

**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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Australian creamery is out of the market, as is also New Zealand creamery butter. Fresh grass California butter is selling well.

Butter—Manitoba dairy 19@20c; Manitoba creamery 22½@23½c. per lb; Ontario creamery, 24c

Eggs—Eastern eggs, 17c. per dozen. Local, 35c; California, 21c.

Cheese—Manitoba 11½@12½c. per lb.

Cured Meats—Hams 12½c; breakfast bacon 13½c; backs 13c; long clear 10c; short rolls 10½c; smoked sides 11c; Lard is held at the following figures: Tins 9½c per lb, in pails and tubs 9c lb.

Fish—Flounders 3c; smelts 5c; sea bass 4c; black cod 5c; rock cod 4c; red cod 4c; tommy cod 5c; herring 4c; frozen salmon 6c lb; whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked halibut 10c; kippered cod 9c; sturgeon 6c; smoked salmon 10c; finnan haddie 9c; kippered herring 8c; Columbia river oolochians 7c lb.; fresh halibut, 6c; spring, salmon, 7c; frozen white fish, 10c lb.

Vegetables—Potatoes \$12@14 per ton ashcrofts \$20; California onions 2½c lb; cabbage 1½c lb; carrots, turnips and beets \$10.00 a ton.

Green Fruits—California lemons \$3.00 box; apples, 75c@\$1.25 box; Navel oranges, \$3.00; seedling oranges, \$2.25.

Meal—National mills rolled oats, 90 lb sacks, \$2.75; 245 pounds sacks \$2.80; 4 22½ pound sacks \$2.90; 10.7 sacks, \$2.50 Oatmeal 10 10's, \$3.25; 2 50's, \$3.00. Off grades, 90 lbs, \$2.50 per sack.

Flour—Delivered B. C. points—Manitoba patent per barrel \$6.50; strong bakers \$6.25; Oregon, jobbers price \$6.00.

Grain—Oats, \$28.00 per ton; wheat, \$25@26 per ton; barley, \$26 per ton.

Ground Feed—National mills chop, \$26.00 per ton; ground barley, \$26 ton; shorts \$24 ton; bran \$22; oil cake meal, \$35 ton; F.O.B. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff.

Hay—\$18 per ton.

Dressed Meats—Beef 6@6½c; mutton 11c; Australian mutton, 10c; pork 6½@7½; veal 7@9c; Pemican 40c lb.

Live Stock—Steers, grass feed \$3.50 @3.75 per 100 lbs; sheep, \$5.25@5.50 per 100 lbs; hogs, \$5.50@6.00 per 100 lbs; cows \$2.75@3.00 per 100 lbs live weight.

Poultry—Chickens, 11c lb; ducks, 11c lb; turkeys, 15c lb.

Game—Venison, 4c lb; grouse, 60c brace; mallard, 30c brace.

Evaporated Fruits—Apricots, 11c 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 and icing, 6½c; Paris lump, 5½c; granulated, 4½c; extra C. 4½c; fancy yellows 4c; yellow 3½c lb.

Syrups—30 gallon barrels, 1½c pound; 10 gallon kegs, 2½c; 5 gallon tins \$1.65 each; 1 gal. tins, \$4.25 case of 10; ½ gallon tins, \$5.00 case of 20.

Teas—Congo: Fair, 11½c; good 18c; choice 29c. Ceylon: Fair, 25c; good 30c; choice, 35c lb.

**Toronto Hardware Market.**

Iron—Bar, ordinary, \$1.65 basis per, refined \$1.90; Swedes inch and over, \$3.25 @ \$4.25; Lowmoor, 5½c@6c; hoops, coopers, \$2.25 basis; boiler rivets, best, \$4.50; sheet 10 and 12 gauge, \$2.20 and 2.50; 22 to 24 do, 2½c @ 2½c. 26 do, 2½c; 23 do, \$2.75; Russian sheet, per lb 10c @12c.

Iron Pipe—1 to 3 inch, 65 per cent. off; ½ to 2 inch, 67½c @ 70½c and 10 off.

Tin—Lamb and flag, 28 to 56 lb. ingots, 16½c per lb.

Copper—Ingot, 12½c; sheet, 17c @ 28c.

Lead—Bar, 4½c @ 5c; pig, 4½c; sheet, per roll, \$4.75@5.25; shot, can., dis., 12½ per cent.

Steel—Cast, 2c@14c; boiler plate, ½-inch, \$1.90; 7 16 do, ¾ do, sleigh shoe, \$2.15.

Canada Plates—Half bright, \$2.50; all bright, \$3.

Tin Plate—IC coke, \$3.15; IC charcoal, \$3.75@4; I ½ charcoal, \$4.75 @ 5; IXX charcoal, \$5.75@6; DC charcoal, \$3.75@4.

Zinc—Sheet, 5½c@5½c; zinc, spelter, 4½c; domestic, imported, 5½c; solder, hf. and hf., 13c@14c.

Brass—Sheet, 21c@28c.

Galvanized Iron—18 to 21 gauge, 4½c; 26 do. 4½c; 28 do. 25c.

