

Parties are said to be engineering a big corner in England. Cables advising higher prices have led to an advance of 2c per lb. in New York. Here, the tendency seems to be to cut down profits to a slender margin in all lines, but our quotations elsewhere represent a fair market value. A few car lots of bar iron sold at about list prices. Sheet, galvanized, hoop and band iron are unchanged. The jobbing trade in hardware show signs of summer dullness. Late English advices report business in all branches to be more depressed than ever with shipments of pig-iron falling off. No. 3 Cleveland is now quoted at 32s 6d and Scotch braids will have to come down. The only works busy are the steel works. At the same time buyers are advised to cover full requirements, as should there be a warm summer, the puddling furnaces would stop working, which would impart an element of strength into the situation. June has been a quiet month everywhere; prices have been maintained because they could scarcely go lower. Latest advices quote ingot tin in London strong at £97. Warrants are cabled at 40s 11d, best selected copper at £49, and Chili bars at £44 15s.

LIVE STOCK.—The exports of cattle to date have reached 16,265 head, an increase of 3,993 compared with last year. Shippers bought freely on this market and good to choice stock realized 54c to 55c. Export sheep were quoted at 4c per lb.; live hogs 55c. Local butchers paid 3½c to 5½c per lb.; sheep \$4.50 to \$5.50; lambs \$3.50 to \$4.50; calves \$3 to \$10. About 40 young pigs sold at \$1.50 to \$3.50 each, and lean hogs fetched \$3.50 to \$4.50 each. British cables report a steady trade at a decline of ¼, prime Canadian steers being quoted at 13½c, against 14c a week ago. Receipts from this side have been heavy.

LUMBER.—A considerable expansion in local trade has been followed by a falling off, and the demand for building purposes is slight; stocks are ample and prices are steady. A number of rafts have passed down. Only a few shipments have been made to South America. Plenty of vessel room to English ports has been available, most vessels taking a few lots to complete cargoes. The following clearances are reported:—SS. *Ormona*, for London, 24,861 pcs. deals; *Sarnia*, for Liverpool, 25,520 pcs. deals; *Bristol*, for Bristol, 13,795 pcs. deals; *Ocean King*, for London, 5,600 pcs. boards and 232 pcs. deals; *Lake Huron*, for Liverpool, 3,795 pcs. deals and 4,890 pcs. boards; *Corean* for London, 916 pcs. deals; *Oxenholme*, for Liverpool, 19,879 pcs. deals, 1,330 keel ends and 4,825 pcs. boards; *Siberian* for Glasgow, 9,854 pcs. deals; *Escalona*, for London, 5,280 deals; *Superior* for Liverpool, 3,821 pcs. deals; *Scotland* for London, 21,898 pcs. deals and 1,695 pcs. Walnut; *Toronto* for Liverpool, 16,129 pcs. deals; *Avlona* for London, 14,510 pcs. deals; *Somerset* for Bristol, 2,706 pcs. deals; *Norwegian* for Glasgow, 61,572 pcs. deals; *Lake Champlain*, for Liverpool, 1,353 pcs. deals and 2,510 pcs. lumber; *Suffolk*, for London, 37,425 pcs. deal, 9,200 pcs. boards and 1,152 ends; *Erl King*, for London, 2,760 pcs. deals; *Cynthia*, for Glasgow, 8,870 pcs. boards and 5,587 pcs. deals; *Lauderdale*, for Barrow, 32,886 white pine deals, 952 ends, and 9,436 pine boards; *Hanoverian*, for Liverpool, 2,939 pcs. boards and 7,481 pine deals; *Montreal*, for Liverpool, 12,637 pcs. boards and 6,393 deals; *Glenmarion*, for London, 67,192 pcs. deals, 7,232 pcs. boards and 2,716 ends. A despatch from Quebec reports several sales of white pine and good rafts are in demand. A raft of square white pine, 53 to 55 feet average, with waney, 20 inches, sold at 29c; 100,000 feet, 15 inch average, waney pine, sold at 22c.

OILS.—Steam refined seal, which was slightly easier, is firm and likely to advance. There are no offerings reported of Newfoundland cod; shipments are being made to England; sales of

Halifax to arrive at 56½c. Cod liver oil nominal, sales at 80c, but now held at 90c and market firm, owing to advance in cod oil. Petroleum quiet. Refiners in the West have brought down prices 2c per gallon, as shown in our prices current. Linseed oil has advanced in England, and is steady here. Spirits of turpentine is 2½c higher, and jobbing lots would cost 55c.

POTATOES.—There was only a local demand this week, and prices were 30c to 35c per bag. In St. John, N.B., Prince Edward Island potatoes are fetching 60c per bushel. On the other hand, potatoes are unusually cheap in parts of Ontario. The *Stratford Beacon* says:—Potatoes were a drug on the Guelph market on Saturday, farmers not being able to sell them at 10 to 15 cents a bag. They have not yet fallen to quite so low a price in Stratford, but they are lower here than for many years. Since the above was written, the local market has been more unsettled than ever. Farmers bringing potatoes to market, after selecting seed, seem inclined to sell at any price. A lot of 90 bags was bought at 20c, not bad potatoes either.

