WHEAT PRICES ARE AGAIN DOWN

Smaller Demand Causes Added Weakness.

Potatoes Are Lower With Little Call---Oregon Buys California Salmon.

MARKETS OF THE WEEK.

Wheat, weaker and duller.
Eggs on the downward move.
Potatoes lower, with no demand.
Creamery butter, weaker.
Pork, weaker. Beef, steadier.
Scarcity of salmon.

The local wheat situation shows additional weakness within the past seven days, and today quotations are sagging. There is some demand for Valley at 74 cents, but even in this line there is very little business being done on account of the determination of the holders of last year's crop—the farmers—to hold for higher figures. Walla Walla and Bluestem are both weak with demand for milling or shipping purposes very weak. Today's wheat quotations are: Walla Walla, 72c; Bluestem, 77c; Valley, 74c.

Despite the fact that the grain markets shows so much weakness, the flour market is considered quite steady with sales about the average in both local and foreign demand. Prices are unchanged.

Packed Meats to Drop.

Within the next few days there will be a decided drop in the quotations on Portland packed meats on account of the lowering of hog quotations throughout the country. Lard, too, is weak, and a decline may soon be expected in that stock. Present quotations rule.

Fresh Meats Weak.

Throughout the local fresh meat market there is a dull undertone, and prices, especially on hogs, are going downward. Receipts of hogs during the week were far more liberal than for several weeks previous, and the drop in quotations was a matter of necessity on account of the small buys by the retailers brought about by the advent of the warmer weather. There was a large supply of veal during the week, but it was about equal to the prevailing demand. An overstock of both mutton and lambs during the same period has caused quotations to decline. Beef is still showing a scarcity and the present high figures are easily obtained for all the stock that arrives on the street. All fresh meat quotations, with the exception of beef, are down today.

Potato Shipments are Heavy.

There are about 10,000 sacks of mixed Oregon Burbank potatoes on the Portland docks awaiting shipment to the South per steamer Columbia. The markets in the Southern cities are weak and there is little likelihood of the present stocks being cleaned up before the closing of the season. New stock is arriving in larger supply, and the demand for last year's article is becoming smaller each day.

Better Prices For Onions.

Onion prices are on the upward move with the more spirited demand from California and Arizona dealers. There is plenty of ordinary stock remaining in the hands of Oregon farmers, and receipts in this city during the week were extra heavy. The choicest stock is, however, in better demand, and higher prices are prevailing. Quotations today range from 40 cents for the ordinaries to 75 cents for the fancies.

Oregon Buys California Salmon.

Salmon receipts in this city are small and it is impossible for dealers to get a sufficient amount of Columbia River variety to supply the demand. Large shipments of Sacramento River fish are being received and are sold at the same quotations as the local variety. Black cod are arriving and are quoted at 7 cents a pound.

Good Demand For Chicks.

The excellent demand for all kinds of poultry which has prevailed in the local markets during the first part of the week is continued and all stock that arrived was easily cleaned up at the highest ruling quotations. Some few coops of ducks and geese arrived during the week, but found a steady sale at quotations.

Tobacco to Advance.

The manufacturers of Adams' Standard and Peerless tobacco have announced an advance of 1 cent a pound on its product, beginning May 13.

Three cars of first class oranges and 500 crates of strawberries were the rail receipts from the South today. The strawberries are in first class condition—the best received thus far during the season, and were sold at $2 per 15-box crate.

The Fruit Situation.

The California Fruit Distributers' Association, under date of May 4, says that the apricot crop in California during the coming season will be at least one-third short of the normal supply. There will be no scarcity of fresh stock—the dried being the only stocks to show much of a shortage.

First Cherries May 10.

The first car of California cherries will leave that state on May 10. The reports show a light to fair crop with plenty of stock for fresh shipment. There is a heavy crop for cannery purposes, according to the association's report.

Peaches will arrive early and will be in ample supply for shipping purposes. The stock is said to be first class. The pear crop is reported to be in good condition.

Creamery Butter Piling Up.

Creamery butter is piling up in the local markets on account of the small demand from the local trade, and also the absence of orders for shipment. Store and dairy are in better demand—large stocks being bought up by California butter manufacturers for shipment to that state. The stock is used for manufacturing renovated butter, and is said to be far superior to the California article. Prices show a slight change today.