Horseshoes—Per keg \$3.35.

Barb Wire—2½c.

Wire and Coppered Spring—30 per cent. for Montreal, Hamilton and Toronto market; tinned, per lb, 4½c@8c; galvanized, fence, same discount as annealed; coiled chain, ½-inch, 4½c; ¾-inch, 4½c; 1-inch, 3½c; galvanized, off list, 50c discount; boiler tubes, 2-inch, 15c; 3-inch, 18½c.

Horse Nails—Canadian dis.; 50 per cent. Canadian Horse Nail Co., "C" brand, f. o. b., Montreal, 50 p. c. "M" brand, 50 p. c.

Nails—Cut nails (iron) basis, 50 to 60 dy., \$1.95 f. o. b., Toronto, Montreal, Hamilton, London. Cut nails (steel), add 10c to the prices in list for iron nails. Wire nails, \$2 per keg, Toronto; for places outside factory points \$1.90 f. o. b., Montreal. Carload lots, 5c per keg less than above figures. Brads and finishing nails, special sizes, 50 p. c. from new list. Rope—Manilla, 7½c basis; sisal, 6½c basis.

Axes—Per box, \$6@11.

Glass—Fourth quality, star, 1st break, \$1.50; second do, \$1.60; third do, \$2.55; fourth do, \$2.85.

Binder Twine—Pure sisal, 5c@5½c; mixed, 5½c@6½c.

**Toronto Grocery Market.**

Sugar—Standard granulated sugar, 4 11 16c; No. 2 granulated, 4½; Dutch granulated, 4 3 8c; yellows, 3 15 16c@4½c.

Syrup and Molasses—Syrup mediums, 32c@38c; special bright, 40c@42c. Molasses—West Indian, brls, 32c@45c; New Orleans, 28c@30; for medium and 35c@50c for bright.

Teas—Japans, low grade, 15c@17c per lb; mediums, 18c@24c; fines, 30@35c; Hysons, low grades, 24c@37c; Congous, low grades, 10c@15c; mediums, 22c@25c, and fines, 40c@55c; Oolongs, 25c@65c;

Coffees—Green, Rio, 7½@12½c; Mocha, 27½c@30c; Java, 30c@33c.

Canned goods—Tomatoes, \$1.20@1.30; peas, 95@1; sifted peas, \$1.05@1.20; corn, 90@95c; beans, 75@90c; pumpkins, 75@80c; strawberries, 2's, \$1.60 @ 1.80; raspberries, 2's, \$1.50@1.75; peaches, 2's,

\$1.40@1.65; 3's, \$2@2.40. Cohoes Salmon, 95c@1; sock-eyes, \$1.17@1.30; mackerel, \$1.30@1.40; lobsters, halves, \$1 60@1.70; tall lbs, \$2.40@2.65; flats, \$2.90@3.

Dried Fruits—Raisins, Valencias, off-stalk, 4½c@5c; fine, off stalk, 5½c@5½c; selected, 6c@6½c; layers, 6½c@7c; Provincial, currants, 6½c; Filiatras, 6½c@7c; Patras, 7c@7½c; Vostizzas, 8c@8½c; California evaporated fruits—Apricots, 9c@14c; pears, 9c@10c; peaches, 10c@14c; prunes, 40's to 50's, 10c@11c; 50's to 60's, 8c@8½c; 60's to 70's, 7½c@8c; 70's to 80's, 7c@7½c; 80's to 90's, 6½c@7c; 90's to 100's, 6@6½c. Bosnia prunes, 5½@6½c; Sultanas, 9½c@12½c. Peel—Orange, 12c@15c per lb; citron, 18c@20c; lemon 11c@14c. Halloween dates, 5½@6½c. Malaga, London layers, \$1.50@1.65 per box; black baskets, \$2.25; blue baskets, \$2.50; royal clusters, \$4.50; quarter flats, London layers, 65c; black baskets, 75c; blue baskets, 85c; Dehesia, clusters, \$1.25. Figs—Matts, 8½@4c; Eleme figs, 10 oz., 7½c; 5, 10 and 12 lb boxes, 10@12c; 6-crown, 12½c; 7-crown, 15c; bags, 4@4½c; 4-lb Glove boxes, 14@15c.

Nuts—Marbots, 10@11c; filberts, Sicily, 8½@10c; Grenoble Walnuts, 11@12c.

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

Spices—Ginger, Jamaica, 27c; Cochin, 12@20c; cloves, Zanzibar, 15@18c; Amboy, 18@25c; allspice, 16c; nutmegs, 50c@\$1; cream tartar, pure, 28c, 22 @25c for compound.

**PROVISIONS.**

Mess Pork—\$16 for Canada mess; short cut, \$16@17.00; clear mess, \$14.

Dry Salted Meats—Long clear bacon, car lots 7½@8c, ton and case lots, 8c. Smoked Meats—Breakfast bacon, 10½c @11; hams, large 10c and 10½c to 11c for small; picnic hams, 8½c to 9c; rolls, 8½ to 9c; green meats out of pickle are quoted 1c less than smoked.

Lard—Tierces, 7c; tubes 7½; pails, 7½c.

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