SALMON.—Fresh salmon has been arriving pretty freely here, and has sold from 8c to 12c per lb.

WOOL.—There has been a good demand for both fine and coarse; stocks are light, particularly of domestic. About 1,100 bales of foreign is now due at this port per SS. *Hastings*. A private letter from London, confirming what we said last week, says:—The June sales opened with good attendance and fair spirit; cross breds, ½d per lb. higher; Capes firm; Merino Australian rather lower. A London despatch says:—At Saturday's wool sales the following prices were brought: New South Wales and Queensland—lambs' fleece at 1s 3½d; Port Phillip—lambs' greasy at 4½d to 1s 5½d; Tasmanian—scoured at 1s 0½d to 1s 4d, greasy at 5½d to 1s 6½d, locks and pieces at 2d to 1s 8d, lambs' fleece at 8½d to 2s 6½d, scoured at 1s 0½d, greasy at 6d to 1s 5d; Swan River—scoured at 11d to 1s 3½d, greasy at 4½d to 9d, locks and pieces at 3d to 11d, lambs' fleece at 7½d to 1s 3d, scoured at 1s 0½d, greasy at 6d to 1s 5d; Cape—greasy at 3d to 9d. On Monday 12,200 bales of New Zealand, Victorian and Tasmanian were sold. Prices were irregular.

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TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

(Revised by Telegraph.)

Toronto, June 18, 1885.

There is no apparent change in the condition of the wholesale markets of this city. Business as a rule is quiet, with few important features. Everyone is looking for improve-

ment, but as yet there are no substantial grounds on which to base calculations. There is a moderate dry goods trade, and orders are fairly numerous for hardware, but they are for small parcels. Payments are fairly satisfactory. The money market continues to rule quiet, and rates are unchanged. Call loans are quoted at 5 to 6 per cent on stocks and 4 per cent on debentures. Commercial paper in moderate offer; gilt-edged is discounted at 6½ and the general run at 7 to 7½ per cent. Sterling Exchange is weaker; sixty-day bills between banks are 109 1-8, and demand bills 109½ to 109¾. Across the counter ¼ more is charged. The Stock Market is dull and firm. The last few days there have been sales of Montreal at 191½, Ontario at 106 and 106½, Toronto at 178, Merchants at 110, Commerce at 124, Federal at 96½, Dominion at 196½, Building and Loan at 104½, Western Canada, new, at 184, and Canada Landed Credit Co. at 119 ex-dividend. Following are prices bid to-day compared with those of last Thursday.

Banks.	Bid June 18	Bid June 11	Loan Cos.	Bid June 18	Bid June 11
Montreal..	191½	190	Can. Per.....	109	209.
Toronto..	177½	176½	Freehold.....	162	162
Ontario..	106½	105½	Western Can..	190	190
Merchants	109½	110½	Wdg. & Loan	104	104
Commerce	124	123½	Farmers' Loan	110	10½
Dominion	196½	198	Land. & Can'dn	137	137
Hamilton.	121	118½	Landed Credit..	119	119½
Stand'd..	110½	114½	National Inv..	125	125
Federal...	94½	95½	Ontario Loan...	125	125
Imper'l...	114½	123	Hamilton Prov..	127	126
Moleons...	115	114	Imperial Sav...	107	110

BUTTER.—The movement is still restricted in absence of any export demand. Prices have ruled rather firmer for new makes, which are in good local demand, the finest qualities job at 13c to 13½c, and fair to good at 10c to 11c. Old tub sold to a small extent at 6c to 8c per lb. in 50 tub lots. Eggs are unchanged; the receipts are fair and prices steady, at 12c to 12½ per dozen in case lots. Cheese is quiet and steady at 7½c to 8½c for small lots, according to quality.

COAL OIL.—There is a moderate demand, and prices easier. Barrel lots of Canadian refined sell at 16½c per gallon, and five to ten barrel lots at 16c. Carbon safety 19c. American oils sell at 23½c for prime and at 26c to 26½c for water white. In Petroleum crude is firmer at 77c to 78c, and refined unchanged at 13½c per gallon by the car lot.

COAL AND WOOD.—Trade in coal is quiet and prices unchanged. Stocks are increasing, owing to liberal receipts by water. Egg, stove, grate and chestnut sell at \$6 a ton delivered. The best soft also sells at \$6. Wood unchanged, with a moderate demand, and prices rule at \$5 a cord for the best hard, \$3.50 for second quality, and \$4 for pine.

DRUGS.—There is no improvement noted in this trade, and prices remain unchanged. Quotations are as follows: Castor oil 9c to 11c; opium \$3.90 to \$4; glycerine 17c to 20c; quinine, \$1.05 to \$1.10; morphia, \$2.40 to \$2.50; bicarbonate of potash, 18c; potash iodide, \$3.90 to \$4; tartaric acid, 55c to 60c; cream of tartar, 38c to 40c; linseed, raw 65c do, boiled, 66c to 67c; best Dutch madder, 12c to 14c; cochineal, 40c to 45c.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—The flour trade has been very quiet during the past week; the demand is restricted, prices being too high for