FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 7.

THE FUR TRADE.

It is but a short time since we heard that the Hudson's Bay Company was in a bad plight in consequence of their being no demand for furs from fashion's changeful tide, having turned against them, the ladies in obedience to some invisible authority willingly consenting to suffer cold and probably contract illness rather than be unfashionable. Now, however, a re-action seems to have set in. Toe las mail brings us news that English fur manufacturers have been taking extensive orders, whilst a year ago the trade was much depressed and prices were extremely low. Usually the London sales of raw furs takes place in September, but this year they have been held in June, so as to forestall the new market recently opened in Leipsic. The recent sales in London have closed with a mark ed advance in prices upon those current last March. Seal-skins, owing to the small supply, have been as much as 25 and even 50 per cent. There has recently been quite a revolution in fur trade fashions; of course the use of them at all must be in a new form. Chinchilla, ermine, and sables have quite gone out of the fashion, and the demand is now mainly for seal cloaks, fur trimmings, fur neckties, carriage rugs, and squirrel linings for cloaks. The real sea otters and sables, which up to a recent period used to realise very high prices, are now little asked for; bnt all skins which cut up into good trimmings are in such demand that the supply, though enormous, is really insufficient. For this purpose the run is upon raccoon, grey fox, Russian hare, rabbit, &c., all of which have greatly advanced in price.

The following is the official report of the Toronto Stock Exchange, Aug. 7th, 1878:—

Banks.	Sellers.	Buyers.	Trans.
Montreal	167½	166½	.....
Toronto	140	138	.....
Ontario	..	80	.....
Merchants'	94	93	.....
Commerce	111½	111¼	.....
Consolidated	74½	73	.....
Dominion	117½	116½	.....
Hamilton	100	99	.....
Standard	83	80	.....
Federal	104½	104½	.....
Imperial	104	103½	.....
Molson's	..	..	.....
Loan and Savings Co's.			
Canada Permanent	181½	180½	.....
Freehold	150	149½	15 at 149½
Western Canada	..	149½	.....
Union	141½	140½	.....
Canada Landed Credit	135	136	.....
Building and Loan	..	118½	.....
Imperial	..	112½	.....
Farmers'	..	114½	.....
London & C. L. & A. Co	..	147	.....
Huron and Erie	..	135	.....
Dominion Savings and Investment Society	124	122½	.....
Ont. Sav. and Inv. Society	..	131½	.....
London Loan Company	..	109½	.....
Hamilton Prov. and L.	114½	112½	.....
National Inv. Co. of Canada	....	113	.....
Anglo-Can. Mortgage Co.	..	103½	.....
Insurance, &c.			
British America	..	112	.....
Western	..	144	.....
Isolated Risk	26	151	.....
Canada Life	..	190	.....
Confederation Life	..	126	.....
Consumers' Gas	..	140	.....
Dominion Telegraph	83	80	.....
Globe Printing Co.	..	131	.....
Railways.			
Toronto, G. & B. Stock	..	..	.....
6 p.c. 5 yrs. stg. Bonds	..	36	.....
& N. S p.c. 5 yrs. Bonds	..	..	.....
Debentures &c.			
Dom. Gov. stock, 6 p.c.	..	101½	.....
Dom. Gov. stock, 5 p.c.	..	99½	.....
County (Ont.) 20 yr. 6 p.c.	102	101	.....
Tn'p (Ont.) 20 yr. 6 p.c.	99½	98	.....
City Toronto 20 yr. 6 p.c.	..	99½	.....

English Markets.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 7.

London—Floating cargoes—wheat, at opening, firm; corn, unaltered; cargoes on passage and for shipment—wheat, at opening, firm; corn, firm. Mark Lane—Wheat, at opening, quiet, but steady; corn, slow. London—Quotations of good cargoes No. 2 spring wheat, off the coast, per 480 lbs, sea damage for sellers' account, less usual 2½ per cent. commission, 43s 6d; quotations of fair average quality mixed American corn, for prompt shipment, per sailing vessel to Queenstown, for orders, per qr. of 480 lbs., American terms, 23s 6d to 24s; quotations of fair average quality No. 2 Chicago spring wheat, for shipment during the present and following month, per sail to Queenstown, for orders, per 480 lbs, American terms, 39s 6d to 40s. Liverpool—Wheat, on the spot, at opening, firm; corn, quiet. The weather in England is hot and forcing.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 7.

PRODUCE.

