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#### PROVISIONS.

The outstanding feature of last week's market was the high price of live hogs, which went up to 11%c, a record price, which naturally means high prices for all pork products. This is already seen in the firm market for smoked and cured meat. The demand continues good, notwithstanding the fact that we are in Lent

Current prices are as follows:

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Hams:	Per th.
Smoked hams, 8-14 lbs	0.22
Do., 14-20 lbs	0.22
Do., 20-25 lbs	0.20
Do., over 30 lbs	0.19
Large boneless hams	$0.23\frac{1}{2}$
Bacon:-	
Roll Boneless Bacon	0.181/2
Windsor Bacon, selected	0.26
Windsor Bacon, Boneless	0.29
	er bbl.
Short cut pork	30.00
Clear Fat Pork, 30-40	31.50
Clear Fat Pork, 40-50	30.00
Clear Fat Pork, 20-35	27.50
Mess Pork	29.50
Bean Pork, Canadian	24.50
Barrel Beef	
Plate Beef, 200 lbs	24.00
Pure Lard	pound.
Tierces	0.151
Tubs	0.1512
Pails	3.15
Tins	3.05
Cases, 3, 5, 10's	0.14
Prints	0.161
Compound Lard:	
Western Grades:	
Tierces	0.1315
Tubs	0.1334
Pails	3,15
Tins	3.10
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#### MONTREAL GRAIN STOCKS.

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

	April 1,	Mar. 25.	April :
	1916.	1916.	1915.
Wheat, bushels	\$54,984	682,355	:: 41,44
Corn, bushels	13,435	11,443	116,10
Oats, bushels	1,141,422	1,236,176	711,47
Barley, bushels	106,931	139,661	221,10
Rye, bushels	35,690	31,069	14.72
Buckwheat, bushels	5,668	5,668	13,11
Flour, sacks	61.132	53,966	46,56

### GRAIN EXPORTS.

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Liverpool	: 7,816	194,949	
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	7,816	194,494	
Same week last year	57.457	477,150	42,85

### FLOUR, CEREALS AND MILLFEED.

The firmer tone in the wheat market during the past week was reflected in the flour market, but no actual change occurred. Export demand continues very slow, principally owing to the fact that it is next to impossible to secure ocean freight room for any near-by shipment. The domestic demand is fair for the season, chiefly in small lots to fill actual wants. Millers are experiencing difficulty in securing supplies of wheat from the West owing to the shortage of cars, and several of the large mills have had to stop operations for the time being. It is felt that busines sin spring wheat grades will show little improvement until navigation opens on the St. Lawrence. Winter wheat grades are also in slow demand, but Ontario mills are still fairly busy on contract account. Litte new business is passing.

Thel market for all lines of millfeed is firm, under a good demand for supplies, due to the increased feeding in the country. Stocks are none too large on account of the slackness of the flour mills of lace, so that prices are very firm. Rolled oats are also firmer in sympathy with the better feeling in the market for oats, but no change in prices is reported. The demand for local assumption is fair for the season, but export busines sis practically at a standstill. Other cereals are in fair demand, and no change in prices is reported for the week.

#### Spring Wheat Flour:-

	Pring Contract Lindari				
	Montre	Toronto: In jute.			
	First patents, per				
:	bbl., in bags	6.60		6.50	
	Second patents, do	6.10		6.00	
	Strong clears, do	5.90		-	
	for per bbl. more in wood.			0.00	
	Winter wheat flour-	6.30			
	Fancy patents				
	90 per cent in wood 5.70	5.80			
	in pret tene in more of t	5.80	4.15		
	90 per cent in bags. 2.65	2.75			
	Coreals:				
	Consineal, yellow, in				
	per bag, 98 Hbs. 2.25	2.50	2.25	2.50	
	Rolled oats, per bbl.,				
	ia wood	5.25			
	per bag, 90 lbs	2.50		2.55	
	Rolled wheat, 100 lb.				
		4.00	3.30	3.50	
		2.80		2.80	
	Grabam flour, 98 lb.			3.25	
1	Carley pot., 98 lbs.	3.00			
	Barley, Pearl, 98 lbs.		4.00		
	Whole wheat flour, 98	4.00	4.00	0.0	
				9.95	
	lbs		92.00		
	Middlings, per ton 28.00	50.00	20.00	27.00	
	Bran, per ton Shorts, per ton	24.00	24.00	25.00	
				26.00	
	Feed flour, per ton	35.00			
	Feed flour, bag		1.60	1.70	
	Moullie, pure grain				
	grades, per ton	33.00			
	Do., mixed	31.00			
	Barley feed, per ton				
	Do., meal, per ton				
	Crushed oats, 80 lbs	1, (5)			
	Reground oatmeal feed,	0.00			
	per ton 1	9.00			

## WINNIPEG GRAIN RECEIPTS.

## The receipts of grain at Winnipeg for the week ended April 1, 1916, compared with the previous week and the corresponding week a year ago were, as fol

11	0WS:						
					1916.	1916.	1915.
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1	Northern			· ·	1,794	1,988	
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The receipts of oranges are lighter, and an advance in price is looked for shortly. In the case of lemons, there will be no advance until the 'new season's stock arrives. Florida strawberries are now over, the Louisiana berries being on the market. The receipts of these berries are amply supplying the demand for the moment, but larger receipts are expected shortly.

