

apart in their views and no sales transpired. *Dressed Hogs* are coming in more freely, and sell from \$6.50 to 6.75 per 100 lbs.

**Dry Goods.**—Some travellers have started out with spring samples but there has hardly been time to hear from them yet. A fair amount of sorting up orders is being received. The manufacturers of clothing are busy on orders and seem to have as much as they can do to fill them, stocks in the hands of wholesale dealers are not heavier than the prospects of trade would warrant. The retail trade of the city appear to be doing a rushing business in spite of the poor sleighing in city and country. Remittances still continue good.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**—There is no material change in prices but if anything goods could be bought a shade under our quotations for large lots, but business has been entirely of a jobbing character and likely to be so for sometime. We quote *Bicarp Soda* \$3.30 to 3.50; *Soda Ash*, \$1.60 to 1.90; *Bicromate of Potash* 14 to 15; *Borax* 12½ to 14c; *Cream Tartar Crystals*, 25 to 31; ditto ground 33 to 35; *Caustic Soda*, \$2.50 to 2.75; *Sugar of Lead*, 13 to 14c.; *Bleaching Powder*, \$1.75; *Alum*, \$1.90; *Copperas*, per cwt 90c. to \$1.00; *Flour Sulphur*, \$3.00 to 3.25; *Roll Sulphur*, \$2.40 to 2.50; *Epsom Salts*, \$1.30 to 1.50; *Sul Soda*, \$1.15 to 1.25; *Saltpetre*, per keg, \$9.50 to 10.00; *Sulphate of Copper*, 5½ to 7c.; *Whiting*, 70 to 80c.; *Opium* \$8.50 to 9.00; *Quinine*, \$3.75 to 4.00; *Morphia*, \$3.75 to 4.00; *Castor oil*, 10 to 11c; *Shellac*, 45 to 50c.

**RAW FURS.**—Reports from the New York market are not very encouraging for mink, muskrat, and fox. Skunk have also fallen off in demand and price. Beaver, otter, and bear still hold good, the above will influence the market here somewhat, but no very large lots have been offering during the past week. Skunk are not so stiff and a considerable fall in price may be looked for shortly. Meantime we do not change quotations. *Musk Rat*, 8 to 10c; *Red Fox*, \$1 to 1.25; *Cross Fox*, 2 to 3.00; *Silver Fox*, \$25 to 30.00; *Lynx*, \$1.00 to 1.50; *Marten*, 75c. to \$1.00; *Otter* \$3.00 to 10.00; *Mink*—Prime dark, \$1.00 to 1.25; *Beaver*, 2.50; *Bear*—Large prime, \$6 to \$8; ditto small \$4 to 5.00; ditto cubs, \$2 to 4.00; *Fisher*, \$5 to 6.00; *Skunk*—Black 40 to 60c.; *Raccoon*, 40 to 60c.

**FLOUR.**—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst., was 28,252 bbls. against 46,887 bbls on the 15th ult., and 29,657 bbls on the 1st December, 1879. Receipts for the past week 8,316 bbls. Total receipts from 1st January to date 681,956 bbls. being a decrease of 62,571 bbls. on the receipts for the same period of 1879. Shipments during the week 1,983 bbls. Total shipments from 1st January to date 725,287 bbls. being an increase of 9,748 bbls. on the shipments for the same period of 1879. The advance in price which we noticed at the close of the market last week checked the demand, which has been confined to the supply of local wants at rather under our last Tuesday's figures. To-day the only sales reported were 240 U. C. bags, 125 bbls. spring extra, and 125 bbls strong bakers' flour, within our range of quotations. We quote *Superior Extra*, \$5.65 to 5.70; *Extra Superfine*, \$5.55 to 5.60; *Fancy*, \$5.40; *Spring Extra*, \$5.40 to 5.45; *Superfine* \$5.15 to 5.25; *Strong Bakers' flour*, \$6.00 to \$6.50; *Fine*, \$4.40 to 4.50; *Middlings*, \$3.95 to 4.10; *Pollards*, \$3.70 to 3.75, nominal; *Upper Canada bags*, \$2.75 to 2.85; *Oatmeal*, \$4.40 to 4.45; *Cornmeal*, \$3.00 to 3.10.

