

COMMERCIAL.

MONTREAL, April 30, 1884.

Chicago is again stronger this week, although a slight drop took place to-day. Quotations are:—91½ May, 93½ June, and 93½ July, 93½ August. Corn is about steady at 53½ May, 55½ June. Liverpool is sullen and weaker. Spring wheat being quoted at 75 to 75 9/16 and Red Winter 78 3/4 to 83 3/4. The local market is as dull as it can be, and without change. We quote as follows:—Canada Red Winter, \$1.12 to \$1.15; Canada White, \$1.08 to \$1.10; Canada Spring, \$1.12 to \$1.15; Corn, 56c to 58c in bond; Peas, 90c to 91c; Barley, 55c to 70c; Rye 63c.

FLOUR.—The market is more active at firmer prices. We quote:—Superior Extra, \$5.40 to \$5.50; Extra Superior, \$5.15; Fancy, \$4.95 to \$5.00; Spring Extra, \$4.65 to \$4.75; Superior, \$4.00 to \$4.15; Strong Bakers', Can., \$5.10 to \$5.40; do., American, \$5.35 to \$5.45; Fine, \$4.00 to \$4.25; Middlings, \$3.35 to \$3.45; Pollards, \$3.10 to \$3.35; Ontario Bag, (medium), bags included, \$2.30 to \$2.40; do., Spring Extra, \$2.15 to \$2.20; do., Superior, \$2.10 to \$2.15; City Bags, delivered, \$2.05 to \$2.00.

MEALS.—Cornmeal, \$3.20 to \$3.40; Oatmeal, ordinary, \$4.35 to \$4.75; granulated, \$4.80 to \$6.00.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—New butter is bringing 21c to 25c. The following are the quotations for old:—Eastern Townships, 17c to 21c; Morrisburg and Brockville, 17c to 20c; Western, summer makes, 14c to 17c. Add to the above prices a couple of cents per lb. for selections for the jobbing trade. Cheese is quoted at 13 to 14c.

Eggs that are fresh are bringing from 13c to 15c.

HOG PRODUCTS.—Are very dull We quote as follows:—Western Mess Pork, \$20.50 to \$21.00; Canada Short Cut, \$21.50; Hams, city cured, 13c to 14c; Bacon, 13c to 14c; Lard, in pails, Western, 12c to 12½c; do., Canadian, 11c to 12c; Tallow, refined 7c to 9c as to quality. Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs., \$8.75 to \$9.25.

SYRUP AND SUGAR.—Maple Syrup is quoted at 75c to 80c, and Sugar at 9c to 10c.

ASHES are quiet at \$4.00 to \$4.15 for Pots.

FARMERS' MARKET.

There is a fair attendance of farmers and market gardeners at the city markets and a good deal of produce is being brought to the city on the market boats. Prices are slightly lower, especially for potatoes, green vegetables, eggs and hay. The fruit market is rather dull, there being still a good deal of partially damaged apples offered for sale. Strawberries are still plentiful and sell at from 30c to 40c per box. Oats are \$1.05 to \$1.15 per bag; peas, \$1.00 to \$1.10 per bushel; potatoes, 60c to 70c per bag; Swedish turnips, 60c to 70c; do. Turn butter, 16c to 24c per lb.; eggs, 16c to 22c per dozen. Apples \$3.00 to \$5.50 per barrel; Hay, \$8.50 to \$8.50 per 100 bundles of 15 lbs. Pressed hay, 50c to 65c per 100 lbs.

LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The supply of butchers' cattle is fully equal to the demand and prices are rather lower, although a few of the best steers and heifers are yet sold at 6c per lb live weight, and somewhat higher rates would be paid for choice shipping cattle. Large fat cows and fair conditioned steers sell at about 5½c per lb and roughish animals at about 5c do, while hard looking bulks and leanish young cattle sell at 4c to 4½c do. A good many milkmen's strippers are being sold to butchers at present, as their owners wish to get fresh calves cows to put on their pastures when the grass has made sufficient start. These strippers sell at from \$25 to \$50 each or from 4c to 5½c per lb according to quality. Calves have been a drug on the market of late and prices are very low; common calves selling at from \$2 to \$4 each and pretty good ones at \$5 to \$6 each. Sheep sell at from \$4 to \$6 each for those that are shorn, but good sheep with their fleeces still on them sell at from \$7 to \$10 each. Spring lambs are plentiful and sell at from \$3 to \$5 each. Live hogs sell at about 7c per lb.

NEW YORK, April 29, 1884.

GRAIN.—The following are the closing prices for future delivery to-day:—Wheat, 1.07½c May; \$1.09½ June; \$1.08 July.

\$1.06½ August. Corn, 61½c May; 62½c June; 63½ July; 66 August. Oats, 37c May, 37½ June.

