

### TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, Aug. 20.

**Hardware**—There is a good trade for this season and prices are very firm. Canadian locks and builders hardware are higher. Tinned sheets are 1-2c dearer. Bar iron is 15c per hundred pounds dearer. Cement is 10c dearer on carload lots.

**Groceries**—Trade is greatly improved. Canned salmon is 5c to 10c lower. Canned vegetables and fruits are advancing.

### TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

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**Eggs** are in good demand and about 1c higher. There is a large local demand owing to the fair. Dairy products are very firm. Cheese is strong. Butter is 1c higher this week for dairy and creamery. The keen export demand keeps stocks of good butter cleaned up well. Grain markets are quiet and steady.

**Flour**—Manitoba patents, \$3.90; Manitoba bakers \$3.60; Ontario straight roller, \$3.10 to \$3.20 per barrel for car lots, Toronto freight.

**Wheat**—Ontario winter wheat, old 69 to 70c for cars at country points. New wheat, 69c. No. 1 hard 80c, Toronto freights.

**Oats**—26 to 27c for cars at country points for car lots.

**Barley**—No. 1, 42c at country points for car lots.

**Millfeed**—Shorts, \$15 to \$16 per ton; bran, \$13 per ton at country mills.

**Oatmeal**—\$3.80 in bags per carload, and \$3.90 in wood for car lots, Toronto.

**Eggs**—Fresh, 13 to 13 1-2c.

**Butter**—dairy, tubs, choice fresh 15 to 18c; seconds, 10 to 13c; creamery, tubs and boxes, 19 to 21c.

**Cheese**—10 1-2c for job lots to the local trade.

**Hides**—5 1-2c for No. 1, 7 1-2c for No. 2, and 6 1-2c for No. 3. Cured hides 9c. Sheepskins and lambskins, 30 to 45c; calfskins, 7 to 9c for No. 1 and No. 2; tallow, 4 to 4 1-4c.

**Wool**—Washed fleece, 14c; unwashed, \$1-2 to 9c.

**Beans**—\$1 to \$1.10 per bushel for hand picked.

**Dried apples**—5 to 5 1-2c for round lots; evaporated, 7 1-2 to 8 1-2c.

**Maple syrup**—30c to \$1.10 per gallon in tins, imperial measure.

**Honey**—6 to 6 1-2c in bulk

**Poultry**—Chickens, 45 to 60c per pair.

**Potatoes**—Steady at 40 to 50c per bushel for new.

### TORONTO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

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Toronto, Aug. 22.

Receipts of live stock at the market to-day were 102 car lots on all kinds, including 1,300 cattle, 2,800 hogs, and 790 sheep and lambs.

Heavy receipts of cattle caused a slight decline and the market was not quite so firm.

**Export cattle**—There was very little trading in this branch. The market opened steady, but closed dull. Choice selections were quoted at \$4.80 to \$7 per cwt., and light steady at \$3.75 to \$4.50 per cwt.

**Butchers' cattle**—Trading was not quite as brisk as usual. Quotations were steady, and choice selections were quotable at \$3.75 to \$4.25 per cwt. Mediums were quoted at prices ranging from \$2.75 to \$3.90 per cwt.

**Stockers**—Arrivals were moderate, and Canadian stockers for Buffalo were quotable at firm prices, or \$3 to \$3.50 per cwt. A few bunches of good feeders were steady at \$3.40 to \$3.75 per cwt.

**Sheep and lambs**—The market remained firm, and choice lambs were quoted 10c per cwt. higher, or \$4.25 to \$4.75 per cwt. Good lambs brought \$3 to \$1 each, and choice export sheep were firm at \$3.75 to \$1 per cwt. Butcher sheep were firm at \$3 to \$3.50, and wethers quiet at \$2.75 to \$3 per cwt.

**Hogs**—Arrivals were the largest this year. There was an all-round decline in prices, and choice selections ruled 1-1c per pound lower, or \$5.37 1-2 per cwt.; light and thick fats were also quoted 1-8c per pound easier, or \$4.58 per cwt. Sows steady at \$3 per cwt.; stags \$2 per cwt.

### FRIDAY'S MARKET.

Toronto, Aug. 25.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 1,500 cattle, 2,500 hogs and 2,000 sheep and lambs.

The market for cattle was easier, particularly for the common and inferior class. In fact only the choicest were in demand. Common stock were 1-1 to 1-2c lower. Other lines same as on Tuesday.

### MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

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Montreal, Aug. 26.

