

CHECK TO MARKETING

EFFECT OF THE BLIZZARD UPON WHEAT TRAFFIC IN THE NORTHWEST

WEEK LOSING ONE IN VALUES

Little to the Credit in the Way of Profit to Either Side, as the Decline Was Trifling—Recorded Receipts Likely to Show a Falling Off at the Opening of the Market Today.

The severe snow storm came into account last Monday in a very positive way, especially with reference to its bearings on the marketing of Northwestern wheat at primary points. The splendid weather of the week previous had the effect of bringing large stores to the market and that volume made its appearance in the records of receipts published on Monday. The Thanksgiving day holiday followed close on the heels of the big snow storm, and this, altogether, as one views the account of trade during the seven days last past, there is little to the credit in the way of profit to either side. The demands for export have been what may be styled normal. The market has been a losing one in values in a trifling degree, as will be seen by the following comparison of prices at the points named and at the dates indicated:

Table with columns for location (St. Louis, Chicago, Duluth, St. Paul, New York) and dates (Nov. 28, Nov. 19). It shows price fluctuations for various commodities like wheat and flour.

The whole story as to conditions for marketing wheat is told in the introductory lines. The farmers have certainly enjoyed the benefit of good weather for marketing their grain at country elevators, if they were disposed to avail themselves of the chances for good weather deliveries. This blizzard of last Monday will undoubtedly manifest its influences in the receipts recorded at the opening of this morning's market. The weather conditions will be supplemented by the slackening up of contributions on account of the Thanksgiving holiday.

The export demand indicates nothing abnormal. The foreign supply to the European markets continues more particularly to the contributions of Russia to the visible supply abroad. The Argentine crop is still a quantity upon which very little reliance can be based. There has been very little speculative interest in wheat on either side, pending the prevalence of the storm and the advent of the holiday season. On account of the prevalence of heavy snow storms in the Northwest must inevitably have an effect in the way of receipts. The snowfall during the past week has been so heavy that it has been necessary to suspend the use of much service in reckoning the loss of deliveries, inasmuch as the severe winds and deluges in prairie sections cannot fail to have their influence upon the record of wheat delivered.

So far as the inspection of wheat is concerned, conditions are not highly favorable. The grading, it is said, does not show very favorably, and there is much discontent manifested among the farmers as to their sales and the results thereof. Cash wheat in Minneapolis has not measured up very well in respect to price, as compared with Duluth. Neither has December wheat at Minneapolis maintained its earlier predominance as far as prices are concerned. This is taken to mean that Duluth is pretty well up to par, everything pertaining to the necessities for meeting the demand on this option.

Chicago has been a rather inanimate quantity all through the past week, up as far as the wheat market is concerned. The dealers down there do not take much stock, evidently on the one side or the other during the coming months. The dealers think that the crop of the United States has been beyond all precedent enormously large, and on that demand shall appear from the other side for our surplus in the market of any pretensions to volume can hardly be expected.

The Northwestern Miller, in its latest report says: Up to Saturday (Nov. 19) the conditions in the Northwest for marketing wheat were the most favorable, and the deliveries by farmers were heavy. The aggregate of wheat to Minneapolis and Duluth, the aggregate of wheat for two weeks is 13,360,000 bu, there has been a large accumulation of wheat at elevators. This accumulation is due to the fact that the grain to terminal markets in the Northwest is dependent upon the elevator men having the ability to obtain much over 25 per cent of the total cars as much over 25 per cent of the total cars in this respect as the whole Northwest, however, the crop supply has probably been reduced to not exceed 50 per cent of the full requirement. This means that the elevator men delivered in the country is held back from the lack of cars. Estimating from the receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth, the aggregate of wheat to terminal markets for the week ending Nov. 19 is 1,500,000 bushels. It is far from the desire of the elevator companies to pile up wheat, as there is no carrying charge and they have to pay interest and insurance to hold it. Notwithstanding the heavy receipts at the two Northwestern terminals there is no material increase in the aggregate of wheat receipts of nearly 14,000,000 bu in two weeks. There has been a gain in stocks of less than 1,000,000 bu. The elevator men have not in the manner in which wheat is absorbed. This appears to be a considerable quantity of wheat in the Northwest. The elevator men, naturally tributary to this market, which is being drawn around us by reason of conditions existing in Chicago. Our freight rates are thought to play an important part in the matter. One observer estimates that 1,500,000 bu of wheat, which in other years would have been diverted to Chicago, is being held in the Northwest. It is expected not only to temporarily cut off farmers' deliveries, but possibly seriously interfere with railroad traffic and curtail wheat receipts for a few days.

