

pretty general business has been done and full prices are obtained for almost all articles on our list. We quote *Bi Carb Soda* \$3.25 to 3.50 per 112 lb. keg; *Soda Ash* 1½ to 2c. per lb.; *Cud-bear* 12 to 16c per lb; *Arrow root* 15 to 50c per lb; *Borax* 11 to 12½c per lb; *Cream Tartar Crystals* 26 to 28c per lb; do *Ground* 20 to 31; *Caus-tic Soda* \$3.00 to 3.25 per 100 lbs; *East India Senna* 12½ to 15c per lb; *Sugar of Lead* 14 to 15c per lb; *Bleaching Powder* 1½ to 2c per lb; *Mad-der* 9 to 12c per lb; *Alum* 1½ to 2c per lb; *Copperas* 1 to 1½c per lb; *Sulphur* 3 to 3½c per lb; *Brimstone* 2½ to 2¾c per lb; *Epsom Salts* \$1.50 to 1.75 per 100 lbs; *Sal Soda* \$1.10½ to 1.20 per 100 lbs; *Saltpetre* \$8.00 to 9.00 per 12 lb kegs; *Blue Vitrol* 6½ to 6¾c per lb.

FURS.—A few furs are coming in which are readily bought up at exceptional prices to meet immediate requirements, but the season can hardly be said to have begun yet, and wont do so till the beginning of November, when prices are expected to rule low; next week we hope to be able to give quotations, which at present are entirely nominal.

FISH.—There has been an active demand in this market for all kinds of fish. Holders are asking high prices which rather checks business in the meantime, but as stocks are expected to be limited their demands will have to be acceded to, but in the meantime retailers find it almost impossible to sell at prices to leave them any profits after paying the wholesale dealer, we quote *Dry Cod* \$4.75 to 5.00; *Green Cod* \$4.75 to 5.00; *Labrador Herring's* \$5.37½ to 5.50; *Salmon* \$12. \$11. \$10 for No. 1. 2 and 3.

FREIGHTS.—The demand for tonnage has rather slackened off and rates are lower, engagements for heavy grain to Liverpool and Glasgow and London by steam and iron clippers at 7/6 to 8/3. Flour to Liverpool 3/9 to 4/- to Glasgow 4/3 to 4/6, tonnage is in good supply.

FLOUR.—Receipts for the past week 36,047 bbls; total receipts from 1st January to date 607,080 bbls; being a decrease of 139,787 bbls, on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1876. Shipments during the week 45,193 bbls; total shipments from 1st January to date 508,538 bbls. There has been a good demand all week up till yesterday for shipping flour, and a large quantity changed hands at prices rather under our closing quotations of this day week, yesterday and to-day the market was comparatively quiet but prices were steady closing if any thing rather easier. *Superior extra* \$6.10; *Extra superfine* \$5.90 *Fancy* 75c; nominal; *Strong baker's flour* \$5.80 to 6.00; *Spring extra* \$5.45 to 6.00; *Superfine* \$5.25 to 5.30 nominal; *Fine* \$4.75 to 6.00 nominal; *Middlings* \$3.75 to \$4.00 nominal; *Pollards* \$3.00 to 3.50; nominal, *Oatmeal* \$4.35 to 4.50; *Cornmeal* \$2.60 to 2.80.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—Receipts for the past week 519,336 bush; total receipts from 1st January to date 5,330,807 bush; being a decrease of 587,673 bushels on the receipts for the same period of 1876; shipments during the week 711,814 bushels, total shipments from 1st January to date 3,742,323 bushels, being a decrease of 628,931 bushels on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1876. The principal business done this week has been in car loads although sales of several cargoes have been reported within our range of quotations viz; No. 2 spring \$1.24; No. 1 Red winter \$1.32 to 1.32½; No. 2 White winter \$1.34 to 1.35; No. 3 White winter \$1.30; No. 1 spring \$1.28; at the close prices were easier and sales of No. 1. Canada spring were reported at \$1.24 and No. 2. \$1.21 by the car load. *Maise* has sold in quantity at 56c; *Peas* 81 to 82½c. per 66 lbs; *Oats* 32½; *Barley* a good deal has been done in this grain at 55 to 60c.

GROCERIES.—*Teas.*—There has been a steady demand for Japans of the cheaper sort, but this kind is rather scarce at present in this

market, and holders are firm, we have no change to notice in prices this week. Greens have been asked for but holders views are generally above those of buyers and we hear of no transactions. Blacks are neglected. *Coffee* has only been dealt in, in small quantities to the retail trade prices are nominally unchanged, but if anything are in favor of buyers. Government Java 27 to 30c; Rio 20 to 22½c; Maracaibo 22½ to 24c; Singapore 22½ to 24c; Mocha 29 to 32c *Sugar.*—There has been a good demand for all kinds of refined sugars, prices being in buyers favor. Sales of Scotch refined at 8 to 9½c; Dry crushed 10½ to 10¾c; Granulated 10½ to 10¾c; American extra C 9½ to 9¾c. Raw sugar is nominal, very little in stock at present and very little demand. *Molasses.*—Demand is by no means heavy, although some moderate sales are reported. Trinidad 41 to 42½c; Barbadoes 47c to 50c; Filtered 35 to 37½c; *Syrups* are very quiet, amber 52 to 54c; Sugar-loaf 63½ to 65c; *Spices.*—There has been a fair demand from the jobbers, and prices are a shade firmer than last week. Black pepper, 9½ to 10c; white ditto 20 to 20½c; Cassia 15 to 16c; Cloves 40 to 42½c; Pimento 10 to 11c; Jamaica ginger 19 to 22½c; Nutmegs 65 to 90c according to quality; Mace 80 to 90c. *Rice* firm and held at \$4.37 to 4.50; *Fruit.*—The demand for all kinds is improving, and stocks are being replenished by recent arrivals, but not to a greater extent than the requirements of the trade would warrant, as a consequence prices are firm. Layer raisins \$1.65 to \$1.75, a good lot changing hands at inside quotations; Loose Muscatels \$1.85 to 2.00; Valencias 7 to 7½c; Sultanas 7½ to 7¾c; Currants 7 to 7½c; the above are all new crop prices. New figs are scarce, for which 12 to 15c is asked for small boxes; Filberts 6½ to 7c; Walnuts 5 to 8c; S. S. Almonds, Tarragona 13 to 15c, scarce. **HIDES AND PELTS.**—No 1 hides \$9.00; No 2 ditto \$8.00, No 3 \$7.00; no particular demand the present high price of hides as compared with manufactured leather is leaving no inducement for tanners to go on manufacturing and we hear of several tanneries which are about to be closed on this account. *Lambskins* are unchanged at 70 to 80c.

