

**TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.**  
 Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Dec. 24.  
 Dry goods is dull this week. Travellers are off their routes till after New Year's. Canadian staples are being shipped with April dating. Values are firm. There is talk of advancing prices of Canadian woolen goods.

Hardware—Trade is quieter and mostly confined to letter orders. A good holiday business has been done. Payments are good and values firm. Turpentine is dearer at 63c. White zinc is 1-2c to 1c dearer.

Groceries—Granulated sugars was reduced five cents yesterday. Tarrogonia almonds are dearer. Coffees firmer. There is some demand this week from Manitoba for tomatoes and corn, but no sales reported.

**TORONTO LIVE STOCK.**

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Toronto, Dec. 20.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 47 carloads, including 650 sheep and lambs and 1,250 hogs.

Demand slow. Local dealers and shippers held off and some difficulty was found in placing the big lots of Christmas beef included in the supply, even at lower prices than such beef brought on Friday. Prices of export and choice cattle were considerably lower, the former dropping 15c per cwt and the latter 50c per cwt. The total amount of stock received last week was: Cattle, 2,817, sheep and lambs, 1,620; hogs, 1,255. The weigh scale fees amounted to \$23.44.

Cattle—Cables from Great Britain showed a considerable decline in cattle prices. Heavy exporters were quoted at \$1.25 to \$1.40 per cwt. The offerings of butchers' cattle were heavier than anticipated, the demand was slow and prices were considerably lower. Choice were quoted at \$3.75 to \$4.25 per cwt. Common were slow at \$2.75 to \$3.25 per cwt. Heavy bulls were steady at \$3.50 to \$1 per cwt. for export. Light \$2 to \$2.13 per cwt. Heavy stockers brought \$3 to \$3.25 and \$3.35. Feeders firm at \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cwt.

Sheep and lambs—Sheep for export and butchers' use sold readily at \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cwt. Spring lambs from \$3.75 to \$4.25 per cwt.

Hogs—The supply was a little heavier than expected, but the demand was good. Prices unchanged from Friday. Choice selections \$1.25 per cwt.; light and thick fats quoted at \$1 per cwt.

**FRIDAY'S MARKETS.**

Toronto, Dec. 22.

Receipts of live stock at the market to-day were 20 carloads of all kinds, including 600 sheep and lambs and 800 hogs.

The market was dull. Stocker cattle were 15c per cwt higher than on Tuesday. Export sheep met with a good demand. Hogs ruled steady but the prospects are for lower prices. Other prices same as on Tuesday.

**TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**  
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Grain deliveries are light, owing to bad roads. The market is firm. Ontario wheat is 1-2c dearer than on Thursday, and Manitoba is 1-2c firmer. Ontario flour is 5 to 10c dearer. Barley has advanced 1-2c. Lined eggs are 1c up, and cured hides 1-4c up. Prices are as follows:

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$4.15. Manitoba bakers, \$3.85; Ontario

straight roller, \$3.40 to \$3.45 per barrel Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario red and white winter wheat, 68 1-2c for cars at country points. No. 1 hard, grinding in transit, 80 to 80 1-2c, and 75 to 75 1-2c midland.

Oats—White, 27 1-2 to 28c for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 46 1-2 to 47 1-2c at country points, No. 2, 44 1-2c.

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

Oatmeal—\$3.30 in bags per barrel and \$3.50 in wood for car lots.

Eggs—Fresh, 17 to 18c; new laid 20 to 22c; lime, 16c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 11 to 14c for choice fresh goods, creamery, tubs, 19 to 20c.

Cheese—10c for choice late fall make.

Hides—No. 1 green, 81-2c; cured, 9 1-4c, sheepskins and lambskins, 60 to 75c; calfskins, 8 to 10c; tallow, 3 to 3 1-4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 14 to 15c; unwashed, 9 to 10c.

Beans—75 cents to \$1 per bushel as to quality.

Dressed hogs—\$5 to \$5.25 per 100 pounds for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apples—5 to 5 1-2c for round lots; evaporated 8 to 8 1-4c.

Honey—Round lots 6 to 7c.

Poultry—Turkeys, 81-2 to 10c; chickens, 25 to 30c; geese, 6 to 6 1-2c.

**MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.**  
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Montreal, Dec. 24.

There have been very few changes in values this week, the principal feature being the continued hardening in the price of cheese. Choice western is now quoted at 10c str light, prices showing a gain of 1-8c on the week. Poultry has met with a brisk demand and prices have advanced 1-2c all around. Other commodities unchanged. Quotations are as follows.