COMPARATIVE WHEAT RECEIPTS.

Table comparing wheat receipts for twenty-one weeks from July 1 to Nov. 21, with comparisons in bushels, compiled by the Cincinnati Price Current. It lists receipts for St. Louis, Toledo, Detroit, Kansas City, Cincinnati, and other locations for various years.

The total receipts of wheat at primary markets for twenty-one weeks from July 1 to Nov. 21, with comparisons for ten years, are shown in the following:

RUSSIAN CROPS.

Berbohm's London list of Nov. 7 says of the recent estimate of the Russian minister of agriculture of this year's crops: The figures are telegraphed in pounds of 35 lbs, which have been reduced to quarters of the ordinary English weight in the table below. In tabular form, the minister of agriculture's estimate for the past three years, if being understood that the returns include the United Kingdom in European Russia, ten governments in Poland and three in the Caucasus:

Table showing Russian crop estimates for Wheat, Rye, Oats, and Barley in quarters for the years 1896, 1897, and 1898.

It is not too much to say that this estimate for the present year comes as a great surprise, because very few of those associated with Russia expected the crops of wheat and rye to be much better than last year. The present estimate is a considerable improvement on the final figures being given by the central statistical bureau in December. The total crop of wheat and rye is estimated to be 270,219,000 quarters, 139,243,218 quarters, and 139,243,218 quarters respectively for 1897, 1898, and 1899.

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SOUTH ST. PAUL LIVE STOCK.

The past week's work has been very brilliant in results so far as the business of live stock dealing is concerned at South St. Paul. The week came in with a blizzard, which practically terminated all problems for shipment. Then another blizzard, which put another stop to the trade and stopped the evolutions of the wheel.

There were received at the stock yards last week 141 cars containing 1,565 cattle, 375 calves, 3,275 hogs, 494 sheep. This compares with the previous week 215 cars, 3,575 cattle, 1,137 calves, 7,302 hogs, 11,739 sheep. These figures show a decrease in the receipts of cars of 171, of cattle, 2,082; calves, 617; hogs, 4,137; sheep, 7,535. The killings at Swift & Co. last week were: Cattle, 322; calves, 5; sheep, 465; hogs, 3,395. The previous week the killings were 535 cattle, 6 calves, 871 sheep, 7,815 hogs. These figures show a decrease of 212 cattle, 1 calf, 466 sheep, 3,229 hogs.

It was to be expected that the arrival of the snow storm on Monday morning, which resulted in the suspension of the railroads and the interdiction of shippers to forward stock under such conditions, should result in a more limited market than has prevailed during the past autumn months. The receipts have been consequently very light indeed, and prices have been a little higher all around from the low point of last week. In the closing days, however, there was an increase in the supply of stock, and the market values. There is not much to be said in regard to quality of cattle offering. There was the usual scarcity of the higher grade of stockers and feeders. The quotations are about the same all the way through as the previous week, except that the demand was somewhat stronger all around for the better class of butcher stock and for stockers and feeders.

EXHIBITION OF RANGE CATTLE.

