

Toronto Markets.

Flour—Dull and weak. Two cars straight roller sold at \$1.67½ Quebec.

Millfeed—Firm with increased buying from New York and Boston. Sales have been made at Western mills at \$10 to \$10.50 for bran and \$12 to \$12.50 for shorts. Locally bran is worth \$11.50 on track.

Wheat—Dull but firmer. The western advance checked business. Eight cars white were bought at 63½c middle freights and some odd cars at 66c. On call a car of No. 2 northern lying at North Bay sold at 73c. There was an enquiry for No. 1 frosted at 64c North Bay, but none offered. Other quotations were about the same as yesterday.

Barley—Quiet and steady. No. 2 sold at 46c f.o.c. and a sample lot about cut No. 1 at 48c f.o.c. A 10,000 bushel lot sold in New York at 90c.

Oats—Quiet and unchanged. White sold west at 28½c, and there was a forced sale on the Midlands at 28c. Cars on track here were sold at 31 to 32c.

Grain and Flour—Car prices are: Flour (Toronto freights), Manitoba patents, \$4.35 to \$4.45; Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.90 to \$4.10; Ontario patents, \$3.40 to \$3.50; straight roller, \$3.10 to \$3.20; extra, \$2.85 to \$2.90; low grades per bag, \$1 to \$1.50. Bran—\$11.00 to \$12.00. Shorts—\$12.50 to \$13. Wheat—straight west and north points—White, 61 to 66c; spring, 61 to 63c; red winter, 63 to 65c; goose, 58 to 60c; spring Midland, 63 to 65c; No. 1 hard, North Bay, 56 to 87c; No. 2 hard, 81 to 82c; No. 3 hard, 75 to 76c; No. 1 frosted, 63 to 65c; Peas—No. 2, 56 to 58c. Barley—No. 1, 50 to 51c. No. 2, 45 to 46c; No. 3 extra, 49 to 40c; No. 3, 38 to 39c; two-rowed, 51 pounds, averaging about No. 3, extra car (outside), 40 to 45c. Corn—57 to 58c. Buckwheat—Outside 43 to 45c. Rye—56 to 57c. Oats—31 to 32½c.

Butter and Cheese—Receipts have been large during the week, and the tone of the market is much easier, although former prices cannot be said to have declined any. Dairy rolls and tubs have been principally offered; they sell at 16 to 18c for good to choice, and 13 to 14c for medium grades. There is a little store-packed tub still on the market, which is held at 12 to 14c. Creamery butter finds a fair enquiry from the local trade at 25 to 26c. Cheese—The market continues steady. A good local demand is reported at 11c for small job lots. Quotations are: Butter, good to choice selected dairy, tubs, 16 to 18c; medium do, 13 to 14c; good to choice store packed, in tubs and pails, 14 to 15c; common do, 12 to 14c; large rolls, good to choice, 16 to 18c; creamery, in tubs and casks, 24 to 25c. Cheese, choice colored, jobbing at 11c.

Dressed Hogs—Steady, with a good demand. Street and rail hogs were taken by packers when they could get them at \$6.50. A car of select weights, 100-200 lbs, was bought to arrive next week at \$6.55 delivered.

Cured meats—Quotations are: Mess pork, United States, \$14.50 to \$15.50; short cut, \$16 to \$17; bacon, long clear, per lb, 8 to 8½c; lard, Canadian, tubs and pails, 9½c to 10½c; compound do, 7½ to 9½c; tierces, 9 to 10c. Smoked meats—Hams, per lb, 11½ to 12½c; bellies 12½ to 13½c; rolls, per lb, 9 to 9½c; backs, per lb, 11 to 11½c.

Produce—The market was fairly glutted again to-day with poultry and prices ruled weak and lower. Turkeys sold at 8 to 10c per lb; geese 5 to 5½c do; ducks 40 to 75c per pair; chickens do 25 to 35c. Baled straw is easy and lower; it sells at \$5.50 in car lots on spot. Baled hay is quiet but steady at \$9 here. Eggs continue firm at yesterday's closing prices, fresh selling at 18c and limed at 16c. Prices for potatoes are well maintained at 65c for car lots of good stock here, and 75c per bag for small lots out of store. New hops are moving slowly at 16½ to 18½c for good to choice Canadian stock. Buyers and sellers are still apart in their views and this restricts trade. Dressed