Better Tone in Hops.

Hop prices are showing a better tone and many orders are being received at prices averaging 19 cents. Some contracting for the 1903 crop is being done, but so far prices have not risen above the 14 and 15-cent mark.

Today's quotations, as revised, are as follows:

PORTLAND WHOLESALE PRICES.

Grain, Flour and Feed.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 72c; bluestem, 77c; Valley, 74c.

Barley—Feed, $21.50; rolled, $23.00.

Oats—No. 1 white, $1.17½@1.20; gray, $1.15@1.17½.

Flour—Eastern Oregon: Patents, $3.95@4.30; Diamond W., $4.20; straights, $3.35; Valley, $3.50@3.70; graham, ¼s, $3.15; 10s, $3.55.

Millstuffs—Bran, $20.00 per ton; middlings, $26.50; shorts, $21.00; chop, $18.00.

Hay—Timothy, $20.00; clover, $17.00.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

Hops—19c for choice; 1903 contracts, 14@15c.

Wool—Nominal. Valley, 15c; Eastern Oregon, 10@14c; Mohair, 30c.

Sheepskins—Shearings, 14½@19c; short wool, 22@23c; medium wool, 30c; long wool, 60c@$1.44 each.

Tallow—Prime, per lb, 3½@4c; No. 2, and grease, 2@2½c.

Hides—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 15@15½c per lb; dry kip, No. 1, 8 to 15 lbs, 13c; dry calf, No. 1, under 8 lbs, 15½c; dry salted, bulls and stags, 1-3 less than dry flint; salted hides, steer, sound, 60 lbs or over, 7½@8½c; 50 to 60 lbs, 7½@8c; under 50 lbs, and cows, 7c; stags and bulls, sound, 5@5½c; kip, sound, 15 to 30 lbs, 7c; sound, 10 to 14 lbs, 7c; calf, sound, under 10 lbs, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c lb less; culls, 1c lb less; horse hides, salted, each, $1.25@1.75; dry, each, $1.00@1.50; colts' hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, colored, each, 10@15c; Angora, with wool on, each, 20c@$1.00.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

Butter—Oregon creamery, 17½@20c; dairy, 17@17½c; store, 16c.

Eggs—Fresh Oregon, 17@17½c.

Cheese—Full cream, twin, 12½c; Young America, 13@13½c; Eastern, 16@17c; California, 15c.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 11½@12½c per lb; hens, 12½@13½c; roosters, 10@11½c lb; broilers, 16@17c lb; fryers, 14@15c lb; ducks, 13@14c lb; geese, 7½@8c lb; turkeys, live, 16@17c, dressed 18@19c.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

Sugar—"Sack basis," cube, $5.77½; powdered, $5.50½; dry granulated, $5.47½; extra C, $5.02½; Golden C, $4.92½; barrels, 10c; ½ barrels, 20c; boxes, 50c advance on sack basis, less 25c per cwt for cash, 15 days; maple, 14@16c lb.

Honey—15@16c per frame.

Coffee—Green Mocha, 21@23c; Java, fancy, 29@32c; Java, good, 20@26c; Java, ordinary, 18@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 19@20c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 10@12c per lb; Columbia roast, $10.65; Arbuckles', $11.12½ list; Lion, $11.12½ list; Cordova, $11.12½.

Teas—Oolong, different grades, 25@65c; Gunpowder, 28@32@35c; English Breakfast, different grades, 12½@65c; Spider Leg, uncolored Japan, 30@60c; green Japan, very scarce, 30@60c.

Salt—Bales, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 10s, $2.10; fine table, dairy, 50s, 38c; 100s, 74c; imported Liverpool, 50s, 45c; 100s, 86c; 224s, $1.85; imperial, 300-lb bbls, $5.25.

Salt—Worcester salt, bulk, bbls, 320s, $5.00; Worcester, 140 2s, $5.50; Worcester, 100 3s, 5.50; Worcester, 60 5s, $5.25; 30 10s, $5.00; linen sacks, 50s, 85c.

Salt—Coarse, half ground, 100s, per ton, $14.00; 50s, per ton, $14.50; Liverpool, lump, rock, $25 per ton; 50-lb rock, $14.00; 100s, $13.50.

