

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, April 1.

Dry goods—Business quiet, owing to stormy weather, and fewer buyers have been in the market. The advance on cottons by the Merchants' Company is likely to be 12 1-2 per cent. The other mills are likely to advance soon. The mills are still behind on orders.

Hardware—Business active. Western orders received freely; mostly for shipment at the end of April. Cut nails are moving well. Metals are firm, with upward tendency. Demand improving.

Groceries—Dull. Canned corn has a firmer feeling. Best brands held at \$1.05 to \$1.10. Ordinary brands firmer, at 97 1-2c to \$1. Teas are the most active feature of the market. No Indian nor Ceylons can now be bought laid down here under 17c. United States refined sugar has commenced to come in here again this week. Canadian refined is dull.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

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Offerings of grain continue very limited, with an upward tendency in prices. Eggs have advanced 2c this week, owing to rough weather and Easter demand.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$1.10; Manitoba bakers, \$0.90; Ontario straight roller, \$3.20 to \$3.25 per barrel. Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 70 to 71c for cars at country points; No. 1 hard, 85 to 85 1-2c, grinding in transit.

Oats—White, 29 to 30c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 45 to 46c, and 42c for No. 2 at country points for car lots. **Millfeed**—Shorts, \$14 to \$15 per ton; bran \$13.00 to \$14.00 per ton at country points.

Oatmeal—\$3.60 in bags per barrel, and \$3.70 in wood for car lots. Toronto.

Eggs—New laid, 14c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 10 to 13c; creamery, tubs, 19 to 20c.

Cheese—Choice 11c.

Hides—Green, 81-4c for No. 1, and 7 1-4c for No. 2. Cured hides, 83-4c. Sheepskins and lambskins, 60 to 90c; calfskins, 8 and 10c, tallow, 1 1-4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 11 to 17c, unwashed, 9c.

Beans—\$1 to \$1.10 per bushel for hand picked.

Dressed hogs—\$5.20 to \$5.30 per 100 lbs. for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apples—5 to 6c for round lots; evaporated, 9 to 9 1-2c.

Honey—5 1-2 to 6c in bulk, tins, 6 to 7c; sections, \$1.25 to \$1.40.

Poultry—Turkeys, 11 to 13c, chickens 10 to 75c a pair, geese, 7 to 8c.

Seeds—Red clover, \$3 to \$3.50, alsike, \$3 to \$4.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

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Toronto, March 28.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 60 carloads, including 160 sheep and lambs, and 2,000 hogs.

Export cattle—Heavy export cattle were quoted at \$1.75 to \$5 and \$5.10 per cwt. for extra. A few head fancy, sold at \$5.15 per cwt. Light exporters in liberal supply at \$4.25 to \$4.50 per cwt. Bulls \$1.75 to \$1.25.

Butchers' cattle—Trade was good, all the choice offerings finding a ready

sale. Choice steers quoted at \$1.25 to \$4.50 and \$1.60 per cwt. Medium and common grades ranged from \$3 to \$3.75 per cwt. Being the Easter market good prices were paid for choice stock.

Stockers and feeders—Choice heavy stockers \$3.80 to \$4 per cwt. Light \$3.50 to \$3.75 good feeder steers \$4. to \$1.25 per cwt.

Sheep and lambs—Lambs were quoted 10c per cwt higher at \$1.75 to \$3.10. Sheep \$3.50 per cwt.

Hogs—Demand brisk. There are too many light hogs, and such were quoted 1-8c lower at \$4 per cwt. Choice selections were quoted at \$4.50 per cwt. Thick fat \$3.75; sows \$3. per cwt.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, March 31.

Receipts of live stocks at the markets to-day was 30 carloads of all kinds, including 1,200 hogs.

Choice cattle were firmer, fancy luthers bring export prices, while medium butchers' sold at 4 to 4 1-4c. Export cattle steady at Tuesday's prices. Sheep unchanged. Light hogs were again 1-8c lower, owing to excessive offerings of this class, but other hogs brought Tuesday's prices.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

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Montreal, April 1.