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

The new crop of New York State onions are arriving in large uantities, of satisfactory quality, in contrast to the poor crop of last year. Bermuda onions and potatoes are on the market also. Celery has advanced 25c to 50c per crate. Tomatoes have a tendency to increase, thep rice last week being 40c more than the previous week, and it is expected that there will shortly be another 60c increase. The first few cars arriving from Florida were of poor quality, showing canker spots, but the later arrivals show a great improvement in this respect. Many new Southern vegetables are arriving on the market, such as radishes, egg plant; parsley and rhubarb, but the receipts are still very small. These latter items will hardl yarrive in carloads before May.

#### FISH AND OYSTERS.

The weather plays a conspicuous part in the fish business. Last week we predicted that with the favorable change in the weather there would be larger supplies of fish on the market at lower prices. This is especially true in the case of haddock and cod, which are now arriving in large quantities, and selling at a cent less than last week. Dealers are expecting a little fresh fish next week, such as dore, carp and pike. Owing to the fact that the season is a little later this year than last, producers on the coast are not looking for an early run on mackerel and herring. The demand for all other kinds is fair; stocks are quite light, especially in the case of halibut. In bulk oysters the demand has fallen off considerably, due to the warmer weather, but there is still a certain amount of sale for them.

#### CHEESE FACTORIES OPENING.

A Brockvville dispatch states that during the past few weeks many cheese factories in the Brockville section have commenced the season's operations with a fair output of fodder goods. It is expected that within the next ten days almost every factory in the district will be running. The snow has almost entirely disappeared, and farmers are looking forward to early grazing. In the meantime there will be heavy feeding to make as large a flow milk as possible in view of the high price of cheese. Before grass cheese comes on the market there is expected to be one of the largest outputs of the fodder article ever known in this eastern district. Cows have wintered well, and all other conditions are favorable.

#### LONDON WOOL SALES.

The Colonial wool sales, which were to have commenced in London on April 4, have been deferred for a week owing to a quarrel between buyers and merchants. Buyers are demanding an extension of a fortnight for the payment of wools purchased at the auctions, owing to transportation difficulties entrailing increased charges. Merchants are not inclined to yield. Buyers threaten to boycott the sales which have been postponed pending further discus-

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# NORTH AMERICAN WHEAT EXPORTS

Bradstreet's figures of the week's wheat and flour exports from the United States and Canada, compared with previous years, are as follows, in bush-11:

				1916.	1915.	1914.
Mar.	30		 	8,306,854	10,110,252	2,653,433
Mar.	23		 	10,389,253	6.826,078	2.780,352
Mar.	16		 	9,765,236	6.277,903	4,480,101
Mar.	9 .		 	9,645,381	7,793,442	3,764,208
Mar.	2 .		 	8,199,193	8,432,206	3,576,737
Feb.	24		 	8,787,985	7,358,222	3,947,966
Feb.	17		 	7,430,993	10.227,426	3.174,640
Feb.	10		 	11,480,170	9,708,500	4,092,408
Feb.	3.	•	 	10,567,676	9.883,671	3,779,908
Jan.	27		 	8,710,272	8.619,869	3,717,678
Jan.	20		 	8,247,494	8,395,263	3,881,823
Jan.	13		 	9,525,485	9,129,199	6,713,289
Jan.	6.		 	10.989,331	10,915,119	6,404,224
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Wheat exports in this week in 1913 were 4.081,478 bushels; in 1912, 3,421,542 bushels; in 1911, 2,143,043 bushels, and in 1910, 1,744,279 bushels.

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Total .. .. ..... .. .. 3,786 4,174 Flax ..... 1,547 926 Oats ..... 104 110 Barley ..... 120 109

### FLOUR SHIPMENT EMBARGO LIFTED.

A Winnipeg dispatch, dated March 30, states that the embargo on all-rail shipments of flour has been, in part, lifted. Mills can get seven cars for shipments of Government orders and 17 cars for shipments of Western Ontario points. Most of the big mills that shut down at the end of last week are running again, but the transportation question is still clear up before conditions can be termed normal.

#### NOTES.

James Cumming, of Lyn; Ont., well-known throughout Eastern Ontario, was killed on March 30th, when the conveyance in which he was driving was struck by the G. T. R. mail train a few miles west of Brockville. Mr. Cumming was one of the most widely known men in Eastern Ontario, carrying on husiness as a miller in Lyn. He was prominent in municipal matters and national politics, and in 1896 unsuccessfully contested the riding of Brockville in the Liberal intcrests against the late Hon. John F. Wood and W. J. Cluff.

A London despatch states that the Chicago packers' cases, which have been on the verge of an adjustment for months, are about to be settled. United States shippers have been willing to accept the principle of putting up a bond, but were not agreed until the last few days on the percentage of a deposit as suggested by the British. This point of contention has now about been agreed upon, so that word a matter of difficulty, and there remains much to of a final adjustment is expected in a very few days.

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