

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, March 4.

Dry goods—Active. House sales large, and numerous buyers are here. Millinery openings a splendid success. Prospects are bright. Values H. M. in hardware a larger trade is coming. Further advances are looked for this week. The market is buoyant. Bar iron is 5c lower. Barbed wire has advanced and is now \$2.50 per cwt. Tin plates 10c higher. Scrap copper and brass is 2c higher, while the total down cost of Canada plates has increased 17c. Lead, quarter us, 3-8c dearer. Smooth steel wire and wire staples 25c dearer. American manufacturers have advanced prices of galvanized iron 25c and black sheets, 10c.

Groceries—Improved demand. Canned goods are selling freer, particularly tomatoes. Corn is firmer at 90 to 95c. Meas stronger and excited owing to an advance in low grades in London. Locally tea is dearer than a week ago. Advanced bids by local firms brought no reply from Colombo

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

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Toronto, Feb. 28.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 55 carloads, including 400 sheep and lambs, and 1,200 hogs. Choice cattle were firm, but there were too many of the common class, though all sold.

Export Cattle—Heavy exporters quoted at \$1.60 to \$5, bulls, \$4 to \$1.25.

Butchers' Cattle—Choice, \$1; common grades, \$2.50 to \$1.25 per cwt. Stockers and Feeders—Stockers were weaker. Heavy stockers sold 10c lower, or \$1.50 to \$1.60 per cwt. Feeders, \$1.50 to \$1 stock bulls, \$2.50 to \$1.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Lambs were 20c per cwt. higher, at \$1.40 to \$1.70. Sheep for export and butchers, steady at \$1.25 to \$1.50. Bucks, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

Hogs—Prices were weak for choice and light, the former being quoted 25c per cwt. lower, and the latter 15c per cwt. lower; choice, \$1.25 per cwt.; light, \$1. Thick fat were a little lower, at \$1.75 to \$1.85, \$1 per cwt. Stags, \$2.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, March 3.

Receipts of live stocks at the market to-day were 40 car loads of all kinds, including 150 sheep and lambs and 500 hogs. Cattle were firmer all around. Stockers and feeders were also firmer. Prices the same as at Tuesday's market. Hogs were easier at Tuesday's prices.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

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Grain deliveries continue rather light. Prices are firm. Oats are 1-2c higher. Dressed hogs are weaker and 10c lower.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$1.10 to \$1.20, Manitoba bakers, \$3.75 to \$4; Ontario straight roller, \$3.20 to \$3.25 per bbl. Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 69 to 70c for cars at country points. No 1 hard 79c Midland, and \$2 1-2c to \$3c North Bay.

Oats—White, 50 1-2c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 46c at country points for car lots.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$14 to \$15 per ton;

bran, \$12 to \$14 per ton at country points.

Oatmeal—\$3.50 in bags per barrel and \$3.60 in wood for car lots.

Eggs—New laid, 21c, lined, 14 to 15c, held fresh, 12 to 14c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 10 to 13 1-2c, creamery, tubs, 19 to 20c.

Hides—Cows, green, 81-2c, green steers, 9c, cured hides, 9 1-4c, sheepskins and lambskins, 50c to \$1. calf-skins, 8 to 10c, tallow, 4 1-4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 15 1-2c.

Beans—\$1.10 per bushel for hand picked, and 80 to 95c for ordinary quality.

Dressed hogs—\$1.85 to \$1.95 100 lbs for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apples—6 to 6 1-2c for round lots, evaporated, 9 to 9 1-2c.

Honey—6 to 7 1-2 in bulk, sections \$1 to \$1.20.

Poultry—Turkeys, 10 to 12c for frozen, chickens, 40 to 60c a pair; geese, 6 to 7c.

Seeds—Red clover, \$1.50 to \$3.75; alfalfa, \$3.50 to \$4.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, March 4.

Oats are strong and higher. Flour is quiet and rather easier. Oatmeal is firmer. Some are asking 5 to 10c higher. Eggs are firm and not materially changed in price. Dairy butter is offering freely and prices are easier. Fresh dairy is 1-2c lower. The export demand for creamery is dull, and prices are 1-4 to 1-2c lower. Potatoes firm. Dressed meats and poultry unchanged, except dressed hogs, which are lower.

