

## Toronto Markets.

Wheat—Sales of car lots of red and white wheat on the Northern were made at 60c. Car lots of both spring and winter wheat sold on the Midland at 62c. Two cars of very choice spring on the Midland, held for seed, sold to a broker at 65c, and was turned over to a miller at a profit. White wheat, middle freights west, is quoted at 58 to 60c, according to distance from the mill. Goose sold west to day at 57c. Manitobas are in fair demand. No 1 hard sold west at 73c, and No 2 hard at 71c. One car of No. 1 hard was reported sold, C.P.R., west, at 74c.

Flour—Brokers are selling straight rollers at from \$2.60 to 2.80, Toronto freights.

Millfeed—A bid of \$16 was made for car lots of bran, Toronto or Hamilton freights, to-day. Shorts are quoted at 50c more. City mills quote ton lots of bran at \$17, and shorts at \$17.50 to 18.00.

Oats—Several round lots of white, west, are obtainable at 32½c, and mixed is quoted at 33½c. Car lots were reported sold on track at 37c.

Barley—Feed in good enquiry at 39c west and 40c east.

Grain and Flour—Car lot prices are:—Flour (Toronto freights)—Manitoba patents, \$3.75 to \$3.80; Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.50 to 3.55; Ontario patents, \$2.90 to \$3.00; straight roller, \$2.55 to 2.85; extra \$2.40 to \$2.50; low grades, per bag, 85c to \$1. Bran, \$16 to 16.50. Shorts—\$16.50 to 16.75. Wheat (west and north points)—White, 58 to 60c; spring, 60c; red winter, 58 to 60c; coarse, 57 to 58c; No 1 hard, 73c; No 2 hard, 71c. Peas, 55 to 56c. Barley (outside)—No. 1, 41 to 42c; feed, 39 to 40c. Oats, 33 to 33½c. Buckwheat (east)—41 to 42c. Rye (east)—46 to 47c.

Eggs—Ten and five-case lots of fresh sold at 10½c and single cases from 10½ to 11c. Checked eggs slow at 8 to 8½c, and limed at 7 to 7½c.

Apples.—Quotations:—\$4.50 to \$5 for selected and \$3.00 to \$3.50 for cooking. Dried apples scarce and firm. Evaporated firm. Quotations are: Dried, 6 to 6½c; evaporated, 9½ to 10c.

Beans—Choice hand-picked white beans are sold in small lots at \$1.20 per bushel, and in round lots at \$1.15. Limas are quoted at 4c per pound.

Onions—Commission houses are quoting 1½ to 1½c per lb for choice yellow Danvers and silver skins.

Honey, etc.—Quitt at 8c a lb for extracted and \$1.50 to 1.75 per dozen for sections. Maple syrup is in fair demand. Prices easy. Quotations are: Gallon tins, 80 to 85c; five-gallon tins, 75 to 85c; bbls at 70 to 75c. Old syrup, 70 to 75c.

Cured Meats—Quotations are as follows: Mess pork, Canadian, \$15.00; short cut \$16.00; shoulder, mess, \$13.50 to \$14.00; clear mess, \$14.00 to \$14.50; bacon, long clear, case lots 7½c; ton lots 7½c; lard, Canadian tierces, 8½c; tubs, 9c; pails, 9½c, and com. pounds in pails, 8c, and tubs, 7½c; smoked hams, 10½ to 11c; bellies, 11 to 11½c; rolls, 8½ to 9c and backs, 10 to 10½c.

BUTTER—Prices have eased off again. Quotations are: Dairy tub, choice to extra choice, 19 to 20c; good to choice, 18 to 19c; store picked tubs, choice, 17 to 18c; inferior to medium, 15 to 16c; large dairy rolls 17 to 18½c; pound rolls, 19 to 20c; creamery pounds, 24 to 25c; creamery tubs, 23 to 24c.

