demand, and prices have slightly yielded. *Spanish Sole* is still scarce and firm. There is also an active demand for Canadian *Calf*, French being almost unobtainable, and worth $1.20 to $1.50.

LUMBER.—No perceptable change appears in the state of the lumber market. During the past week one million and a half feet list Toronto docks for the U. S. market, Canadian stocks on this side are getting low and manufacturers, on the presumption of paying prices for the coming season are beginning to turn their attention to the prospects of a good season's logging.

PAINTS AND OILS.—Have been selling during the week in small amounts, with no special change in prices.

PETROLEUM.—Business continues active, orders coming in freely, both for single barrels and car lots. Prices remain unaltered.

PRODUCE.—There has been little more activity in the breadstuff's market during the past week, and holders have not been able to realize any advance on previous quotations, although latest advices report rather more firmness in English and United States markets. *Flour*—There has not been much demand for shipping, this market being relatively too high, but there has been a fair local demand, and stocks have not accumulated. Prices are about the same as last week. The principal sales reported are of 100 bbls. extra, at $5 75; 100 bbls. super, at $5 25; 100 bbls. Fancy, at Georgetown, at $5 25; 100 bbls. super, at $5 10, f.o.b. here; 100 bbls. choice do, at 5.25, f.o.b.; 200 bbls. fancy, at Georgetown, at $5 20, and 100 bbls. ditto at Hamilton, at $5 35; 100 bbls. No. 2, at $4 55. *Wheat*—Receipts have been light during the week, with very small deliveries by farmers. Very few sales have been reported, and prices are nominally unchanged, The Liverpool market is quoted at an advance of 1d. to 2d. per cental over last week, but no corresponding advance has taken place here, although holders have had their views strengthened, and are more unwilling than before to submit to a reduction. *Barley*—There has been some activity in this market, and nearly all the receipts of the week have changed hands at various prices, according to quality, closing with 70c. bid for cargo lots of good grain, holders asking 72c. On the street, for exceptionally choice samples, as high as 75c. has been paid, but the average is about 68c. *Oats*—Nothing special to note. A few sales of car lots have been made in the course of the week at 38c. to 39c. *Peas*—No business passing; held at 70c., at which last reported sales were made.—*Hay* sells at $8 to $12.50. *Straw*—$6.50 to $7.50.

PROVISIONS.—Have been only moderately active. *Butter*—For ordinary store-packed the demand is limited, and holders find it difficult to sell except at a reduction, good uniform parcels selling to a moderate extent at 17c. Good Dairy is still in request, with sales for strictly choice as high as 19½. *Cheese*—Is somewhat easier, and offering at from 11c. to 12c, with some sales at between these quotations, according to quality. *Eggs*—Receipts are small, and principally taken for local consumption at previous rates. *Pork*, *Bacon* and *Hams* are quiet and unchanged. *Lard*—has a small demand for local consumption at former quotations.

SALT.—Rather more enquiry, but no change to note in any kind now in market.

WOOL.—The market is still firm, and for round lots 31c. would be paid, some having changed hands at that figure. For small lots 30c. is paid.

MONEY.—Sterling Exchange 60 days' sight, or 75 days' date, 109¼ to 109½; gold drafts on New York, ⅛ prem.; currency drafts on New York or greenbacks 88¼ to 88⅜; American silver, large 5 to 6; small 7 to 10 discount. Gold in New York has been tolerably steady during the week in the vicinity of 114, closing lower at 113.

