

British Columbia Markets.

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By wire to THE COMMERCIAL.

Vancouver, Aug. 20, 1898.

The butter market is much firmer. Creamery is 1c higher. Eggs are scarce and firm. Ontario cheese is offering to lay down in Vancouver at 9½c, and is selling at 10½c jobbers prices. Manitoba cheese is held too high to sell here in competition with Ontario. Prices in grain and feed are easier, owing to advent of new crop. Flour is 30c lower, hay \$1 lower, millfeed, \$2 lower, oats, \$1 ton lower.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 20½c; Large lots about ½c under these quotations. Dairy, jobbers prices, 15 @ 16c. Round lots, dairy, 13 to 15c.

Eggs—Local, 25 @ 30c, as to quality; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 17c.

Cheese—Ontario, 10½c, jobbers price; cost laid down here, 9½c.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½ @ 13c; breakfast bacon 12½ @ 13c; backs 12½ @ 13c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11 @ 12½c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 11c per lb, in pails and tubs 10½c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c; fresh halibut, 6c; salmon, 6c.

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$13.00 per ton; California silver skin onions, 1½c; cabbage 2½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$6 box; bananas, bunch, \$2.75; plums, \$1.10 per box; peaches, California, \$1.30; grapes, \$1.65; pears, \$1.50 @ 1.75 box; apples, 1.75 @ \$2.00; tomatoes, \$1.50; greengages, \$1.25; prunes, \$1.25; St. Michael oranges, \$3.00; Mediterranean sweets, \$2.75; watermelons, \$4.25 doz.

Meal—Rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.80 2 45 pounds sacks \$2.90; 4 22½ pound sacks \$3.10; 10 7 sacks, \$2.50; Oatmeal, 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$5.40; strong bakers \$5.20; Oregon, jobbers price, \$5.25. Grain—Oats, 26.00 @ \$27.00 per ton; wheat, 26.00 @ \$28.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$25.00 per ton; ground barley, \$26 ton; shorts \$20 ton; bran \$18; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty, paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$12 to \$13 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7 @ 7½c; mutton 9c; pork 9c; veal 9c; Pemican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, \$3.60 dozen; fowl, \$6.00 dozen.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9 @ 10c; prunes, French 5 @ 7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6 @ 8½c lb.

Nuts—Almonds, 13c; filberts, 12½c; peanuts, 10c; Brazil, 12½c; walnut, 13c lb.

Sugars—Powdered, icing and bar, 6½c. Paris lump, 6½c; granulated, 5c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4½c; yellow 4½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tin, \$4.50 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, Aug. 20.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.45 @ 1.55; land iron, \$1.35 for Canadian and \$2.00 for imported; hoop iron \$2.

Sheet Steel—12-gauge, \$2.25 per 100 lbs; 16-gauge, \$2.40; 18 @ 20, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 22 @ 24, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 26, \$2.35 @ 2.45; 28, \$2.45 @ 2.55.

Galvanized Iron—16-gauge, 3½c; 18 @ 24, \$3.87½c; 26, 4½c and 28 at \$4.37½.

Lead—Pig, 4 @ 4½c; sheet, 4½ @ 4½c per lb; shot, cau., dis. 7½ per cent; pipe, dis. 25 per cent.

Black Iron—10 @ 12 gauge, \$2.25 @ 2.40 per 100 lbs; 14 @ 16 gauge, \$2.60 @ 2.70; 18 @ 20 gauge, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 22 @ 24 gauge, \$2.25 @ 2.35; 26-gauge, \$2.30 @ 2.40; 28-gauge, \$2.45 @ 2.55.

Coil chain—½ in., \$4.65; 5-16 in., \$3.75; ¾ in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; 1 in., \$3.10; 1½ in., \$2.80; 2 in., \$2.75.

Zinc—5½ @ 6c per lb.

Antimony—10½ @ 11c; solder 11½c @ 12½.

Ingot Copper—12½c @ 13 per lb.

Ingot Tin—18 @ 18½c.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do, 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.50; all-bright "Garth," \$2.60 per box; do, "alaska," \$3.00.

Tinplates—Cokes, \$3.00 @ 3.10 for 14x 20; do, squares, \$3.15 @ 3.25; \$6.25 for 20 x 23; charcoal plates, \$3.50 @ 3.60 basis for good brands.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ½ to ¾ inch, \$1.87 to 2.00; 1 inch, \$2.15 @ 2.20; 1½ inch, \$2.62½; 2 inch, \$3.60; 2½ inch, \$4.75; 3 inch, \$6.20; 4 inch, \$8.30. Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.50 @ 3.80; ¾ inch, \$4.20 @ 4.60; 1 inch, \$5.85 @ 6.20; 1½ inch, \$8.05 @ 8.25; 2 inch, \$11.00 @ 11.25.

