

Toronto Markets

Wheat—Quiet and steady, with a fair enquiry for small lots for milling. White and red sold north and west at 61c and milling at 61½ to 62c. Ontario spring sold at 58 to 59; north and west. Manitoba wheats are without change. No. 2 hard sold 80c west to day.

Barley—Some business has been done in No. 2 for export, but terms and particulars are private.

Oats—Steady, with a good demand at 36 to 37c outside for Ontario. Fifteen cars Manitoba mixed sold, prompt shipment from Owen Sound, at 40c on track here. Odd cars Ontario sold 40, 40½ and 41c on track.

Grain and Flour—Car prices are:—Flour, Toronto freights, Manitoba patents, \$4.09 to 4.10; Manitoba strong bakers', \$3.70 to 3.80; Ontario patents, \$3.20 to 3.10; straight roller, \$2.80 to 3.00; extra, \$2.60 to 2.70; low grades per bag, \$1.00 to 1.25. Bran—\$11.00 to 12.00. Shorts—\$15 to 16. **Wheat**—(west and north points)—White, 61 to 62c; spring, 60c; red winter, 61 to 62c; goose, 60 to 61c; spring Midland, 61 to 62c; No 1 hard, 81 to 83c; No 2 hard, 80 to 81c; No 3 hard, 73 to 74c; No 1 frosted, 66 to 67c; peas (outside) 58 to 60c. Barley (outside)—No 1, 45c; No 2, 40c; No 3 extra, 35 to 40c; No 3, 32 to 33c; Rye (outside) 55 to 56c. Buckwheat (outside) 50c. Oats, 40 to 41c.

Butter—The market is still firm, and all grades of butter appear to sell readily. Prices were unchanged to day. Most of the business was in store packed and dairy tub butter. The former sold at 16 to 17c usually, and good straight dairy brought 18c. Hardly any rolls were offered. Creameries were unchanged and steady.

Cheese—There is nothing new to note in spo business. The demand is still chiefly for small lots new cheeses, which sell at 9½ to 10c.

Produce—Quotations are: Beans per bush.—Out of store, \$1.25 to \$1.50. Dressed meats, per lb.—Beef, tress, 3½ to 4½; hinds, 8 to 9½; veal, 7½ to 9c mutton, 4½ to 6c; lamb, 10 to 11c. Dried apples j.bbing at 4½c; evaporated, 8½ to 9c. Eggs—Fresh, 11½ to 12c. Hay—Timothy, on track, \$10.00 to \$10.50. Straw, \$5.50. Hides—Cured, 5½ to 5¾c; green, No. 1, cows, 4½c. Skins—Sheepskins—\$1 to 1.35; calf, 5 to 8c. Hops—Canadian, 1892 crop, 11 to 14c. Honey—Extracted, 8 to 9½c; sections, 13 to 14c. Potatoes, new, per barrel, \$2.50 to 2.75. Poultry—chickens, per pair, 40 to 65c; geese, per lb., 8c; ducks, per pair, 60 to 70c; turkeys, 8 to 9½c per lb.

Cured Meats—The demand was good and prices were steady without change. Quotations are: Meas pork, Canadian, \$21.00 to \$21.50; short cut, \$21.50 to \$22.00; shoulder meat, \$19.00; bacon, long clear, per pound, 10½ to 11c; lard, Canadian, tierces, 12½ to 13c; tubs and pails, 13 to 13½c; in tins, from 4 to 5 lbs, 13½ to 14c; compound, do. 10 to 10½c. Smoked meats—Hams, per lb, 13 to 13½c; bellies, per lb., 12½ to 14c; rolls, per lb, 10 to 10½c; backs, per lb, 13½ to 14c.

Export Cattle—Not more than a dozen loads of export cattle were offered for sale this morning, and small as this supply was, it seemed sufficient for all demands. The market was a trifle steadier, and in one or two instances 4½c per lb and over was paid for choice shipping stock. Prices generally ranged from \$4.35 to 4.62½ per cwt. Everything was sold before the close.

Butchers' Cattle—There was a fair local demand at the prices which ruled at the beginning of the week. About half a dozen loads were purchased for Montreal market and this also helped to keep prices steady. Choice heifers and steers sold at \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cwt, and common to good animals brought anywhere from 3 to 3½c per lb. A few lots of rough cows and oxen sold at a trifle lower than 3c per lb.

One load of 21 choice cattle, averaging 1,050 lbs, sold at 33c per lb; one load rough oxen and cows, averaging 1,100 lbs, at 3c per lb; one load extra choice, averaging 1,050 lbs, at \$3.85 per cwt; one load mixed heifers and steers, averaging 1,100 lbs, at \$3.50 per cwt.

Sheep and Lambs—With nearly 370 animals here the market was naturally weak. There was no special demand and prices were not quite so firm as on Tuesday. Sheep sold at about the same prices as lambs, bringing generally from \$3 to \$4 per head. Too many light half fat lambs were offered. Local dealers say that anything under 60 lbs. is not wanted here. One lot of fancy lambs from Bruce county, averaging at least 100 lbs., sold at \$5 per head. This was of course an exceptional sale. Other sales reported were: 139 choice lambs, averaging 70 lbs., at \$3.75 per head; 53 do., averaging 72 lbs., at \$3.80 per head. Lambs weighing from 70 to 80 lbs. will sell readily here now.