FREIGHTS.—There is no change to note in anyway. Very little grain or flour offering, and the business generally regarded as very unsatisfactory. We continue our rates of last week: Grain 2½c., greenbacks to Oswego, and 2c. gold to Kingston by sailing vessel; from Kingston to Montreal, by barge 4½c.. Steamer rates unchanged, fruit being chief freight offering. We quote for flour, 15c. to Kingston; 17½c. to Brockville and Prescott, 25c. to Montreal and 20c. gold to Oswego and Ogdensburg Apples are taken at 30c. per brl. to Montreal. Railway rates are without change. Per G. W. Railway:—Flour, from Detroit to Toronto 35c. per brl; grain, 18c. per 100 lbs. From Sarnia, 30c per brl; grain 15c per 100 lbs. From the Suspension Bridge, 25c.; grain, 13c. By Grand Trunk to Liverpool and Glasgow no rates are named. Very little freight offering. A few car loads of butter have been taken for Liverpool as well as for Montreal. The following are the current rates of the Grand Trunk Railway: to Halifax 75c. for flour and 38c for grain; to St. John 75c. flour, 38c. grain. The rates to railway stations are—Flour to Kingston, 25c.; grain 13c; flour to Prescott, 30c; grain, 15c; flour to Montreal, 30c..; grain 18c; flour to St. John, Quebec, 45c.; grain, 23c.; flour to Point Levi, 55c.; grain, 28c.; flour to Portland 75c; grain, 38c.; flour to New York 75c., grain 38c.; flour to Boston 80c, grain 40c. gold.

MONTREAL MARKET.

MONTREAL, Oct. 4.

During the past week there has been a somewhat brisker business doing in most branches of trade, and prices for some articles have advanced somewhat. Breadstuffs have been on the whole rather dull. Provisions are steady, with a good shipping demand. Ashes close steady and scarce. Freights are quiet, without any change in rates. The weather has been close and warm till Monday morning, when rain began to fall heavily and still continues. This will be of vast importance to the farmers, as in many districts the ground was so sun baked as to prevent ploughing.

The Stock Market has been fairly active, and considerable amounts of local securities have changed hands. Yesterday considerable amounts of Merchants' Bank were pressed on the market, causing a considerable decline in price. Various rumours are afloat as to the cause for this.

ASHES.—*Pots*—In the early part of the week there was a steady demand for *Firsts*, at $5 80 to $5 85. Yesterday owing to the scarcity and small receipts, all offering were readily picked up, at $5 90, and $6 00 would be paid for round lots. *Seconds*, $5 25. *Thirds*, $4 50. *Pearls* have not been in much demand, and early in the week the price touched was $7 00, latterly the market value was $7 15. The stocks now in store are, Pots, 650 brls.; Pearls, 407, being a decrease of 1044 Pots, and 282 brls. Pearls on the stock in store on the same date of 1869.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—It has been expected for some time that an advance would occur in this trade, but it now seems settled among manufacturers that there is no sufficient change in the leather market to justify any advances. The following are the wholesale prices of the principal goods: Mens' No. 1 stogas, $2 40 to $2 50; mens' kid clumps, $3; calf clump, $3 50; boys' boots, $1 80 to $2 00; womens' calf boots, D. S.; $1 30; buff congress, $1 30.

COALS.—American Anthracite has been firm and advanced in price, and is now quoted $7 75 to $8, in other kinds there has as yet been very little activity, but as winter is now approaching, a steady trade is looked for. Meantime our quotations are unchanged.

CATTLE.—The market to day was pretty liberally supplied but very few of first quality; anything under that was dull of sale. Sheep and lambs in demand; outside price readily paid for a good article. Hogs were in fair supply but were rather dull at quotations, which were as follows: Cattle, 1st quality, 6½c. to 7c. per lb.; 2nd and 3rd quality, 4½c. to 5½c.; milk cows, $25 to $50; sheep, 3c. to 5c. per lb.; lambs, 2c. to 3c.; live hogs, 7c. to 7½c. per lb.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Without any particular feature to note: their was a fair demand for most articles. Salpetre is still scarce and held for $12; Cream Tarter, 20c. to 21½c.; Bleaching Powder, firm at 2c. to 2½c.; Caustic Soda, 3⅜c. to 3¾c.; Bi Carb was dull at $3.25; Soda Ash, 1½c. to 2c.; Sal Soda in better demand, at $1.30 to $1.40; Copperas, 95c. to $1.05; Borax, 15c. to 16c.; in other articles, there is no particular change to note.

