

FISH MARKETS.

Sea fish of all kinds, both from the East and West are more plentiful and prices are declining in consequence. Good sized catches of halibut are reported from Newfoundland and the Cabot Straits, also fairly good hauls of haddock and codfish from the Banks off Nova Scotia Coast. On account of rivers and lakes getting cleared of ice, more fish have been received lately, particularly, pike, carp, perch, etc. This week unusually large quantities are expected and consequently prices will run pretty low. From the Great Lakes, however, no supplies of any importance are yet being received and therefore whitefish and trout will sell at pretty high prices for the next few days. Salt and pickled trade fish are at a standstill. A few smokes, such as haddies and finnies are moving at steady prices. On account of cool weather the demand for bulk and shell oysters, clams, shrimps and scallops is keeping up with prices unchanged.

Fresh Fish:		per lb.	
Eastern Pacific Halibut	0.16	0.17	
Pacific Halibut	0.18	0.19	
Steak Cod	0.10	0.11	
Market Cod	0.07 1/2	0.08	
Haddock	0.08	0.09	
Carp	0.10	0.11	
Whitefish	0.15	0.16	
Lake Trout	0.15	0.16	
Pike	0.11	0.12	
Fresh Frozen Sea Fish			
Halibut	0.16	0.18	
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	0.08 1/2	0.09	
Haddock, fancy	0.07 1/2	0.08	
Smelts, No. 1 and No. 1 large	0.15	0.20	
Herring	0.03 1/2	0.06	
Fresh Frozen Lake Fish:			
Lake Trout	0.14	0.15	
Whitefish	0.14	0.15	
Perch	0.10	0.11	
Dore	0.12	0.13	
Pike	0.09	0.10	
Bels		0.10	
Smoked Fish:			
Finnan Haddies	0.10	0.11	
Finnan Haddies, Finest, Boned		0.13	
Finnan Haddie Fillets	0.15	0.16	
Digby Herrings, per bundle of 5 boxes		1.00	
Smoked Boneless Herring, 10 lb box		1.40	
Kippers, 40s and 50s, per box	1.50	1.75	
Salted and Pickled Fish:			
Herring (Labrador), per bbl.		9.00	
Salmon (Labrador), per bbl.		19.00	
Salmon (B. C. Red)		16.00	
Sea Trout, red and pale, per bbl.		15.00	
Green Cod, No. 1, per bbl.		14.00	
Mackerel, No. 1, per bbl.		21.00	
Salt Bels, per lb.		0.03	
Codfish (Skinless), (100-lb. box)		9.50	
Codfish (Boneless), Blocks, per lb.		0.10	
Codfish, Shredded, 12 lb. box		1.30	
Strip Cod, boxes, 30 lb. per lb.		0.14	
Shellfish:			
Lobsters, medium and large, lb.		0.30	
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	

LIVE STOCK.

MONTREAL: The offerings of live stock during the past week amounted to 1,325 cattle, 115 sheep and lambs, 2,210 hogs and 3,550 calves, as compared with the previous week's receipts which were 1,125 cattle, 150 sheep and lambs, 2,775 hogs, and 5,700 calves. Prices for cattle scored an advance of 50c at the beginning of the week and maintained it throughout. Choice steers sold as high as \$12.50, extra choice bulls at \$12, and cows at \$11 per hundredweight. It is true that supplies were larger, but this was offset by the increased demand from both butchers and packers who wanted to fill up depleted stocks. The quality of cattle offered was much better than usual, a welcome feature of the market. The supply of sheep coming forward continues very limited and the tone of the market is strong with an advance of 50c per 100 lbs. Odd small lots sold at \$10.50 to \$11.00, while yearling lambs brought \$14.50 to \$15.50, an advance of \$1 over the former week's prices. The market for hogs was strong in sympathy with prices at other Canadian centres. The demand from packers and the trade was active, with sales of selected stock at \$17.00 to \$17.25, an advance of about 25c over former quotations. The supply of calves continues large, but an increased demand from both domestic and United States' points helped to steady prices, which are firm at \$8.00 to \$9.00 for good milked, while choice milked realize \$1.00 to \$2.00 higher.

TORONTO: The receipts of live stock at the Toronto stock yards during the past week exceeded

those of the previous week in every line; they amounted to 5,733 cattle, 531 sheep and lambs, 16,518 hogs and 2,424 calves. The previous week's receipts were 4,308 cattle, 215 sheep and lambs, 12,040 hogs and 1,632 calves. The exceptionally heavy run of cattle forced prices down 25c to 40c, and trade in general was slow packers grasping the opportunity of forcing lower prices. Indications are, however, that this week's run will be much smaller and it is expected that quotations will again revive. The light receipts of sheep and lambs kept the market steady and trade was fair. The extra heavy run of hogs as well as a slight easing off of the Chicago market caused prices to decline 15c to 25c. The bulk of choice hogs are now bringing \$16.50 fed and watered. Prices for choice veal calves also sagged and closed 50c to 75c lower than at the beginning of the week.

Comparative quotations follow:

	Per cwt.	
	Montreal.	Toronto.
Heavy steers	12.25	12.50
Choice butchers	10.50	11.50
Do., good	9.75	10.00
Do., medium	8.75	9.00
Do., common	8.50	8.75
Butcher cows, choice	10.50	11.00
Do., medium	10.50	11.00
Do., common	10.00	10.50
Butcher bulls, choice	11.00	12.00
Do., good	9.75	11.00
Do., medium	9.50	9.75
Canners	5.50	6.50
Sheep, ewes	10.00	10.50
Bucks	10.00	10.25
Lambs, spring	8.00	12.00
Do., yearlings	14.50	15.50
Calves, milked	8.00	11.00
Do., hayfed, choice		6.50
Do., common	5.00	7.00
Hogs, choice	17.00	17.50
Do., heavy weights	16.75	16.25
Sows	15.00	15.25

SUGAR.

