

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE Special to The Commercial

Toronto, Oct. 27

Dry Goods—Dealers have more orders for heavy goods. Trade is better this week. The new list of Dominion Cotton Mills Company shows advances in grey cottons, including cheese cloth, of 4c on lower lines and 4c on better lines. Bleached sheetings and grey sheetings are 1 1/2c higher, pillow cotton 1/2c higher. Sateen duck, 1/4 to 1/2c higher. A big demand for gray woollens is reported, including overcoatings for men as well as for ladies, as it is becoming a staple color.

Hardware—Trade is active, especially for fall lines. Sporting goods are in big demand. Prices steady. Owing to the higher prices abroad for window glass and difficulty in getting orders placed in Belgium for present delivery, prices here have been advanced 5 per cent. Discounts in Belgium are smaller than for years. Prices here are first break 50 foot boxes \$2.20, 100 foot \$2.25, double diamond, \$2.25. Turpentine, which steadily advanced all the week in the south, advanced 2c here today, to 15c. Linseed oil, in sympathy with the extraordinary advance in flaxseed, has advanced here 2c for large lots.

Groceries—Business is largely of a sojourn nature. Sugars are steady. New currants are selling as follows: Filadelfia, 12 to 14c; Vostizians, 16 to 17c; Patras, 15c; Valencia raisins, selected, 9 1/2 to 10 1/2c, off stalk, 9c.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE Special to The Commercial.

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Grain deliveries have been light. Wheat is 1c to 2c lower on the week for Ontario winter. Red is selling at 63c, country points, and is offering at 61 1/2c west. Manitoba wheat is 1c lower on the week. Flour is weaker. Cables received here report flour one shilling lower since the recent advance, at equal to \$2.60 for Ontario 90 per cent. patent, without bags. Manitoba flour is unchanged. Oats are 1/2c higher. Large roll butter is now offering freely at 17c, and the feeling is easier for butter. Eggs unchanged. Dried new and evaporated apples are offering at lower prices.

Flour—Manitoba Patent, \$4.65; Manitoba bakers, \$4.40 for carlots at Toronto Ontario patent, \$2.65 to \$2.85.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 63 to 64c for red and white, west, Ontario spring, 61 to 62c. No. 1 hard, 92c, grinding in transit; Toronto and west, 90c.

Oats—23 1/2 to 25 1/2c as to quality. No. 2 white 2c, on cars at western Ontario points.

Barley—37c for No. 3 extra at country points west.

Milled Shers \$13.70 to \$14 per ton for cars west, bran, \$11.50 to \$12. Oatmeal—\$3.10 in bags per barrel, and \$3.20 in wood for carlots, Toronto.

Hay—Carlots on track, \$9 to \$9.50 per ton.

Eggs—17 to 18 for fresh gathered per dozen, limed and held fresh, 15 to 16c.

Butter—Choice fresh dairy, in tubs, and pails, 17 to 18c, as to quality. Pound rolls, 18 to 19c, second grades, 13 to 16c; creamery packages, 20 to 21 1/2c, prints, 22 to 23c.

Cheese—11 1/2 to 12c for job lots. Hides—7 1/2c for No. 1 cows, No. 1 heavy steers, 8c, country hides 1/2c under these prices. Calfskins, 8c for No. 1, and 7c for No. 2; lambskins, 70c each, tallow, 5 to 5 1/2c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 15 to 16c; unwashed, 9 to 10c.

Beans—\$1.45 to \$1.50 per bushel for handpicked, job lots.

Dried Apples—3 1/2 to 4c for round lots, evaporated, 4 1/2 to 5c.

Honey—9 to 10c per pound.

Poultry—Chickens, 3c to 4 1/2c per pair; turkeys, 9 to 11c per pound; ducks, 50 to 70c per pair; geese 6 to 7c per lb.

Potatoes—25c per bushel for carlots. Dressed Hogs—Car lots for future delivery here sold yesterday at \$4.25 per 100 lbs.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET Special to The Commercial

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Receipts at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 700 cattle, 2,000 sheep and lambs and 400 hogs.

