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THE PROVISION MARKETS.

TORONTO.

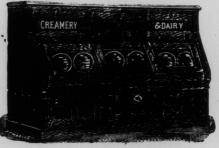
The market for dressed hogs has advanced 25 to 50c. per 100 lb. owing to the good demand that has lately sprung up for them. The receipts are small. Hindquarters of beef are down 50c. to \$1 per 100 lb., and all kinds of beef are active. The live hog market is 12 1/2 c. easier than last week owing to a slight decline on the English market. The arrivals are free and the buying fairly active. We quote: Dressed hogs, \$9.25 to \$9.75; beef carcasses, \$6.50 to \$8.00 per 100 lb.; hind quarters, \$7.50 to \$9.00 per 100 lb.; front quarters, \$4.50 to \$5.50 per 100 lb.; veal, 8 to 9c. per lb., and lambs, 7 to 8c. Select live hogs are worth \$7.121/2 and fat and lights, \$6.871/2 per 100 lb. Choice export cattle are worth \$5.25 to \$5.75 per 100 lb., and lights, \$4.25 to \$5.

Business in all lines of provisions is active, and stocks of cured meats are getting light. In view of the heavy demand for lard that has recently sprung up the market for it is strong. Quotations follows: Long clear bacon, II to II½c.; smoked breakfast bacon, I4½ to I5c.; roll, I2 to 12½c.; medium hams, I3½ to I4c.; large hams, I2½ to I3c.; shoulder hams, II to I1½c., and backs, I4½ to I5c.; Canadian heavy mess pork, \$21.50; short cut, \$23.50 to \$24; lard, in tierces, I0¾ to IIc. per lb.; tubs, II to II¼c., and pails, II¼ to I1½c.; compounds, 8¾ to I0¼c; plate beef, \$15 per 200 lb. bbl.

MONTREAL.

Trade in provisions continued to be fairly satisfactory during the week. In smoked meats business is up to the average for this season of the year. Lard is in some demand, both pure and compound moving fairly well, and at unchanged prices. It is reported that on account of a large quantity of American pork being put on this market that a very little Canadian short cut mess pork has appeared on the market.

In dressed hogs there has been an advance of 25c., and the market is firm at the new figure. A fair jobbing trade is doing in fresh-killed abattoir dressed hogs, there being a good demand from butchers for



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