Oats—No. 2 white 35 1-2 to 34c in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are Manitoba strong makers, \$1.75 to \$3.90; Manitoba patents, \$4 to \$4.15.

Millfeed—Bran \$14 to \$14.50 per ton shorts \$15.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 to \$1.85 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9 to 9 1-2c. No. 2, 8 to 8 1-2c; No. 3, 7 to 7 1-2c; calfskins, 8 to 9c; sheepskins, 60 to 70c; lambskins, 70 to 75c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c.

Eggs—Choice fresh candied, 15 to 16 1-2c per dozen as to quality.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 14 to 14 1-2c, rolls, 14 to 16c; held stock, 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery, boxes, 20 to 20 1-4c, tubs, 19 1-2c.

Cheese—Choice western 10c, eastern, 9 3-4c.

Beans—\$1.00 to \$1.10 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots, 55c.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 9 1-2 to 11c; ducks, 7 to 9c; geese, 4 to 6c; chickens, 7 to 8c.

Dressed meats—Western fresh dressed beef, hinds, 5 to 7c; lores, 3 to 4 1-2c. Abattoir hogs in jobbing lots sold at \$5.75; country dressed, \$5 to \$5.15 per 100 pounds. Mutton, 4 1-2 to 5 1-2c; lambs, 6 1-2 to 7c.

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THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, March 3.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts of cattle were 300 head, sheep and lambs, 50. Offerings of cattle were light. There was a fair demand. The best cattle sold at 1 1-2 to 5c; fair to good, 3 1-2c to 4 1-4c; common, 2 1-2 to 3c. Sheep were quoted at 3 to 3 3-4c; lambs, 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c. Hogs, 4 to 4 5-8c per lb.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

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No changes in prices of staples. Granulated sugar quoted at \$1.30 per 100 pounds at refineries; yellow, \$3.75 to \$4.15; molasses, 51c in car lots; syrups, 1 3-4 to 2 1-4c as to quality; Valencia raisins, 4 3-4 to 5 1-2c; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8 to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B, 3 3-4 to 4c.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.

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Liverpool March 4.—Cheese is quoted at 49s for both white and colored.

SUGAR.

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London, March 4.—Market firmer. Beet, March option, 9s 8d; April, 9s 9d.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

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Liverpool: March 4.—Cattle easier. Quoted at 12 to 12 3-4c, estimated dressed weight.

WINNIPEG WHEAT INSPECTION.

Returns for last week report 368 cars of wheat inspected, which graded as follows: 1 hard, 55 cars; 2 hard, 6; 2 hard, 3; 1 northern, 108; 2 northern, 12; 3 northern, 3; 1 spring, 3; 1 white fine, 1; 1 Ladoga, 1, rejected, 11; no grade, 165 cars.

MANITOBA WHEAT STOCKS.

There were 2,341,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on Feb. 25. Increase for the week 70,000 bushels.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior country points are estimated at approximately 8,740,000 bushels, compared with about 4,540,000 bushels a year ago.

Montreal, March 3.—The cattle trade in Glasgow this week, according to private cables, was much better than it has been of late, but shippers state that the prices realized for cattle will just about let them out, as the stock was landed in a bruised condition.

H. A. Mullins, the well known cattle man, has returned to Manitoba after a two months' visit to Toronto.

W. E. Hazley, of the Consolidated Stationery company, Winnipeg, left this week for a visit to his old country.

The manager of the Winnipeg branch of the Canadian Rubber Co., Mr. Johnson, who has been in the east, is expected home early next week.

G. F. Galt, of G. F. & J. Galt, Winnipeg, left a week ago for Montreal. F. W. Stobart, of Winnipeg, accompanied by his wife, left Saturday last for England.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

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Montreal, Feb. 28.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End abattoir yesterday were 400 head, and 25 sheep and lambs.

The supply of cattle was not large, but trade was rather slow. Values were firmly held. There was a fair demand from shippers at 4 3-4c to 5c. Choice sold at 4 3-4c to 5c; good at 4c to 4 1-2c; fair at 3 1-4c to 3 3-4c, and lower grades at 2 1-4c to 3c. Sheep and lambs were scarce, and