

patents range from \$2.05 to \$2.70, in buyers' bags, on track, Toronto. Not very much business is being done, but the general situation is fairly good, with no very noteworthy feature. Wheat prices remain unchanged. Barley is 1 to 2c. higher. Other grains remain as before. The farmers continue very busy, and are handicapped by the shortage of help. They will probably be bringing more grain into market within a week or ten days.

**Fruit.**—A sufficiency of pears and grapes is still to be noted in the fruit market, and prices keep about normal. Tropical fruits are making their arrival more evident. Prices are as follows: Jamaica oranges, \$2.75 per box, \$5.00 per lb.; Maiori lemons, ex-fancy, \$4.50 per box; California lemons, \$3.50 to 4.50; Palermo, new, \$3 to \$4.50; bananas, fancy, \$1.20 to \$1.85 per bunch; cocoanuts, \$3.50 per sack; grapes, concords, 20 to 25c. per 10-lb. basket; Niagara, 25c.; pears, 30 to 50c.; fall apples, \$1.75 per bbl.; winter, \$2.25 to \$2.50; Canadian white beans, \$2 per bush.; Lima beans, 7½c. per pound; Canadian cabbage, \$1.25 per bbl.; onions, 75c. per bag; Jersey sweet potatoes, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per bbl.; Can. chestnuts, \$5 per bush.; cranberries, Cape Cod, \$9 to \$9.50 per bbl.; Almeria grapes, \$5.50 to \$6 per bbl.; Spanish onions, 75c. per case. Apples are still being shipped in large quantities. Liverpool reports say there is a firm market for good quality, but much of what is being sent forward is too poor to be profitable.

**Fuel.**—Toronto dealers are receiving increasing quantities of anthracite which

ton. People in the United States are complaining in some quarters of the fact that Canadian requirements are being met first, to their own detriment, but this is probably due to the fact that the season of closed navigation in the north is approaching so rapidly that rapid shipments are the only means of getting coal in here by water this season. Hardwood is being sold at \$8 to \$9 per cord.

**Hardware.**—All reasonable goods in the small hardware line are meeting with a somewhat extra good demand. Sporting goods more especially are in keen demand. The demand for metals continues very brisk. Pig iron is moving rapidly. English and Scotch reports say the condition of the latter market is easier, and prices have fallen.

**Hides and Skins.**—A fair demand for hides is visible, and prices are steady. For lambskins there is good enquiry at 60c. Tallow is firm. In Chicago no additional sales of importance are reported in the market for packer hides. Packers are reported as fairly well sold on most hides, and show no desire to hurry sales at ruling prices, closing at 14½c. for native steers, 15½ to 15¾c. for heavy Texas, 12½c. for butt brands, 12¼c. for Colorados, 12¼c. for heavy native cows, 9¾ to 10c. for light do. and 9¾ to 10c. for branded do. Country Hides are quiet at 9¼c. for No. 1 buffs.

**Leather.**—Prospects for a good season's business are very encouraging. Prices are firm, and as the prices of labor and of raw materials are very high and tend higher any changes in this respect are likely to be in an upward direction.

**Live Stock.**—Some of the stock shown at the cattle market this week was of a somewhat higher quality than has usually been the case of late, and this, together with a brisker demand, brought about an improved situation. Though prices on the whole remained unchanged, there was a firmer tone to the market. The export demand too was a little steadier, though much will depend of course upon the cables of the next few days. Best grade butchers' cattle were in light supply and went quickly. Feeders were scarce and firm. Milch cows, too, went quickly. There were plenty of sheep and lambs offered, but the demand was quite brisk.

**Provisions.**—Butter is in good demand, with receipts about equal to requirements. Nice rolls bring 17c. Cheese is very firm, and prices fetched on recent cheese boards, were in many cases the highest for years. Many people are in doubt as to whether the position of the British market warrants the payment of such high prices at this end. The receipts of poultry are not large, but the demand is only fair though no doubt with cold weather it will increase. Eggs are quite firm, fresh selling at 19 to 20c. The trade in hog products is good, especially for new cured which are moving out rapidly. Dressing hogs are at 7½c.

**Wool.**—Nothing new has developed in the woolen market. Pulled wools are quiet, and the movement in domestic fleece is almost nil.

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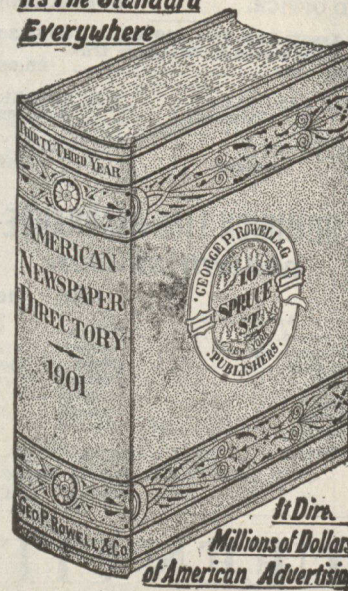
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