

were 399,342 cases, as against 726,933 for the corresponding period a year ago. As the receipts of eggs coming forward are very heavy, the market has become easy and prices closed 1c to 2c per doz. lower than a week ago. The offerings are of excellent quality. The good weather has led to increased production and easier prices throughout Canada. Purchases in the Prince Edward Island districts were made at 35c to 36c per dozen f.o.b. points of shipment, while the range of prices in the Ontario districts was 37c to 38c per dozen f.o.b. points of shipment. The heavy movement of receipts in Manitoba has been somewhat checked by farming operations, but car lots are still moving east and west. Saskatchewan stocks are being sold largely by the Pacific Coast demand for local use in British Columbia and trans-shipment to the Yukon and Alaska. The United States markets have varied very little. The opinion of a large portion of the trade is that the flush in production has passed and that prices will likely be maintained at their present level with slight fluctuations until about the end of May. Reports from Chicago say that British prices for eggs would now permit of exporting Americans at a profit if ocean space was available.

We quote wholesale jobbing prices as follows:

Selected stock	0.43	0.44
No. 1 stock	0.40	0.41
No. 2 stock	0.37	0.38

POTATOES.

An easier feeling has prevailed in the potato market due to the fact that supplies coming forward have been larger prices remained unchanged, however. The demand from outside buyers for car lots has been fairly good and a fair amount of business was done with sales of car lots of Green Mountains at \$1.40 to \$1.45 per bag of 90 lbs. in bulk, reds at \$1.40 to \$1.45 including bags, and McIntyres at \$1.30 to \$1.35, while in a wholesale jobbing way Green Mountains sold at \$1.70, reds at \$1.60, and McIntyres at \$1.50 per bag of 90 lbs. ex-store.

MAPLE PRODUCTS.

The receipts of both maple syrup and sugar have been more liberal during the week and were ample to meet all requirements. The demand for sugar for export was fairly good and sales of car lots were reported at 18½c to 19½c per lb. f.o.b. country points, while on spot a good steady trade was done in a wholesale jobbing way at 21c to 22c per lb. The trade in syrup was active and prices ruled steady with sales of five-gallon tins at \$1.80 to \$2 per gallon, one gallon tins at \$2.15 and 8½-lb. tins at \$1.40 to \$1.50.

HONEY.

The trade in honey was very quiet all week, but as supplies on spot were not large the tone of the market ruled steady and prices showed no change. In a wholesale jobbing way No. 1 white clover comb honey has sold at 20c to 21c per section, No. 2 white in comb at 19c, No. 1 brown in comb at 18c, No. 2 brown in comb at 16c to 17c, and white extracted in 30-lb. pails at 18c to 19c per lb.

POULTRY.

The supplies of live birds coming forward are very small while the demand is good. Prices remain unchanged.

We quote wholesale prices as follows:

Turkeys, per lb.	0.38	0.40
Milk fed chickens	0.39	0.40
Roasting chickens	0.37	
Old fowls	0.30	0.36
Ducks, per lb.	0.32	0.32
Geese, per lb.	0.30	0.30

LOCAL FLOUR.

The decline in the price of Government standard spring wheat flour of 15c per barrel, led to an increased demand from local and country buyers, and an active business was done with sales of car lots of Government standard grade for shipment to country points at \$10.95 per barrel, in bags, f.o.b. cars, Montreal, and to city bakers at \$11.05 delivered. The market for rye flour showed continued strength, and prices scored a further advance of 50c per barrel. Sales were made of broken lot sat \$17 per barrel in bags delivered to the trade.

There was a decided demand for rice flour, but as supplies are very limited, and prices high, the trade was not very active. Sales of broken lots have been made at \$9 per 100 lbs., put up in 220 sacks, delivered to the trade. A demand for barley, tapioca and sage flour has been strong, but as it is difficult to secure any of these no business was done. An active trade was done for export in Spring wheat flour and further purchases were made last week by the Flour Department of the Wheat Export Co., Ltd., amounting to 200,000 barrels at \$10.65 per barrel in bags, f.o.b. vessel, Montreal, which figure shows a de-

cline of 15c per barrel as compared with previous purchases. The offerings of winter wheat flour from Ontario millers were small and as the supplies on spot are not large, the tone of the market remained firm. Sales of broken lots were made at \$11.40 to \$11.50 per barrel in bags, ex-store.

MILLFEED.

The trade in bran and shorts has been very quiet on account of the very limited supplies available, and the only business of any importance passing was in pure grain meal.

ROLLED OATS.

The market for all oat products showed weakness last week, and export prices scored a further decline of 25c per barrel, which made a net reduction in two weeks of 45c to 55c. The demand for export continued steady, and a fair amount of business was done, with sales of oatmeal and rolled oats at \$10.75 per barrel, in 140-lb. bags, f.o.b. vessel seaboard ports. The prices for domestic trade remained unchanged, however, and the volume of business done on spot was small.

Flour:	per barrel.
New Government standard grade	10.95 11.50
Cereals:	
Roller oats, 90 lb. bag	5.50 6.00
Corn Meal, Golden, per bag	6.40 7.25
Feed:	per ton.
Bran	35.40
Shorts	40.40
Moullie, pure grain grades	75.00

LOCAL GRAIN.