meats of all kinds have been offered freely by the farmer lately, and owing to the mild weather and large supply of poultry on the market prices ruled much easier. Quotations are: Beans, per bush, out of store, \$1.20 to \$1.35. Dressed meats, per lb—Beef, fore, 3 to 4½c; hinds, 5 to 6½c; veal, 6½ to 8c; mutton, 6 to 6c; lamb, 6c. Dried apples—Jobbing at 4½c. Eggs—Fresh, 18c; limed, 16c. Hay—Timothy, on track, now, \$9. Straw—\$5.50. Hides—cured—5 to 5½; green, No. 1 cows, 4½c. Skins—Sheepskins, 35c; calf, 5 to 7c. Hops—Canadian, 1892 crop, 16 to 18c. Honey—Extracted, 8 to 10c; comb 15c. Potatoes—Per bag, out of store, 75c; on track, 65c per bag. Poultry—Chickens, per pair, 25 to 35c; geese, per lb, 5 to 5½c; ducks, per pair, 50 to 65c; turkeys, 8 to 10c per lb.

Cattle—A few choice picked lots of butchers' cattle sold at 3½c per lb, but the bulk of the offerings, comprising good average loads, changed hands at 2½ to 3½c per lb. Common thin cows, rough oxen and bulls sold down to 2c. Trade was very quiet, influenced as much as anything else by the poor condition of the cattle offered. Thin stockers and feeders sold slowly at 2½ to 3½c per lb, while the few fat animals offered in this line brought out fairly good prices. One load of 21 fat distillers' cattle, averaging 1,150 lbs, were sold by John McIlwan, of Delaware, for \$3.62 per cwt., but this was without doubt the best sale on the market and by no means representative of the average price paid.

Sheep and Lambs—Very dull and lower for lambs. Sheep were scarce and unchanged. Lambs sold at from \$2 to \$3.30 per head. One bunch of 145 good fat animals brought this outside figure.

Hogs—The market was firm. Best straight fat hogs sold at \$5 per cwt. off car, and \$4.70 to \$4.75 per cwt. fed and watered. Stores were steady at 4½ to 4¾ per lb weighed off car. The demand was good and easily absorbed the 700 odd animals which came in. Mr. Harris sent one car load east.

Fruits—The mild weather is favorable for the free movement of apples and trade has been of large dimensions lately. Prices range all the way from \$1.25 to \$2.50 per bbl, the latter price for choice winter stock. Other lines of fruit are finding a good enquiry at steady and unchanged prices. Following is a general range of prices: Apples, per bbl, \$1.50 to \$2.50. Empire, Nov. 19.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Sugars—Granulated, 4½ to 4¾; Paris lump, boxes, 5½c; extra ground, bbls, 5½ to 6½c; powdered, bbls, 4½ to 5½; refined, dark to bright, 3½ to 4½c; Demerara, 4½; Trinidad, 3½ to 3¾c; Barbados, 3½ to 3¾c.

Syrups—D., 1½ to 2½c; M., 2½ to 2¾c; B., 2½ to 2¾c; V.B., 2½ to 2¾c; F.V.B., 2½ to 2¾c; ex super, 2½ to 2¾c; X.X., 2½ to 3c; X.X.X. and special, 3 to 3½c.

Molasses—West Indian, bbls, 30 to 50c; New Orleans, open kettle, 45 to 55c; centrifugals, 30 to 40c; inferior low grades, 25 to 28c.

Teas and Coffees—A fair amount of teas are moving. Japans are active and there is a good demand for the lower grades of Indians and Ceylons. While the market on all of these is firm, there has been no further advance, but they are gradually stiffening. Low grade Japans, as well as Indians and Ceylons under \$3, would cost more to import than jobbers are now getting, so that the purchases at present are a safe investment. The trade generally look for higher prices. Blacks unchanged; no low priced are being offered from London. Greens in extra first good drawing, good style are scarce. The coffee situation is still tending up and it looks as if the consuming countries would have to pay Brazil 17 to 18c, cost and freight to New York for No. 7, which would mean laid down here 18½ to 19½c for a

very poor coffee. On this basis coffees, which are sold to the trade here, would cost 20½ to 21½ laid down. Prices are: Rios, 19 to 21c; Jamaica, 19 to 20c; Java, 25 to 31c; Mocha, 23 to 32½; Porto Rico, 23 to 25c.

