CONFLICT OF NEWS

RESULTED IN AN IRREGULAR PRICE MOVEMENT IN THE CHICAGO PIT.

CLOSE SLIGHTLY HIGHER.

LARGE SHIPMENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE EARLY WEAKNESS OF THE MARKET.

COARSE GRAINS FOLLOWED ALONG.

Corn and Oats Gained Fractions and Produce Sold Freely at Improving Prices.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—Conflicting foreign news kept the wheat market moving nervously up and down today, but in the end the May option closed ⅞c higher. Corn and oats both exhibited firmness, advancing ¼c each. Provisions were strong and closed 5@15c higher. There was decided weakness around the opening of the wheat market today, although it did not last long. The May option, which closed Saturday at 79⅝c, opened at from 79½c to 79⅛c, most of the trading being around the lower figure. The weakness was attributed to several causes, the most influential one being perhaps the large Black sea shipments. They amounted to 5,856,000 bushels last week; this was an increase of nearly 1,000,000 bushels over the previous week. That, added to the 3,937,000 bushels from this side, and the 80,000 bushels from Argentina, made a grand total of 9,873,000 bushels. Opening cables, also, were disappointing, and further rains were reported in drought-stricken India. But later, when indications pointed to a decrease in the visible supply of 1,000,000 bushels, where there had been an increase of about 1,900,000 bushels in the same week last year, the market gradually hardened. Some of the early sellers got frightened and covered, and those who had liquidated their long lines, were disposed to get them back. A gradual advance to 80¼c ensued. This was the top price for a time. The figures on the English visible supply were a surprise to the speculators. They showed an increase of 1,700,000 bushels, and there was a scramble for awhile, the price declining to 79⅝c. The market turned stronger in the last hour. Private cables gave unfavorable reports of the Argentine outlook. Covering by shorts again set in, and May sold up to 80⅝c, the high point of the day. The selling on the advance, however, was sufficient to break the price again to 80½c, where it closed.

Corn started firm at a shade better than Saturday's closing prices. The trading was spasmodically active and dull by turns. Business was largely on local account. May opened a shade higher at 27c, ranged from 26⅞c to 27¼c, closing steady at 28⅛@27¼c. Business in oats was not large, yet the market was a fairly active one. May opened ⅛c higher at 27⅞c, ranged between 21¾c and 22½c, and closed steady at 22c. Business in provisions was fairly good at improving prices. Packers were free sellers at the advance, and a decline ensued, but prices rallied again later. May pork closed 15c higher at $8.05; May lard about 12½c higher at $4.27½@4.20; May ribs about 5c higher at $4.02½@4.05. Estimates: Wheat 65 cars; corn, 450 cars; oats, 250 cars; hogs, 20,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
November	76¼	77½	75⅝	77¼
December	75¾	77	75⅛	76¾
May	79½	80¾	78⅞	80½
Corn—				
November	23⅞	23⅞	23¼	23⅝
December	23½	23¾	23⅜	23¾
May	27	27¼	26⅞	27¼
Oats—				
November	18½	18½	18¼	18½
December	18⅞	18⅞	18¾	18⅞
May	21⅞	22⅛	21¾	22
Mess Pork—				
December	6 60	6 62½	6 60	6 62½
January	7 65	7 75	7 42½	7 72½
May	7 97½	8 07½	7 95	8 05
Lard				
December	3 80	3 85	3 80	3 85
January	4 00	4 07½	4 00	4 07½
May	4 22½	4 30	4 22½	4 30
Short Ribs—				
December	.....	.....	.....	3 77½
January	3 80	3 85	3 80	3 85
May	4 00	4 05	4 00	4 05

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 77¼c; No. 3 spring, 74@75c; No. 2 red, 83¾c. Corn—No. 2, 23⅝@22¾c. Oats—No. 2, 18½@18¾c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 20@22c; No. 3 white, 18@20½c. Rye—No. 2, 36½c. Barley—Nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 28@38c; No. 4, f. o. b., 24@28c. Flax Seed—No. 1, 76@77c. Timothy Seed—Prime, $2.52½@2.55. Mess Pork—Per bbl, $6.65@6.70. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $3.85@3.90. Ribs—Short sides (loose), $3.65@3.95. Shoulders—Dry salted, 4¼@4½c. Sides—Short clear (boxed), 3⅞@4c. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.18. Sugars—Unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 14,000 bbls; wheat, 49,000 bu; corn, 258,000 bu; oats, 317,000 bu; rye, 11,000 bu; barley, 109,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 11,000 bbls; wheat, 129,000 bu; corn, 134,000 bu; oats, 332,000 bu; barley, 14,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 15@21c; dairies, 10c. Cheese steady; 8¼@8¾c. Eggs firm; fresh, 21c.

