

affect the market to any extent. It is probable therefore that the price of No. 1 hard wheat in this market will now come more into line with its value for flour-making than it has done for some weeks past. This value has been about 90c to 92c in store Fort William, but with the advance in United States markets the last three days No. 1 hard in store Fort William is nominally worth 95c, and will sell at that if outside markets hold the advance they have made.

MILLFEED—The demand keeps good but notwithstanding this, prices have been reduced 50c per ton. We quote bran at \$11.50 and shorts \$13.50 per ton in bulk. Large lots \$1 per ton less.

FLOUR—The market is more regular, the wide range in prices reported last week having disappeared. We quote \$2.55 for patent, \$2.35 for strong bakers, \$1.85 for second bakers, and \$1.25 for XXXX.

GROUND FEED—Ground feed is quoted at \$28 to \$31 per ton, as to quality for oats. Ground corn is held at \$18 to \$19 per ton. A mixed corn feed is quoted at \$23 to \$24 per ton.

CORN—Sales have been made at 43 1-2 to 45c on truck here, per bush. of 56 pounds.

BARLEY—Nominal at 45 to 50c per bushel of 48 lbs.

OATS—Held about the same as last week at 47c, for card here.

BUTTER—Creamery—Purchases have mostly been made at about 16c at factories. The make is expected to be large during the next two months, owing to the fine condition of the pastures since the recent rains. Our British Columbia advices this week are dull and easy for butter, but the Montreal market is firm.

BUTTER—Dairy—Values are about the same as a week ago. Round lots of good, fresh quality, will bring 12c here, and we quote 10c to 12c here as to quality, or equal to 11c for good fresh lots in the country. The demand for dairy butter is slow. There is no local demand, as previously reported, as farmers are supplying city retail dealers at low prices, and the British Columbia demand for dairy grades is slow, as a larger quantity of fresh local butter is being offered in British Columbia markets this year than formerly. This indicates that British Columbia farmers are beginning to give more attention to butter, and their local butter, which is put on the market fresh, is preferred to the Manitoba article. Unless our butter is marketed promptly while it is fresh and sweet it will not compete with the local article.

CHEESE—The market has held fairly steady at about the price paid last week, and we again quote 7c to factories. Some factories have made a great mistake by shipping cheese too green this season, and this has created some prejudice against Manitoba cheese in British Columbia markets. The general quality of the Manitoba product shows an improvement over previous years, but this shipping of green cheese has been a great mistake.

EGGS—The market holds steady and firm. Dealers are still paying 11 1-2c net for receipts. The Commercial representative at Vancouver again complains about the poor condition of Manitoba eggs, which have been received in that market. This refers to eggs shipped by country dealers. Eggs forwarded from Winnipeg by regular shippers, are all repacked and candled here before they are shipped

west. Country shippers who send eggs to British Columbia markets should candle them over at this season of the year, before shipping. Another trouble is that eggs are held too long at country points. They should be shipped almost daily during the warm weather. Winnipeg, however, has been a better market for eggs than western towns for merchants at provincial points, especially for broken lot shipments.

DRESSED MEATS—The market holds steady. We quote dressed hogs at 7 1-4 to 7 1-2c. Beef is quoted 7 to 7 1-2c Mutton 8c to 9c as to quality. Veal, 7 to 8 1-2c as to quality. Lambs \$2.50 to \$4 each.

DRESSED POULTRY—Good chickens will bring 60c to 70c per pair live, spring chickens 25c to 30c per pair; turkeys 10c per lb. live weight or 15c dressed.

VEGETABLES—Prices are: Potatoes, 35 to 40c per bushel; onions, imported Egyptian, 3c per lb.; cabbage, 2c per lb; new cabbage, 4c per lb.; turnips, 20c to 25c per bushel; Green stuffs is offering at 15c for onions, lettuce and radishes, per dozen bunches; rhubarb, 12 1-2 cents per dozen bunches; asparagus, 40c per dozen bunches; spinach, 2 to 3c lb. cucumbers, 75c dozen.

HIDES—Hides are firm at prices quoted a week ago. We quote green hides, No. 1, 7 1-2c; kip, 7 to 7 1-2c; calf 7 to 9c; deacon skins, 15 to 25c each; sheep pelts, 50 to 85c as to size and quantity of wool; horse hides, 75c to \$1.75 each; colts, 25c each.

WOOL—Prices hold about the same. We quote 8 1-2 to 9c for good to choice unwashed Manitoba fleece.

In the United States higher prices has been paid for wool at primary markets than can be obtained for it in the large eastern consuming markets. Collectors will therefore try to obtain higher prices than are now quoted at consuming markets, and it remains to be seen if they succeed in this.

