

## TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Toronto, May 27.

## Special to The Commercial.

Dry goods—Sorting trade is better owing to warmer weather. Fall goods are slow sale, but a few are buying liberally. Owing to advancing markets, nearly all British orders for woolen goods would cost 10 to 15 per cent increase. Cottons are firmer in sympathy with the rise in United States goods.

Hardware—Trade is more active in barbed wire. Nearly all the wire selling is imported owing to scarcity of galvanized wire. There is a good demand for ammunition. Green wire cloth is 20c dearer. Harvest tools are in active demand, but scarce. Bar iron is up 10c per 100 pounds. Turpentine is 2c lower.

Groceries—Quiet. The feature of the week is trouble between sugar refiners and wholesalers. The agreement adopted in October has been suspended and sugars sold at open prices for a time, but the agreement is now restored pending negotiations. In the meantime refiners are only selling on net cash basis. Refiners complain of wholesalers asking retailers too much and allowing United States sugars to come in. Molasses is dearer.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.  
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Ontario flour is 10c higher. Oats are weak and 1-2c lower. Wool is not offering very freely and there is but little demand for it. Fleeced wool is 1-2c lower at 13c, and unwashed is also 1-2c lower at 8c. Calfskins are 1c lower. Eggs are 1-2c dearer at 12c. following are quotations to-day:

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$3.30 to \$4. Manitoba bakers, \$3.50 to \$3.80. Ontario straight roller, \$3.25 per bbl. for car lots, Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat 69 to 70c for cars at country points; No. 1 hard, 85c; grinding in transit, and 83c Toronto freights.

Oats—White 30 1-2 to 31c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 42c at country points for car lots.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$14 to \$16 per ton; bran \$12 to \$12.50 per ton at country points.

Oatmeal—\$3.80 in bags per barrel, and \$3.90 in wood for car lots, Toronto.

Eggs—New laid, 12c.

Butter—Dairy tubs, fresh, 11 to 12c; creamery, tubs, 16c.

Cheese—New, 9 1-4 to 9 1-2c.

Hides—Green, 8 1-4c for No. 1, 7 1-4c for No. 2, and 6 1-4c for No. 3. Cured hides firmer at 8 3-4 to 9. Sheepskins full wool, 75c to \$1; lambskins, 20c; calfskins 7 and 9c for No. 1 and No. 2; tallow 4 1-2c.

Potatoes—Car lots, Toronto 75c per bushel; out of store 85c per bushel.

Wool—Washed fleeces 13c; unwashed 8c.

Beans—\$1 to \$1.10 per bushel for hand picked.

Dressed hogs—\$3.35 to \$5.00 per 100 pounds.

Dried apples—4 1-2 to 5 1-2c for round lots; evaporated, 9 to 9 1-2c.

Maple syrup—90c to \$1.10 per gal. in tins, imperial measure.

Honey—5 1-2 to 6 1-2c in bulk; tins, 6 to 7 1-2c; sections, \$1.25 to \$1.40.

Poultry—Turkeys, 11c to 13c chickens 50 to 70c a pair.

Seeds—Red clover, \$5 to 6 per 100 lbs., alsike, \$4.50 to \$6, timothy, \$2.25 to 2.75.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.  
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Toronto, May 23.

Receipts of live stock at the market to-day were 96 carloads of all kinds, including 2,300 hogs, 1,650 cattle and 300 sheep and lambs, being the heaviest all around receipts of the season.

Export cattle—Prices were firm. Good heavy exporters sold at \$4.75 to \$4.90 per cwt. One carload of choice sold for \$5. The offerings included some very fine cattle. Light exporters steady at \$4 to \$4.50 per cwt.

Butchers' cattle—Prices firm. Good to choice selections \$4.40 to \$4.60 per cwt. Medium and common firm at \$3.25 to \$4.25, and down to \$3 to \$3.25 for poor.

Stockers and feeders—Heavy stockers quoted at \$1 to \$4.25 per cwt.

Sheep and lambs—Active demand at firmer prices. Heavy sheep (clipped) sold at \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt, and light at \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt. Sheep in wool steady at \$3.75 to \$4.25 per cwt. Spring lambs \$3 to \$4.50 each. A few bunches of choice yearlings brought \$5 to \$5.75 per cwt. Bucks \$3 to \$3.50.

Hogs—Prices were firmer and 1-4c higher for selections. Others 1-8c higher. Choice selections at \$5 per cwt; light, \$4.50. Thick fat, \$4.37 1-2.

## FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Toronto, May 26.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 50 carloads, including 300 sheep and lambs and 1,500 hogs.

