

retail price would be at least \$1.35 per dozen. Peas are reported in sufficient quantity, but corn will be very scarce this year. Tea is practically steady, the quality of the crop none too good according to advices from abroad, although local jobbers report that what they have received is excellent. Especially the Japan teas. How Indian and Javas will be cannot be said until the stocks arrive on this market. There is practically no imported vinegar to be had in bottle, which is partly accounted for by the shortage of bottles in Europe. Golden syrup is up 25c a case, in sympathy with the strength in the corn market. Rolled oats also are up about 30c a bag owing to the high prices of grain.

PROVISIONS.

The market on live hogs continues to advance until the latest quotations are as high as \$12.85 per swt. This will mean an advance all along the line on pork products. An active trade continues to be done in all lines of smoked and cured meats for domestic consumption, and in consequence the tone of the market is very firm, with prices tending towards a higher level. A good trade is passing in lard with a heavy volume of sales and a firm undertone to the market.

Current prices are as follows:

Hams:—	Per lb.
Smoked hams, 8-14 lbs.	0.25
Do., 14-20 lbs.	0.23
Do., 20-25 lbs.	0.22
Do., over 25 lbs.	0.21
Bacon:—	
Breakfast	0.27
Windsor Bacon, selected	0.26
Windsor Bacon, boneless	0.29
Barrel Pork:—	Per bbl.
Short cut pork	34.50
Clear Fat Pork, 40-50	34.00
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Clear Fat Pork, 30-40	34.50
Moss Pork	33.00
Bean Pork, Canadian	28.00
Barrel Beef:—	
Plate Beef, 200 lbs.	24.00
Pure Lard:—	per pound.
Tierces	0.17
Tubs	0.17½
Pails	0.17½
Tins	0.17
Cases, 3, 5, 10's	0.18
Prints	0.18½
Compound Lard:—	
Western Grades:—	
Tierces	0.14½
Tubs	0.14½
Tins	0.14½
Cases, 3, 5, 10's	0.14½
Prints	0.15½
Cooked meats:—	
Roast shoulders pork	0.36
Roast ham, boneless	0.39
Cooked hams, rind off	0.37
Head cheese	0.09
Jellied pork tongues	0.30
Blood pudding	0.09½
White pudding	0.08
English brawn	0.11

FISH AND OYSTERS.

There is quite a revival in the trade at the present time and prospects are for an increased business in general from now on. Supplies as usual are abundant in some lines and short in others. Salmon, both from the East and West keeps scarce and consequently prices have advanced a little. Haddock is also deserting some banks and the scarcity will be felt for a few days. With the opening up of the Manitoban lakes the present week, good supplies of pickerel, pike, whitefish, and trout will be on hand at prices that will naturally be lower. Lobsters are advancing constantly. The trade in all kinds of bivalves, molluscs, etc., is very indifferent and without any feature of note. The prospects for salt and pickled fish are very good as far as production is concerned. It is very difficult to fix a price as the regular demand has not settled up yet.

Current quotations follow:

Fresh:—	
Haddock, per lb.	0.07
Steak Codfish, per lb.	0.08
Brook Trout	0.25
Carp, per lb.	0.09
Lobsters, live, per lb.	0.35
Salmon, Gaspe, Chilled	0.20
Salmon, Red, Dressed, Spring and Headless, per lb.	0.17
Halibut, medium, per lb.	0.14
Herrings, medium, each	0.05
Whitefish, per lb.	0.12
Dore, per lb.	0.15
Pike, per lb.	0.09
Perch, dressed, per lb.	0.12

Bullheads, dressed, per lb.	0.11
Fresh Mackerel, per lb.	0.11
Gaspereaux, each	0.02
Haddies, Smoked	0.08
Filletts	0.11
Bloats, per box	1.25
Kippers, do.	1.30

DRIED FRUITS AND NUTS.