Vinegar—Pure cider, 18@25c gallon.

Grain Bags—Calcutta, $6.00@6.25 per 100 for August delivery.

Rice—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 5¾c; No. 2, 5¼c; New Orleans, head, 7½c.

Breakfast Food—Premium, 36-2½c, $2.60; Force, $4.50; H-O oats, $3.15.

Salmon—Columbia River, 1-lb tails, $1.70; 2-lb tails, $2.40; fancy, 1-lb flats, $1.85; ½-lb fancy flats, $1.20; Alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, $1.25; 2-lb talls, $2.00.

Coal Oil—Cases, 22½c per gal; tanks, Water White, iron barrels 18c, wooden 18½c; Headlight, cases 24½c, iron barrels, 18c; gasoline, iron barrels 22c, cases, 28½c.

Linseed Oil—Pure raw, in barrels, 5c; genuine kettle, boiled, 45c; pure raw, in cases, 57c; genuine kettle, in cases, 60c.

Turpentine—In cases, 71c; wood barrels, 61½c; iron barrels, 65c; 10-lb case lots, 70c.

Beans—Small white, 4¼c; large white, 4c; pink, 3¾c; bayou, 3¾c; Limas, 5½c.

Tobacco—Plug-cut smoking, 1, 2 3-oz packages: Seal of North Carolina, 71c lb; Mastiff, 68c lb; Dixie Queen, 41c lb; Red Bell, 39c lb; Pedro, 50@52c; Golden Scepter, $1.15 lb; fine cut, Cameo, 41c lb; Capstan, $1.85 lb; Duke's Mixture, 40c lb; Bull Durham, 60c lb; Old English Curve Cut, 74c lb; Maryland Club, 71c lb; Mail Pouch, 38c lb; Yale Mixture, $1.40 lb. Plug tobacco: Drummond's Natural Leaf, 58c lb; Piper Heidsieck, 68c lb; Something Good, 48c lb; Standard Navy, 38c lb; T. & B., 53c lb; Spear Head, 43c lb; Star, 41c lb. Fine cut Chewing: Golden Thread, 68c lb; Fast Mail, 70c lb.

Fruits and Vegetables.

Potatoes—45@60c for fancy; ordinary 30@40c; new, 3½c; sweets, 3½c lb.

Onions—Oregon, 40@75c; garlic, 6@7c lb.

Fresh Fruits—Apples, fancy Oregon, 75c@$1.50; cooking, 50@75c box. Oranges: Navals, $2.50@$3.00; Mediterranean sweets, $2.25@2.50; California tangerines, $1.00@$1.25 box; bananas, $2.25@3.50 bunch, 5c lb; strawberries, $2.00 per 15-lb box crate; cranberries, Jersey, $11.00 bbl.

Vegetables—Turnips, $1.00 sack; carrots, $1.00@1.10 sack; beets, $1.50 sack; radishes, 12½@15c doz; cabbage, California, 2½c lb; lettuce, head, 25c per doz; green peppers, 40c lb; horseradish, 8c lb; celery, $1.00 doz; beans, string, 15c lb; asparagus, $1.25 per 25-lb box; rhubarb, $1.00 box; tomatoes, $1.25 per 25-lb box; lb crate; parsnips, $1.75; pineapples, $5.00 doz; peas, 5c.

Dried Fruits—Apples, evaporated, 6½@7½c lb; apricots, 7½@12c lb; peaches, 7½@9c lb; pears, 3½c lb; prunes, Italian, 4½@5½c lb; French, 3½@4½c lb; figs, California blacks, 6@6½c; do white, 7½@8c lb; plums, pitted, 5@6c; raisins, seeded, fancy 1-lb cartons, 60 packages to case, 9c pkg; seeded, 12-oz cartons, 8c; loose Muscatelles, 50-lb boxes, 6½@7½c lb; London layers, $1.75@2.00.

Nuts—Peanuts, 6@7c per lb for raw, 9@10c for roasted; cocoanuts, 85@90c per doz; walnuts, 14½@15c per lb; pine nuts, 10@12½c per lb; hickory nuts, 10c per lb; chestnuts, Eastern, 15@16c per lb; Brazil nuts, 13@14c per lb; filberts, 14@15c per lb; fancy pecans, 14@15c per lb; almonds, 14@19c per lb.