DULUTH GRAIN.

DULUTH, Minn., Nov. 23.—Market was fairly active and firmer; May opened ⅝c off at 79⅝c, sold up to 80¾c at 10:10, off to 80c at 11:55, up to 81⅛c at 1:01 and closed ¾c up at 81c asked; December and cash gained ⅞c; cash mills, 15,000 at 1c over December; shippers, 60,000 at ½c over. Wheat—No. 1 hard cash, 79⅞c; December, 78⅞c; No. 1 northern, cash, 77⅞c bid; May, 81c; No. 2 northern, 75⅝c; No. 3, 70⅞c; rejected, 65⅞c; to arrive, No. 1 hard, 79⅝c; No. 1 northern, 77⅞c; rye, 35c; No. 2 oats, 18½c; No. 3 oats, 18c; flax, 75¾c bid. Car inspection, wheat, 273; corn, 1; oats, 7; rye, 9; barley, 38; flax, 63. Receipts, wheat, 196,681; corn, 150; oats, 7,357; rye, 4,328; barley, 23,379; flax, 52,098. Shipments, wheat, 368,749; barley, 22,689; oats, 150; flax, 8,348.

Wheat stocks last week: No. 1 hard, 284,661 bu; No. 1 northern, 1,633,787; No. 2 northern, 805,360; No. 3 spring, 410,158; no grade, 87,868; rejected, 85,957; special bin, 572,489; total, 3,890,220; decrease, 1,104,100; last year, 5,449,052 bu; corn, 2,071; oats, 408,877; rye, 337,413; barley, 705,853; flax, 1,838,075.

ST. LOUIS GRAIN.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 23.—Wheat—No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 87c; track, 87½@88c; No. 2 hard cash, 85c December, 85¾@85⅞c; May, 88⅞c asked. Corn—Higher; No. 2 cash, 22c; December, 22c bid; May, 25c. Oats—No. 2 cash, 19c bid; May, 22½c bid. Rye—34c bid. Flax—74½c bid. Pork—Jobbing, $7.27½@7.52½. Lard—Prime steam, $3.77½; choice, $3.87½. Lead—Strong, $3.87. Spelter—$4..

MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 23.—Flour unchanged; Wheat unsettled; No. 2 spring, 79c; No. 1 northern, 82c; December, 76⅞c. Corn steady; No. 3, 25c. Oats dull and nominal. Barley steady. Rye steady. Provisions higher. Receipts—Flour, 19,000 bbls; wheat, 29,000 bu; barley, 90,000. Shipments—Flour, 1,000 bbls; wheat, 3,000 bu; barley, 111,000 bu.

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 23.—Wheat—Futures firm; November nominal; December, 6s 6d, ¼d higher; January, 6s 6¼d, ¼d higher. Maize—Spot steady; futures firm; November, 3s, ¼d higher; December, 3s, ¼d higher; December, 3s, ¼d higher; January, 2s 11¼d, ¼d higher.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Flour—Receipts, 34,900 bbls;; exports, 17,471 bbls; firmer, but rather quiet; Minnesota bakers, $3.45@4.15. Rye flour quiet. Buckwheat flour dull. Buckwheat quiet. Cornmeal steady. Rye steady. Barley dull. Barley malt quiet. Wheat—Receipts, 95,300 bu; exports, 24,088 bu; spot strong; No. 1 hard, 92¼c; options opened easy, but turned strong and advanced all day, closing 2⅛@2⅝c higher; No. 2 red November closed 86c; December, 84¼@86c, closed 86c. Corn—Receipts, 115,100 bu; exports, 2,654 bu; spot firmer; No. 2, 29⅝c; options strong and higher, closing at ⅝@⅞c net advance; November closed 29¾c; December, 29¼@29⅝c, closed 29⅝c. Oats—Receipts, 345,600 bu; exports, 23,331 bu; spot firmer; No. 2, 22¾c; options quiet, closing ⅜@½c advance; May, 26½c, closed 26¼c; December, 22¾@23¼c, closed 23¼c. Hay easy. Hops firm. Hides firm. Leather firm. Wool quiet. Beef firm. Cut meats steady. Lard firmer. Pork firm. Tallow steady. Petroleum dull. Rosin dull. Turpentine dull. Rice steady. Molasses steady. Pig iron steady. Copper quiet. Lead firm. Tin dull. Spelter firm. Cottonseed oil dull. Coffee options opened quiet, with prices unchanged, ruled dull and closed steady, unchanged to 5 points advance. Sales 6,000 bags, including December, 9.20@9.25c; March, 9.30c; spot coffee, Rio dull; No. 7, jobbing, 10½c; invoice, 10c; mild quiet; Cordova, 15@17c. Sugar, raw quiet, refined quiet.