The Atlantic and St. Lawrence Refineries advanced 25 cents last week on all grades, making extra granulated \$8.50 per 100 lbs. in bags, but up till the present the Canada Sugar Refining Company had taken no action, although out of the market. The reason for the advance is the continued strength of the raw sugar situation of late, and the fact that refiners have been very heavy purchasers for April and May shipment at 5 7-16c, and also that British commissions have bought some round lots of Cubas at 4.90, f.o.b., copied with the report issued April 18th, that beet sugar production of 1916 was short of that for 1915.

Present prices follow:

Standard or fine, bags, 100-lbs.	Basis, \$ 8.50
Do., Barrels	8.55
Do., gunnies, 5-20s.	8.65
Do., gunnies, 10-10c	8.70
Do., cartons, 20-5s.	8.75
Do., cartons, 50-2s	8.80
Light yellow, bags, 100-lbs.	8.10
Do., barrels	8.15
Brilliant yellow, bags, 100-lbs.	8.10
Do., barrels	8.15
Dark yellow, bags, 100-lbs.	7.90
Do., barrels	7.95
Extra ground (icing), barrels	8.70
Do., boxes, 50-lbs. bulk	8.90
Do., boxes, 25-lbs. bulk	9.10
Do., cartons, 50-lbs.	10.00
Do., cartons, 20-lbs.	10.25
Powdered, barrels	8.60
Do., boxes, 25-lbs. bulk	8.80
Do., boxes, 25-lbs. bulk	9.00
Do., cartons 50-2s.	9.30
Do., cartons, 20-2s.	9.75

THE GRAIN MARKETS.

Winnipeg has experienced severe fluctuations in wheat prices during the past week, but the demand continued good throughout. The removal of the duty did not greatly affect the cash market.

Chicago saw frenzied buying and selling. Quotations which had been mounting on account of the decrease in the visible supply on Monday broke when the announcement of the removal of duty was made but recovered again towards the end of the week.

The local cash grain situation is at a standstill the spot dealers reporting that it is practically useless to quote prices with the market in its present condition.

MONTREAL PRODUCE RECEIPTS.

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

	—Week ending—	
	April 21.	April 14.
Wheat, bushels	642,439	380,633
Oats, bushels	350,701	439,524
Barley, bushels	24,715	124,115
Flour, sacks	39,136	19,499
Hay, bales	15,721	5,206
Corn, bushels	3,305	3,555
Flax	13,748	2,856
Straw, bales	2,825	456
Butter, packages	4,385	4,131
Cheese, boxes	5,601	3,430

WINNIPEG GRAIN INSPECTIONS.

The receipts of grain in Winnipeg for the past two weeks ending April 13th and April 6th, respectively, were as follows:

	—Week ending	
	Apr. 20.	Apr. 13.
No. 1 northern	85	912
No. 2 northern	314	207
No. 3 northern	247	214
No. 4 northern	150	124
No. 5 northern	111	73
No. 6 Northern	52	40
Feed wheat	56	48
Rejected	30	21
No grade	1,184	737
No. 3 special	47	32
No. 5 special	27	46
No. 6 special	26	24
Totals	2,284	1,648
Same week last year	2,096	2,347
Oats	790	767
Same week last year	591	824
Barley	85	93
Same week last year	40	50
Flax	107	85
Same week last year	57	46

SAVE GRAIN FOR FOOD.

Delegates representing the 25,000 farmers of the state of New York met in conference with the farm bureau managers at Ithaca, N.Y. last week in order to discuss ways and means of increasing the food supplies and the production of foodstuffs. Among the resolutions passed was one which recommended that the Federal Government should prohibit the manufacture of liquor from grain. It was estimated that such a move would save about 625,000,000 bushels of grain every year for consumption.

The meeting also went on record in favor of the Government's fixing a minimum price for food products; that steps be taken for a more economical distribution of farm products; that steps be taken for quicker freight transportation facilities for farmers; that service on the farm or mechanical work contributed to the success of the armed forces of the nation receive recognition by the Government; and that some form of insignia be provided for men in this line of endeavor, and that some special recognition be given for women on the farm or in the farm house.

TEA AND COFFEE.

Prices have advanced lately in both tea and coffee, the embargo on the former in force since January 31 having its effect. The stocks of India and Ceylon varieties is somewhat depleted but as long as dealers do not attempt to store up supplies, it is not expected that quotations will advance much.

There is a good supply of coffee in the United States and no change in price is anticipated unless the contemplated tax on this article is enforced. Outside of the raw market which exhibits a very firm undertone there is little to note in the coffee situation.

Prices follow:

Tea.	per lbs.	
JAPAN—common	0.17 1/2	0.19
medium	0.20	0.21
good	0.24	0.25
choice	0.29	0.31
Siftings	0.11	0.12
Fannings	0.13	0.14
CHINA—Black—common	0.19	0.20
good	0.26	0.28
choice	0.29	0.30
finest	0.34	0.36
Green—common	0.18	0.19
medium	0.19	0.20
Pealeaf	0.23	0.22
Pinhead	0.30	0.32
CEYLON & INDIA.		
Black—common Pekoe	0.37	0.38
—good Pekoe	0.41	0.42
Pekoe—choice	0.43	0.44
—Orange	0.40	0.46
Broken	0.42	0.44
do choice	0.46	0.48
do very choicest	0.51	0.54
COFFEE		
Santos	0.15	0.17
Rio	0.13	0.15
Maracaibo	0.16	0.17
Java—roasted	0.32	0.33
Mocha, do	0.34	0.35
Santos, do	0.19	0.20
Rio, do	0.16	0.17