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receipts combined with a brisk export enquiry has given a firm tone to all the larger markets. Prices at country points have shown a decided increase, an advance of from 6c to 7c having been reported from some points during the past two weeks. Montreal was slow to respond owing, it is said, to the arrival of some cars of Western eggs which were intended for storage, but which on arrival were forced on the market owing to the shortage of storage space.

The export situation is reported very encouraging. Prices have advanced during the past week and a number of sales reported although at narrow margins. Irish eggs are now selling on the British market at 24s per long hundred, and a further advance in prices of Canadians is looked for during the present week.

Current prices are as follows:

Strictly new laid	0.42
Selected eggs	0.40
No. 1 candled stock	0.37
No. 2 candled stock	0.32

**EGG RECEIPTS.**

The following shows the receipts of eggs for the season to date:—

	May 1, 1917	May 1, 1916
	to July 19, 1917.	to July 20, 1916.
Cases	165,492	230,329

The above shows a decrease of 64,837 cases.

**EGG PRICES IN GREAT BRITAIN.**

	June 25, 1917.	
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Irish Hens	20	21 6
Irish Ducks	20	..
Dutch, all brown	21	22
Dutch, mixed	19	20
Danish	21	22
Egyptian, Candled and Repacked	13 6	14
New York Produce Review.		
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Irish Hens	16 6	17
Irish Ducks	17 3	17 6
Dutch, all brown	19	..
Dutch, mixed	17 6	..
Danish	16	17 6
American	15	15 6
Russian	13 6	15
Morocco	13 6	..

**UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT REPORT.**

Eggs in Storage	Cases.
360 houses report July 1, 1917	6,064,036
264 houses, July 1, 1917	6,631,823
July 1, 1916	5,574,433
Increase	57,390

**BEANS.**

Very little business is being done, but the tone of the market remains firm.

Current prices are reported as follows:

Canadian five-pound pickers	9.25	9.50
Rangoon beans	8.75	9.00
Japan beans	7.50	7.75
Yellow-eye beans	8.00	8.25

**MAPLE PRODUCTS.**

The home demand of maple products is good as is the demand for syrup for export to England at reasonable prices.

Current prices are reported as follows:

Extra choice syrup, 13-lb. tins	1.65	1.75
Choice syrup, 13-lb. tins	1.50	1.60
Good syrup, 13-lb. tins	1.35	1.45
Lower grades, 13-lb. tins	1.25	1.30
Maple sugar, per lb.	0.13	0.15

**HONEY.**

Prices remain steady, but very little business is being done.

Prices rule as follows:

White clover, in comb	0.14 1/2	0.15
Brown clover, in comb	0.13	0.13 1/2
White extracted	0.12 1/2	0.13
Brown extracted	0.12 1/2	0.13
Buckwheat honey	0.10	0.11

**POULTRY.**

The poultry market is quiet and receipts of poultry, particularly flour, continue light for the season. This may be due to the favourable reaction in egg prices, but more likely results from the fact that farmers are busy with haying. Quite frequently the receipt of fowl run light during haying, and then become very heavy in the interval between haying and harvest. This condition results in a sharp falling off in price.

The poultry situation on the larger markets shows no improvement. There is said to be no better demand for frozen poultry, although prices are being shaded to encourage sales. This continues to have a bearing on the prices being paid for live and fresh killed birds.

No export trade is passing. The poultry situation in the U. S. A. is reported to be in a very depressed condition. Stocks as indicated by the Government Report are enormous. Many varieties are now selling below cost, with no appreciable increase in demand. Holders do not know what to do. A number of representative dealers have recently held a conference at Washington with the Chief of Markets Branch with a view to finding some solution for the difficulty, and thereby stimulating movement.

Current prices are as follows in Montreal live poultry quotations:

Broilers	0.20	0.22
Chickens	..	..
Fowl	0.18	0.20
Roosters	0.14	..

Storage Poultry prices (wholesale):

Broilers, milk fed	0.27
Do., range	0.25
Chickens, milk fed	0.25
Do., range	0.21
Fowl, light	0.22
Do., heavy	0.25
Cocks	0.16
Ducks	0.20
Geese	0.17
Turkeys	0.25

**U. S. Government Report:**

Poultry—Miscellaneous:

161 houses report	39,715,993 lbs.
102 houses, July 1, 1917	29,294,821 lbs.
July 1, 1916	5,066,542 lbs.

**BUTTER.**

The receipts of butter in Montreal, for the week ending July 21st amounted to 7,896 packages as against 14,813 packages the previous week and 16,853 packages for the same week last year.

Prices in the butter market decreased early in the week and then increased. The receipts have fallen off very much and this keeps prices up but the high prices are keeping away the export trade although 5,000 packages were reported shipped.

