

**British Columbia Markets.**

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BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, April, 30, 1898.

Eastern eggs now arriving and are quoted 3c lower than former southern and local supplies. Butter is also easier. Eastern butter is expected here in a few days, when a sharp decline in price is expected. Potatoes have made a big drop. Wheat has advanced \$3 to \$4 a ton.

Butter—California creamery, 26¢@27¢.

Eggs—Local, 29¢; California and Oregon, 20¢; Eastern eggs 17¢.

Cheese—Manitoba 11½¢@12½¢ per lb.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½¢; breakfast bacon 13¢; backs 12½¢@13¢; short clear 9½¢; short rolls 10½¢; smoked sides 11¢. Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10¢ per lb, in pails and tubs 9¢ lb.

Fish—Flounders 3¢; smelts 5¢, sea bass 4¢; black cod 5¢; rock cod 4¢; red cod 4¢; tommy cod 5¢; herring 4¢; whiting 5¢; soles 6¢; smoked halibut 16¢; kippered cod 9¢; sturgeon 6¢; smoked salmon 10¢; kippered herring 8¢; Columbia river oolochans 7¢ lb.; fresh halibut, 6¢; spring, salmon, 7¢.

Vegetables—Potatoes \$8.00 per ton ashcroft \$19.50; local onions, 4¢; cabbage 2½¢ lb; carrots, turnips and beets \$12.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons 2.50¢@3.00 box; Navel oranges, 2.75¢ @ \$3.25; seedling oranges, 1.50¢@2.25; bananas, bunch \$2.75.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.75; 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.50; 4 22 1/2 pound sacks \$3.00; 10 7 sacks, \$2.50 Oatmeal 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.50 per sack.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$6.40; strong bakers \$6.10; Oregon, jobbers price \$6.25.

Grain—Oats, 28¢@30¢ per ton, wheat \$27 per ton; barley, 27¢@30¢ per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$26.00 per ton; ground barley, \$20 ton; shorts \$24 ton; bran \$22; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$18 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 8½¢@9½¢; mutton 11¢; Australian mutton, 10¢; pork 8½¢; veal 9¢@10¢; Pemmican 40¢ lb.

Live Stock—Steers, 5.00¢ @ \$5.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, 5.50¢ @ \$5.75 per 100 lbs; hogs, 7.00¢ @ 7.50 per 100 lbs; cows, 4.50¢ @ \$5.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—\$1.50 to \$1.60 pair

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 7½¢@9¢ per lb; peaches 9¢; plums, 9¢@10¢; prunes, French 5¢@7½¢; loose muscatel raisins, 6¢; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6¢@8½¢ lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13¢; filberts, 12½¢; peanuts, 10¢; Brazil, 12½¢; walnut, 13¢ lb.

Sugars—Powdered and icing, 6½¢; Paris lump, 5½¢; granulated, 4½¢; extra C. 4½¢; fancy yellows 4¢; yellow 3½¢ lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 1½¢ pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½¢; 5 gallon tins \$1.65 each; 1 gal. tins, \$1.25 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.00 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½¢; good 18¢; choice 29¢. Ceylon: Fair, 25¢, good 30¢; choice, 35¢ lb.

**Toronto Hardware Market.**

Toronto, April, 30.

Pig Iron—\$15¢@15.50.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.50¢@1.60; hoop and band iron, \$1.85 for Canadian and \$2 for imported; hoop iron \$2.

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18¢ 20, \$2.30¢@2.40; 22¢@24, \$2.30¢@2.40; 26, \$2.35¢@2.45; 28, \$2.45¢@2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, 3½¢; 18¢ 24, \$3.87½¢; 26, 4½¢ and 28 at 3½¢@4.

Lead—Pig, imported, 3½¢@4; domestic, 3½¢ @ 3½¢; sheet, 5½¢ per lb; shot, can., dis. 12½ per cent.

Black Iron—10¢@12 gauge, \$2.25¢@2.40 per 100 lbs; 14¢@16 gauge, \$2.60¢@2.70; 18¢@20 gauge, \$2.30¢@2.40; 22¢@24 gauge, \$2.25¢@2.35; 26-gauge, \$2.30¢@2.40; 28-gauge, \$2.45¢@2.55.

Coil chain—½ in., \$4.65; 5-16 in., \$3.75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1 1/8 in., \$2.80; 1 1/4 in., \$2.75.

Zinc—Sheet, 5½¢ per lb.

Antimony—9¢@9½¢; solder, 11¢@12.

Ingot Copper—12½¢@13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—16½¢@17.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do. 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.50; all-bright "Garth," \$2.60 per box; do. "alaska," \$3.00.

Tinplates—Cokes, \$3.00¢@3.10 for 14x 20; do. squares, \$3.15¢@3.25; \$6.25 for 20 x 28; charcoal plates, \$3.50¢@3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., 1 inch., \$1.57; 1 1/8 inch., \$2.20; 1 1/2 inch., \$2.65; 1 inch., \$3.65; 1 1/8 inch., \$4.75; 1 1/2 inch., \$6.20; 2 inch., \$8.35. Galvanized, 1 inch., \$3.50; 1 1/8 inch., \$4.25; 1 inch., \$3.50; 1 1/8 inch., \$5.10; 1 1/2 inch., \$10.00; 2 inch., 14.00.

