

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—Business for the past week has been considerably brisker, a very amount of sorting orders being received with prospects of a continuance. Prices are unchanged but with a firmer tendency. Remittances are still favorable. We quote *Men's Stoga Boots* \$2 to 2.90; ditto *Kip Boots*, \$2.50 to 3.25; ditto *French Calf* \$3.25 to 3.75; ditto *Buff Congress*, \$1.70 to 2.40; ditto *Split Brogans*, \$1.00 to 1.10; *Boy's Split Brogans*, 85 cents to \$1.00; ditto *Buff and Pebble Congress*, \$1.35 to 1.60; *Women's Buff and Pebbled Balmorals*, \$1.00 to 1.40; ditto *Prunella B's*, 50c. to \$1.50; ditto *Prunella Congress*, 50c. to \$1.50.

**CATTLE.**—The market yesterday was largely supplied with common and inferior stock which was not in much demand, and prices obtained were very low including some inferior bulls the range was 1½ to 2c per lb., a few of the best brought from 4 to 4½c. Shipping cattle were in moderate supply, several lots being bought up at 4½ to 5c. *Sheep*—For fat animals 4½ to 5c was paid. *Live hogs* were in fair supply and sold from 6½ to 7c per lb.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**—The market is firm, and stocks are not heavy, and everything looks for an advance in prices; owing to short stocks in the west, we look for a large demand in the near future. We now quote:—*Bicarb. soda*, \$3.05 to 3.25; *Soda Ash*, \$1.45 to 2.25; *Bichromate of Potash*, 13 to 14c; *Borax*, refined, 16 to 18c; *Cream Tartar Crystals*, 29½ to 31, ditto ground 32½ to 34c; *Caustic Soda*, \$2.37 to 2.40; *Sugar of Lead*, 13 to 15c; *Bleaching Powder*, \$1.30 to 1.40; *Alum*, \$1.80 to 2.00; *Copperas*, per 100, 90c. to \$1.00; *Flour Sulphur*, \$2.90 to 3.00; *Roll Sulphur*, \$2.25 to 2.30; *Epsom Salts*, per 100 lbs. \$1.10 to 1.20; *Sal Soda*, per 100 lbs., \$1.05 to 1.15; *Saltpetre*, per keg, \$9.50 to 10.00; *Sulphate of Copper*, 5½ to 6½c; *Whiting*, per 100 lbs., 55 to 60c; *Sulphate of Quinine*, \$3.25 to 3.30 for *Howards*; *Optum* \$4.75 to 5.00; *Castor oil*, 11 to 11½c. per lb.; *Shellac* 45 to 50c.

**DAY GOODS.**—We have very little change to note in the state of this line of business, all kinds of goods suited to the season have been in good demand. Travellers out on their sorting up trips have not done much so far, which may be accounted for by the mildness of the weather, and the bad state of the roads in the country; however, stocks in the hands of country dealers are pretty well broken in upon, and a good business is confidently looked for in the near future. Cotton goods are very firm, and manufacturers are hard pushed to fill orders. Remittances are fairly good.

**FLOUR.**—Receipts for the past week, 25,528 bbls; total receipts from the 1st January to date, 664,580 bbls, being an increase of 100,637 bbls on the receipts for the same period of 1880. Shipments for the week, 3,691 bbls; total shipments from the 1st January to date, 496,469 bbls, being a decrease of 97,066 bbls on the shipments for the same period of 1880. Business has been almost at a standstill all week; buyers and sellers are widely apart in their views, and although holders might be disposed to concede a little in order to sales, buyers are holding off, apparently confident that lower figures than our present nominal quotations will prevail. To day there was nothing doing, prices tending decidedly downward. *Superior Extra*, \$6.60 to 6.65; *Extra Superfine*, \$6.45 to 0.00; *Fancy*, nominal, *Spring Extra* \$6.45 to 6.50; *Superfine*, \$6.00 to 6.10; *Strong Bakers' Flour*, \$7.00 to 8.00; *Fine*, \$5.40 to 5.50; *Middlings*, \$4.75 to 5.00; *Pollards*, \$4.30 to 4.50; *Ontario Bags* \$3.75 to 3.85; city bags, \$3.75 to 3.85; *Oatmeal*, \$0.00 to 5.25; *Cornmeal*, \$3.50 to 3.60.

