

wanted; cured have sold at 8c. with stocks small and held firmly. Calfskins—Green taken as before; cured, nominal. Pelts—Offered slowly and taken at 35c. for the best green. Lambskins—In fair supply and steady at 45c. for the best green.

HOPS.—There has been some enquiry heard but there seems to have been no sales effected; holders stand out for previous prices but buyers refrain from making bids and under these circumstances no business can be done.

LEATHER.—The situation is dull and without any special feature. Excepting in splits, which are somewhat in the buyers favour, the market is pretty steady. Stocks are being kept down pretty well, and with few exceptions they are not over heavy.

PROVISIONS.—Have been steady nearly all over. Butter—A steady demand for good qualities for local consumption has been maintained; all ranging from good yellow store to fine dairy has sold readily at from 13 to 15c. as would some more also; lower grades have been very dull but one lot of mixed, with white out, changed hands at 12c. And a few small lots of white sold at 9c.; box lots of rolls scarce and steady at 13 to 15c. for good qualities. Cheese—Fairly active and firm; some trade lots have sold at 9½c. and small lots of fine have been bringing 10c.; English quotations have risen two shillings. Eggs—All offered, and probably some more also, wanted, and at rather firmer prices, round lots having been readily taken at 15c. Pork—Quiet; some buyers could have been found at \$16.50 but holders stood out for \$17. Bacon—There has been little movement outside of long clear, but sales of it seem to have been increasing at 8c. for tons and cases; some demand for cars but no definite quotations; Cumberland very scarce and the few sales made have brought 8½c.; backs have sold to a very small extent at 10c. and bellies at 10 to 10½c.; rolls, almost nominal. Hams—Demand increasingly active and prices firmer at 11½ to 12c. for smoked and 12 to 12½c. for canvassed. Lard—Very quiet and rather easier at 9½c. for 50-lb. pails, and 9½c. for small pails in small lots. Hogs—The few offered have sold usually at \$7.00 to \$7.25. Dried Apples—Scarce and held firmly at 6c., but no trade lots offered; evaporated very scarce at 14c. White Beans—Scarce and steady with the movement small and confined principally to choice at \$1.25 to \$1.35.

SALT.—Liverpool coarse to arrive has been offered in car lots at 55c. on track, but these not due until about the end of August; a few bags of Canadian coarse have sold at 70c. and dairy in 56-lb. bags at 45 to 50c.

TALLOW.—Very quiet; taken as before at 2c. for rough and 4 to 4½c. for rendered, with trade lots held at 4½c., but none selling.

WOOL.—New fleece has sold fairly well at 24c., at 24½c., and 25c. for good merchantable, Southdown, in small quantities, being usually thrown in at the latter price, but separate lots of it bringing 25 to 26c. with offerings small; rejected taken at 18 to 19c. Pulled wools quiet; but a sale of extra to a factory seems to have been made at about 28c.

BRITISH MARKETS.

The second Tea-Letter of the season from Messrs. Lewenz Bros. & Hauser, says: The very low price of 5½d. at which a parcel of n.s. Shantaam was allowed to go at Monday's auction has, however, to a certain extent checked the forced sales of black leaf tea the aggregate of which barely exceeds 15,000 packages for the week.

There was nothing particularly attractive among either the Onfas or Hohows, the former selling up to 10½d. and the latter about 9d.

No change has taken place in last season's teas and the rates at which Blacks and Reds sold at auction were, although low—fairly steady.

The bonded stock on 30th June compared with the last two years as follows in thousand lbs.: (the letter is dated 8th.)

	1887.	1886.	1885.
Congou & Souchong	29,902	26,694	22,764
Green tea	2,986	3,912	3,445
Scented tea	4,163	4,385	1,877
Oolong and other sorts ...	1,071	1,134	668
Indian Ceylon and Java	22,694	19,361	13,270
	60,806	55,486	42,024

Messrs. Gillespie & Co.'s Prices Current, dated Liverpool, July 7th, 1887, state that: Raw sugar is very steady with a very fair de-

mand. Refined is quoted at higher prices. Rice remains at about our last figures. Chemicals, &c., still present a drooping appearance. Cream tartar remains at 123s. to 123s. 6d. per cwt. on spot. Nitrate of soda is again lower at 9s. 3d. to 9s. 9d. per cwt., in double bags. Gambier 22s. 6d. on spot, 21s. 9d. per cwt. to arrive. Oils—Linseed marks a further advance to 23s. to 23s. 3d. per cwt. for raw. Palm rather firmer; Bonny £18 to £18 5s.; Lagos £19 to £19 7s. 6d. per ton. Freights—Owing to competition with outside steamers, rate for chemicals, &c., to Montreal is reduced to 7s. 6d. per ton; groceries 10/- to 12/6; oils 10/- to 20/-, Toronto, Hamilton and London 20/- to 27/6 for both.

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