Cheese—Full creams, September and October, are quoted at 11½ to 12c.—Empire, April 28

## Toronto Live Stock Prices.

Butchers' Cattle—Buying was brisk to day. Prices were quite hard, and the prospect is more encouraging. Some of to-day's sales were: 14 head averaging 1,175 pounds, \$3.70 a cwt.; 22 head averaging 1,050 pounds, \$3.40 a cwt.; 17 head averaging 1,000 pounds, \$3.37½ a

cwt.; 22 head averaging 1,025 pounds, \$36 a head; 18 head averaging 1,100 pounds, \$3.40 a cwt.; 12 head averaging 1,000 pounds, 3½c a pound; 20 head averaging 1,125 pounds, \$40 a head; 25 head averaging 975 pounds, 3½c a pound; 23 head averaging 1,040 pounds, \$34.50 a head.

Export Cattle—One lot of 16, averaging 1,285 pounds, sold at 4½c, and one lot of 20, averaging 1,250 pounds sold at 4c.

Hogs—Demand active, everything being taken early in the day. Prices were firmer, and the prospects is that we will have steady, if not higher, prices on Tuesday next. To-day's market was about 10c better. Thick fats and "bacon" hogs sold at \$4.80 to \$4.90, off car, and three decks of choice brought \$5. One lot of 100 choice thick fats, fed and watered, brought \$4.70. Stores were in good demand at \$4.60 to \$4.75. Sows brought \$4.25, and stags \$2.50 to \$3.

Sheep and Lambs—Choice grain-fed yearlings were in excellent demand at 4½ to 4¾c per pound. One bunch of 121, averaging 83 pounds, sold at 4½c per pound. Spring lambs, slow at \$3.50 to \$4.50 each. Butchers' sheep are wanted, a few choice would sell at \$4.50 to \$5.50.

Calves—Good choice veals are in active request at from \$6.50 to \$7.00 each, and extras will bring \$8.00. One bunch of 20, averaging 130 pounds, sold at \$96 for the lot; one bunch of 10, averaging 140 pounds, sold at \$6. each; and one bunch of 20, averaging 120 pounds, sold at \$5 each.

Milch Cows and Springers—The range of prices was from \$30 to \$50.—Empire, April 27.

## Montreal Iron and Hardware Trade.

Trade generally is quiet and until the tariff has been definitely settled merchants do not anticipate any increase in business. Prices generally are steady, which is not surprising considering the fact that in nearly all lines they are the lowest on record. Stocks throughout the country are usually reported to be small and any sudden demand is very apt to enhance values somewhat. In pig iron prices are unchanged. Importations of foreign iron will likely show a big decrease this season as the home product is now offered for less than iron can be imported at. We quote and equal brands at \$19, Cambroes at \$18 and Canadian \$16.50 to 17. Bar iron is quiet and sells at \$1.75 to 1.85, according to quantity, but the inside figure might be shaded under certain circumstances. Sheet iron commands \$2.35 to 2.40. Hoops and bands are steady at \$2.30. Best cast steel is rather easier at 9½ to 12c. Galvanized sheets are unchanged. Ordinary brands 4½ to 5c, Morewood's Lion brand 6 to 6½c. Tinned sheet iron, No 24 sells from 6 to 6½c, No 26, 6½ to 6¾c, with the usual extra for smaller sizes. The demand for tin plates has improved somewhat. We quote cokes \$3 to 3.25 according to quantity and quality, and charcoal \$3.50 to 4. There is a fair demand for Canada plates as usual at this season. Prices are firm at \$2.35 to 2.40 according to quantity. Terne plates are also in fair demand at \$6.50 to 6.75. Copper for "Oxford" brand, or equal quality, sells at 9½ to 10c per lb according to quantity. Ingot tin, unchanged, 18 to 19c; spelter, 4½ to 4¾c; antimony, 10½ to 12c; lead, 2½ to 3c; sheet zinc, 5 to 5½c.

