

Tin Plates are about as last quoted, but the demand has been very slack. A steady business has been doing in *Tin* and *Copper* within our range of quotations. Travellers are starting out for fall orders and more activity is expected now that the holidays are over for some considerable time at least. We quote: *Pig Iron*, per ton, Coltness, \$23 to 23.50; Siemens, \$23.00 to 00.00 Gartsherrie, \$22.50 to \$23.00; Summerlee, \$22.50 to \$23.00; Langloan, \$23.00 to \$23.50; Eglinton, \$20.00 to 21.00; Carnbroe, \$21.00 to 22.00; Hematite, \$27.00 to 28.00. *Bars*, per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.10 to \$2.15; Swedes, \$4.00 to 4.25; Norway, \$5.00 to \$5.25; Lowmoor and Bowling \$6.25 to 6.50. *Canada Plates* per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$3.25 to 3.30; Penn. \$3.25 to 3.30; Hatton \$3.00 to 3.10; Thistle and Clifton, \$3.25 to 3.30; *Tin Plates*, per box, Charcoal IC, \$5.50 to 5.75; Charcoal IX., \$7.00 to \$7.25; ditto, DC. \$4.75 to 5.00; ditto, DX., \$6.50; to 6.75; Coke IC., \$4.35 to 4.50. *Galvanized Sheets*, 7 to 7½; *Tinned Sheets*, No. 26, Charcoal, 10 to 10½; ditto Coke No. 24, 8½ to 9; Hoops and Bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.50 to \$2.60; sheets best brands \$2.75 to \$3.00; Boiler Plate per 100 lbs. Staffordshire \$2.75 to 3.00; Russian Sheet Iron 12½ to 13c. *Lead* per 100 lbs.:—Pig \$4.30 to \$4.40; Sheet \$5.50; Bar \$5.00 to \$5.50; Shot \$6 to \$6.50. *Steel*, cast 11½ to 12c; Spring \$3.25 to \$3.50; *Tire*, \$3.50 to \$3.75; Sleigh Shoe, \$3.00 to \$3.25. *Ingot Tin* 24 to 25c; *Bar Tin* 26 to 27c; *Ingot Copper* 18½ to 19½c; *Sheet Zinc* \$5.50 to \$5.60; *Spelter* \$5 to \$5.25. *Horse Shoes*, \$3.90 to \$4.00. *Glass*, boxes 50 ft. up to 25 in. \$2.00, 26 in. to 40 in. \$2.10; 41 in. to 50 in. \$2.35; 51 in to 60 in. \$2.50.

HIDES.—The market is quiet with very moderate demand for green butchers' hides at \$8, \$7, and \$6; *Calfskins* steady at 14c. per lb.; *Lambskins*, 35 to 45c.

LEATHER.—The market continues very quiet and sales are light. The numerous holidays are a serious interruption, the men not being disposed to work until yesterday. Now trade will commence in earnest on their fall orders. In the meantime stocks with the exception of prime BA sole are full and low prices are likely to continue. The best brands of BA sole are wanted for the western trade while ordinary and inferior sole is plentiful and dull. Slaughter is in better supply and a trifle easier. Upper and splits continue in over supply with prices in buyers' favor. Harness is neglected except for good plump stock which is scarce. In other lines there is no noticeable change. We continue to quote: *Hemlock Spanish Sole* BA, 24½ to 26c; ditto, No. 2 BA, 22 to 23c; No. 1 *Ordinary Spanish*, 24 to 25½c; No. 2 ditto 21½ to 22½c; *Buffalo Sole*, No. 1, 21 to 23c; ditto, No. 2, 19 to 21c; *Hemlock Slaughter*, No. 1, 26 to 29c; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 32½ to 36c; ditto ditto, heavy, 31 to 34c. *Grained*, 33 to 37c. *Splits*, large 21 to 28c; ditto, small, 17 to 23c. *Calfskins* (27 to 36 lbs) 60 to 72½c; ditto (18 to 26 lbs) 60 to 70c; *Sheepskin Linings*, 25 to 50c; *Harness*, 26 to 34c. *Buffed Cow*, 13 to 15½c. *Enamelled Cow*, 15 to 16c. *Patent Cow*, 15 to 16c. *Pebble Cow*, 11 to 15c; *Rough*, 23 to 27c.

