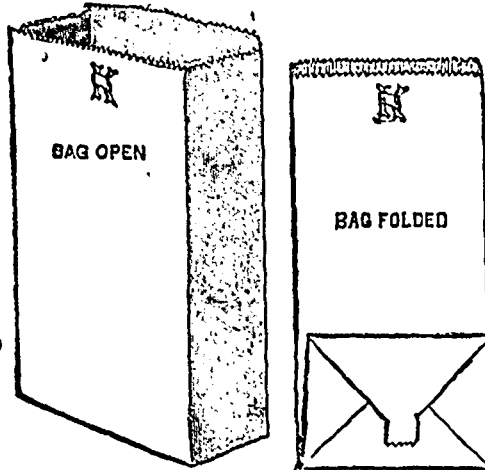


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Montreal Grain and Produce Markets.

Flour.—There is no change in prices here either as regards straight rollers or strong bakers. We hear of a sale of 1,000 bbls of straight rollers made at a low f.o.b. price at the mill West of Toronto for lower Ports account, said to be equal to \$2.80 here. A lot of straight roller bags sold at \$1.42½ and another lot at \$1.40. Patent spring, \$3.65 to \$3.90; Winter Patent, \$3.15 to \$3.50; Straight roller, \$2.85 to \$3.00; Extra, \$2.60 to \$2.70; Superfine, \$2.35 to \$2.40; City Strong Bakers \$3.65 to \$3.75; Manitoba Bakers, \$3.40 to \$3.75; Ontario bags—extra, \$1.30 to \$1.35; Straight Rollers, bags, \$1.45 to \$1.50.

Oatmeal.—The market remains firm at the advance quoted last week; car lots of rolled being quoted at \$1.85 and \$1.90 on track. Higher prices are looked for, as the advance in oatmeal has not followed to the full extent of the advance in oats. Rolled and granulated \$1.00 to \$1.05; standard \$3.90 to \$3.95. In bags, granulated and rolled are quoted at \$1.95 to \$2.00, and standard \$1.85 to \$1.95. Pot barley \$3.75 in bbls. and \$1.75 in bags, and split peas \$3.50 to \$3.60.

Bran.—There is very little bran to be had, and it could not be laid down here from Ontario at under \$18.50, and we quote \$18.50 to \$19 per ton. Shorts are firm at \$18 to \$19.

Oats.—There is a fair demand for oats on local account with sales of No. 2 white at 10½ to 40½ in store.

Barley.—The market is steady for malting barley at 57c to 60c for No. 1 and at 50c for feed barley. Sales have been made in the West for the United States at 51 to 52c.

Seeds.—A fair business is in progress, and we quote Canadian timothy steady at \$3.25 to \$3.50 per bushel. Red clover steady at 10½ to 12c. Alsika 11c to 12c. and mammoth clover 11½ to 12½c.

Pork, Lard, etc.—In lard there is little or no change, last sales of car lots being reported at \$1.32½ for compound in pails up to \$1.40 for smaller lots. The English trade continues to take a fair quantity of hams and bacon. Canada short cut pork, per bbl \$14.50 to \$15.50; Extra plate beef per bbl. \$10.50 to \$11; Hams, per lb. 9 to 10c., Lard pure in pails, per lb. 8½ to 9c; Lard compound, in pails, per lb. 6½ to 7c; Bacon, per lb. 10 to 11c; Shoulders, per lb. 8 to 8½c.

Dressed Hogs.—Light butchers' hogs have

sold \$5.70 to \$5.75 in car lots. Receipts during the past week were 1,097 head, against 1,653 head last week.

Butter.—There is a good local demand for fro-h winter made creamery, sales of which have been made at 21c to 21½ as to quality. Other kinds of creamery have sold all the way from 11c up to 19c as to quality. There is a good deal of stale creamery to work off yet. Eastern Townships dairy has sold at 11c up to 17c as to quality, and Western dairy is difficult to sell by the straight lot, although selected tubs are selling at 11c. Sales of poor western are reported at 7c to 9c and good to fine 10c to 12c.

