

Prices at Montreal.

Flour—The market has been characterized by decidedly less strength during the week. There is a demand from Newfoundland for extra and superfine, but as stocks are very limited holders do not feel like accepting buyers' offers which are 25c under present quotations.

Barley.—Feed barley is easier at 65c. The break in the price of corn at Liverpool appears to have stopped the export demand for barley.

Oats. White Ontario oats are quoted at 53c and Manitoba mixed are quoted at 55 to 56c per 34 lbs. The market here has an easy tone.

Butter.—Prices have further declined from 14 to 2c on the week. Buyers are now paying 20c in the townships, which is a decline of 5 to 6c from top prices. Sales of new Eastern Townships have been made at 22 to 24c and a straight lot of 25c packages was placed at 22c. New creamery has arrived on this market sales of which have been made at 25 to 26c. In rolls a good demand has been experienced during the week with sales of Western at 17 to 19c, and good choice Morrisburg rolls at 20 to 21c. Old goods are quoted all the way from 6 to 14c.

Eggs—Receipts are now very heavy and, though the consumptive demand has increased most astonishingly under the stimulus of low prices, it takes all that dealers can do to keep the market steady. A large quantity is now being lined and put away for winter use. Prices appear now to have reached a point at which export is pretty safe and we hear that consignments are going to England by first boats.

Maple Products—The market continues very slow and quiet, the demand for syrup having fallen greatly below the average of former years. Sugar is in slightly better demand but falls far short of expectations. Quotations are 4½ to 5c per pound for syrup in wood, 60c in tin, and 6 to 7½c for sugar.

Apples—The demand continues good for evaporated apples, and choice lots are selling at from 13 to 15c. In dried apples the market has been rather quiet during the week under smaller demand, quotations are unchanged at 14 to 9c. For gallon apples the market continues firm with fair enquiry and sales in a jibbing way at \$3 25 per doz. tins.

Leather—We quote sole leather at 18½ to 20½c for choice selected, 15½ to 17c for No. 2 manufacturers sole, and 17 to 18c for No. 1 do. In waxed upper there is no change, common 24 to 25c, best qualities 27½ to 28c; grain upper 28 to 29c, for choice and 25c for common. Pebbled 9 to 12c; buff 9½ to 13c, and 11 to 20c for split.

Hides—The prices of green hides to dealers is 6, 5 and 4c for No. 1, 2 and 3.

Wool—The mills are beginning to come on the market for stock and there is now a better inquiry than for some time past. Cape is quoted here at 15 to 16c for ordinary qualities. Natal 18 to 18½c laid down here. Scoured wools firm with a range as to quality of from 33 to 40c per pound. — *Trade Bulletin*, May 1.

Prices at Toronto.

Bran—Easy with sellers at \$17.50 for cars on track.

Wheat—Firm, but demand light. No. 2 white sold on the Midland at \$1.12 and there was also a sale on the Northern at that figure. A car of gross sold on the C. P. R. east at \$1.

Spring, steady; No. 2 sold at \$1.05 for 1 car on the Midland and 2 on the Northern, and a car of choice 67 lb sold on the Northern at \$1.07. Manitoba wheat, quiet. Fo. 3 hard sold at \$1.11.

Barley—Quiet and feeling easier. One car of good feed sold west at 56c.

Oats—Were dull and lower. On call 2 cars white offered west at 48c, with 47c bid, and 1 car white offered on track at 52c, with 50c bid. Two cars Manitoba feed sold North Bay at 53c.

Dairy products—The supply of butter to day was light and under a very active demand. Prices were 1c higher, choice rolls going up to 21c and medium to good 17c to 19c. Low and common grades dull and easy. Cheese—Quiet but steady, with a fair amount of new offering to arrive at 10½c. Quotations are: Butter—Large rolls, good to choice western, 17c to 21c; dairy, medium, 14 to 16c; common and store packed tubs, 5 to 10c; pound rolls, 29 to 25c.

Cheese—New and late fall makes, 11½ to 12c; summer, 10 to 21c; skins, 8 to 9c.

Provisions—Prices are well maintained. Long clear is held firmly at 8c. Quotations are: Mess pork, Canadian, \$15.50 to \$17; bacon, long clear, per lb, 8c; lard, Canada, tubs and pails, 9½ to 10c; smoked meats—hams, per lb, 11 to 11½c; bellies, per lb, 11c; rolls, per lb, 8½ to 9c; backs, per lb, 10½c.