FOREIGN WHEAT OUTLOOK.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—The Mark Lane Express, today commenting on the wheat outlook, says: "We expect that the decrease of the French wheat acreage, in 1897, owing to the lateness of the seeding season, will be much larger than any increases in this country. The sowings of a similar wheat in Russia are now admitted to be smaller than usual. The rise in prices has stimulated Russian markets and the line of spring sowings is likely to offset the deficiency. Injury has been in any event adready done, and there cannot be any wheat available for export prior to April, 1898. Australia is importing California wheat and has no surplus available for shipments to Europe."

Commenting upon the past week's wheat market, the Mark Lane Express remarks: "The farmers are spoiling the market by over-supply. We suggest that a central chamber organize a society of wheat growers, pledged to sell only in such quantities as the situation demands." Continuing, the Mark Lane Express says: "The advance of 2s 8d in the price of wheat in Paris since the end of October is a matter of some importance, as France has hitherto been boasting that she has a well-supplied market. If the purchase of foreign wheat by France increases, the situation will become much stronger. The wheat on passage to the United Kingdom on Saturday totalled 2,100,000 quarters, whereof Russian wheat was 380,000, North American 260,000, South American 100,000, California 1,290,000, India and Australia and elsewhere 7,000. The maize market has been against holders at Mark Lane, Hull, Liverpool, Bristol, Glasgow and Leeds, but the decline does not exceed 6d per quarter. There are now 1,048,000 quarters of maize on passage to the United Kingdom, against 775,000 in November, 1895."

ST. PAUL GRAIN.

Quotations for hay, grain, feed, etc., furnished by Griggs Bros., commission merchants:

WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 76½@77½c; No. 2 northern, 74½@76c.

OATS—No. 3 white, 17½@18c; No. 3, 16@17c.

CORN—No. 3 yellow, 24½@25c; No. 3, 23@24½c.

BARLEY AND RYE—Sample barley, 22@26c; No. 2 rye, 33@34c; No. 3 rye, 32@33c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, 72¾@73c; timothy, 90c@$1.20; clover, $4@4.50.

GROUND FEED AND MILLSTUFFS—No. 1 feed, 2 bu corn to 1 bu oats, $10@10.50; No. 2 feed, 1 bu corn to 1 bu oats, $10.75@11; No. 3 feed, ground, 1 bu corn to 2 bu oats, $11@11.50; cornmeal, bolted, $13@14; cornmeal, unbolted, $10@10.50; bran, bulk, $5.50@6.

HAY—Receipts light; market steady; fancy upland, $5.50@6.75; fair qualities, $4@5; good to choice timothy, $7@8.

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN.

The local wheat market opened lower this morning on lower cables, had a short period of strength during the first hour, weakened under free offerings again, firmed up on the visible supply statement and stronger second cables, again weakened through moderate offerings and ruled weak up to noon. The news of the day, on the whole, was rather discouraging for holders. Liverpool, London and Paris markets were all weak, and advised of very large world's shipments for the week, aggregating 9,400,000 bu. The heavy movement from Russia was said to be due to a fear on the part of Russia shippers of an early close of navigation. Wheat increase on passage was variously estimated at from 240,000 bu to 1,273,000 bu. The cash wheat demand was reported as good at Chicago and St. Louis at a premium over the December price. San Francisco reported two cargoes taken Saturday for Australia.