Meats and Provisions.

Fresh Meats—Beef, prime, 7½@8½c; bulls, 5½@6½c; cows, 6@7c; pork, 8@8½c; veal, 6@8c; mutton, 5½@6½c gross; dressed, 7@8½c for good stocks; lambs, dressed, 9@10c.

Hams, Bacon, etc.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 14 lbs, 15c; 14 to 16 lbs, 14½c; breakfast bacon, 15@19c; picnics, 11½c; cottage, 11½c; salted sides, 12½c lb; smoked sides, 13½c; dry salted backs, 12½c; bacon backs, 12½c; butts, salted, 9½c; smoked, 10½c lb.

Eastern-packed Hams—Under 14 lbs., 15½c; over 14 lbs, 15½c; fancy, 16½c; picnic, 12c; shoulders, 12c; dry salted sides, unsmoked, 12¾c; breakfast bacon, 16@17c; fancy, 19c; butts, 12½@13½c.

Lard—Kettle leaf, 10s, 13½c; 5s, 13½c; 50-lb tons, 12¾c; steam rendered, 10s, 12¾c; 5s, 12½c; 50s, 12c; compound tierces, 8½c; tubs, 9c.

Eastern Lard—Kettle leaf, 10-lb tins, 13c; 5s, 13½c; 50-lb tins, 12½c; steam rendered, 10s, 12½c; 5s, 12¾c; 50s, 11¾c.

Above packing house prices are net cash, 15 days.

Fish—Rock cod, 7c; flounders, 5c; halibut, 8c; ling cod, 6c; crabs, $1.50 per doz; razor clams, 9c doz; striped bass, 12½c; salmon, chinook, 8c; steelheads, 6c; soles, 6c; shrimps, Puget Sound, 15c; catfish, 6c; Puget Sound herring, 4c lb; Columbia River shad, 4c; oysters, Olympia, $2 a gallon; black cod, 7c.

LOCAL STOCK RECEIPTS.

PORTLAND UNION STOCKYARDS, May 7.—Today's receipts of livestock in the local yards consisted of 200 sheep and a nominal supply of cattle and hogs. Prices on hogs are weak with a tendency for an early drop. Ruling quotations are:

Steers—Best, $5.35; medium, $4.75.

Hogs—7¼c.

Sheep—Poor wool, 4¾c; sheared, 4¼c.

Liverpool Cotton.

LIVERPOOL, May 7. — Liverpool opened 1 to 2 higher and at 12:30 p. m. net was 2 to 3½ higher on near and 1 to 1½ higher on late. Spot was 4 higher at $5.58. Sales today, 8,000; Americans, 7,000; receipts today, 3,000; American none. Ports likely to be 10,000, against 9,600 yesterday, and 14,700 last week.

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LOW GRADE ON CONTRACT WHEAT

Grain Cornering Will Be Harder.

Armour Is Said to Be Out of July But Market Supports Them ---Gossip.

CHICAGO, May 7.—The Record-Herald says: The Commission on Rules has submitted to the Board of Directors an amendment providing for the delivery of No. 2 hard winter wheat on Board of Trade. Contracts with a penalty of 5 cents per bushel. It was submitted to the Board of Trade directors on Tuesday and under the rules was deferred for action a week. As the amendment is recommended by the committee it is quite certain the directors will order it posted for ballot.

The purpose of the amendment is to make the manipulation of the wheat market impossible. It will not affect any pending contracts. The Board of Directors will be called on to stipulate when the new provision goes into effect. It is the same enactment as is in effect in New York. Liverpool also has a regulation providing for the delivery of lower grade wheat at fixed penalties.

For two days there has been increasing gossip that Armour was well out of his July wheat line. Yet there was a good deal of confident talk of this character. The market has not acted for two days, as if anyone was trying very hard to support it, and there was special lack of energy yesterday. If the fact that the big packer is out of his July wheat he has a very much more comfortable undertaking left in the May. With only 3,000,000 bushels of contract wheat here, there is no question but that there is speculation enough to make it easy to complete a liberal price in settlement. There is no danger of new wheat in May.

Armour Out of July.