A decidedly novel and interesting exhibition of cattle is booked for Jan. 24-27, 1899, at Denver. The exhibition will provide that cattle in competition must be born and bred on the range, and never have tasted corn or any other grain. Consequently, instead of the selection of stock, this will bring together in competition for the prize the best bred cattle which will surprise those who have not kept in touch with the wonderful advance of cattle breeding on the plains. It will be a great object lesson of what can be accomplished by the mountain range. Competition will be open to all the range bred cattle of the Rocky mountain country. Entries will be classified as follows: Division No. 1, natives of northern states, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Montana, California; Division No. 2, natives of Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, Division No. 3, natives of Colorado only. Prizes are offered as follows: First, \$250; second, \$250; third, \$250; fourth, \$250; fifth, \$250; sixth, \$250; seventh, \$250; eighth, \$250; ninth, \$250; tenth, \$250. The exhibition will be held at the Denver Coliseum, and will be a great object lesson of what can be accomplished by the mountain range.

SCHOONER'S CREW LOST.

Ashore Near Green Bay and No Trace of Those on Board. GREEN BAY, Wis., Nov. 27.—The schooner Idea lies near Long Tail point light, sunk in about ten feet of water. Her bow is just out, and it is supposed that she is a complete wreck. The crew of the vessel is missing, and it is feared they went down with her. Today Capt. Theodore Demesse, of the tug John Demesse, while making observations, saw the Idea lying in the fog and in distress. The tug went out to her and found her deserted. Her anchor had been cast, but otherwise everything above water was in ship-shape. The yawl boat was in its place. Capt. Neils Selck, of Green Bay, owner of the boat, was sailing her. A relief party will search for the crew early tomorrow.

FATAL PRAIRIE FIRES.

Several Lives Have Been Lost in the Indian Territory. GUTHRIE, Okla., Nov. 27.—Prairie fires have done great damage in Oklahoma and Indian territory. One farmer lost 150 acres of fine hay in the field, several bales of cotton, 500 head of cattle and a number of hogs. He estimates his loss at \$10,000. Quantities of hay in bales and bulk have been burned in other sections, and not less than thirteen residences have been destroyed.

A FALLING OUT.

She was much in love with her bicycle, and seemed to dwell in clover. But now she's cold as an icicle. Because it "drew her over." —L. A. W. Bulletin.

BUFFALO IS BIDDEN

FORMALLY INVITED BY PRESIDENT JOHNSON TO JOIN WESTERN LEAGUE

OFFER WILL BE ACCEPTED

Nothing Official Given Out After the Conference, but It is Stated That President Franklin Will Take Over the St. Joseph Franchise and Players—Golf Match Pre-vented by the Storm.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 27.—President Johnson, of the Western Base Ball League, accompanied by President Killgore, of the Milwaukee club, today held a conference with President Franklin, of the Buffalo club, of the Eastern league, and tendered to the latter the franchise and players of the St. Joseph club, if Franklin would place Buffalo in the Western league. While nothing officially was given out respecting the conference, it is understood Mr. Franklin accepted the offer and will join the Western league next summer.

CARNEY VS. CLOW.

Seconds Week's Play in the Inter-City Billiard Tourney. The first game of the second series in the three-cornered billiard match between Carney and Clow, of this city, and Capen, of Minneapolis, will be played at Central, Saturday night. Fifth street tonight. Carney and Clow will meet for the second time. The first series resulted in two victories for Clow, one victory and one defeat for Carney, and two defeats for Capen. If Clow wins tonight, it will assure him at least a tie for first money. Carney's admirers are confident, however, that he will make a better showing tonight with energy and nousefulness, and thus than in his former contest with Clow, and a very pretty contest is looked for.

GOLF GAME OFF.

BALTIMORE, Md., Nov. 27.—Owing to the snow storm and blizzard the open golf tournament which was scheduled for Dec. 1, 2 and 3 at the Baltimore Country Club has been postponed. One hundred and twenty-five golf clubs in all participated, and many of them invited to participate, and many of them signified their intention of sending representatives to the contest.

READY FOR McLEOD.

Hjalmar Lundin, the Swedish athlete and wrestler, says that he will wrestle Dan McLeod under the terms of the latter's challenge as contained in The Globe of yesterday, and time after next Sunday, as he will spend this week in Duluth. Oscar M. West, of 115 East Seventh street, offers to back Lundin for any amount from \$100 to \$500.

CUP CHALLENGER.

