

at \$10.50 to 10.55. In oatmeal there is very little doing and prices are unchanged for small lots at \$3.70 to 4.20.

GRAIN.—There is very little doing, and prices are mostly nominally unchanged. Yesterday wheat lying west was offered at 77c., and spring on the Northern at 72c. per bushel; one sale of goose was reported at 63c. west; Manitoba is scarce; No. 1 hard (North Bay) is worth 96 to 97c., No. 2 about 89c. (N.

B.), and No. 3 hard at 76c.; red and white is quoted west at 77c. Barley is in light demand with no movement reported; No. 3 extra is nominal at 44c.; there are no street receipts. Oats are firm but not much asked for; some sales outside of mixed are reported at 30½c., and quotations on track are nominal at 33½ to 34c.; street receipts very small. Peas are in little demand and firm at 63c. outside; sales on the street have occurred at 62c.

The stocks of grain in store at Port Arthur on July 28th were 760,036 bushels. During the week there was received 84,284 bushels, and shipped 179,550 bushels, leaving in store on the 4th inst. 664,770 bushels.

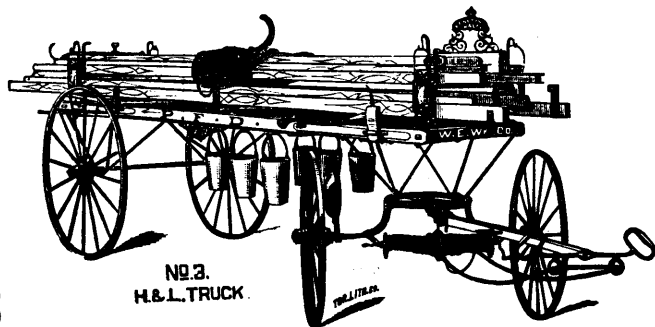
GROCERIES.—No change of any consequence has taken place lately. Owing chiefly to the fruit preserving season a slightly better demand exists for sugar, and both granulated and yellow have made a fractional advance in price; granulated sugar (in car lots) is quoted at 4½c. per pound to-day, and yellow (in car lots) at 3½ to 4½c. per pound. Rice is in demand and much firmer. There has been some activity in canned goods, but nothing very special, and the rise in prices anticipated has not occurred. The cheap grades of tea are in active request, and values are not unlikely to advance. Valencia raisins are firm and currants are said to be scarce. For dried fruits generally the enquiry is quiet. After the first week in September we expect a marked difference in the volume of trade. Payments are only moderate.

HARDWARE.—There has been the usual seasonable average movement in Toronto, and as this is the duller time of year for us, it is satisfactory to find the volume of trade slightly in excess of that for the corresponding period of last year. Travellers report a hopeful outlook for country business. Payments are improving. Prices are well maintained.

HAY AND STRAW.—Prices are difficult to quote; pressed hay is unsettled, old timothy has sold at \$10.80 and 11; new is plentiful at

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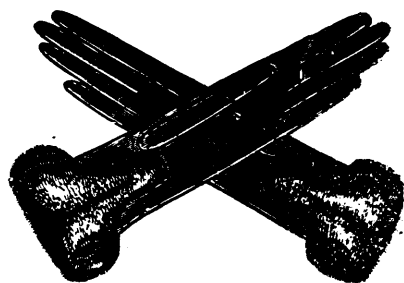
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