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TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, May 18, 1905.

Chemicals, Drugs, etc.—No new development in the local drug market has taken place since last report. Quinine and opium both continue unsettled and a little on the dull side. Camphor, too, is unsettled as to the future, but prices are fairly steady. Menthol is firm. An English report says that the business in chemicals for export has been somewhat better during the past month. Orders are, however, mostly for moderate quantities. Values are well maintained. The general tone of the market is fairly satisfactory.

Dry Goods.—The changes in general dry goods are few and far between. Values in practically all lines continue very firm, woollens particularly so in sympathy with reports from abroad. A good sorting order trade is being carried on, and prospects for the fall season seem promising.

Flour and Grain.—Values are not so steady as they were, and some sellers are making concessions in a greater or less degree. Some dealers expect, however, a steadier tone to the market before long. Millfeed is a little easier, owing to the natural increase of good pasturage at this season of the year. Oatmeal remains as before. Not much trading is going on in wheat, and prices remain nominally the same.

Groceries.—Some further improvement has taken place in grocery conditions this week, and business has had a brisker tone. Sugar is still very easy at the recent declines, and it is by no means improbable that further changes will ensue in the same direction, the statistical reports from beet-growing centres showing large increases in the acreage.

Canned goods are exceedingly strong; and tomatoes, except a few from the other side the line, can scarcely be obtained at all. Currants are firm, while other dried fruits are meeting with a seasonably good demand.

Hardware.—Except that business is very good, and that orders are coming in very satisfactorily, there is little to report this week under the above heading. Such hardware as is needed in building operations is particularly in good request, owing to the satisfactory building conditions obtaining at present in many cities. In the country, too, there is good demand for all kinds of goods. Travellers report the prospects to be very bright.

Hides, Skins and Leather.—A better tone prevails in the hide market, and offerings are being sold at steady prices. Receipts, however, still remain on the light side. In the leather market, too, an increased demand is making itself felt, especially in the North-West Territories, where last season's heavy stocks have now probably been all disposed of. Prices are steady, but show no tendency to a settled higher basis.

Live Stock.—Receipts of cattle this week were heavier than usual, and exporters sold a little lower, in sympathy with a slight decline cabled from the Old Country. For butchers' cattle the demand has kept fairly brisk. Active enquiry was noted, too, for feeders and stockers. The quality of the calves offered was not very good, and prices kept on the easy side. Sheep and lambs were in poor request.

Provisions.—Notwithstanding large receipts, butter keeps at steady prices.

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New cheese is now arriving in some abundance. Prices are firm at 10½ to 10¾c. for new large, and 11c. for new twins. Eggs are in good demand, partly in consequence of high cost of meat. Prices, however, are a little unsettled, and packers not always being able to get eggs at prices as low as they anticipate. Hog products are steady in spite of a 15c. decline in live hogs.

Wool.—Very little new clip is coming in, owing, perhaps, to the continued cool weather. Prices for unwashed continue unchanged from 14c.

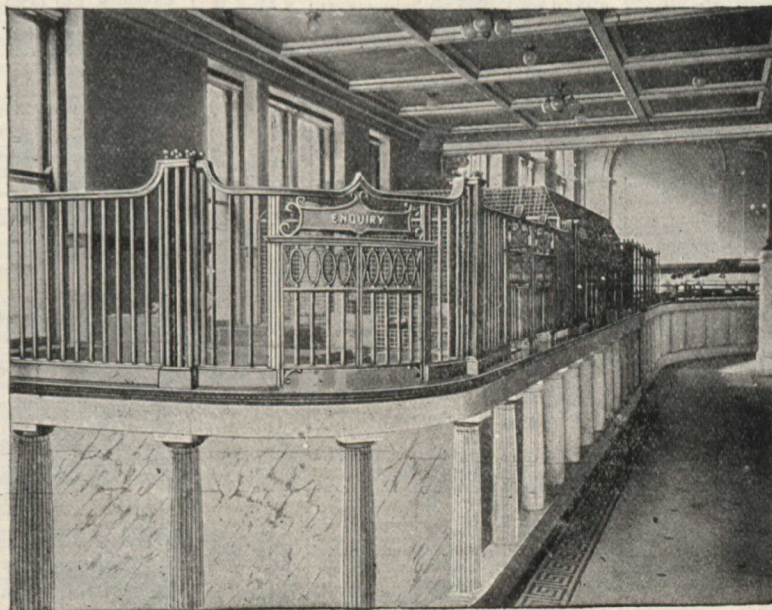


MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, May 17th, 1905.

Ashes.—Late outgoing steamers have taken practically all the stock there was here, which was comparatively light, and the total shipments since the opening of navigation would not much ex-

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