Oats—No. 2 white, 30 to 30 1-2c in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are. Manitoba strong bakers, \$4 to \$4.10; Manitoba patents, \$4.30 to \$4.40.

Millfeed—Bran, \$13.50 to \$14 per ton; shorts 15, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats \$1.70 to \$1.75 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8c to 10c; sheepskins, 40c to 50c; lambskins, 70c; tallow, 3 1-2 to 4c.

Eggs—Fresh laid, 25 to 30 per dozen; candled stock, 16c per dozen.

Butter—Choice dairy, 14 to 15c; western dairy, 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery, in tubs, 20 1-4 to 20 1-2c.

Cheese—Choice western, 10c, eastern, 9 7-8c.

Beans—85c to 95c per bushel as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots 50c to 55c.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 81-2 to 10c; ducks, 71-2 to 8c; geese, 51-2 to 61-2c; chickens 61-2 to 71-2c.

Dressed meats—Sales of beefs have been made freely at 5c to 7c per pound for hind quarters, and 3 to 5c for forequarters. Choice bright dressed hogs sold readily at \$5.75, and heavy weights at \$5.50 per 100 lbs.

**MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.**  
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Montreal, Dec. 24.

The hardware market is firm and quiet. Paints and oils are steady. Turpentine has advanced 4c owing to the large export demand in the south.

Prices are as follows:

White lead, government standard, \$5.62 1-2; No. 1, \$5.25; dry white lead in kegs, 5c, red lead in kegs, 4 1-2c; linseed oil, raw, 49 to 50c; boiled, 52 to 53c; turpentine, 61c, bar iron, \$1.40 to \$1.50; tin plates, cokes, \$2.75 to \$2.90; I. C. charcoal, \$3.25 to \$3.75; Canada plates, \$2.10 to \$2.15; tern plates, \$5.95 to \$6.25, galvanized iron 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c, lead, \$3.75 to \$4; iron pipe 4 to 4 1-4c, putty in bulk, \$1.65, in bladders, \$1.80. ingot tin, 20c. Cement, English brands, 3.30 to \$3.40. Germany, \$2.45 to \$2.55, and Belgium \$1.85 to \$1.95 per barrel, ex-wharf. Rope, sisal 10 to 10 1-2c, Manila, 11 1-2 to 12 1-2c for 7-16 size and larger.

**MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.**

Montreal, Dec. 20.

Yesterday being one of the Christmas cattle markets, the receipts of cattle at the East End Abattoir were large, about 1,000 head being on hand. There were, however, no cattle offered, stock ranging from fair to good. The demand was good, but a number were left over. A few choice sold at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c. Good stock sold at 4 to 4 1-4c; fair, 3 1-4 to 3 3-4c, and common grades 2 to 3c. About 200 sheep were offered, and prices ruled steady at 3 to 3 1-4c. There were only 500 lambs offered, and sold at 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c per lb., live weight. At the Grand Trunk stock yards selected lots hogs sold at \$1.37 1-2, heavy fat at \$4.10 to \$4.15; light stockers at \$4; sows at \$3, and stags at \$2.50 per 100 lbs.

Montreal, Dec. 23.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market yesterday were 650 head and 600 sheep and lambs. The best cattle sold at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c, and the general run at 4 1-4 to 4 1-4c. Sheep ranged from 3 to 3 1-2, and lambs 2 to 4 3-4c per pound. Hogs sold at from \$1.20 to \$4.35 per 100 pounds. There was an active demand all around.

**MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.**

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The market is firm and steady with prices unchanged as follows:

Granulated sugar stands \$4.45 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows \$3.70 to \$4.20; molasses 31c in car lots, syrups 2 to 2 1-2c as to quality, Valencia raisins 4 3-4 to 5 1-2; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-8 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8c to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B., 3 3-4 to 4c.

**SUGAR.**

Special to The Commercial.  
 London, Dec. 23.—Beet sugar ex-cisr. December 9s 9d. January the same.

**LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.**

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 Liverpool, Dec. 23.—Cattle are slow and weak. Quoted at 83-4c.

**CHEESE MARKETS.**

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 Liverpool, Dec. 23.—Cheese, white, 47s 6d, colored, 48s 6d. This is an advance of 6d over last week's prices.

Liverpool, Dec. 23.—The wheat market opened 1-4d higher this morning. Corn was 1-2d higher, but the boat cable is unchanged. The wheat market closed quiet, unchanged to 1 1/2 higher.