FLOUR.—The quotations are: Spring Wheat—Superfine, \$2.55 to \$2.90; Low Extra, \$3.30 to \$3.50; Clears, \$4.55 to \$5.00; Straight (full stock), \$5.00 to \$5.70; Patent, \$5.20 to \$6.00. Winter Wheat, Superfine, \$2.75 to \$3.25; Low Extra, \$3.35 to \$3.55; Clears (R. and A.), \$4.25 to \$5.55; Straight (R. and A.), \$4.75 to \$6.00; Patent, \$5.20 to \$6.35; Straight (White Wheat), \$4.35 to \$5.60; Low Extra (City Mill), \$3.50 to \$4.10; West India, sacks, \$3.75 to \$4.80; barrels, West India, \$5.00 to \$5.10; Patent, \$5.30 to \$6.00; South America, \$5.00 to \$5.20; Patent, \$5.15 to \$6.00. Southern Flour—Extra \$3.55 to \$5.25; Family, \$5.30 to \$6.25; Rye Flour—Fine, \$2.50 to \$2.65; Superfine, \$3.25 to \$3.60. Unsound Flour, \$2.65 to \$4.25; in barrels Sour at \$2.50 to \$4.10.

MEALS.—Oatmeal, Western fine, \$5.00 to \$5.40; Coarse, \$5.40 to \$5.90 per bl. Cornmeal, Brandywine, \$3.30 to \$3.40; Western Yellow, \$2.55 to \$3.10; Bag meal, Coarse City, \$1.10 to \$1.15; Fine white, \$1.30 to \$1.40; Fine yellow, \$1.40 per 100 lbs. Corn flour, \$3.00 to \$3.75; Hominy, \$3.50 to \$4.00 per barrel.

FEED.—100 lbs. or sharp, at \$22.00 to \$23; 100 lbs. or No. 1 middlings, at \$19.00 to \$21.00; 80 lbs. or No. 2 middlings, at \$17. to \$18; 60 lbs. or No. 1 feed \$16.50 to \$17.00; 50 lbs or medium feed, \$16.50 to \$17.00; 40 lbs or No. 2 feed, \$16.50 to \$17.00. Rye feed at \$18.00 to \$19.00 per ton.

SEEDS.—Clover seed, 10c to 10½c for fair to choice; timothy, retail parcels \$1.55 to \$1.70; round lots \$1.50 to \$1.60; domestic flaxseed nominal, \$1.60 to \$1.70; Calcutta luseed, \$1.55 to \$1.90.

BUTTER.—Prices have shaded a trifle but the market is decidedly without want. The quotations are:—Creamery, new, ordinary to fancy, 21c to 30c; State dairies, old, fair to fine, 15c to 22c; State dairies, new, fair to choice, 22c to 27c; Western imitation creamery, new, 21c to 24c; Western dairy, old, ordinary to best, 12c to 12½c; Western factory, new, ordinary to best made, 10c to 15c.

CHEESE.—A quiet market with small demand. We quote:—State factory skims to select, 5c to 15c; Pennsylvania skims, good to prime, 2c to 5c; Ohio flats ordinary, 5c to 10c.

BEEF.—We quote:—Extra mess, \$12.00 to \$12.60; Extra India mess, \$20.00 to \$23.00; Packet, \$12.75 to \$13.00 in bls.

BEEF HAMS.—Sellers were firm at \$25.00 to \$26.00 spot lots, but only small lots sold.

PORK.—We quote:—\$16 to \$17.65 for old brands mess; \$17.50 to \$18.00, for new mess; \$16.00 for extra prime; \$18.50 to \$19.50 for clear back \$18.50 to \$19.00 or family.

BACON.—The market much quieter but strong at 8.50c.

CUTMEATS.—Pickled bellies, 12c lb. average, pickled shoulders, 7½c; pickled hams, 11½c to 12c; smoked shoulders, 9½c; smoked hams, 13c to 13½c.

LARD.—Prices are lower. City lard bringing 8.50c. Western 8.70c.

STEARINE.—Lard stearine is at 9½c for choice city. Oleomargarine, weak at 8½c.

TALLOW.—Demand more active at 7½c to 7½c for prime city.

EDWARD KING in a recent letter says: Carlyle's brutality in conversation with people he did not like is often mentioned, and I heard the other day an amusing instance of it. W. H. Mallock, the author of "Is Live Worth Living?" and other singular books, is credited with having a curiously high estimate of himself, and it is related that one day he dropped in on Carlyle and talked the gentleman almost into his grave. The Scotch philosopher and historian listened imperturbably to everything that Mallock had to offer, invited him to tea, and had him to smoke in the library afterward. When at last the youthful sage thought proper to take his leave, Carlyle accompanied him to the door and said, "Well goodbye. I've received ye kindly because I know your mother; but I never want to set eyes on ye ever again.

