

**FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.**

The supply of fruit coming to Montreal is on the increase with the result that there is a slightly easier feeling in the market. Oranges are down to \$3.00 to \$3.25 per crate for Californias, while pine-apples are selling at \$3.25 to \$3.50.

Vegetables are finding a ready sale and in some cases prices have declined. California celery is selling for \$4.00 to \$4.50 per crate, and cucumbers are down to \$3.00. New potatoes have made an appearance and command \$6.00 per hamper.

Current quotations are as follows:

Fruit:—	
Baldwins, per bbl.	\$7.00
Cranberries, per bbl.	9.00
Cranberry pippin, per bbl.	5.00
Pameuse, per bbl.	7.00
Russets	5.50
Spies, per box	3.25
Bananas, per bunch	2.25
Grapes, Almeria, per keg	8.50
Grapefruit, Florida and Cuban	3.75
Do., Jamaicas	5.00
Lemons, California, box	3.50
Do., Messina	3.00
Oranges, California, Navel, per box	3.00
Do., Valencia	4.50
Pears, Winter Nellis, per box	5.00
Pineapples, Cuban	2.90
Do., Porto Rico	3.25
Vegetables:—	
Artichokes, per bag	1.25
Beets, per bag	1.75
Beans, American, per hamper	5.50
Green beans, per hamper	3.50
Brussels Sprouts, per qt.	0.15
Cabbage, Montreal, per bbl.	7.00
Do., per box	0.30
Carrots, per bag	1.50
Cauliflower, California, per doz.	4.00
Celery, Florida, per crate	4.00
Do., California, per crate	9.00
Cucumber, 7 doz., hamper	3.00
Endive (Canadian) bunch	0.25
Garlic, lb.	0.10
Horse Radish, per lb.	0.25
Leeks, doz. bunches	3.00
Boston Lettuce, head, per box	4.00
Do., curly, per doz.	0.75
Mint, doz.	0.50
Onions, Spanish, per case	3.50
Do., red, per 75-lb. bag	8.90
Do., white, per 100-lb. bag	6.50
Do., Spring, per doz. bunches	1.75
Portulacas, Quebec, per 80-lb. bag	4.25
Do., Green Mountains, per 80 lb. bag	3.75
Do., Sweet, per hamper	4.00
Do., new, per hamper	6.00
Parsley, per doz. bunches	0.50
Radishes, per doz.	1.50
Rhubarb, doz.	1.75
Turnips per bag	1.25
Tomatoes hothouse, per lb.	0.25
Do., Florida, per crate	4.75
Watercress, doz.	0.50
Strawberries, per pint	0.15
Do., per box	0.30

**LIVE STOCK.**

The offerings of live stock in Montreal during the past week consisted of 1,125 cattle, 135 sheep and lambs, 1,600 hogs and 3,500 calves as compared with the previous week's receipts of 1,350 cattle, 80 sheep and lambs, 2,600 hogs, and 4,800 calves. The run of cattle was light, a condition of affairs resulting from the fact that the previous week's supply was so much in excess of the demand that some cattle were held over till last week. It is evident that the consumption of beef has fallen off, a natural consequence of the steadily advancing prices. With the exception of steers and heifers, the market was easy. Continued high prices in millfeed account for the slow trade in Milch cows. A decrease of about 1,300 in the offerings of calves caused prices to stiffen 50c to \$1.00 per hundredweight. Both the local and American demand is good and quite a few head have been shipped to the States. Live hogs are steadily advancing, going up 50c in the last week. Supplies are small and the demand from the packers continues strong. Sales of selected lots were made at \$17.50 to \$17.60 per 100 lbs. weighed off the cars. The trade in sheep and lambs is quiet, but the limited supplies keep the market firm. A few old sheep realized \$10.00 to \$11.00, yearling lambs brought \$14.50 to \$15.50 per 100 lbs., while spring lambs sold for from \$8.00 to \$12.00 each.