Hogs—The market was unchanged in every respect. The receipts was light and every thing was sold. Mr. Harris paid \$6.50 to \$6.75 per cwt. for the best animals weighed off cars, and \$6 to \$6.50 per cwt. for good store hogs. Stags and rough hogs were not wanted at any price. A few lots of stags were sold as low as 3½ to 4c per lb. The yards were pretty well cleared at the close.—*Empire*, July 22.

Freight Rates and Traffic Matters.

The Montreal *Trade Bulletin* of July 21 says: "Ocean vessel agents have done considerable business during the past few days in grain freights, principally to Liverpool and Glasgow, the rates paid to the former port being 2s 6d to 2s 10½d, and to the latter 2s 3d to 2s 6d. London freights are easier and lower with business at 2s 3d to 2s 6d, but agents now ask more money. In all there has probably been nearly or quite a million bushels chartered, one firm alone having, it is said, taken about half a million bushels. There has also been further business in sack flour at 12s 6d to 13s 9d Glasgow and Liverpool at 15s to London. Provisions are quiet but steady at 20s London and 15s Liverpool. Cheese and butter space has been taken at 25s to Liverpool, London and Glasgow, and at 30s to Bristol.

Deal freights are doing a little better, 4s, 6d having been obtained for Liverpool; ships agents are now asking 50s. We quote 45 to 50s as to port. Hay freights have been taken at from 40s to 48s. Eggs 15s measurement. (At le have been taken at 45s to Liverpool, and we quote 35 to 45s. There has also been considerable activity in lake freights, large quantities of corn having been chartered from Chicago to Kingston at 2½c per bushel. From Kingston to Montreal the rates are steady at 2½c wheat and 2½c corn.

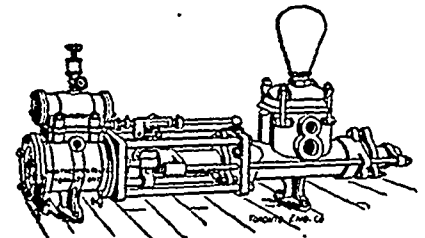
The *Chicago Daily Trade Bulletin* of July 22 says: Business with the railroads the past week was light on eastbound tonnage, and rates steady at 25c per 100 lbs. for flour and grain and 30c for provisions to New York. Through rates to Liverpool were firmer, ocean room advancing slightly. The range of flour was 30.97 to 31.36c per 100 lbs, wheat 16½ and corn 16½c per bush. Provisions 43½ to 49.69c per 100 lbs. A little business was done in hay to Liverpool by way of New York at 36½c per 100 lbs. and to Antwerp at 45c per 100 lbs. Through rates by lake and rail to New England points were firm at 9c on corn and 6c on oats. Through rates to New York by lake and rail were firmer, 7c on wheat, and 7½c on corn, and to Philadelphia 6½c on wheat, and 6½c corn. The demand for vessel room was better, and the offerings lighter. A good many of the boats refused to take the low prices, and as shippers wanted room, they had advanced the rates on wheat to 1½c, and on corn to 1½c to Buffalo. The rate to Port Huron on corn closed at 1½c, and to Kingston at 2½c, and on wheat 3c.

More about Canned Salmon.

The *Grocer* has from time to time posted the trade with regard to the phases of the position regarding canned salmon, predicting the possibility of some interesting developments. It seems likely from news to hand this week in Montreal that these developments were likely to follow. All sorts of rumors have been in circulation during the spring and summer with regard to the new pick; first of all there were extremely low offers, and then these were supplemented by the news that the pick was to be restricted; in fact everything was calculated to mix up buyers. Recently, however, news has been received in Montreal which outlines the future situation with a reasonable degree of certainty. This news is that the Indians and half breeds on whom the British Columbia canners depend for salmon had struck for higher prices for their fish caused considerable excitement among the grocery trade to day. Advices are that the run in the northern rivers is a pronounced failure. There is a very good run in the Fraser river, but it is about three weeks late. One agent sold about 34 cars early in the season, and the men who bought at that time are considerably elated, as they stand to make considerable money, their contracts being made at \$1.27 per dozen, while it is doubtful if contracts could be made to-day at \$1.50. There is a strong probability, however, that these orders will not be filled, but that the purchasers will only receive a proportion of their order as there is hardly a doubt now that the packers will not be able to fill them, the lateness of the run and the strike of the catchers being drawbacks which they will not be able to overcome. No talk is now heard about that agreement under which the packers agreed to curtail the pack. All in all, as we have said, the situation promises to be interesting, as we predicted at the time these very low offers were made in the spring and early summer.—*Toronto Grocer*.

Montreal Iron and Hardware Prices.

There is little change in the iron market. Bar iron has met with a fair enquiry and Canadian plates and tin plates have been turned over in a round way. We quote prices as follows: Summerlee, \$18 to \$18.25; Eglington, \$17 to \$17.25; Cambro, \$16.75 to \$17; Siemens' No. 1, \$19; Langlois, \$18.50; wrought scrap, No. 1, \$15 to \$16; bar iron, \$1.90 to \$1.95. Tin plates, cokes, \$3.15 to \$3.20; I. C. charcoal, \$3.75 to \$4.25; Canada plates, \$2.45 to \$2.55;terne plates, \$7.25 to \$7.75. Galvanized iron 4½c to 4¾c for 28 gauge. Copper, 11½c to 12½c; ingot tin, 21½c to 22c; lead at \$2.90, and spelter at \$4.75.—*Gazette*.



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