BRITISH COLUMBIA MARKETS

(All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail desiers, and are subject to the usual reductions on large quantities, and to cash discounts.)

PRICES AT VANCOUVER.

By wire to The Commercial. Vancouver, May 18.

Lastern eggs are now arriving free-ly and have forced United States stock out of this market. Prices are 3c lower this week. Butter is unchanged. Ontario creamery is at present supplying the market. Old potatoes are now about donc. Prices are as follows :

BUTTER-Ontario cronnery, 23c.

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FISH—Flounders 3c; smells 5c; sea bass 4c, whiting 5c; soles 6c; smoked salmon 10c, fresh halibut 6c; salmon 8c; bloaters 7c; cod 6c per lb.

VEGETABLES — Potatocs, \$28 per ton: new California potatoes, 4c lb.; California silver skiu onions, 11-2c; cab-bage 2c lb; carrots, turnips and beets, \$12 a ton; local onions, \$20 per ton; tomatoes, \$2.75 to \$3 per box.

GREEN FRUIT—Culifornia lumons \$2.25 to \$2.75 box; naval oranges, \$3.50 to \$4 box. seedlings, \$2.50 to \$2.75 box; St. Michael oranges, \$3.50; blood oranges, \$3.50 box; cherries, \$2.25 box; straw-berries, \$3 crate; bananas, \$2.75 bunch.

MEAL—Rolled oats, 90 lb. sack, \$2.90; 345 pound sacks, \$3; 4.22 1-2 pound sacks, \$3; 4.22 1-2 pound sacks, \$3.25; 2.5's \$3.

FLOUR—Delivered B.C. points— Manitoba patent, per barrel, \$4.50; strong bakers, \$4.20; Oregon, \$4.50 per ton; wheat, \$25 to \$28.

GROUND FEED—National mills chop, \$25 per ton; shorts, \$24 ton; bran, \$22; oll cake meal \$35 ton; f.o.b. Vancouver including duty paid on imported stuff. HAY—88 to \$10 per ton.

DRESSED MEATS—Beef 8 to 8 1-2c; mutton 13c; pork 8 to 9c; veal 10 to 11c per lk.

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LIVE STOOK—Steers \$5 to \$5.25 per 100 lts: cows \$4 to \$4.50; sheep \$5.75 per 100 lts: hogs \$6.50 to \$7 per 100 lbs. POULTRY—Oblekens, ?cc.

PUULTRY—Chickens, ?oc. EVAPORATED FRUITS— Apricots 10 1-2c per lb: peaches 9c; pluins 9 to 10c; prunes, French, 5 to 71-2c; loose muscatel raisins 6c; London layer raisins \$1.90 iox: Italian prunes 6 to 81-2c lb. NUTS—Almonds 13c: filberts 12 1-2c; peanuts 10c; Brazil 12 1-4c; walnuts 13c lb.

SUGARS—Powdered, teing and bar, 6 3-4c. I aris lump 63-8c; granulated 5 1-4c extra C 4 5-8c; fancy yellows 4 1-2c; yellow 4 3-8c lb.

SYRUPS—30 gallon barrels, 2 1-4c lb. 10 gallon kegs 2 3-4c; 5 gallon tins \$1.75 each; 1 gal. tins \$4.50 case of 10; 1-2 gal. tins \$5.25 case of 20,

TEAS—Congo: Fair, 111-2c; good 18c; choice 29c; Cerlon and India: Fair 20c; good 30c; choice 36c lb.

PRICES IN THE KOOTENAY.

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Following are jobbers prices here: Creamery held-20c. Creamery, fresh eastern—23c. California bricks—25c. Cheese, large—11c. Cheese, small—12 to 12 1-2c. Eggs—Ontario fresh, 19c. Oats, per ton—\$28.

Flour, Manitoba patent, per barrel

Potatoes, per ton-\$36 to \$38,

British Columbia Items.

J. Parker, butcher, Victoria, has sold out.

J. W. Jackson, jeweller, Vancouver, has sold out.

Geo. W. Kennedy, hotel, Wellington, reported sold out.

Geo. Sareault, of Sareault Bros., hoter, Alberni, is dead.

A. M. Beattle, auctioneer, Vancouver, is loaving for Atlin.

Kaslo Transfer Co., has taken in Henry Black as partner.