TORONTO: Receipts of live stock for the past week amounted to 5,037 cattle, 282 sheep and lambs, 15,370 hogs and 2,654 calves. The previous week's receipts were 4,210 cattle, 220 sheep and lambs, 10,289 hogs and 1,423 calves. The Monday market opened strong at last week's close, and this scale of prices was maintained throughout the week. There were some choice cattle on sale, with two loads weighing over 3,000 pounds selling at \$12.60 and with one baby beave cashing at \$12.50. There were several loads put over the scales at \$12.25 to \$12.50. Cows and

bulls met a good inquiry, with the top price on the former at \$11, and with bulls selling as high as \$11.25 in a few cases. Offerings of cattle were lighter towards the close of the week, and there was a good clean-up trade on the week-end market. Milch cows were very strong. Calves were weaker throughout the week, with offerings heavier than usual. The market was easier on Thursday and fully \$1 down on most grades, as compared with last week's close. Receipts of sheep and lambs were merely nominal, with a fair demand for all that were available at steady prices. There were a few spring lambs on sale that brought \$10 to \$13 each.

Comparative quotations follow:

	Per cwt.	
	Montreal.	Toronto.
Heavy steers	11.75	12.00
Choice butchers	10.25	11.00
Do., good	9.25	9.75
Do., medium	9.00	9.25
Do., common	9.00	9.25
Butcher cows, choice	10.00	10.50
Do., medium	9.00	9.25
Do., common	8.75	9.00
Butcher bulls, choice	11.00	11.50
Do., good	9.75	11.00
Do., medium	9.50	9.75
Canners	5.50	5.75
Sheep, ewes	10.50	11.00
Bucks	10.00	10.25
Lambs, spring	8.00	12.00
Do., yearlings	14.50	15.50
Calves, milkfeed	10.00	11.00
Do., hayfed, choice	6.50	6.00
Do., common	5.00	7.00
Hogs, choice	17.25	17.50
Do., heavy weights	17.00	16.75
Sows	15.25	15.00

**FISH MARKETS.**

Trade is as good as can be expected. The cold weather prevailing is alright for the fish business and the trade in fresh fish. From the East and Western oceans, fish seem to be more plentiful and prices are easier. Lake fish has not started to arrive in any quantity yet, and the season is a little late this year, but reports come now that fishing will be in full swing in a few days. A few frozen fish such as salmon, mackerel and whitefish, are selling. The open season for yellow pike (dore) starts on May 15th. Trade in pickled and salt fish is very quiet. Lobsters are arriving in great quantities. Prices have tumbled down 30c per cent and 40c per cent, selling from 20 to 25 cents per lb. The first Gaspe salmon of the season was received this week and sold at 50 cents per lb. Bulk and shell oysters, shrimps, clams, prawns, and scallops keep in fairly good demand at steady prices.

Dealers would do well to feature fish extensively during the summer — both from the fact that it is cheaper than meats and more healthful in hot weather. Fresh stocks should be carried for selling on Tuesdays and Fridays—Canada's fish days.

Fresh Fish:	per lb.	
Pacific Halibut	0.16	0.17
B. C. Salmon	0.23	0.23
Bullheads	0.12	0.12
Steak Cod	0.10	0.11
Market Cod	0.07	0.07
Haddock	0.07	0.07
Carp	0.10	0.11
Brook Trout	0.30	0.30
Perch	0.09	0.09
Whitefish	0.15	0.16
Lake Trout	0.15	0.16
Pike	0.10	0.10
Fresh Frozen Sea Fish		
Halibut	0.15	0.18
Gaspereau, each	0.03	0.03
Mackerel	0.09	0.10
Salmon, B. C. Red	0.13	0.15
Do., B. C. Pale	0.10	0.11
Salmon, Gaspe	0.17	0.18
Cod, steak	0.08½	0.09
Haddock, fancy	0.07½	0.08
Smelts, No. 1 and No. 1 large	0.15	0.20
Herring	0.05½	0.06
Fresh Frozen Lake Fish:		
Lake Trout	0.14	0.15
Whitefish	0.14	0.15
Perch	0.10	0.11
Pike	0.09	0.10
Eels	0.09	0.10
Smoked Fish:		
Finnan Haddies	0.10	0.11
Finnan Haddies, Finest, Boned	0.13	0.13
Finnan Haddie Fillets	0.15	0.16
Digby Herrings, per bundle of 5 boxes	1.00	1.00
Smoked Boneless Herring, 10 lb box	1.40	1.40
Kippers, 40s and 50s, per box	1.60	1.75
Salted and Pickled Fish:		
Herring (Labrador), per bbl.	9.00	9.00
Salmon (Labrador), per bbl.	19.00	19.00
Salmon (B. C. Red)	16.00	16.00
Sea Trout, red and pale, per bbl.	15.00	15.00
Green Cod, No. 1, per bbl.	14.00	14.00
Mackerel, No. 1, per bbl.	21.00	21.00
Salt Eels, per lb.	0.08	0.08
Codfish (Skinless), (100-lb. box)	9.50	9.50
Codfish (Boneless), Blocks, per lb.	0.10	0.10
Codfish, Shredded, 12 lb. box	1.80	1.80
Strip Cod, boxes, 30 lb., per lb.	0.14	0.14

