

# SWEET CAPORAL



## CIGARETTES STANDARD OF THE WORLD

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WHOLESALE HOUSES.

### MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, 21st Feb., 1906.

**Ashes.**—There is an almost total absence of business, and quotations are more or less nominal at \$5.15 to \$5.20 for first pots; seconds, \$4.65; thirds, \$3.70; No. 1 pearls, \$6.50 to \$7 per cental.

**Dairy Products.**—In cheese there is really nothing doing of any consequence, and quotations are barely steady, with about 13c. quoted for finest Western makes. For best grades of creamery butter 22 to 22½c. is quoted, with under grades ranging down to 20½c.; dairy makes quote all the way from 18 to 20c. per pound.

**Dry Goods.**—A good many of the travellers are now home from their trip, getting samples revised, and it is not calculated that much can be done in the way of sorting business until after the spring millinery openings, which are fixed for the 5th, 6th and 7th of March, both here and in Toronto. Deliveries from warehouse are brisk, and a fair proportion of orders are being booked for fall underwear, etc. The Canadian Colored Cotton Co. advise an advance in cotton blankets.

**Furs.**—Raw furs keep coming in quite freely, the assortment offering being well varied, and the quality as yet showing no deterioration. Prime skins readily command good prices, and we quote: No. 1 large beaver, \$6 to \$7; medium ditto, \$5 to \$5.50; kilts, \$2; black bear, \$15 for large No. 1, \$10 for medium, and \$5 for small; badger, 40 to 60c.; fisher, \$6 to \$7 for fine dark; red fox, No. 1 Northern, \$3.50; Eastern and Ontario, No. 1, \$3; No. 1 silver fox, \$100 to \$175; cross fox, \$7

to \$10 for dark; wolverine, \$7 for No. 1 dark; other grades, \$2 to \$5; lynx, \$6 to \$7 for No. 1; marten, Western and British Columbia, No. 1, \$6 to \$7; Eastern ditto, \$4.50 to \$5; mink, \$7 to \$8 for large No. 1, and \$4 to \$6 for medium; winter rats, 16 to 18c. for large; otter, No. 1 large, dark Labrador, \$30, and \$15 for Western; coon, \$1.75 to \$2.50; skunk, \$2 for No. 1 prime black, \$1.50 for short stripe, other grades 30 to 75c.

**Groceries.**—Business is reported better than in January, but collections are not altogether as good as they might be. The American sugar market is reported rather firmer, but local quotations remain at \$4 for standard granulated in barrels, and \$3.95 in bags, with yellows ranging down to \$3.55 in bags. A cable received yesterday from Barbados quotes new molasses at 14c., first cost, being an advance of half a cent since last week. At the late reduction the local jobbing quotation for Barbados in single puncheons is 32c.; barrels 34½c., and half-barrels, 35½c. Rice, which has been subject to some fluctuation, is now steady at \$3.15 for standard B quality. Sago keeps advancing, and it is figured would now cost 5½c. to lay down. Valencia raisins are held quite stiffly, with reported light stocks both here and abroad. In evaporated apples the advance is phenomenal, packers now quoting 11½c., while ordinary dried apples are held at 6 to 7c. in a jobbing way. Canned tomatoes are further advanced to \$1.05, and an advance in corn is shortly looked for.

**Hides.**—Owing to deterioration in quality and impaired demand there is, if anything, a tendency to further easiness in the hide market, and dealers claim to be only paying 10½c. per pound for No. 1 country hides, and 11c. for No. 1 city stock. Calfskins are easy at 12c. per pound for No. 1, and 10c. for No. 2. No new lambskins are yet being received, and quotations in this article remain as before.

**Leather.**—While the present demand is not particularly brisk, and the hide market shows some weakness, all values in leather are very firmly held. No. 2 manufacturers' sole is held at 25c., some asking 25½c. for selected lots; jobbing sole is scarce, and No. 2 is quoted at 26c.; slaughter sole, 29 to 30c. All lines of black and fancy leathers are very firmly held.

**Metals and Hardware.**—About the only change to be noted since a week ago is a decline in lead pipe, owing to the recent easing off in pig lead, but almost immediately after the local manufacturers had decided to increase the discount from list from 15 to 20 per cent. pig lead began to crawl up again, and is now quoted about ten cents higher at \$4.40 to \$4.45. Copper is steady at 20 to 20½c.; ingot tin, 39½ to 40c.; spelter, 7 to 7¼c.; sheet zinc, 8 to 8¼c.; antimony, 16½ to 17c. All manufactures of iron are steady at last week's figures.

**Oils and Paints.**—Turpentine has shown a rather strong tendency to advance of late, and is generally held at 96c. per gallon for single barrels, while some are of the opinion that quotations may run up to the dollar mark. Linseed oil is steady at 56c. per gallon for raw, and 59c. for boiled in an ordinary way. Ground white leads are firm at the advance noted last week. Paris green is a shade easier at about 17½c. in pound packets. Window glass, putty, etc., remain as last quoted. All gums for the manufacture of varnishes, shellacs, etc., show a steady strengthening.

### TO COBALT IN THE SPRING.

In that breezy weekly of Pratt & McIvor, the Cobalt "Free Press," is a poem written by "Heraldo Rosario Holmes," which is a good name for a poet. We give the main part of it:

Cobalt is the Silver Camp  
Of silver camps the king,  
And, like Aladdin's famous lamp,  
Twill be shining in the spring.

Chorus—In the spring, in the spring,  
We are all bound for Cobalt in the spring.

The prospects there are bright, they say,  
There's no corner in the ring,  
So I'm longing for the May day,  
And Cobalt in the spring.

Chorus—In the spring—

'Tis far away in Northland,  
Close to deep Temiskaming,  
Where they've found that silver treasure  
That will fire me in the spring.

Though the water be off color,  
And in hammock one must swing,  
We will coin the silver dollar,  
There in Cobalt in the spring.

The bloom is bright and shining,  
And has proved the surest thing  
That has yet been found in mining,  
So 'tis "Cobalt in the spring."

The Argentina miner;  
With his kit and camp a-sling,  
Will be on the Grand Trunk diner,  
Bound for Cobalt in the spring.

California's "forty-niner"  
Cobalt's fame is sure to bring,  
When the sun becomes a shiner,  
On the mossy banks in spring.

The Mexican vaquero;  
And Slocan's silver king,  
Will race like a ranchero  
To reach Cobalt in the spring.

From Rosario to Tokio,  
They are packing everything  
That the grub-staked hardy miner  
Will be wanting in the spring.

Through the deep shade of the pine  
tree  
There's the cloud with silver lining  
That the whole world wants to see  
Over Cobalt in the spring.