

LEAD.—Pig, per lb., 4½c.

SOLDER.—Half and half (guar) per lb, 14 to 16c.

AMMUNITION.—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 35 per cent., rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 per cent., rim fire military, American, 5 per cent. advance; central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 30 per cent.; shot shells, 12 gauge, \$6 to 7.50, shot, Canadian, soft, 5½c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c.

AXES.—Per box, \$6.50 to 15.50.

WIRE.—Galvanized barb wire, plain twist—wire and staples, \$3.50 per 100 lbs.

ROPE.—Sisal, per lb., 8 to 8½c base; manilla, per lb., 11 to 11½c base; cotton, ¾ to ¾ inch ar 1 larger, 16c lb.

NAILS.—Cut, per keg, base price, \$2.85 to \$3; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.50 per keg, 8 to 4 inch, \$3.80 keg; 2½ inch, \$1.09 keg; 2 inch, \$1.33 keg.

HORSE NAILS.—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List prices as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box; No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount off above list prices, 50 to 50 and 10 per cent.

HORSE SHOES.—Per keg, \$4.50 to \$4.75: snow pattern horse shoes, \$4.75 to \$5.

WHITE LEADS.—Pure, ground in oil, association guarantee, 5.75 per 100-lb; white lead, assorted 1 to 5-lb. tins, per lb., 9c.

PREPARED PAINTS.—Pure liquid colors, per gallon, \$1.15 to \$1.25.

DRY COLORS.—White lead, per lb., 8c; red lead, 5½c; yellow ocre, 2½c; golden ocre, 4c; Venetian, red, French, 3½c; Venetian, red, English, 3½c; English purple oxides, 4½c; American oxides, per lb., 3 to 4c. These prices for dry colors are for broken lots. ½ per lb. less when full kegs or barrels are taken. American vermilion, kegs, 15c; English vermilion, in 30-lb. bags, 90c per lb.; less than bags, per lb., \$1; Paris green, 18 to 20c.

VARNISHES.—No. 1 furniture, per gal., \$1; extra furniture, \$1.35; pale oak, \$1.50, elastic oak, \$1.75; No. 1 carriage, \$2; hard oil finish, \$2; brown Japan, \$1; goldsize Japan, \$1.50; No. 1, orange shellac, \$2; pure orange shellac, \$2.50. These prices are for less than barrels, and include cost of cans.

SUNDRIES.—Glue, S.S., in sheets, per lb., 12½ to 15c; glue, white, for kalsomining, 17 to 18c. Stove gasoline, per case, \$4.00; benzine, per case, \$4.00; benzine and gasoline, per gallon, 50c. Axle grease, Imperial per case, \$2.50, Fraser's axle grease, per case, \$3.75; diamond, do, \$2.25 per case. Coal tar, per barrel, \$8; Portland cement, per barrel, \$4.00; plaster, per barrel, \$3.00; plasterer's hair, 90c. per bale; putty, per lb., 2½c. for less than barrels; barrels, per lb., 2½c.

WINDOW GLASS.—1st break is quoted at \$1.65 per box of 56 feet.

LINSEED OIL.—Raw, per gal., 63c, boiled, per gal., 66c in barrels.

TURPENTINE.—Pure spirits, in barrels, per gallon, 60c; less than barrels, per gallon, 65c.

OILS.—Range about as follows: Black oils, 25 to 30c per gallon, clear machine oils, 33 to 40c; cylinder oil, 50 to 75c, as to quality; castor oil, 10c per lb., lard oil, 70c per gal.; tanner's or harness oil, 65c; neatfoot oil, \$1.00; steam refined seal oil, 55c; pure winter bleached sperm oil, \$2 per gallon.

REFINED PETROLEUM.—There is no change in burning oils. Prices here are as follows. Silver star, 2½c; crescent, 2½c; oleophene, 2½c in barrels. In car lots 2c per gallon discount is allowed off prices in barrels. United States oils in barrels are quoted at 3½c for coceno and 30c for sunlight.

RAW FURS.—The following quotations give the range of prices here. The prices cover the range from small to large skins, size color and condition being considered though skins are sometimes offered which are not worth the minimum quotations, on account of being killed out of season.

Badger	\$0 15 to \$0 60
Bear, black or brown	5 00 to 26 00
Bear, yearlings	2 00 to 8 00
Bear, grizzly	5 00 to 25 00
Beaver, large	5 50 to 7 50
" medium	3 00 to 4 50
" small	1 50 to 2 50
" cubs	25 to 60
" castors, per lb.	2 50 to 5 50
Fisher	3 00 to 8 00
Fox, cross	2 00 to 15 00
" kitt	10 to 40
" red	25 to 1 50
" silver	20 00 to 75 00
Lynx, large	1 50 to 2 50
" medium	1 00 to 2 00
" small	75 to 1 25
Marten dark	1 00 to 4 50
" Pale or Brown	1 00 to 3 50
" Light pale,	75 to 1 75
Mink	50 to 1 50
Musquash, winter	03 to 07
Otter	2 00 to 9 00
Skunk	25 to 80
Wolf, timber	1 00 to 2 75
" prairie	25 to 75
Wolverine	1 00 to 4 00

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

WHEAT.—Wheat has been quiet but firmer this week in leading markets, influenced by larger exports and small increase in stocks. World's shipments from all exporting countries last week were 8,000,000 bushels, of which Russia shipped 3,531,000 bushels and the United States 3,456,000 bushels. The English visible supply decreased 2,500,000 bushels last week. Exports of wheat, including flour, from the United States and Canada this week amount to 3,965,731 bushels, compared with 3,312,000 bushels in the corresponding week last year, 3,196,000 bushels in the week two years ago, 3,008,000 bushels three years ago, and as contrasted with 5,321,000 bushels in the week four years ago. One week ago the total exports amounted to 3,456,000 bushels. Foreign shipments of wheat this week, therefore, are larger than those for any previous week since that ending September 19, 1893.

