

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.

Vancouver, Nov. 19, 1898.

Complaints regarding the quality of the butter from the Territorial creameries continue, but it is stated that some of the creameries are shipping a first class article, among them the Moose Jaw and Saskatoon. Prime butter, now on the way here will probably sell higher than our figures. Eggs have advanced 10c since last week for local stock. Valencia oranges are up 50c, Japanese oranges are now in the market, we quote:

Butter—Creamery, jobbers price, 22½@23c; choice dairy, jobbers price, 18@19c.
Eggs—Local, 50c; Eastern eggs, jobbers prices, 19c; Pickled eggs 19c.

Cheese—Ontario, 11@11½c, jobbers price
Cured Meats—Hams 12½@13c; breakfast bacon 12½@13c; backs 12½@13c; short clear 10½c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11@12½c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 10c per lb, in pails and tubs 9½c 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, 1½c; cabbage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12.00 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons, \$5 box; grapes, \$1.50 @ 1.60; pears, \$1 @ 1.25 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 \$5.30; strong bakers \$5.00; Oregon, jobbers price, \$4.75.

Grain—Oats, 17.00 @ \$19.00 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@7½c; mutton 10@10½c; pork 7@8c; veal 10 @ 10½c; 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—Chickens, \$4 @ \$6 dozen.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots 10½c per lb; peaches 9c; plums, 9@10c; prunes, French 5@7½c; loose muscatel raisins, 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 box; Italian prunes, 6@8½c lb.

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

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

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

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 0c; choice, 35c lb.

Western Business Items.

Edwin Grout, is opening in hardware at Minto, Man., a new town on the Northern Pacific extension.

Heppner & Kintz, general store, Plum Coulee, Man., are reported to be discontinuing business.

A. T. Andrews, drugs, of Gladstone, is opening a branch at Plummas.

D. Gibson is opening in hardware at Souris, Man.

D. W. Maclean & Co., grocers, Winnipeg, have sold out to Geo. Galbraith.

McDonald & Skinner, publishers, South Edmonton, have dissolved partnership.

The Royal Crown Soap Co., of Winnipeg, has bought out the Standard Soap Works of Vancouver.

Westbourne, Nov. 17.—Most of the wheat is threshed around here. But a very small percentage of it was in any way damaged.

R. S. Norton has returned from the Pacific coast.

James Bradley has opened business in shoe making and repairing and harness, etc., at Austin.

J. Blakeman and J. Robins have formed a partnership in the implement trade at Virden, where they have rented the old Patterson warehouse and will open at once.

The stock of general merchandise of Hallonquist & Co., Napinka, will be sold by public auction in a retail way.

Mr. Madder is making preparation for building lumber sheds at Douglas, Man., where he will go into the lumber business. Mr. Munro, blacksmith is also going into the lumber business at Madford.

Assiniboia.

The old established firm of Swet & McDonald, saddlers, Regina has been dissolved, each continues alone.

A. Knowles has disposed of his general store at Wapella to J. Franks, of Hyde.

Mr. Nugent, implements, Wapella, has sold out to Wm. Martin, and talks of starting a general store.

Northwood & Garner, livery, Wapella, have dissolved partnership. Northwood retires.

I. Robinson has purchased the Queen's hotel at Broadview.

James G. Cumling, of Fleetwood, has bought out E. C. Flook's restaurant business at Whitewood.

Manitoba Country Markets.

Prices for wheat to farmers at Manitoba country markets were reduced 1c per bushel on Wednesday of this week to a basis of 51c per bushel for No. 1 hard, and other grades in proportion, at points having a 16 1-2 and 17 1-2 cent freight rate to Fort William, and this reduction was held throughout the week. On this basis quotations were as follows: No. 1 hard, 51c; No. 2 hard and No. 1 northern, 47 to 48c; No. 3 hard, No. 2 northern, and No. 1 spring, 43 to 44c. Prices, however, varied greatly in different markets accordingly as they were influenced by local conditions, and at some points 1 to 3c higher was freely paid. A good many good samples of 2 hard and 1 northern have also been taken at the price paid for 1 hard, and though 51c is the general quotation for 1 hard, the average price paid has been considerably above this figure. At 18 1-2 and 19 1-2 cent freight rate points, prices are quoted 1c under above quotations, and at 20 1-2 cent freight rate points, 2c under quotations. Deliveries of

farmers have been fairly liberal this week, ranging between 150,000 and 175,000 bushels per day.

IMPORTANT LUMBER DEAL.

It is rumored that one of the big Lake of the Woods lumber manufacturing concerns will shortly take over a Winnipeg retail lumber business, and thereafter carry a stock of lumber here. It is also again rumored that one or more of the Lake of the Woods saw mills will be moved to Winnipeg and set up on the Red river.

WEATHER AND CROPS.

Fleming, Nov. 15.—Threshing is about completed and the machines are all being put up for the season. There is very little damp wheat in this district.

Whitewood, Nov. 16.—Threshing is now almost complete. Returns are good and the sample is much better than some people expected. Every pickle of grain in this district is of good marketable quality, and our farmers on the whole are well pleased.

SASKATCHEWAN.

G. R. Russell, butcher, Prince Albert, has taken his brother Norman into partnership with him. The firm will be known as G. R. Russell & Bro.

J. E. Spence has opened an auction room and a real estate and insurance business at Prince Albert.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

New York Nov. 18.—Stocks opened irregular. Atchison 16 1-4; Burlington, ex-dividend, 119 1-2; Missouri Pacific 36 3-4; Northwest 138; Northern Pacific 40 3-8; do, preferred 75 1-4; People's Gas 107 7-8; Rock Island 108 3-8; Sugar 120 3-4; St. Paul 113 3-8; Southern preferred 38 1-4; Tobacco 138; Union Pacific 34 7-8; do, preferred 68 3-8; Western Union 93 1-4.

Money on call nominally at 2 to 2 1-2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3 to 4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady at \$1.85 to 1-4 for demand, and at \$1.82 1-2 for sixty days. Posted rates \$1.83 and \$1.86 1-2. Commercial bills \$1.81 to 1-2. Silver certificates 60 7-8 to 61 1-2. Bar silver 60 5-8. Mexican dollars 47 1-8. Government bonds strong.

LONDON MONEY.

London, Nov. 18.—4 p. m.—Money, 2 1-2, discount on short bills and 3-months' bills, 3 3-8.

NOTES.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William on Nov. 12 were 1,056,000 bushels.

There was an advance in the New York sugar market again on Tuesday.

Cable advices reported a stronger market for pepper.

There is a firm and advancing market for nuts of nearly all varieties, says the New York Journal of Commerce.

A year ago this week The Commercial reported that the great bulk of the wheat crop was out of the farmers' hands. This year the movement is only nicely started.

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