Shellfish:	
Lobsters, medium and large, lb.	0.25
Prawns, Imperial gallon	3.00
Shrimps, Imperial gallon	2.50
Scallops	3.00
Oysters, Selected, per gallon	2.00
Oysters, Ordinary, per gallon	1.50
Oysters, Malpeque, Choice, per bbl.	12.00
Oysters, Malpeque, Shell, Ordinary, per bbl.	10.00
Oysters, Cape Cod, Shell, per bbl.	10.00
Clams, medium, per bbl.	9.00

**THE GRAIN MARKETS.**

There is practically nothing doing in spot on either the local market or at Chicago or Winnipeg as far as wheat is concerned. However, there has been a good demand from foreign buyers for Manitoba barley and oats C. W. A little export space has been secured with the result that sales were made for immediate shipment to Glasgow.

Winnipeg on Thursday experienced the wildest day in the history of the market when wheat touched \$3.05. Towards the latter part of the week prices receded a trifle but are keeping high. Oats is in a strong market and securing a good figure.

Rumors of a contradictory nature are keeping the market jumpy at Chicago. On Thursday, in sympathy with Winnipeg, Wheat for immediate delivery on contract realized \$3.14, while May options were up to \$2.80. Heavy purchases for seaboard were made, one house securing about 500,000 bushels.

The local cash grain situation is as follows:

Grains: (Wheat prices are approximate). Per bushel.	
Spring wheat Manitoba, No. 1	2.70
Do., No. 2	2.65
Do., No. 3	2.30
Do., No. 4	2.45
Winter wheat Ontario, No. 2	2.00
Oats:	
No. 2 C. W.	0.85
Do., No. 3 C. W.	0.84
Do., Extra No. 1 feed	0.82½
Do., No. 2 feed	0.81½
Ontario Oats, No. 2, white	0.76½
Do., No. 3	0.77
Barley, No. 4 C. W., Rejected	1.26
Do., feed	1.15
Corn, American, ex-track	1.65

**PROVISIONS.**

The market in all lines of pork products has advanced with the demand remaining keen. It is very likely that present quotations will go even higher. Smoked hams are all up 1c per lb., and bacon has made the same advance. Lard is scarce and higher having raised 1c during the past week. Some Canadian dealers are buying in Chicago, reporting that the domestic supply is not sufficient. Shortening is higher with increased scarcity in cotton seed oil. Current prices are as follows:

Hams:	Per lb.
Smoked Hams, 8-14 lbs.	0.33
Do., 14-20 lbs.	0.31
Do., 20-25 lbs.	0.29
Do., over 25 lbs.	0.28
Bacon:	
Breakfast	0.32
Windsor Bacon, selected	0.32
Windsor Bacon, boneless	0.35
Barrel Pork:	
Short cut pork	50.00
Clear fat pork	50.00
Mess pork	48.00
Bean pork, American	46.00
Plate pork, 200-lbs.	44.00
Pure Lard:	
Tierces	0.27½
Tubs	0.27½
Pails	0.27½
Tins	0.27½
Cases, 3, 5, 10's	0.28½
Compound Lard—Western Grades:	
Tubs	0.21½
Pails	0.21½
Tins	0.21½
Cases, 3, 5, 10's	0.22½
Prints	0.22½
Cooked Meats:	
Roast shoulder pork	0.42
Roast hams, boneless	0.46
Cooked hams, boneless	0.40
Cooked hams, rind off	0.41
Head cheese	0.16
English brawn	0.15

**MONTREAL PRODUCE RECEIPTS.**

Receipts for the principal commodities at Montreal for the past two weeks follow:

	—Week ending—	
	May 5.	April 28.
Wheat, bushels	389,890	366,747
Oats, bushels	214,628	325,427
Flour	11,066	21,215
Barley	15,319	8,725
Hay, bales	18,463	23,617
Corn, bushels	5,000	3,000
Flax	21,723	12,733
Straw, bales	510	1,233
Butter, packages	5,760	5,004
Cheese, boxes	13,223	10,181
Eggs, cases	14,577	12,930