

Market Review and Forecast

TORONTO, Feb. 22.—One of the most direct and pressing effects of the war at present felt in trade is the shortage of coal. One of the chief factors contributing to this shortage is the difficulty of securing shipping space fast enough to take care of deliveries at the initial warehouses and railroads. The initial warehouses are packed and many cars that would under normal conditions be quickly released, are standing idle with merchandise waiting for a locomotive is also a factor in the situation. An endeavor to overcome this by reducing the number of passenger trains and by borrowing locomotives from American roads has had the effect of making the condition, or at least, less severe. Embargoes on the shipment of the Michigan frontier, and a coal shortage, consequently, the tying up of large numbers of cars loaded with coal at the Niagara frontier, have been the most outstanding factors in connection with the freight congestion from the standpoint in which a premium is offered on small orders instead of on large ones, as is normally the case. Coal has dropped in some cities. The regular movement of stone and riprap, coal, which was seriously impeded both passenger and freight traffic.

WHEAT.
The railway situation is affecting wheat movements and trade is quiet. Quotations are: Manitoba wheat, track, \$1.94; No. 2, 1.84; Ontario wheat, according to grades outside, No. 2, winter, \$1.71 to \$1.75.

COARSE GRAINS.
Local trade on this market is quiet, as the railway situation is restraining much better than they have been during the last two or three weeks. Corn points east is held up by the embargo on all lines east of Toronto. The principal activity in corn is the receipt of complaints of non-delivery of orders tows oats, all paid delivered, and No. 2, C.W. 723; No. 2, extra No. 2, according to details outside, No. 2, white, 63c to 65c; No. 2, 62c to 64c; American corn, No. 3, yellow, \$1.14; subject to embargo; peas, No. 2, \$1.42; \$1.28; nominal; rye, No. 2, new, \$1.40 to \$1.42.

MILL FEEDS.
Cereals, delivered, Montreal freight, shorts, \$1.18; bran, 55c; good feed flour, bag, \$2.70 to \$2.80; shorts, \$1.20; shorts, \$2 to \$2.50; middlings, \$2 to \$2.50; middlings, \$2 to \$2.50.

HAY AND STRAW.
Hay, track here, extra No. 2, \$12 to \$1.50; mixed, \$9 to \$11; carlots, \$13. At Montreal, hay, No. 2, ricks, \$13.

POTATOES AND BEANS.
Potatoes are stronger with \$1.35 as the quoted price for Delamare. Wholesalers \$2.25 and Ontario potatoes of good quality at \$3.

Beans, Japanese, hand-picked, bushel, \$6.56; primo, \$6.75; Canadian, hand-picked, \$7.25; primo, \$6.75.

The impossibility of shipping red clover seed to England in time for spring planting on account of the scarcity of tonnage, will cause the holding over of British seed to remain at least until the immediate future. Alaska, No. 1, bushel, \$10 to \$10.50; No. 2, \$9 to \$9.50; No. 3, \$7 to \$8; rejected, \$4.25 to \$4.50; timothy, cut, \$5 to \$6.50; common grades, cut, \$3 to \$4; red clover, No. 1, bushel, \$9.75 to \$10; No. 2, \$9 to \$9.50; No. 3, \$8 to \$8.50.

EGGS AND POULTRY.
The egg trade is active, and buyers are keen in their efforts to obtain this product, as supplies of storage eggs in both Toronto and Montreal are reported to be almost exhausted. A supply of eggs to the market, and the stock is moving out rapidly. New-laid eggs, in cartons, are quoted at 45c to 50c; set-cartons, 55c to 65c; stores, 45c to 50c; No. 1 storage, 45c to 48c.

POULTRY.
Dressed, Spring chickens, lb. 33c to 35c (Geese, lb. 20c to 21c Ducks, lb. 15c to 16c

DAIRY PRODUCE.
The butter market remains unchanged in this branch of the trade, with a few lots being taken for outside points. Owing to the embargo still existing on the railway lines, and the difficulty to ship any cheese, it is impossible to ship new milk cheese with common this year in March, and it is expected that the usual quotations are: Butter, creamery, fresh made, 45c to 48c; storage, 45c to 48c; creamery solids, 45c to 48c; choice dairy primo, 37c to 38c; ordinary, new, large, 35c to 36c; twine, 35c to 36c; twine, 35c to 36c; twine, 35c to 36c.

LIVE STOCK.
Declines of 25 to 50 cents on choice cattle and on those of medium quality were noted during the week. There was an easier feeling on the market, and on this market, too, transportation difficulty opinion that prices are too high under existing conditions, and that further reductions can be expected. Quotations are about as follows: Choice, \$10.50 to \$11.50; good, \$9.50 to \$10.50; medium, \$8.50 to \$9.50; poor, \$7.50 to \$8.50; cow, \$7.50 to \$8.50; steer, \$7.50 to \$8.50; heifer, \$7.50 to \$8.50; calf, \$7.50 to \$8.50; pig, \$7.50 to \$8.50; lamb, \$7.50 to \$8.50; mutton, \$7.50 to \$8.50; goat, \$7.50 to \$8.50; horse, \$7.50 to \$8.50; mule, \$7.50 to \$8.50; pack animal, \$7.50 to \$8.50.

The demand for milk cows is expected to improve within a short time. Good choice milk cows, at \$12 to \$15; common, and med., \$8 to \$10; springers, \$5 to \$7; milk cows, \$10 to \$12; veal, \$1.50 to \$2; pig, \$7.50 to \$8.50; mutton, \$7.50 to \$8.50; goat, \$7.50 to \$8.50; horse, \$7.50 to \$8.50; mule, \$7.50 to \$8.50; pack animal, \$7.50 to \$8.50.

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