If Armour is out of his July he is probably out with some profit, for the July sold under 69 cents in March, and Valentine can be relied upon toward a profit as well as anybody. Gossips may be wrong in their surmise about Armour being well out of July, but the market rather supports them. Early yesterday it looked as if the corn acceptances in the country would be small, and the market started on that assumption. But the offerings kept coming and before the close the total was big, rather than a small one. One concern had acceptances of 175,000 bushels. There was a dropping off of quality of corn receipts yesterday, only 12 cars of contract, or about 5 per cent of arrivals, and there were only eight cars of standard, or about 10 per cent of receipts.

THE SENTIMENT IS OPTIMISTIC

There Is Some Talk of a Lower Bank of England Rate.

From special wires and cables to Bolton, de Buyter & Co.

NEW YORK, May 7.—Speculative sentiment tonight despite the continued dullness in the market is optimistic, and the best opinion favors the purchase of stocks on moderate recessions. There is some talk of a reduction in the Bank of England's rate of discount tomorrow. Locally, time money is extremely easy and some excellent judges of the situation think that time loans carrying borrowers over January 1 next, will soon obtain at about 5 per cent flat. They are now quoted at 5¼ to 5½.

The railroad earnings which have been reported this week have amazed pessimists. The government crop report to be issued Monday is expected to show a general lowering in the condition of wheat, and is likely to indicate a crop of over 500,000,000 bushels.

The bond department of the Stock Exchange reflects improvement and the labor situation is less disturbing than for some time. Such are the points made by conservative houses in favor of a higher range of prices for stocks, preferably Missouri Pacific, of which there is said to have been a large absorption by the Gould-Rockefeller interests, and instrumental in advancing the stock to 96 less than a year ago.

There are predictions that long before the St. Louis Exposition is open, Missouri Pacific will be placed on a six per cent dividend basis. The buying of Rhode Island is one intimation that stock will get a dividend in August. Recent efforts to inject politics into the stock market conditions have not been successful. It is argued that the presidential conventions being a year off are too far in the future to cut much of a current figure speculatively.

Litigation at an End.

NEW YORK, May 7.—A director of the Peoples' Gas Company says that all litigation in which the strikers were beaten is at an end. "The incident is closed," he said, "and with a very satisfactory ending for the company, and we do not anticipate similar trouble for a while." The net earnings of the Steel corporation for March are said to have been approximately $200,000 greater than the estimate of $8,500,000 made by the directors, while for April the earnings are inefficiently given as $12,000,000 in round numbers, and are $300,000 less than the highest record of last April. Reports of the corporation say that the earnings for this month will exceed last year's record, as the traffic congestion has been relieved. Greene consolidated officials say that it was decided to pay merely a dividend of 2 per cent and not a monthly dividend of 2 per cent, in view of the fact that during the months of November and December and January, the production of copper was less than the designed capacity of the plant owing to impossibility of obtaining coke and coal in sufficient quantities and further in view of the considerable expenditures authorized for improvements at Canane for the purpose of increasing the output of copper and reducing the production cost.

Gives Scalper a Chance.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Liverpool wheat is ⅛ to ⅜ lower. Corn unchanged to ¼ lower. The weather map shows further rains throughout the southwest, with moderate temperatures generally and apparently clear weather following. The cables show some steadiness. The weakness in this market yesterday was natural. There has been enough crop damage to force a covering of shorts and the accumulation of wheat and not enough damage reports to keep the market going. Crop conditions here and in Europe with the approaching government report, are likely to keep the market guessing and give the scalper a chance. Armour's position in July and September wheat is in doubt. Corn and oats are both weak. While the country offerings of corn are irregular, they denote some increase in receipts. Demand is slow until the outlook of the next crop is to some degree assured. A little better cash demand is noted for provisions, but there is no marked improvement in conditions. The premiums for May stuff have been large except on pork, and there is no very vigorous support to the market.

New York Summary.

NEW YORK, May 7.—American stocks in London are steady and featureless at about parity. The Bank of England rate is unchanged. There are rumors of a Rhode Island-Frisco merger and some talk of a dividend on Rhode Island common on completion of the first fiscal year. Thirty-five roads for the fourth week in April show a gross increase of 17.14 per cent; 74 roads for March show a net increase of 20.56 per cent. On the present scale of earnings Missouri Pacific would show 13 per cent earnings this year. The crop reports continue favorable. Merger negotiations have collapsed. The banks gained from the sub treasury since Friday $221,000. Norfolk will earn 7½ on common this year. No increase in Louisville dividend likely. The Great Western will run trains into Omaha before the end of this year. Twelve industrials are declined .12 per cent. Twenty active railways have advanced .11 per cent.