The market during the week has been fairly active, and a moderate business in grain and flour has been transacted at improved prices. The stocks in hand have reached very low figures, and the demand for either flour or grain exceeds the supply. The anxiety concerning the crops, consequent on the heavy rain storms, has now subsided, it being ascertained that the rain in its more violent character was confined to a comparatively limited extent. Stocks in store here on Monday morning were as follows:—Flour, 2,175 bbls; fall wheat, 18,037 bush; spring wheat, 23,956 bush; oats, 17,510 bush; barley, 48,013 bush; peas, 117 bush; rye and corn, *nil* bush. Outside markets have varied but slightly. English quotations show an improvement; white wheat has advanced 1d on the inside and 2d on the outside, while corn is 3d on the inside and 6d on the outside. With respect to the Continental markets the *Mark Lane Express* contains the following reports: With the exception of a moderate amount of rainfall in certain localities, the weather in France during the past week has been seasonable, and thoroughly favourable for the ripening and harvesting of the cereal crops. Agricultural reports are of a very variable character, but there appear to be sufficient grounds for believing that neither in the case of wheat nor barley will the yield be so good as was anticipated in the Southern Provinces and the valley of the Rhone, where the wheat harvest has been brought to a termination, the results upon thrashing are seen to be defective, although the quality and condition of the grain is considered superior to last year's produce. The Western departments likewise report somewhat unfavourably, as the fields have lost much of their former promise in Normandy, Brittany, and Picardy, but in the North and North-East appearances are more satisfactory. Rye and winter barley are now being cut, and neither crop promises a good result, as rye is poor and ill-nourished, and the barley thin and yellow. Oats seem to give general satisfaction, and with fair weather for harvesting, this crop will be both heavy and of fine quality. Farmers having been busy in the fields, the departmental markets have been very poorly attended, and most meagrely supplied. Great firmness has prevailed, as growers have been in no hurry to sell, having regard to the deficiency shown by the new Wheat crop on thrashing. Millers have shown more disposition to operate, although their purchases have been necessarily restricted by the paucity of offerings and the higher views entertained by sellers. An advance of 50c to 75c. has taken place in 20 out of 101 markets from whence reports have been received. Flour has not been so freely offered by millers, and the tone is firmer, although no quotable change can be recorded in prices. Oats are still firmly held, but as a rule business in Spring Corn has been devoid of animation. At Paris spot Wheat has risen 1f. on the week, and prices have been firmly maintained for future delivery. Flour for consumption has lost last week's advance, and Mark D' Arblay is now quoted at 67f., and other marks 62f. to 67f., according to quality.

At Marseilles the arrivals have been less important, and an active trade has been done in wheat, business having been stimulated by complaints of the crop. Prices have risen 50c to 1f for spot wheat, and sellers have ceased to offer much for future delivery, as Russian crop reports, especially from the Azof districts, are unsatisfactory. Maize has also brought rather higher rates. At Bordeaux and Nantes the general firmness of the wheat trade has also received support, and prices have shown an upwards tendency. The weather in Holland has been variable, and more rain has fallen than is considered desirable for the crops, but fortunately thus far no damage has shown itself, although dryness and sunshine are anxiously desired. The weather in Germany remains in an unsettled state, and the frequent heavy falls of rain have delayed the cutting of rape seed, and damaged the unsecured portion of the hay crop. Dry weather is now urgently desired as the fields are much laid, and rust is beginning to seriously affect the condition of the wheat plant. At Berlin transactions in spot wheat have not been numerous, but prices have improved 2 to 3 marks on the week. Rye has been more active, and in the Term market an advance of 1½ marks has taken place owing to the rainy weather. Oats continue to be firmly held, both on spot and for future delivery. At Hamburg wheat has been firmer, especially for rather fine sorts, and the scanty arrivals from England have been readily sold, but there is at present no margin for exportation. Barley has been quiet, as the prospects of a large crop in the Saale districts are considered promising. Oats and beans, being very scarce, have fully maintained late rates, with a fairly active demand. For sound red English wheat 45s 6d to 49s per 504lbs delivered has been paid. Best Mecklenburg is held for 50s to 53s 6d, fine white Saale and and Polish 51s 6d to 54s, and Nicolaieff 44s per 504 lbs free on board. Good old Saale barley, of which only a few parcels are offering, is firmly held for 41s to 43s per 448 lbs free on board. At Konigsberg there has been very little export business done, with the exception of some few sales of wheat and rye for Belgium and the Rhine. The wheat market has been very quiet, but prices have derived some support from the rainy weather, which is beginning to cause uneasiness. Oats, through scarcity, have improved 1s per qr. on the week, but barley remains unaltered. At St. Petersburg the grain trade generally has ruled quiet, but wheat buyers have shown rather more inclination to come forward, owing to the firmer nature of foreign market reports. Moderate transactions have taken place in Saxonska at 39s 4d to 40s 4d per 496 lbs, but there has been nothing done in Samara. Rye has been slow and rather easier, while oats remain steady.