Export cattle—Market dull, quality of offerings poor. Quotations range from 3 to 4 1/2c.

Butchers' cattle—Market dull and prices easy. Good many poor quality offerings. Picked lots sold at \$4.35 to \$4.75 per cwt. and choice at \$4 to \$4.30. Good \$2.25 to \$4 medium, \$2.75 to \$3.25, and common, \$2.25 to \$2.75.

Feeders—Were in good demand and firmer at \$3 to \$3.40 per cwt for light and \$3.50 to \$4 for heavy.

Feeding bulls—Were steady at \$2.50 to \$3.25.

Stockers—Light, unchanged at \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt., poor grades dull at \$1.75 to \$2.25.

Export bulls—The supply included four very fine animals. They weighed 2,050 lbs. each and sold at \$4.25 per cwt. Others sold at \$3.50 per cwt. Light were a shade firmer at \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cwt.

Milch cows—50 would be paid for first-class cows.

Sheep and lambs—Market good, at steady to firmer prices. Export ewes sold at \$3.25 to \$3.40 per cwt, bucks at \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt and butchers' sheep were 5/8c higher at \$2.50 to \$3.50 each. Lambs were 15 to 5/8c lower at \$3.75 to \$4.00 per cwt. and \$2.50 to \$3 each.

Hogs—Receipts light. Prices steady. Selects of 160 lbs to 200 lbs, natural weight, sold at \$6 per cwt.; light, \$5.62 1/2, heavy, \$5.15, corn fed, \$5.62 1/2.

FRIDAY'S MARKET.

Toronto, Oct. 27.

Receipts at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 70 carloads, including 1,500 sheep and lambs and 3,000 hogs. Export cattle were firmer, with sales at 4 1/2 to 4 3/4c. Butchers' cattle were slow, except for choice. The best sold at \$4.35 to \$4.50 per 100 lbs. Lower grades same as on Tuesday. Feeders were firmer at 3 to 4c. Stockers same as Tuesday. Sheep were firmer. Export sheep sold at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c. Lambs advanced to 3 1/2 to 4c. Hogs sold at 7 1/2c for choice bacon and 5 1/2c for heavy and light fat.

MONTREAL GRAIN & PRODUCE. Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, Oct. 27.

The grain market was more active this week, but prices were lower all around. Wheat yesterday closed 1/2c lower than a week ago, barley was 1c lower and oats 1/2c lower. Flour has held steady, with fair demand. Oatmeal unchanged. Feed active and firm. Cheese dull and easier, quotations being about 1/2c off from the top of a week ago. Butter holds firm and the market is higher, creamery being up 1/2c. Eggs are active and firm. Honey is lower. Hides steady. Potatoes active and unchanged. Prices are as follows:—

Wheat No 1 spring wheat, 74 1/2 to 75c.

Barley—46 1/2 to 47c.

Oats—27 1/2 to 28c.

Flour—In fair demand. Manitoba patent, \$4.70 seconds, do., \$4.50. Manitoba strong bakers, \$4.20 to \$4.40; straight rollers, \$3.35 to \$3.50.

Rolls Oatmeal—\$3.25 to \$3.30 per barrel, and \$1.57 1/2 to \$1.60 for bags.

Feed—Market firm, good demand. Manitoba bran, bags, \$14, shorts, \$18. Baled Hay—Choice, \$9.50 to \$10. No. 2, \$8.25 to \$8.75.

C. & S. Western, September, 11 1/4c, eastern 10 1/2 to 11c, eastern October, 10 1/2 to 10 3/4c.

Butter—Finest creamery, 20 1/2 to 21c, seconds, 19 1/2 to 19 3/4c, dairy, 17 1/2 to 18c.

Eggs—Prices firm. Strictly fresh, 20c, No. 1, candied, 18 to 18 1/2c, No. 2, 14 to 15c.

Maple Syrup—6 1/2 to 7c in wood, 4ins, 50 to 60c.

