

PROVISIONS.

BUTTER.—There has been one small purchase made for shipment at prices ranging from 10 to 12c., the latter being for dairy with white thrown out. But with this exception the situation has remained as before, really choice firm at 15 to 16c. and all else neglected and accumulating. Rolls more abundant and easier; one mixed lot of about two tons sold at 11c. but good to choice steady at 13 to 15c. On street pound rolls have brought 22 to 25c. and tubs and crocks 14 to 17c. for dairy.

EGGS.—Substantially unchanged at 20c. for round lots of fresh and 16c. for round lots of pickled. On street 22 to 26c. has been paid for fresh to new-laid.

CHEESE.—Seems quiet at 9 to 9½c. for choice in small lots and 6½ to 8c. for inferior to medium.

PORK.—Small lots have sold quiet but firm at \$13.

BACON.—The demand has been slack and the movement very limited. Long clear in case lots 7c. with Cumberland nominal. Rolls from \$1½ to 9½c. and bellies from 10½ to 11c. with boneless 11½c.; with hogs firm meat seems likely to be the same.

HAMS.—Much as before at 11 to 11½c. for smoked, the former figure being for lots of not less than fifty.

LARD.—All the newly made offering has continued to go off readily at 9 to 9½c. for pails, these being the only sort offered.

HOGS.—Firm with all offered readily taken at \$5.37 to \$5.50 for rail lots; and \$5.50 to \$6.25 for farmers' lots, few of the latter going over \$6.

SALT.—No Liverpool coarse on hand and cars to arrive held at 65c.; fine selling slowly at \$1.45 and dairy in 50 lb. bags at 40c. Canadian inactive at 80c. for car lots and 55c. for small lots.

DRIED APPLES.—Trade lots dull at about 4c.; dealers selling at 4½ to 5c., and for evaporated at 8½c.

WHITE BEANS.—Scarce and wanted at \$1.15 to \$1.20 for hand-picked in lots; with dealers selling at \$1.25 to \$1.35.

HORS.—Nothing doing beyond a few single sales occasionally at 7 to 10c.; trade lots neither offered nor wanted.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Butter, choice dairy	\$ 0 14	to \$ 0 16
“ good shipping lots	0 10	to 0 12
“ inferior, etc.	0 03½	to 0 04
Cheese, in small lots	0 06½	to 0 09½
Pork, mess, per brl.	13 00	to 00 00
Bacon, long clear	0 07	to 00 00
“ Cumberland cut	0 07	to 00 00
“ smoked	0 00	to 00 00
Hams, smoked	0 11	to 0 11½
“ cured and canvassed	0 07	to 0 10
“ in pickle	0 00	to 00 00
Lard, in tinnets and pails	0 09	to 0 09½
“ in tierces	0 00	to 00 00
Eggs	0 16	to 0 20
Dressed hogs	5 37	to 5 50
Hops	0 07	to 0 09
Dried apples	0 04	to 0 05
White beans	1 10	to 1 35
Liverpool coarse salt	0 00	to 00 00
“ dairy, per bag 50 lbs.	0 40	to 00 00
“ fine	1 50	to 00 00
Goderich, per barrel	0 85	to 00 90
“ per car lot	0 80	to 00 00

HIDES, SKINS AND WOOL.

HIDES.—Green unchanged in price; all offered, and a few more, wanted; cured have been in active demand and scarce, with the previous advance fully maintained; sales at 9½c., one of them being a car lot.

CALFSKINS.—Still inactive and nominally unchanged.
SHEEPSKINS.—Prices of city green have risen five cents and \$1 is now paid for the best of them; country lots have ranged from 75 to 90c., and all of all sorts offered have found ready sale.

WOOL.—There has been so little fleece obtainable that it may be regarded as almost nominal; values, however, firm, at 21 to 21½c. for choice and 18 to 19c. for mixed lots; pulled in good demand with sales at 22 to 23c. for super; at 26 to 27c. for extra and 18 to 19c. for combing. The demand from the mills steady.

TALLOW.—Exceedingly dull for all sorts; prices unchanged.