The grocery market is steady. Canned tomatoes are now quoted at 75 to 77 1-2c, corn 90 to 92 1-2c, peas and beans 75 to 77 1-2c. These prices show an advance of 2 1-2c over last week's quotation for corn and tomatoes. Trading is active in all lines. Prices are:

Granulated sugar quoted at \$1.55 per 100 lbs. at refineries; yellows, \$3.65 to \$4.30; molasses, 33 1-2c in round lots, and 35c in car lots; syrups, 13-4 to 21-4c, as to quality. Valencia raisins, 43-4 to 51-2c; Valencia layers, 61-2c, currants, 51-3 to 61-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 7 to 9c; Mocha, 21 to 23c; Java, 22 to 24c. Rice—Crystal Japan, 51-2 to 53-4c; standard B., 33-4 to 4c. Canned goods—Canned corn, 90 to 92 1-2c; peas, 75 to 77 1-2c; tomatoes, 75 to 77 1-2c; beans, 75 to 77 1-2c.

### MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

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Montreal, Aug. 25.

Makers this week, as a consequence of further appreciation in the cost of crude material, were compelled to mark up values on several staple lines. These base price on bar iron has been advanced from \$2 to \$2.15, and a similar rise of 15c has been established both in the case of smooth steel wire and wire nails, the basis being \$3 per 100 lbs on the former, and \$3 per keg on the latter. Fine steel wire is 2 1-2 per cent. up, the list discount being 17 1-2 per cent, instead of 20. Steel escutcheon pins are 3 per cent. higher at 40 per cent of list. Fence staples are 15c per keg higher at \$3.25 per keg of 100 lbs., and double-pointed carpet tacks are 10 per cent. up, list discounts now being 85 per cent. off, instead of 85 and 5. Other advances are under contemplation. Manufacturers are booked months ahead while their reserve stocks are almost exhausted. Abroad the same strength is noted. At Glasgow pig iron has advanced 2s on the week, and here no Scotch iron is obtainable under \$24 to \$25, while no quotation at all

can be had from Canadian furnaces. At Pittsburg grey force iron has advanced 75c per ton, billets \$1.50, and sheet steel bars \$1, all within the past eight days.

Turpentine has advanced 1c here in sympathy with the strong market south. The quotation here is 76 and 77c. An advance of 1c is reported on rope.

### MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

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Montreal, Aug. 26.

Oats are quiet and selling at 30 to 30 1-2c for old oats afloat, 32c for old in store and 29 to 29 1-2c for new oats afloat which is practically the same as a week ago. Flour is dull and slightly lower at \$3.75 top for bakers and \$4.10 top for patents. Feed remains unchanged. Meal is quiet. Hides active. Eggs are fairly steady. Butter is a shade weaker, choice creamery showing a decline of 1-4c from the top price of a week ago. Cheese is stronger and choice western has advanced 1-2c over a week ago. Beans and potatoes are unchanged. We quote prices as follows:

Oats—No. 2 white, 30 to 30 1-2c afloat basis, 32c in store. Now oats 29 to 29 1-2c afloat.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are: Manitoba strong bakers, \$3.60 to \$3.75, Manitoba patents, \$3.90 to \$4.10.

Millfeed—Bran, \$12.50 to \$13.00 per ton; shorts, \$15.00 to \$16.00, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.70 to \$1.75 per sack.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, No. 1, 10 to 11c; No. 2, 9c; lambskins and clips, 40c; tallow, 33-4 to 41-4c.

Eggs—Choice fresh, 13 1-2 to 14c; second grade, 11 to 12c.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 15 1-2 to 16c.

Butter—Choice creamery, 21 to 21 1-4c.

Cheese—Western, 10 1-2 to 10 5-8c; eastern 10 1-4c.

Beans—95c to \$1.00 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—Potatoes, 80c per barrel; bags, 40c.

### MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

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Montreal, Aug. 22.

At the East End Abattoir market this morning the offerings of live stock were 500 cattle, 400 sheep and 200 lambs.

Trade was slow and the supply was in excess of requirements. The quality of the stock offered was generally poor, in fact, no choice steers were to be had. Best beef sold at 4 1-4c to 4 1-2c, and lower grades all the way from 2 1-4c to 4c per lb., live weight. Sheep were in demand for export, and choice bunches sold at 3 1-2c to 3 3-4c per lb. The demand for lambs was good at 4c to 4 1-2c per lb. Live hogs were in demand, and prices ruled firm at 4 1-2 to 5c per lb., for straight lots.

### THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, Aug. 25.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts included 450 cattle and 1,000 sheep and lambs.

Best steers realized 43-4c per pound, mediums 31-4 to 41-4c, and common grades 21-2 to 3c. Sheep sold at 3 to 3 1-2c, and lambs at \$2 to \$4 each.

Hogs sold at 4 1-4c to 4 3-4c off cars. The general feeling of the market was one of quietness.