At Gould's Cold Storage on Tuesday last 500 packages of creamery butter sold at 34 1/2c to 35c delivered here as to quality which shows a drop of 3/4c to 1c from the previous Friday's sales. The sale was also reported in the open market of 150 packages of fine creamery at 24 3/4c. But of course there is butter found in the city at 35 1/4c and 120 packages of fine creamery at 34 3/4c. But of course there is butter here costing higher figures which is off the market for the time being. About this time last year the export trade set in at 28 1/4c to 29 1/2c.

At the Board of Trade building on Friday, the Quebec Agricultural Co-operative Society sale of butter realized a price that was 3/4c to 1/2c higher than during the previous sale on Monday, while at Gould's Cold Storage prices showed an advance of 1/2c over those at the previous sale, and the whole market generally had a much stronger undertone, with local firms quoting up to 36 1/2c, against 36c.

We quote prices as follows:

Finest creamery	0.36	0.36 1/2
Fine creamery	0.35	0.35 1/2
Finest dairy	0.30 1/2	0.31 1/2
Fine dairy	0.29	0.29 1/2
Lower grades	0.27	0.28

At the butter auctions.

**CHEESE.**

The receipts of cheese for the week ending July 21 were 33,646 boxes as against 96,124 boxes for the

previous week and 61,699 boxes for the same week last year.

The cheese market continues very dull and displays an easier feeling due to the lack of shipping which has caused an accumulation of stocks here which are estimated to be 250,000 boxes. Owing to the scarcity of freight the Cheese Commissioners have refused to grade any more cheese for the time being, and consequently the loss in weight and other expenses will fall upon the merchants.

The following are the prices being paid by the commission:

No. 1 western and eastern cheese	21 1/2c
No. 2 western and eastern cheese	21 1/4c
No. 3 western and eastern cheese	20 3/4c
Lower grades	20 1/4c

At the country Dairy boards.

**GROCERIES.**

Salt and baking powder prices have advanced, salt 50c per bag and baking powder 10c making with other recent advances an advance of 40c for baking powder. Some lines of soaps have also risen. Rice, tapioca and sago prices remain unchanged.

**CANNED GOODS.**

The demand for canned goods continues good but the supplies on hand are dwindling some lines having completely run out. Tomatoes are selling at the lower prices but many dealers adhere to the high figures.

We quote current prices as follows:

**Canned Vegetables:**

Tomatoes, 3s	2.25
Tomatoes, 2 1/2s.	2.15
Peas, standards	1.45
Peas, Early June	1.50
Beans, golden wax	1.90
Beans, Refugees	1.40
Corn, 2s. doz.	2.00
Red Raspberries, 2s.	2.50
Strawberries, 2s	2.40
Blueberries, 2s. doz.	1.35
Apples, (gallon)	4.25
Peaches, 2s (heavy syrup)	1.75
Pears, 3s (heavy syrup)	2.40
Pineapples, 1 1/2s.	2.25

**Salmon Sockeye:**

1/2 flats, raises 8 doz., per doz.	2.47
Cohoos, 1 lb. tails	3.00

**SUGAR.**

The higher prices made effective by four of the refiners as reported last week still hold and one manufacturer is still quoting 15c under the majority. Following are the quotations:

Atlantic and St. Lawrence Sugar Companies, extra granulated sugars	100 lbs.	8.20
Acadia Sugar Refinery, extra granulated	8.20	
Canada Sugar Refinery, extra granulated	8.05	
Dominion Sugar Co., Ltd., crystal granulated	8.20	
Special icing, barrels	8.25	
Diamond icing	8.25	
Yellow, No. 1	7.65	7.80
Yellow, No 2 (or Golden)	7.55	7.70
Yellow, No. 3	7.45	7.60
Powdered, barrels	8.15	
Paris lumps, barrels	8.65	
Paris lumps (boxes), 100 lbs.	8.75	
Crystal diamonds, barrels	8.65	
Crystal diamonds (boxes, 100 lbs.)	8.75	
Assorted tea cubes, boxes	8.65	
Cut loaf (50-lb. boxes)	8.85	
Cut loaf (25-lb. boxes)	9.05	

For deliveries in Montreal City district add 5c to above refinery price if purchased through wholesalers.

For 50-lb. and 25-lb. bags add 10c per 100 lbs.; for 20-lb. bags add 15c per 100 lbs.; for 10-lb. bags add 20c per 100 lbs.; for 5-lb. cartons add 30c per 100 lbs. Granulated and yellow sugar may be had in barrels at 5c over above prices. Fancy sugars make a corresponding increase when put up in small packages

**TEA.**

Prices in the tea market are very firm with further advances expected. The transportation difficulties grow no less and the outlook for China blends is serious. The second Japan crop is short, about 20 per cent, as the first crop was.

Pekoe, Souchongs, per lb.	0.42	0.45
Pekoes, per lb.	0.47	0.50
Orange Pekoes	0.49	0.51

Not reduced in anyway.

**COFFEE AND COCOA.**

The local coffee market continues dull with prices unchanged, although it is stated by coffee merchants that the consumption of coffee in Canada is steadily increasing. The demand for cocoa is very light at present. Current prices follow: