

14 steers and heifers	950 @	7.15
2 steers	900 @	7.15
8 steers and heifers	810 @	6.75
15 steers and heifers	870 @	6.70
4 cows	1,230 @	6.50
3 cows	1,200 @	6.25
8 cows	1,120 @	6.00
4 cows	1,130 @	5.75
26 cows	1,120 @	5.40
1 bull	1,550 @	7.50
1 bull	1,650 @	7.25
4 bulls	1,200 to 1,460 @	6.75
1 bull	1,100 @	6.50
4 bulls	980 @	6.00

Montreal, Jan. 24. — Active trading on the local live stock markets was resumed to-day as supplies of all kinds of dressed meats in butchers hands was small and this made the best demand evident since the alth holiday trade. There were a number of loads of very good butcher cattle offering, and most of these sold from \$7.80 to \$7.90 cwt. There were exceptions to this in the way of a few odd head of exceptionally fine stock which brought up to \$8, but this quality was scarce.

The demand for lambs was very good, but the scarcity of first quality caused prices to advance as high as \$10.50 cwt. Sheep, however, despite the good demand were holding steady.

There was a very strong feeling in the market for hogs and for the very best selects an advance of 15 cents cwt., to \$10.50, but the average sales were made at \$10.25 to \$10.35 cwt., all weighed off cars.

Good veal calves are in demand and many which have been fattened are now coming in and are bringing good prices. The general trend of the market is steady.

Receipts at the West End (G.T.R.) stock yards for last week amounted to 1,500 cattle; 600 sheep and lambs; 1,900 hogs and 300 calves. To-day's offerings were 1,250 cattle; 500 sheep and lambs; 1,300 hogs and 200 calves.

Receipts at the East End (C.P.R.) stock yards last week amounted to 625 cattle; 1,025 sheep and lambs; 1,150 hogs; 170 calves. To-day's offerings were 225 cattle; 250 sheep and lambs; 175 hogs and 25 calves.

Prices of live stock sold in round lots:		Per cwt.
Butcher steers very choice	7.80 to	7.90
Do., choice	7.50 to	7.75
Do., very good	7.00 to	7.25
Do., good	6.50 to	6.75
Do., fair	6.00 to	6.25
Do., medium	5.50 to	5.75
Butcher bulls	4.50 to	6.00
Canning bulls	3.75 to	4.25
Butcher cows, very choice	6.75 to	7.25
Do., choice	5.65 to	6.25
Do., good	5.00 to	5.25
Do., fair	4.50 to	4.75
Do., poor to medium	3.50 to	4.25
Do., canners	3.50 to	3.75
Sheep	6.50 to	7.00
Lambs, Western	9.50 to	10.50
Lambs, Quebec	8.75 to	9.00
Hogs, selects	10.25 to	10.50
Do., mixed lots	9.00 to	9.25
Do., sows	7.75 to	8.00
Do., stags	5.25 to	5.50
Calves, good veals	8.00 to	9.50
do., milk fed	9.00 to	10.00
Do., grass	4.00 to	5.00

FLOUR, CEREALS AND MILLFEED.

The continued advance in the Winnipeg wheat market throughout the past week has had the expected effect of advancing spring wheat flour prices 40 cents per barrel, and also to cause one of the bigger millers to mark up winter wheat grades 20 cents a barrel, but so far the latter is not general. There has been fair cable enquiry for spring wheat patents, but the advance here was not met in the foreign bids, and as a consequence there has been no orders worked of any size. The local and outside demand continues good, and mills are still operating at full capacity with very few exceptions, and this is due to the lack of sufficient cars owing to the freight congestion and the embargoes. It is hoped the export situation, as regards the movement of freight, will improve during the coming week, as more ships are arriving at St. John, and loading is being done on a larger scale at this writing. An embargo has been declared there, and when this is lifted, freight, now held up, will be moved forward, and there will be more cars for loading at flour mills. There are about 2,200 cars, mostly grain and flour, between Montreal and Portland, at present. Exports from the ports of St. John, N.B., and Portland, Me., for the week ended January 20, report-

ed as having arrived on the other side, amounted to 17,115 sacks, as compared with 104,346 sacks for the same period last year.