The tone of the local market for cash oats ruled easy during the week, and prices closed 2c per bushel lower than at the end of the previous week. This was largely due to the increased offerings and a very limited demand. The market has been very quiet and the volume of business small, with car lots of No. 3 Canadian western and extra No. 1 feed quoted at \$1. No. 1 feed at 98½c, No. 2 feed at 96c, tough No. 2 feed at 95c, and Ontario No. 3 white at 98½c per bushel, ex-store. The Winnipeg option market for oats ruled stronger early in the week and prices advanced 1½c to 1½c per bushel, the May future on Tuesday selling as high as 92c and the July 88½c, but later in the week a weaker feeling developed, and prices declined to 90½c for May and 87½c for July, from which level the July option reacted at the end of week and finally closed ½c lower than the previous week. On account of the continued scarcity of all lines of millfeed, there has been a steady demand from country buyers for American corn and a fair amount of business was done in all grades for shipment from Chicago at prices ranging from \$1.70 to \$2 per bushel, ex-tract Montreal, and a sale of a round lots of fresh shelled No. 4 corn was sold at \$1.55 per bushel, ex-tract Chicago for shipment. There was some demand for Ontario barley and sales of a few cars of extra No. 3 were made at \$1.63 per bushel, ex-track here.

Fluctuations in grain on Saturday at Winnipeg were:

Oats:	per bushel.
No. 2 C. W.	0.88½
Do., No. 3 C. W.	0.85½
Do., Extra No. 1 feed	0.85½
Do., No. 1 Feed	0.82½
Do., No. 2 feed	0.81½
Barley:	
No. 3 C. W.	1.50
No. 4 C. W.	1.40
Flax:	
No. 1 N. C. W.	3.87½
N. 2 C. W.	3.84½
No. 3 C. W.	3.62½

SUGAR.

Sugar prices remained unchanged last week. The Atlantic Sugar Refineries have made a change in their differentials, making these the same as those of the St. Lawrence and Acadia. Thus, gunnies containing 5-20's are 40c. over bulk; 10-10's are 50c. over bulk; and in cartons of 20-5's the advance is 60c., and for 50-5's this is 70c.

Atlantic Sugar Company, extra granulated sugars, 100 lbs.	8.90
Acadia Sugar Refinery, extra granulated	8.80
St. Lawrence Sugar Refinery	8.40
Canada Sugar Refinery	8.80
Dominion Sugar Co., Ltd., crystal granulated	8.80
Special icing, barrels	8.70-9.05
Icing (25-lb. boxes)	9.10-9.40

Icing (50-lb. boxes)	8.90-9.20
Diamond icing	8.70-9.05
Yellow, No. 1	8.10
Yellow, No. 2 (or Golden)	8.00
Yellow, No. 3	7.80
Powdered, barrels	8.60-8.95
Paris lumps, barrels	9.10
Paris lumps (50-lb. boxes)	9.65
Paris lumps (25-lb. boxes)	9.85
Crystal diamonds, barrels	9.10
Crystal diamonds (boxes 100 lbs)	8.10
Cut loaf (50-lb. boxes)	9.30-9.65
Cut loaf (25-lb. boxes)	9.50-9.85

For deliveries in Montreal City districts add 5c. to above refinery price if purchased through wholesalers.

Dominion Sugar delivered direct to retailers at above price.

For 50-lb. and 25-lb. bags add 10c per 100 lbs.; for 20-lb. bags add 15c. per 100 lbs.; for 10-lb. bags add 20c. per 100 lbs.; for 5-lb. cartons add 25c. per 100 lbs., and for 2-lb. cartons add 30c. per 100 lbs. Granulated and yellow sugar may be had in barrels of 5c. over above prices. Fancy sugars make a correspond-

RECEIPTS OF GRAIN AND FLOUR.

The receipts of grain and flour in Montreal for the week ending April 27th were:

Wheat, bushels	104,309
Oats, bushels	96,925
Barleys, bushels	34,466
Corn, bushels	2,000
Flour, sacks	23,195
Meal	760
Hay, bales	24,810
Straw, bales	642
Flax	3,635

GRAIN & FLOUR STOCKS.

The following table shows the stocks of grain and flour in store in Montreal on the dates mentioned:

	April 27, 1918.	April 20, 1918.	April 1917.
Wheat, bushels	551,850	413,191	1,103,890
Corn, bushels	9,407	49,427	630,594
Peas, bushels			1,033
Oats, bushels	963,448	613,726	1,674,492
Barley, bushels	150,874	76,264	208,669
Rye, bushels			45,654
Buckwheat, bushels	18,302	19,876	1,349
Flour, sacks	40,415	41,846	22,075

RECEIPTS OF BUTTER AND CHEESE.

The following table shows the receipts of butter and cheese in Montreal for the week ending April 27th, 1918, with comparisons:

	Butter, pkgs.	Cheese, boxes.
Receipts April 27, 1918	822	782
Receipts, April 20, 1918	767	127
Receipts, April 28, 1917	1,117	918
Week ending April 27, 1918	6,576	3,203
Week ending April 20, 1918	2,878	1,932
Week ending April 28, 1917	5,004	10,181
Total receipts May 1, 1917, to April 27, 1918	381,991	1,846,145
Total receipts, May 1, 1916, to April 28, 1917	531,244	2,282,235

RECEIPTS OF GRAIN IN WINNIPEG.

The receipts of grain in Winnipeg for the week ending April 18th, and the week preceding, were:

	Wk. end. April 18.	Wk. end. April 25. last yr.
No. 1 Hard	3	1
No. 1 Northern	547	458
No. 2 Northern	323	304
No. 3 Northern	253	234
No. 4 Wheat	98	126
No. 5 Wheat	93	114
No. 6 Wheat	46	81
Feed Wheat	9	23
Rejected	31	41
No Grade	58	32
Winter	0	3
Totals	1,481	1,417
Oats	959	999
Barley	155	116
Flax	86	77