

TORONTO WHOLESALE TRADE.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, March 18.
Dry goods—Active in spring lines, Canadian goods are very firm, with upward tendency. Deliveries of bleached and white sheeting and pillow cottons by mills are backward. Brass pins are ten per cent higher. Low grades linen thread are fifteen per cent dearer. Cashmere hosiery fine grades are thirty to sixty cents higher. Cashmere gloves are dearer. Prices of class goods have been withdrawn and will be higher.

Hardware—Increased activity reported in this branch. Cut nails are ten cents higher again, at \$1.85. Barb wire and staples have also been advanced 25c per 100 pounds. Smooth wire is fifteen cents per 100 pounds dearer. English tower bolts 5 cents dearer. Turpentine varnishes are 20 to 25 cents per gallon dearer. Stove manufacturers have advanced prices ten per cent, which is the second advance within a short time. Whiting is 5 cents dearer. Canadian manufacturers have advanced the prices of woodenware 50 cents a dozen on tubs, 15 cents on confectionery pails, and 10 cents on ordinary pails. It is likely that tinware manufacturers will advance prices soon, as their material is costing higher. Wrought and galvanized iron pipe is excited and some makers have withdrawn prices. Others are asking an advance of 20 cents per 100 feet.

Groceries—More activity in this branch reported. More sugars are selling, and less United States sugar is offering. Teas are very active and firmer. To repeat recent orders private cable this week quoted 1c advance. Round lots of tomatoes are selling at 85c. Corn is strong at 90c bid and 85c asked. Coffee is firmer.

TORONTO GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

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Wheat deliveries have been light this week, owing partly to lower prices. Flour has advanced 15c per barrel. Oats are 1c lower. Green hides 1-4c lower. Dressed hogs 5c per 100 lbs. higher. Millfeed is 5c per ton lower. Barley 2c lower. Eggs 2 1-2c lower. Cheese 1-2c higher. Fleece wool 1c lower.

Flour—Manitoba patents, \$1.10 to \$1.20, Manitoba bakers, \$3.75 to \$4; Ontario straight roller, \$3 to \$3.15 per bbl. Toronto freights.

Wheat—Ontario winter wheat, 67 to 68c for cars at country points. No 1 hard 77 1-2c, Midland, 80 to 80 1-2c, North Bay.

Oats—White, 28 to 29c, for cars at country points.

Barley—No. 1, 45 to 46c, and 42c for No. 2 at country points for car lots.

Millfeed—Shorts, \$14.00 to \$16.00 per ton; bran \$13.00 to \$14.00 per ton at country points.

Oatmeal—\$3.60 in bags per barrel, and \$3.70 in wood for car lots.

Eggs—New laid, 31 to 32 1-2c.

Butter—Dairy, tubs, 10 to 13c; creamery, tubs, 19 to 20c.

Cheese—Choice 11c.

Hides—Cows, green, \$1-1c; green steers, 53-1c, cured hides, 9c; sheepskins and lambskins, 60 to 70c; calfskins, 8 to 10c; tallow, 4 1-4c.

Wool—Washed fleece, 14c; unwashed 1c.

Beans—\$1 to \$1.10 per bushel for hand picked.

Dressed hogs—\$1.95 to \$5.05 per 100 lbs. for car lots of mixed weights.

Dried apples—6c for round lots, evaporated, 9c to 9 1-2c.

Honey—5 1-2 to 6c in bulk; sections, \$1.25 to \$1.50.

Poultry—Turkeys, 12 to 13c; chickens, 40 to 75c a pair; geese, 7 to 8c. Seeds—Red clover, \$3.25 to \$3.75; alsike, \$3.50 to \$4.

TORONTO LIVE STOCK.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, March 14.

At the semi-weekly market to-day receipts were 50 carloads, including 550 sheep and lambs, and 1,800 hogs.

Cattle and sheep were steady and unchanged. Hogs firmer. Prices were: Export cattle, \$1.80 to \$5.10, light exporters, \$1.50 to \$4.75. Choice butchers, \$1 to \$4.25. Common butchers in excess of demand and dull at \$1 for poor to \$3.50 to \$3.75 for medium. Stockers easy at \$3.50 to \$3.80. Feeders, \$3.50 to \$4.

Sheep—Lambs 10c higher at \$4.50 to \$4.90. Sheep, \$3 to \$3.50.

Hogs—Good demand. Best bacon 12 1-2c higher at \$4.50, light fat 12 1-2c higher at \$1.12 1-2; thick fat unchanged at \$1.75. Sows, \$3, stags, \$2.

FRIDAY'S MARKETS.

Special to The Commercial.

Toronto, March 17.

Receipts of live stocks at the market to-day were 68 carloads of all kinds including 300 sheep and lambs and 1,500 hogs.

Butchers' choice cattle were 25c per 100 pounds dearer at \$1 to \$4.50. All other lines were sold at Tuesday's prices.