What locally has been dull. As usual at this season there is very little doing in this market. Some business was reported at between 55 and 56c for cash No. 1 hard, on an afloat basis at Fort William, and we quote 55 to 55½c. May wheat nominal at about 60c for No. 1 hard. No. 2 hard, cash 52½ to 53c. In Manitoba country markets prices range from 36 to 40c for No. 1 hard, to farmers, varying according to freights or local conditions. Low grade wheats are easier, No. 3 hard brings 28 to 30c to farmers, in country markets, and frested wheat from 20 to 28c. There is some movement all rail to Eastern Canada points, and a little low grade is going through to the seaboard for export. The movement to Fort William to store keeps up large for the season. Receipts at Fort William for the week ended December 21 were 408,595 bushels and shipments were 56,174 bushels. For the week ended December 23, receipts at Fort William were 406,731 bushels and shipments 44,867 bushels. In store on December 23, 2,711,043 bushels. For the week ended December 23, 1891, receipts were 82,038 bushels, no shipments and in store 755,331 bushels. In store two years ago 1,539,000 bushels.

FLOUR.—Flour is rather easier, influenced by a decline of Ontario brands in Eastern markets this week, prices being reported 10 to 20c per barrel lower at Montreal on Tuesday

far Ontario flours. This may effect the prices of Manitoba flours, but on the contrary the best grades of Manitoba wheat hold firm. There is no change here this week. Sales by millers here are now made at \$1.70 to \$1.75 for patents and \$1.50 to \$1.55 for strong bakers per sack of 98lbs. delivered to city retail dealers; second bakers, \$1.30 to \$1.35; xxx, \$1.10 to \$1.15, delivered.

MILLSTUFFS.—City mills are selling at \$9 per ton for bran and \$11 for shorts, delivered in the city. Small lots \$1 per ton more.

OATS.—A limited number of cars are moving through to Montreal and some are being taken for the lumber districts between Sudbury and Ottawa. Prices are too low to permit of export shipments, as it would only allow of paying 6 to 8c per bushel to farmers here. Prices at Montreal are comparatively higher than New York, but even for the former market only very low prices can be paid here. The freight rate from say Brandon to Montreal is 44 cents per 100 pounds, and the price in Montreal is about 29c per bushel, which admits of paying about 12c for cars on track at Manitoba country points. The tendency of prices has been easier. Car lots at Manitoba country points, for shipment east, are worth from 11 to 13c as to quality and freight rate. In the Winnipeg market dealers are paying 15 to 16c for farmers' loads, per bushel of 54 pounds.

BARLEY.—There is very little doing in barley for shipping or otherwise, and the demand is very limited. We quote cars of No. 3 at about 16 to 17c at Manitoba country points, according to freight and sample. No demand locally. A few loads taken here at 17 to 18c per bushel of 48 pounds.

WHEAT.—Local farmers' market.—Farmers' loads are being taken at the mills here at 40 to 43c per bushel of 60 pounds for milling, as to quality. Smutty wheat for feed 30 to 35c per bushel.

GROUND FEED.—Prices range from \$11 to \$13 per ton, as to quality, the top price for rolled oat feed, and the lowest price for mixed mill feed.

OATMEAL.—Rolled oatmeal is selling at about \$1.25 per sack of 80 pounds in broken lots to retail dealers.

OIL CAKE.—Ground oil cake meal is quoted at \$20 per ton in sacks.

FLAXSEED.—Flaxseed at Chicago yesterday was quoted at 95½c for May delivery. Prices to farmers in Manitoba country markets are about 60c per bushel.

BUTTER.—The local market is very dull and the feeling is easier. There is next to no consumptive demand here from local retailers and not much shipping demand. Prices are decidedly easier, in sympathy with both Eastern and Western markets. Fresh California and Australian butter will be offering in British Columbia markets soon in all probability, which will produce a slower demand for held Manitoba goods. The outlook for exporting to the old country is also poor. There is no creamery here, nor has there been for some time, and all the Manitoba creamery held in first hands in British Columbia markets has been cleared out and some lots of Ontario creamery have been brought in to coast markets. In the absence of outside orders local prices tend lower. Rolls are not as favorably received as good dairy tubs. We quote round lots of good to choice dairy tubs at 12 to 14c and rolls at 12 to 13c.

CHEESE.—Cheese is jobbing here in small lots at 8½ to 9c.

EGGS.—Dealers are paying 21c per doz. for receipts of fresh eggs, and selling in small lots at 23c. Lined are practically out of this market.