

Toronto Paints and Oil Prices.

The grinders of white lead are grinding the prices now quite as fine as the lead. To day for the first time they have got down to a 40 basis, a quotation considerably below cost and one hitherto unheard of. Not two years ago when there was no law preventing adulteration, the price was as high as 5½c. All other lines in this department are unchanged and quiet.

—We quote on large oils only: Pure white lead ground in oil, association guaranteed, 4 to 5½. Prepared paints (¼ and gal tins)—Pure per gal, \$1.10; second qualities, per gal 190c. Colors in oil (25 lb tins, standard quality)—Venetian red, per lb 16½c; chrome yellow, per lb 14c; chrome green, per lb 8c; French Imperial green, 14c. Colors dry—Yellow ochre (J. C.), in bbls, per cwt, \$1.35 to \$1.40; Venetian red (R C 2), per cwt, \$1.50; English oxides, in bbls, per lb, 3½c; American, in bbls, per lb, 2½c; Canadian, in bbls, 1½c; Paris green, 12 to 15c; burnt amber, per lb, 5c; chrome yellow, per lb, 11 to 12c; chrome greens, per lb, 12c; Indian red, 6c for ordinary, 10c for pure; agricultural red, 20 to 22c; golden ochre, 3½c lowered for freight. Turpentine, in bbls—Selected packages, per gal, 50c for 1 to 3 bbls, freight allowed. Glue common, broken, in bbls, 10 to 11c; French medical, 11 to 12c; cabinetmakers, 17 to 18c; white, 16 to 17c. Castor oil, per lb, 7½ to 8½c. Putty, \$2 per cwt. Resin, \$1 per cwt. Pine tar, (pint tins), \$1 per doz.—*Empire.*

Toronto Markets.

Flour—Dull and unchanged. Two cars straight roller sold at \$3.05 Toronto freights, and \$3.50 was bid for a car delivered Quebec. No. 1 low grades sold at \$18 per ton.

Millfeed—Quiet, but steady at \$11.50 delivered here.

Wheat—Declined 1c and rather more business was done at the decline. Four thousand bushels 61 lb red sold at 64c middle freights, and there were sales at 63c north and west. Five cars white on a low freight to the mill sold at 65c. There were other sales at 64c middle freights; 64c was bid east. Goose sold at 55c west. No. 1 hard offered 82c North Bay. No. 2 hard sold at 79 to 80c North Bay, and at \$2 to 33c with grinding privileges. No. 3 hard was steadier than in other grades; 73 was bid North Bay, with sellers at 74c, or 73; Winnipeg inspection. No. 1 frosted sold at 64c North Bay. Bids of 5c were made for No. 2, and No. 3 was held at 51c to arrive.

Barley—Quiet and easy. There was an enquiry on the market for 20,000 bushels No. 3 extra, and that amount was placed under offer at 35c at a lake port. No. 1 offered outside at 48c.

Oats—Dull and easy at 30 to 31c here. Two cars sold to arrive at 29c. Mixed sold north and middle points at 27½ to 28c, and some were placed under offer at 26c on the C. P. R. east, Manitoba sold at 29 to 31c North Bay, according to quality.

Grain and Flour—Car prices are: Flour (Toronto freights), Manitoba patents, \$4.35 to \$5.45; Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.90 to \$4.10; Ontario patents, \$3.40 to \$3.50; straight roller, \$3.00 to \$3.10; extra, \$2.85 to \$2.90; low grades per bag, \$1 to \$1.50. Bran—\$11.00 to \$13.00. Shorts—\$12.50 to \$13. Wheat—'straight west and north points)—White, 63 to 65c; spring, 67 to 62c; red winter, 63 to 64c; goose, 50 to 57c; spring Midland, 63 to 65c. No. 1 hard, North Bay, 82 to 83c; No. 2 hard, 80 to 82c; No. 3 hard, 73 to 74c; No. 1 frosted, 63c; No. 2, 56; No. 3, 49 to 50c. Peas (Outside) 54 to 55c. Barley—No. 1, 50 to 51c. No. 2, 44 to 45; No. 3 extra, 39 to 40c; No. 3, 38 to 39c; two-rowed, 51 pounds, averaging about No. 3, extra color (outside), 40 to 45c. Corn—57 to 58c. Buckwheat—Outside 40 to 43c. Rye—56 to 57c. Oats—30 to 31c.