Export cattle were 10c dearer at \$4.85 to \$5.00. Stockers have also advanced 10c over Tuesday's prices to \$4.10 to \$4.35 for heavies. Feeders were 3c dearer. Yearlings were easier. Hogs remain firm at Tuesday's prices.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.  
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Montreal, May 23.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End abattoir yesterday were 350 cattle, 500 sheep and lambs.

There was a good demand for cattle at firm prices. Choice cattle sold at 5 to 5 1-4c, good at 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c, fair at 3 3-4 to 4c, and poor at 3c to 3 1-2c per lb. Sheep for shipment met with a ready sale at 4c, and butchers paid as high as 4 1-2c for choice in small lots. Spring lambs were \$2.50 to \$6 each. Hogs easy at \$4.60 to \$4.75 off cars. Heavy hogs \$4.25 to \$4.60.

## THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

There was a good export and local demand for cattle and sheep. Choice beefs quoted at 4 3-4 to 5 1-4c, fair to good, 3 3-4 to 4 1-2c, other grades, 2 3-4 to 3 1-4c per pound. Sheep quoted at 3 1-2 to 4 1-4c. Spring lamb \$2.50 to \$5.00 each. Hogs are active and higher, quoted at \$4.60 to \$4.80 off cars.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.  
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Montreal, May 27.

The movement of sugar is slow, and there is no change in prices. Molasses has advanced sharply, sales of round lots Barbadoes having been made at 36c. Canned tomatoes and peas are weaker, the former having sold at 77 1-2 to 80c and the latter at 67 1-2 to 70c. Corn is quoted at 90 to 92 1-2c. Rio coffee is lower at 7 to 9c, and Mocha is lower at 21 to 23c. Teas and other lines remain unchanged. Prices are:

Granulated sugar quoted at \$4.60 to \$4.65 per 100 pounds at refineries; yellows, \$4.00 to \$4.40; molasses, 80c; syrups, 1 3-4 to 2 1-4c, as to quality; Valencia raisins, 4 3-4 to 5 1-2c; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 7 to 9c; Mocha, 21 to 23c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B., 3 3-4 to 4c; canned corn, 90 to 92 1-2c; peas, 67 1-2 to 70c; tomatoes, 77 1-2 to 80c.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.  
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Montreal, May 27.

The following changes are reported. Dry white lead, in casks, is now quoted at \$4.75 and in kegs \$5.00.

Red lead, pure, in casks, is quoted at \$4.25, and in kegs at \$4.50. Putty, in bulk, is now worth \$1.65; bladders, in barrels, \$1.80. Raw oil is quoted at 50 to 51c, boiled 53 to 54c per gallon. Turpentine, 63 to 64c per gallon. Cordage is unchanged.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.  
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Oats are quiet; buyers offering 36c and sellers asking 36 1-2c. Flour is in fair demand at \$4 for patents and \$3.60 to \$3.70 for strong bakers. Food is easy. Hides and skins remain unchanged and tanners are buying sparingly. Eggs are fairly active, firm and steady. Creamery butter is firmer. Dairy butter unchanged. Cheese is easier and 1-8 to 1-4c lower for new. Beans are only meeting with a jobbing demand. No potatoes are offering. Prices are:

Oats—No. 2 white, 36 to 36 1-2c afloat.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are: Manitoba strong makers, \$3.60 to \$3.70; Manitoba patents, \$4.00.

Bran, \$16 per ton; shorts, \$17.00 to \$17.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 to \$1.80 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 8 1-2c; No. 2, 7 1-2c; No. 3, 6 1-2c; calfskin, 9 to 10c; sheepskins, 75 to 80c; lambskins and clips, 10c, tallow, 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c.

Eggs—Choice fresh, 11 to 11 1-4c per dozen; second grades, 9 1-2 to 10c.

Butter—Fresh dairy, 13 to 14 1-2c.

Butter—Creamery, full grass, 16 1-4 to 16 3-4c; fodder, goods, 16 to 16 1-4c per pound.

Cheese—9 1-8 to 9 3-8c.

Beans—95c to \$1.00 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots, 70c on track.

## SUGAR.

London, May 26.—Beet weaker and lower, compared with the previous day, 11c 3d for both May and June. This price is an advance of 1 1-2d over the quotation of a week ago for May and of 1-2d over the quotation for June.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.  
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Liverpool, May 26.—Cattle, 1-4c easier at 11 1-2 to 11 3-4c per pound. Sheep firmer at 13 1-2 to 14 1-2c.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.  
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Liverpool, May 26.—Cheese quoted at 5s for white and 4s for colored, a decline of 6d on white and of 1s 6d on colored for the week.

Barbadoes molasses has declined 1c per gallon at the island, making the first cost 16c.