

WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

The report for the former week would be about the substance of the present condition of affairs, the slight improvement noted continuing, with perhaps a little impetus added in some lines, which opinion is not shared in very generally. Collections are still on the slow side. Bank discount rates are at the same old notch. With the loan companies there is nothing rushing, but the surety of better things ahead keep them in a buoyant humor.

WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

Reports from the wholesale trade are somewhat mixed, some asserting a good business and others the reverse, the only unanimity of opinion being in the matter of collections which are of an unsatisfactory character. On the whole we would say that the volume of business was decidedly better than might be expected for this part of October, and the continued fine weather has enabled the farming community to make sure of the plowing a large acreage, and this matter will be pushed until severe weather sets in. Marketing of grain has commenced at a few points but not in sufficient quantity to make itself decidedly felt. Another week will give an improved tone from the whole country.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

Sorting orders have been about the only business done in this line, and was in fair proportion from the country, that of the city being quiet. The fall trade is not expected to move for a month or so yet.

CLOTHING.

The eastern travellers with spring samples have as yet made no report of their success, and will no doubt return to start a couple of months later. This may be a "chestnut" on our last report, but it needs to be impressed on the festive "drummer." A fair sorting trade has been done, but no active prosecution of orders have been engaged in by local houses.

CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE

Business has somewhat slackened up, but is still good, and orders are in fair volume. The holiday trade is being prepared for and a scattering amount of novelties are coming to hand.

DRY GOODS.

There is still no improvement to note in this line. Orders for sorts are fair but are good for this season of the year. Collections are the same as reported last week, with no improvement looked for for a month yet.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

Business remains in the same condition as last week, being considered fair. Prices are unchanged as follows: Howard's quinine, 75 to 80c; German quinine, 65 to 75c; opium, \$6 to \$6.50; morphia, \$2.50 to \$3; iodine, \$4.25 to \$4.50; bromide potassium, 65 to 75c; American camphor, 40 to 45c; English camphor, 45 to 40c; glycerine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 70 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$8 to \$10; bicarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; sal soda, \$2.25 to \$2.50; soda ash, \$3 to \$3.25; chlorate potash, 25 to 30c; alum, \$3 to \$3.75; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur, flour, \$4 to \$4.50; sulphur, roll, \$4 to \$5.25; American blue vitrol, 6 to 8c.

FURNITURE

Business may be described as fairly good, both in town and city of equal proportion, a decided improvement being noted in some particulars.

FRUITS—GREEN, VEGETABLES, ETC.

Winter apples are now being freely received. California peaches and Concord grapes are now out of the market, although others are in plentiful supply. New Florida and Jamaica oranges have arrived; otherwise business remains as last quoted, being as follows: Rodi oranges \$7 per box, 160 count; New Florida oranges, \$9.00 per box; Jamaica oranges, \$13.00 per barrel; Messina lemons, \$7.00 to \$8 per box; apples, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per barrel; California pears, \$4.50 to \$5.00 per box; Ontario grapes, from 7c to 8c per pound; Delaware and Rogers grapes, 10c per pound; and Niagara grapes, 12 to 14c; California muscat grapes, \$2.75 to \$3.00 per crate of 20 lbs.; California Tokay grapes, \$3.50 per crate of 20 pounds; Malaga grapes, \$8.50 keg; southern onions, \$3.00 per 100 lbs.; Egyptian onions, \$7 case of 100 pounds; apple cider, \$7.00 per keg of 15 gallons; cabbages, 30c to 60c per dozen; cauliflower, 60c to \$1.50 per dozen; celery, 35c per dozen bunches; sweet potatoes, \$8 per barrel; carrots, 40 to 45c bush; turnips, 25c bush; vegetable marrow squash, 50 to 75c per dozen; native onions, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per bush; beets, 40c per bush; green tomatoes, 75c. to \$1 bush; citrons, 3c pound.

FRUITS—DRIED, AND NUTS.

Foreign dried fruits are now in stock, the supply being scarce and values rising. Prices are: Figs, Turkey, in boxes, 10 to 11c, new Elme, figs, in layers, 15c per lb., or \$2 per dozen in 1 lb. boxes; golden dates 10c; Valencia raisins, \$3.25; London layers, \$3.50; Patras currants 8 cents per pound; evaporated apples, 14c; dried apples, 8 to 8½c; new Turkey prunes, 6½ to 7c. Nuts are quoted: Peanuts, roasted, 17 to 18c; peanuts, raw, 15c; walnuts 18c; almonds, 20c; filberts, 12½c; Texas pecans, 17c; coconut, \$12.50 per 100; maple syrup, \$15 per dozen cans of 1 gallon; maple sugar, 13c per pound, in cakes, new.

GROCERIES.