Produce—There are no special features to note in to-day's market. Business was fairly active and Thursday's prices generally prevailed. There is a good demand for potatoes, and as receipts are not at all large, prices are

firmly held. Car lots sell here at 70c, and local dealers ask 75c to 80c per bag for small lots out of store. Poultry of all kinds is plentiful and easy. The demand is light and dealers are making concessions to clean up the heavy stocks. Prices are weak at the quotations given below. Eggs are firm at 17 to 18c for fresh, and 15 to 15½c for limed. There is a fair business doing in baled hay and straw at unchanged prices. Sheepskins are steady at the advance noted yesterday. All offered are taken readily at 90c. Quotations are: Beans, per bush, out of store, \$1.25 to \$1.35; dressed meats, per lb—Beef, fore, 3 to 4½c; hinds, 5 to 6½c; veal, 6½ to 8c; mutton, 4 to 4½c; lamb, 5½ to 6½c. Dried apples—Jobbing at 4½c. Eggs—Fresh, 18c; limed, 15 to 15½c. Hay—Timothy, on track, now, \$9.25. Straw—\$5.50. Hides—cured—5 to 5½; green, No. 1 cows, 4½c. Skins—Sheepskins, 90c; calf, 5 to 7c. Hops—Canadian, 1892 crop, 18 to 20c; yearlings 12c to 15c. Honey—Extracted, 8 to 10c; comb 12 to 13c. Potatoes—Per bag, out of store, 75c to 80c; on track, 70c per bag. Poultry—Chickens, per pair, 25 to 35c; geese, per lb, 5 to 5½c; ducks, per pair, 40 to 65c; turkeys, 7 to 8c per lb.

Dressed Hogs and Provisional.—The demand for dressed hogs was strong, the supply light and prices were firm. Part cars and street lots were purchased by packers at \$6.50 to \$6.70, but chiefly at \$6.60. Quotations are: Mess pork, Canadian, \$15.50; short cut, \$13.75 to \$17; bacon, long clear, per lb, 8 to 8½c; lard, Canadian, tubs and pails, 9½ to 10½; compound do, 7½ to 9c; tierces, 9½c. Smoked meats—Hams, per lb, 11½ to 12½c; bellies, 11½ to 12c; rolls, per lb, 9 to 9½c; backs, per lb, 11 to 11½c.

Butter.—The local market continues easy owing to liberal offerings. There is a good enquiry, however, and the accumulation of stock is not large enough to induce dealers to make concessions. Good to choice dairy butter in tubs and rolls sell at 16 to 18c. Common to good butter for bakers use principally is held at 13 to 15c. Low grades sell at from 12c up. Quotations are: Butter, good to choice selected dairy, tubs, 16 to 18½c; medium do, 14 to 16c; good to choice, store packed, in tubs and pails, 14 to 16c; common do, 12 to 14c; large rolls, good to choice, 16 to 18½c; creamery, in tubs and crocks, 24 to 25c. Cheese, choice colored, jobbing at 11 to 11½c.

Cheese.—Market firm. There is a fair jobbing movement at 11 to 11½c for late makes. One round lot of choice October cheese sold during the week at equal to 10½c here.

Apples.—Trade is rather quiet in fruits at present, and the movement in apples has fallen off somewhat. Apples, per bbl, \$1.50 to \$2.50.

Cattle.—The demand was not quite so brisk as on Tuesday, but prices for good cattle were on the whole well maintained and steady. A couple of loads of butchers' cattle were picked up for Montreal at prices ranging from 3½ to 3¾c per lb. The enquiry from local dealers and butchers was brisk enough to clear the market up pretty well at an early hour. Common cattle, including rough oxen, cows, etc., sold from 2½ to 5c per lb; good loads butchers' cattle at 3½ to 3¾c per lb, and extra choice do at 3½ to 4c per lb. One lot of 10 fine fat heifers, averaging 1,075 lbs, sold at this latter figure and as sales were very occasional at this price it cannot be considered at all representative. Most of the moderate supply of stockers on the market changed hands at the steady prices of Tuesday, ranging generally from 3 to 3½c per lb. The moderate offerings of cattle lately have caused a much healthier tone to trade and created a firmer feeling to the market generally. The prospects for next week are considered fair.

Montreal Markets.

