

THE STANDARD'S FINANCIAL SECTION

Wholesale Beef
Prices Advanced
During The WeekPrice Tendency in Farm Pro-
duce Was Downward—
Bananas Dropped Slightly.

A number of changes have occurred in local market quotations during the past week, noticeable among which is a change in the prices of wholesale beef, which show an increase over the quotations which have prevailed for some time. Western beef is now selling at 12c to 12½c; butchers' beef at 12c to 12½c; and country beef at 10c to 11c.

In the wholesale grocery line, Siam rice has dropped 75c per cwt.; cream of tartar dropped 3c per pound, and cornmeal has been noted in the wholesale market at 32.50, an increase of 30c over last week. Both sugar and compound had a slight decrease in price, while new cheese is quoted at 12.50, and 30.50.

In the retail green goods market, several changes have occurred, the trend being mostly downward. Only one change has been noted in the wholesale fruit line, that being in the price of bananas, which dropped one cent a pound.

Retail fish, wholesale hay and feed, and hides remain unchanged.

Standard, per lb.	0.00	0.35
Yellow, per lb.	0.00	0.35
Black, per lb.	0.00	0.35
Maple, per lb.	0.00	0.10
Beane, per lb.	0.00	0.10
White, per cwt.	7.25	7.50
Yellow, per cwt.	7.75	8.00
Molasses, per cwt.	0.00	0.00
Peas, split, per cwt.	0.00	0.00
Barley, per bush.	3.50	3.75
Cornmeal, per bag.	0.00	1.95
Comm. gran.	0.00	2.75
Raisins—		
Choice seeded, 1 lb.	0.21	0.22
Seedless, 1 lb.	0.22	0.23

Salt, Liverpool, per	0.10	0.10
Soda, bicarb., per keg	0.00	0.00
Cr. of Tartar, per lb.	0.31	0.32
Carmines, per lb.	0.10	0.10
Prunes, per lb.	0.14	0.15
Washing soda, lb.	0.02½	0.03
Cocoa, per lb. in tin	0.53	0.54
Java Coffee, in tin	0.45	0.46
Swaginated peaches	0.24	0.25
Coffee, special blend	0.47	0.48
Can. corn, doz.	1.60	1.65
Can. tomatoes, doz.	2.00	2.05
Can. peaches, 7½	2.25	2.30
Can. peas, doz.	1.35	1.40
Dates, doz.	0.22	0.20
Tea, Oolong, doz.	0.55	0.56
Nutmegs, doz.	0.30	0.32
Cassia, lb.	0.20	0.22
Chives, ground, per lb.	0.57	0.72
Ginger, ground, per lb.	0.30	0.35
Shelled walnuts	0.63	0.66
Shelled almonds	0.48	0.51
Walnuts, lb.	0.23	0.25
FFBerts, lb.	0.18	0.20
Flour, Man. bbl.	0.00	0.30
Flour, Ont. bbl.	0.00	0.30
Rolls oats, bags 90's	0.00	3.65
Cheese, per lb.	0.25	0.26
Butter, pure lard	0.19½	0.20½
Cheese, new	0.75½	0.76½
Lard, compound	0.17	0.18

Meats, Etc., Wholesale		
Beef—		
Western, per lb.	0.12	0.15
Butchers', per lb.	0.10	0.14
Country, per lb.	0.10	0.11
Lamb, per lb.	0.12	0.15
Mutton, per lb.	0.05	0.08
Pork, per lb.	0.10	0.16
Spring lamb, (carcase)	8.00	12.00

Country Produce, Retail		
Butter—		
Creamery, per lb.	0.45	0.50
Eggs, fresh, per doz.	0.00	0.35
Chickens, per lb.	0.50	0.60
Poultry, per lb.	0.40	0.50
Turkeys, per lb.	0.60	0.70
Duck, per lb.	0.50	0.60
Potatoes, per bush.	2.50	2.75