FISH.—The trade has hardly fairly commenced. The demand for Salmon is good at $14.50 to $16, but the supply is light; Herrings are yet rather scarce and prices are firm, for Labrador, $5 to $6; Canso, $4 to $5; Round, $1.80 to $1.90; Dry Cod in demand at $4.75 to $5.

FLOUR.—The receipts for the past week were 14,618 brls. Total receipts from 1st January to date, 713,949 brls.; against 640,873 brls., in corresponding period of 1869, being an increase of 73,076 brls. shipments for the past week 14,022 brls. Total shipments from 1st January to date, 552,273, against 577,083 brls. in the corresponding period of 1869, being a decrease of 24,810 brls. The stock in store and in hands of millers on the first inst. was 102,197 brls., against 100,863 brls. on the 15th Sept., and 28,809 brls. on 1st Oct. 1869. During the week the market has been unsettled, and closes dull at the following rates: Super Extra, $6.40 to $6.50; Extra, $5.90 to $6; Fancy, $5.65 to $5.80; Fresh Supers from Canada wheat, $5.20 to $5.30; Western States Super, (free) $5.7½c.; Strong bakers flour, $6 to $6.30; Welland Canal flour (bond) $4.90 to $4.95; Canada Super No. 2, $4.80 to $4.90; Fine, $4.45 to $4.50; Middlings, $3.90 to $4.10; Pollards, $3.25 to $3.50; Upper Canada bags, $2.40 to $2.60; Oatmeal, $4.50 to $5.

FREIGHTS.—There have been very few engagements to note this week. The current rates by steamers to Liverpool are—Wheat, 4s. 6d.; Flour, 2s. 6d. To Glasgow—Wheat, 5s.: Flour, 3s. Rates for Ashes and Provisions unchanged.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—Receipts for the past week, 192,335 bush.; total receipts from 1st January to date, 4,784,069 bush., against 4,919,893 bush. in corresponding period of 1869, being a decrease of 134,824 bush. Shipments for the past week, 86,094 bush.; total shipments from 1st January to date, 4,038,580 bush., against 3,557,124 bush. in the corresponding period of 1869, being an increase of 481,456 bush. Stock in store and in hands of millers, on the 1st inst., 531,069 bush., against 612,825 bus. on 15th September, and 254,983 bush. on 1st Oct., 1869. There has been a very limited amount of business done in this grain, and market closes quiet with sellers offering at $1.10 to $.12 for No. 2, but no buyers at that price. *Oats*—have been in good demand at 40c. for shipping lots, and 41c. to 42c. for city consumption. *Barley.*—The market is very bare, and likely to be for some time, owing to the short crop; the price to-day on the street, for small lots, was 75c. per 56 lbs., equal to 65c. per 48 lbs. *Pease.*—The business done has been small, but a better demand is now looked for; to-day's quotations are nominal at 82c. to 82½c.

GROCERIES.—A fair business in most articles has been done this week, considering the season of the year. Prices of Molasses are rather weak, owing to the small demand. Sugars are moderately active. Teas have not been in much enquiry, except for uncolored Japans. The following are the quotations for some of the leading articles:—*Coffee.*—Laguayra, 17½c. to 18c.; Jamaica, 16c. to 18c.; Java, 21c. to 24c.; Rio, 15½c. to 16½c.; *Molasses.*—Muscovado, 33c. to 36c. per gal.; Barbadoes, 43c. to 45c; Clayed, 25c. to 26c.; Centrifugal, 21c. to 23c. *Rice.*—Aracan, $3.75 to $4.10; Ragoon can be bought at the same price. Spices are without any quotable change. *Sugars.*—Porto Rico, $8.62½ to $8.75; Cuba, grocery, $8.25 to $8.50. *Refinery Prices.*—Dry Crushed,