The grocery market is steady and unchanged this week at the following prices:

Granulated sugar quoted at \$4.35 per 100 pounds at refineries yellow, \$3.75 to \$4.15 molasses, 31c in car lots syrups, 13-4 to 21-4c as to quality. Valencia raisins, 43-4 to 51-2c; Valencia layers 61-2c currants, 51-8 to 61-2c, as to brand coffee, Rio, 8 to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice Crystal Japan, 51-2 to 53-4c, standard B, 33-4 to 4c.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, April 1.—The market is firm but no important changes in prices are reported this week. Business is good for the season.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, April 1.

Oats have recovered the decline of last week and have gone 1-2c better. Flour is quiet and unchanged. Stocks of feed light. Receipts of eggs have been light, owing to recent rough weather, and prices have advanced temporarily 1 to 2c; will doubtless be lower after Easter. Butter is quiet, 20 1-2c is the top quotation now on creamery boxes, which is a shade lower. Dairy butter unchanged. Cheese continues firm and stocks are small. Another advance of 1-4c is reported this week, which is a continuation of the upward movement noticeable for some time. Potatoes are scarce and again higher this week. Toronto parties are buying potatoes here.

Oats—No. 2 white, 33 1-2 to 34c in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are: Manitoba strong makers, \$3.70 to \$3.90, Manitoba patents, \$4 to \$4.15.

Millfeed—Bran \$4.50 to \$5.00 per ton, shorts, \$16.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 to \$1.80 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 81-2c; No. 2, 71-2c, No. 3, 61-2c, calfskin, 8 to 10c; sheepskins, 60 to 70c, lambskins, 70 to 75c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 4c.

Eggs—Choice fresh, 14 to 14 1-2c per dozen.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 14 to 15c; rolls 13 to 16c; held stock 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery, boxes, 20 1 2; tubs 20c.

Cheese—Choice western, 11 1-4c.

Beans—95c to \$1.00 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots, 65c.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 9 to 10c; ducks, 6 to 8c, geese, 3 to 4c; chickens 6 to 8c.

Dressed Meats—Western fresh dressed beef, hinds, 5 to 8c; fores, 3 to 5c. Abattoir hogs in jobbing lots sold at \$6 to \$6.25, country dressed, \$5.20 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs. to retail dealers. Mutton 5 to 6 1-2c; lambs 7 to 8c.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

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Montreal, March 28.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End abattoir yesterday were 500 head, 125 sheep and lambs.

Sales of choice cattle were made at 5 to 5 3-4c, and a few fancy Easter cattle touched 6c. The general run of cattle sold at 3 to 4 3-4c, as to quality. Sheep sold at 4 to 4 1-2c; yearlings, 4 3-4 to 5c; fancy yearlings selling up to 6c per lb. There were 800 hogs offered. These sold at \$1.50 to \$1.60 per 100 lbs.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, March 31.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts of cattle were 250 head and 90 sheep and lambs.

The best Easter cattle brought 53-4, and the range was from 5c upward. Fair to good ordinary cattle sold at 33-4 to 41-2c; common, 21-2 to 31-2. Sheep sold at 31-4 to 33-4c. Yearlings 41-2 to 5c per lb, Spring lambs \$2.50 to \$5 each. Hogs ranged from \$1.50 to \$4.65 per 100 lbs.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.

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Liverpool, March 30.—Cheese is quoted at 52s 6d for both white and colored, an advance of 6d this week. The cable has been advanced at about this rate for some weeks.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

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Liverpool, March 30.—Cattle market 1-1 to 1-2c lower. Quoted at 11 1-4 to 12c, estimated dressed weight. Sheep 13 to 14c.

SUGAR.

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London, March 30.—Cane steady Beet dearer, March option 9s 11d, April, 9s 11d.

BRITISH LIVE STOCK MARKET.

London, March 27.—The supplies of cattle were again short to-day, and as a consequence the tone of the market was stronger than ever. Prices for cattle show a further advance of 1-4c, choice States cattle selling at 13c, Argentines at 12c. Argentine sheep were also strong and prices were 1-2 to 1 higher at 12 1-2c.

Liverpool, March 27.—There was also a stronger feeling in this market for cattle, on account of the limited supplies. Prices were fully 1-2 higher than this day week. Choice States cattle sold for 12 1-2c, Canadans at 12c. Lambs were firm at 15c.

Montreal, March 28.—A private cable received from London quoted choice American cattle at 12 1-2c and Liverpool at 12 1-4c.