

Montreal Markets.

Flour—There is no English demand at the moment, owing to the prices being above an export basis, and there is very little call from Newfoundland buyers. Sales of strong bakers in round lots have been made at \$5, and of smaller lots at \$5.25, which shows a decline from last week's sales. There have also been transactions in winter patents at \$5.25 to \$5.30, smaller lots selling at \$5.50. In straight rollers there were sales of about 1,000 barrels at \$4.90 in round quantities with broken lots at \$5.00. It is said that car lots can be bought in the west at equal to \$4.80 laid down here.

Oatmeal—The market is dull, and prices have an easier tendency. A round lot of rolled oats was sold to arrive by a western mill at \$2.25 per bag. Granulated and rolled oats, \$4.65 to \$4.75 per bbl, and \$2.30 per bag; standard and fine oatmeal \$4.50 to \$4.60 per bbl, and \$2.20 to \$2.25 per bag.

Mill feed—Scarcely any bran can be found in the market, and the few cars of western arriving have been sold at \$14 per ton on track. We also hear of sales at \$14.50, and we quote \$14 to \$14.50 as to quality and quantity. Shorts have sold at \$19, middlings at \$20.50 to \$21.

Wheat—No. 2 hard Manitoba wheat is nominally quoted at \$1.06 to \$1.07, but for export it would not be worth over \$1.03. Upper Canada white and red winter is nominally quoted at \$1.03 to \$1.04, but for export it is said to be not worth over \$1.

Oats—Supplies are increasing and crowding down prices, sales having been made to-day in car lots at 33c per 40 lbs on track, while yesterday white Ontario oats sold at 34c per 34 lbs, inferior qualities selling at several cents per bushel less.

Barley—Sales have been made of feed barley to arrive at 49c per bushel, while good malting qualities are offered at 58 to 60c on track.

Butter—The export demand still continues, 6,340 packages going out again by this week's steamers, making about 18,000 packages in three weeks. There has been a good deal of buying in the country since our last report, at an improvement upon our last figures, sales of creamery have transpired at 19½ to 20c for well kept June and July make, at 21 to 21½c for August and 22c for September. A few lots of eastern township dairies have also been taken at 17 to 18c, and several lots of selected western have changed hands at 15½c, and we quote 15 to 16c as to quantity and quality.

Cheese—The Canadian market is a very dull one, and will continue so as long as the English orders are attracted to New York by the lower range of prices ruling there. In this market finest western September cheese are quoted at 10½ to 10¾c and finest August at 10½ to 10¾c. Underpriced goods have ranged all the way from 9½ to 10c.

Eggs—The market is very firm for nice fresh stock which is wanted for the English market. Sales have been made of fine fresh stock at 14 to 15c, but stale qualities have sold at 11 to 13c.

Apples—Two car loads were offered yesterday at \$1.25, but failed to find buyers. Good sound to fine fall fruit has been sold at \$1.25 to \$1.40 per bbl. Evaporated apples—Quiet and steady at 12 to 13c. Dried apples—Inactive at 6 to 8c per lb as to quality.

Potatoes—Supplies are liberal with sales at

60 to 70c per bag of 90 lbs as to quantity. Complaints of rot having set in are reported from a number of districts.

Hides—No. 1, 5½c; No. 2, 4½c; No. 3, 3½c; tanners pay 1 cent more; lambskins, 60 to 65c; calfskins, 7c.—*Trade Bulletin*, September 25th.

Toronto Live Stock Markets.

There was an enormous quantity of stock on the market to-day. The receipts of fresh stock were 80 loads, which, with 41 left over from last market, made the total receipts 121 loads, and it was well into dark before all the stuff was unloaded, a great deal of it having to remain standing in the cars here for nearly 24 hours before a place could be found for it in the limited yard. By the time a good many of the drovers got their stock unloaded buyers were filled up and did not get a chance of even getting a bid. About half of the offerings remain over unsold, and as a consequence the outlook is poor for next week. Exporters bought liberally at 3½ to 4½c per lb going up to 4½c for the choicest picked head. They took about fifteen loads of this class of stock, paying an average price of about 4c per lb for them. Stockers were in good demand, but very weak in price, dealers getting about all they wanted at 3c per lb, but paying as high as 3½c per lb for the choicest and going down to 2½c for inferior, but few of the latter class were taken. The local demand was fairly active, butchers taking advantage of the low prices to lay in a supply, paying from 2½ to 3c per lb for good to choice, and going even down to near 2c per lb for inferior. The bottom may be said to have been knocked clean out of the market, and as the day advanced prices kept getting lower, drovers preferring to stand sacrifices rather than ship the stock back to the pastures. A train load of western cattle are expected in to-night, and another train loaded with the same class of stock is reported on the way here.

Sheeps and lambs—The offerings to-day were about 700 head, which were altogether more than the demand called for and prices showed big declines. Sheep were not wanted at all, and only a few were disposed of at from \$4 to \$4.25 each. Lambs were in fair request by local dealers and about two-thirds of the offerings were sold at from \$3.75 to \$4 each.

Milk cows and springers—The market for both milkers and springers were weak and dull, nearly all purchases being made under \$40 per head. Quotations may be given as ranging from \$30 to \$45 per head.

