

THE PRODUCE MARKET.

THE business of the week has been on the comparatively limited scale which has characterized the present season thus far. Arrivals generally are light, and the relatively low prices of most articles abroad prevent any outward movement of any consequence. Pot and Pearl Ashes alone being in the usual supply, or engaging the ordinary amount of attention.

Flour.—Most of the parcels stored to await open navigation have come forward, and late receipts have chiefly been by the few or single hundreds. Most descriptions have met a steady demand at full, and in many instances at advanced prices. The enquiry for the higher grades has been well maintained. Superior Extra bringing \$5.80 to \$6; while, for broken parcels, 2½c. to 3½c. more is asked, and for some of the more favourite brands even \$7 is demanded. Single Extra ranges from \$5.60 to \$5.75, and Fancy, \$5.20 to \$5.30. Superfine, as usual, comprises the bulk of arrivals and transactions, and a considerable business has been done both on the spot and for future delivery. A lot of 10,000 barrels, from Canada wheat, for July delivery, and 5,000 barrels for August, have recently been sold, on terms not permitted to transpire, while sales of 100 to 750 bbl. lots, on the spot, may be noted at \$4.35 to \$5.10, and, for single hundreds and broken lots of strong flour, the ordinary advance on these rates. City brands, from Western wheat, now engage attention, as the warm and souring season approaches, and sales to a moderate extent have been made at \$4.90 to \$5.25. Western States Superfines may be quoted \$4.75 to \$4.90. The market continues almost bare of No. 2 and the lower grades and all offered are readily picked up at full rates. We quote No. 2 \$4.65 to \$4.75. Fine \$4.25 to \$4.45; and Middlings, \$3.85 to \$4.10. **Bag Flour.**—Nothing of consequence has arrived from Western Canada, and the demand exceeding capacity of the local mills to supply, the competition has continued very active throughout the entire week, and prices have latterly ranged from \$2.80 to \$2.85 for desirable parcels. These rates being above the relative worth of barrels, no further advance can be looked for, except as the result of a general improvement in good superfine in barrels can be bagged to cost rather less than the present extreme rates demanded for original parcels.

It may be noted that, with small stocks here, and all accounts agreeing that supplies of Wheat in Western Canada are very limited, the opinion gains strength that a still higher range of prices for Wheat and Flour will set in, which, indeed, appears inevitable, unless the supplies in the Western States prove greater than is generally calculated.

Wheat.—A few cargoes of U. C. Spring have arrived, and in many instances have been placed on private terms, but at supposed high rates. Other lots are offered, to arrive, at \$1.05 to \$1.10. Some cargoes of Milwaukee have also changed hands on terms not mentioned.

COARSE GRAINS are generally easier, but there are few transactions on the spot to be noted, and rates are mostly nominal. On Wednesday, two large loads of oats, in transit to New York, were sold at auction at 3½c. per 32 lbs., and one cargo at 2½c.

SEEDS.—Only retail sales, and prices various the season being too far advanced for safe transactions at recent extreme figures.

PORK.—With limited arrivals, the demand for Mess, although merely by retail, is still in excess of the receipts, and prices tend upwards, sales having been made at \$22 to \$22 ½ for small parcels. Prime Mess and Prime—none to be had.

BUTTER.—The stock in first hands is now limited, and holders are firm at 12 to 12½ cents for fair medium parcels, and for small selected lots an advance is obtainable. New Butter, of reasonably good quality, is coming in very slowly, and commands high prices; nor is it likely to come in plentifully for some time, as the country is represented to be now bare of Butter, and, after the high prices which the farmers have obtained for the last two years, they will not, probably, be in a hurry to bring supplies at a very early stage of the season. They will, however, find it to their interest to sell as speedily as possible all White and colourless Butter, such being in but limited demand now, and a little later it will be utterly unsaleable, except as grease. The first few arrivals of choice yellow grass Butter will command ready sale, at full prices.

KIRKWOOD, LIVINGSTONE & CO.'S PRODUCE AND LEATHER REPORT.

No. 33 ST. NICHOLAS STREET, MONTREAL.
18th May, 1895.

Flour.—We have to report a much better feeling than for some time past. The demand for all grades throughout the week has been good. The dealers buy eagerly, and a better disposition to speculate is evinced. Extras are scarce and wanted. Choice grades of Superfine, and the lower grades, are also not in sufficient supply. Superfines, for the first few days after our last, sold at \$4.80 to \$5, and since from \$4.95 to \$5.15 per bbl. Sales of Superfine, reported for May delivery, at \$4.80 to \$4.92½; also for June delivery, on private terms.

Superior extra	\$6 15 to \$6 40 per bbl
Extra	5 60 to 6 00 "
Fancy	5 35 to 5 65 "
Superfine No. 1	5 00 to 5 15 "
Superfine No. 2	4 70 to 4 85 "
Fine	4 40 to 4 60 "
Middlings	4 25 to 4 35 "
Pollards	3 90 to 4 10 "
Bag Flour	2 80 to 2 90 per 112 lbs

OATMEAL.—\$4.75 to \$5 per bbl of 200 lbs.

