WHEAT WAS VERY DULL, MAY CLOSING 74¼c

Outside Markets Cut Off From Wire Service and Little News Obtainable.

INTEREST IN THE GOVT. REPORT

Duluth the Only Market in Communication Up to Noon—Good Cash Business.

Owing to the blizzard and the consequent interruption of telegraphic service, the market quotations of to-day reached Minneapolis in a very incomplete condition. There was no wire service between here and Chicago up to 1:30 p. m.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, March 11.—An air of demoralization hung over the wheat market this morning, and there was a complete tie-up as to early business in the local pit. Traders did not look for any great activity in view of the natural tendency to hold off pending receipt of the government report due this afternoon, and the blizzard cutting off outside communication knocked out what business might have developed otherwise. With neither Chicago nor Duluth in touch and the local market practically isolated, there was not much to guide on and few cared to take the initiative and try to go it alone. May opened at 74¼c, moved up to 74⅜c, and held in this narrow range. The grain ticket brought through the Liverpool cable showed wheat unchanged and corn ¼d higher. After an hour the Duluth wire was back in working order, but nothing came from Chicago or New York up to noon, and estimates as to world's shipments and the visible supply were unobtainable. At northwestern points receipts were 575 cars, against 897 last year. Interest in the government report will be directed principally towards that part of it dealing with the reserves. It seems the general expectation that this report will be bullish, and that it will show especially light stocks in the northwest. The estimate of the Trade Bulletin as to stocks in farmers' hands is approximately 35,000,000 bushels. Last year on the same date this authority made the reserve in the three states 44,769,569. The total reserve is placed at 134,700,000 bushels, against 158,745,000 bushels last year. Liverpool later advices showed a close at ¼d lower. Minneapolis received 538 cars and Chicago 37, against 569 and 328 last year. May corn opened at 36⅞c and eased off over the early trades to 36½@36⅝c.

The market stuck at 74¼c for the remainder of the session and closed at that figure for May. July closed at 75¼c, March 73¼c. May corn closed at 36⅝c.

In the cash market there was an excellent demand and a very satisfactory trade. There was good milling inquiry for wheat and anything above the No. 3 grade was in ready sale. For the No. 1 northern millers paid May price to ¼c over, and this grade was cleaned up in short order. There was just a trace of slowness on some of the low grades, but before the close nearly everything had been taken. No. 2 northern sold at 71c for top, shading down to 69½c for poorer lots. No. 3 wheat ranged from 63½c to 66½c. Rejected brought 54c to 60c. No grade sold from 53c to 58c, very poor no grade selling down to 49c.

RANGE OF WHEAT PRICE IN MINNEAPOLIS

	Open.	High.	Low.	Today.	Saturday.	Year Ago.
Mar..	$	$	$	$ .73¼	$ .73⅜	$ .64⅞
May..	.74¼	.74⅜	.74¼	.74¼	.74⅜	.64¼@64⅜
July..	.75¼	.75½	.75¼	.75¼	.75⅜	.65¼@65⅜

On Track—No. 1 hard, 76¼c; No. 1 northern, 74¼c; No. 2 northern, 68¾@70¾c.

THE DAY'S RESULT.

May Wheat.	Minneapolis.	Chicago.	Duluth.	St. Louis.	New York.
Close to-day.....	$ .74¼	$	$ .75⅞	$	$ .....
Close Saturday....	.74⅜	.75⅝	.76⅛	.73⅝	.79⅞

THE CASH TRADE

Flax Steady—Flour Quiet—Corn and Oats Easier.

FLAX—The market was quiet and steady. Rejected sold at $1.47 for choice. Poor rejected 4@6c lower. No grade was quoted $1.40 to $1.35, according to condition. Minneapolis received 18 cars, against 17 last year. Duluth made no report.

Closing prices were: Minneapolis, cash, $1.53; to arrive, $1.53; May, $1.58. Duluth flax, $1.56; to arrive, $1.56; May, $1.60; September, $1.15.

FLOUR—The market is quiet and steady. Sales are satisfactory. First patents, $4@4.10; second patents, $3.85@4; first clears, $2.90@3; second clears, $1.90@2. Shipments, 58,257 brls.

