat closed at \$1.06, two years ago at 66c, three years ago at 64 5-8c, four years ago at 55c, and five years ago at 61 3-8c.

Stock Market Excitement.

New York, April 7.—The scene of the stock exchange floor this morning was one of wild confusion. Brokers were unable to secure further margins on many properties, and were obliged to sacrifice them to protect themselves.

The volume of business was tremendous and the selling movement obtained more momentum as time progressed. The manifest indifference of what is termed "the inside interest" to secure the course of their specialties aroused the apprehension of the holders of numerous industrial securities, which have been quoted of late. Consequently the declines were most serious in properties of this class, and an additional incentive to the selling was produced by the conservative attitude which the banks had taken toward this collateral. The loan market has reflected the disfavor with which this class of securities is viewed by banking interests, the quotations of the past few days showing a stringency and being anywhere from 2 to 5 points above the figures asked for advances on standard railway stocks. The market was in a panic condition.

During the course of the one and a half hours' trading such declines as the following occurred: Brooklyn Transit 16; Tobacco and Air Brake 10 each; Federal Steel preferred and Manhattan 9 each; Metropolitan 12 1-2; Sugar 14; People's Gas 12; Federal Steel common 7 1-2; Tennessee Coal and Iron 6; National Steel 8; Continental Tobacco 6; American Steel and Wire and Consolidated Gas 6 each, and International Paper stocks four.

The railways, after an early show of strength, broke violently, in sympathy with the specialties, the high class stocks losing over 3 points.

DULUTH WHEAT MARKET.

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

Monday—May 71 1-8c, July 72 1-8c.
Tuesday—May 70 3-4c, July 71 7-8c.
Wednesday—May 71 3-4, July 72 7-8.
Thursday—May 71 3-4, July 72 7-8c.
Friday—May 71c, July 72 1-8c.
Saturday—May, 70 1-4c; July, 71 1-2c.

A week ago May wheat closed at 71 3-4c. A year ago May wheat closed at \$1; two years ago May option closed at 66 7-8c; three years ago at 63 3-8c; four years ago at 60 1-4c, and five years ago at 61 1-2c.

LIVERPOOL WHEAT.

London, April 8.—Wheat closed 3-8d higher.

MINNEAPOLIS WHEAT.

Saturday, April 8.—No. 1 northern wheat closed to-day at 69c for May, and 70 1-8c for July; cash, No. 1 northern, 70 1-8c; cash No. 2, northern, 69 1-8c.

WINNIPEG CLOSING WHEAT.

The local market was very dull and closed weak and nominally lower, in sympathy with the decline to-day at Chicago, where the market was weak in spite of plentiful bad crop reports from Kansas, Illinois, Kentucky and other states. No. 1 hard was quoted early in the day at 70c, but at the close buyers would have been scarce at 69 1-2c Fort William.

CHICAGO FLAX MARKET.

Chicago, April 8.—Flax seed closed to-day at \$1.22 for cash and May \$1.21.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial; Montreal, April 4.
Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End abattoir yesterday were 200 head, 35 sheep and lambs.

The market was a quiet one, as usual the first market after Easter, and there were not buyers even for the small number offered. Lower prices were accepted. Choice cattle sold at 5 to 5 1-4c; good at 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c, and lower grades at 2 1-2 to 3 1-2c. Sheep sold at 3 1-2 to 4c; yearlings at 4 1-2 to 5c.

At the Grand Trunk Stock Yards the demand was good for hogs offered at \$4.40 to \$4.60 per cwt., as to quality, selected lots touching \$4.75.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, April 7.
At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts of cattle were 150 head. Very few sheep offered.

The cattle market continued quiet, butchers being well stocked, consequently they were slow buyers. The best cattle sold at 4 1-2 to 5c, and the general run ranged from 3 to 4c. Mixed lots of sheep and yearlings sold at 3 1-2 to 4 1-2c. Spring lambs \$3 to \$5 each. Hogs held at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c.

R. J. Campbell, of Sutherland & Campbell, wholesale grocers, Winnipeg, returned from a trip east this week.

Thos. Ryan returned to Winnipeg from a business trip east this week.

J. T. Gordon, of Gordon & Ironsides, arrived this week from a holiday trip to the south and east.

The Modern Miller says the week has been very unfavorable in the winter wheat belt. Rains and sunshine are needed in Texas.

If the fine weather which set in toward the close of the week continues for a few days, seeding will commence early next week.

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