As regards dates, advices from London are to the effect that Persians of all grades are exhausted, stocks remaining not considerable, for shipment. The first steamer direct from the Persian Gulf with new crop of dates, unless prevented by circumstances over which we have no control, will arrive in New York about the middle of November. While a second cargo is expected it is doubtful if it will reach New York until the early part of January. The difficulty in getting shipments this fall from the other side will be much greater than last year. Tarragona almonds are firmly held and the market has advanced 1½c per pound during the last two weeks. Prices on California almonds will be made until the early part of the coming month. Walnuts are also in a strong position. Prices on new walnuts under existing conditions must be high this fall. Filberts are unusually scarce on spot and only trifling quantities of the old crop are available. The new crop for delivery during November will cost approximately 15½c per pound here. Brazils are firm and are the cheapest nuts available to-day.

Currents are quiet, but the coming crop is expected to be considerably smaller than last year's and the exporters in Greece seem to think that the present prices are justified. Prices to-day are 2c per carton higher than our last quotations. Buyers must take their chances on the market declining, but there appears to be very little danger of this at the present time unless the crop should develop to be much larger than is now thought. It seems most improbable that we shall receive any shipments of figs from Smyrna this year, and while the California article is considerably inferior to the Smyrna fig, we expect that prices will rule high for the former on account of the prevailing condition. With regard to peels, the first shipment of the new goods has arrived, for which prices are similar to our last report and the quality excellent. Shelled walnuts and shelled almonds are considered good purchases at the present prices which are 3 cents and 2 cents per pound respectively over last quotations.

Current quotations follow:

Apples, choice winter, 50 lb. boxes	0.09
Apricots	0.14
Peaches, choice	0.08
Candied citron peel	0.24
Candied lemon peel	0.20
Candied orange peel	0.19
Currents, loose cleaned	0.15½
Currents, carton cleaned	0.15½
Dates, loose Hallowee	0.09½
Dates, Fards choicest	0.12½
Do., Carton, pkg.	0.09
Figs, 8 Crown, 12 lb. boxes, per lb.	0.12
Do., California bricks	0.09
Prunes, Santa Clara, 60.70's	0.09½
Raisins, 4 Crown	0.09½
Do., 3 Crown	0.08½
Do., Muscatels	0.09
Do., California seedless	0.12½

THE WEEK'S CHEESE SALES.

Campbellford, Ont., Aug. 8.—665 boxes at 17½c.
Stirling, Ont., Aug. 8.—810 boxes at 17½c.
St. Paschal, Aug. 8.—490 boxes at 17½c.
Madoc, Ont., Aug. 9.—235 boxes at 17c.
Woodstock, Ont., Aug. 9.—1,145 boxes offered; 17½c bid; no sales.
Brockville, Aug. 10.—700 boxes at 17½c.
Kingston, Ont., Aug. 10.—325 boxes at 17½c.
Cornwall, Aug. 11.—2,122 boxes, colored, at 17½c.
Iroquois, Ont., Aug. 11.—840 boxes, colored, and 50 boxes, white, at 17½c.
Alexandria, Ont., Aug. 11.—936 boxes, white, at 17 9-16c.
Napanee, Ont., Aug. 11.—445 boxes, white, and 1,125 boxes, colored, at 17½c.
Victoriaville, Aug. 11.—2,000 boxes at 16½c.
Pictou, Ont., Aug. 11.—1,355 boxes, colored, of which 1,020 sold at 17 7-16c, and the balance at 17½c.

Perth, Ont., Aug. 11.—700 boxes, white, and 400, colored, at 17½c and 17½c respectively.
Vankleek Hill, Ont., Aug. 11.—1,070 boxes white, and 303 colored, at 17 9-16c.
Mont Joli, Aug. 11.—150 boxes at 17½c.
St. Hyacinthe, Aug. 12.—900 boxes at 17½c.
Belleville, Ont., Aug. 12.—2,065 boxes at 17 13-16c.
London, Ont., Aug. 12.—852 boxes, no sales, bidding 16½c to 17c.

Montreal Auction Sales.

At the Quebec Agricultural Co-operative Society sale held at the Montreal Board of Trade, August 7, the offerings amounted to 1,704 packages creamery butter, of which 760 packages finest creamery sold at 31½c; 464 packages fine at 31½c, and 480 packages pasteurized at 32½c.