MILLSTUFFS — Prices are firm as quoted. Bran in bulk is quoted $12@13.25; flour middlings, $14@14.50; bulk shorts, $13@13.25; red dog in 140-lb sacks, $14.50@14.75; feed in 200-lb sacks, $1 per ton additional; in 100-lb sacks, $1.50 per ton additional. Shipments, 1,353 tons.

FEED AND MEAL—The market holds steady without price changes. Coarse corn meal and cracked corn are quoted $14.25; No. 1 feed, $14.75; No. 2 feed, $15.25; No. 3 feed, $15.75; granulated corn meal in cotton sacks at the rate of $1.90 per brl.

CORN—The market was weaker all around. No. 3 yellow brought 36¾c. Very choice No. 3 white seed corn sold at 37¼c. No. 3 yellow was quoted 37¾c. No. 3 corn is quoted 36@36½c; No. 4, 36c. Receipts were 102 cars; shipments, 8 cars.

OATS—The market was quiet and dull. No. 2 white sold lower for some lots. No. 3 white is quoted 26@26½c; No. 3 oats, 25@25½c. Receipts, 34 cars; shipments, 8 cars.

BARLEY—Feed grades are quoted 41@45c; malting grades, 45@52c. Receipts, 6 cars; shipments, 2 cars.

RYE—The market is quiet around 48@48½c for No. 2; good No. 2 sold at 48½c. Receipts, 4 cars; shipments, 2 cars.

HAY—The market is steady. Minnesota upland is quoted $10@10.50; Iowa upland, $10@10.50; coarse to medium, $6.50@8; rye straw, $6@6.50. Receipts, 265 tons; shipments, 20 tons.

Puts and Calls.

2 o' clock report:
Puts—May wheat, 74c.
Calls—May wheat, 74⅜@74½c.
Curb—May wheat, 74½c sellers.

Cash Sales Reported To-day.

No. 1 northern, 28 cars	$0.74½
No. 1 northern, 4 cars	.74¼
No. 1 northern, 2 cars	.74⅜
No. 2 northern, 4 cars	.75
No. 1 northern, 15,000 bu, to arrive	.74¼
No. 1 northern, 5 cars	.74⅜
No. 2 northern, 18 cars	.71
No. 2 northern, 8 cars	.70½
No. 2 northern, 4 cars	.73
No. 2 northern, 2 cars	.71½
No. 2 northern, 2 cars	.69½
No. 2 northern, 9 cars	.70
No. 2 northern, 5 cars	.70¾
No. 3 wheat, 6 cars	.67
No. 3 wheat, 8 cars	.66
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	.64
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	.65
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	.63½
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	.65½
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	.69
No. 3 wheat, 1 car	.67½
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	.64½
No. 3 wheat, 4 cars	.65½
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	.64½
Rejected wheat, 2 cars	.54
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.60
Rejected wheat, 2 cars	.58
Rejected wheat, 4 cars	.52
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.59
Rejected wheat, part car	.60
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.61
Rejected wheat, 2 cars	.56
No grade wheat, 6 cars	.58
No grade grade wheat, 4 cars	.54
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.51
No grade wheat, 1 car	.50
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.57½
No grade wheat, 1 car	.57
No grade wheat, 1 car	.46
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.55
No grade wheat, 3 cars	.52
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.59
No. 3 yellow corn, 11 cars	.36½
No. 3 yellow corn, 1 car	.36¾
No. 3 corn, 1 car, tough and damaged	.36
No. 3 corn, 2 cars	.36¼
No. 3 corn, 2 cars	.36¾
No. 3 corn, 1 car	.36½
No. 3 white corn, 1 car	.37¼
No. 3 white oats, 2 cars	.27
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	.26¾
No. 3 oats, 4 cars	.26
No. 3 oats, 2 cars	.25½
No. 3 oats, 1 car	.26
No. 3 oats, 2 cars	.25⅜
No grade oats, 1 car	.24½
No grade oats, 1 car	.24¼
No. 3 rye, 1 car	.48
No. 2 rye, 2 cars	.48¼
No. 5 barley, 1 car	.55
No. 5 barley, 2 cars	.48
No. 5 barley, 1 car	.44
Rejected flax, 1 car	1.47
Rejected flax, 1 car	1.46
Rejected flax, 1 car	1.45½
Rejected flax, 2 cars	1.46½

State Grain Inspection.

