

rolled oat feed, and the lowest price for mixed mill feed.

OATMEAL—The following are the jobbing prices here for oatmeal: Rolled oats, 80 lb sacks, \$1.35; 40 lb sacks, 70c; 20 lb sacks 86c; Granulated and standard meal, 98 pound sacks \$1.55, 49 lb sacks, 80c; rolled wheat, 80 lb sacks \$1.70.

OIL CAKE—Oil cake holds at \$16 per ton, including bags, for nutted or ground meal.

FLAX SEED—There is no business doing in flax seed, and the quotation is nominal at 60 to 65c. Sales of choice cleaned seed have been made in a retail way, for seed purposes, at 70c to \$1.

BUTTER—CREAMERY—A large output of creamery goods is now being made, the factories being in full operation, with fine pasture, and the quality of the butter being made is good. Until recently the surplus creamery has been about all taken for the western and British Columbia trade, but those markets are now getting filled up and the present make is far too large to be absorbed by the local and western trade, consequently it will have to go eastward. For the western trade the factories have been packing in tubs, but 56 pound boxes should now be used, as this style of packing is much preferred for the eastern and export trade. Choice creamery has been selling in Montreal at 15 to 15½c and finest goods at 16 to 16½c, which would indicate about 14c as full value here. Several purchases have been made at about 14c here, or f.o.b. at factories at points having a freight rate eastward about the same as Winnipeg, and at under 14c for more distant points according to freights. On shipments to Winnipeg, 2 rebate of one-half the local freight is allowed when the goods are shipped east.

BUTTER—DAIRY—Dairy butter has been arriving freely, and stocks have been accumulating here, as recent receipts have simply been going into store here to await some outlet. There appears to be no use sending much dairy goods to the coast markets at present, as they are already overstocked with butter consigned to commission men there, and creamery is so low that the demand is largely for creamery. It is probable that the bulk of dairy butter held here will have to be eventually shipped east or exported and sold at a low price for confectioner's use, as much of it being early make is of course not fine quality, and not good keeping quality. There is no local sale for butter, city retailers being supplied direct by farmers, though commission men are offering selections in small lots at 11c, but there is no sale at this figure. An offer of 11c at Montreal has been made for No. 1 Manitoba, which would be equal to only 9c here for No. 1, with second and third qualities thrown out; thus reducing the average price of round lots of all grades to about 7c here. It is understood offers have been made of 7c here for round lots of average quality, all grades, which is fully equal to the best offers reported from Montreal for selections, allowing for refrigerator car freights. Country merchants are paying higher prices for butter at some points than the situation will warrant, and to avoid loss more careful buying will be necessary.

CHEESE—There has been quite a strong movement in Ontario markets, which makes a better feeling here. Factories, however, are holding higher here than can be paid to ship, factories generally asking 7c. Some small lots have been taken at 6½ to 7c for the local and western trade, but when the movement becomes heavy prices will have to come to a parity with Montreal, though it is hoped the advance east will continue until it reaches a parity with prices here. The latest reports reached from Ontario report 7½ to 7¾ paid at the Ingersoll board this week, and

7 5-16c paid at Campbellford, showing a strong market. At Montreal on Tuesday 7½c was offered for finest, but holders asked 7½c. Quebec cheese, 7 to 7½c.

EGGS—Supply liberal and prices easy at 7c net for receipts. Dealers are jobbing at 8c. Retail dealers in the city are selling as low as 8 doz. for 25c. Receipts keep up remarkably large for the season, considering the low prices.

LARD—Prices are: Pure \$1.70 for 20 lb. pails, and \$1.80 for 50 lb. pails; pure leaf lard in 5, 5 and 10 pound tins, quoted at \$6.25 per case of 60 pounds, tierces 8½c pound; cases of 30, one lb. tins, \$3.50.

CURED MEATS—For canvassed meats, add ½c per pound to prices below or ½c for parchment paper wrapping. Smoked meats are quoted: Hams, assorted sizes, 10½c; breakfast bacon, bellies, 11c; do., backs, 10c; picnic hams, 8c; short spiced rolls, 7½c long rolls, 7½c; shoulders, 7c smoked long clear, 8½ cents; Fancy clear, 8½ cents; smoked jowls, 5½ cents. Dry salt meats are quoted: Long clear bacon, 7c per lb; shoulders, 6c; backs, 8c; barrel pork, heavy mess \$18.00; clear mess \$18.00; short cut, \$16.00; rolled shoulders, \$14 per barrel. Pork sundries; fresh sausage, 7c; bologna sausage, 6c; ham, chicken and tongue sausage, 10c per package; pickled hocks, 2½c; pickled tongues, 5c; sausage casings, 80c lb.

DRESSED MEATS—No material change in prices this week. We quote city dressed beef steady at 5 to 5½c. Fresh mutton easier at 8½ to 9c. City dressed hogs, 5½c; country dressed 5c. Veal, easy at 5½c to 6½c.

POULTRY—Chickens are easier at 60 to 65c per pair as to quality. Turkeys would bring 10c per lb live weight, if they could be had, but none offering. No other kinds offering.

