

## British Columbia Markets.

[All quotations unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

BY WIRE TO THE COMMERCIAL.

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Dairy produce is steady at unchanged prices. Flour has declined 30c per barrel. Oats are \$1 per ton higher. There is a big demand for poultry at the prices quoted below. The market is well supplied with Ontario stock in this line. The Xmas trade generally has been the largest on record here, but prices are closer than in previous years, owing to increased competition.

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 23c for August and 23½¢ for September make; choice dairy, jobbers price, 18c; Off-grade or cooking 16½¢.

Eggs—Local, 50c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 19½¢.

Cheese—Ontario, 11½¢, jobbers price.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½¢; breakfast bacon 12½¢; backs 12½¢; short clear 10½¢; short rolls 10½¢; smoked sides 11½¢; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10½¢ per lb, in pails and tubs 9½¢ lb.

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

Vegetables—Potatoes, \$10@11 per ton, Ashcroft, \$16 @ 17c; California silver skin onions, 1½¢; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$4.50 @ 5 box; grapes, \$1.50@1.60; pears 60c @ 1.50 box; apples, 65c per 50 lb. box; Valencia oranges, \$3.25, Japanese oranges 65c.

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 \$5.00; strong bakers \$4.40; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.45.

Grain—Oats, 18.00 @ \$20.00 per ton; wheat, 23.00 @ \$25.00 per ton;

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$23.00 per ton; shorts \$20 ton; bran \$18; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$8 to \$10 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef, 7@7½¢; mutton 8@8½¢; pork 7@8c; veal 10 @ 10½¢; Pemican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, \$3.50 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$4.00 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$7.00 per 100 lbs; cows, 3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Turkeys, 13½¢@14c lb; geese and ducks, 12½¢@13c; chickens, 12¢@13c.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½¢ per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9@10c; prunes, French 5½¢@7½¢; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6@8½¢ lb.

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

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

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 2½¢ pound; 16 gallon kegs, 2½¢; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each, 1 gal. tins, \$4.50 case of 10, ½ gallon tins, \$5.25 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½¢; good 18c; choice 20c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

## Toronto Hardware Market.

Toronto, Dec. 24.

Pig Iron—Canadian, \$13.50@14.00.

Bar Iron—Base price, \$1.35 @ 1.45; band and hoop iron, \$1.05@1.15.

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, \$3.75; 18 @ 24, \$4.00; 26, \$4.25 and 28 at \$4.50.

Lead—Pig, 4c; sheet, 4½¢ @ 4½¢ per lb; shot, Can., dis. 7½¢ per cent; pipe, ordinary, 7c; composition waste, 7½¢ with 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, \$2.80@2.90; 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; in., \$3.25; 7-16 in., \$3.15; ½ in., \$3.10; in., \$2.80; ¾ in., \$2.75.

Sheet Zinc—7½¢@8c per lb.

Antimony—10½¢@11c; solder 18@14c.

Ingot Copper—13@13½¢ per lb.

Ingot Tin—21@21½¢.

Canada plates—Half-polished. 52-sheet boxes, \$2.35; do, 60-sheet boxes, \$2.40; dull 75-sheet boxes, \$2.25; all-bright "Garth," \$2.85 per box; do, "Alaska," \$3.00.

Tin Plates—Prices unchanged at \$4.75 @ \$5.00 for I.C., \$6.00 @ \$6.25 for I.X. and \$7.25 to \$7.50 for I.X.X.

Iron Pipe—Black pipe, per 100 ft., ½ to ¾ inch, \$2.25@2.30; 1 inch, \$2.30@2.35; ¾ inch, \$2.80; 1 in., \$3.95; 1½ in., \$5.20; 1½ inch, \$6.75; 2 inch, \$9.10; Galvanized, ½ inch, \$3.95; ¾ inch, \$4.80; 1 inch, \$6.75; 1½ inch, \$7.15; 2 inch, \$11.75; 2 inch, \$16.00.

