

have been very limited, and the stock in store is reduced to under 50 brls. of pots, and 7 of pearl. Prices are again a peg higher, and we now quote first quality pots at \$4.70 to 4.75; seconds are very scarce and worth \$4.20; pearls at \$6.25 to 6.50, nominal.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—Cheese shipments were fairly heavy last week, being 63,500 boxes, and to date the total shipments are 1,323,925 boxes, compared with 1,355,325 boxes to like date last year. Since last report the cable has advanced a shilling, and the market is a shade stronger than a week ago. We quote finest Ontario fall make 11½ to 11¾c. per lb.; ditto Quebec, 11¼c. Butter shipments last week were 6,875 pkgs. The butter market is rather quiet for export, and the principal business doing is local. We quote creamery 21 to 22¼c. per lb. as to make. Townships dairy, 19 to 20c.; Western, 17½ to 19c. Eggs are good property at 15 to 16c. per dozen for fresh.

DRY GOODS.—The weather since last writing has been unseasonably warm on some days, almost sultry, but despite this the sorting sales of dry goods are for the most part reported fair, and there is no general disposition to complain of business. As regards collections

there is no improvement, and country remittances can hardly be called otherwise than poor. Domestic fabrics of all kinds are steady, and there are no advices from Europe of any recent changes in value there.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—The market is just about in the same position as last reported. Moderate sales of heavy steer hides are reported, to tanners, at 6 to 6½c., and of No. 1 ordinary, at 4½c. per lb.; while dealers continue to pay 4c. for No. 1 green. Calfskins, 7c. per lb. for what few are offering; lamb-skins, 60 to 65c. each. Tallow, 3c. per lb. for rough, 5½ to 6c. for rendered.

GROCERIES.—Receipts of raisins and currants have been light as compared with some years. Stocks in first hands are said to be pretty well exhausted, and as the cable advises an advance of ninepence in Denia, and freights are dearer, there is a decidedly firmer feeling in raisins, and not so much is heard about cutting in prices. Valencias are quoted from 4½ to 6½c. per lb., the latter figure for layers; in currants 4½c. is the general quotation for Provincials; Patras, in cases, 6½c. The "Escalona" with further fruit supplies, is reported at Halifax, and will be here at the end of the week. The

Government has thrown off the embargo on Smyrna goods, but it will be some time before new Sultanias can reach here, and as all the Mediterranean steamers for this port have sailed, it is somewhat difficult to calculate cost. There has been no variation in the price of rice since the mill established the card last March. We quote B quality in ordinary jobbing lots \$3.50 to 3.60, Japan \$3.75 to 3.85, English \$3.30 to 3.40. Local refiners are still pressed to fill sugar orders, but there has been no recent advance in prices. It is reported some very dark samples of yellows have been sold here as low as 3½c., though this lacks definite confirmation. Local refinery quotations are 5½ for granulated, yellows 4½ to

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