

little German granulated, but as it was bought at a way above present even selling price of domestic granulated holders will not quote. We quote: Granulated, domestic, \$3.10 to \$3.50; do. yellows, 2½ up; Raw—Domerara, dark, 2½c; golden, 3 to 3½c; bright, 3½c.

Syrups.—Syrups have been in little better supply, with demand principally for high-priced goods. We quote: Dark, 25c; medium, 28 to 3½c; bright, 35 to 40c; very bright, 45 to 50c.

Molasses.—Demand is still fair at about 30c in barrels, and 82c in half barrels. We quote as follows: New Orleans, barrels, 26 to 28c; half-barrels, 30½ to 32c; Barbadoes, barrels, 28 to 32c; half-barrels, 30 to 31c.

Teas.—Been quite a few Young Hysons moving. Low priced Ceylon teas are still much in demand and almost impossible to get in London under 9d. Local brokers report that a few lines of Japans have been moving, shippers desire to clear out balance of last year's teas. China Congous are rather neglected. We quote ruling prices to retailers: Young Hyson, 12 to 18c for low grades; 24 to 27c for mediums, and 30 to 45c for high grades; China Congous, 11 to 18c for mediums, and 35 to 55c for high grades. Japans, 16 to 20c for mediums, 28 to 35c for high grades; Indias and Ceylons, 18 to 22c for mediums, and 30 to 45c for high grades.

Dried Fruits.—Valencia raisins are much as before both as regards volume of business and prices. We quote Off-stalk, 3½ to 3¾c; fine off-stalk, 4 to 4½c; selected, 5½ to 6c; layers, 5½ to 6c. Sultana raisins are scarce and firm at the advance; 5½c is the lowest price on this market. We quote 5½ to 8½c. In currants the situation is much as before, although the tendency is towards higher prices. We quote: Filabras, half-barrels, 4 to 4½c, barrels, 4½c; fine filabras, half barrels, 4½c, barrels, 4½c; Patras, 5½c in cases; Casalinas, 5½ to 6c; Vostizzas, 6½ to 7c in cases and half cases; Panartes, 8 to 8½c. Bosnia prunes are 1s dearer in Trieste, and a Marseilles cable quotes the French article firm and in light supply. The local market is nearly cleared out of Bosnia prunes, and fresh supplies are not expected for some weeks yet. We quote: "Sphinx"—"U," \$1.10 to \$1.15 to half kilo, 4½ to 5c per lb; "C," 85 to 90c per half kilo, 6½c per lb; "B," 8½ to 85c in half kilo, 7½ to 7¾c per lb; "Atlas,"—"D," \$1.10 to \$1.15 per half kilo, 1½ to 5c per lb; "Unicorn," 5 to 5½c. Bordeaux prunes, 4½c to 6½. Figs continue quiet. We quote: 1½ oz., 8 to 9c; 10 lb 8 to 10c; 18 lb, 12c; 28 lb, 15c; tays, 1½ to 1¾c, naturals, 6 to 7c. Demand continues good for California evaporated fruits. We quote: Peaches, 11 to 18c; apricots, 11 to 12c; pears, 10 to 12c per lb.—Canadian Grocer, March 15.

Toronto Live Stock Markets.

Butchers' Cattle.—At Toronto on Friday, March 15th, there was a firm tone. All the offerings were disposed of at good figures. Only the very poor stuff was hard to sell. Prices ruled about as follows.—Picked cattle, butchers', 3½ to 3¾c per lb., good cattle, 3 to 3½c per lb; medium, 2½ to 2¾c per lb; inferior and common, 2¼ to 2½c per lb. One or two choice lots sold for a fraction below 1c per pound.

Export Cattle.—Prices to-day were from 3 to 4c per lb. but the cattle taken were mostly bulls. Good thick steers fit for export will fetch 1½c per lb, but none of these are offering.

Stockers and Feeders.—Prices are purely nominal in the absence of offerings. About 2½ to 3c per lb. is the range.

Hogs.—There was a firm feeling. All sold early. Good long lean bacon hogs were fetch-

ing \$1.40 to \$1.50 per cwt, weighed off the cars, or about \$1.25 to \$1.35 fed and watered. Fat hogs were also slightly firmer, selling at from \$1.25 to \$1.30 per cwt, weighed off the cars.

