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## TORONTO.

Toronto, March 28th.

**Provisions.**—The demand for eggs is exceptionally large, owing to the Easter trade. The supply, too, is very good indeed. Prices have reached the bottom for a few days anyway. The butter market is very active, while deliveries are large. The demand is good. There is no surplus stock. We quote: New laid eggs, 20 to 21c.; separator prints, 25 to 27c.; farmer's ordinary, 23 to 24c.; large roll, 24c.; tubs, 21 to 22c.; creamery prints, 27 to 30c.; lard, tubs, 12¼ to 12½c.; pails, 12¾c.; compounds, 8 to 11c.

**Fish.**—Easter week is creating a very strong demand for fish. We quote: Smelts, 8c. and 12½c. pound; shredded cod, 90c. dozen; pilot cod, 5½c. pound; bluenose cod, 6c. pound; Labrador herrings, genuine Duff brand, \$4.90 barrel; whitefish, ½ barrels, \$6.50 barrel; Kipperd Herrings, \$1.25; trout, 10c. pound; halibut, medium or large, 12c. pound; salmon, British Columbia, steelheads, 12c. pound; finnan haddie, 10c. pound; mackerel, medium size, 10c. each; flounders, 5c. pound; digby herrings, 60c. bundle; Halifax fish cakes, \$2.40 case.

**Fruit.**—Business is very brisk. There is a good demand for fancy goods, such as bananas, strawberries, pineapples, etc. The orange market is still fairly strong. We quote: Bronco brand navel, \$3.25, \$3.40 and \$3.50; bronco brand Jumbo boxes, \$3.65 box; Banner brand navel, \$2.75 and \$3; blood oranges, genuine Paterno Oval Bloods, in ½ boxes, \$2.50; Valencia oranges, ordinary, 20c. dozen, case, \$4, large, \$4.75 case; strawberries, Floridas, 50 to 60c. quart, Louisiana, 20c. pint; cucumbers, Boston hothouse, \$2 dozen, Floridas in hampers, \$5, or per dozen, \$1.25; asparagus, Jumbo bunches, 75c. to \$1, ordinary bunches about \$3 dozen; tomatoes, fancy Floridas, \$5 crate; spinach, fancy Baltimore, \$1 hamper; new beets or carrots, \$1 dozen bunches; Canadian head lettuce, \$1 dozen; radishes, 45c. dozen; rhubarb, \$1 to \$1.25 dozen; new potatoes, about \$3 to \$3.50 bushel basket.

**Groceries.**—Business is rather quiet, but improvement is expected in a few weeks. Dry fruits continue very firm and sugar is inclined to be a little stronger.

**Hides and Skins.**—The market shows very little change. There is not much trading either in receipts or sales. Neither is there any basis of prices on the markets. No severe drop is anticipated. The quality of the hides now is worse than at any time of the year. Prices to country holders are likely to come down still further. This is a bad time for the country butchers and small dealers to hold their hides. They should sell at what they can get. We quote: Inspected hides, No. 1, 10½c.; No. 2, 9½c.; No. 3, 8½c.; country cured, 9c.; country frozen, 8c.; sheepskins, \$1.50 to \$1.65; calfskins are 1c. higher; cities, 13c., countries, 11 to 12c.

**Tallow.**—Tallow is still firm and the supply is comparatively small. The price ruling is 5½ to 6c.

An example of the increase in value of Western property is found in the history of four Calgary lots which were sold four years ago for \$100. The property was held two years, when three of the lots were re-sold for \$7,000. A few months later a retired rancher purchased them for \$13,000, and after holding them three months, they were sold again for \$18,000. An English syndicate now has bought the property for \$24,500, which proves there is money for more than one in real estate.

## MONTREAL.

Montreal, March 26th.

During the whole of last week the weather was quite mild and this occasioned increased activity in the market. Early this week, the snowstorm in Montreal and the subsequent lower temperatures, combined with the bad roads, prevented any large volume of trade. Easter being close at hand, the purchase of millinery of all kinds could no longer be delayed, and it is expected that now the retail trade will be excellent. A few days since the Montreal Cotton Company issued a new price list, showing advances of from 5 to 7½ per cent., and there is no question that all kinds of cotton goods are firmly held. The same remarks apply to woollens, and cloths, and tweeds of all kinds. There is a good deal of activity in the retail market for boots and shoes, but wholesalers are having a breathing spell after taking their orders for the spring and summer trade and will presently begin on their fall orders. In other lines, such as groceries, there is considerable activity, and in practically all lines of iron and steel, and products thereof, the market is strong in tone under a demand which cannot be fully supplied. The car situation continues to exert a considerable influence, and although the movement is somewhat freer than formerly it is still unsatisfactory from the standpoint of shippers and receivers.

The monetary outlook is not as satisfactory as merchants would desire, but some look for an improvement in the situation after the first of the month. Meantime, collections during March have been only fair.

**Butter.**—Stocks in Montreal are exceptionally light and prices are firm. It is claimed that it is almost impossible to get hold of choice held stock, and that 28c. would be paid for it. Some new milk creamery is quoted at 30c., and some fresh made rolls at 24 to 25c., the latter not being new milk. There is quite a lot of "returned" butter in the market; the creamery is quoted at 26 to 27c., and the dairy at about 20c. Receipts of new milk creamery are expected to increase after this week.

**Cheese.**—The market for old stock is quiet and prices are 13½ to 17¾c., but there is very little left in the market. It is claimed by some, that as high as 13¾c., in the country, has been offered for the fodder makes.

**Eggs.**—The market shows very little change. Supplies are fair and demand good. The market ranges around 23c., sales having been made up to 24c.

**Hides.**—The market for calfskins shows increased firmness, and prices now range from 13c. for No. 2 stock to 15 for No. 1. Receipts have been fairly large, as have also those of beef hides, prices for the latter being 10, 11 and 12c. per pound respectively. Spring lambskins are not quoted, but sheep are \$1 each and horsehides \$2 each for No. 2 and \$2.50 for No. 1.

**Hay.**—The English market has declined equal to about \$1 per ton here. The American markets continue firm all round and the market here holds firm on top grades. No. 1 Timothy is quoted at \$13.50 to \$14 per ton, No. 2 at \$12 to \$12.50 and clover \$11 to \$11.50.

**Maple Syrup.**—So far, the season seems not to have been very favorable, but there is yet time to harvest a good supply. Prices here are 7c. per pound or 90c. per gallon.

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