Hides and Skins—		
No. 1 steers	\$ 0 09½	to \$ 0 09¾
Cows, No. 2 and No. 1	0 07½	to 0 08½
Cured and inspected	0 09½	to 0 09½
Calfskins, green	0 11	to 0 13
“ cured	0 13	to 0 15
Sheepskins	0 65	to 1 00
Lambskins	0 00	to 0 00
Pelts	0 00	to 0 00
Tallow, rough	0 03	to 0 00
“ rendered	0 06	to 0 00
Wool—		
Fleece, comb'g ord.	0 19	to 0 21½
“ Southdown	0 22	to 0 23
Pulled combing	0 18	to 0 19
“ super	0 22	to 0 23
Extra	0 26	to 0 27

THE HORSE MARKET.

TORONTO.

The demand for horses of all classes is on the decrease as is usual at this time of the year. Only about twenty horses were sold at Grand's on Tuesday, and all were cheap workers. Prices ranged from \$50 to \$125 each. A good many first-class drivers are being offered, but no special sales have been reported.

BOSTON.

Sales during the week have been light, while receipts are fully up to the average. The arrivals are largely western horses. Sales on Saturday were mostly at \$100 to \$200 per head. Geo. C. Hooker sold one fancy pair of well-matched carriage greys, 16 hands high, weighing 2,100lbs., of extra style, at \$1,200. The purchaser was John Wells, of Longwood, Brookline; one pair of dapple greys, a very nice team, at \$900. O. F. Kern, of Indiana, had 19 head, mostly draught, for single drive, at \$125 to \$225. A. K. Wilson had 18 head, a mixed load of good chunks, at \$150 to \$175. Hodges & Morse, of Michigan, and Berry Bros., of Ohio, arrived on Sunday with about twenty head each, and had not sold.

CHICAGO.

The first week of the winter season brought very light receipts of horses and a correspondingly light trade. There is no revival in the trade to be expected for some weeks to come, certainly not till after the holiday season.

MONTREAL.

The horse market has ruled quiet during the past week, owing to the great scarcity of horses. There is a good enquiry for drivers, saddle horses and cheap shanty animals. At Mr. Jas. Maguire's stables, on College Street, the following sales were made: One bay horse, 6 years, weighing 1,200lbs., at \$130; one bay mare, 8 years, at \$125 and one bay cob at \$60.



WELLAND CANAL ENLARGEMENT.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned and endorsed "Tender for the Welland Canal," will be received at this office until the arrival of the Eastern and Western mails on MONDAY, the 25th day of JANUARY next (1886), for raising the walls of the locks, weirs, etc., and increasing the height of the banks of that part of the Welland Canal between Port Dalhousie and Thorold, and for deepening the Summit Level between Thorold and Ramey's Bend, near Humberston.

The works throughout will be let in sections. Maps of the several localities, together with plans and descriptive specifications, can be seen at this office on and after MONDAY, the 11th day of JANUARY next (1886), where printed forms of tender can be obtained. A like class of information relative to the works north of Allanburg will be furnished at the Resident Engineer's office, Thorold; and for works south of Allanburg, plans, specifications, etc., may be seen at the Resident Engineer's office, Welland.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and, in the case of firms, except there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank cheque for the sum of Two Thousand Dollars or more—according to the extent of the work on the section—must accompany the respective tenders, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works, at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

The amount required in each case will be stated on the form of tender.

The cheque or money thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

This Department does not, however, bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

A. P. BRADLEY,

Secretary.

Dept. of Railways and Canals,
Ottawa, December 9, 1885.]



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tender for Engine House, Toronto, Ont.," will be received at this office until MONDAY, 28th instant, for the erection and completion of

AN ENGINE HOUSE,
AT THE EXAMINING WAREHOUSE, TORONTO, ONT.

Plans and specifications can be seen at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, and at the office of D. B. Dick, Architect, Toronto, on and after WEDNESDAY, 9th instant.

Persons tendering are notified that tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with their actual signatures.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque, made payable to the order of the Honorable the Minister of Public Works, equal to five per cent. of the amount of the tender, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

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By order,

A. GOBEIL,

Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, 9th December, 1885.]

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