On August 9 the offerings amounted to 1,988 boxes, of which 575 boxes No. 1 white sold at 17½c; 840 boxes No. 2 white at 17½c; 315 boxes No. 3 white at 16 11-16c; and 258 boxes No. 2 colored at 17½c.

On August 10 there were 2,034 boxes offered, of which 666 boxes of No. 1 white sold at 17½c; 931 boxes No. 2 white at 17½c; 266 boxes No. 3 white at 16 11-16c, and 171 boxes No. 3 colored at 16½c.

On August 11th offerings amounted to 1,026 packages of butter, of which 542 packages finest creamery sold to Messrs. Lovell and Christmas at 32½c; 222 packages fine at 32½c to Messrs. Hodgson Bros., and 262 packages pasteurized at 32½c to the A. A. Ager Co. and 2,304 boxes cheese, of which 695 boxes No. 1 white sold at 17½c; 665 boxes No. 2 white at 17 3-16c; 555 boxes No. 3 white at 16½c; 262 boxes No. 1 colored at 17½c; and 129 boxes No. 2 colored, at 17c.

RECEIPTS OF BUTTER, CHEESE AND EGGS.

The following table shows the receipts of butter, cheese and eggs in Montreal for the week ending August 12th, 1916, with comparisons:

	Butter, packages.	Cheese, boxes.	Eggs, cases.
Week ending Aug. 12, 1916	23,000	88,549	8,790
Week ending Aug. 5, 1916	19,866	77,812	11,793
Week ending Aug. 14, 1915	15,019	70,904	8,295
Total receipts May 1st to date this season 1916	245,397	1,144,095	271,425
Total receipts May 1st to date season 1915	207,377	1,119,467	272,818

LIVE STOCK.

Receipts of live stock during the past week amounted to 1,200 cattle, 3,300 sheep and lambs, 1,900 hogs and 1,300 calves. A decline of 25c to 50c developed in the price of cattle as a result of the increased supplies of poor quality of stock coming forward and the lessened demand in the recent hot weather. A feature of the trade was the good demand from packers for canning cattle, of which the total offerings consisted of fully 50 per cent of the same and an active trade was done in this line. Prices held firm at Monday's low levels, on Wednesday as a more active demand was noticeable, due no doubt to the cool weather.

Sheep and lambs are coming forward in larger volume, which has brought about a decline of 25c to 50c per 100 lbs in spite of an active demand from packers. Calves are in good demand.

The market for hogs alone shows any strength, and here prices scored an advance of 25c to 50c per 100 lbs., which overtops all previous records. The demand from packers continues good at these prices.

TORONTO: Receipts at the Toronto stock yards last week amounted to 5,464 cattle, 3,290 sheep and lambs, 6,272 hogs and 1,070 calves. A somewhat easier feeling is noticeable in the ordinary grades of cattle, due to heavy receipts, but choice steers are holding firm under an active demand. Stockers and feeders were active at the close of the week, as a scarcity is felt in this class of stock. Prices, however, show no change.

The small meat market remains almost unchanged as the demand continued good throughout the week with receipts about normal. Lambs closed ½c a pound higher than the previous week. Prices of hogs at Toronto as well as Montreal touched new high records, closing up on Friday as high as \$12.90. The scarcity of hogs throughout the country is apparent with the export trade as one of the factors.

Butcher steers
Do., good
Do., fair
Do., medium
Do., rough
Butcher cows
Do., good
Do., medium
Butcher, cow
Do., good
Do., medium
Light ewes.
Heavy sheep
Lambs...
Hogs, select
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Do., rough
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Calves, choice
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Oats, bushels
Barley, bushel
Flour, barrels
Eggs, cases
Butter, packag
Cheese, boxes
Potatoes ...
Hay ...

WINTER

The receipts
ended August 1
week, and the
as follows:

No. 1 Northern
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No. 5 Northern
No. 6 Northern
Other grades
Winter grades

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