**GRAIN.**—Heat.—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst was 125,049 bush.; against 95,120 bush. on the 15th ult, and 147,745 bushels on the 1st of December 1879. No receipts. Total receipts from 1st January to date 9,305,243 bushels, being a decrease of 1,874,215 bushels on the

receipts for the same period of 1879. Shipments for the week 38,354 bushels. Total shipments from 1st January to date 9,190,901 bushels, being a decrease of 1,159,317 bushels on the shipments for the same period of 1879. Since the close of navigation there has been nothing doing and prices of wheat are nominal as follows No. 2 Canada White Winter \$1.18 to 1.19; No. 2 Red, \$1.20 to 1.21; No. 2 Spring, \$1.25 to 1.28 *Maize* is very firm at 61c in bond; *Peas* 82 to 84c; *Oats* 34 to 35c; *Rye* 87 to 90c; *Barley* 65 to 77c; *Beans* \$1.00 to 1.10 per 60 lbs.

**GROCERIES.**—Teas.—Stocks held by country dealers are generally allowed to be low, but notwithstanding this there appears to be little disposition shown to buy even at the present low prices. Good to fine Japans are selling at 32 to 40c, finest grades bringing 42 to 55c. Somewhat classed Japan has been selling at from 23 to 25c. *Coffee* is dull and nominally the same as last week. *Sugar*.—Refined has met a fair demand, the market being the turn weaker since our last report. We quote lumps 10½ to 10¾; Granulated 9½ to 10½; Grocers, A 9½ to 9¾; Yellow 7½ to 9c. In raw sugar there has not been much done although there has been some enquiry on western account, fair to good grocery grades are worth from 7½ to 8c. Spices are firm but no change in prices since this day week. *Fruit*.—As usual at this time of the year there is a good jobbing demand and prices are well maintained. Our quotations now are for new layer raisins \$2.30 to 2.45; loose Muscatels \$2.40 to 2.55; Valencia 7½ to 8c; Sultanas 9½ to 10c. Currants are scarce and in few hands, sales from 5½ to 6½c; Figs 18 to 20c; Tarragona almonds 12 to 14c; Filberts 8½ to 9½c; Walnuts are unchanged.

**HIDES.**—A quiet business has been done in hides at steady prices, viz., \$10, 9, and 8. Lambskins are now sold in lots and we are unable to give quotations as there is no set price.

**HARDWARE.**—The demand continues fair for most classes of heavy goods. Cable advices report home market as very firm and tending upwards, beyond which there is nothing of much consequence to report. We again note an advance in pig iron, but other quotations are the same as last week. We quote *Pig iron* per ton, Coltness, \$21.50 to 22.00; Gartsherrie, \$21.50 to 22.00; Summerlee, \$21.00 to 21.50; Eglington, \$20.00 to 20.50; Cambro, \$20.50 to 21; Langham, \$21.50 to 22.00, Bars per 100 lbs. Scotch and Staffordshire, \$1.90 to 1.95; best ditto \$2.15 to 2.25; Swedes and Norway, \$4.25 to 4.50; Lowmoor and Bowling \$6.00 to 6.50; *Canada plates* per box—Glenmorgan and Budd to \$3.75; Arrow \$4.50; Hatton \$3.50 to 3.75. *Tin plates* per box Charcoal IC, \$6.50 to 7.00; ditto, IX, \$8.50 to 9.00; ditto, DC, \$6.00 to 6.50; Coke \$5.00 to 6.00; *Tinned Sheets*, No. 26, Char IC, 12 to 13c; *Galvanized Sheets*, 28 best, \$7.50 to 8.00; *Hoops and Bands*, \$2.50 to 2.75; *Sheets*, best brands, \$2.75 to 3.25; *Boiler Plate*, \$2.75 to 3.50; *Lead*, Pig, per 100 lbs., \$4.50 to 4.75; ditto, Sheet, \$5.50 to 6.00; ditto, Bar, \$5.75 to 6.25; ditto, Shot, \$6.25 to 6.50; *Cast Steel*, 12 to 13c; *Spring Steel*, \$4.50 to 5.00; *Sleigh Shoe Steel* \$2.75 to 3.00; *Tire Steel*, \$3.00 to 3.25; *Ingot Tin*, 25.00 to 26.00; *Ingot Copper*, \$18.00 to 18.50; *Sheet Zinc*, \$5.75 to 6; *Spelter*, \$5.50 to 5.75; *Horse Shoes* \$4.00 to 4.50; *Iron Wire*, per bbl. of sixty-three pounds, \$1.80 to 2.25; *Cut nails*, 3in. to 6in. hot cut American and Canadian pattern \$2.60; 2½in and 2½in do. do. \$2.85; 1½ to 2½in do. do. \$3.10; 1½in do. do. \$3.60.