The following table shows the top prices of the different kinds of produce in the Liverpool markets for each market day during the past week:—

	Aug. 1, 5 p.m.		Aug. 2, 5 p.m.		Aug. 3, 5 p.m.		Aug. 5.		Aug. 6.		Aug. 7, 5 p.m.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Flour	24	0	24	0	24	0			24	0	24	0
R. Wheat	9	4	9	4	9	4			9	6	9	6
R. Winter	10	0	10	0	10	0			10	0	10	0
White	10	4	10	4	10	4			10	5	10	5
Club	10	8	10	8	10	8			10	8	10	8
Corn, new	22	6	22	6	22	6			23	0	23	0
Oats	2	8	2	8	2	8	No report.		2	8	2	8
Barley	3	0	3	0	3	0			3	0	3	0
Peas	34	0	33	6	33	6			33	6	33	6
Pork	49	0	49	0	49	0			49	0	49	0
Lard	38	0	38	0	38	3			39	3	39	3
Beef	72	6	72	6	72	6			72	6	72	6
Bacon	33	0	33	0	33	3			31	6	33	1
Tallow	37	3	37	3	37	3			37	3	37	3
Cheese	43	0	43	0	43	0			43	0	43	0

FLOUR—Fresh ground spring extra has been enquired for almost daily, for which $4.50 would be paid, while a nominal demand only existed for other grades. On Monday 100 barrels of spring extra was offered at $4.75, but the highest bid made was $4.65. Up till to-day there was no movement reported, buyers being backward in purchasing at the figures asked.

BRAN—Has been enquired for, but the only offer made during the week was $8.50 on the track, for which the holder asked $9.

OATMEAL—Has been quiet, with one sale of 100 barrels on track at $3.90 recorded. Small lots have been steady at $4.25 to $4.50.

WHEAT—The market has been fairly active for the season. On Thursday 5,000 bushels of choice No. 2 fall was offered at $1.08, but no bids were made; a single car of No. 1 spring brought $1.04, and 98c would gladly have been paid for No. 2 the same day. On Friday three cars of No. 1 spring realized $1.05, and one car of very choice No. 2 sold at $1.02. Sales were reported of a couple of cars of No. 2 spring at $1.02 on Saturday. On Tuesday the only sale recorded was two cars of spring (sample) on track at 98c. Yesterday six loads of new white wheat were sold on the street at prices ranging from 92 to 95c, and one load of old spring realized $1.05.

OATS—Have been in moderate demand, with prices firm. Sales of Canadian at 32½c on the track; at 32c f.o.c. for lots lying in store, and of American at 33c on track were reported. An active demand was heard to-day, with 33c bid for Canadian. Street receipts *nil*, but 34c would be paid.

BARLEY—Is somewhat firmer, although prices have advanced a turn. The excitement in reference to the unfavourable crop reports has subsided, and an active and steady enquiry now prevails. A lot of No. 1 is said to have changed hands on Friday at 55c, which appeared to be the ruling figure, and yesterday 50c was refused for No. 2, old, holders being unwilling to sell. One load of new barley was bought on the street yesterday for 60c.

PEAS—Prices must be regarded as purely nominal at former quotations. Street receipts *nil*, and prices ranging from 60 to 62c.

RYE—Is nominally unchanged at 60c.

HAY—Pressed has remained nominally unchanged. The market has been rather poorly supplied, with all offering readily taken at $8 to $13, the general run being $10 to $12.

STRAW—There has been very little offered all week, but was readily taken at $12 to $14; the week closes with more wanted at the same prices.

POTATOES—No movement has occurred in car-lots. Street receipts have fallen off, and prices have advanced to 80c to $1 per bushel, with a fairly active demand.

APPLES—The supply has been rather small, and all offering wanted; prices have ranged from $2 to $3.50, but the general run has been $2.50 to $3.

POULTRY—Offerings have been small and all wanted, with prices firm at 30 to 40c for spring chickens; at about 50c for fowl, and 45 to 50c for spring ducks.