Sheep and Lambs.—Really choice lambs are worth 5c per lb. To-day the ruling prices were from 4½ to 4¾ per lb. A bunch of mixed lambs and sheep sold for 1½c per lb; another lot, all lambs sold for 4¾c per lb; a batch of good lambs were sold yesterday at 4½c per lb. To-day 4½c per pound was refused.

The Hardware and Metal Trade

A meeting of the tack men was held in Montreal recently, at which it was stated that one firm were freely booking orders below the list rates. The question was raised, whether it would not be advisable to go back to the old quantity basis. After this had been discussed, it was decided to do so. Hereafter the basis on which the 5 per cent discount is allowed will be \$250 instead of \$150. This will pacify the firm which caused the trouble.

A meeting of the tinware manufacturers was held at Montreal recently, which was attended by representatives of all the leading firms. It was decided to withdraw some lines of goods from the association list, and these will henceforth be sold at open prices. The lines to be sold comprise pie plates, jelly plates and some classes of pieced ware.

There was a meeting of cut nail manufacturers at Montreal to discuss some matters over which some friction had arisen in the lower provinces. Everything was said to have been satisfactorily settled, and the members all expressed their determination to stick to the \$2.10 basis agreement, despite the cutting now being done by jobbers. They hold that the goods being offered by the latter at \$2 are stock produced during the depression at low prices, and that as soon as they are absorbed matters will adjust themselves.

Sales of ingot tin have been made at the remarkably low price of 14½ cost and freight Quebec, for spring delivery. Spot prices in Montreal are quoted at 16c to 16½c. Not many years ago the price was 25c to 26c.

Commercial Legislation.

An Act for the Prevention of Fraudulent Statements by Companies and Others" has been introduced into the Manitoba legislature. It provides that companies must not publish or circulate false statements in regard to their subscribed capital and their printed matter shall show only the actually subscribed capital. Companies, corporations or associations must not publish or make any false statements as to their incorporation, control, supervision, management or financial standing, intended to mislead or deceive the public. The penalty for such offences is a fine not to exceed \$200 and costs nor less than \$50 and costs, or imprisonment in default of payment.

It is proposed to amend "The Executions Act" of the Manitoba legislature, in respect to the exemptions allowed to farmers, by substituting the following paragraph: "Three horses, mules or oxen, six cows, ten sheep, ten pigs, fifty fowls, and food for the same during eleven months, provided that the word 'horses' shall include colts or fillies, the words 'oxen' and 'cows' respectively shall include calves, heifers and steers, provided also that the exemption as to horses over the age of four years, shall apply only in case they are used by the judgments debtor in earning his living."

A bill has been introduced in the Manitoba legislature to amend "The Assignments Act." It provides that in case of a property being

assigned to any person other than an official assignee, such person shall be subject to the provisions of "The Assignments Act." It also provides as follows: "2. In case of assignment to a person other than an official assignee, any three creditors of the debtor may by requisition signed by each thereof and filed with an official assignee require such official assignee to call a meeting of the creditors of the debtor who made such assignment, which meeting shall be called in the manner provided by "The Assignments Act." 3. If at such meeting of creditors a majority of the creditors present at the meeting, pass a resolution requiring the assignee above mentioned to transfer the debtor's estate to an official assignee, then the said first mentioned assignee shall forthwith execute to the official assignee mentioned in the resolution, a transfer of all the property, estate and effects of the debtor which became vested in him by virtue of the deed of assignment, and such transfer shall have the same effect as if the assignment had originally been made to such official assignee."

W. T. Wickham & Co., wholesale grocers Brantford, Ontario are in difficulties, and are offering their creditors 40 cents on the \$1. The firm's liabilities are about \$10,000.

ROLLER MILL FOR SALE

The executors of the estate of, J. F. Ferguson, Melita, invite tenders for the purchase of the interest of the estate in the above mill, which is estimated at about \$3,500. The mill is situated in Melita, and has a capacity of 100 barrels in 24 hours, is first class in every respect and has been in operation 15 months. It is in the centre of a large district furnishing good local trade, it is also well situated for merchant trade. For a man with some capital this is an excellent opportunity to acquire an interest in a good business property. For further particulars as to terms, etc., apply to R. M. White, grain exchange Winnipeg, or to J. L. Campbell, Melita.

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