HARDWARE.—Business has been pretty fair since last week and the amount transacted keeps quite equal to former years. Freighters are still advancing and upon pig iron and other heavy goods our quotations are fully as low as they can be imported at, at present. Orders from the country are being taken at fair prices, and remittances on an average are good. We quote pig iron per ton; Gartshire \$19.50 to 20.00; Summerlee \$19.00 to 19.50; Langloan \$19.75 to 20.50; Eglington \$18.75 to 19.00; Calder No 1 \$19.50 to 20.00; Hematite \$24.00 to 26.00. In other goods no change.

LEATHER.—Business for the week has been somewhat restricted, though fair quotations are unchanged, most descriptions of stock are firmly held as prices are not remunerative to tanners, owing to the continued high price of hides and some tanners are not working in any.

OILS.—There is a healthy demand for mostly all kinds and prices generally are firm as there is not much prospect of any large importations this season. *Cod oil* 52½ to 55c; *Seal oil pale* 52½ to 55c; ditto straw 50c; ditto steam refined 55 to 60c. *Linseed* raw 69½ to 72c; ditto boiled 67 to 68c. *Olive* oil to \$1.05; *Petroleum* meets with a steady demand at from 15½ to 18c; per gallon according to the size of lot.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—Receipts for the week have been 4,978 kegs; shipments 11,393 kegs; no particular change to note, choice is in good demand, but common butter is difficult to sell. The outside price for choice is 22c, some factory made is held for a higher figure. *Cheese.*—Receipts 4178 boxes; shipments 17,246 boxes—

quiet but steady at 12 to 13c; lard 11½ to 11¾c; *Pork.*—Receipts 280 bbls.; shipments 202 bbls. A fair business had been done this week in mess at \$17.75 to 18.00, and thin mess \$16.25 to 16.50. Round lots changing hands at 12½c, under inside quotations. *Lard* 14½ to 14¾c; *Tallow* nominal at 9c per lb.

SALT.—A great advance has taken place in coarse, holders were asking as high as 60 to 65c, but we have heard of no sales at these prices. Factory filled 95 to \$1.05.

WOOL.—There has been a moderate demand for small parcels during the whole week, prices remain steady for Canada pulled at 27 to 29c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 25th Oct., 1877.

A satisfactory feeling is evident this week in nearly all lines of trade. Demand is steady and of a healthy character, while remittances show an undeniable improvement. Retail stocks in the country have only begun to be broken, and there is room to look for greater activity when colder weather comes.

More grain is being marketed, and its proceeds are going into various channels. A car load of Red River wheat was last week shipped from Winnipeg to Glasgow Scotland, the first direct European parcel from this important district. About 20,000 bush has been purchased this season in Manitoba by one of our largest millers, which has mostly come to Goderich. The cost of the freight on wheat from Winnipeg to Montreal is said to be about 44c. It is found that grain from the fresh and prolific Western soil, possesses qualities which render it desirable for the production of the best quality of flour.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Nothing especial to note a steady trade is moving and remittances are fair.

—We learn that seventy bundles of leather board were shipped to Hamburg and 40 bundles to Bremen last week. The shipments of this article have been going on regularly for the past few weeks, and its introduction throughout Europe is, in the opinion of the N. Y., *Reporter*, probably only a question of time.

—A correspondent of a London journal gives the following estimate of the quantity of boots and shoes annually manufactured in Great Britain:

For home consumption.....13,000,000 doz.
For exportation.....500,000 doz.

Total.....13,500,000 doz.

CATTLE.—The market is better this week and last, but first class cattle are not plentiful. The demand for old country shipments has drained away our best steers from all over Ontario, and those which remain and now offer are much poorer. *Beeves* 1st class bring \$4.00 to 4.50 per car load and are in most request. Seconds from \$3.25 to 3.50; and third class \$2.75 to 3.00. *Sheep.*—The market is fair and old country buyers are still offering to purchase. 1st. class being \$5.50 in droves; 2nd. \$4.00; 3rd. nominal. The supply is moderate. *Lambs* are in good demand at \$3.00 to 3.50 in droves. *Calves*, nothing doing, dressed *hogs* small size for butchers use \$5.00 to 5.50.

At a cattle sale recently held in Winnipeg the following prices were realized. Steers \$20.00 to 30.00; oxen per yoke \$95.00; cows 21.50; heifers \$20.00.

FLOUR & MEAL.—The flour market has been dull and declining through the week, closing at our quotations. There have been sales of all grades except superfine; those of fancy and extra were not heavy, the bulk moved has been spring extra, which is plentiful and lower. Stocks in store have risen from 1,000 bbls. last