Chicago cables quoted Berlin lower, Paris practically higher and Liverpool at ¼d net gain over Saturday. The visible supply showed a decrease of 1,037,000 bu for the week. A decrease in November is an unusual thing and we believe the first instance in many years. The total export of wheat and flour from July 1 to date aggregates 71,711,000 bu against 44,894,000 same period last year. New export business at the Atlantic seaboard is very light and likely to be so for some weeks. Clearances from the seaboard were liberal today. Baltimore reports a grain blockade for lack of tonnage and elevator room.

December wheat opened at 75¼c against 75⅝@75¾c Saturday, advanced to 76⅛c; lost ⅛c; firmed up to 76¼@76⅜c; dropped to 75⅝c; firmed up again to 76¼@76⅜c; dropped to 75½c; gained ¼c by 11:45 a. m., and by noon held at 75⅝c.

May wheat opened at 78½c, being the same as Saturday; lost ½c; advanced to 78⅝c; lost ⅛c; firmed up to 75¼c; declined to 78⅝c; firmed up to 79⅜c; dropped to 78⅜c by 11:10 a. m., and by noon held at 78½c.

The demand for cash wheat was only fair today, at a premium of about ¾c over the December future. No. 1 northern sold mostly at 76c to 76½c, and No. 2 at 74½c to 74¾c. Sales were made as per statement below. Receipts here were 497 cars. Shipments, 37 cars.

The market during the last hour of the session ruled rather weak and inactive the greater part of the time, but rallied toward the close. Closing cables were better than anticipated. Berlin closed firm at one mark higher, Paris 5@10c higher, Antwerp 12½ centimes lower, Liverpool ¼d lower for December and the balance unchanged The English visible shows an increase of 1,700,000 bu for the week. November wheat closed at 76⅝c, December at 76⅝@76¾c and May at 79⅜@79½c.

May—Opening, 78½c, highest, 79½c; lowest, 78c. Closing, today, 79⅜@79½c; Saturday, 78½c.

October—Closing, today, 76⅝c; Saturday, 75¾c.

December—Opening, 75¼c; highest, 76⅝@76¾c; lowest, 75¼c; closing, today, 76⅝@76¾c; Saturday, 75⅝@75¾c.

On Track—No. 1 hard, 78¼c; No. 1 northern, 77¼c; No. 2 northern, 75¾c; November oats, 18c; flaxseed, 72¾c.

Curb on May wheat, bid 79⅜
Puts on May wheat, asked 78½
Calls on May wheat 80⅝

The following are some sample sales:

No. 1 northern, 138 cars	76¼
No. 1 northern, 8 cars	76½
No. 1 northern, 1 car	77
No. 1 northern, 5 cars, to arrive	77
No. 1 northern, 1 car, to arrive	76½
No. 1 northern, 7 cars	74¾
No. 2 northern, 10 cars	74½
No. 2 northern 1 car	75
No. 3 wheat, 3 cars	70
No. 3 wheat, 1 car, o. w. b.	72½
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars	67
Rejected wheat, 3 cars, 2 lbs off	65
Rejected wheat, 1 car, 4 lbs off	70
Rejected wheat, 1 car, 2 lbs off	70
No grade wheat, 3 cars, 2 lbs off	70
No grade wheat, 5 cars, 2 lbs off	67
No grade wheat, 6 cars, 2 lbs off	65
No grade wheat, 3 cars, 2 lbs off	69
No grade wheat, 2 cars, 2 lbs off	71
No grade wheat, 2 cars, 2 lbs off	64
No grade wheat, 1 car, 2 lbs off	63
No grade wheat, 3 cars, 2 lbs off	66
No grade wheat, 2 cars, 2 lbs off	68
No grade wheat, 2 cars, 2 lbs off	70
No grade corn, 2 cars	20
No grade corn, 1 car	20½
No. 3 yellow corn, 4 cars	23
No. 3 oats, 20 cars	17¾
No. 3 oats, 2 cars, choice	18
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	18
No. 3 rye, 1 car, wheaty	31
No. 4 barley, 3 cars	22
No. 4 barley, 1 car	23

LATE SALES.

No. 1 northern, 4 cars	76¼
No. 1 northern, 1 car	76¾
No. 1 northern, 2 cars, to arrive	76¼
No grade wheat, 1 car	53
No. 4 corn, 1 car, new	22
No. 3 oats, 1 car	17½

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION.

