

# TRADE AND COMMERCE

## FLOUR, GRAIN, Etc.

**Flour.**—The local demand continues fairly good, and there is some enquiry for export, with sales of Manitoba patents reported for Liverpool and Glasgow. It is very difficult to obtain an advance in prices, although some assert that they have been able to get a little more money for well known and attractive brands. In this market sales of Ontario straight rollers have been made at \$2.85 to \$2.90 on track, and the same flour is said to have been offered in Quebec at precisely the same figures. We quote:

Patent Spring.....	\$3.40	\$3.50
Ontario Patent.....	3.10	3.20
Straight Roller.....	2.85	3.10
Extra.....	2.40	2.60
Superfine.....	3.15	3.25
City Strong Bakers.....	3.30	3.40
Manitoba Bakers.....	3.15	3.40
Ontario bags—extra.....	1.30	1.40
Straight Rollers.....	1.50	1.55

**Oatmeal.**—The easier feeling of last week has been emphasized, owing to the easier market for oats; and we quote jobbing prices as follows:—Rolled and granulated \$4.35 to \$4.50; Standard \$4.25 to \$4.35. In bags, granulated and rolled are quoted at \$2.15 to \$2.20, and standard at \$2.10 to \$2.15. Fancy brands of both granulated and rolled are selling at higher prices. Pot barley is quoted at \$3.75 in bbls and \$1.75 in bags, and split peas \$3.40 to \$3.50.

**Bran, etc.**—The market remains firm under a good enquiry for bran, sales of which are reported at \$15.25 to \$15.50 for car lots. Americans have been large buyers of Ontario bran of late. Shorts are also scarce and are quoted at \$17 to \$18 as to quality. Moullie is quiet but steady at \$20 to \$21.

**Wheat.**—The market is quiet, and in the absence of spot business prices are purely nominal. No. 1 Manitoba hard is worth only about 73c in England, and is quoted here at 69c to 70c. It is selling in car lots to Western mills at 69c to 72c as to position.

**Corn.**—Market quiet at 65c to 67c duty paid, and 59c to 61c in bond.

**Peas.**—Several lots of Ontario new peas have been received, and some of them have turned out buggy. There is a fair demand for shipment, and the last sale reported to us was at 74c afloat per 66 lbs. In the West new peas are offered at 56c per 60 lbs, equal to about 69c per 68 lbs here.

**Oats.**—New No. 2 Ontario oats are offered a 28c in the West; which is equal to 32c laid down here, on the export rate, and about 33c on the regular rate. Old oats have been sold at 30c for the local trade; but the price is considered too high.

**Barley.**—Feed barley is firm and higher, 45c being now asked. Malt barley is quiet but firm at 50c to 55c.

**Rye.**—Quotations are nominal at 52c to 53c.

**Buckwheat.**—The market is unchanged at 47c to 48c. It is feared that the new crop has been injured by the cold spell.

**Malt.**—Quiet but steady at 72c to 80c.

**Seeds.**—We quote Canadian Timothy \$2.25 to \$2.50, and Western Timothy \$1.90 to \$2.10. Alsike \$7.00 to \$7.50 for good to fancy. Red clover quiet at \$6 to \$7 as to quality.

## PROVISIONS.

**Pork, Lard, &c.**—There has been very little change in hog products during the week, prices remaining firm all round. It is believed that packers will never again pack as much pork in the winter as in former years, for the reason that consumers now want mild cured pork, and the packing will be spread more over the whole year, than being confined to the winter season. We quote:—

Canada short cut pork per bbl.....	\$18.00	\$20.00
Canada short cut, light, per bbl.....	18.00	18.50
Chicago short cut mess, per bbl.....	18.50	19.00
Mess pork, American, new, per bbl.....	18.50	19.00
Extra mess beef, per bbl.....	12.25	12.50
Plate beef, per bbl.....	16.25	16.50
Hams, per lb.....	9 1/2	10 1/2
Lard, pure in pails, per lb.....	9 1/2	10c
Lard, com. in pails, per lb.....	9 1/2	7 1/2c
Bacon, per lb.....	10	11c
Shoulders, per lb.....	8 1/2	9c

## DAIRY PRODUCE.

**Butter.**—Western is quiet with a few sales reported at 15c to 16c, the latter figure for selections. A large fall make of creamery is said to be in progress and there is no prospect of any falling off in production, the pastures being all that could be desired. We quote prices as follows:—

Creamery, fresh.....	per lb.	18c to 19c
Eastern Townships dairy.....	18c to 17c	
Western.....	14c to 16c	

Add 1c to above for single packages of selected.