**LEATHER.**—Business has continued quiet, as was to be expected, but manufacturers are beginning to look round for stock for the spring trade. Prices remain about the same but probably for round lots they would be shaded a little. Stocks are pretty well assorted and quite sufficient for the wants of the trade at present. We quote *Hemlock Spanish Sole* No. 1 B. A., 26 to 26½c; ditto No. 2 B. A., 23½ to 24½; No. 1 Ordinary

24½ to 25; No. 2, ditto, 23 to 23½; *Buffalo Sole*, No. 1, 22 to 23; ditto No. 2, 20 to 21; *Hemlock Slaughter*, No. 1, 26 to 28; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 36 to 42; do. heavy, 35 to 40; *Grained*, 35 to 42; *Splits*, large, 24 to 33; ditto small, 24 to 28; *Calfskins*, (27 to 36 lbs.) 60 to 80c; ditto (18 to 26 lbs.) 55 to 70c.; *Sheepskin linings* 30 to 50; *Harness* 27 to 34c.; *Buffed Cow* 14 to 17c. perfect; *Enamelled Cow*, 15 to 16c.; *Patent Cow*, 15 to 16c.; *Pebbled Cow*, 14 to 16; *Rough Leather*, 24 to 30c.

**OILS.**—The market is very quiet for fish oils, and there is no change in prices, stocks are ample for all demand, and prices are not very firm. *Linseed oil* is steady at 72 to 74 for raw, and 76 for boiled. *Petroleum*—There is a fair demand for small lots but people are only buying for immediate wants, as they are under the impression that prices will soon come down, of which, however, there is little appearance at present as prices in London keep very firm. We continue to quote 27c. for car lots in store; broken lots, 27½ to 28; single brls. 28½ to 29½c.

**PROVISIONS.**—Butter.—Receipts for the past week 2382 pkgs., shipments 10 pkgs. There is no improvement in the state of this market which is as dull as it is possible to be. Holders are asking for creamery butter 24 to 27c; Eastern Townships 20 to 23c; Brockville and Morrisburg 17 to 22c. *Cheese*.—Receipts 5901 boxes, shipments 1732 boxes. The market is easy but there is not much doing, good to fine is worth from 12 to 13c. *Pork*.—Prices are again a little lower and sales of mess take place at \$16.75 to 17.25. *Hams* 12 to 12½c; *Bacon* 10½c; *Lard* 12 to 12½c.

**SALT.**—Only small sales ex store are transpiring. *Coarse* 55 to 60c; factory filled 90c to \$1.05; Eureka bags \$2.00; ditto halves \$1.00 ditto quarters 50c.

**WOOL.**—There is a fair demand for wool and sales of pulled are reported at 30 to 32c; A super 35c, B super 33c, Greasy cap 19c, no Australian wool in market.

## TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Dec. 9th, 1880.

After a lull, the share market is again active and looking upward. In other than the speculative stocks there is but a slight advance; but bids for Bank Montreal are six per cent. higher on the week, Toronto four, and so on. Commerce sold at 142 and Ontario at 100; Loan Companies' shares are steady.

**CATTLE.**—The bulk of the beeves offering, if indeed not all of them are inferior, but they continue to be taken at prices which for the season and the quality are very fair; 3 to 3½c. Two have been paid this week by the car load. Two cars were bought on Tuesday for Montreal at about 3.37. An occasional bullock brings 4c., but 1st class are not offering. The byres are now full.

**DRY GOODS.**—The trade at this point continues to be moderate and steady. The demand for some lines of woollens is very active and manufacturers hard pressed to supply it. Values are pretty evenly sustained in both wool and cotton goods, staple cottons move fairly, the Canadian article holding its own well. Merchants agree pretty generally that remittances are on a far more satisfactory basis. The gross receipts of raw cotton at New York up to close of last week, from 1st September, were 427,623 bales, against 433,800 bales for same period last year. The market is quiet, not to say tame, compared with former weeks, in spite of some flickering activity, the tone was slow, weak and irregular, with prices three to four points lower on late months, and one to two points higher on late months. Spot lots met with an ordinary demand from regular sources, with offerings fair,