MONTREAL LIVE STOCK PRICES.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, March 14.

Receipts of cattle at the semi-weekly market at the East End abattoir yesterday were 350 head, and 75 sheep and lambs.

Trade was active. Choice cattle sold at 7 to 5 1-2c; good at 4 1-4 to 4 3-4c; fair at 3 1-2 to 4c; and poor at 2 1-2 to 3 1-4c. Sheep sold at 3 1-2c to 3 1-2c, and lambs at 4 1-2 to 5c. Receipts of hogs were fair at 4 1-4 to 4 1-2c per pound, weighed off cars.

THURSDAY'S MARKETS.

Montreal, March 17.

At the semi-weekly market yesterday receipts of cattle were 500 head, sheep and lambs light.

On Thursday the cattle market was easier. Best cattle ruled at 4 1-2 to 4 3-4c, fair to good 3 to 4c, other grades 2 1-2 to 3c; sheep, 3 to 3 1-2c; yearling lambs, 4 to 4 1-2c pound; spring lambs, \$2 to \$4 each; hogs, \$4.40 to \$4.70.

MONTREAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

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Montreal, March 18.

Oats are easier at a 1 1-2c decline. Flour is unchanged and the demand only local. Feed is quiet. Oatmeal has declined 5c. Eggs are arriving freely and the price has declined 1 1-2 to 2 1-2c on choice fresh. Dairy butter has advanced 1 1-2c on the top price for fresh dairy white rolls have gained 1c on the inside quotations. Creamery butter in boxes and tubs has advanced 1 1-2 to 3-1c per lb. Cheese is stronger at 1-1c advance. Potatoes are firmer at 55c straight. Poultry is dull and meats quiet. Country dressed hogs have advanced 1-1c, and abattoir stock has made a like advance. Prices are:

Oats—No. 2 white, 33 to 33 1-2 in store.

Flour—Prices to the trade delivered are: Manitoba strong makers, \$3.70 to \$3.90, Manitoba patents, \$1 to \$1.15.

Millfeed—Bran \$14.50 to \$15.00 per ton; shorts, \$16.50, including sacks.

Oatmeal—Rolled oats, \$1.75 to \$1.90 per bag.

Hides—No. 1 green city hides, 9c; No. 2, 8c; No. 3, 7c; calfskins, 8 to 10c, sheepskins 60 to 70c; lambskins, 70 to 75c, tallow, 3 1-2 to 4c.

Eggs—Choice fresh, 12 to 12 1-2c per dozen.

Butter—Choice, fresh dairy, 14 to 15c; rolls 15 to 16c; held stock 12 to 13c.

Butter—Creamery, boxes, 20 1-2 to 21c; tubs, 20c.

Cheese—Choice western, 10 1-2 to 10 3-4c.

Beans—95c to \$1.00 per bushel, as to quality.

Potatoes—In car lots, 55c.

Poultry—Dressed turkeys, 9 to 10c; ducks, 6 to 8c; geese, 3 to 4c; chickens 6 to 8c.

Dressed meats—Western fresh dressed beef, hinds, 5 to 8c; fores, 3 to 5c. Abattoir hogs in jobbing lots sold at \$5.75 to \$6; country dressed, \$5.20 to \$5.50 per 100 lbs. to retail dealers. Mutton 5 to 6 1-2c; lambs 7 to 8c.

MONTREAL GROCERY MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Montreal, March 18.

The grocery market is steady and trade satisfactory. Granulated sugar has advanced 5c, which makes the price \$4.35 at refineries. Other lines unchanged. Prices are:

Granulated sugar quoted at \$4.35 per 100 pounds at refineries; yellows, \$3.75 to \$4.15 molasses, 31c in car lots; syrups, 13-4 to 21-4c as to quality; Valencia raisins, 13-4 to 5 1-2c; Valencia layers, 6 1-2c; currants, 5 1-2 to 6 1-2c, as to brand; coffee, Rio, 8 to 10c; Mocha, 22 to 24c; Java, 22 to 24c; rice, Crystal, Japan, 5 1-2 to 5 3-4c; standard B, 3 3-4 to 4c.

MONTREAL HARDWARE MARKET.

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Montreal, March 18.—The market is very strong and advances are being looked for in many lines.

LIVERPOOL CHEESE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, March 17.—Cheese is quoted at 5 1-2d for both white and colored, an advance of 6d this week.

LIVERPOOL CATTLE MARKET.

Special to The Commercial.

Liverpool, March 17.—Cattle firmer. Quoted at 11 1-2 to 12c, estimated dressed weight. Sheep, 12 1-2 to 13 1-2c.

SUGAR.

Special to The Commercial.

London, March 17.—Spot beet firmer; March option, 9s 11 1-4d; April, 9s 11 1-4d.

NURSERY STOCK

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