Flour—A good deal of United States flour is going to Newfoundland via Boston and New York at very low figures. There is a feeling springing up among Ontario millers that prices are too low, and some of them are asking 5c to

10c per barrel more money. There is still a good demand from the mills direct for the Maritime Provinces, and considerable flour is now going forward. Sales have been made of Ontario straight roller flour at \$3.40 to \$3.45 on track here, but it is said that no more can be got at those prices, and we quote \$3.50 to 3.55 on track for car lots, and at \$3.60 to \$3.75 for 90 per cent. In spring wheat flour there is a steady feeling, and city millers say they are getting \$4.10 for choice strong bakers delivered, and we quote \$4 to 4.10 as to quantity. Manitoba bakers are selling all the way from \$3.45 to \$4, as to grade. Prices are quoted as follows:—Patent, spring, \$4.20 to \$4.35; patent, winter, \$3.95 to \$4.15; straight roller, \$3.50 to \$3.75; extra, \$3.10 to \$3.20; superfine, \$2.75 to \$2.95; fine, \$2.45 to \$2.60; city strong bakers, \$4.00 to \$4.10; Manitoba bakers, \$3.45 to \$4.00; Ontario bags—extra, \$1.50 to \$1.55; straight rollers, \$1.90 to \$2.00; superfine, \$1.30 to \$1.45; fine, \$1.10 to \$1.15.

Oatmeal.—Nothing can now be had in the shape of granulated or rolled oats under \$3.90 for car lots laid down here, standard being quoted at \$3.80. To the jobbing trade prices are quoted as follows:—Rolled and granulated, \$4.05 to \$4.10; standard, \$3.99 to \$4.00. In bags, granulated \$2.05 to \$2.10, and standard \$1.95 to \$2.00.

MILL FEED.—A fair demand exists for bran, which has sold in car lots at \$13.50, although some dealers say they can buy at \$13.00; but we quote \$13 to \$14 as a fair range of values. Shorts are quoted at \$14.50 to \$15.50, and middlings at \$15.50 to \$16.00. Moullie, \$20.00 to \$24.00.

Wheat.—Since the close of navigation wheat has been purely nominal in price in this market. Quotations for No. 2 hard Manitoba for May delivery range from \$2 to \$3c, and on this basis No. 2 hard on spot would not be worth over 78 or 79c. Ontario millers write that they are paying 59 to 61c at the mills for spring wheat, and 63 to 65c for winter grades, which are the lowest prices known for many years; but they say that flour is lower in proportion.

Oats.—The market is decidedly easier, with sales at 31½c to 32c in car lots, per 34 lbs. Oats are freely offered at near by country points at 29c to 29½c per 34 lbs.

Barley.—Further sales of good malting barley are reported at 50 to 52c, but choice No. 1 is held at 60c. We quote malting grades 48c to 60c as to quality, and feed 39 to 44c as to quality.

Pork, Lard, &c.—The market is very firm for hog products. Canada mess pork is very firm, with further sales at \$17.50 to \$18, with some holders demanding more money, since the further advance in Chicago. Lard is in good demand, and higher prices are obtainable, sales of compound being reported at \$1.50 per pail, in good sized lots, and we quote \$1.50 to \$1.55, with an upward tendency. Smoked meats are very firm, and sales of hams have transpired at 11½c to 12½c, and bacon at 11c to 12c, with higher prices now asked.

Dressed Hogs. Prices are firm, with sales of jobbing lots at \$6.75 per 100 lbs for nice bright butchers' hogs, and we quote \$6.50 to \$6.75. Car lots are beginning to be offered, but at too high figures to effect business as yet. Buyers do not want to pay over \$6.35 or \$6.40 for car lots.

Butter.—The market for creamery butter is dull and drooping, and from a number of inquiries it would appear that 22½c is the top figure that would be paid for a round lot. Of course jobbing prices range from 23 to 24c. There is a good demand for dairy butter, with sales in a jobbing way at 20 to 22c for eastern townships. There is a good inquiry for western dairy at 16c, but this class is very scarce, not more than 100 tubs being in the city to-day. We quote prices as follows: Creamery choice fall 22½ to 23c; do good to fine 21½ to 22c; eastern townships dairy, choice fall 20½ to 21c; do good 20c; Morrisburg and Brockville 19 to 21c; western 17 to 19c.

Roll Butter.—There is a good demand, and