Green Goods, Retail		
Cabbages, per lb.	0.00	0.10
Carrots, per lb.	0.00	0.05
Tomatoes, per lb.	0.20	0.25
Carrots, per lb.	0.00	0.05
Mint and parsley	0.00	0.10
Onions, per lb.	0.10	0.15
Potatoes, per lb.	0.20	0.25
Maple honey, per bot.	0.50	0.60
Honey, per bottle	0.25	0.40
Beets, per lb.	0.00	0.05
American celery, lb.	0.00	0.10
Garlic, per lb.	0.00	0.10
Sweet potatoes, lb.	0.00	0.15
Domestic apples, pk.	0.50	0.75
Mushrooms, lb.	0.00	1.25
Rhubarb, lb.	0.00	0.25
Cauliflower, each	0.00	0.25
Spinach, each	0.10	0.15
Letts, each	0.05	0.10
Parsnips, each	0.00	0.05
Cucumbers, each	0.25	0.30
Radishes, bunch	0.10	0.15
Beet apples, lb.	0.00	0.12
Strawberries, box	0.00	0.35
Asparagus, bunch	0.60	0.50

Fruit, Etc., Wholesale		
Grapes, Florida, 7.00	7.00	8.00
California lemons	0.00	7.50
Minnesota lemons	0.00	5.00
Cal. oranges	7.00	8.50
Pineapples, per lb.	0.05	0.08
Pineapples, roasted	0.12	0.15
Coconuts, per each	5.00	5.50
New Scotia apples		
No. 1's	5.50	7.00
No. 2's	4.50	5.50
Domestic	4.50	5.50
Mexican oranges	0.00	0.05

Fish, Retail		
Halibut, fresh caught	0.00	0.40
Halibut, fresh	0.00	0.35
Cod, medium	0.00	0.15
Labret, per lb.	0.00	0.35
Flounders	0.00	0.35
Halibut	0.00	0.35
Clipped herring	0.00	0.07
Salmon, fresh	0.00	0.40
Macaroni, fresh	0.00	0.25
Chama, per lb.	0.00	0.40

Activity Further
Curtailed On The
Montreal MarketPrice Reactions Continued
and Losses Largely Exceeded
Gains—Ontario Steel
Drops.

Montreal, April 20.—Trading on the local stock exchange today was marked by further curtailment of activity and a continuance of the reaction in prices, with losses again exceeding gains.

Montreal Power took market leadership from Brazil, and reached a new high for the year, closing at 31, a net gain of 1.5 points. Brazilian came second in activity and closed down 1.5 point at 46.34; Atlantic Sugar was third, and was again weak, closing fractionally down at 23, after reaching a new low for the year of 22.

The best gain of the day was in St. Maurice Paper, which had an advance of five points on narrow trading. Ontario Steel, on news of the passing of the dividend, declined to 40 for a net loss of 5.13 points.

The papers were not very active, and, except for the Spanish issues, all showed slight declines. Abitibi and Brompton were each down a point, but Spanish common was up one and preferred half a point.

Canada Steamships preferred, had a fairly active day and reached a new high for the movement at 51.12, but receding to 49.14 at the close for a new loss of 1.14 points.

The voting trust issue was up to a new high of 18.14, for a gain of 5.14 points.

Bonds were fairly active, with prices for the most part firm. Total sales: Listed 18,940; bonds \$285,650.

Montreal Sales

(Compiled by McDougall and Cowan)

55 Prince Wm. St.

Montreal, April 20.

Open High Low Close

Abitibi 51½ 51½ 50 50

All Sugar 23½ 24½ 22 23

Asb Com 61½ 62 61½ 61½

Asb Ptd 80 80½ 79½ 79½

Brompton 29½ 29½ 28 28

Brazilian 46½ 46½ 45 45½

Bell Tele 106½ 106½ 106½ 106½

B E 2nd Ptd 27 28 26½ 27

Peter Lyall 35 35 35 35

Can Car Ptd 54 54 53½ 54

Can Cem Com 62 62 61 61

Can S S Ptd 91 91 91 91

Dom Glass 65½ 65½ 65 65

Dom Caspers 32 32 32 32

Gen Electric 90½ 90½ 90½ 90½

Breweries 57 57½ 57 57

Steel Canada 49 49 48 48

Quebec Ry 25½ 25½ 25 25

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Span R Com 32 32½ 32 32

Span R Ptd 91½ 91½ 91 91

1927 Victory Loan 100.00

1923 Victory Loan 100.00

1924 Victory Loan 100.00

1925 Victory Loan 100.00

1926 War Loan 98.00

1921 War Loan 98.00

BANK CLEARINGS

St. John bank clearings this week

were \$2,500,445; last year \$2,194,376;

in 1920, \$2,500,445. Montreal clear-

ings this week were \$1,120,362. The

Halifax figures were \$3,701,997.