Railroads.	—Northern— No.1.	No.2.	No.3.	Rjd.	N.G.
G. N.—B. Div	37	2	2	6	4
G. N.—P. F. Div	10	3	..	7	1
C., M. & St. P.	102	30	1	1	7
M. & St. L.	26	5	..	..	3
Soo Line	11	1	..	..	..
Northern Pacific	4	2	..	..	2
C., St. P., M. & O.	98	32	6	2	14
C., St. P. & K. C.	1	..	1	..	..
Minn. Transfer	8	..	..	..	..
Total	307	76	10	16	31

Other Grains—No. 3 corn, 13 cars; no grade corn, 1 car; No. 3 oats, 29 cars; no grade oats, 1 car; No. 2 rye, 2 cars; No. 3 rye, 1 car; No. 4 barley, 13 cars; No. 1 flax, 18 cars; rejected flax, 7 cars; no grade flax, 2 cars.

Cars Inspected Out—Wheat, No. 1 northern, 107 cars; No. 2 northern, 7 cars; No. 3 oats, 11 cars.

GRAIN IN STORE—MINNEAPOLIS.

Wheat—	Nov. 9. Bushels.	Nov. 23. Bushels.
No. 1 hard	27,269	27,269
No. 1 northern	13,761,965	13,670,143
No. 2 northern	2,493,147	2,490,347
No. 3	136,505	136,505
Rejected	148,199	147,829
No grade	21,832	21,566
Special bin	1,909,549	1,891,498
Total wheat	18,498,473	18,085,184
Corn	9,191	9,891
Oats	223,717	216,348
Barley	26,345	16,462
Rye	16,386	8,219
Flax seed	45,437	41,589

Wheat decrease for the two weeks, 413,309 bu.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Received—Wheat, 347,900 bu; corn, 9,760 bu; oats, 60,480 bu; barley, 8,880 bu; rye, 3,650 bu; flax, 14,490 bu; flour, 323 bbls; hay, 209 tons; fruit, 724,100 lbs; merchandise, 1,809,571 lbs; lumber, 21 cars; barrel stock, 7 cars; machinery, 190,000 lbs; coal, 2,791 tons; wood, 906 cords; brick, 7,000; lime, 9 cars; household goods, 20,000 lbs; stone, 9 cars; live stock, 5 cars; dressed meats, 60,000 lbs; hides, 91,800 lbs; railroad materials, 2 cars; sundries, 16 cars. Total car lots, 1,216.

Shipped—Wheat, 30,430 bu; corn, 700 bu; oats, 14,880 bu; barley, 8,910 bu; flax, 10,560 bu; flour, 67,739 bbls; millstuffs, 1,624 tons; fruit, 155,000 lbs; merchandise, 1,608,060 lbs; lumber, 93 cars; machinery, 71,600 lbs; live stock, 2 cars; dressed meats, 20,000 lbs; hides, 58,500 lbs; railroad materials, 3 cars; sundries, 11 cars. Total car lots, 360.

WHEAT MOVEMENT.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
New York	95,275	24,088
Philadelphia	47,683	1,437
Baltimore	10,454	.....
Toledo	180,983	28,300
Detroit	9,729	.....
St. Louis	20,586	13,750
Boston	14,912	7,319
Chicago	40,300	129,033
Milwaukee	29,250	2,600
Duluth	196,681	368,149
Minneapolis	347,900	30,340
Kansas City	50,400	11,400

VISIBLE SUPPLY.

	Nov. 14. Bushels.	Nov. 21. Bushels.
Wheat	61,008,000	59,970,000
Corn	18,196,000	18,150,000
Oats	12,759,000	12,208,000
Barley	6,250,000	6,146,000
Rye	2,180,000	2,657,000

Wheat decrease for the week, 1,037,000 bu.
Corn decrease for the week, 46,000 bu.
Oats decrease for the week, 551,000 bu.

PICKED UP ON 'CHANGE.

First public cables: London—Wheat and corn off coast, nothing doing. On passage, wheat irregular and dull; corn dull. English country markets generally 6d@1s per quarter cheaper. Liverpool—Wheat easy at ¼d lower. Corn quiet. Paris—Wheat 10 centimes higher. Flour 35@50 centimes lower.

Hog receipts: Chicago, 23,000; Kansas City, 4,500; Omaha, 1,700.

Black Sea shipments are said to be 856,000 bu for the week.

Chicago receipts: Wheat, 31 cars; corn, 364 cars; oats, 230 cars.

