

**MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 Montreal, Oct. 23.  
 No change reported in staple lines of hardware and paints, etc., this week, but all lines are reported very firm.

White lead, government standard, \$5.37 1-2c; No. 1, 5. Lard oil, raw, 43c, boiled 46c. Turpentine, barrel lots, 46c.

**MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 Montreal, Oct. 23.  
 Quotations in staple groceries are the same as a week ago, no change in prices of any important line being noted. Quotations are: Granulate sugar, 4 1-16c in lots of over 250 barrels, and 4 1-8c for 100 barrel lots, at the refiner's; yellows, 23-8c to 33-1c Barbadoes molasses, round lots, 25c; Jobbing lots, 26c. Syrups, 1 3-4 to 2 1-2c as to quality. Valencia raisins from 5c to 8c. Coffee, Rio, 10 to 13c; Mocha and Java 20c to 24c.

**MONTREAL MARKETS.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 Montreal, Oct. 23.  
 Oats have gained about 1-4c on the outside prices over a week ago. Other quotations are about the same as a week ago, all around. Prices are:

Oats—No. 2 white in store, 26 to 26 1-4c.  
 Flour—Manitoba strong bakers, \$1.90 to \$5; Manitoba patents, \$5.10 to \$5.45.  
 Millfeed—Manitoba bran including sacks, \$12.50 per ton. Shorts, \$12.50.  
 Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1 60 to \$1-65 per bag.  
 Hides—Unchanged at 8c for No. 1  
 Eggs—Candled, 13c; new laid, 16c.

**MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 Montreal, Oct. 23.  
 Export cattle were weak and the outside quotation is about 1-4c under a week ago. Hogs have also declined again this week 1-4c, making a decline of 1-2c in two weeks.  
 Cattle—Export, 4c; choice shippers, 4 1-2c; cattle, butchers, 3 to 4c.  
 Sheep—2 1-2c to 3c per lb.  
 Hogs—5 to 5 1-4c.  
 Exports this week were as follows:  
 Cattle, 3,051; sheep, 3,259;

**TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 Mulins & Wilson wire The Commercial the following reports of prices realized at the semi-weekly live stock market at Toronto, on Friday, October 22.

Toronto, Oct. 23.  
 Ninety-five car loads were offered including 3,657 hogs and 2,327 sheep and lambs.  
 The market was slow and weak on almost every line, particularly for hogs, which were very dull and 1-2c lower, compared with a week ago, making a decline in hogs of 3-4c in two weeks. Sheep were also easier. Outside prices on export stock ranging 1-4c lower. Export cattle were weak and 1-4c to 1-2c lower on the outside range.

Cattle—Exporters paid 33-4c to 4c. Butchers cattle sold at 21-2 to 31-2c. Bulls—Shipping 3 to 31-2c. Stockers 2 1-2 to 3c. Feeders 3 to 3 1-2c. Stock bulls 2 to 21-2c.  
 Sheep—Export sheep brought 3c; hucks 2 1-4c per lb.; lambs 33-4 to 4c.  
 Hogs—Hogs, hot bacon, 43-4c per lb.; thick fat, 41-2c, and light fat 4 1-2c per lb. weighed off cars.

**MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.**

Flour—Prices in barrels: First patents \$1.90 to 5.05; second patents, \$1.80 to 4.00.  
 Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$7.25 to \$7.50; bran in bulk, 7c to \$7.25, corn feed, \$10 to \$11 per ton.  
 Corn—Quoted at 22 1-2c to 24c, for No. 3 and No. 4.  
 Oats—19 to 19 1-4c for No. 3 and No. 4.  
 Barley—Feed quoted at 23 to 24c as to quality per bushel of fifty pounds, malting samples, 28 to 34c.  
 Flax seed—\$1.00 1-2 per bushel.  
 Eggs—13c to 14c for strictly fresh, the latter price including cases.  
 Cheese—Choice to fancy, 9 to 10 1-2c fair to good, 7 to 8c.  
 Butter—Creamery, 20 1-2c to 22c; seconds, 15c to 18c; dairy, 12c to 20c.  
 Dressed meats—Mutton, 4 to 6 1-2c; lamb, 6c to 9c.  
 Dressed hogs—3 3-4c for heavy; medium to choice, 4 3-4 to 5c.  
 Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 27 to 30c; choice white, 35 to 40c per bushel.  
 Poultry—Chickens, 7c; old fowl 4c to 5c; turkeys, 8 to 8 1-2c; ducks 7c; geese, 5c.