FLOUR, f.o.c	
Superior Extra, per 196 lbs	$4 75 to $4 90
Extra	4 65 " 4 70
Fancy and Strong Bakers'	4 50 " 4 70
Spring Wheat, extra	4 60 " 0 00
Superfine	3 75 " 4 00
Oatmeal, per 196 lbs	3 90 " 4 00
Cornmeal, small lots	2 50 " 2 60
BAG FLOUR, by car lot f.o.c.	
Extra	$4 50 to $4 60
Spring Wheat, extra	4 25 " 0 00
GRAIN, f.o.b.	
Fall Wheat, No. 1, per 60 lbs	$1 07 to $1 08
" No. 2, "	1 06 " 0 00
" No. 3, "	0 95 " 0 97
Red Winter	none.
Spring Wheat, No. 1	1 02 " 1 04
" No. 2	0 98 " 1 00
" No. 3	0 87 " 0 90
Oats (Canadian), per 34 lbs	0 33 " 0 00
Oats (American)	0 33 " 0 34
Barley, No. 1, per 48 lbs	0 85 " 0 90
" No. 2, "	0 75 " 0 80
Peas, No. 1, per 60 lbs	0 66 " 0 67
" No. 2, "	0 63 " 0 65
Rye	0 60 " 0 00
PRICES AT FARMERS' WAGGONS.	
Wheat, fall, per bush	$1 00 $1 03
Wheat, spring, do	0 95 " 0 03
Barley, do	0 70 " 0 00
Oats, do	0 33 " 0 34
Peas, do	0 60 " 0 62
Rye, do	0 60 " 0 00
Dressed hogs, per 100 lbs	5 50 " 6 00
Beef, hind qrs., per 100 lbs	none.
Mutton, by carcase, per 100 lbs	none.
Chickens, per pair	0 30 " 0 40
Ducks, per brace	0 50 " 0 55
Geese, each	none.
Turkeys	none.
Butter, lb. rolls	0 18 " 0 22
" large rolls	0 13 " 0 14
" tub dairy	0 12 " 0 14
Eggs, fresh, per doz	0 12½ " 0 15
" lots	0 11 " 0 11
Potatoes, per bus	0 75 " 0 80
Apples, per brl	2 00 " 2 50
Onions, per doz	0 15 " 0 20
Tomatoes, per lb	0 10 " 0 12½
Turnips, per doz	none.
Carrots, per doz	0 15 " 0 20
Beets, per doz	0 20 " 0 25
Parsnips, per bag	none.
Hay, per ton	9 00 " 13 00
Straw, per ton	12 00 " 14 00
Wool, per lb	0 23 " 0 24

FREIGHTS.

LAKE FREIGHTS—The past week has been an exceptionally dull one for grain freights, the only charters for the week ending Wednesday, Aug. 7th, being the schooners Speedwell for wheat to Kingston, and Annie Mulvey peas to Kingston, at going rates.

RATES BY STEAMER.—Rates on flour are 15c per barrel to Montreal, and 10c to Kingston; and those on grain 4c to Montreal in bulk, and 2½c on bagged to Kingston.

GRAND TRUNK—Rates from Toronto to the undermentioned points stands as follows:—Flour to Kingston 15c per bbl; Gananoque to Prescott 17½c; Edwardsburg to Montreal 20c; St. Lambert to St. Johns 30c; to St. Hyacinthe 35c; St. Leboise to Lennoxville 40c; Waterville to Coaticook 40c; Danville to Chaudiere 35c; Duckett's Landing to Point Levis 25c; Cacouna to Metapedine 55c; to St. John 55c; all other points on the Intercolonial, including Halifax, 55c; to Miramichi for Newcastle and Picton, 55c; Danville and McAdam junction, 55c; to Carleton 55c. Rates on grain one-half of the above per cental.

THROUGH RATES TO ENGLAND.—Through rates *via* Dominion and Beaver lines *via* Montreal stand this week as follows:—Flour, 33c per barrel, and wheat—per cental to Liverpool. Beef 48c, and pork in barrels 48c, boxed meats, tallow, and lard, 51c to Liverpool, per cental; butter and cheese, in lots not under 15,000 lbs, 58½c to Liverpool. Oil-cake 46c to Liverpool, and — to Glasgow. Oatmeal and flour in bags to Liverpool, 43½c.

Rates *via* the Allan Line to either Liverpool or Glasgow are as follows:—Flour, —— per bbl; butter and cheese, 61c; pork, 50c; beef, 50c; boxed meats, tallow, and lard, 53c; oil-cake, 48c; oatmeal or flour in bags, 43½c per cental.

PROVISIONS.

TRADE—Has generally been rather quiet during the week.

BUTTER—There is very little butter offering in round lots, as holders know that they can find very few buyers, and that 10c is the very top price of the market, while they are not inclined to accept it. Street receipts have been rather on the increase and prices easier at 18 to 22c for pound rolls, and 13 to 14c for tubs and crocks of dairy.

CHEESE—Is rather firmer, with prices weak; large lots bring somewhere about 8c, and small lots range from 8½ to 9½c, with sales.

EGGS—Receipts have continued to increase, and sales have been rather slow; prices are again easier at 10½ to 11c for lots. Street receipts have been small and prices firm at 14 to 16c.