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SCHOLARS' NOTES.

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MAY 11, 1884. LESSON VI. [1 Cor. 15: 50-58]

VICTORY OVER DEATH.  
COMMIT TO MEMORY VS. 55-58.  
50. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.  
51. Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed.  
52. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump; for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.  
53. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.  
54. So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.  
55. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?  
56. The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.  
57. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58. Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

GOLDEN TEXT.

"Death is swallowed up in victory."—1 Cor. 15: 54.

HOME READINGS.

- M. 1 Cor. 15: 50-58. . . . . Victory over Death.  
L. Matt. 28: 1-8. . . . . The Resurrection of Christ.  
W. John 11: 18-41. . . . . The Resurrection and the Life.  
Th. 1 Cor. 15: 20-34. . . . . Christ the First-Fruits.  
F. 1 Cor. 15: 35-49. . . . . A Spiritual Body.  
S. John 5: 19-29. . . . . The Fourthly: His Voice.  
S. Dan. 12: 1-13. . . . . "As the stars for Fulcrum."  
LESSON PLAN.  
1. The Great Change. 2. The Final Victory. 3. The Believer's Duty.  
Time.—A. D. 57. Place.—Written from Ephesus.

INTRODUCTORY.

The doctrine of the resurrection of the dead was denied by some in the Corinthian church; and Paul in this magnificent chapter sought to correct their error. In discussing the subject, he makes the following points: 1. Christ's resurrection was predicted in the Scriptures. 2. It was established by abundant evidence. 3. It had been preached by all the apostles. 4. Hence the dead must rise, for if the dead rise not, then Christ is not raised. 5. Two objections were then considered—the first referring to the physical possibility of the resurrection, the second to the nature of the bodies to be raised. Our lesson to-day follows the answer to the second of these objections, the nature of the resurrection body.

LESSON NOTES.

I.—V. 50. FLESH AND BLOOD—our bodies, such as they are to decay and die. (Compare Heb. 2: 14.) INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD—as it is to exist after the resurrection. NEITHER DO CORRUPTION—the same truth in an abstract form. THAT WHICH IS SUBJECT TO DEATH CANNOT BE IMMORTAL. V. 51. A MYSTERY—something that could not have been known unless revealed by God. WE—believers. SLEEP—die. MAM. 27: 52; John 11: 11; Acts 7: 60. SHALL BE CHANGED—so that those corruptible bodies shall become immortal. BOTH THE LIVING AND THE DEAD shall be so changed as to be fitted for their immortal state. V. 52 IN A MOMENT—INSTANTANEOUSLY. AT THE LAST TRUMP—on the last day. THE TRUMPET SHALL SOUND—compare Matt. 24: 31; Isa. 27: 13; 1 Thess. 4: 16. THE DEAD SHALL BE RAISED—As described in vs 42, 43, incorruptible, glorious and powerful. WE—all who are alive. 1 Thess. 4: 15. V. 53. THIS CORRUPTIBLE—this body. PUT ON—as a garment. 2 Cor. 5: 2, 3.

II.—V. 54. THEN—at the resurrection, when our bodies are raised incorruptible. THAT IS WRITTEN—Isa. 25: 8. The victory over death will be complete and final. V. 55. EXALTING VOICES OF TRIUMPH! Christ has conquered; death is disarmed, Hades is no more; Death is perished as a venomous serpent. YOU KNOW—shows the song of triumph as if we were already witnessing the resurrection and entering in victory over death and the grave. V. 56. THE STING OF DEATH—That which makes death terrible. Take the sting of sin away and death is disarmed. THE STRENGTH OF SIN IS THE LAW—for without the law there would be no condemnation. V. 57. THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST—through whom the victory is obtained.

III.—V. 58. THEREFORE—because of the resurrection, because death does not end all nor keep his trophies for ever. STEADFAST—firm in mind and purpose. UNMOVABLE—undisturbed by opposition or difficulty or fear. ALWAYS ABOUNDING—the week is ever stronger: "I always richly abound," "I am super-abounding;" diligently doing God's will. "I know"—it is uncertain what hanging on a "perchance" Not IS IT VAIN—as it would be if we were to die and not live again.

WHAT HAVE I LEARNED?

1. That life and immortality are brought to light in the gospel by Jesus Christ.
2. That Christ by his own resurrection has secured a glorious resurrection for all who trust in him.
3. That there is no sting in a Christian's death, for there is no unforgiven sin there.
4. That the bodies of saints shall be rescued from the destroyer.
5. That our work for Christ will not be labor spent in vain.

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