**British Columbia Business Notes**

P. Olsen has opened in groceries at Central Park.  
 P. Bromley, blacksmith, Chilliwack, has removed to Ashcroft.  
 J. K. Campbell, tailor, Chilliwack, is succeeded by T. B. Henderson, of Armstrong.  
 Gill & Kirkland, general store, Grand Forks, closed business.  
 H. B. Moore has opened business in fruits at Greenwood City.  
 W. J. Sanders & Co., cigars, fruit, etc., Kaslo, are succeeded by Sanders & Derlin.  
 Abey, druggist, Revelstoke, is burned out. Loss \$1,200; insurance \$600. Fire caused by lamp explosion. Two buildings, owned by Mrs. Ross and J. Petreth, were also burned. Loss \$1,000 and \$500 on furniture.  
 Stevens Bros., toys, etc., Nanaimo, have dissolved, C. B. Stevens retiring.  
 O. C. Luther is opening a general store at Nelson.  
 Lund & Mallette, Kootenay hotel, Nelson, have dissolved, Miss Mallette continuing.  
 H. Blair & Co. are opening in clothing at Nelson.  
 G. F. Hopkins, butcher, Silverton, has sold out to H. Cleaver.  
 The estate of S. Grossman, clothing, Silverton, has been closed out.  
 James Keith & Co., grocers, Trail, have dissolved, James Keith continues.  
 F. P. Carey, clothing, Trail, has sold out to Miss A. D. Rae.  
 M. J. O'Brien, hotel, Vernon, has added soda water works to his business.  
 The following business items are reported from Vancouver: J. J. Canaling, is opening in tobacco. Clarke & Stuart, stationery, etc., are adding printing. A. T. Wilson, house furnishings, has given up business and moved to Klondyke. The Vancouver Hardware Co., is opening a branch at Nelson. The Merchants' Bank of Halifax, is opening a branch at Vancouver, with W. M. Batsford as manager. Wm. Garden & Sons, wholesale teas, are succeeded by Edgett, Garden & Edgett. Edgett Bros., grocers, are succeeded by Sivart & Anderson. Atlas Canning Co sold to Chas. Nelson. Wulfsolin & Bewicke, financial agents, are giving up business in British Columbia. Wilson & Dixon, agents, have dissolved.  
 T. E. Mahaffy, general store, Warrenter, has given up business.  
 Mrs. H. C. Scovel is opening in groceries, at Ymir.

**Western Business Items**

**WESTERN BUSINESS ITEMS.**  
 Ed. Fraser, buyer for Jns. Hall & Co., wholesale gloves, mitts, etc., Winnipeg, has gone east to make arrangements to replenish their stock. Owing to the unusually large trade this fall in their goods, the house has found their stock badly broken at a much earlier date than usual, hence the necessity to replenish stocks. Several repeat orders have already come in.  
 Arthur Congden, jobber in felt shoes and other lines of warm winter footwear, reports an unusually brisk trade, and it has been difficult to keep up the stock of these goods. Quite a number of country dealers, who bought earlier, have already sent in additional orders and some have doubled their original orders. One merchant wrote this week: "My stock is already broken; repeat my order." This is remarkable at such an early date in the season. Mr. Congden has also filled several large orders recently in moccasins, snow shoes, etc., for the Klondyke trade.

J. M. White, jeweller, Moosomin, Alta., has sold out to J. D. Hall, a former employee.  
 Wm. Hines has opened a harness shop at Lauder, Man.  
 Chas. L'Acze, banker, has opened a general store at St. Pierre, Man.  
 G. A. Allen & Co., tobaccos, Calgary, Alberta, have sold out to Geo. Mitchell.  
 The following items are reported from Maple Creek, Assn.: Wm. McCarthy, hotelkeeper, has succeeded J. Fleming. J. F. Hastie has opened a butcher shop. Jos. Nutrie, jeweller, is out of business.  
 John Nixon is opening a harness shop at Qu'Appelle, Assn.  
 F. M. Clarke, confectionery and fruits, Yorkton, Assn., is dead.  
 Mr. Longpre, who has for several years been with Mr. Beauchamp, general merchant, of Qu'Appelle Station, Assn., will embark in business at Lebert, near Qu'Appelle, taking the business lately carried on by Pihson. The latter gentleman will move to Indian Head, Assn.  
 D. Evans is opening in flour and feed at Edmonton, Alberta.  
 Mr. George Nuzent is starting a lumber yard at Wapella, Assn.

**Northwest Ontario.**

J. C. Werner, late manager for W. D. Coates, druggist, Rat Portage, is opening business on his own account at that place.  
 The Rat Portage Lumber company has donated a carload of lumber for the benefit of the sufferers by bush and prairie fires in Manitoba.  
 The Marks, Clavet, Doble Co., Ltd., general storekeepers, has been incorporated at Port Arthur, with a capital stock of \$75,000.  
 W. D. Coates, druggist, Rat Portage, recently reported sold out, will continue business at that place.

**Important Business Change.**

The Rat Portage Lumber company, as previously noted in The Commercial, opened a branch warehouse in Winnipeg for the sale of their sash, doors, etc. They have now made another important move by the purchase of the wholesale sash and door business of H. Byrnes, of this place. The company rented a large building on Lombard street for their Winnipeg branch, but it has not been decided whether they will retain this or occupy the Byrnes warehouse.