Paints and Oils—The unsettled feeling noted in the paints and oils market last week continues, and competition between dealers on linseed oil, turpentine and leads and colors is as keen as ever, while business is so unsettled that even the buyers themselves hardly know what to do. Linseed oil is lower. The demand for all lines has been slow, and business in consequence runs quiet, and principally of a jobbing character. In regard to seal oil brokers have been around the trade offering new stock for future delivery more freely and asking for bids, but as far as we can make out buyers are

holding off with the expectation that prices will come down to 35c, and if they do considerable will no doubt change hands at this figure. The stock on hand at present is said not to be large and sales of five and ten barrel lots have taken place at 42½ to 45c with smaller quantities quoted at 45 to 47c. Linseed boiled is quoted at 58 to 60c, and raw at 55 to 57c. We quote: Choice brands white lead Government standard, \$4.75; No 1, \$4.50; No 2, \$4.25; No 3, \$4 No 4, \$3.75; dry, white lead, 4½c; red lead, pure, 4½c; do, No 1, 4c; zinc white, pure, \$7.25; No 1, \$6.25; No 2, \$5.25; glass, \$1.25, first break; \$1.35 second break, per 50 feet; \$3.25 for first break, per 100 feet; linseed oil, round lots, raw, 55c; boiled, 58c; putty in bulk, \$1.85; seal oil, 42½ to 45c.

Since our last report of the cement market business has continued active, and some large sales have taken place, including one lot of 5,000 barrels and another lot of 3,000 barrels on western account. With fresh arrivals near at hand the prospects for high prices are not very encouraging. We quote: English brands at \$2.05 to 2.15, and Belgian at \$1.90 to 2.00 per barrel for present delivery, and \$1.95 to \$2 for English, and \$1.80 to 1.85 for Belgian for future. A fair amount of business has transpired in firebricks, and the market is moderately active and steady at \$18.50 to 22.50 per 1,000 as to brand.

In turpentine the feeling is steadier and values show no change. Other lines are unchanged. We quote: Turpentine, 47 to 48c; resins, \$2.50 to 5.00, as to brand; coal tar, \$3.25 to 3.75; cotton waste, 5 to 7c for colored and 7 to 10c for white; oakum, 5½ to 7½c, and cotton oakum, 10 to 12c. Cordage, sisal, at 6½c for 7 lb and upwards, and 14c for deep sea line. Pure manilla, 9c for 7-16 and upwards, and 9½c for smaller sizes.

Petroleum—We quote:—Canadian refined at 11½c in shed in Montreal, for round lots, and 12c for small quantities. American petroleum, 16c in car lots, 16½c in 10 barrel lots, 16¾c in 5 barrel lots, and 17½c for single barrels, net cash; American benzine, 23 to 25c; Canadian benzine, 10½c Petroleum; 12½c Montreal.—Gazette, April 27.

## Flesh Producing Feed for Animals.

In England the question with feeders is how to buy with the least money the feed which will put on the greatest amount of flesh. Adding oil to coarse substances like straw, roots, etc., so as to bring up the per centage of fats, is the latest scheme. Thus horses have been successfully fed on a mixture made by adding linseed oil to crushed oats, turnips and finely cut straw. In this country the addition of the oil cake left after the obtainable oil has been pressed out from the ground seed is found profitable, and it may be that the farmer who can successfully grow the seed would find it advantageous to add bruised or crushed flax seed to his rations and thus get not only the use of the portion which ordinarily goes into the cake, but also the oil which our English cousins find valuable, and at the same time save for himself the oil mill profits.—Kansas Farmer.

## Seeding in the Dakotas.

The Northwestern Miller of April 20 says: The conditions for the next wheat crop in the Northwest continue favorable. In South Dakota the ground is generally in excellent condition. In the southern counties seeding is far advanced. In some localities it is completed, and a little is sown out. In the northern counties seeding is general, and in the central counties it is well advanced. In southwestern Minnesota it is about finished. In the north it is progressing slowly. In the timber lands there is still plenty of ice and snow, but elsewhere in the State the frost is nearly out of the ground. In most parts of North Dakota seeding is under way.