Eggs were scarce and firm at 12c and in a few instances 12½c. Old sales were made in 5 to 10 case lots. Potatoes were dull and easier at \$1 bid for cars on track. Quotations are: Beans, \$1.35 to \$1.65; potatoes, per bag, \$1.15 to \$1.25; do, on track, \$1.00 to \$1.05; hops, 189) crop, 8 to 10c; dried apples, 5½ to 9½c; evaporated do, 12½ to 14c; sheepskins, \$1 to \$1.50; calfskins, 6 to 8c; hides, green, No. 1, 5 to 5½c; wool, 18 to 19c; onions, per bbl, \$4.50 to \$5; maple syrup, per gal, \$5 to 9c; maple sugar, 7½ to 9c. — *Empire*, May 2nd.

Grain and Milling.

There has been a large acreage of wheat sown in this district, writes a correspondent at Morris, Man., and the farmers are hopeful.

The Millers' National Association of the United States will hold its next annual meeting in New York, in May, on the 11th, 12th and 13th.

According to the *Canadian Miller* there are sixty-three millers on the membership roll of the Toronto board of trade, representing an invested capital of over five million dollars.

Hon. W. Clifford has purchased the mill at Austin, Man., from Dr. Groves and has shut it down to make improvements. He intends to increase the power of the engine so as to be able to turn out 200 barrels per day; also to erect an elevator of 30,000 bushels. A C.P.R. engineer has surveyed for a spur to the mill.

New regulations have been approved by the Dominion Government respecting the grinding of foreign wheat, maize and other grain in bond. The regulations provide for the issue of licenses constituting mills of license into bonding warehouses, and requiring the product of such establishments to be ex-warehoused before it can be taken out either for home consumption or exportation.

Notice is given of application for a charter of incorporation for the Neepewa Farmers' Elevator Company (limited), Nepeewa, Man.

The capital stock of the company is \$15,000, in three hundred shares of \$50 each. The names of each of the applicants is as follows: Robert Campbell and Duncan Fletcher, Bridge Creek; Henry Honeyman, Elen; Wm. Young, Richard Halpeny, Wm. Connell, Jos. Montgomery, James Drysdale, and Jas. Gowanlock, Nepeewa, Man.; all farmers.

C. L. Hutchinson (old Hutch) the veteran Chicago speculator, has reached the end of his rope. He has speculated very wildly of late, and his great fortune has nearly been dissipated. An effort was made by his friends a short time ago to restrain him from further speculation, but it failed. His failure is now announced, though there are said to be funds enough to cover accounts and leave a small balance to the good. The old man is considered unsound in mind.

The Ontario mining bill as finally amended provides that the price of all the mining lands in the district of Algoma, Thunder Bay, Nipissing and Mattawa river, where the same is within twelve miles of any railway shall be \$4.50 per acre. All the other mining lands will be \$3 per acre. For mining lands lying south of the Adirondic Lakes and rivers within twelve miles of any railway the price shall be three dollars per acre; when situated elsewhere two dollars per acre. These conditions do not apply to bona fide applications for grants made to the Department of Crown Lands prior to April 24th, 1891. To ensure speedy development, it is provided that the royalty shall not be imposed upon silver or copper ores mined until after seven years from the date of the patent or lease and for nickel ore four years is allowed before the royalty shall be imposed.

Howard Lockwood & Co., publishers of the *American Bookmaker* have forwarded to this office Part 1 of the *American Dictionary of Printing and Bookmaking*. This is a publication to which every intelligent printer and publisher in America should lend his support. The *Dictionary* will contain, when completed, a definition of every word and phrase peculiar to the printing and bookmaking trades and also a biography of all the noted craftsmen from the earliest days of the art up to the present time. It is expected that it will take no less than 600 pages to contain the matter and these will be all profusely illustrated. It will be issued quarterly and is presented without cost to all subscribers of the *American Bookmaker*. The work will be completed in three years. It will not be amiss to say a few words about the *Bookmaker* at the same time, since the two are so closely connected. This journal is now in its twelfth year of publication and during those twelve years had done good service in the cause of "the art preservative." Its appearance alone is sufficient guarantee of this, as the workmanship on it is perfect. The *Bookmaker* itself is something which every progressive printer and publisher would find of great value and when such a premium as the *Dictionary* is given with it we might almost say, you cannot do without it. We hope that this new venture will meet with the unreserved support of everyone interested in the callings mentioned. The subscription price of the *Bookmaker* is \$2.00 a year and it can be obtained only from the publishers, Howard Lockwood & Co., 126 and 128 Duane Street, New York.