London Stocks.

LONDON, May 7.—A. N. C. unchanged; Atchison decreased ⅛; preferred advanced ⅜; B. & O. advanced ⅛; Canadian Pacific advanced ¼; C. O. decreased ½; St. Paul unchanged; Erie unchanged; First unchanged; L. & N. advanced ⅛; Mex. advanced ¼; M. X. N. advanced ¼; Katy decreased ⅛; N. Y. C. decreased ⅛; O. & W. decreased ⅛; N. decreased ⅛; Pennsylavnia decreased ⅛; Reading advanced ¼; First decreased ¼; St. Paul decreased ¼; preferred decreased ⅛; Union Pacific decreased ⅛; preferred decreased ⅝; U. S. decreased ⅛; preferred decreased ⅛; Wabash decreased ⅛; preferred decreased ⅝; Consols, 92⅝; decreased ¼.

Eastern Stock Receipts.

CHICAGO, May 7.—Receipts of live stock in the principal packing centers of the country today were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Chicago	24,000	6,000	10,000
Kansas City	11,000	4,500	6,000
Omaha	6,500	3,000	3,000

Hogs opened 5 to 10 cents lower, with 6,000 left over from yesterday. Prices ruling are: Mixed, $6.60@6.95; good, $6.85@7.00; rough, $6.60@6.80; light, $6.40@6.80.

Cattle—Steady, 10 cents lower.

Sheep—Steady.

Liverpool Open and Close.

LIVERPOOL, May 7.—Open—Wheat—July, 6-4¼, ¼ lower. Corn—July, 4-4¾, ¼ lower.

Close—Wheat—July, 6-4, ⅜ lower. Corn—July, 4-4½, ½ lower.

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WILL HOG PRICE FOLLOW CATTLE

Too Much Difference in Present Quotations.

Pork Receipts Are Large---Will Probably Reach Last Week's Record.

(By George B. Longan.)

KANSAS CITY, May 7.—The live stock markets throughout the Central West are in a somewhat odd condition. The price of hogs and of cattle differ too much. Cattle, as compared to hogs, are too cheap and the commission men in this city say the condition is unnatural and that before the middle, or the end of May at least, the market should right itself. Whether hogs will come down or cattle go up is the question. The commission men for the most part say that the receipts of hogs are also constantly increasing and that this, together with certain other indications, will force the hog market down, with a possible slight advance in cattle.

The week beginning May 4 opened with the usual light receipts for Monday in all the big markets of the Central West, Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha, St. Joseph and St. Louis. Last week the cattle market was somewhat erratic. Monday and Tuesday values of last week declined 15 to 25 cents and nearly reached the low level of three weeks ago. Besides the liberal sprinkling of good to choice heavy steers, there was a heavy increase in the arrivals of half finished cows, heifers and butcher steers, the kind which have been selling relatively higher than any other class of beef cattle. As a natural consequence, prime butcher grades held about steady and the common and half fat class declined 15 to 30 cents.

Canner Grades Not Wanted.

Canner grades are not wanted, and it is certainly not profitable to the feeders to send in half fat offerings. The decline is the result of an over supply and the fact that grass cattle are arriving in the Southern division. The latter part of last week receipts were smaller and the demand continued strong. Sellers secured concessions of 10 to 20 cents, a part of which was lost at the very close. Opinions regarding the close of this week's market vary as an uncertain feeling predominates.

Heavy Feeders Scarce.

The stocker and feeder market is fairly active. Last week prices were not influenced much by the fluctuations in dressed beef grades. Choice heavy feeders were scarce and sold 10 to 15 cents lower than the high level of the week before. Prime stockers over 600 pounds sold up to $5.00 or as high as at any time. Stock calves were generally 25 cents lower for the week. The local cattle receipts for the week were around 31,300 against 26,050 for the week before and 16,577 a year ago. Chicago received 58,700 against 57,100 the week before and 46,100 a year ago. The movement to the five markets combined last week aggregated 134,900 against 130,950 the week before, and 97,850 a year ago.