OILS.—The fish oil market is quiet but very firm and stocks are small. We have again to note a small advance in the price of *Cod oil*, which we now quote for A Nfd. 60c. to 62c. Hlf. 57 to 58c. *Seal.*—Some fair lots have been sold within our range of quotations, viz: Pale, 65c; Straws, 57½ to 60c; Steam refined, 70 to 72½. *Petroleum.*—The long days lessen the demand; in another month there will likely be more business to report. We quote car lots 19½c; broken lots 20c; and single barrels, 20½ to 21c. *Linseed Oil* is steady at 70 to 72c for Raw and 73 to 75c for boiled.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—Receipts 983 pkgs. Shipments 813 pkgs. The market is not very strong at present the stocks are very limited and the demand only for local wants. In England the market is easy and foreign and Irish butter plentiful. We quote creamery 22 to 23½c; Eastern Townships 20 to 21c; Morrisburg (none offering) 18 to 20c. nominal; Western 17 to 19c. *Cheese.*—Receipts 22,862 boxes. Shipments 22,704 boxes. There has been little business done the past weeks, prices are too high here for the English markets and buyers are holding off to see if prices comes down any. We quote 10½ to 11c, firm. *Pork.*—High prices are checking business and anything doing is mostly in a retail way in Canada. Short Cut at \$25.00 and Thin Mess at \$24. *Lard* is firm but without any particular demand; Canada pails are worth 14½ to 14½; Chicago, 15c. *Bacon*, 14c.

Hams, uncovered 15c; covered, 15½c. *Eggs* are more plentiful, but without much demand, 17 to 17½ being current rates.

SALT.—Is in fair jobbing demand at steady prices; coarse, 65 to 70c for 11s and 10s; factory filled, \$1.20 to \$1.45.

WOOL.—The market is very quiet and there is no new feature to report; prices for foreign remain steady as last quoted; and domestic wool is still nominal.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, July 6, 1882.

The movement of general merchandise has been restricted since our last report. Trade continues quiet, but prospects for the regular fall trade are considered good, present appearances indicating a good yield of grain this season. Payments have been moderately well met, but the amount falling due at this time is only small. There is a moderate demand for seasonable fabrics, but the dry goods trade is not up to expectations. Stocks generally are large, and merchants offer great inducements to purchasers. Prices continue steady, there being no quotable change.

The demand for money has been less active owing to decreased speculation in stocks. It is offering a little more freely, but rates remain steady. Call loans have been made at 6½ and time at 6½ to 7 per cent. There is but a moderate amount of commercial paper offering, and discount rates are unchanged at 6 per cent, for prime and 7 for ordinary. Sterling exchange is dull and easy; 60-day bills being quoted at 109½ between banks and 109½ across the counter, and demand bills at 109½ to 110½. Gold drafts on New York sell at par. There has been a small business in bank shares, the stock exchange having been closed from Friday until Tuesday, and the afternoon Boards discontinued. The market has been irregular: Bank of Montreal closes easy at 207 bid. Ontario sold at 125 and Merchants at 126. Commerce showed a favourable statement on Wednesday, but the stock was easy, selling at 143 here and at 142 in Montreal. Federal has been selling ex-allotment at 148 and 147½, and a few shares of Imperial sold yesterday 135. Dominion has been steady with sales at 193½, and Standard sold yesterday at 113.

DRY GOODS.—A quiet season like the present is favorable to review and to calm consideration of the tendencies of trade. The feature which, in any conversation with wholesale merchants in this department, is sure to come uppermost is increasing competition and relaxing of terms. Some Western houses, it is true, stick to a four months basis and refuse to date ahead to exceed 5 or 5½ months' time, but we are told of Montreal houses which offer what is equivalent to seven months' terms. It is alleged that such goods as Chambly flannels are sold by wholesale dealers at an advance of 2½ per cent. on the mill price, "for a lead;" that grey and bleached domestics, which are now no longer sold *p r* list, are offering at any where from 10 to 2 per cent. profit. Something of this may be due to an accumulation of stock in hands of wholesale men by reason of a dull spring. But we can discover no adequate advantage in selling goods so staple and so hard to procure, without profit. Such retailers are caught by so transparent a bait as this are very unlikely to stand a heavy advance imposed on other goods to make up for lack of profit on these. And in such case the order secured would not be worth the sacrifice made to secure it. We hear of a case in which a 'cute retailer, who thinks his money is better than other people's, remits at end June for goods bought at close prices in early March, 4 months, and deducts four per cent. If importers submit to this kind of "bull-dozing" they have only themselves to blame. In woollens there is but little doing. The mills are mostly stock-taking and preparing for fall makes. It is worth while to remark here, as we note elsewhere, that Britain's exports of wool fabrics in five months this year were just double (in yards) those of same period in 1881.

CATTLE.—The supply has been moderate and prices rule steady at the quotations of last week. Offerings are confined to grass fed cattle, the best of which are worth 4½ to 4½c; ordinary stock sell at 4 to 4½c. The shipping demand is but moderate, as prices continue easy in Britain. *Sheep* are in fair supply and steady at 5 to 5½c. per lb. *Lambs* are unchanged, with supply and demand about equal; prices rule at \$2.50 to \$4 a head. *Calves* steady; first class bring \$12 to

14.00, and ordinary \$8.00 to \$10. *Hogs* are in good demand and firm at 7 to 7½c. per lb.