G. B. Scuitto, hotel, Vancouver, is offering business for sale.

McCague Bros. bakery, Revelstoke. have sold out to A. N. Smith.

J. Campbell, hotel, Sirdar, has sold out to Frank Campbell.

Scott & Devlin, dry goods, vancouver, are applying for incorporation.

W. Hargreaves, blacksmith, is commencing business at Kamloops.

Murchison & Desmond, are re-opening the Ottawa hotel at Kaslo.

MacGregor & Richards, real estate and insurance agents, Victoria, have dissolved; F. C. Richards continuing.

Clayton & Costin, engineers, bicycles, etc.. have started business at Victoria.

Carlin & Durick, general store, Fort Steele, advertise dissolution of part-

Houston & Co., sashes and doors, Golden, have dissolved; W. L. Houston continuing.

Whitehouse Trading Co., Ltd., dry goods, etc., Rossland, advertises going out of business.

Fitzgerald & Day, soda water and confectionery, Sandon, are succeeded by M. W. Day.

Sechelt Trading Co., game, etc., has sold Vancouver branch to the Vancouver Trading Co.

Johnson Bros. & Co., laundry, Van-couver, have sold out to Dominion Steam Laundry Co.

S. McOrmand, general store and hotel, Gladstone, has sold out his store tusiness to Grant Bros.

lbbctson & Mathers, confectionery, Vancouver, are succeeded by California Pop Corn and Candy Co.

The T. W. Gray estate, sawmili and lumber. Nelson, is succeeded by Nelson Saw and Planing Mills, Ltd.

Manitoba Wheat Stocks

There were 3,412,000 bushels of wheat in store at Fort William on May 6. At Port Arthur there were 223,215 bushels in store. Receipts at Fort William for the week were 214,-Fort William for the week were 214,-900 bushels, and shipments, 92,800 bushels. A year ago stocks at Fort William were 880,000 bushels. Two years ago stocks were 3,250,000 bushels; three years ago, 3,612,000 bushels; four years ago, 589,000 bushels; five years ago, 1,543,000, and six years ago, 3,353,000.

Stocks of wheat at Fort William, Port Arthur, Keewatin, Winnipeg and interior country points are estimated at approximately 10,000,000 bushels, compared with about 3,000,000 bushels a year ago, 6,328,000 bushels two years ago and 8,000,000 three years ago, and 3,000,000 bushels four years

Winnipeg Wheat Inspection.

Returns for last week reported 209 cars of wheat inspected - compared with 194 cars the previous week—which graded as follows: 1 hard, 95 cars; 2 hard, 13; 3 hard, 1; 1 northern 44; 2 northern, 0; 3 northern, 5; 1 spring, 4; rejected, 3; no grade, 44

ONTANIO CHEESE MARKETS.
Ingersoil, May 9.—The Ingersoil cheese market opened to-day; 890 boxes first week May cheese were boarded, no sales; 83-4c offered for colored and 9c for white, salesmen holding off for 91-8c and 91-4c.
Belleville, May 9—Seven factories offered 275 white and 45 boxes colored cheese, 9c was bid; no sales.

PROSPEROUS BOARD.
At the last meeting of the Port Arthur board of trade thirty new members joined. J. O'Connor was elected president; J. G. King, vice-president, and H. A. McKibbin, secretary. The council will be elected at the next meeting.

MONTREAL CATTLE MARKETS.

Montreal, May 9.—There has been no important change in ocean freight rates excent that the rate paid for Manchester space for May. June and July was 35s, and not 32s 6d, as stated some two weeks ago. At the east end market yesterday the receipts of live stock were 400 cattle and 500 caives. The butchers were present in large numbers and trade was fair, with no material change in prices since last week. The highest figure for cattle was 5 1-4c less one dollar per head, from that down to 43-4c per lh. for prime beeves; good sold at 35-8 to 4 1-2 and common at 21-2 to 31-2c per lb.

Sulphate of copper (bluestone) steadily advanced some £2 per ton in England during last month, and the report says that as the foreign requirements are late this year, this, combined with copper boom, should justify much higher prices yet during May.

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Watt & Albert, general agents for the Victor Safe and Lock Co., Cincinnati. have received the contract for tault doors for the Scott building to be erected at the corner of Portage avenue and Main street, Winnipeg.

Chas. McQueen, late of the North American Life, has been appointed manager for Algoma and Manitoba for the Excelsior Life Assurance Co.

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