Oysters, per qt. 1.25

Scallops, per lb. 1.50

Smelt, per lb. 0.00

Fresh herring, per lb. 0.00

Fish sausage, per lb. 0.00

Gasper, per lb. 0.00

Hay and Feed, Wholesale

Hay, per ton 32.00

Straw, per ton 20.00

Bran, per ton 35.00

Shorts, per ton 80.00

Oats, per bushel 0.72

Oils, Wholesale

Palatine 0.00

Royalite 0.00

Premier motor gas 0.00

United States Steel
Scored Its Highest
Quotation In YearsOn the Whole Business of N.
Y. Exchange Was Feature-
less and Without Sensation.

The Stock Exchange today began with many indications that the session would establish a record in activity and breadth for three years, but operations slackened visibly during the intermediate and final periods. Aside from United States Steel, which rose to 197.14, its highest quotation in 1921, the session was uneventful.

Extreme gains of one to three points were scored by a number of shares, but these suffered partial or entire cancellation as the day progressed and the desire to take profits became more insistent.

No restrictions to the market's upward course were imposed by monetary conditions. Further ease was evidenced by local money rates, and international currencies seemed in no serious degree disturbed by latest aspects of the Genoa Conference, including Russia's refusal to pay her war obligations.

The firmness of coal shares was cited as evidence that the coal strike is becoming less of a market influence. This was supplemented by advice from centres of steel and iron production, mostly of an encouraging tenor.

Among the relatively few submarkets, the steel group was American Locomotive, Crucible Steel, Sears-Robuck, Montgomery Ward, Computing Tabulating, Western Pacific Preferred, and Market Street Railway Preferred.

United States Steel closed at a small loss and most of the oils were affected by heavy selling of "good names" on commercial paper.

Sterling's reaction to the foreign situation was a decline of 3-4 of a cent. Allied bills eased 2 to 5 points.

Time funds were plentiful and private loans on approved collateral were made for the shorter dates at 4-4 per cent, that same rate applying to "good names" on commercial paper.

N. Y. Quotations

(Compiled by McDougall and Cowan)

55 Prince Wm. St.

New York, April 20.

Open High Low Close

Allied Chem. 42½ 43½ 42 42

Am Bosch 46½ 47½ 46 46

Am Ice 109 109 109 109

Am Can 48½ 49½ 48 48

Am Loco 118 117 115½ 116½

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Wheat Market Dull
And Featureless On
Winnipeg TradePrices Ranged Fractionally
Lower from Wednesday's
Closing—Coarse Grains
Down.

Winnipeg, April 20.—After yesterday's strong market, the local wheat market took a turn today and was very dull and featureless throughout the session. The undertone was firm, but on a high range prices were ranging fractionally lower from yesterday's close.

May quickly dropped to 1.32. At this level there was little buying, and prices recovered somewhat. Price changes were not rapid and May fluctuated around 1.40 during the last hour. July was steady after a drop to 1.27½ from 1.38. May closed unchanged, and July 1-8 lower.

Coarse grains were following wheat and were not very active, but a fairly firm tone was maintained and prices were ranging higher.

Weekly Statement

Bank of France

Paris, April 20.—The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes:

Gold in hand, increase \$20,000

Silver in hand, increase 472,000

Notes in circulation, decrease \$4,000,000

Treasury deposits, decrease \$7,713,000

General deposits, increase 175,973,000

Bills discounted, decrease \$1,174,000

Advances, decrease \$4,939,500

The bank advanced 100,000,000 francs to the State.

Toronto Board of
Trade Quotations

Toronto, April 20.—Manitoba wheat

No. 1 northern \$1.56

Manitoba oats, No. 2 c.w. 58; No.

3 c.w. 54 1-4; extra No. 1 feed

65 1-4.

Manitoba Barley, nominal. All of

the above c.f. Hay ports.

American Corn, No. 2, 77 3-4; No.

3 yellow, 76 3-4; track Toronto,

prompt shipment.

Ontario Oats and Wheat, nominal.

Barley, making 60 to 65.

Buckwheat, No. 2 c.w. \$1.

Rye, No. 2, 2.95.

Milled, car lots, delivered. Mont-

real, freight, bags included: Bran,

per ton, \$25 to \$30; middlings, not