PORK—Has been somewhat higher during the week; the range is from $13 to $14.50, but the former price is for lots not under half-cars, and for these no enquiry has been heard.

BACON—Cumberland has remained quiet and unchanged at 6½ to 6¾c. Long-clear has been held firmly at 7 to 7½c, but sales are small. Bellies have been enquired for, and are firmer at 7½ to 8c for green, and 8½ to 9c for cured. Shoulders also are firmer at 6 to 6½c, and anything which can be used as a substitute for hams is in demand and advancing.

HAMS—Prices are still advancing, and an active demand has been maintained in face of small stocks. Canvassed are up still further, and range from 12½ to 13½c; smoked also have advanced, and seem to be more wanted than canvassed, at 11 to 11½c; pickled are firmer, with large sales at 10c, but they are now held at 10½c.

LARD—There has been no change in the market beyond some symptoms of increased business on the part of holders; prices of tinnets and pails are still unchanged, at 8½c for round lots of the former to 9½c for small lots of the latter; but tierces are quoted higher, at 8¾ to 8½c.

HOGS—There are very few offering, and prices are purely nominal, at $5.50 to $6. One large sale was effected at $6.25.

SALT—There has been some movement in Goderich; sales of cars have been made as low as 85c, and of smaller lots at 92½ to 95c. Liverpool has been very quiet; the only sales have been very small lots at 80c, nor is there much in the market.

DRIED APPLES—A few small parcels have been sold at 6 to 6½c, but generally there is next door to nothing doing.

WHITE BEANS—Have been selling steadily as before at $1.40 to $1.50 per bushel for barrelled lots.

GROCERIES.

TRADE—Has been exceptionally quiet during the past week, there being very few large lots reported moving.

TEA—There appears to be no alteration in values, and quotations are as follows, the outside figures being for retailers' lots:—Young Hyson, common to fair, 25 to 30c; Young Hyson, medium to good seconds, 30 to 37½c; Young Hyson, ordinary to choice extra firsts, 45 to 65c; Twankays, 30 to 35c; Gunpowder and Imperials, common to good, 25 to 40c; Fine to Extra Choice, 55 to 65c. Blacks—Congous, 25 to 70c; Souchong, 35 to 65c; Scented Pekoes, 45 to 55c.

COFFEE—The market remains unchanged, with no movement reported in the jobbing line, and the feeling apparently rather easy. Quotations are as follows, the outside being for retailers' lots:—Government Java, 27½ to 29c; Singapore, 23 to 25c; Rio, 18 to 20c; Jamaica, 26c.

SUGARS—Prices have been maintained without alterations during the week, but the demand was very slack. Quotations are as follows, the outside figures being for retailers' lots:—Porto Rico, per lb., 7½ to 7¾c; Cuba, 7½ to 7¾c; Barbadoes, 7½ to 7¾c; English and Scotch refined bright, 8½ to 9c; do., low grades, 7½ to 8c; New York yellows, 7½ to 8c; Extra C, 8¾ to 9c; Dry Crushed, 10½ to 10½c; Granulated, 9½ to 9¾c; Cut Loaf, 10½ to 10½c.

STRUPS—Round lots have been selling well at steady prices, but on p. t. Quotations are as follows:—Common, 45 to 47c; Golden, 50 to 52½c; Amber, 55 to 57½c; Amber choice, 60 to 62½c.

FRUIT—The only change of note is in the price of Valencias, which are becoming more and more scarce every day, and cannot be imported much under 6½c to 7c. Prices are as follows, the outside being for retailers' lots:—Raisins, layers, new, $1.65 to $1.75; Valencias, 6½ to 6¾c; new seedless, 6 to 6½c; Sultanas, 6½ to 7c; loose Muscatelles, new, $1.65 to $1.75; Currants, 1877, 4 to 4½c; Filberts, 7½ to 8c; Walnuts, 8 to 9c; Almonds, 13 to 14c; Prunes, none do. do. (old), none; Brazil nuts, 7 to 7½c; Lemon peel, 20 to 22c; Orange do., 20 to 22c; Citron do., 26 to 28c.

RICE—A steady demand seems to be kept up; prices have shown no change during the week, with sales of lots of 100 bags at $4.40 to $4.50, and small at $4.62 to $4.75.

TOBACCO—No movement is reported in lots, and factory prices remain unchanged. Quotations are as follows:—Manufactured 10's, 35 to 37c; do 5's, 6's, and 3's, 37½ to 45c; Navy, 3's, bright, 43 to 50c; Navy black, 37 to 40c; Solaces, 35 to 42c; Extra bright none; Virginia, 80 to 90c.

