

ing at 7 to 9c.; creamery tubs are selling at 15 to 16c., and pound prints, 16 to 17c. The local cheese trade is quiet. Exporters have not been bidding actively at the last two boards, and their outside offer appears to be no more than 6½c. A number of factory men are holding back supplies, but in order to do this they must make allowance for the inevitable shrinkage and loss in price. Dealers quote new 7 to 7½c. and old 7½ to 8c. per lb. Considerable activity has again been shown in sweet pickled pork products, and several car loads have been sold at prices satisfactory to packers. Hams are said to be scarce in Toronto and prices have advanced. Long clear bacon is no dearer, but the demand is good and stocks are in small compass. Lumbermen are enquiring for barrel pork and packers consider prospects for their trade much brighter than they were a month ago. We quote heavy mess, \$12; short cut, \$12 75 to \$13. The consumption of eggs is light, and in view of large surplus stocks are being placed in cold storage. Dealers quote eggs 9 to 9½c. per doz., with several transactions reported at 8½c. per doz.

WOOL.—The market is flat, although quotations are unchanged and dealers continue to pay 20c. for Canadian fleece; the feeling is weaker than a week ago. Middlemen are beginning to be anxious to sell their holdings, and letters offering 10,000 to 75,000 lbs. of wool have been numerous this week. An American buyer was in the market last week, but having purchased two car loads of wool, he was recalled by his house. Affairs in the United States continue in a de-

pressed and unsettled condition. Pulled wools are dull in sympathy with fleece; we quote: combing, 18 to 19c.; super, 19c.; extra, 20 to 21c. A small and unrepresentative catalogue of 10,000 bales was submitted at the fourth series of public sales, which opened in London on Tuesday, 30th ult. The selection consisted almost entirely of medium and inferior kinds of merinos, as well as crossbreds. There was a numerous gathering of buyers, and competition was fairly active. England and France are the chief buyers, Germany exhibiting considerable reserve, while America is unrepresented. Prices for medium and ordinary Australian merinos as well as crossbred descriptions showed a decline of 5 per cent. as compared with last sales' closing rates, while the best kinds of merino grease, including parcels suitable for the American market, so far very sparingly offered, exhibit no change as compared with the aforesaid period. Cape produce also tends slightly in buyers' favor.

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