Honey—White clover, comb, 10 to 12c, extracted, 8c to 8 1/2c.

Hides—No. 1, 8c; No. 2, 7c; No. 3, 6c, calfskins, 9 to 7c, lambskins, 70c for good fresh skin.

Potatoes—45 to 47 1/2c per bag.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES. Special to The Commercial.

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Receipts of live stock at the East End abattoir market yesterday were 900 cattle and 600 sheep and lambs.

The attendance of buyers was large and as the supply of desirable stock was more plentiful, the demand for such was good. In consequence, trade was fairly active and prices were maintained for this class of stock. The trade in common and inferior was slow and a number were left over unsold. Choice steers brought 4 1/2 to 4 3/4c, good, 3 1/2 to 4c, fair, 3c to 3 1/4c, common, 2 1/2 to 2 3/4c, and inferior, 2c to 2 1/2c per lb. In sheep trade was

quiet on account of the small supply and prices were steady. Good export stock sold at 3 1/2c, and common at 2 1/2 to 3 1/4c per lb. Lambs were scarce for which the demand was active; in consequence prices ruled higher. Choice lots sold at \$4.15 to \$4.40 per 100 lbs., and ordinary at 3 1/2 to 4c per lb. Calves met with a fair sale at prices ranging from 3c to 5c per lb., as to quality. Receipts of hogs were somewhat larger which had a depressing effect upon values and sales were made at from \$5 to \$5.85 per 100 lbs., weighed off cars.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, Oct. 26.

At the East End abattoir yesterday receipts were 900 cattle, 600 sheep, 600 lambs and 400 hogs.

Really choice cattle were scarce, and the market for such was steady. Other grades were lower. Trading was rather quiet. The best cattle sold at 4c, good at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4c, fair at 2 1/2 to 3c, common at 2 1/4 to 2 1/2c, and inferior at 1 1/2 to 2c. Sheep declined 1/4c, to 2 1/2 to 3 1/4c. Lambs firm at 3 1/2 to 4c. Hogs 1/2c lower, at 5 1/2 to 5 3/4c.

MONTREAL GROCERY TRADE Special to The Commercial.

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Sugar steady and firm. Valencia raisins easier, and demand quiet. Teas firm. Demand improving. Provisions fairly active.

Prices are: Sugar, granulated, \$3.00 per 100 lbs; yellows, \$4.20 to \$4.80; molasses, 40 to 41c. Valencia raisins, fine off stalk, 8 1/2 to 9 1/2c, selected, 9c, layers, 9 1/2c; currants, 11 1/2 to 13c; canned goods, tomatoes, 8 1/2 to 8 3/4c; peas, 75 to 80c; corn, 80 to 90c; salmon, \$6 to \$6.75 per case; Japan teas, 17 1/2 to 20c.

Provisions—The market is firm. Quotations are: Pork \$19 to \$21; lard, pure, 10 1/2 to 11 1/2c; hams, 10 1/2 to 11c; bacon, 12 to 14c.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

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The hardware market has been rather quiet. The principle change is a decline of 5c on bar iron. A sale of 25,000 barrels of German cement at 2.40, for a government contract, is reported.

Pig iron, summerlee, No. 1, \$24 to \$25.00; Nova Scotia, \$23.00 to \$23.50; bar iron, \$1.50 to \$1.60; tin plates, cokes, \$3.85 to \$4.00; charcoal, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Canada plates, \$2.80 to \$2.90;terne plates, \$7.50; Ingot tin, 32 to 33c; copper, 18 to 19c; lead, \$1.15 to \$1.25; Manila cordage, 12 to 13c, sisal, 9 to 10c; linseed oil, raw, 70 to 80c; boiled, 82 to 83c; seal oil, 50 to 52 1/2c; turpentine 58 to 59c; cement, German, \$2.40 to \$2.60; English, \$2.30 to \$2.40; Belgium, \$1.80 to \$2.00; Canadian, \$2.10 to \$2.25; white lead, standard, \$6.50; coal tar, \$4 to \$4.50.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Oct. 26.