LIQUORS—Have been quiet and prices unchanged. Prices are as follows:—Pure Jamaica Rum, 16 o. p., $2.25 to $2.50; Demerara, $2.20 to $2.30; Gin—green cases, $4 to $4.50; red, $7.75 to $8.50; Wines—Port, $2.50; Sherry, $3.75; Champagne, per case, $10 to $22; Brandy, in wood, $2.75 to $3.50; in case, Sazerac, $8 to $8.50; do Otard's, $8.75 to $9.25; do Hennessy's, $10.25 to $10.50; do Martell's, $9.75 to $10; do Jules Robins, $7.50 to $8; do Vine-gr's Co, $9 to $9.50; do Jules Bellerie, $7 to $7.50; Whiskey, Common, imp, 32 u. p., 96 to 98c; Old Rye, $1.07 to $1.10; Malt, land, $1.07 to $1.10; Toddy, $1.07 to $1.10; Spirits, $1.05 to $1.07; Native Wine, per gal, 75c to $2; do do per case, $3.30 to $6; Native Brandy, per gal, $1.40 to $2.50; do do per case $5.05 to $6.50.

CATTLE.

TRADE—Since our last report there has been a marked change for the better in this business, and buyers for export state that more prime cattle have changed hands at good figures during the week just closed than for any period during the year.

BEEVES—Receipts of all sorts have increased, and the supply of low-priced cattle has been equal to the demand, but all offering were readily taken at firm prices During the week 2,000 cattle and 4,000 sheep and lambs changed hands, at least two-thirds of this number being purchased for the English markets. Cattle for export, consisting of 1,300 to 1,400 lbs. steers, ranged at the close of the week from $5 to $5.25 per 100 lb. live weight. First-class for the local market have been in fair supply, and prices ranged from $4 to $4.50, while second-class brought $3.50 and $3.75, and third $3 to $3.25. Messrs. Crawford & Blong shipped this week for England 250 head of cattle, 1,400 sheep, and 200 hogs.

SHEEP—The supply, although large as compared with previous weeks, was not in excess of the demand. Out of the 4,000 purchased 3,000 were for export to Great Britain. The prices paid were in advance of former quotations, first-class bringing from $6 to $7. Second-class have usually ranged from $4 to $5, while $3 to $3.50 is paid for third-class.

LAMBS—Spring lambs are in better demand tfian last week, and readily bring, for first-class, $4; for second-class, $3 to $3.50; and for third, $2 to $2.50. The question might be asked if it would not pay the live breeder much better to feed his lambs until they are three years old, and then receive the full export price for his sheep?

CALVES—The market has been somewhat better, but the supply of first-class still appears to be insufficient. As high as $10 and $12 have been paid for first-class, but these figures have only been given for the choicest animals. The average price for first-class ranges from $7.50 to $9.50, while $5 and $6 is paid for second, and third bring $2 to $4. The same remark made last week in reference to third-rate calves is still appropriate to the seller—do not offer them, as they will be sold at a loss.

HIDES, SKINS, AND WOOL.

TRADE—During the past week has been very dull.

HIDES—Prices for green remain steady. The supply is light, and the demand for the cured is rather active, so that stocks are light, and all offering are readily taken.

CALFSKINS—Remain steady. The local demand for vealskins is fair, but light skins are dull.

LAMBSKINS AND PELTS—Are abundant. All that offer are freely taken at quotations.

WOOL—In fleece there are few transactions, the bulk of the wool being now marketed. Prices are firm at 24 to 25c. In pulled sales of lambs' wool are reported at 31c. Supers are dull.

TALLOW—Continues very dull at recent quotations.

Quotations stand as follows:—No. 1 inspected, choice, $7.00; No. 2 inspected, ——; and grubby hides, $6.00; No. 3 inspected, $5.00; Calfskins, green, 8 to 10c; Calfskins, cured, 11½ to 12c; calfskins, dry, none; Lambskins and Pelts, 40c; Wool, fleece, 23 to 25c; Wool, pulled, super, 29 to 26c; Wool, pickings, 10 to 11c; Tallow, rough, 4c; rendered, 6c.

LEATHER.

There are but few country buyers, and the wholesale manufacturers are buying very cautiously, infact only buying for immediate use, therefore trade is quiet. Upper leather is unasked for, unless very choice light stock. Buff, pebble, and splits are dull, and prices favour the buyer. Harness of a good heavy article meets with ready sale. No. 2 Spanish sole and heavy upper are quoted rather lower. Oil is quiet.

