

MARKET REVIEW AND FORECAST

Toronto, March 29.—The business situation continues to improve as the spring opens. Travelers will report cautious buying on the part of retail merchants, but the buying tendencies on the part of the public seems to move toward a little more liberality. This gain in confidence is probably based on psychological reasons. People are always inclined to be more optimistic as the latter season of being cooped in all winter wears away. Finance Minister White gives it as his opinion that the business of the coming summer will depend more on the progress of the war than anything else. If the Allies continue to win, business will be fairly good.

Sir John French's plain prediction that the war will not last long, has had its effect on the farm produce market. Grains generally have gone down, though the slump has not been serious. The cattle market has improved in the week. Dairy produce continues firm.

WHEAT

No one fact in the wheat market stands out more clearly than that the future of the market has not been steady since the report of that momentous interview with Sir John French. The perseverance of the

of production is again reached. Hence, while prices this year do not encourage increased production, poultrymen will be safe in continuing on about the usual next year. On this market new laids are quoted 25c to 30c in cartons and straight receipts, 25c. Prices throughout the country run 16c to 17c for straight receipts.

Poultry is quoted here as follows: Chickens, live, 11c to 12c; dressed, 15c to 16c; fowls, live, 10c to 11c; dressed, 15c to 16c; ducks, 15c to 16c; dressed, 18c to 19c; turkeys, 15c to 16c; dressed, 18c to 19c.

DAIRY PRODUCE

New butter has begun to arrive on the market in greater quantity and the general tendency has been to weakness in quotations. The supplies on hand are so light, however, that holders are not worrying and prices are still two to three cents higher than at this stage last year. The new butter arriving at Montreal brings 35c and September creamery sells at about the same. The greatest complaint against the new butter coming in is its stable flavor, and this, it is estimated, decreases the price 5c to 8c a package. On this market creamery prints, fresh made, command 50c to 55c; solids,

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Allies in the bombardment of the Danubian is another feature that does not tend to give wheat holders more confidence. A new factor is now entering into the situation: how will the winter wheat come through the 'winter? Already winter killing on an extensive scale is being talked and the wheat fields are being anxiously watched. Quotations now are: No. 1 Northern, \$1.17; No. 2, \$1.16; No. 3, \$1.15; Ontario wheat, \$1.42 to \$1.48.

COARSE GRAINS

There has been a general swelling down in prices of all grains whose value is effected by the wheat market. Coarse grains, however, seem to gain more readily than wheat, and it would take little to restore them to their former level. Quotations: Oats, O.V.W. No. 2, 65c; No. 3, 60c; No. 1 feed, 65c; Ontario oats, 60c to 65c; corn, 10c; peas, 11c to 12c; buckwheat, 10c to 11c; rye, \$1.15 to \$1.17; barley, malting, 11c to 12c.

The Montreal market quotes as follows: Oats, O.V.W. No. 3, 65c; extra No. 1 feed, 65c; local white, 60c to 65c; corn, 10c; peas, 11c; barley, feed, 60c; malting, 90c; buckwheat, 50c.

MILL FEEDS

Mill feeds are a shade easier on the market. Bran is now quoted 25c to 27c; shorts, 25c to 27c; middlings, 23c to 25c; feed flour, 25c to 27c. Montreal dealers quote bran 25c; shorts, 23c; middlings, 23c to 25c; moulins, 25c to 27c.

SEEDS

Seeds are quoted in wholesale quantities a cent as follows: Red clover, No. 1, 25c to 30c; No. 2, 15c to 20c; No. 3, 10c to 15c; white, No. 1, 25c to 30c; No. 2, 15c to 20c; No. 3, 10c to 15c; timothy, No. 1, 25c to 30c; No. 2, 15c to 20c; No. 3, 10c to 15c.

EGGS AND POULTRY

Eggs are cheaper than at this season for several years. The decreased price is the result of decreased consumption and probably very considerably increased production. Dealers, however, express the opinion that the market is now at its low ebb and that the seasonal decreases, which in normal years would be expected, will not transpire this year. Poultry, it is said, are already starting to lay for storage. It is a characteristic of over production that when a certain point has been reached, prices slump badly as they have this year, production goes down and it is a long time before the old level

10c to 12c; dairy prints, 75c to 80c; bakers, 25c to 30c.
Sales of fodder cheese are reported from Western Ontario at 10c to 12c, f.o.b. country points. This is a 1c higher than at this time last year. The strength is due to war time prices, the Imperial Government last week buying 50,000 boxes at one sale on Old Country markets.

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