Dried Fruits.—The second and last direct shipment of Mediterranean is now nearly all in stock. Houses are busy making up prices and getting the receipts into shape to make immediate sales and shipments. Foreign advices contain nothing new of importance. One firm write that the supply of fine Malaga fruit will not be sufficient to go round. Valencias continue firm at 5½ to 5¾c for good brands off-stalk, and 5½ to 6½c for best, with stocks on the spot limited. Currants are in fair supply at 5½ to 6½c in bbls. for provincial and Filatra according to quality. Sultans are worth 7½ to 11c. Nuts quiet. Taragon almonds are strong at 16 to 17c, and it is reported that Ivica and Formigetta are being mixed with and sold as Taragona by certain jobbers. Currants—Bbls, 5½c; half bbls 5½ to 6½c; cases, 6 to 7c; Vostizza, cases, 7 to 8½c; Patras, 6½c; cases, 6½ to 7c. Raisins—Valencias, 5½ to 6½c; layers, 7 to 7½; Sultans, 7½ to 11c; loose Muscatels, \$2.25 to \$2.40; London layers, \$3 to \$3.25; black baskets, \$4.25 to \$4.50; do 4 boxes, \$1.30 to \$1.40; blue baskets, \$4.75 to \$5; 1 boxes, \$1.50 to \$1.60. Figs—Eleme, 10 lbs and up, 10 to 15c; white Malaga figs, 6½ to 7c in; 25 lb boxes natural do in bags, 5c; mats do, 5c; 14 oz, 9½c. Dates—Hallowe, 5 to 5½c. Prunes—Cases, 5 to 6½c; hlds, 4 to 4½c. Nuts—Almonds, Taragona, 13½ to 15c; Ivica, 14 to 15c; do, shelled Valencia, 29 to 35c; filberts, Sicily, 10½ to 11c; walnuts, Grenoble, 14c; Bordeaux, 11 to 12c.

Canned Goods—There is no new feature in the canned goods situation. There is the same disposition to hold back on the part of buyers. Several packers have been on the market this week and have sold assorted cars. Jobbers are selling corn, peas and tomatoes at 85c to \$1 for equal quantities, according to brand. Fruits are meeting very little demand. Salmon firm, but the demand is only moderate; prices range from \$1.45 to \$1.80. Fish—Salmon, 1's flat, \$1.60 to 1.80; salmon, 1's tall, \$1.45 to 1.55; lobster Clover Leaf, \$2.95; lobster, other 1's, \$1.75 to 2.25; mackerel, \$1 to 1.25; sonan haddie, \$1.40 to 1.50; sardines, French, 1's, 40c; sardines, French, 1's, 17c; sardines, American, 1's 6 to 8c; sardines, American, 1's, 9c. Fruits and Vegetables—Tomatoes, 3's, 85c to \$1; corn, 2's, 85c to \$1.05; peas, 2's, 90c to \$1.10; beans, 90c to \$1; pumpkins, 75c to \$1; strawberries and raspberries, 2's, \$2.10 to 2.25; apples, 2's, \$1.75 to \$2; 3's, 85c to \$1; peaches, 2's, \$1.90 to \$2.10; peaches, 3's, \$2.85 to \$3.25; plums, 2's, \$1.40 to 1.75; 3's, \$2.05; pears, 2's, \$1.60 to \$1.75; 3's, \$1.75 to \$2.10.

Spices, Rice, etc.—Spices quiet and unchanged. Rice steady. Rice, bags, 3½ to 4½; do, off grades, 3½ to 3¾c; do, parma, 4½ to 5½c; do, Japan, 4½ to 5½c; segs, 4½ to 5c; tapioca, 4½ to 5c; pepper, black, 11½ to 12c; do, white 18 to 25c; ginger, Jamaica, 18 to 20c; cloves, 10 to 15c; allspice, 10 to 12c; nutmeg, 90c to \$1.10 cream tartar, 25 to 35c.

Peels—The market is fairly active at unchanged prices at 16 to 17c for lemon, 17 to 18c for orange and 26 to 28c for citron. Empire, Nov. 18.

D. R. McGinnis, Secretary of the Grand Forks chamber of Commerce, was in consultation recently with Secretary Beak, of the St. Paul chamber of commerce, concerning the next session of the reciprocity convention. When the recent meeting adjourned it was decided to hold the next convention in St. Paul within six months. McGinnis and secretary Beak talked the matter over with some members of the commercial clubs, and the convention will probably be held during the month of February in one of the opera houses. It is proposed to invite members of the Minnesota legislature to attend the sessions of the convention.