March 9.

Inspected In—Wheat—Cars—Great Northern—No. 1 northern, 22; No. 2 northern, 37; No. 3, 12; rejected, 4; no grade, 26.

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul—No. 1 northern, 9; No. 2 northern, 20; No. 3, 9; rejected, 4; no grade, 11.

Minneapolis & St. Louis—No. 1 northern, 11; No. 2 northern, 12; No. 3, 5; rejected, 3; no grade, 3.

Soo Line—No. 1 northern, 1; No. 2 northern, 7; No. 3, 3; no grade, 5.

Northern Pacific—No. 2 northern, 9; No. 3, 14; no grade, 2.

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha—No. 1 northern, 7; No. 2 northern, 11; No. 3, 22; rejected, 5; no grade, 3.

Minnesota Transfer—No. 2 northern, 2.

St. Paul & Duluth—No. 3, 1.

Totals—No. 1 northern, 50; No. 2 northern, 98; No. 3, 66; rejected, 16; no grade, 55.

Other Grains—No. 3 winter wheat, 17 cars; No. 3 yellow corn, 22; No. 3 corn, 27; No. 4 corn, 5; No. 3 white oats, 4; No. 3 oats, 10; No grade oats, 2; No. 2 rye, 1; No. 3 rye, 2; No. 4 barley, 2; No. 5 barley, 3; rejected flax, 6; no grade flax, 5.

Cars Inspected Out—No. 1 northern wheat, 10; No. 2 northern wheat, 19; No. 3 wheat, 20; rejected wheat, 6; no grade wheat, 17; No. 2 winter wheat, 10; No. 3 winter wheat, 2; No. 3 yellow corn, 8; No. 3 corn, 14; No. 3 white oats, 4; No. 3 oats, 5; no grade oats, 1; No. 2 rye, 1; rejected flax, 22; no grade flax, 1.

Receipts and Shipments.

March 9.

Received—Wheat, 538 cars, 435,780 bu; corn, 88,580 bu; oats, 46,920 bu; barley, 5,250 bu; rye, 2,360 bu; flax, 10,980 bu; flour, 392 brls; millstuffs, 15 tons; hay, 265 tons; fuel oil, 316,400 gals; fruit, 243,258 lbs; merchandise, 2,513,540 lbs; lumber, 34 cars; barrel stock, 3 cars; machinery, 965,908 lbs; coal, 1,930 tons; wood, 410 cords; brick, 14,000; cement, 575 brls; ties, 1 car; stone and marble, 1 car; live stock, 1 car; salt, 1 car; dressed meats, 168,000 lbs; butter, 20,000 lbs; railroad materials, 4 cars; sundries, 34 cars; car lots, 1,175.

Shipped—Wheat, 29 cars, 23,780 bu; corn, 7,280 bu; oats, 9,920 bu; barley, 780 bu; rye, 1,600 bu; flax, 870 bu; flour, 58,257 brls; millstuffs, 1,353 tons; hay, 20 tons; fruit, 56,000 lbs; merchandise, 2,001,690 lbs; lumber, 106 cars; posts and piling, 1 car; machinery, 1,164,540 lbs; coal, 137 tons; cement, 200 brls; household goods, 20,000 lbs; ties, 17 cars; stone and marble, 1 car; live stock, 1 car; linseed oil, 137,600 brls; oil cake, 149,600 lbs; hides, pelts, etc., 107,950 lbs; railroad materials, 13 cars; sundries, 28 cars; car lots, 871.

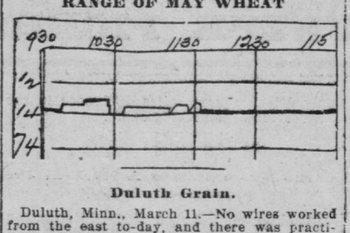
Wheat Movement by Roads.

March 9.

Received—Cars—Milwaukee, 146; Omaha, 104; St. Louis, 40; Great Northern, 183; Northern Pacific, 15; Great Western, 3; Burlington, 32; Soo, 15.

Shipped—Cars—Milwaukee, 6; Omaha, 4; St. Louis, 5; Great Northern, 3; Great Western, 7; Burlington, 4.

RANGE OF MAY WHEAT



Duluth Grain.