Prices are quoted as follows:—Spanish Sole, No. 1, all weights, 24 to 25c; Spanish Sole, No. 2, 20 to 22c; Slaughter Sole, heavy, 25 to 27c; Slaughter Sole, light, 26 to 28c; Buffalo Sole, 20 to 22c; Hemlock Harness Leather, 27 to 30c; Oak Harness Leather, 36c; Oak Belting Leather, 30 to 34c; Oak Harness Backs, 40 to 50c; Upper, heavy, 32 to 35c; Upper, light, 36 to 40c; Kip Skins, French, 95c to $1.10; Kip Skins, English, 70 to 90c; Chicago Slaughter Kip, 65 to 75c; Native Slaughter, 50 to 70c; Splits, large, 24 to 27c; Splits, small, 21 to 24c; Russetts, 30 to 40c; Hemlock Calf (30 to 35 lbs. per dozen), 65 to 90c; Hemlock, light, 45 to 55c; French Calf, $1.20 to $1.40; Cod Oil, 55 to 60c; Straits' Oil, 50c; Gambier, 7c; Sumach, per ton, $125 to $135; Degras, 5c; Buff, 13 to 16c; Pebble, 13 to 16c; Enamelled cow, 17 to 18c; patent cow, 1 to 18c.

Montreal Cattle Market.

MONTREAL, Aug. 6.

Viger market was unusually dull to-day, very few good animals of any kind being offered for sale. The highest price paid for a milch cow to-day was $57, while a small one with a calf was sold for $14.50. Several other sales were made at intermediate rates, but there were no fancy cows on the market. Yesterday a superior cow brought from Western Ontario was sold for $59. The price of good calves is from $4 to $7, and of common ones from $2.50 to $3.50 each. The beef critters offered to-day were the culls from yesterday's market, and did not sell readily. Sheep and lambs have been plentiful of late, and are lower in price. Common lambs were sold in lots at from $2 to $2.50 each. Good sheep sell from $4 to $6 each. W. Masterman bought a car-load of hogs from L. Hilliker, of Stratford, yesterday, at $5.12½ per 100 lbs, live weight. This is the highest price paid for a lot of hogs on this market for several months past.

The shipments of live stock from this port to Great Britain during the present week are:—by the ship St. Patrick, for Glasgow, 46 cattle; ship Glenfinart, for Glasgow, 40 cattle; s. s. Waldensian, for Glasgow, 200 cattle; s. s. Texas, for Liverpool, 263 cattle and 1,500 sheep.

BIRTHS.

HAMBLY—In this city, on the 8th instant, Mrs. W. J. Hambly of a son.

MOORE—In Brampton, on the 3rd inst., the wife of Dr. Moore, of a son.

BLISS—At Sunnyside, Richmond road, near Ottawa, on Sunday, the 4th inst., the wife of Mr. C. V. Forster Bliss, of a son.

LYNCH—At No. 264 Cooper street, Ottawa, on the 5th inst., the wife of W. J. Lynch, of a daughter.

MONTGOMERY—On the 3rd August, the wife of Mr. S. Montgomery (of the St. Catharines *Journal*), of a son.

BIRTHS.

PAVEY—In London, on the 5th inst., the wife of A. E. Pavey, of a son.

WATT—At Sunny Acres, Guelph, on the 4th August, the wife of James Watt, barrister, of a daughter.

LYON—In Guelph, on the 30th inst., the wife of Mr. J. W. Lyon, of a daughter.

WHIPPLE—In St. Thomas, on the 27th July, the wife of Dr. Whipple, dentist, of a daughter.

MULROONY—In Nichol, on the 29th July, the wife of Patrick Mulroney, of a daughter.

ANDERSON—In Guelph, July 26, wife of H. M. Anderson, of a daughter.

HUNTER—At 27 Widmer street, on the 31st ult., the wife of Thos. Hunter, of a son.

FARRELL—At No. 7 Peter street, on Friday, 2nd Aug., the wife of S. W. Farrell, of a son.

EMERY—At Port Burwell, on the 27th ult., the wife of W. Y. Emery, of a daughter.

BRIDGES—At Shanty Bay, Ont., on the 31st ult., the wife of C. C. Bridges, of a son.

GARDNER—In Port Perry, on the 31st ult., the wife of George Gardner, of a son.

BREATHWAITE—In Port Perry, on the 29th ult., the wife of Robert Breathwaite, of a son.

TREMAIN—In Shelburne, on the 28th ult., the wife of John Tremain, of a daughter.

BRANDON—In Cannington, on the 31st ult., the wife of Richard Brandon, of a son.

ARCHER—In Mitchell, on the 29th ult., the wife of Edward Archer, of a son.

GREVE—In Mitchell, on the 30th ult., the wife of August Greve, of a daughter.

BENSON—In Seaforth, July 29th, the wife of Mr. James H. Benson, of a son.

