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VICTORIA.

The rainy season may be said to have set in for the autumn months, and while the effect will result in a decrease in outside work, it has stimulated the demand for seasonable goods, notably dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes and fuel, which is eagerly welcomed by the retail trade. There is a fair demand reported by the wholesale trade, who state that they can sell all the goods they wish if on credit, but the past year with a tight money market and dealers slow in making payments together with numerous failures among the trade, has made wholesalers rather conservative. The most important changes during the week have been a decline in the price of Hungarian flour and sugar. There has been a very fair addition to the list of tonnage on the way to British Columbia this week, and a number of lumber charters will help considerably to increase our lumber exports for the year. Collections are reported rather poor for the beginning of the month.

At Vancouver, according to the *News Advertiser*, "business has been very fair, though it was rather quiet during the early part of the week owing to the near approach of the end of the month. The wet weather of the past few days has of course stopped for the time all outside work. During the past week, there have been two arrivals here, one to load lumber and another with a general cargo from England. Wholesale business continues steady, prices being almost unchanged."

#### FRUITS AND VEGETABLES.

Apples are reported scarce, and local quotations are higher than last week. Apples are scarce in Portland; 190c is about the price there, but the supply is not sufficient to meet the demand. The eastern crop is also reported as light. The fruit is, on the whole, not equal in quality to that of past years. This will affect the evaporated apple market which promises to be high this year. Concord grapes in baskets are now down to 35c a basket which prices

will clear up all the stocks in jobbers hands. The steamship Warrimoo is expected about Thursday with large consignments of both Australian and Hawaiian fruit of which the market is entirely bare. There will undoubtedly be a heavy demand for oranges and bananas. There have been a few bananas on the market recently, but they are slow of sale at \$3.00 and \$1.00 a bunch. New California oranges will soon be arriving. The fruit is yet too green to ship and give any kind of satisfaction.

Jobbers quotations for fruits are as follows:—

Oranges—Australian	0 60 @ 0 00
California	.... 3 25 @ 0 00
Lemons—California	1 50 @ 5 00
Australian	0 03 @ 0 00
Bananas	. . . . . 3 50 @ 1 00
Apples	.. bxs 1 25 @ 1 50
Pears	.. . . . 1 25 @ 1 50
Grapes, California	.. . . . 1 00 @ 1 25
Concord, baskets	3 @ 0 00
Cocoanuts	.. per 100 \$ 00 @ 9 00
Pineapple—sugar	.. 10 doz 0 00 @ 1 00
Hawaiian	per doz 0 00 @ 0 00

Vegetables are quoted:

Potatoes—Local	per ton 17 00 @ 20 00
Onions—Silverskins	per lb @ 2

#### GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS.

The important feature of the grocery market is the decline of 1c in sugar quotations last week. On Wednesday the B. C. Sugar Refinery dropped 1c, and again on Friday they dropped another 1c which brings the wholesale quotation down to 61c for dry granulated. It is generally believed that this reduction by the Refinery is made in consequence of the large shipment of refined sugar received by Victoria merchants ex ss. Tacoma. The butter market continues firm. Alice & Ault, expect a car of the celebrated Clover Leaf Brand creamery butter, September make, early this week. It will be in large and small tubs, and 5 lb. tin pails. They quote it at 25c for large and 28c for small tubs and pails. They guarantee that it is the finest butter ever offered on this market and superior to the last car being of September as against August make. Meats are unchanged in price. Eggs in cases are scarce and quotations are a little stronger.

The *Montreal Trade Bulletin* says: "Butter receipts during the past week were 3,161 pkgs., against 3,202 pkgs., for the week previous. Although the market is quoted by some as being dull and easy, a good deal more September and October made creamery has changed hands than is generally believed, sales having been reported at from 22c to 22½c at the factory, and yet when holders offer their goods on this market they can only get these figures. It seems that most of September make of the finest creameries have been secured, and holders of October make who thought they should get at least 1c more than for their September goods are now willing to take less, and we quote 22c to 22½c, a fair range for late made creamery, shippers being willing to pay the inside rate. About 1,500 to 2,000 packages have recently changed hands. In dairy butter there is no great surplus, most of the offerings being wanted for the local jobbing trade. A lot of 60 tubs of fine Eastern Townships fall butter was sold at 20½c, and a lot of good straight dairy sold at 19½c. Western dairy is steadily

held, and late sales have been in favor of holders, sales of 200 packages being reported at 19½c for fine and 20c for selected, being 1c advance upon last week's sales. A lot of Kamouraska has been sold below Quebec at equal to 20c here. Creamery, September, 21½c to 22½c, per lb., Eastern Townships, 19c to 21c. For single tubs of selected, 1c per lb., may added to the above. Receipts of cheese during the past week were 45,812 boxes against 45,071 boxes for the week previous. The market has not undergone any change during the past week that either buyers or sellers can boast of. The principal business comprised sales over the cable, which, of course, are not a fair criterion for spot quotations. The French cheese which sold at the boat on Monday, commanded 1c less than the week previous, the price paid being 11c. There are ready buyers of finest Western Septembers and Octobers at 11½c to 11½c, but holders ask 11½. A large make of October goods may be expected, as prices have been eminently conducive thereto, while the weather has been all that could be desired. It is true some factories have been closed for the season, but quite a number are turning out almost as many cheese as during the first half of the month. A few contracted lots of cheese are said to have been refused on account of quality not being up to the standard of finest; but this is always liable to occur to a greater or less extent every season. An important feature in the present situation favorable to Canadian holders is the fact that the United States to all appearances will not be able to render much assistance in supplying England's wants during the coming winter season. The English market is firmer for finest Canadian, the Liverpool cable having advanced another 1s to 5s, while private cables advise actual sales at 56s. The exports this week will be over 100,000 boxes."

Dairy produce is quoted:

Butter—Eastern Creamery, tubs	27½ @ 23
Manitoba creamery, 10-lb tins	@ 23½
" dairy	20 @ 23
Cheese—Canadian, lb	12½ @ 11
California	16 @ 18
Eggs, case, per doz	22½ @ 23
Smoked meats and lard are quoted:	
Hams	16 @ 18
Breakfast bacon	17 @ 18
Short rolls	14 @ 15
Dry Salt, long clear	14 @ 60
Pure Lard, 50lbs	15½ @ 00
" " 20lbs	15½ @ 00
" " 10lbs	15½ @ 00
Lard Compound, 10lbs	13 @ 13½

Sugar—Jobbers' prices ½ barrels and kegs in each case being 1c higher:

Dry Granulated (Chinu)	61
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Extra C	5½
Fancy Yellow	5½
Yellow	5½
Golden C	5½
Syrups, per lb	3
" 1 gal tins, American	6 50
" 1 " " "	5 75
" 1 " " Vancouver	5 50
" 1 " " "	7 00

Jobbers' quotations for Armour Packing Company's brands per lb.:

Helmet brand sugar cured hams, medium	0 16½
" " " heavy	0 16
" " " breakfast bacon	0 00
Fancy Gold Band hams	0 18½
" " " breakfast bacon	0 21