For millfeed there is an active demand for local and country account, and some is being sold for export to the United States, but new orders from the latter source at present cannot be accepted, in any great quantity, as millers, generally, are well sold up. Prices as yet have not followed the recent advances of flour, but the tone of the market is strong.

Despite the embargo placed upon rolled oats, which stopped them from being shipped to the United States, the limited supply of the raw material coming forward has curtailed supplies, and there are only small offerings of the prepared product, and as a consequence prices have been advanced in Montreal and Toronto 30 cents per barrel.

The Canadian Government continues to do all the buying of hay that is being done. The advanced price which recently offered, the local dealers say, cannot be met by them in such a way that they can make any profits out of the same. They are also making the statements that with the existing embargo, which bars exports to all except the Allied Governments, there is more hay accumulated in the country than the Government or the home market will want, and that much of this will be carried over. This does not seem to be so, however, in some districts, and farmers continue to hold on for the high prices the Government is paying.

Spring Wheat Flour:—		Montreal.	Toronto.
First patents, per bbls., in bags	7.30	6.80	7.00
Second patents do.	6.80	6.30	6.50
Strong clears do.	6.60	6.10	6.30
30c per bbl more in wood.			

Winter wheat flour:—		Montreal.	Toronto.
Fancy Patents	6.05	6.30	6.50
90 per cent. in wood	5.55	5.80	4.80
90 per cent. in bags	2.80	2.90	5.00

Cereals:—		Montreal.	Toronto.
Cornmeal, yellow, in bags, 98 lbs.	2.25	2.45	2.25
Rolled oats, per bbl., in wood	5.50	5.55	5.00
per bag	2.60	2.70	2.75
Rolled wheat, 100 lb bbl.	4.00	3.20	3.50
Rye flour, 98 lb. bag	2.65	2.80	3.00
Graham flour, 98 lb.	3.00	3.00	3.25
Barley pot., 98 lbs.	3.00	4.00	5.00
Barley, pearl, 98 lbs.	4.50	4.00	5.00
Whole wheat flour, 98 lbs.	3.25		

Baled Hay:—		Montreal.	Toronto.
No. 1 per ton	21.00	17.50	18.50
Extra Good, No. 2 do	20.50	15.00	16.00
No. 2 per ton	20.00	13.00	14.00
No. 3 per ton	18.50		

Mill-feeds:—		Montreal.	Toronto.
Bran, per ton	24.00	24.00	26.00
Shorts, per ton	25.00	26.00	26.00
Middlings, per ton	28.00	30.00	28.00
Feed Flour, per bag	1.65		
Moullie, pure grain grades, per ton	33.00		
Do., mixed	31.00		

Moullie prices includes bags.

PROVISIONS.

The market for provisions during the past week has been rather featureless except for the active trade which has been passing in live and dressed hogs. Prices for live hogs have been well maintained, in spite of heavy receipts, which is accounted for by the fact that packers have been buying hogs in large amounts at country points, and for this reason the greater part of the first class bacon hogs arriving during the week have gone direct to packing-houses. The supply, however, has only been in keeping with the demand which is large to fill the orders of bacon and hams for export account. These direct shipments have caused the offerings on the open market to be rather small, and for that reason prices have held up well at an average of \$10.25 to \$10.35 per cwt., all weighed off cars. The market for dressed hogs is firm under a fairly good demand, and sales are being made in a wholesale jobbing way at \$14 to \$14.50 per cwt., for fresh killed and dressed abattoir hogs and light weight country dressed at \$13 to \$13.25 per cwt.

Prices for smoked and dressed meats are stronger, as stocks in packers hands are not large, and the demand from the local trade and country buyers is heavier than usual at this season, and the export trade is taking all the surplus offerings.