Barb Wire—\$1.75 f.o.b., Cleveland and \$1.85 from stock Toronto. Terms, 30 days or 2 per cent. 10 days.

Fence Wire—Annealed, oiled and annealed, 37½¢ per cent; galvanized, 30 per cent; terms 4 months or 3 per cent. 30 days. Bright wire 35 per cent.

Nails, Wire—Base price, \$1.75.

Cut Nails—\$1.75 base price, with 5c keg, Toronto, Hamilton, London and Montreal.

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

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

Screws—Flat head bright, 87½¢ per cent; round head bright, 80 per cent; flat head brass, 82½¢ per cent; round head brass, 75 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, 4½¢; hexagon, 5½¢.

Rivets—Iron, 60 per cent; copper rivets, 30c per pound.

Glass—First break in 50-foot boxes, \$1.80, and in 100-foot boxes, \$3.50; double diamond, under 25 united inches, \$5.50. 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.

Rope—Sisal, 7-16 in. and larger, 9½¢; ¾ in., 10½¢; ½ and 5-16 in., 10½¢. Manila, 7-16 and larger, 10½¢; ¾, 1½¢; ½ and 5-16, 11½¢.

Tar-pentine—63c.

## Toronto Grocery Market.

Toronto, Dec. 24:

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4.58c; yellows, 3.82@4.32c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup medium, 30c@32c; special bright, 35c@42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c@45c; New Orleans, 20@30c; for medium and 35c@47c for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 16c@20c per lb; Young Hysons, seconds 16c@19c; firsts, 25c@45c; Indian, 18c@50c; Congous, low grades, 10c@15c; mediums, 22c@25c, and fines, 40c @ 55c; Ceylons, 17c @ 25c; Formosa Colongs, 25c @ 65c.

Coffees—Green, Rio, 7½@11½¢; Mocha, 23c@28c; Java, 30c@32c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, 85 @ 95c; peas, 80c@1.10; sifted peas, \$1.05@1.20; corn, 95c@1.10; beans, 80c@90c; pumpkins, 70c@75c; strawberries, 2s, \$1.50 @ 1.80, raspberries, 2s, \$1.60@1.75; peaches, 2s, \$1.55@1.65; 3s, \$2.50@2.65. Coloe's salmon, \$1.15@1.20; sock-eyes, \$1.50@1.60; lobsters, halves, \$1.75 @ 1.80; tail lbs, \$2.80; flats, \$3.10.

Nuts—Marbols, 11½¢; filberts, Sicily, 9c @ 10c; Grenoble Walnuts, 12½@13c.

Rice—Rice, bags, 3½¢@4c; do. Patna, 5½ @ 6c; do. Japan, 6@6½¢.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off stalk 4½¢; fine off-stalk, 4½¢@5c; selected, 5½¢@5½¢; layers, 6@6½¢; Provincial; currants 4½¢@5c; Filiatras, 4½¢@5½¢; Patras, 6c; Vostizas, 6½¢@8c. California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 17 @ 18c; pears, 9c @ 10c; prunes, 70's to 80's 7½ @ 7½¢; 80's to 90's 6½@7c; 90's to 100's, 5½@6c. Bosnia prunes, 5½@6½¢; Sultanias, 11c@13c. Peel—Orange, 12c @ 13c per lb; citron, 17c @ 20c; lemon 10½¢ @ 11c. Halloween dates, 6@6½¢. Malaga, London layers, \$1.75@1.90 per box; black baskets, \$2.40; blue baskets, \$2.50, royal clusters, \$4.00; quarter flats—London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters \$1.25.

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 25c; Cochin 20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15 @ 18c; Amboyna, 18@25c; allspice, 20c; nutmegs, 50c@1.10; cream tartar, pure, 25@28c, and 18@25c for compound.

## PROVISIONS.

Mess Pork—\$15.00 for Canada mess; short-cut, \$15.50; clear mess, \$14.00.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7½¢, ton and case lots, 7½¢.

Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 10½¢; hams, large 10c and 10½¢ for medium; rolls, 8½¢; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tubs, 6½¢@7c

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