TALLOW—No. 1, 31 1-2c; No. 2, 21 1-2 to 3c.

SENECA ROOT—A few small lots have been offered. Buyers are paying 12 1-2 to 15c, and 16c has been paid in some cases.

HAY—Hay was scarce this week. The wet weather has stopped effectually any efforts to cut and cure new hay, which, owing to high prices, was being undertaken earlier than usual. General price, \$11 to \$12 per ton on cars here for baled.

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Very little was done in cattle this week, as butchers are fairly well supplied, and as they are looking for a drop in prices they will not lay in any considerable stock ahead. A few good grain fed cattle would find a market at 4 1-4c, and really fine cattle would bring a fraction more. Grass cattle, though hardly fit yet, are beginning to be offered and there will soon be a considerable change in prices. The recent wet weather has retarded the fattening of grass cattle.

SHEEP—Normal this week at 3 1-2 to 4c off cars here.

HOGS—The market is easy at 5c for the most desirable hogs. Receipts fairly liberal. We quote choice bacon hogs, weighing 150 to 250 lbs. at 5c per lb.; 250 to 300 lbs., \$4.25 to \$4.75; heavy hogs over 300 lbs., \$3 to \$4, as to quality, live weight.

Minneapolis Markets.

Compared with a week ago flour is 10c higher, bran \$1 lower, ground feed 50c lower, corn 1c lower, oats 1c lower, barley 2c lower, flax seed 3 1-2c higher, potatoes 5c higher, eggs 1-1c higher, hay \$1 lower.

Flour—Prices in barrels. First patents \$4.80 to \$5; second patents, \$4.65 to \$4.85.

Millfeed—Shorts in bulk, \$9.50 to \$9.75; bran in bulk, \$7.50 to \$8; corn feed, \$12.25 to \$13.75 per ton as to quality.

Corn—Quoted at 29 1-2c for No. 3. Oats—Oats held at 31 1-2c for No. 3 white.

Barley—Feed quoted at 25c. Flax seed—\$1.03 1-2 per bushel.

Eggs—9c. for strictly fresh, including cases; seconds, 5 1-2 to 6c.

Cheese—Choice to fancy, 3 to 9c; fair to good, 5 to 6c.

Butter—Creamery, 14 1-2 to 16c; seconds, 12 1-2 to 13c; dairy, 12 to 13 1-2 for choice to fancy.

Dressed meats—Mutton, 5 to 8 1-2c; lambs, 5 to 9c.

Potatoes—Car lots mixed, 30 to 35c; named varieties, 37 to 50c.

Poultry—Chicken, 4 to 6c; turkey 6c; ducks, 6c; geese, 5c; all live weight.

Hides—Green salted hides, 9 1-4 for No. 1; 8 1-4 to 8 1-2 for No. 2; bulls, oxen and brands, 7 to 8 1-4c; sheepskins, 40 to 80c each; veal calf, 8 1-2 to 9 1-2c; tallow 2 1-2 to 3 1-2c; seneca root, 19 to 21c.

Wool—Unwashed, fine, 10 to 11c; medium, 12 to 13c; coarse, 14 to 15c.

Hay—\$4 to \$7 per ton including timothy.

Cattle—Sales: 2 cows, av. 975. \$2.90; 11, av 1,035, \$3.45; 18 stockers, av 821, \$4.10; 2, av 270, \$5.05; 2 heifers, av 235, \$4.05; 2, av 610, \$3.10; 2 bulls av 855, \$3.25; 2 calves, av 140, \$5.85.

Hogs—Sales: 26 hogs, av 252, \$3.70; 25, av. 257, \$3.40; 55, av 734, \$3.65.

Sheep—Sold at \$5.00 to \$5.75 for spring lambs; \$4.00 to \$4.60 for muttons and \$3.25 to \$3.50 for bucks per 100 lbs.



TENDERS.

Sealed Tenders, addressed to the undersigned, and endorsed "Tenders for Supplying Coal for the Dominion Buildings," will be received at this office until Friday, 22nd July.

Specifications can be seen and form of tender obtained, on and after Friday, the 24th June, at this office, where all necessary information can be had on application.

Tenders will not be considered unless made on the printed forms supplied, and signed with the actual signatures of tenderers.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted bank cheque equal to ten per cent of amount of the tender (10 p. c.) made payable to the order of the Honourable the Minister of Public Works, which will be forfeited if the party decline to enter into a contract when called upon to do so, or he fail to complete the work contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.

The Department will not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

By order,

E. F. E. ROY,
Secretary.

Department of Public Works,
Ottawa, 22nd June, 1898.

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