

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS

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COUNTRY PRODUCE.—Apples.—There is little or no demand for car lots, but they are held at \$3 to \$3.25. Beans unchanged at \$2.50 to \$2.60 per bushel, with stocks very light. Eggs are in abundant supply, and the demand good, prices are easy at 13 1/2c. to 14c. for case lots. Hogs are in fair offer on the street, and prices steady at \$8 to \$8.25 for small lots. Car lots nominal. Hops are in the hands of a few holders, and prices are steady at 22c. to 25c. for choice lots in a jobbing way, and 18c. to 20c. for medium. Onions are dull and unchanged, at \$2 to \$2.25 per barrel. Potatoes are a little firmer and receipts small; car lots are worth \$1.10 per bag. Poultry are scarce and firm, with no boxed lots offering, chickens are worth 60c. to 85c. per pair, geese \$1 to \$1.25. Tallow is in demand, with sales of small lots at 8c.; dealers pay 4c. for rough and 7 1/2c. for rendered.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Flour has been in better demand during the past week, and prices are firmer. Offerings continue small, holders seeming inclined to hold for higher figures. Sales have therefore been small. Superior Extra, old standard, would bring \$5.60 to-day, and Extra sold at \$5.50. New Standards are worth 10c. additional. The stock in store is 7,773 barrels against 7,718 barrels last week and 9,643 barrels the corresponding week of 1881. Bran is wanted at \$16 on track, but none offering at that price. Oatmeal quiet, with car lots of ordinary worth about \$4.50.

WHEAT.—The tone of this market is much stronger than for several weeks, in sympathy with Britain and the West. There has been a fair enquiry, but, like flour, transactions have been small, owing to the high prices asked by holders. A round lot of No. 2 Fall sold outside on Tuesday at equal to \$1.27, and \$1.28 was bid for 5,000 bushels May delivery. No. 3 Fall offered at \$1.28, without bids. No. 1 Spring is worth \$1.30 to \$1.31, and No. 2 Spring \$1.28 to \$1.29; a round lot of the latter was wanted yesterday at \$1.30 1/2 May delivery. The stock in store is 369,221 bushels against 352,985 bushels last week and 219,781 bushels the corresponding week of 1881. Wheat closes firm to-day with no sales.

COARSE GRAINS.—Barley.—Trade has been fairly active during the week, and prices rule firm. Considerable enquiry has been heard from the States, with sales of round lots on p.t. Cars sold to dealers here the latter part of last week at 85c. for No. 1, at 83c. and 84c. for No. 2 choice, and at 81c. for No. 2. On Monday and Tuesday No. 1 sold at 86c., No. 2 choice at 84c., No. 2 at 82c., and No. 3 extra at 78c. Barley market firm to-day with a good demand, and sales of No. 1 at 87c. The stock in store is 225,243 bushels against 230,486 bushels last week and 266,719 bushels the corresponding week of 1881. Oats have been in moderate request and steady, with sales of Western almost daily at 40c. and 41c. on track. The stock in store is 6,488 bushels against 6,223 bushels last week and 700 bushels the corresponding week last year. Peas are in better enquiry, but few offer; a round lot outside sold on Monday at equal to 79c. The stock in store is 21,984 bushels against 89,866 bushels the corresponding week of last year. Rye steady, at 80c. on track. The stock in store is 17,474 bushels against 18,182 bushels the corresponding week of last year. Corn quiet, and nominally firm at 80c.

LIVE STOCK.—Cattle.—The receipts of cattle have been greater than for several weeks, and prices a shade easier. There is a good demand for export, and choice steers weighing 1,200 to 1,400 lb command 5 1/2c. per lb. Good butchers' cattle are worth 4 1/2c. to 4 3/4c., medium 3 1/2c. to 4c., and inferior 3c. Sheep are in fair demand, with receipts light and prices firm at 4 1/2c. to 5c. per lb. Lambs are scarce and firm at 5c. to 5 1/2c. per lb. Hogs are unchanged, with sales of a few store lots at 6c. to 6 1/2c. Calves in moderate demand and unchanged at \$5 to \$7 for ordinary, and \$9 to \$15 per head for first class.

PROVISIONS.—Butter has been but quiet the past week, with the chief demand for choice selected tub lots at 19c. to 21c. Large rolls of good butter bring 14c. to 18c., and inferior lots 12c. to 13c. There is an absence of enquiry for export. Bacon has been quiet, the demand being restricted to small lots of long clear at 11 1/2c. to 11 3/4c. A car sold the latter part of the week at 11c. Cumberland cut unchanged at 10 1/2c. to 10 3/4c. Hams unchanged at 11c. to 11 1/2c. for pickled, and 13c. to 13 1/2c. for smoked. Miss Pork quiet and steady at \$21. Lard is also quiet and unchanged, at 14c. to 14 1/2c. for tubs and pails, and 15c. for American refined.

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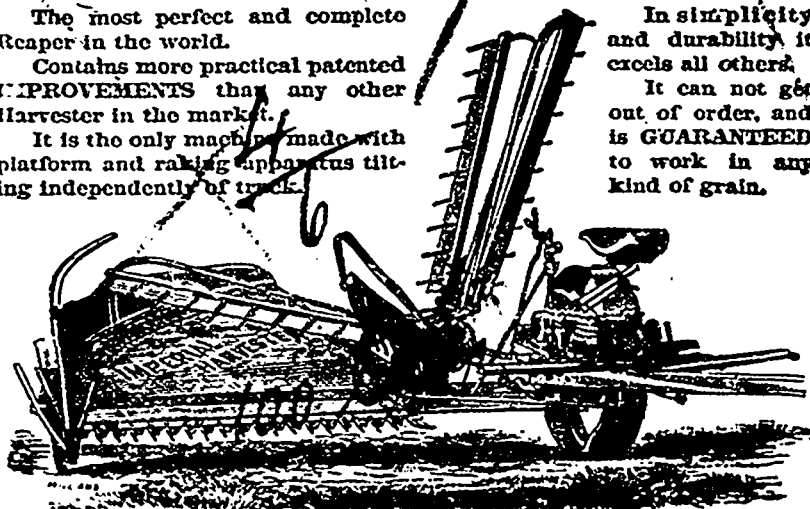
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