VEGETABLES—Potatoes have sold at 15 to 20c per bushel on the street market. A good many potatoes were destroyed in the pits by wet weather in the spring, but there appears to be plenty offering to meet requirements. Pie plant is now offered at \$1.50 to \$1.75 per 100 pounds.

HIDES—There is a good demand for hides in leading markets at steady prices, but best information received does not indicate any further material advance. Here 4½c is the general price for hides, but in special cases 5c has been paid, owing to local competition. We quote: Green city hides, No. 1, 4½c to 5c; No. 2, 3½c; calf, 8 to 15 lb. skins, 4 and 6c per lb.; dekins 15 to 20c each; kips 4 to 5c; sheep 50 to 65c; shearlings, 5 to 10c; lambskins, 10c; Horsehides, 75c to \$1.25; tallow 3½ to 4c rendered and 2c rough.

WOOL—The situation in wool is still unsatisfactory in the United States. In eastern markets prices are weak, the demand is slow and large stocks of old wool are held over, owing to the small consumption on account of close times and the large amount of machinery idle. Notwithstanding this situation dealers have been buying up the new clip in the west at correspondingly higher prices than can be obtained in the leading eastern wool markets. This is probably being done on the expectation of a Republican victory at the presidential elections, resulting in restoring the wool duty. But it will be a year before the duty can be changed, and before any advance could be made, large stocks of foreign wool would be imported, sufficient to stock up the country for a year in advance at least, so that it is difficult to see how the prospect of a duty on wool can enhance the value of the present United States clip. Locally the extreme price paid for a few choice lots of unwashed fleece has been 9½ to 9¾c, but the bulk of purchases have been made at 8½ to 9c, and for dirty and chaffy wool from 7 to 8c. Heavy scurking territories, 5 to 6c.

SENECA ROOT—The outlook indicates very low prices, ranging from 12 and 15c per lb., owing to the large stocks of old root held over.

HAY—There is very little demand and the prices is considerably lower, baled prairie having been offered as low as \$6 on track here. A load or two of new loose has been offered on the street market.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—There is nothing but a little local trade doing. Butcher's cattle are steady at 8c for best offering, and really choice are not very plentiful, the good stall fed cattle having been exported. Good cows about 2½c, and common stuff down to 2c.

SHEEP—Quiet at about 8½ to 8¾c off cars here. Very little doing. Range sheep are not in marketable condition yet, except where grain fed, and those offered as grain fed have been pretty thin.

HOGS—All offered were taken. Steady at 8½c for good packing hogs off cars here averaging 150 to 300 pounds, heavy and light hogs 2½ to 3c, as to quality; stags 1½ to 2c.

The Live Stock Trade.

At Liverpool on June 15, prices for choice cattle declined ½c per lb., due to heavy supplies and warm weather. The demand was slow, and trade on the whole was very bad. Best United States and light Canadian steers and heifers sold at 10c, while it was difficult to sell heavyweights at 9 to 9½c. The market for sheep was decidedly weaker owing to the continued heavy arrivals from South America, and prices had a bad break, the range being 8½c to 10½c, as against 11½ to 12½c last week.

The Montreal Gazette says "The recent advance in ocean freight rates noted has been maintained and the market is firm, all the space for this week and part of next having been engaged at 42s 6d to 45s.

At the East End Abattoir market at Montreal on June 15, the demand from butchers was good, and with a fair enquiry from exporters, trade was fairly active. The general feeling was steady and prices showed no material change from the decline noted last Thursday. Choice steers and heifers sold at 8½c to 8¾c; good, 8c to 8½c; fair, 2½ to 2½c, and common 2 to 2½c per lb. live weight. Trade in sheep was slow, there being no demand from shippers; sales were dull at 3c per lb. live weight. Sales of lambs were at from \$2 to \$3.50 each. At the Point St. Charles market on the same day, hogs declined 15c per 100 pounds, with sales at \$3.90 to \$4.10 per 100 pounds.

An Toronto on June 16, export cattle were slow, scarcely 4c per lb. was reached for best. Most of the sales were at \$2.60 to \$3.90 per cwt. Butchers' cattle were dull and prices steady, the top price paid being 3½c and only one or two had sold higher. General run sold from 2½c to 3c per lb. A few light stockers sold at 2½c to 2¾c per lb., and good fat feeders bring \$2.80 to \$3.30 per cwt. Bulls steady at 2½c to 3c per lb. Shipping sheep, mixed with some yearlings clipped, were quoted at 3c lb. Bucks were quiet at 2½c lb. Spring lambs brought \$3 to \$3.75 each. Milch cows and springers unchanged at \$19 to \$30 each. Hogs. Choice selection of bacon sold at \$3.90 to \$4.10 per cwt.; store, \$3.80 to \$3.90. Thick, fat, dull at \$3.40 to \$3.50. Stags not wanted and quoted at 2c lb.

J. Hughes has opened a carriage shop at Manitou, Man.

A new brewery has been established at Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, by William Bros.

Andrew Simpson, general merchant, Crystal City, Man, has admitted one Young as partner under the style of Simpson & Young.