New York—The Central Statistical Bureau, of St. Petersburg, gives the estimate of the wheat yield in Russia this year, compared with final estimates of the two preceding years, at 35,692,000 qrs, against 46,785,000 qrs in 1895 and 57,678,000 qrs in 1894. The official Russian wheat exports from Aug. 1 to Nov. 7 were 3,758,000 qrs, against 4,172,000 qrs in 1895 and 4,174,800 qrs in 1894.

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ST. PAUL PRODUCE MARKET.

Note—The quotations which follow are for goods which change hands in lots in the open market. In filing orders in order to secure best goods for shipping and to cover cost incurred, an advance over jobbing prices has to be charged.

Butter—Market firm on creameries; dairies in good demand.

Creameries—	
Extras	.20
Firsts	.18 @.19
Seconds	.15 @.16
Hand Separator	.18 @.19
Dairies—	
Extras	.17 @.18
Firsts	.14 @.15
Ladles—	
Extras	.13 @.14
Firsts	.11 @.12
Packing stock	.07
Grease	.03 @.04

Cheese—Slow trade on all grades. Stocks liberal and values firm.

Twins, fancy full cream, new	.10 @.11
Twins, common to fair	.06 @.07
Full cream, Young America, new	.10 @.11
Swiss cheese	.11 @.12
Brick, No. 1, new	.09 @.10
Brick, No. 2, new	.07 @.08

Eggs—Market firm; receipts light.

No. 1 cold storage	.15 @.16
Candled stock, fresh	.19
Seconds	.09 @.10

Beans—Market quiet; supply moderate.

Fancy Navy, per bu	.90 @1.00
Medium, hand picked, per bu	.70 @.80
Dirty lot, per bu	.40 @.50
Yellow peas, bu	.55 @.70
Green peas, bu	.60 @.75

Potatoes—Quiet.

Sweet potatoes, Jerseys, bbl	2.50@ 2.75
Sweet potatoes, Muscatine, bbl	1.50@ 1.75

Vegetables—

Tomatoes, home grown, bu	.75
Radishes, dozen	.10
Cabbage, per ton	5.00@ 6.00
Beets, bu	.40
Celery, doz	.25
Wax beans, bu	1.50
String beans, bu	1.50
Onions, home grown, bu	.50
Rutabagas, bu	.20
Squash, dozen	.75
Turnips, bu	.20
Mint, dozen	.30
Carrots, bu	.20
Cucumbers, dozen	1.00
Spinach, bu	.25

Miscellaneous—

Concord grapes, basket	.15@.18
Grapes, Catawba, small basket	.15
Malaga, bbl	7.00
Cranberries, Cape Cod, bbl	5.50@6.50
Cranberries, Bell & Bougle, bbl	4.50@4.75

Apples—Market weaker; demand good.

Common, bbl	.90@1.10
Cooking, bbl	1.50@1.75
Fancy, eating, bbl	2.25@2.75
Baldwins, choice, bbl	1.50@1.60
Greenings, choice, bbl	1.50@1.60
Spies, choice, bbl	1.50@1.60
Russets, choice, bbl	1.50@1.60
Crab apples, bbl	1.75@2.50

Lemons—

Fancy Messinas, box	4.50@4.75

Oranges—

Mexicans, box	4.00@4.50
Jamaica, bbl	7.00

Nuts—

Hickory, bu	1.00
New California walnuts, lb	.09 @.11
Black walnuts, bu	.75
Chestnuts, lb	.10
Peanuts, raw, lb	.04½@.05
Peanuts, roasted, lb	.05½@.06
Brazils, lb	.08 @.10
Pecans, lb	.18 @.20
Filberts, lb	.10 @.12
Hazelnuts, lb	.05

Bananas—Supply large; demand active.

Choice shipping, large bunches	1.75@2.25

Figs and Dates—

Figs, fancy, five crowns	.12 @.13
Figs, fancy, four crowns	.11 @.12
Fard dates, 10-lb boxes	.05 @.09
Halloween dates, new	.06

Honey—

White clover	.12 @.12½
Extracted	.05 @.06
Maple syrup, gallon	1.00
Maple sugar, lb	.10 @.11

Apple Cider—

Sweet, bbl	3.75@4.00
Sweet, half bbl	2.00@2.25
Hard, bbl	5.00@7.00
Hard, half bbl	3.25@4.00

(No charge for package or carriage.)