BASSELLE—On July 31st, at 50 Bloor street west, the wife of J. A. Basselle, Esq., of a son.

BROWN—On the 13th July, at Nith Grove, near Hayesville, the wife of Charles D. Brown, of a son.

JONES—In Ottawa, on the 2nd inst., the wife of Louis R. Jones, of a son.

CARMAN—At Morrisburgh, on Tuesday, 30th ult., the wife of Mr. F. B. Carman, of a daughter.

BARTRAM—On the 2nd inst., the wife of Mr. J. T. Bartram, Surveyor of Customs, of a son.

MARRIAGES.

ALFORD—REID—At 86 Hayter street, on the 6th inst., by the Rev. John Potts, D.D., William Alford, Esq., of Winchester, to Miss Maggie Reid, of this city.

BEVERLEY-COGHLAN—On the 30th July, at the residence of the bride, St. James street, by the Rev. J. S. Ross, B. A., Mr. George Beverley to Mrs. Jane Coghlan, both of London.

COLBERT-PORTER—At Johns Church, by the Rev. A. Williams, Mr. John D. Colbert to Miss Melissa A. Porter, of Owen Sound.

MCINTOSH—SULLIVAN—At the residence of the bride's father, No. 81 College street, city, on the 1st Aug., 1878, by the Rev. Mr. Mellen, A. K. McIntosh, Esq., lumber merchant, Toronto, to Lizzie E., eldest daughter of J. R. Sullivan, Esq.

STRINGER—HAGER—At the residence of the bride, Port Dover, by the Rev. James Gray, on the 31st ult., Mr. Aaron Stringer, of the Township of Woodhouse, to Mrs. Rachel Hager, of the Town of Port Dover.

MORGASON—VANZANT—At the Congregational parsonage, Stouffville, on the 28th ult., by the Rev. E. D. Silcox, Mr. Wm Morgason, to Miss Matilda Vanzant, both of Glasgow.

JORDAN—TAPP—In Oshawa, on the 29th ult., by the Rev. W. W. DeGreer, Mr. W. H. Jordan, of Oshawa, to Elizabeth, third daughter of Mr. Wm. Tapp, of Enfield.

SPOHN—THOMPSON—On the 24th ult., at All Saints church, Penetanguishene, by the Rev. Samuel Mills, Mr. M. A. Howard Spohn, M.D., to Editha S., daughter of Mr. A. A. Thompson.

ROBERTSON—COLLINS—At the residence of the bride's brother, Wm. Collins, Esq., Division Court clerk, Walkerton, by the Rev. Wm. Shortt, David Robertson, barrister, to Miss Jemima Agnes Collins, both of Walkerton.

GORDAN—TAPP—In Oshawa, on the 29th ult., by the Rev. W. W. DeGeer, Mr. William Gordan to Miss Lizzie Tapp, both of Oshawa.

SHERR—ZIEGLER—At the residence of the bride's mother, Berlin, on the 31st ult., by the Rev. J. E. Bowman, Mr. Abraham R. Sherk, of Blair, to Miss Sarah Ann Ziegler.

TOMLINSON—PEACOCKE—On the 5th inst., at St. Matthew church, Toronto, by the Rev. Richard Harrison, M.A., Incumbent, assisted by the Rev. John Carry, B.D., Lewis, youngest son of the Rev. Lewis Tomlinson, Vicar of Melplash, Dorset, England, to Anna Mary, eldest daughter of Wm. Peacocke, Esq., late of Limerick, Ireland.

ROWSWELL—MARSH—At St. George's church, Clarksburg, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. W. B. Evans, B.A., Rector of Trinity church, Mitchell, assisted by Rev. F. D. Brown, Incumbent, George H. Rowswell, of Allan Park, to Susie A., eldest daughter of W. J. Marsh, Esq., Clarksburg.

SPARKS—FEATHERSTON—On the 30th ult., by the Rev. John Turner, assisted by the Rev. John Scott, M.A., at the residence of the bride's father, Strabane, Dr. R. E. Sparks, of Kingston, to Esther A., only daughter of John Featherston, J.P.

BAIN—TAYLOR—At the residence of the bride's father, 533 Sherbrooke street, Montreal, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. James Roy, M.A., Hugh A. Bain, to Elizabeth Douglas, eldest daughter of Mr. Robert Taylor. No cards.

DEATHS.

SCOTT—In Galt, on Tuesday, the 30th inst., James Alexander, son of Mr. Frank A. Scott, aged 14 months and 20 days.

BEDDOW—On the 31st ult., Rosa, infant daughter of Alfred Beddow, aged 3 years, 9 months.

SOMERS—On Tuesday, August 6th, George,