

and twisted wire and staples, 3c. for Quebec province, for Ontario \$2.80 to 2.87½. Coil chain, ½ inch, 5c.; ¾ inch, 4½c.; 7-16 in. 4½c.; 1 in., 3½c. to 4c.; 1½ in., ½c.; 2 in., 3½c., ½ in., and upwards.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, June 27th, 1895.

DRUGS.—There is a fairly good distributive movement to country points, although trade is not probably as active as it was last week. Reports from retailers indicate a hopeful view of the future. Values of staples continue very steady. Opium is easier. Morphia shows weaker tendencies, while muriate of cocaine is lower in price. Camphor is advancing. Buchu leaves are firmer abroad. Foreign advices on cocoa leaves are strong. Norway cod liver oil remains unsteady.

FLOUR.—It was but to be expected that flour would decline in value in face of a weakening wheat market. Toronto prices are as follows: Manitoba patent, \$5 to 5.10; strong baker's, \$4.70 to 4.80; patent, \$4.75 to 4.90; straight roller, \$4.50 to 4.60. From Manitoba comes a story of a sharp decline in the price of flour, due to imports from Minnesota, but we have failed to confirm the report as yet.

GRAIN.—With the explosion of a number of the many crop scares that American market bulls have been industriously circulating, the markets there have declined, and with them the local situation is weaker. The visible supply of wheat in Canada and the United States decreased 1,492,000 bushels during the past week, corn decreased 1,285,000 bushels, oats decreased 685,000 bushels, rye increased 20,000 bushels, and barley increased 12,000 bushels. Local wheat quotations range 5c. lower, and stand now as follows: winter, No. 1, 90 to 92c.; No. 2, 88 to 96c.; No. 3, 85 to 87c.; spring, No. 1, 90 to 92c.; No. 2, 88 to 90c.; No. 3, 85 to 87c. Manitoba wheat has also weakened, and averages 3c. lower on the following basis: No. 1, \$1.02 to 1.03; No. 2, \$1 to 1.01; No. 3, 97 to 98c. Barley is dull. Oats are steady, the movement is quiet, and general feeling without change.

VISIBLE SUPPLY OF GRAIN

	June 23, '95. Bush.	June 24, '94. Bush.
Wheat	46,225,000	55,852,000
Corn	9,499,000	7,180,000
Oats	7,976,000	2,455,000
Barley	130,000	244,000
Rye	137,000	79,000

The stocks of grain in store at Port Arthur on June 15th were 260,597 bushels. During the week there were received 110,027 bushels, and shipped 184,529 bushels, leaving in store on 22nd June, 186,095 bushels.

GROCERIES.—The retail trade throughout the country have made but moderate demands upon wholesale stocks this week. There are few distinctive features to be noted. Sugars are commencing to move with the opening of the small fruit season, but this trade is not brisk. The raw sugar market is weak and unsettled, and retailers are unwilling to buy refined until present stocks are exhausted. The stock of raws in four ports of United Kingdom is 109,000 tons, against 81,000 tons same time last year. From Smyrna come reports of healthy growing crops. Samples of new Moning teas have been received and supplies will soon be at hand. Tomatoes are firm, and present stocks being in small compass prices are very stiff.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The situation is elsewhere considered at length. Toronto merchants are paying butchers for No. 1, 8c.; No. 2, 7c.; No. 3, 6c. Sales of cured have been made at 9 to 9½c. But trade is slow. Offerings during the hot weather are naturally very limited, while tanners prefer to wait and experience a genuine advance in leather before loading up with hides on the new basis. Pelts and lamb-skins are unaltered. Calfskins are dull. Tail-finds only moderate request.

LUMBER.—Trade in lumber circles is improving as the season grows older. The prospects are bright for the future. While prices have not advanced, an increased consumptive demand serves to give the industry a healthier tone. June shipments, 1895, will, we should say, total considerably larger than those of June last year. There is a continued and active demand for joisting and bill stuff. Some demand comes from the United States for good lumber. A scarcity appears to exist of 1x12 foot boards.

Dealers are looking for better prices later in the season.

PROVISIONS.—The hot weather does not serve to give any unwonted activity to provisions. Receipts of butter continue rather large, the demand is slow and quotations unchanged. Trade in creamery is slack. In sympathy with outside markets the local jobbing trade in cheese is somewhat firmer. Hog products are quiet and the range of quotations unaltered. The feeling in eggs is easy; the outside price of fresh candled stock is 10½c., and at this figure there are large receipts. The season for dried and evaporated apples is over; we believe a considerable quantity of evaporated will be carried over in cold storage. Beans are scarce at \$1.70. There is no change in hops; the demand for '94 is slow, while '93 are almost completely neglected.

WOOL.—The wool trade is in an interesting condition, and we have considered the week's news worthy of a prominent place in our columns. Dealers are quoting 21c. for selected combing, but are in reality paying higher prices. American buyers are at present in the market, but are not inclined to purchase at our quotations. However, we are told that a sale of 200,000 lbs. was made at 22c. f.o.b., from outside points. Pulled wools are slow of movement. The next London auction opens on July 2nd.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, June 27, 12.30 p.m.

	s.	d.
Wheat, Spring	5	9½
Red, Winter	5	7
No. 1 Cal	5	7
Corn	4	3½
Peas	5	4
Lard	33	6
Pork	60	0
Bacon, heavy	32	0
Bacon, light	33	0
Tallow	24	6
Cheese, new white	37	6
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