Duluth, Minn., March 11.—No wires worked from the east to-day, and there was practically no business. May opened at 76¼c, ⅛c up, and declined to a close at 75⅞c. To-day's receipts: Wheat, 37 cars; corn, 75; oats, 13; rye, 8; barley, 1; total, 134. Changes in stocks for week: Wheat in store, 8,029,137, increase 308,018; corn, 4,622,951, increase 355,700; oats, 1,048,830, increase 31,638; rye, 327,557, increase 17,012; barley, 74,017, no change; flax, 326,389, decrease 5,967. Close: Oats, 26c; rye, to arrive, 50¼c; May, 50¾c; flax, cash, $1.56; May, $1.60; September, $1.15; September northwestern, $1.17½; corn, 36¼c; May, 38c; barley, 35@65c; wheat, No. 1 hard, cash, 74⅞c; No. 2 northern, 67@70c; No. 3 spring, 63@68c.

GENERAL PRODUCE

The Minneapolis Market.

Monday, March 11.

The butter market shows a fairly steady tone at the start of the week. Receipts are about the average for the day and the season.

Eggs are steady and are showing a little more activity.

BUTTER—Extra creameries, lb, 20½@21c; firsts, 18@18½c; seconds, 14@14½c; imitations, firsts, 15@15½c; seconds, 12½c; dairies, extras, 17@18c; firsts, 14@15½c; seconds, 12c; roll, fancy, 14@15c; choice, 12c; ladles, firsts, 12½@13c; seconds, 10c; packing stock, fresh, 11@11½.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, cases included, loss off, 12@12½c; dirty, fresh, 8c; checks, 8c.

CHEESE—Twins or flats, fancy, lb, 12½c; twins or flats, choice, lb, 10@10½c; twins or flats, fair to good, 6@7c; brick, No. 1, lb, 12½@13c; brick, No. 2, 10@11c, brick, No. 3, 6@7c; limburger, No. 1, 13c; limburger, No. 2, 8½@9½c; primost, No. 1, per lb, 8c; primost, No. 2, per lb, 6c; Young America, fancy, lb, 12½@13c; choice, 10½@11c; pultost, 9@10c; Swiss, No. 1, 13½@14c; block Swiss, No. 1, 12½@13c; No. 2, block, 9@10c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, dry picked, fancy, medium weight, per lb, 10c; turkeys, dry picked, young toms, 7½c; fair to good, mixed, 7@7½c; turkeys, thin, small, bruised, 4@5c; spring chickens, fancy, 10½@11c; fair to good, 9@10c; springs, off stock, 4@5c; capons, 13@14c; fowls, fancy, 8@9c; fair to good, 6@6½c; ducks, fancy, 11c; ducks, fair to good, 8@9c; geese, fancy, 10c; geese, fair to good, 7@8c.

DRESSED MEATS—Veal, fancy, 100 to 125 lbs, 8c; veal, fair to good, 7@7½c; fair to overweight, 4½@5c; mutton, fancy, country dressed, 6c; thin or overweight, 5c; lambs, fancy, 8c; lambs, thin or bruised, 6c; hogs, according to weight, 5½@6c.

GAME—Rabbits, jack, per doz, $2.50@3; white rabbits, 75c; cottontail, 80c@$1; squirrels, gray or black, per doz, 30@40c; red, doz, 20c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz, $1; dead, per doz, 50c; squabs, per doz, $1.

FISH—Pickerel, lb, 4@4½c; herring, lb, 3c; herring, skinned, lb, 4c; lake trout, lb, 10c; frogs' legs, per doz, as to size, 5@10c.

POTATOES—Burbanks, car lots, 36@38c; Rurals, 34@36c; Ohios, 44@46c; mixed white, 34@36c; mixed red, 34@38c; small lots sell at 5@10c per bu higher than these figures.

SWEET POTATOES—Illinois, per brl, $3; Muscatines, per brl, $2.50.

BEANS—Fancy navy, per bu, $2.25; choice, bu, $2@2.10; medium, hand-picked, bu, $2; brown, fair to good, $1.50@2.

ONIONS—Red Globes, car lots, per bu, $1.50; Red Wethersfields, bu, $1.50; Yellow Globes, car lots, per bu, $1.50; white, per bu, $1.50.