Calves—There was a weaker market, but no quotable change was made in prices. About 40 were offered and all were sold at from \$3 to \$7 each.

Hogs—The offerings were only about 120, and all found a fair market. Prices are unchanged, ranging from \$4.50 to \$5 per cwt for straight fat, and \$3.90 to \$4 for stores and heavy rough hogs.—*Empire*, Sep. 26.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Sugar, syrups and molasses—Sugar—Jobbers are shading prices on low grades, and during the past few days have shown very fine quality at 3½ to 3¾c. In granulated a fair trade is doing at 5c in 15 bbl lots and 5½c for less. Syrups are more active, but stocks are light.

Prices are firm. Sales have been mostly at 2½ to 3½c per lb. Molasses quiet. Fine Porto Ricos offered at 40 to 43c and New Orleans at 50 to 55c. Granulated, 1 to 15 barrels, 5½c; do, 15 barrels and over, 5c; grocers A, 1 to 15 barrels, 5c; do, 15 barrels and over 4½c; Paris lump, boxes, 5½ to 5¾c; extra ground, barrels, 5¾c; do, boxes or less than barrels, 6c; powdered, barrels, 5½c; do, less than barrels, 5 to 5½c; refined, dark to bright, 3½ to 4½c; Trinidad raw, 3½ to 4½c; Damerara, 4½ to 4¾c. Syrups—D., 2½ to 2¾c; M., 2½ to 2¾c; B. 2½ to 3c; V. B., 3 to 3½c; E. V. B., 3½ to 3¾c ex super., 3½ to 3¾c; XX., 3½ to 3¾c; XXX and special, 3½ to 3¾c.

Teas and coffees—Jobbers are not buying many, but they have been selling more than for some time. Greens are neglected, but there have been fairly good orders for Japans at 18 to 25c and blacks at 15 to 30c. Coffees steady, with a slightly better demand. Prices are:—Rios, 21 to 32c; Jamaica, 22 to 23c; Java, 27 to 32c; Mocha, 29 to 35c; Porto Rico, 25 to 28c.

Dried fruit—New Sultan raisins are offered at 11c, but the demand is limited, the enquiry being for primo old. Valencia raisins are easier at 7½ to 7¾c for new and 4 to 4½c for old. Currants are steady at 6½c for old; London letters complain of the inferior quality of many of the new arrivals on that market, saying that really prime is scarce and hard to get. Currants, bbls, new, 6½c to 6¾c; half bbls, 6½ to 6¾c; cases, 6½ to 8c; Vostizza, new, cases, 7½ to 10c. Raisins, Valencias, 4 to 5c; do, selects, 6 to 7c; do, layers, 8½ to 9c; Sultanas, 10 to 10c. London layers, \$2.50 to \$2.75. Prunes—Cases, 5½ to 6½c; hogsheads and bags, 6½ to 7c. Figs, natural bags, 4½ to 5c; Malaga mats, \$1.00 to \$1.25; Elemes, 10 to 20 pounds, 8 to 10c. Dates, Hal-lowee, 5½ to 6c; old 4c. Nuts, almonds, Tarragona, 15½ to 17c; Ivica, 14 to 15c; filberts, Sicily, 10½ to 11c; walnuts, Grenobles, 10 to 17c; Marbots, 12 to 13c; Bordeaux, 12 to 12½c.

Canned Goods—Fruits are quiet, but vegetables are more active. Orders for assorted lots of corn, peas and tomatoes are being filled by jobbers at \$1.10 all round. Salmon is offered at \$1.45 for best brands and at \$1.30 to \$1.40 for other grades. Mackerel remains at \$1 to \$1.10. Fish—Salmon, 1's flat, \$1.60 to 1.70; salmon, 1's tall, \$1.35 to 1.45; lobster, Clover Leaf, \$2.95; lobster, other, 1's, \$2.10 to 2.30; mackerel, \$1.00 to 1.10; sardines, French ½'s, 11c.; French do, ½'s, 17c.; sardines, American ½'s, 6 to 8c; do, do, ½'s, 9c. Fruits and vegetables—Corn, 2's, \$1.10 to \$1.25; do, 3's, \$1.50 to 1.60; peas, 2's, \$1.10 to 1.25; beans, \$1; pumpkins, 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$2.25 to 2.40; tomatoes, 3's, \$1.10 to \$1.15; apples, 3's, \$1.10 to \$1.15; do, gallons, \$3 to 3.20; peaches, 2's, \$2 to 2.25; do, 3's, \$2.75 to 3.50; plums, 2's, \$1.60 to \$2; do, 3's, \$2.60; pears, 2's, \$2.

Rice, Spices, etc.—Rice, bags, 3½ to 4½c; do, off grades, 3½ to 3¾c; do, Patna, 6½ to 6¾c; do, Japan, 4½ to 5½c; Carolina, 8 to 8½c sago, 3½ to 4½c; tapioca, 4½ to 6c; pepper black, 12 to 18c; do, white, 18 to 25c; ginger, Jamaica, 25 to 30c; cloves, 15 to 20c; allspice, 12 to 15c; nutmegs, 85c to \$1.10; cream tartar, 25 to 35c.—*Empire*.

The contract for building Smith & Brigham's 30,000 bushel elevator has been let to J. Bossens, of Portage la Prairie.