Barb Wire—\$1.95, terms 30 days or 2 percent., ten days f.o.b. Toronto.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 35 per cent.; galvanized, 30 per cent.; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.80 @ 1.85.

Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

Horse Nails—Discount on regular brands, 50 per cent.

Horseshoes—Iron, light and medium pattern, \$3.10 @ 3.25 per keg, Toronto and Hamilton.

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½c and 10; round head bright, 80 and 10; flat head brass, 82½ and 10; round head brass, 75 and 10 per cent.

Bolts—Common carriage bolts, ½ @ 5-16, 70 per cent; tire bolts, 70 and 5; machine bolts, 60 and 10; blank bolts, 60 per cent; sleigh shoe bolts, 80 per cent; plough bolts, 60; stove bolts, 70 and 5; nuts, square, 4½c; hexagon, 5½c.

Rivets—Iron, 60 per cent; copper rivets, 45 per cent.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.60, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.00; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$4.50. Toronto, 4 months, or 3 per cent 30 days.

Green Wirecloth—\$1.20 per 100 square feet; terms, 4 months or 3 per cent for 30 days.

Spades and Shovels—Discounts 40 and 10 @ 45 and 2½ per cent.

Harvest Tools—Discounts 60, 10 and 5 per cent.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 10½c; ¾ in., 11c; 1 and 5-16 in., 11½c; Manila, 7-16 and larger, 13c; ¾, 13½c; 1 and 5-16, 14.

Binder Twine—11 @ 13½c.

Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Aug. 20.

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4 9-16c; yellows, 3½ @ 4½c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 28c @ 35c; special bright, 45c @ 50c. Molasses—West Indian, bris, 32c @ 45c; New Orleans, 28c @ 32; for medium and 35c @ 50c for bright.

Teas—Japanas, low grade, 15c @ 17c per lb; mediums, 18c @ 25c; fines, 30 @ 35c; Hysons, mediums 18c @ 24c; Congous, low grades, 10c @ 15c; mediums, 22c @ 25c, and fines, 40c @ 55c; Oolongs, 25c @ 65c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 8 @ 12c; Mocha, 23c @ 28c; Java, 22c @ 30c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.00 @ 1.05; peas, 70 @ 85c; sifted peas, \$1.05 @ 1.20; corn, 85 @ 95c; beans, 70 @ 90c; pumpkins, 70 @ 75c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.75; raspberries, 2's, \$1.50 @ 1.75; peaches, 2's, \$1.40 @ 1.65; 3's, \$2 @ 2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95c @ \$1; sock-eyes, \$1.17½ @ 1.30; mackerel, \$1.30 @ 1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1 65 @ 1.75; tall lbs, 2.10 @ \$2.65; flats, \$2.90 @ 3.00.

Nuts—Marbols, 11 @ 12c; filberts, Sicily, 10½ @ 11c; Greubole Walnuts, 12½ @ 13c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½ @ 4c; do Patna, 5½ @ 5½c; do Japan, 5½ @ 6½c.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk, 5c @ 5½c; fine, off-stalk, 5½c @ 6c; selected, 6½ @ 7c; layers, 6½ @ 7c; Provincial, currants, 6½ @ 7c; Filiatras, 7 @ 7½c; Patras, 7½c @ 8c; Vostizzas, 8c @ 9c; California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 10c @ 13c; pears, 6½c @ 11c; peaches, 9½c @ 10½c; prunes, 40's to 50's, 10½c @ 11c; 50's to 60's, 8½c @ 9c; 60's to 70's, 8c @ 8½c; 70's to 80's, 7½c @ 8c; 80's to 90's, 5½c @ 6c; 90's to 100's, 5½c. Bosnia prunes, 5½ @ 6½c; Sultanias, 9c @ 13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @ 15c per lb; citron, 18c @ 20c; lemon 11c @ 14c. Halloween dates, 5 @ 5½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.75 per box; black baskets, \$2.25; blue baskets, \$2.50; royal clusters, \$4.50; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 90c; Dehesia, clusters, \$1.25. Figs—Eleme figs, 10 oz., 7½c, 5, 10 and 12 lb boxes, 10 @ 12c; 6-crown; 12½c; 7-crown, 15c; bags, 4½ @ 5c; 4-lb Gleeve boxes, 14 @ 15c.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 20 @ 25; Cochin 12 @ 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 10 @ 12c; Ambboy, 18 @ 25c; allspice, 11 @ 14c; nutmegs, 60c @ \$1; cream tartar, pure, 25 @ 28c, 15 @ 20c for compound.

PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$16.00 @ \$16.50 for Canada mess; short cut, \$17; clear mess, \$15.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 8½c, ton and case lots, 8½c.

Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 11c; hams, large 10½c and 11c to 11½c for medium; rolls, 9c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 7½ @ 7½c; tubs, 8c; pails 8½c.

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