The eastern sugar combination has not been broken, as reported, although that article is easier. Green coffee is firmer, in sympathy with American markets. Prices are quoted as follows: Dark yellow sugar, 6½c; medium to bright, 6½ to 7½c; granulated, 8c to 8½c; lump sugar, 9½ to 9½c. Coffees—Rios, 25 to 29c; Government Java, 33 to 35c; other Javas, 25 to 30c; Mochas, 31 to 35c. New season's teas are now quoted as follows: Japan season 1886-7, 20 to 45c; Congous, 1886-7, 20 to 60c; Indian teas, 35 to 50c. Old range Moyune gunpowder, 25 to 70c; panfried Japan, 23 to 45c; basket-fired, 25 to 40c; Pingsuey young hyson, 25 to 35c; Moyune young hyson, 25 to 50c; Season's congous, 1885-6, 20 to 55c. Syrups, corn, \$2.25 to \$2.60; sugar cane, \$2.10 to \$2.35; T. and B. tobacco, 56c per pound; P. of W., butts 47c; P. of W. caddies, 48c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Brier, 7s, 55c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 57c; Index d. thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c.

CANNED GOODS.

Business fair to good with unchanged prices.

Quotations are: Salmon, \$7.00; mackerel, \$6.00; lobsters, \$6.50 to \$7; sardines (French), ½ tins, 14c; ¼ tins, 24c; cove oysters, 25.25; corn, \$3.25, peas \$4, tomatoes \$3.75, baked beans \$2.75 per dozen, corned beef \$3, lunch tongues, 2 lbs. \$6.50 to \$7.00; 1 lb. \$3.25. Fruit in 2lb. tins, per doz: pears, \$2.50 to \$2.75, strawberries, \$2.50 to \$2.75; plums, \$2.25 to \$2.50, peaches, \$3.75, raspberries, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

Business is good and movement steady. There are no changes to note, prices remain about as follows: Cut nails, 10d and larger, \$3.75 to \$4.00; I. C. tin plates, \$5.50 to \$5.75; I. C. tin plates, double, \$11 to \$11.50; Canada plates, \$3.75 to \$3.90; sheet iron, \$3.50 to \$5.00, according to grade; iron pipe, 35 to 40 per cent off list prices; ingot tin, 28 to 30c per lb., according to quality; bar iron, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6 to 6½c per lb.; tarred felt, \$2.75 to \$2.95 per 100 lbs.; barbed wire, 6½ to 7c.

HIDES.

Market is easier with prospects of prices going lower, ruling figures now being as follows: Winnipeg inspection, No. 1, 6c; No. 2, 5c; bulls, 4½c; calf, fine-haired red veal, 7 to 13 pound skins, No. 1, 8c; No. 2, 6c; sheep pelts, 30 to 65c; tallow, 3½ to 4c.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Prices are: Spanish sole, 28 to 31c; slaughter sole, 33 to 35c; French calf, first choice \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canadian calf, 90c to \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 75c; slaughter kip, 55 to 65c; No. 1, wax upper, 45 to 50c; grain upper, 55c; harness leather, 31 to 34c for plump stock. American oak sole, 45 to 60c; buffe, 17 to 22c a foot; cordovan, 23 to 25c; pebble, 21 to 23c; colored linings, 12c.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.

Business is fair to good the latter applying to the movement in glass. Prices, however, are unchanged as follows: Turpentine, 80c in five-gallon cans, or 75c in barrels; harness oil \$1.25; neatsfoot oil, \$1.50; linseed oil, raw, 70c per gallon; boiled, 73c in barrels or 5c advance in five-gallon lots; sea oil, steam refined, \$1; castor, 12½c per lb.; lard, No. 1, \$1.25 per gal.; olive oil, pure, \$1.50; union salad, \$1.25; machine oils, black 25 to 40c; oleine, 40c; fine qualities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, silver star, 25c; water white, 28c. American oils, Eocene, 34c; water white, 31c; sunlight, 27c. Calcined plaster, \$4.25 per barrel; Portland cement, \$5 to \$5.50; white lead, genuine, \$7.00; No. 1 \$6.50; No. 2 \$6.00; window glass, first break, \$2.25.

STATIONERY AND PAPER.

Business in this line is of fair volume, and trade in holiday lines commencing to come in. Christmas cards and a sprinkling of the novelties are to hand and a heavy business is looked for.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Prices do not give any sign of change. Quotations are: Goderham & Wort's five year old, \$2.40; seven year old, \$3; old rye, \$1.75; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet DeBouche & Co., 4.50; Martell, vintage 1885, \$6.50, vintage, 1880, \$7.50; Hennessy, \$6.50 to \$7.50 for vintage 1885 to 1880; DeKuyper gin, \$3.50; Por