

"prices", because in both those cases it includes premiums or subsidies, or whatever one wishes to call them, which are now paid on barley. Some of this barley is sold in the United States, and we guarantee an additional payment of 15 cents to cover any profit that may be made up to that amount. Then above that there are participation certificates.

With respect to live stock, which to some extent depends upon the cost of the products about which I have been speaking, the price of butcher steers at Toronto in 1917 rose from \$8.42 in 1916 to \$10.73 in 1917, \$13.29 in 1918 and in 1919, the year following the war, \$13.66. Then, in this war the price in 1941 was \$8.70, in 1942, \$10.29, which is comparable with the 1917 figure; and \$11.76 in 1943, which is somewhat lower than the 1918 figure. Then, the 1944 price, up to date, is \$11.76, which is comparable with the \$13.66 in 1919, the year following the war.

Bacon hogs are an outstanding example of where prices were higher during the last war than they have been during this one. The price of bacon hogs during the last war stood at \$10.54 in 1916, \$15.55 in 1917, \$18.16 in 1918 and \$18.71 in the year following the war, 1919.

Mr. CASTLEDEN: That is at Toronto?

Mr. GARDINER: Yes.

Mr. HANSON (York-Sunbury): Was not wheat another example?

Mr. GARDINER: It is not included in this bill, so that I am not now discussing it.

In this war, in 1941-42, the year the ceilings were put on pork, the price of live hogs was \$10.20; in 1942 it was \$11.97; in 1943, \$12.90, and in 1944, \$14.10. That is the price including the premium we have now placed on hogs in 1944.

The cheese prices perhaps most nearly approach the same levels in both wars, because we find that the cheese price in Montreal in 1916 was 19.08 cents; in 1917, 22.08; in 1918, 23.02 and in 1919, 28.01. In this war the price was 18.02 cents in 1941; 24.05 cents in 1942; 25.07 in 1943, and in this year, 1944, it is 26.01.

Butter prices in the last war were these: In 1916, 35.1 cents; 1917, 42.2; in 1918, 46.6, and in the year after the war the price was 57.4. In this war these are the butter prices: In 1941, 33.7 cents; in 1942, 39.9; in 1943, 40.9, and in the present year, 1944, 42.5.

Wholesale to retail egg prices at Montreal at the time of the last war were as follows: In 1916, 39.5 cents; in 1917, 51.8; in 1918, 59.5 and in 1919, 63.3. In this war the egg prices have been as follows: in 1941, 34.6; in 1942, 40.6; and in 1943, 44.8. The price this year is running at about the same as it was last year, or about 45 cents a dozen.

I have said I would like to have this table put on *Hansard*, in the form in which I have it. I believe I have read, practically all of it to the house, in order that hon. members may have before them all the figures they would want, when discussing the matter later in the day.

The table in full, therefore, is as follows:

	PRICES LAST WAR AND THIS							
	Last War				This War			
	1915-16	1916-17	1917-18	1918-19	1941-42	1942-43	1943-44	1944-45
Oats (Ft. Wm.)..... c	45.6	61.9	81.8	78.9	49.1	49.2	61.5	61.5
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Barley (Ft. Wm.).... c	64	106	137	107	59.8	59.8	79.8	79.8
Butcher steers	1916	1917	1918	1919	1941	1942	1943	1944
(Toronto) per lb.... c	8.42	10.73	13.29	13.66	8.70	10.29	11.76	11.76
Bacon hogs B1								
(Toronto) (live).... c	10.54	15.55	18.16	18.71	10.20	11.97	12.90	14.10
Cheese (Montreal).... c	19.8	22.8	23.2	28.1	18.2	24.5	25.7	26.1
Butter (Montreal).... c	35.1	42.2	46.6	57.4	33.7	39.9	40.9	42.5
Eggs (Montreal)..... c	39.5	51.8	59.5	63.3	34.6	40.6	44.8

There is another point to which I would call attention at the present time, and it is this. The high price levels resulting from the last war did not come during the war. The figures I have read will show that the prices were considerably higher on most of these products in 1919, the year following the war, than they were during the war years. It

might be said that the same condition continued throughout 1920, and on some products even into 1921. But there was a decided reduction in prices, particularly in prices of live stock products, during 1921 and 1922. However there was a considerable revival in the prices of farm products generally throughout the twenties, and more particularly again