WHEAT. In active request. Sales of 4,000 bushels Upper Canada Spring at \$1.12½ per 60 lbs.

COARSE GRAINS.—Peas.—Fair inquiry at 35 cents to \$1 per 60 lbs. Oats very dull and lower—say 30 to 31 cents per 32 lbs. Sales of 20,000 bushels, by auction on the Corn Exchange, at the latter price.

ASHES—POTS.—For some days after our last the range was for Firsts from \$5.2½ to \$5.32½, the latter price for good tars; but during the past two days the feeling has been better, and \$5.40 to \$5.42½ have been the ruling rates, at which they close slightly less active. Pearls in good demand at our quotations.

Pot—1st sort	\$5 40 to \$5 42½ per 100 lbs.
Inferiors	5 45 to 5 55 "
Pearls	5 55 to 6 00 "
Inferiors	6 35 to 6 45 "

PORK.—The stock of all kinds is very light. Prime Mess and Prime are more especially in small supply, and have advanced accordingly. Sales of all grades have taken place at our quotations.

Mess	\$21 75 to \$22 25 per bbl.
Thin Mess	21 25 to 22 00 "
Prime Mess	17 50 to 18 00 "
Prime	16 50 to 17 00 "
Cargo	10 50 to 11 00 "

BUTTER.—The demand for new Butter is very active, and with but little offering, and full prices are readily secured. Several lots of old Butter are still offered on the market, and for which 12 cents is asked.

Choice Dairy	13 to 20 cents per lb.
Medium	15 to 18 "
Store Packed	11 to 13 "

LARD. In good demand at 14 to 14½ cents in three, and 1½ to 1½½ cents in kegs.

CORNEALS.—We have no change to note; we, therefore, repeat our quotations.

Hams	
Plain Uncanvassed	12 to 13 cents per lb.
Canvassed & Sugar-cured	13 to 14 "
Bacon	8 to 10 "
Shoulders	7 to 8 "

PETROLEUM.—Market unchanged. Transactions continue to be of a retail character. Canada Refined, 31 to 34 cents.

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Agent for the celebrated "Great Western" Coal Oil.

PRICES CURRENT.

Ashes—Pots, per 100 lbs., Firsts	\$5 42½ to \$5 45
Pearls	5 50 to 5 55 "
Flour—Pollards, per bbl., 190 lbs.	3 45 to 3 65
Middlings	3 80 to 4 05
Fine	4 25 to 4 45
Superfine No. 2	4 35 to 4 60
" No. 1 (Canada)	5 00 to 5 10
Fancy	5 40 to 5 50
Extra Superfine	5 60 to 5 85
Superior Extra	5 95 to 6 10
Bag Flour, per 112 lbs	2 90 to 2 92½
Oatmeal, per 200 lbs.	0 00 to 0 00
Wheat—U. C. Spring No. 1, per bush., 60 lbs.	0 00 to 0 00
" White Winter	0 00 to 0 00
Peas—White, per bushel, 60 lbs.	0 90 to 0 95
Oats, per bushel, 32 lbs.	0 40 to 0 41
Butter—Inferior, per lb.	0 12 to 0 13
Medium	0 14 to 0 15
Choice	0 17 to 0 19
Pork—Mess, per bbl.	20 00 to 21 50
Prime Mess, per bbl.	17 50 to 18 00
Prime	16 00 to 0 00
Petroleum—Canada Refined, per gal.	0 30 to 0 32½

REVIEW OF THE MARKETS.

ASHES—POTS.—There has been large arrivals during the week. There has been considerable activity shown, prices advancing for firsts to \$5.42½ to \$5.45. Inferiors were sold at \$5.70.

A great proportion of the ashes arrived have inspected Seconds, which tends to keep down prices. **Flour.**—The arrivals have not been equal to the demand. There has been good demand for all grades, especially good strong Superfine, which has been sold for local use as high as \$5.15. Bag Flour is in great request, and has brought as high as \$2.95.

BUTTER.—The market is now firmer, and good butter is scarce. Choice is enquired after, but there is little in the market. Several lots have been shipped to Britain during the week, which has caused prices slightly to improve.

PETROLEUM.—The markets continue dull, with little demand, prices ranging from 30c. to 32½c. per gallon.

LEEMING & BUCHANAN'S WEEKLY COMMERCIAL REPORT.

FRIDAY MORNING, May 13, 1895.

LOUR—Superior Extra	\$6 10 to 6 20
Extra	5 70 to 5 80
Fancy	5 50 to 5 60
Superfine	5 60 to 5 70
Superfine No. 2	4 70 to 4 80
Fine	4 25 to 4 45
BAG FLOUR—per 112 lbs.	2 60 to 2 65
OATMEAL—per bbl of 200 lbs	4 75 to 5 00
WHEAT—per 60 lbs. U C Spring	1 05 to 1 12½
PEASE—per 60 lbs.	0 95 to 1 00
BARLEY—per 48 lbs.	0 00 to 0 00
OATS—per 32 lbs.	0 37 to 0 42
PORK—Mess	22 00 to 22 50
Prime Mess	17 00 to 17 50
Prime	16 50 to 16 75
LARD—per lb	0 13 to 0 14
TALLOW—per lb.	0 08 to 0 08½
BUTTER—Store	0 11 to 0 12
Medium	0 12½ to 0 15
New Dairy	0 18 to 0 20
CHEESE—per lb.	0 10 to 0 11
ASHES—per 100 lbs. Pots—1st sort	5 42 to 5 45
Pearls, 1st sort	5 55 to 5 57½
SEEDS—Timothy, per bush. 45 lbs.	2 50 to 3 00
Flax, " 55 lbs.	1 40 to 1 50
Clover, per 100 lbs.	0 00 to 0 00
LEAF TOBACCO—Canadian	0 31 to 0 04
Missouri lugs	0 05 to 0 06½
" leaf	0 07 to 0 15

Since our last we have had an active market, and a large amount of business has been done. British markets are reported by the "Cuba" to the 7th instant. Flour and Grain transactions in Liverpool and London are on a very limited scale, and prices rather easier. Certainly neither of these markets present any attractions to shippers from this port.

Flour.—Receipt of the week 19,500 bbls. Deficiency of stock is the marked feature of the flour market here, and prices have advanced during the week fully 15c. to 25c. per bbl on Superfine and coarser grades. For June and July delivery holders ask \$5.25 to \$5.30 for Superfine. Extras are in request, at outside quotations, but sellers want more money. No. 2 Fine and Middlings are bought up at once at highest quotations. Bag Flour held firmly at \$2.90. The market closes strong, with upward tendency.

WHEAT.—A parcel of U. C. Spring was sold yesterday at \$1.07. A cargo of Chicago No. 2 sold today at \$1.07½. There has been quite a speculative feeling within the past few days, and several parcels have changed hands on p. t. for future delivery.

OATMEAL is very quiet, several ordinary brands offering at \$4.00 to \$4.70; choice meal worth \$5.00. Oats have been sold F O B at Burlington, at 31c. per bushel. There is nothing doing here worth speaking of.

PORK.—Mess is sold at quotations. Prime mess is held at \$17.00 to \$17.50. Prime very scarce, at \$16.75. Plain smoked ham meet with a sale at 13c. to 14c. Canvassed 14c. to 17c. The latter description of meat are in better supply, and the upward tendency of prices is checked.

BUTTER.—Receipts of old are almost discontinued. New is beginning to arrive more freely. Sales of old butter are rather slow at quotations. There is, however, very little offering. New butter meets with quick sale at 19c. to 20c. Our sales this week have been considerable at 20c. for timets, and 18c. to 19c. for kegs. It was expected the market would break before the middle of this month, but the coldness of the season has kept supplies back, and to this date the market is very bare.

TALLOW.—Steady at 8 to 8½c. **ASHES.**—There has been considerable animation in the market this week. First pots have advanced to \$5.42½ to \$5.45—inferiors being 10c. more. Pearls are firm at \$5.65 for firsts. The market closes strong.

LEAF TOBACCO.—Common leaf is offering at 3½c. to 4c. Western leaf is not in demand, and holders do not seem inclined to press sales unduly.

THOS HOBSON & CO.'S PRODUCE CIRCULAR PRICES CURRENT.

Thursday Evening, May 18, 1895.

Flour, Superior extra	\$6 00 to \$6 25
Extra	5 65 to 5 90
Fancy	5 40 to 5 60
Superfine No. 1	5 00 to 5 25
Do. No. 2	4 70 to 4 85
Fine	4 25 to 4 50
Middlings	3 90 to 4 10
Bag Flour, per 112 lbs.	2 90 to 2 95
Oatmeal, per bbl. of 200 lbs.	4 80 to 5 00
Pork—Mess	21 00 to 22 00
Prime Mess	17 00 to 17 50
Prime	15 50 to 16 00
Cut Meats—Hams, per lb.	0 12 to 0 14
Bacon	None.
Shoulders	None.
Lard, city rendered, per lb.	0 12 to 0 13
Western, "	0 13 to 0 14
Tallow, "	0 7½ to 0 8½
Eggs, per dozen	0 13½ to 0 14½
Butter, Old—Inferior	0 11 to 0 12
Medium	0 12½ to 0 13
Fine	0 14 to 0 16
New	0 18 to 0 21
Ashes—Pots, 1st sorts per 100 lbs	5 42½ to 5 45
Inferiors	0 00 to 5 55
Pearls, Nominal	5 60 to 5 65

We have advices from Britain, per "Cuba," to the 6th inst. Flour reported quiet and steady. Wheat quiet and easier. Bacon dull. Butter market bare, no good American offering.