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Vancouver Butter Market.

The dairy market is unsatisfactory. Many complaints are being made locally of the quality of the butter offered for sale by the local creameries. Even the creameries that have built up reputations for themselves as selling butter through the retailers for table use at 35 cents a pound, which is not fresh. This is the general complaint in Vancouver. A local jobber, in explaining the matter, states that in many instances the butter is not made to keep, and if too much stock is manufactured the surplus is placed in cold storage. After the butter is taken from cold storage it soon loses its fresh taste and becomes rancid. The best stores in the city supply their customers with this undesirable article. The jobber who volunteered this information stated that Manitoba creamery which costs 28 cents to lay down here, comes in far better shape than the local article. This Manitoba creamery had been offered by jobbers at cost, namely, 28 cents, owing to there being no demand for the imported article. The stores decline to pay for the refrigerator as there is a prejudice in favor of the local article. The consumer naturally thinks that the local article is much fresher. This, however, is not the case, for the Manitoba butter is made to keep, and the local creamery is not.

It is just as well that the provincial creameries should be warned that unless they are more careful to manufacture butter that will keep a reasonable length of time in the refrigerator of the retailers and wholesalers that the merit of the outside article will tell against them, and there will be a run on imported butter.

Up to this year no notice but praise was given for the splendid article turned out by the different local creameries. At the present time that praise is withheld. Manitoba dairy butter has slightly improved in price, the best now selling at 20 cents wholesale.