

sold within a few days, at good prices, there being a special demand at present for horses for railway work on the Crow's Nest road. But aside from this special demand, there is more or less demand all the time, largely from farmers, for horses, to supply which necessitates the bringing in of carloads from Eastern Canada. A good many western range horses are also sold here, but they are not the class, as a rule, which are wanted, good sized, well trained horses being wanted. Many persons who are capable of handling a trained horse, are not competent to handle these half wild range animals. Besides the eastern horses, horses from the United States are also being offered here. Why should not Manitoba farmers supply this home demand for horses?

Freight Rates.

Engagements have been made by the Montreal Transportatoin Co. to carry wheat from Duluth and Fort William to Montreal at 5c per bushel, which is an advance of 1-4c upon previous charters. Corn has been taken from Chicago to Kingston at 21-2 equal to 41-2 Montreal.

The Montreal Trade Bulletin says: There has been a little more doing in grain with a gradual stiffening in rates, engagements having been made to Liverpool 1s 9d to 1s 10 1-2d, ship agents now asking 2s. To London 1s 3d has been made with 2s now asked, and for September shipment 3d to 6d per quarter more is now asked. The Bristol rate is firm at 2s. There has been a good demand for space for sack flour for London, and engagements have been made at 10s. To Liverpool, business has transpired at 8s 9d and to Glasgow and Bristol 8s 9d to 10s. Provision freights are firmer and higher at 10s Liverpool, 12s 6d London and 15s to 17s 6d Glasgow and Bristol. Considerable engagements are reported of choice at 20s Liverpool and London and 25s Glasgow and Bristol; 10s extra for refrigerator accommodation. Butter freights are 25s Liverpool and London, 30s Glasgow, and 25s Bristol, 10s extra for refrigerator accommodation. Cattle freights are firm at 4s to 50c to Liverpool, and space to this port is said to have been all secured for August and September. To London the rate is 40s, to Bristol 45s and to Glasgow 47s 6d. Eggs have been taken at 15s measurement to Liverpool.

Hides, Wool, etc.

Hides hold firm at Toronto at 81-2c No. 1. Tallow only brings 23-4c. The Toronto Globe says: There has never been a year previous to this when so much of the season's clip was out of the hands of the growers and out of the country. Early in June exporters kept urging the early marketing of the clip so as to get as much of it as possible into the United States before the passage of the new tariff bill. The result has been that the clip was never before so largely sold at this season of the year as it is now. The bulk of the clip has already been sent out of the country. The farmers have received excellent

prices for their wool and the middle men who shipped it, have made handsome profits.

At the London wool sale on July 14, Cape and Natal wools were 5 to 10 per cent. higher than the last series of sales. All through the present series good prices have been realized.

British Columbia Business Review.

Vancouver, July 19.—Trade has been fully up to the average in Vancouver and New Westminster this week. At this season the lumbering business is at a standstill, but mining camps are constantly increasing in number and the different mines are being worked, which almost makes up for the trade lost by the absence of lumber ships in port. Preparations for the canning business has also added the wholesalers very materially. As yet the salmon are not running in large quantities but the disquieting rumors, in the main without foundation, have not materially affected this industry and all is quiet on the Fraser, the fishermen accepting 7 and 8 cents per fish without objection. There is no combination among them and there is only the remotest possibility of a strike. Many believe, however, that four big salmon buyers in England, who control the market, have combined to keep down prices, and if this is the case the canners will have to protect themselves by keeping down the prices on the Fraser.

Hay is about all cut, but little if any is in the barn, and at this writing it has been running for forty-eight hours and there is some fear that the hay crop may be affected should the weather not change soon. Oats are in magnificent shape for harvesting and the crop is large. The farmers are hoping for dry weather until oats are in.

The dairy market is about stationary the changes only fractional. Owing to abundance of grass the price of beef is declining. Fruits are abundant and cheap.

WHEAT STOCKS IN CANADA.

Montreal	153,000
Toronto	87,000
Kingston	40,000
Winnipeg	202,000
Manitoba elevators	1,260,000
Fort William, Port Arthur and Keewatin	1,913,000
Total July 10	3,658,000

TORONTO PROVISION PRICES.

Long clear is in special demand and local stocks of this class are in danger of being depleted. Prices are firm and slightly higher. Last season's packing is almost sold out and trade is entirely confined to green stuff.

Barrel pork—Heavy mess, \$13; short cut, \$14 to \$15; clear shoulder mess, \$12.50.

Dry salted meats.—Long, clear bacon, car lots, 71-4c, ton lots 71-2c, case lots 73-4c, backs 81-2c, shoulders 61-2c to 7.

Smoked meats—Hams, heavy, 11c; medium, 12c; light, 12c; breakfast bacon, 11c; backs, 11 1-2c; picnic hams, 8c to 9c; rolls, 9c; green meats out of pickle are quoted at 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 61-2c; tubs, 63-4c; pails, 7c; compound, 5c.—Globe.

MANITOBA WHEAT MOVEMENT.

Receipts of wheat at Fort William for the week ended July 17, aggregated 26,741 bushels, the shipments were 680,768 bushels and the quantity in store was 1,239,105 bushels. For the corresponding week last year receipts were 471,971 bushels and shipments 222,784 bushels. Stocks in store a year ago were 2,357,932 bushels.

Following is a record of the cars of wheat inspected at Winnipeg for the week ended July 20, as reported by Grain Inspector Horn: One hard, 91 cars, two hard, 33; three hard, 5; one spring, 8; two frosted, 1; rejected, 1; no grade, 5. Total, 139 cars.

DAIRY TRADE NOTES.

At Brockville, Ontario, on July 15, 8,815 boxes were boarded, of which 2,518 were colored, balance white; 81-16c was the best offer for both white and colored; no sales were made on the board. Salesmen are holding 81-8c.

At Kingston, Ontario, on July 15, at the cheese board 1,500 boxes were offered; sales, 800 at 81-8c.

The Liverpool cheese cable declined 6d on July 14, and again on July 15 a further drop of 6d was reported.

The Montreal Gazette says that Quebec cheese are being shipped to England as "finest Brockville," to fill orders taken for the latter class of goods. As Ontario cheese is held about 3-4c over Quebec goods, this would seem to be considerable of an imposition.

The Dominion government is operating sixteen creameries, ten skimming stations and eighteen cream gathering stations in the Territories this year. These creameries are provided with cold storage and are equipped in the most complete style.



TENDERS

Sealed tenders addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Edmonton Work," will be received until Friday, the 6th of August, inclusively, for the construction of three piers and two abutments for a bridge, according to plans and specifications to be seen at the office of Mr. D. Smith, Clerk of Works, Winnipeg; at the Public Works Office, Post Office, Montreal, and at the Department of Public Works, Ottawa, on and after Thursday, 22nd July.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the form supplied and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

An accepted bank cheque, payable to the order of the Minister of Public Works, for two thousand dollars (\$2,000), must accompany each tender. This cheque will be forfeited if the party declines the contract or fail to complete the work contracted for, and will be returned in case of non-acceptance of tender.

The Department does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By Order,

E. F. E. ROY,

Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, July 16th, 1897.

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