

Montreal Markets.

Flour—Upper Canada millers state that they are filling orders in the Maritime provinces at prices that net them 20 to 25c. per barrel above Montreal prices. According to their statements, it cost them \$4.25 to \$4.30 at the mills to turn out straight rollers, and in order to make anything they should receive \$4.35 to \$4.90 in Montreal. Several western millers who were in the city this week stated that they were very busy executing orders from the lower provinces and Newfoundland. Patent, winter, \$5.15 to \$5.25; patent, spring, \$5.25 to \$5.35; straight roller, \$4.75 to \$4.85; extra, \$4.65 to \$4.65; superfine, \$4.20 to \$4.35; fine, \$3.85 to \$4.00; city strong bakers, \$4.85 to \$5.00; Manitoba bakers, \$4.50 to \$4.75; Ontario bags—extra, \$2.15 to \$2.30; superfine, \$2 to \$2.10.

Oatmeal, etc.—The unsettled feeling still continues. Granulated and rolled oats \$4.10 to \$4.20 per bbl, and \$2.00 to \$2.20 per bag; standard and fine oatmeal, \$4.00 to \$4.05 per bbl. and bags \$1.90 to \$2.00. Pot barley, \$4.15. Pearl barley, No. 1, \$7.25 per bbl. Gold dust cornmeal, \$4.25 per bbl; split peas, \$3.25 per barrel.

Wheat—The Ontario wheat arriving is very fine, and sales of No. 1 spring have been made here \$1.62, a lot of choice No. 1 winter bringing \$1.02½ last week, but to-day prices are quoted at \$1.00. In Manitoba wheat, holders at Port Arthur ask equal to \$1.10 laid down here for No. 2 hard.

Mill Feed—Ontario bran, \$13 to \$13.50 in car loads, and at \$14 for broken lots; white shorts, \$15.50 to \$16, and moullie at \$21 to \$25 as to quality.

Oats—The market is a little firmer in sympathy with the advance in England, and sales of No. 2 white, have been made at 32c per 34 lbs.; other kinds being quoted at 31 to 31½c.

Barley—There is still a demand for Canadian barley for export, and shipments are steadily going forward to England. We quote: No. 2 Ontario barley, at 55 to 56c and No. 3 extra at 52c to 54c; feed, 45 to 50c. Choice two rowed barley, at 60 to 65c.

Pork, Lard, etc.—There is a decidedly easier feeling in pork in sympathy with the decline in the west. Lard is also easier, and we hear that sales have been made as low as \$1.45 per pail of 20 pounds. Canada short cut mess pork, per barrel, \$17 to \$17.50; extra mess beef, per bbl., \$14.50 to \$15.00; hams, city cured, per lb., 11 to 11½c; lard, pure in pails, per lb., 9½ to 10c; lard, compound, in pail, per lb., 7½ to 7¾c; bacon, per lb., 10½ to 11c; shoulders, per lb., 9 to 10c.

Eggs—Fresh gathered stock is selling well at 15 to 16c, a few shipments of limed being received, with sales at 14 to 15c.

Dressed Hogs—A few small lots of dressed hogs have been received during the week, and sales have been made of choice light weights, suitable for butchers' use, at \$6.75 to \$7.00 per 100 pounds; heavier hogs have changed hands at \$8.10 to \$8.50 per 100 pounds.

Potatoes—The market is more active, and a sale of 200 bags is reported to have been made as low as 30c, and we quote at 40 to 45c per bag for good to choice stock.

Butter—The market maintains its firm tone, especially for creamery, which has sold at 23c for round lots. October creameries are held at

higher figures, but buyers are not anxious to pick them up. We quote 21 to 23½c. In Eastern Townships sales of round quantities are reported at 18 to 18½ for fine shipping lots, single packages of selected selling at 19 to 20c. Western butter is firm at 15 to 16c, sales being reported at 15½ to 16c for round lots. A car load of Kamouraska dairy is said to be offered at 16c. The total shipments to date are 60,687 pkgs against 18,502 pkgs for the corresponding period last year.

Cheese—No change can be reported in this market, 10c being the representative figure for finest goods. August cheese in Liverpool is cabled at 47 to 48c. In this market a few sales of under-priced goods have taken place at 9 to 9½c. There is not much chance of getting prices down now, especially as English buyers have been compelled to advance their limits in order to secure certain factories. The shipments from this port to date were, 1,126,764 boxes against 1,240,526, for the corresponding period in 1899, showing a decrease of 113,752 boxes.

Apples—The first new lot of winter apples have arrived on the market, and sales of car loads have been made of choice to good at \$2.10 to \$2.25; but the latter figures is now said to be quite unobtainable, \$2.10 to \$2.15 being, it is maintained, the highest figures that can be got now for car lots. Shipments continue to go forward in large quantities. Evaporated apples quiet, and sales have been made in round lots at from 8 to 9c per lb. Dried apples have sold at 6 to 7c per lb, as to quality.

Hides—No. 1, 5c; No. 2, 4c; No. 3, 3c; tanners pay 1c more; lambskins, 70c; calfskins, 7c.

Leather—Manufacturers sole, No. 1, 17 to 19c; No. 2, 15 to 16c; waxed upper, 22 to 27c; splits, Quebec, 11 to 13c; western, 15 to 19c.

Groceries—The sugar market is practically the same as last, granulated selling at 4½c at the refineries, and yellows at 3½ to 3¾c for low grade and at 3½ to 4½c for brights. Granulated beet sugar has been offered in this market at 4c per lb, but its straw color is not inviting to those buyers who have been accustomed to the granulated turned out by the Montreal refineries. Barbadoes molasses are being offered in 50 puncheon lots at 37c, but buyers do not seem inclined to take hold at that figure, and we quote 37 to 38c as to size of lot. Antigua is quoted at 31 to 32c. In syrups there has been a little more doing at 2½ to 3½c as to quality. In Maracaibo coffee there have been sales of round quantities at 19½ to 20c, and Rio and Jamaica is quoted at 18 to 19c, although the inside figure has been shaded. Java and Mocha are quoted at 24 to 25c.

Dried fruit—The market for Valencia raisins has an under current of weakness, sales having transpired at 5 to 5½c per lb, as to quality, although it is said that some very good brands have changed hands at 5c. In currants there have been sales of choice qualities at 5½c, in bbls, although some very fair stock is said to have been replaced at 5¾c. It is stated there is a lot of poor Provincial stuff selling at low prices, which harrasses the holders of good to choice qualities.—Trade Bulletin, October 24.

Wm. Tietjen, cigar manufacturer, of New Westminster, returned from a trip to Cuba, where he has been purchasing raw material for his factory.

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