Owing to the large number of hogs being killed the supply of lard is ample for all needs, and an

active trade is being done for all accounts at steady prices.

Current prices:—		Per lb.
Hams:—		
Smoked hams, 8-12 lbs.		0.20 1/2
Do., 12-20 lbs.		0.20 1/4
Do., 20-30 lbs.		0.17
Do., over 30 lbs.		0.16
Large boneless hams		0.18
Smoked rolls		0.17
Bacon:—		
Boneless Bacon		0.22
Windsor Bacon		0.23
Windsor Bacon, Boneless		0.25
Smoked Wiltshires		0.20
Green Wiltshires		0.15 1/2
Barrel Pork:—		Per bbl.
Short cut pork		23.00
Half Barrel		15.00
Clear Fat Pork, 30-40		23.50
Clear Fat Pork, 40-50		23.00
Clear Fat Pork, 20-30		27.50
Meas Pork		24.50
Barrel Beef:—		
Meas Beef		20.00
Plate Beef		24.00
Pure Lard:—		per pound
Tierces		0.14 1/2
Tubs		0.14 1/2
Pails		3.00
Tins		2.50
Cases, 3, 5, 10's		0.15 1/2
Prints		0.16
Compound Lard:—		
Western Grades:—		
Tierces		0.12 1/2
Tubs		0.12 1/2
Pails		2.55
Tins		2.45
Cases, 3, 5, 10's		0.13 1/2
Prints		0.13 1/2
Quebec Grades:—		
Tierces		0.12 1/2
Tubs		0.12 1/2
Pails		2.55
Tins		2.45
Cases, 3, 5, 10's		0.13 1/2
Cooked meats:—		
Roast shoulders pork		0.28
Roast legs of pork		0.28
Cooked hams, rind off		0.29
Head cheese, 1's, dozen		0.55
Do., 6's		0.68
Jellied pork tongues		0.26
Blood pudding		0.07
White pudding		0.08
Jellied beef tongues		0.26
Beef hams, tongues		0.20
Pressed beef		0.25

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES.

The matter of chief interest in the fruit market is the scarcity of lemons. The market is practically bare. The reason is that deliveries from Mediterranean ports are very few, and that some large cargoes shipped have been sent to the bottom by the enemies' war machines. The scarcity of Fameuse apples in the local market caused prices to advance 50 cents per barrel at this week's fruit auctions, but the prices of Baldwins took a drop of 50 cents. All other apples show no change. There are few oranges offering, as the season has been bad in California, so much rain falling that producers have been unable to pack, and this has delayed shipments, and is causing a steady advance in prices. The scarcity of cranberries has caused a general advance in all brands, Nova Scotias are up \$1 and Cape Cods \$1.50 per barrel, with the former very scarce.

In vegetables, onions are mounting to exorbitantly high prices, and red and yellow are now quoted at \$4 per bag, and prospects are for still higher prices. Potatoes too are still holding at the same high level, with no prospects of any change, as the supply is scarce. California celery has advanced 50 cents per crate. Hothouse tomatoes are scarce. The few Cuban tomatoes offering are unsuitable for use here, as they are green and poor ripeners. Owing to the losses sustained by local wholesalers on Florida lettuce, which was not of as good a quality as the Boston stock sold subsequent to the arrival of the southern stuff, though the quantity was greater per hamper, no more will be imported. Curly lettuce has advanced 50 cents per four dozen box, and beets the same amount to \$1 per bag.

Fruit.

Apples:—		Per cwt.
Fameuse, No. 1's		7.00
McIntosh Reds		6.00
Starks		5.00
Spys		6.50
Ben Davis		4.00
Russets		4.50
Greenings		4.50
Baldwins		4.00
Bananas, bunches		2.00
Cranberries, Cape Cod, bbl.		12.00
Cranberries, Nova Scotia, bbl.		8.50
Grapefruit, 46-54-64-80-96		2.50
GGrapes, Malaga, heavy weight, bbl.		7.00