**GRAIN.**—Wheat.—Receipts for the past week, 340,752 bushels; total receipts from 1st January to date, 6,263,857 bushels, showing a decrease of 2,046,908 bushels on the receipts for the same

period of 1880; shipped during the week, 199,866 bushels; total shipments from 1st January to date, 5,554,391 bushels, being a decrease of 2,905,640 bushels on the shipments for the same period of 1880. The only kinds of wheat in which any business has been done here is red and white Canada winter. Sales of the former have been made at \$1.46 to 1.47½, and of the latter at \$2.44 to 1.44½ holders now asking \$1.45; *Maize* is nominal; *Peas*—a large business has been done at 96 to 95c, closing at the latter figure. *Oats*.—A number of cargoes have changed hands at 40 to 40½c. *Rye* is firm at \$1.00 to 1.01; *Barley* is nominal.

**GROCERIES.**—Teas.—Teas of most descriptions have been in good demand Japan being most sought for at prices ranging from 43 to 50c. for choice grades, and Young Hyson at 36 to 39c.; more enquiring too for Black Teas. *Coffee* market is dull but prices pretty steady, Jamaica has moved in small parcels at 15½ to 20c; Mocha 31 to 35c; Old Govt, Java 22 to 26c; Rio 15 to 17c. *Sugar*.—No particular demand for refined and one of the refiners seems disposed to cut prices, but among dealers the market is firm. We quote granulated 9½ to 9½c.; *Grocers' A*, 9½ to 9½c; *Yellows* 7½ to 8½c. *Raw Sugars* are very firm, the refiners having nearly cleared the market. *Muscovado* for refining purposes is now held at 7½c. *Molasses* are scarce and very firm; Barbadoes, 54 to 56c. and Trinidad 47½c. *Syrups*.—Very firm and in small supply, 52½ to 60c being current rates. *Rice* is steady at \$3.75 to 3.90. *Spices*.—The market has shown signs of weakness for some articles *Pepper* is now selling 14 to 15c; *Pimento* is freely offered at 12 to 13c; *Cloves* can now be had at 30 to 35c; other spices are unchanged. *Fruit*.—Market very firm, some large transactions reported in Valencia at 9½ to 8½c. *Sultanas* have sold largely at about 12c. Some round sales of currants ex-ship, have been made at 6½c. Current price is 6½ to 7½c; *Smyrna figs* to arrive in small boxes have been sold at 15 to 17c; medium boxes 14½ to 15½c. *Tarragona Almonds*, new crop are selling at 17½c; some old crop being placed at 15c; *Filberts* are higher and Sicily are selling at 9½ to 9½c. No change in other kinds of fruit.

**HARDWARE.**—Since our last report advices tend to confirm the late advances, which in all classes of heavy Hardware are well maintained. Stocks of Pig Iron in this market are very light and any lots arriving are for orders. Tin and Canada Plates are all in good demand, and now all outside lots have gone into dealers' hands consequently full prices are now asked, although the present prices in England it would not cost more to import than they could be bought at in this market. *Ingot tin* and copper are both scarce at present and full prices are obtained. *Bar Iron* and sheets are as last reported. We quote *Pig Iron* per ton. *Coltness*, \$24.50 to 25.00; *Gartsherrie*, \$24.00 to 24.50; *Summerlee*, \$24.25 to 24.50; *Langloan*, \$24.00 to 25.00; *Eglinton*, \$22.50 to \$23 *Carnbroe*, \$23.00 to 23.50. *Bars* per 100 lbs. *Siemens*, \$24. to 24.50; *Scotch and Staffordshire*, \$1.90 to \$2; best ditto, \$2.15 to 2.25; *Swedes*, \$4.50 to 5.00; *Norway*, \$0 to 5.00; *Lowmoor & Bowling*, \$6.25 to 6.50. *Canada Plates* per box, *Glamorgan and Budd*, \$3.25; *Garth and Penn*, \$3.25 to 3.50; *Hatton*, \$3.40 to 0.00; *Tin Plates* per box, *Charcoal IC*, \$5.75 to 5.80; ditto, *IX*, \$7.75 to 7.80; ditto, *DC*, \$5.25 to 5.50; ditto, *DX*, \$7.00 to 0.00. *Coke IC*, \$4.75 to 5.00; *Timber Sheets*, charcoal best, No. 26, 10½ to 11; *Galvanized Sheets*, best brands, \$7.00 to 7.15; *Hoops and Bands*, per 100 lbs., \$2.35 to 2.50. *Boiler Plates* best brands, \$2.50 to 2.75; *Russia Sheet Iron*, 12½ to 13c. *Lead*, pig per 100 lbs., \$5.00 to 5.50 ditto sheet, \$6.00 to \$6.25; do. bar, \$5.00 to 5.50; do. shot, \$6.00 to 6.50; *Steel*, cast, per lb., 12 to 13c; do *Spring*, per 100 lbs., \$3.75 to 4.00; do *Tire*, \$3.50 to 3.75; do *Sleigh Shoe* \$2.25 to 2.50 *Ingot Tin*, \$27 to \$28. *Ingot Copper*, \$18.00

to 18.25. *Sheet Zinc* per 100 lbs., \$6.00 to 6.25; *spelter*, \$5.50 to 6.00. *Horse Shoes*, per 100 lbs., \$3.65 to 3.75. *Proved Coil chain*, ½ in. \$4.00 to 4.50; *Iron Wire*, No. 6 per bdl., \$1.70 to 1.80.