Large Hog Receipts.

It looks now as if the hog receipts this week would equal those of last week when 50,000 hogs were received at the Kansas City pens. Week before last 37,975 arrived and a year ago 43,974. Chicago also made a substantial gain, receiving 137,000 against 124,000 the week before and 141,000 a year ago. The five markets combined last week received 283,775, against 278,525 the week before and 294,550 a year ago. If the receipts this week go above 50,000, prices will go below the present level, which is the lowest in many weeks. Present prices range below those prevailing a year ago, when $7.30 was top and the bulk of the sales ranged from $7 to $7.20.

Two years ago the top was $5.82½, and the bulk $5.65 to $5.75.

Sheep Prices Advance.

There was a decided advance last week in prices of all kinds of sheep. Conditions look good for this week. Receipts have been smaller and the killer buyers have shown more activity in buying. Fat lambs have advanced more than other kinds. They are quoted 40 to 60 cents higher than a week ago. Some Texans sold for $4.75 at the close last week that were considered no better than Texans selling at $4 a week or ten days ago. Few more fed westerns are looked for this season. The bulk of sheep this week is coming from Texas, with a few from the West and Northwest. The market began steady. Sheep receipts last week amounted to 24,150, against 18,000 the week before, and 11,500 a year ago. At Chicago 59,000 arrived, against 54,000 the week before and 53,000 a year ago. The five leading Central West markets received 122,750 against 147,225 the week before and 97,000 a year ago.

Horse Receipts Small.

Receipts were small and trade active in the horse market last week. The light arrivals last week were expected, owing to the fact that most of the shippers remained in the city to attend the special sale of high class drivers and saddlers. Eastern buyers were strong competitors for desirable offerings and the market was thoroughly cleaned up. Next week liberal receipts are expected and dealers except a large attendance of buyers. The mule trade is 15½ hand animals, which have declined $2.50 to $5 per head for lack of demand.

Prices range as fallows for sound, serviceable horses, four to eight years old. Extra good kinds are worth more, and extra common kinds are worth less:

Horses—	
Draft, good	$145.00@155.00
Drafts, 1,500 to 1,700 lbs, extra	160.00@175.00
Chucks, good to choice	90.00@135.00
Farm mares, 1,500 to 1,400 lbs	75.00@130.00
Drivers, medium	60.00@ 75.00
Drivers, good to fancy	90.00 up
Southerners, good to extra	75.00@ 90.00
Southerners, common to fair	30.00@ 50.00
Plugs	15.00@ 20.00

Prices range as follows for sound, serviceable mules, four to eight years old, in good hair and flesh and well broken:

Mules—	
13½ to 14 hands, fat and broken	$ 45.00@ 55.00
14 to 14½ hands, fat, good hair	65.00@ 75.00
14½ to 15½ hands, fat	75.00@110.00
15 to 15½ hands, fat	110.00@130.00
15½ to 16 hands, fat, quality	135.00@150.00
16 to 16½ hands, extra, 1,200 to 1,500	155.00@175.00

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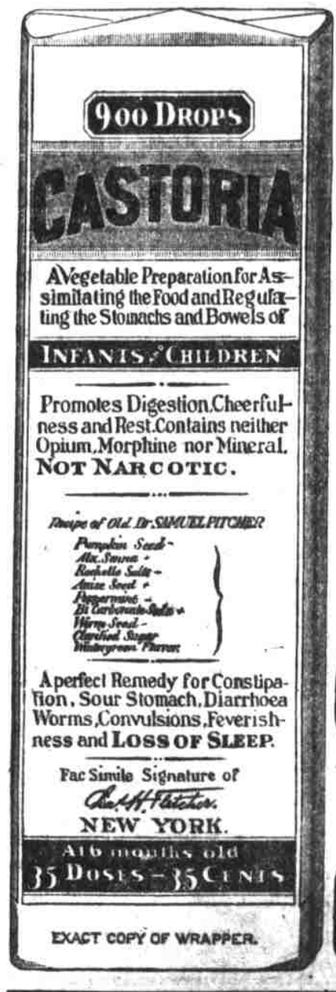

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