

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Values in Grain Continue Steadily to Go Down.

DEPENDANT ON COLD WEATHER.

An Exceptionally Low Thermometer in the Wheat Range—Corn is Falling and Provisions Look Up a Little.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKETS.

Chicago, May 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The wheat markets of the country are dull and dragging. Crop conditions throughout the whole western country seem to be about as near perfect as they often get, and the California correspondents continue to forecast a phenomenal Pacific coast yield.

On the other hand, exports are only moderate and there seems to be very little general speculative inquiry for property. The sample wheat market is active, and a large aggregate business is being transacted in a hand to mouth way.

The crop and weather conditions, the quiet and dull cables, and the domestic speculative inactivity here generally have a depressing effect on the business among the rank and file of regular or professional operators.

The belief in lower prices is far more popular than it was when the market was so high. This is due, in a great part probably, to the fact that the crop is getting well along toward the safety point, though absolute safety can not be assured until harvest is over and the "in" out of the weather.

"Scenery," however, is glorious, and the prospects invite boundless short selling. The only thing that apparently stands in the way of 60-cent wheat is the small stock of old wheat, visible and invisible, and the fact that this wheat is having an actual cash value for shipping and milling purposes.

Barley—Nothing doing. Prime Timothy—\$1.33. Flax—\$1.54. Whiskey—\$1.02. Pork—Higher; cash and June, \$11.00; July, \$11.70. Lard—Firm; cash and June, \$6.80; July, \$6.80@6.87 1/2.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET

Chicago, May 17.—[Special Telegram to The Bee.]—The liberal supplies of the past few days filled most of the large buyers' orders for the week; and the operations today were conducted in a slow and uneven way.

request, and were rather slow at about yesterday's prices. The best feature this morning was the contention Oregon Transcontinental, the books closing, to-day, at 3 p. m.

The hog market, which has been going down at a rapid rate for some days, took a turn in the other direction, to-day, much to the relief of the selling interests.

Receipts. Cattle, 1,200. Hogs, 2,100. Sheep, 191.

Prevaling Prices. The following is a table of prices paid in this market for the grades of stock mentioned.

Table with columns: No., Av. Pr., Sp. Pr. listing various grades of stock and their prices.

PRODUCE MARKETS. Chicago, May 17.—1:15 p. m. close.—Wheat higher, \$1.07 1/2; corn, 77 1/2; June, 78 1/2.

NEW YORK, May 17.—Wheat—Receipts, 10,000; shipments, 22,000; stock, 313,000.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 17.—Sample wheat weak at yesterday's decline; receipts, 110 cars; shipments, 51 cars.

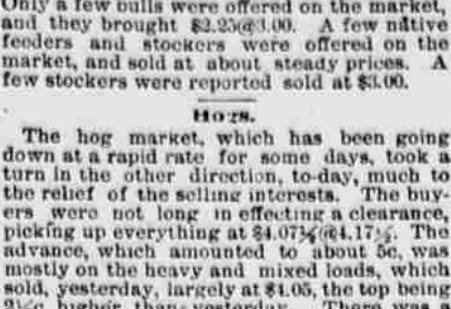
KANSAS CITY, May 17.—Wheat—Quiet; No. 2 red, cash, 70c; No. 3, soft, cash, 70c.

ST. LOUIS, May 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 800; shipments, 1,000; market strong; choice heavy native steers, \$3.80@4.10.

ST. LOUIS, May 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 841; shipments, 225; market steady; heavy native steers, \$3.80@4.10.

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