DRIED PEAS—Fancy yellow, $1@1.10 per bu; medium, 90c@$1; green, fancy, $1.25@1.35; green, medium, 90c@$1 bu; marrowfat, bu, $2.

APPLES—Russetts, $3.25@3.50; Ben Davis, brl, $3.75@4; Greenings, brl, $3.75@4.25; Baldwins, brl, $3.75@4.25; Northern Spy, $4.75@5; Jonathan, $5.50@6; western box apples, bu, $1.75@2.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, per brl, $9; Jerseys, $8.50@9; bu crate, $3; Wisconsin cranberries, $8.50@9.

FIGS—New California, 10-lb boxes, 75@85c.

ORANGES—California navels, 80s, $2.75; California navels, 96s, $2.75; California navels, 126s, $2.75; California 150s, $3; California navels, 176s to 288s, $3.25; California seedlings, all sizes, $2.25; California tangerinies, half box, $2; grape fruit, 80s to 96s, $3.75@4.75.

LEMONS—Messinas, 300s or 360s, fancy, $3.50@3.75; choice, $3.25@3.50; California, fancy, as to size, $3.75; choice, $3.50.

GRAPES—Malagas, per keg, $6.50@7.50; per keg, extra fancy, $8@8.25.

STRAWBERRIES—Fancy Florida stock, 40@45c qt.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz, as to size, range from $3.75@5.25.

BANANAS—Fancy, large bunches, $2@2.25; medium bunches, $1.75@2; small bunches, $1.50.

HONEY—New fancy white, 1-lb, sections, 18c; choice white, 15@16c; amber, 13@14c; golden rod, 11@12c; extra white, 10@11c; buckwheat, 10@12c; extracted amber, 8@9c.

VEGETABLES—Beets, bu, 30@40c; cabbage, crate, $1.75@2; carrots, 55@60c; cauliflower, per doz, $1.50; cucumbers, doz, $1.75@2.25; egg plant, doz, $1.75@2; green onions, doz, 50c; Spanish onions, per bu crate, $2; lettuce, doz, 35c; head lettuce, doz, 40@45c; parsley, 30c; parsnips, bu, 50@60c; rutabagas, bu, 40c; watercress, doz, 30c; wax beans, $3.50@3.75; mint, doz, 40c; turnips, new, 60c; new Bermuda potatoes; per bu, $2.75@3; California celery, doz, 60@80c; new carrots, bu, 50@60c; grown pie plant, per lb, 8c; horseradish, per lb, 8c; Florida tomatoes, basket, 75@85c; home in 5-lb baskets, $1.50.

Grain in Regular Local Elevators.

Wheat—	—Weeks ending— March 9.	March 2.
No. 1 hard	95,010	95,010
No. 1 northern	7,534,011	7,444,744
No. 2 northern	1,364,422	1,434,151
No. 3	344,008	344,008
Rejected	44,623	44,623
Special bin	7,550,425	7,753,487
No grade	36,978	36,978
Totals	16,969,477	17,153,001
Decrease	183,524	.....
Corn	363,819	332,169
Oats	2,208,063	2,216,807
Barley	27,513	32,973
Rye	14,879	15,391
Flax	607,887	689,661

Minneapolis Money.

MINNEAPOLIS — Bank clearings, $1,358,882.39. New York exchange selling rate par, buying rate 40c discount; Chicago exchange, selling rate 20c premium, buying rate 20c discount; London sixty-day sight documentary, $4.83¾.

ST. PAUL—Clearings to-day, $700,470.72.

INVESTMENT GOSSIP

New York to Watson: At 11:30—Atchison, common 57½, preferred 92; Rock Island, 125⅛; Pennsylvania, 121¼; Missouri Pacific, 90⅝; Northern Pacific, 84⅛; Sugar, 140⅝; Tobacco, 120⅝; Union Pacific, common 91, preferred 85⅞; National Steel, 45; Erie, common 28⅝.