COAL OIL.—The demand has been fair and prices firm. Canadian refined sells at 18½c. per gallon for barrel lots, and American at 23c. for prime and 25c. for water white.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—*Flour* has been moving to a small extent, and prices are easy. There are said to be large stocks in the country, but offerings are not very free. On Friday last there were buyers of fresh ground extra at \$5.60, and a sale at \$5.65. The market closed easier at \$5.55 to 5.60. On Tuesday 500 brls of superior extra, old standard, sold outside at equal to \$5.70. *Oatmeal* is scarce and firm; car lots are worth \$5 to 6.10, small lots sold at \$5.25. *Cornmeal* is firm, but the movement is small; small quantities sell at \$4.20 to 4.25. *Bran* is quiet holders offer at \$12, but buyers seem unwilling to pay more than \$11.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—Only a very small trade reported the past week. Prices at outside markets have been unsettled, and there is no disposition to buy beyond immediate wants. The latter part of last week No. 2 fall sold at \$1.26 f.o.c., and it closes easy at \$1.25. No. 1 Spring sold the latter part of last week at \$1.33 and early this week at \$1.32 on track. A car by sample sold on Wednesday at \$1.30 on track, and No. 2 Spring is worth \$1.30 to \$1.31. The best bid yesterday on 'Change however, was \$1.28. *Barley* is dull and purely nominal in absence of transactions. *Oats* have been in good demand all week, and prices ruled strong, car lots selling at 49c on track, and the market closing at that price bid. *Peas* quiet and steady; there are none offering, but said to be worth 81 to 83c. *Rye* dull and purely nominal at quotations. *Corn* quiet and firmer in sympathy with the Chicago market.

GROCERIES.—Trade in this line is unchanged, the movement being limited; few sales of round lots are reported, but prices generally are firm. *Valencia raisins* are scarce and firm, with no disposition on the part of holders to sell: prices range from 10½ to 11c. There were a few sales of *Eleme* in 50-box lots at 8½c. *Currants* scarce, with sales to arrive at 6 to 6½c. *Sugars* firm with no particular movement; medium raws sold at 7½c, and medium bright at 7½c; Scotch refined sold in car lots at 6½ for dark, and 7½ for medium. *Teas* quiet and unchanged, with no sales of round lots reported. *Liquors* in moderate demand and firm. *Fish* steady, with little movement in consequence of small stocks.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—The volume of business is fair for the season and prices are well sustained. Orders as a rule are small, but they are rather more numerous than they were. Building material continues in demand as well as shelf goods. There has been a little more movement in pig iron with sales of Carnbroe at \$23 and of Summerlee at \$24.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The demand for hides continues good and prices are firm. Two cars of cured sold at 8½c and dealers continue paying 7½ for cows and 8½ for steers. *Calfskins* are unchanged at 13c for green and 15c for cured. *Pelts* are in fair offer and higher at 30c, and *Lambskins* bring 40c. *Tallow* is firm at 8½ to 8½c for small lots of rendered.

LEATHER.—Some dealers report an improved demand, while others find trade is very quiet. Prices remain very steady, and stocks generally are full. Payments are fair.

PROVISIONS.—There has been a very good trade during the past week and prices in many instances are higher. *Butter* continues scarce; the demand is good outside for export lots, and consequently offerings here are restricted. Choice selections bring 16 to 17c. in the country, and the best qualities sell here in a jobbing way at 18c; good brings 16c. and inferior to medium 13 to 15c. Pound rolls in the street sell at 19 to 22c. *Cheese* is in fair demand and firmer: choice qualities at factories sold at 11c. and prices here are 11½ to 12c. in a jobbing way. *Eggs* are in fair demand and rather firmer, case lots bringing 16½ to 17c. per dozen. *Beans* unchanged at \$3 to 3.25 per bush. *Hops* are higher, sales being made at 30c., and dealers now ask 35c. for the best qualities. *Bacon* is in good demand and firm, car lots of long clear being worth 13c. and jobbing lots 13½ to 14c; Cumberland cut firm at 12½ to 13c. in a jobbing way. *Hams* are steady at 13½ for sweet pickled and 15 to 15½c. for smoked and canvassed. *Mess Pork* is also higher, with sales of small lots at \$25; stocks are small. *Lard* continues in moderate demand and firm at 15 to 15½c. for Canadian and 16c. for American refined. *Dressed Hogs* scarce and firm at \$10 to butchers.

The marketable future supply of hogs is quite