**Cheese.**—The market is firm and higher, cheese amounting to about 5,000 boxes by boat, and rail being disposed of at 9 1/2c to 10c which is 1/2c to 1c higher than the week previous; but the cheese were August make and a better class of goods. Prices, however, still show an advance. Sales in the country have been made of Western cheese 10c to 10 1/2c; but choice colored goods cannot be sold at under 10 1/2c. Contracts have been made in the Belleville section at 10c August, September and October, and in other sections at 10c August, 10 1/2c Sept. and 10 1/2c October. The Liverpool cable continues to creep up slowly, being now quoted at 48s 6d while actual business has been done at 48s to 50s. We quote:—

Finest Western, colored.....	10c to 10 1/2c
" " white.....	9 1/2c to 10 1/2c
" " Quebec, colored.....	9 1/2c to 10c
" " white.....	9 1/2c
Under grades.....	8 1/2c to 9c
Cable.....	46s 6d

## COUNTRY PRODUCE.

**Eggs.**—As our dealers have heard nothing definite regarding the American duty which will no doubt be 8c per dozen, no attempts at doing business with the United States have been made. Here the market is quiet but fairly steady at 9 1/2c to 10c, sales having been made at both figures for good to choice stock. Culls have sold down as low as 7c a lot of 32 cases selling at that figure, and we quote 7c to 8c. One thing is very certain and that is there is plenty of eggs in the West.

**Baled Hay.**—There is not much change in hay shipments of Canadian No. 2 are still going forward to England via New York and Boston at very low ocean freight. The price of No. 2 hay has sold here at \$7.25 to \$7.50 along-side vessel. In the country sales are reported at the wide range of \$5 to \$6 per ton.

**Hops.**—The first new hops of the season have been received and sold; but they only consisted of 1 or 2 bale lots. Prices will rule very low this season, and we quote new hops to arrive at 10c; yearlings are offered as low as 7 1/2c; but brewers do not seem to want them. There is a big crop on both sides of the Atlantic.

## FRUITS, Etc.

**Apples.**—A little improvement is noticeable this week in apples, the supply not being so heavy and the demand better, we quote prices as follows:—Astricans \$1.25 to \$1.75 per barrel, and baskets 20c to 30c. Duchess \$1.50 to \$1.75, baskets 20c to 30c.

**Oranges.**—Sales are very limited of Rodi Oranges at \$4.50 to \$5.00 per box.

**Lemons.**—There is only a very limited demand for lemons, which is owing to the cold weather. We quote \$3 to \$4 per box, some rough new lemons selling cheaper.

**Bananas.**—Bananas are selling very slowly at 50c to \$1.50 per bunch.

**Peaches.**—California peaches are commanding good sales at \$1.25 to \$1.80 per box, Canadian peaches selling at 50c to 60c per basket. The heavy supply of California peaches is keeping down the price of our Canadian peaches and is also the cause of limiting the sales.

**Pears.**—California pears are also in good demand at \$2.00 to \$2.50 per box. Hudson River Bartlett pears at \$1.75 to \$2.25 per keg. Canadian pears 40c to 60c per basket.

**Plums.**—California plums are also selling rapidly at \$1.25 to \$1.75 per box. Canadian plums 45c to 70c per basket.

**Grapes.**—Quite a few sales have been made of Canadian grapes at 60c per basket. Hudson River grapes are also selling at 60c per basket.

**Potatoes.**—The demand for pot potatoes has slackened off a bit and prices are a little easier. We quote potatoes on track 85c to 90c and jobbing lots 95c to \$1.10 per barrel.

## FISH OILS.

**Salt Fish.**—The market is quiet, a few sales of Gaspe dry cod being reported at \$1.25 to \$1.75 per quintal of 112 lbs. July Cape Breton; herring is quoted at \$1.50 to \$2.00.

**Oils.**—Steam refined seal oil is steady and quoted at 35c to 36c regular terms. Cod oil is quiet at 35c to 36c for Newfoundland, and 33c to 34c for Halifax in jobbing lots. These prices would no doubt be shaded for round quantities. Cod liver oil is quoted at 65c to 75c.

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