**FURS.**—It is early yet to speak with certainty of the prices that will be realized for furs this coming winter. Our most reliable advices say that *Red Fox*, *Mink*, *Martin*, and *Beaver* will be lower. *Fisher*, *Bear*, *Lynx*, and *Otter* will probably hold their own. Of course much will depend upon the weather throughout Europe, and also upon the state of affairs in Russia. There are no furs coming in to our local market yet.

**FISH.**—*Labrador Herrings*, four cargoes have arrived with about 8000 barrels, the greater part of which has been sold for Chicago and Western States at \$6 to 6.25, and are now held at \$6.50, the market is firm and likely to advance as the catch is not half an average one. *Nova Scotia Split Herrings* \$5.25 to 5.50. *Salmon* \$20 \$19 and \$18.00 for Nos. 1, 2, and 3. *Mackerel*.—None in market. There is a good seasonable demand for all kinds of fish.

**FREIGHTS.**—are steady, engagements have been made to Glasgow and Liverpool for heavy grain by steamers at 2 9 to 2 3. Flour to same ports in sacks 15/- to 20/- and 1 9 to 2/- in brls. Rates for ashes, butter and cheese are unchanged.

**HIDES.**—are steady at \$9, 8 and 7, market not very strong. *Lambskins* are firm at 90c to \$1 00 but an advance will have taken place before our next report.

**LEATHER.**—There continues to be a fair trade done in most descriptions of stock, but the large stock held by dealers and tanners tends to depress prices. Buyers still purchase only for immediate wants, and to make sales of round lots prices have to be shaded considerably. The enquiry is fair for best B.A. Sole, Slaughter S.le, Splits and Pebble; good Waxed calf is also wanted. Buff is very quiet and Waxed and grained upper neglected. We quote: *Hemlock Spanish Sole* No. 1, B.A., 24½ to 26½c.; do. No. 2 B.A., 23 to 24c.; No. 1 *Ordinary Spanish*, 24 to 25½c.; No. 2 do., 22 to 23½c.; *Hemlock Slaughter*, No. 1, 26 to 29; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 36 to 40c; do. heavy, 35 to 37c.; *Grained Upper*, 35 to 38; *Splits*, large, 22 to 29c; small, 17 to 24c.; *Calfskins*, (27 to 36 lbs.), 70 to 85c; ditto, (18 to 26 lbs.), 65 to 80c.; *Sheepskin linings*, 30 to 50c.; *Harness*, 26 to 34c.; *Buffed Cow*, 14 to 16c.; *Enamelled Cow*, 14 to 16c.; *Patent Cow*, 14 to 15½c.; *Pebbled Cow* 12 to 15½c.; *Rough*, 25 to 28c.

**OILS.**—*Petroleum*.—There is a good demand, and prices are steady as under: *Car lots*, 23½c; broken lots, 24c; single barrels, 25 to 25½c. There is some American in the market but the quality is hardly so good as usual, and our American oil gets the preference. *Fish oils*, as a rule, are quiet; for *Cod oil* there is a fair demand. A *N'd* 54c; *Hfx* 52½c; *Seal* is quiet, market firm; we quote: *pale*, 54c; ditto, *straw* 48; ditto *steam refined*, 57½c; all per Imp. gallon. *Linseed oil* was a little easier early in the week, but the slight decline has been regained, and we now quote: *Raw*, 73 to 74c; *Boiled*, 76 to 77c.

**PROVISIONS.**—*Butter*.—Receipts for the past week, 6,609 pkgs; shipments, 10,450 do. There has been very little demand for butter, farmers are holding for prices much beyond the views of buyers. We now quote *Eastern Tp*, 21 to 22c.; *Brookville and Morrisburg*, 19 to 21c; *Western*, 16 to 19c. *Cheese*.—Receipts, 5509 boxes; Shipments 5856 boxes. Owing to divergence in views between buyers and sellers very little business has been done. September and October make is firmly held for 13 to 13½c. *Pork* is quiet, only small transactions are reported for heavy mess at \$22.50 to 23.00. *Lard* is in limited supply but equal to the demand at 15½ to 15½c. in pails. *Hams* and *Bacon* are unchanged.

**SALT.**—A fair request is heard at current