TOLEDO, O., Nov. 27.—Joe Poulton, of Toledo, will tomorrow begin work on Toledo's best supplied boat for the Canadian cup. The boat is to be the property of a syndicate.

GILLET'S AFFAIRS IN A SORRY MESS

CREDITORS ARE QUARRELING OVER THE ASSETS. While They Are Quibbling Cattle Are Starving and the Value of the Estate is Being Wiped Out—Missing Man Said to Have Fled.

ABILENE, Kan., Nov. 27.—The creditors of Grant Gillett, the cattle man, who left for parts unknown last Sunday, are at the day struggling over the work he left behind. It has developed into a case of every man for himself, and the result is a worse snarl than ever. Each man who holds Gillett paper spends his time in chicaning the moves of other time. The amount of liabilities may go beyond the estimates. There is no one to feed and water the thousands of head of cattle on the range here, and while the creditors are quibbling the cattle in the stalls are dying of hunger and thirst. It is stated that Gillett had mortgaged a large sum, and the cattle in the stalls are dying of hunger and thirst. It is stated that Gillett had mortgaged a large sum, and the cattle in the stalls are dying of hunger and thirst. It is stated that Gillett had mortgaged a large sum, and the cattle in the stalls are dying of hunger and thirst.

AMERICANS ABROAD.

LADY CURZON AND DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH ARE SOCIAL LIONS. LONDON, Nov. 27.—The Curzons of Kedleston are dividing with Lord Kitchener the honor of being the lions of the hour. The Curzons are being entertained everywhere. In fact, Lady Curzon has been worn out in the attempt to keep pace with the hospitalities extended to them, and is now ill.

CHICAGO COW TRUST.

New Plan to Cover the Milk Supply of the City. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 27.—J. Le Feber, of North Greenfield, a suburb of this city, is working in connection with the rumored milk trust, with which Joseph Leiter and the Kee Chappell company, of Chicago, are connected. Le Feber owns a large dairy at Waukesha, Wis., and is now engaged in a scheme to control the entire supply of milk from this section to Chicago. Milwaukee and Waukesha counties are among the best dairy sections in the country, and the quantities of milk are shipped to Chicago daily.

CHICAGO THE CHOICE.

Next Methodist General Conference Will Not Meet in Minneapolis. CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—John Farson has received a telegram from Henry Steel Myers, chairman of the Methodist general conference committee, in connection with the rumored milk trust, with which Joseph Leiter and the Kee Chappell company, of Chicago, are connected. Le Feber owns a large dairy at Waukesha, Wis., and is now engaged in a scheme to control the entire supply of milk from this section to Chicago. Milwaukee and Waukesha counties are among the best dairy sections in the country, and the quantities of milk are shipped to Chicago daily.

MANUFACTURERS AND JOBBERS OF ST. PAUL

Advertisement for various manufacturers and jobbers in St. Paul, including footwear (Schulze & Co., Gotzian & Co., Kellogg, Johnson & Co., Tarbox, Schliek & Co., H.C. Burbank & Co.), clothing (Foley Bros. & Kelly, Griggs, Cooper & Co., Seabury & Co.), groceries (Wemott, Howard & Co., Agants, Crockery, Glassware, Cutlery, Lamp Goods, Etc.), hardware (Farwell, Ozmun, Kirk & Co., G.W. Hackett Hardware Co.), rubber goods (St. Paul Rubber Co.), and other commodities.

THE MOST EFFECTIVE SKIN PURIFYING AND BEAUTIFYING SOAP IN THE WORLD, AS WELL AS PUREST AND SWEETEST FOR TOILET, BATH AND NURSERY.

Advertisement for CUTICURA SOAP, describing its benefits for various skin conditions like eczema, psoriasis, and general skin irritation. It claims to be the most effective skin purifying and beautifying soap in the world.

SAVE YOUR HAIR

Advertisement for CUTICURA hair care products, including shampoo and soap, designed to prevent hair loss and promote healthy hair growth.

THE NORTHWESTERN MILLER

Advertisement for the Northwestern Miller, a publication for millers and grain dealers, providing market news and technical information.