Barb Wire—\$2, terms 30 days or 2 per cent., ten days f.o.b. Toronto.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 35 per cent.; galvanized, 30 per cent.; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.90 for delivery in Toronto, Montreal and London, terms, four months or 3 per cent off for cash 30 days.

Cut Nails—\$1.80¢@1.85 base price Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

Horse Nails—Discount on regular brands, 50 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.25¢@3.35 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½¢ and 10; round head bright, 80 and 10; flat head brass, 82½ and 10, round head brass, 75 and 10 per cent.

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, 70 and 10 per cent; tire bolts, 70; machine bolts, 60 and 10; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 50 and 10; stove bolts, 70 and 5; nuts, square, 4½¢; hexagon, 5½¢.

Rivets—Iron, 65 per cent, all sizes; copper rivets, 50 and 10.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.45, and in 100-foot boxes, \$2.75; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$4. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

Green Wirecloth—\$1.20 per 100 square feet; terms, 4 months or 3 per cent for 30 days.

Spades and Shovels—Discounts 45 and 2½ per cent.

Harvest Tools—Discounts 60, 10 and 5 per cent.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 7½¢; 1 in., 8¢; 1 1/8 and 5-16 in., 8½¢; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 8½¢; 1, 8½¢; 1 1/8 and 5-16, 9½¢.

Binder Twine—Pure Manila, 6½¢@6½.

**Toronto Grocery Market.**

Toronto, April, 30.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4½¢; No. 2 granulated, 4 9-16¢; Dutch granulated, 4 9-16¢; yellows, 3½¢@4 5-16¢.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 28¢@30¢; special bright, 35¢@42¢. Molasses—West Indian, bris, 32¢@45¢; New Orleans, 23¢@30¢; for medium and 35¢@50¢ for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 15¢@17¢ per lb; mediums, 18¢@24¢; fines, 30¢@35¢; Hysons, mediums 16¢ @ 19¢; Congous, low grades, 10¢@15¢; mediums, 22¢@25¢, and fines, 40¢@55¢; Oolongs, 25¢@65¢; Ceylons, 17¢@45¢.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 7½¢@12½¢; Mocha, 26¢@30¢; Java, 28¢@32¢.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.20¢@1.30; peas, 90¢@\$1, sifted peas, \$1.05¢@1.20; corn, 90¢@95¢; beans, 75¢@90¢; pumpkins, 70¢@75¢, strawberries, 2's, \$1.60 @ 1.80; raspberries, 2's, \$1.50¢@1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.40¢@1.65; 3's, \$2¢@2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95¢@\$1; sock-eyes, \$1.17½¢@1.30; mackerel, \$1.30¢@1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1.60¢@1.70; tall lbs, \$2.40¢@2.65; flats, \$2.90¢@3.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk, 4½¢@5¢; fine, off-stalk, 5½¢@5½¢; selected, 6¢@6½¢; layers, 6½¢@7¢; Provincial, currants, 6½¢@6½¢; Filiatras, 6½¢@7¢; Patras, 7¢@7½¢; Vostizzas, 8¢@8½¢; California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 9¢@14¢; pears, 9¢@10¢; peaches, 10¢@14¢; prunes, 40's to 50's, 10¢@11¢; 50's to 60's, 8¢@8½¢; 60's to 70's, 7½¢@8¢; 70's to 80's, 7¢@7½¢; 80's to 90's, 6½¢@7¢; 90's to 100's, 6¢@6½¢. Bosnia prunes, 5½¢@6½¢; Sultanias, 10¢@12½¢. Peel—Orange, 12¢ @15¢ per lb; citron, 18¢@20¢; lemon 11¢ @ 14¢. Hallowee dates, 4½¢@5½¢. Malaga, London layers, \$1.30¢@1.50 per box; black baskets, \$2.00; blue baskets, \$2.25; royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats, London layers, 65¢; black baskets, 75¢; blue baskets, 55¢; Dehesia, clusters, \$1.25. Figs—Matts, 3½¢@4¢. Eleme figs, 10 oz., 7½¢; 5, 10 and 12 lb boxes, 10¢@12¢; 6-crown, 12½¢; 7-crown, 15¢; bags, 4¢@4½¢; 4-lb Glove boxes, 14¢@15¢.

Nuts—Marbots, 10¢@11¢; filberts, Sicily, 9¢@11¢; Grenoble Walnuts, 11¢@12¢.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½¢@4¢; do Patna, 5½¢ @ 5½¢; do Japan, 5½¢@6½¢.

Slices—Ginger, Jamaica, 27¢; Cochins, 15¢@20¢; cloves, Zanzibar, 15¢@18¢; Amboy, 18¢@25¢; allspice, 16¢, nutmegs, 50¢@\$1; cream tartar, pure, 28¢, 15¢ @23¢ for compound.

**PROVISIONS.**

Mess Pork—\$16.00 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17.50; clear mess, \$15.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7½¢, ton and case lots, 8¢. Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 11¢@11½¢; hams, large 9½¢ @ 10¢ and 10½¢@11¢ for small; picnic hams, 8½¢@9¢; rolls, 8½¢ to 9¢; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 7½¢; tubs 7½¢@7½¢; pails, 7½¢.

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