Cheese quoted at 53s 6d for white and 54s 6d for colored, which shows an advance of 6d since last week.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, Oct. 26.

Cattle steady at 12 to 13c, dressed weight. Sheep, 12 to 13c per lb.

LONDON SUGAR MARKET. Special to The Commercial.

London, Oct. 26.

Raw sugar is quoted at 15 7/8d.

HOG PRODUCTS. Special to The Commercial.

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There is a decided scarcity of hog products here and the shortage will not be relieved until the new fall pack is ready for the market. Dressed and live hogs, however, are now offering liberally and the market is easier for these lines, with an expectation of materially lower prices before the end of next month. Lard is lower this week. Some lines of cured meats, particularly bacon and hams, are quoted 1/2c higher. Barrel pork is 50c higher.

D. Rora, lumber miller, of White-mout, Man., was in Winnipeg this week.

Coal Strike About Over.

A dispatch from Hazleton, Pennsylvania, dated October 25, conveyed the news that the executive officers of the coal miners' union had given out the following announcement for publication:—

"Temporary headquarters, United Mine Workers of America, Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 25.—To the miners and mine workers of the Anthracite region: Gentlemen,—After carefully canvassing the entire strike situation, we, your officers, district, and national, have concluded that your victory is so nearly complete that no good end can be served by continuing the strike longer. The contest has been in progress for 30 days, and the companies employing you have, with few exceptions, signified their willingness to pay the scale of wages formulated by the Scranton convention of Oct. 12 and 13."

Another dispatch dated the 20th, says that the miners at Shamokin are greatly dissatisfied because no notices have been posted at that place. It is presumed that this means notices by the mine companies announcing the advance of 10 per cent. in wages and other concessions. They say that they will not go to work next Monday unless they know what the companies intend to do in the matter. Local officials say that persons wanting to go to work will be given an advance of 10 per cent. in wages but no guarantee is made that the increase will stand until April 1, as demanded by the Scranton convention.

Another wire of the 26th says: The Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co., Pottsville, is making preparations to resume work at its mine in the Schuylkill region on Monday morning.

The Commercial Men.

J. H. Glass, the well known shoe traveller, is in the city this week.

Walter Crone, traveller for Nelson & Sons, Montreal, was in Winnipeg this week returning from the coast.

One of the most widely known travellers in the west who is now being missed from the road is A. E. Forde, who covered the branch lines for the Ogilvie Milling Co. He has been transferred to a position on the office staff at Winnipeg.

R. J. Salisbury has returned from a trip to British Columbia, in the interest of Thos. Lee, cigar manufacturer, Winnipeg. Mr. Salisbury reports business conditions much improved in the interior districts of British Columbia. Personally he did a good business, having sold about two-thirds more goods than he had counted on before starting out. While business is quiet in the mountain towns during the winter, conditions are favorable for a good spring trade.

Stoves.

Prices for stoves are holding firm, and it is not at all likely that there will be any change for some time to come—not for the balance of this season at any rate. The advance in wages which has been maintained for some time in the stove trade, is an important factor with stove manufacturers in the direction of holding prices up. On the other hand there has of course been a considerable drop in the price of metals, but manufacturers who carry heavy stocks in advance, do not get the full benefit of the decline in metals for some time after it has gone into effect. Easier prices next spring, however, may be a feature of the stove trade.

Grain Rates on Oatmeal Lower.

The C. P. R. has granted a reduction in the freight rate on rolled oats from Ontario points to the west which will be of some importance to the grocery trade. The rate has been lowered from 31 to 30c per 100 pounds.

Movements of Business Men.

J. W. Zallara, of Chicago, manager of the Deering Harvester Co., was in Winnipeg this week.

A recent visitor to Canada was W. R. Lyzaght, one of the directors of John Lyzaght, Limited, of Bristol, Eng., whose name is a familiar one in Canada, especially in connection with their well known "Queen's Head" brand of galvanized iron. Mr. Lyzaght inspected the business with which he is connected in Montreal and other eastern cities.