Dressed Meats—Supply moderate; demand good.

Veal, fancy	.06½@.07
Veal, medium	.06 @.06½
Hogs, country dressed	.03½@.04½
Mutton, country dresed	.04 @.05
Spring lambs, pelt off	.05 @.06

Dressed Poultry—

Turkeys	.09 @.10
Springs	.05½@.06
Hens	.05
Ducks	.08 @.09
Geese	.08 @.09
Tame pigeons, dozen	.75
Squirrels, dozen	1.00

Game—

Partridges, dozen	2.25@2.75
Canvas back ducks, dozen	6.00@8.00
Mallard ducks, dozen	3.00
Teal ducks, dozen	1.25@2.00
Common ducks, dozen	1.25
Woodcock, dozen	4.00@4.50
Jack snipe, dozen	1.25
Venison, saddles, lb	.10 @.12
Venison, whole, lb	.06 @.07
Bear carcass, hide on, lb	.10 @.12
Antelope, hide off, lb	.15 @.16

Fish—Good demand.

Black bass, lb	.08
Pike, lb	.05 @.06
Croppies, lb	.04 @.05
Pickerel, lb	.02 @.03½

MISCELLANEOUS.

SEED MARKET.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—The flax seed market was a little stronger today, but trading was of a light order. Receipts here were 79 cars, 63 cars at Duluth and 21 cars at Minneapolis. The official close as reported by The Weare Commission company is as follows: Cash flax, 77c. December, at 75½c; and May at 81c per bu. Cash timothy seed closed at $2.50 and December at $2.60 per 100 lbs. Clover seed closed at $8.00 per 100 lbs. Minneapolis flax seed quoted at 72¾c per bu.

MINNEAPOLIS HAY MARKET.

J. H. Huntt & Co. report the hay market rather quiet at prices practically unchanged.

Choice Iowa, upland	$7.00@7.50
Choice Minnesota, upland	6.00@6.50
Mixed hay	4.50@5.00
Coarse, as to quality	3.50@4.00
Timothy	7.00@7.50
Rye straw	3.25@3.75

COFFEE MARKET.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Coffee—Santos steady; good average Santos, 11, $600; receipts, 17,000; stock, 643,000. Hamburg quiet and unchanged; sales, 25,000. Rio steady; No. 7, 10, $900; exchange 8 9-32d; receipts, 8,000; cleared for the United States, 6,000; cleared for Europe, 8,000; stock, 355,000. Total warehouse deliveries from the United States, 16,821, including 16,729 from New York; New York stock today, 332,740; United States stock, 375,944; afloat for the United States, 295,000; total visible for the United States, 670,944, against 7,573 last year.

CHICAGO PORK.

CHICAGO, Nov. 23.—The speculative pork market opened quite strong this morning and sold strong during the greater part of the session. Holders are taking courage because of reports of great fatalities among the live hogs in the larger ranches in several states. If reports be true there will not be an over abundance of live hogs later on.

The following was the range of prices today on pork:

January—Opening, $7.62½; highest, $7.75; lowest, $7.62½; closing today, $7.72½; Saturday $7.55.

May—Opening, $8.00; highest, $8.07½; lowest, $7.95; closing today, $8.05; Saturday, $7.90.

November—Closing today, $6.62½; closing Saturday, $6.50.

December—Opening, $6.60; highest, $6.62½; lowest, $6.60; closing today, $6.62½; Saturday, $6.50.

CROP MOVEMENTS.

(Market Record.)

The following table gives ahe receipts of wheat at the four principal spring wheat markets from beginning of the crop year, Aug. 1, 1896, to date, and for the same time a year ago.

	This Crop. Bushels.	Last Crop. Bushels.
Minneapolis	30,787,350	35,840,390
Milwaukee	4,475,210	4,406,520
Duluth	27,290,854	28,346,809
Chicago	12,080,501	13,353,703
Total	74,633,915	81,997,332

The following table gives the receipts of wheat at the four principal winter wheat markets from the beginning of the crop movement, July 1, 1896, to date, and for the same time a year ago:

	This Crop. Bushels.	Last Crop. Bushels.
Toledo	4,892,694	3,916,555
St. Louis	8,891,928	8,068,231
Detroit	2,332,854	1,521,107
Kansas City	4,593,000	4,867,000
Total	20,709,87	18,372,893

GRAIN VISIBLE.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The visible supply of grain Saturday, Nov. 21, as compiled by the New York produce exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 59,971,000 bu, decrease 1,037,000 bu; corn, 18,150,000 bu, decrease 45,000 bu; oats, 12,208,000 bu, decrease 551,000 bu; rye, 2,467,000 bu, decrease 51,000 bu; barley, 6,146,000 bu, decrease 104,000 bu.