Cheese.—The market is quiet and steady, with a few lots selling all the time at 9c to 9½ for und. rgrades, and at 9½ to 9¾ for fine to finest. A lot of November colored sold at about 9c. and a lot of finest September brought 9¾c.

Eggs.—Since our last there has been a firm market, with Montreal limed selling up to 21c, and now laid up to 30c; but an easier feeling has set in, and 18c is about the top price for limed and 22c for new laid, although some are offering to sell at 17c for limed and 20c for fresh.

Apples.—There is a little better feeling in apples this week, but the trade is purely local, and sales have been made at \$3 to \$1.50 per barrel, while some fancy stocks have sold as high as \$5.00 per barrel. Dried Apples—Stocks are very light, and under a fair demand sales have been made at 5c to 5½c per lb. Evaporated Apples. Evaporated apples are only in moderate demand at 6½c to 7c per lb.

Hides.—Prices keep firm, last sales to tanners being reported at 6c to 6½c for No. 1 light. A large proportion of the receipts are grubby, upon which butchers have to accept 1c per lb. less. For calfskins dealers pay 5c. We quote prices here as follows: Light hides, 5c for No. 1, 4c for No. 2, and 3c for No. 3; to tanners 6c for No. 1. Heavy hides are quoted at 5½ to 6½c; calfskins 5c, lambskins 65c.—Trade Bulletin, March, 8.

Cattle Exports via the States.

An Ottawa telegram says: "The cattle shippers of Montreal have for two years urged the Ottawa government to negotiate with Washington for a relaxation of the prohibition of importation of Canadian cattle, so as to permit cattle to go to Europe via United States ports. The Canadian railway companies, particularly the Grand Trunk, have secured this concession from Washington without the intervention of Ottawa authorities so as to permit shipment via Portland."

Comparative Flour Prices.

The comparative average price of patent and bakers' flour, at Minneapolis, for the past 13 years, shows the following:

Year.	Average price.	
	Patents.	Bakers'.
1882.....	\$7.95	\$6.12½
1883.....	6.75	5.00
1884.....	5.35	3.90
1885.....	4.91	3.51
1886.....	4.37	3.29
1887.....	4.26	3.35
1888.....	4.87	3.50
1889.....	5.27	3.39½
1890.....	4.96	3.73
1891.....	5.05	4.00
1892.....	4.31½	3.27
1893.....	3.75½	2.32
1894.....	3.60	2.05

The above figures show a decline from an average price of \$7.95 for patents, in 1882, to \$3.60 in 1891 and in bakers' from \$6.12½, in 1882, to \$2.05 in 1891. This decline was checked in the summer of 1883 by crop damage. In 1887 the average price for patents was \$1.26 and for bakers' 3.35, showing a decline of some \$3.00 a barrel. These low prices continued into the summer of 1888, when, just before harvest, there occurred great crop damage and prices took a sharp advance for the remainder of the year, bringing the average price of patents for the year up to \$1.87 and for bakers' \$3.50. These relatively higher averages continued for three years after 1888, patents advancing most. In 1891 came the big crop, and prices of flour again began the descent, which continued to the close of 1891. The first half of 1891 gave such high prices that the decline, when the big crop became apparent, was not rapid enough to place that year among the low ones.

The relative prices of bakers' and patents during this period of 13 years varied widely. In 1882 the average difference was \$1.72½; in 1884 it was \$1.45; in 1886 \$1.08; in 1887 91c; in 1888 \$1.37; in 1889 \$1.87½; in 1890 \$1.23; in 1891 90c; in 1892 \$1.01½; in 1893 \$1.43½, in 1894 \$1.55. An advance in one is not always accompanied by an advance in the other.—Minneapolis Market Record.

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