SPECULATIVE GOSSIP

McReynolds, Chicago, to Stephens: The general undertone of the wheat market for the past week has been weak and sentiment bearish. The news was slightly more favorable, except for the increased movement to winter wheat markets, particularly to Kansas City. Northwestern movement has fallen off and receipts there are of better quality, the general opinion being that the low grade wheat is pretty well cleaned up. Argentine shipments, since Jan. 1, have only been about half as large as last year. Crop conditions were reported less favorable. The government report Monday will give the farm reserves of wheat, corn and oats. Wheat reserves last year were 158,000,000; in 1899, 198,600,000 bu. We believe that conditions generally are discounted in the price and any change in the situation would favor the bull side. The corn market has been quite active. Phillips has supported the market on all weak spots, but has taken profits on the bulges. He has sold the July against his May purchases. Country offerings from the west are very light, and weather conditions are becoming unfavorable both for movement and grading. Cash trade shows some improvement and ocean freights are very low. Outsiders have made money on the bull side of corn, and are ready to take hold again on any decline. Corn reserves a year ago (March 1) were 773,000,000. The Price Current this year estimates them at 850,000,000.

Stephens, from McReynolds: Argentine flax received in New York last week grades No. 1 northwestern, 52 lbs to the bu. It will grade in any market.

Schwartz, Dupee & Co., Chicago to Watson: Only one wire between here and New York. Market very dull.

OLD-TIMERS DROP OFF

Death of Fred Whitter and Elijah Baley Near Mandan.

Special to The Journal.

Mandan, N. D., March 11.—An old-timer, Fred Whittier, recently died near Mandan from malignant diphtheria. He was here on a visit from Red Lodge, Mont., when taken sick.—Elijah Boley, one of the most prominent pioneers in this locality, died at the age of 75 years. He was a county commissioner for several years and a successful farmer and ranchman. Mandan promises to be very busy the coming summer. There will be an Indian school to erect, for which an appropriation has been made by congress of $50,000, and a state reform school for which the state has appropriated $20,000. Bonds will be sold for this amount, and the state guarantees the interest. The 40,000 acres of land allotted to the reform school will be mortgaged for the amount needed.

The entire country around Mandan is being visited by land seekers who are taking advantage of the cheap rates offered by the railroads.

SECOND TICKET AT ALEXANDRIA

Regular Village Caucus Renominates Most of the Old Officers.

Special to The Journal.

Alexandria, Minn., March 11.—The regular village caucus put another ticket in the field. The business men's ticket is for drainage of the eastern part of town and is opposed to a raise in liquor licenses to $1,000, while the regular caucus ticket is a renomination of the old officers for the most part with no declarations on either of those questions. The caucus ticket named was: President, N. P. Ward; councilmen, H. A. LeRoy and L. C. Atwood; recorder, James Walker; assessor, William Van Dyke; treasurer, J. F. Hiebel; justices, J. A. McKey and W. B. Mitson; marshal, Chris Fiskness; street commissioners, Nick Henkes. A resolution was offered by the Rev. C. W. Callinge of the Methodist church declaring for a more stringent enforcement of the laws governing gambling and the presence of minors in saloons. This was adopted.

LITTLE WINDFALL FOR IOWA "U"

Secretary Haddock Uncovers a Claim Against the State.

Special to The Journal.

Iowa City, Iowa, March 11.—Secretary Haddock of the board of regents of the state university of Iowa, has discovered that $14,125 is due the university from the state. The amounts arise from the refusal of the state auditor to issue warrants for moneys due the university under existing appropriations when the old code and session laws were replaced in October, 1897, by the new code. Six thousand dollars has been recovered, and as there is no distinction between the claim for the amount now due and the $6,000 recovered, the university now asks that the state pay the remainder.

Lately there has developed a strong feeling against the university publication known as the Vidette-Reporter and there has been circulated among the upper class men a paper, which voices the sentiments of most of them, to the effect that the Reporter is a disgrace to the state's leading educational institution. The public and the student body ask that the president, on general principles, take steps to stop the publication. They claim it serves no purpose whatever for good and misrepresents university interests.

HIGH COURT OFFICERS

Stimulate a New Interest in Northern Forester Circles.

Cass Lake, Minn., March 11.—Judge Schoonmaker of St. Paul, high chief ranger of the United Order of Foresters, and George F. Woolsey of St. Paul, state deputy, paid Court Cass Lake, No. 90, an official visit Saturday night. Both delivered addresses at the meeting, which was largely attended. They gave some surprising facts, showing the splendid financial standing of the order and its marvelous growth in the state. The local Foresters are much pleased over the enthusiasm evinced and look for many new members. Judge Schoonmaker and Mr. Woolsey returned home on Sunday. They terminated, with their visit here, a two weeks' trip among the courts in northern Minnesota. A petition against the proposed national park has been circulated here and generally signed.