CHICAGO AND COUNTRY HIDES.

There is a weaker feeling in all the hide markets. Ohio buffs have sold at 8¾c, but 9c seems to be the lowest price at which sales were made in Chicago. The supply is not large and persons who expect a continued decline are not likely to realize their hopes. The advance movement has been too severe, and a check was needed, but it should not be forgotten that natural conditions will always prevail. If hides are forced up too far and too fast a reaction is inevitable. It would seem that 9c is about the limit for buff hides this year.

Buffs, 40 to 60 lbs, are somewhat unsettled. There have been no transactions reported below the even figure in Chicago, although sales are noted at Ohio points at 8¾c. Sales of 9,000 buffs and 2s at 9c and 8½c were made since Wednesday. At this writing 8⅞c and 8⅝c for 1s and 2s would be accepted, and there are indications that bids of 8¾c would not be refused. We quote No. 1 buffs at 8¾@9c, and No. 2 at 8¼@8½c. The receipts are ligt and hides are being taken up as fast as they arrive.

Extreme light hides, 25 to 40 lbs, are still held at 9½c for No. 1 and 8½c for No. 2, with no sales.

Native steer hides, 60 lbs and up, eased off ¼c toward the middle of the week, although they were apparently strong. We quote: No. 1 steers, free of brands and grubs,, at 9c, and 2's at 8c. Side-branded steers are fairly firm at 7½c flat. A lot of 700 branded steers and cows sold flat early in the week at this price.

Heavy native cow hides, 60 lbs and up, are easier, and No. 1's, free of brands and grubs, are held at 8¾@9c, with the 2's at 8¼@8½c, although a lot of 600 sold Wednesday at 9¼@8¾c. Side-branded cows are unchanged at 7¼c flat, sales mentioned above.

Native bull hides still hold at 7c for No. 1's, and 6c for No. 2's.

Calfskins, 7 to 15 lbs, rule firm with a good demand. A lot of 2,000 country skins sold Thursday: No. 1's brought 11c, and No. 2's 9½c. Another lot of choice skins brought 11½c and 10c for No. 1's and No. 2's. Negotiations are now pending for a sale of 10,000 choice calfskins and 1,000 kips for European export at prices expected to be same as above f. o. b., Chicago.

Kips, 15 to 25 lbs, remain nominal at 9¾c for No. 1's and 8½c for No. 2's.

Deacons, under 7 lbs, asking 40@45c each.

Slunks slightly stronger at 25@30c each.

Horse hides rule between $2.75 and $3 for a good selection. Culls and ponies will bring about $1 less.

Sheepskins and pelts are having many small sales. No one dealer is holding enough to make a car for shipment.

BUTTER AND EGGS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—Butter steady; Western dairy, 8@13c; Western creamery, 13½@22c; Elgins, 22c; factory, 7@12c. Eggs steady; state and Pennsylvania, 22@25c; Western, 15½@24c.

Elgin, Ill., Nov. 23.—Buter active; offerings, 63,060 lbs. Sales, 21,900 lbs at 21c; 41,460 lbs at 22c.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Joel Johanson and wife to T. Johnson, lot 11, block 1, McKenty's add. of out lots $1250 00
Dayton Bluff Bldg. Ass. to Eloise W. Sprague, lot 16, block 2, Stone & Morton's add 193 00
C. A. Ayd to Catharine A. Weber, lots 1, 2, 5 and 6, block 4, Midway Heights add 5 00
M. Cunningham to Wm. Cunningham, lots 27 and 28, block 10, Anna E. Ramsey's add., and lot 5, block 1, Lewis' add., and lot 29, block 2, Milton's add 1 00
J. Rohde and wife to Ida Foerster, lot 32, block 4, J. R. Weide's Second add. 225 00
Ger. Am. Bldg. Ass. to C. R. McKenney, lot 12, block 7, Castle 750 00
J. D. Burns et al., executors, to Louise C. Bohlen, lot 19, block 1, Holcombe