Flour Mill Starts Up.

Sioux Rapids, Iowa, March 11.—The new 100-barrel flouring mill is running full blast and producing a good product.—S. C. Bradford has purchased the Park Hotel at Storm Lake. This puts him in control of Storm Lake's leading hotels, the Bradford and Park.

SMALL COW SUPPLY

The Little Business Done Was at Former Prices.

NO SHEEP WERE ON SALE TO-DAY

Hog Receipts Fair With Prices Steady at Saturday's Trading.

South St. Paul, Minn., March 11.—Receipts to-day were 200 cattle, 100 calves, 1,200 hogs and 8 sheep.

The following table shows the receipts from Jan. 1, 1901, to date, as compared with the same period a year ago:

Year.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Cars.
1901	26,028	5,505	122,883	59,687	400	2,864
1900	18,099	5,888	98,857	85,067	1,063	2,584
Dec	....	383	.....	25,360	1,403	.....
Inc	7,929	.....	24,026	.....	.....	280

The following table shows the receipts for the month of March to date, as compared with the same period a year ago:

Year.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Cars.
1901	2,603	932	13,003	3,720	1	291
1900	1,868	476	11,454	1,557	382	262
Dec	....	.....	.....	.....	381	...
Inc	735	456	1,349	2,163	...	29

Receipts:

Date.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Cars.
March 4	235	40	1,129	538	29
March 5	897	429	1,904	1,973	70
March 6	802	220	1,230	43	46
March 7	224	54	766	576	22
March 8	138	37	1,938	196	31
March 9	180	96	1,598	6	27

Estimated receipts by cars to-day of the railroads centering at these yards: Chicago, Great Western, 1; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, 7; Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, 9; Great Northern, 2; Northern Pacific, 1; total, 20.

Disposition of stock March 9:

Firm—	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Swift & Co	11	1,506	...
Estate of I. Staples	3	.....	68
Elliot & Co., Duluth	..	94	...
Stimmer & Thomas	5	.....	...
Peter Evans	1	.....	...
J. B. Fitzgerald	1	.....	...
Weirs	..	86	...
Country buyers	42	.....	100
Total	63	1,686	168

CATTLE—There was a very small supply received fresh in the yards to-day. Local buyers were anxious for all kinds of killing cattle and aside from a few pretty decent beef steers, quality was pretty common. There was a better tone to the stocker and feeder trade. Dealers succeeded in pretty well disposing of all their holdings late last week and with only a few fresh arrivals in the yards to-day the volume of business done was limited at firmer prices.

Butcher Cows and Heifers—

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
1	1,270	$3.60	3	1,156	$3.35
1	960	3.40	1	1,200	3.25
2	1,040	2.85	4	1,032	2.50
2	915	2.55	8	945	1.90
2	775	1.50	3	866	1.50
1	1,050	2.50	1	970	2.50
1	1,090	2.50	1	1,140	2.25
1	1,220	2.85	1	890	1.50

Milkers and Springers—
10 cows and 2 calves for $270.
2 cows for $55.
1 cow for $27.
1 cow for $22.50.
2 cows and 2 calves for $35.

Stockers and Feeders—

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
1	640	$3.75	3	950	$3.75
11	445	3.50	11	654	3.40
12	642	3.15	7	804	3.00
4	630	2.90	7	637	3.30
2	735	3.00	4	742	3.25
1	740	3.25	1	490	3.00
1	380	2.50	1 Jersey	630	2.00

Feeding Cows and Heifers—

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
11	343	$2.80	3	513	$2.75
2	365	2.25	3	850	2.40
1	620	3.00	1	710	2.25
1	1,040	2.25	1	910	2.25
1	670	2.50	1	620	2.50
1	790	2.50	1	600	3.00

Feeding Bulls—

1	890	$2.60	3	853	$2.50

Veal Calves—

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
1	120	$6.00	1	130	$5.50

HOGS—On account of the severe stormy weather, all telegraphic service with outside markets was rendered impossible. Hog receipts here were fair and, without any reliable report from points east of south, buyers here opened up by bidding prices steady with Saturday's average trading. Quality was only fair and best sold largely from $5.47½ to $5.52½, with fairly choice mediums topping the market at $5.55. Light mixed sold from $5.40 to $5.45 and roughs at $5.25 and $5.30. Sales:

Hogs—

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
70	261	$5.55	111	243	$5.52½
79	236	5.50	87	206	5.50
65	211	5.50	79	198	5.50
79	185	5.47½	75	194	5.47½
74	214	5.47½	51	165	5.45
69	195	5.45	6	251	5.45
4	295	5.45	6	206	5.40
5	224	5.40			

Pigs and Culls—

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
6	346	$5.35	1	410	$5.25
1	290	5.25	1	450	5.00
1	400	5.00	2	500	4.75

SHEEP—There were no sheep on sale in the sheep division to-day. Conditions generally ruled unchanged from the prices paid at the close of last week, although there was a good tsrong demand for choice fat lightweight sheep and lambs. Many carloads of both stock ewes and lambs could have been used at steady prices.

Sheep—

No.	Av.	Price.
250 lambs	73	$5.10
116 ewes	102	3.90
163 ewes	105	3.90

On the market: A. Karthof, Raymond; T. V. Phelps, Milnor, N. D.; J. S. Coffey, Ramona, S. D.; Ward & Lavall, Bryant, S. D.; W. G. Putnam, Amboy; State Bank, Bradley, S. D.; Behrenfield Bros., Heron Lake; T. G. Winkjer, Brandon; C. S. Howard, Edgerton; L. M. Weston, Hayfield; A. Burg, St. Peter; Bertleson & Hanson, Ellendale; Burgess & McBeth, Mankato; A. D. Sackett, Janesville.

Sioux City Live Stock.

Sioux City, Iowa, March 11.—Receipts, 900 hogs, 2,300 cattle.

Hogs—Steady. Sales:

No.	Av.	Price.
59	220	$5.25
60	255	5.27½
65	235	5.30
48	260	5.35

Cattle—Strong. Sales:

No.	Av.	Price.
2 canners	910	$2.25
2 cows	950	2.50
6 stock heifers	450	2.50
5 stock heifers	500	3.00
2 bulls	940	2.50
2 bulls	1,030	2.75
2 bulls	960	3.00
6 stockers	500	4.25
8 yearlings	350	3.25
20 yearlings	560	4.20
8 calves	330	3.50
6 calves	325	4.25

Sheep—In demand; $3.25@5.

Hides, Pelts, Tallow and Wool.

	No. 1.	No. 2.
Green salted heavy steer hides	8½	7½
Green salted heavy cow hides	7¾	6¾
Green salted light hides	7¼	6¼
Green salted heavy cow and steer hides, branded	7	6
Green salted bull and oxen	6¾	5¾
Green salted veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs	10	8½
Green salted veal kip, 15 to 25 lbs	9¼	7¾
Green salted long-haired or runner kip	7¾	6¼
Green salted deacons, each	45	35

Green cattle hides and skins, 1@1¼c per lb less than above quotations.

Green salted horse or mule hides, large	$3.10	2.25
Green salted horse or mule hides, medium	2.50	1.50
Green salted horse or mule hides, small	1.75	1.00
Dry flint Montana butcher hides	13	@14
Dry flint Minnesota, Dakota and Wisconsin hides	11	9
Dry flint calf skins	16	12
Dry flint kip skins	14	11
Green salted pelts, large, each	$0.75	1.00
Green salted pelts, medium, each	.50@	.75
Green salted pelts, small, each	.20@	.40
Dry flint territorial pelts, butcher	11	@12
Dry flint territorial pelts, murrain	10	@11
Dry flint territorial shearlings	6½@	9
Tallow, in cakes	4½	4
Tallow, in barrels	4⅛	3½
Grease, white	4	3½
Grease, dark	3¼	2½
Wool, medium, unwashed	14½@15½	
Wool, coarse, unwashed	14	@15
Wool, fine medium, unwashed	13½@14½	
Wool, fine, unwashed	10¼@12¼	
Wool, broken fleeces, unwashed	12	@14
Wool, scedy, burry, unwashed	12	@13¼

Bright Wisconsin and similar grades, 1@2c higher than above quotations.

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