

\$6; lynx, \$2 to \$3; cross fox, \$2 to \$5; red fox, \$1; marten, 90c to \$1; mink, 75c to \$1.10; muskrat, 8c to 10c; raccoon, low, 50c to 60c; skunk, 50c to 70c. The prices given would be increased according to the condition of the pelts.

**GROCERIES.**—The market is quiet, and prices so little changed that previous quotations held for the present. There is a slight activity in Christmas goods, fruits, spices, etc., but trade is scarcely affected thereby. Prices of dried fruits are very firm. Sugars are quiet and unchanged. Porto Rico  $\frac{1}{4}$  lower. Teas in moderate demand and prices maintained. Tobaccos steady with quiet trade.

**HARDWARE.**—Business continues very quiet for general hardware. There has been the ordinary pushing trade, and a fair business been done in stoves, skates, and such like seasonable goods. Retailers report a very quiet business. Wholesale men report a light trade also, with payments rather slow. The winter trade does not promise to be very profitable.

**HIDES AND LEATHER.**—Business continues to be quiet and steady. Prices of hides are unchanged, but rather weak. Green are quoted at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for cows and 8c for steers, No. 1 inspected. Cured hides selling at 9c for cows and 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for steers. Sheepskins steady at 75c; fine lambskins at 80c. Leather is entirely unchanged in quotations, with trade quiet but steady.

**LIVE STOCK TRADE.**—There is only a quiet local trade being done. Cattle for feeding purposes are offering more than buyers require. Butchers have possession of the market. Prices are not depressed for good beasts, but there are more common and light cattle offering than what are wanted, and prices are low. The export trade being so unpromising is embarrassing operations that depend on the future. Prices for local demand are 4c to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for fine heavy cattle. Ordinary cattle run from 3c to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ c. Sheep and lambs find a rather dull market at \$3.75 to \$5 for the former and \$3.25 to \$4 for the latter. Hogs continue to find a ready market at \$4.50 to \$4.62 $\frac{1}{2}$  per 100 lbs., live weight.

**PROVISIONS, &c.**—There is an abundance of supplies, and prices generally are easy. All descriptions of meats are cheap. Bacon is in small demand and low compared with the price of hogs. Lard is clear is quoted at 8c, and 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c in box lots. Cumberland cut 7 c. Hams, smoked 11c. Lard 10c to 11c. Pork \$15 to \$15.50. Beef \$10 to \$10.50. Butter 19c for choice tubs; medium heavy of sale at 16c; inferior 8c to 10c, and a drug. Eggs 19c for pickled, 20c for fresh, in case lots. Apples \$1.25 to \$2. Potatoes abundant at 37c per bag in car lots. Onions \$2 to \$2.25 per barrel. Beans \$1 to \$1.20 per bushel. Cheese 11c to 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c for medium to good. Hops in light demand at 12c to 18c for small lots, according to quality. Salt in fair demand and unchanged. Hogs coming in more freely, and prices steady at \$5.60 to \$5.85, and \$6 for choice car lots. Tallow 4c for rough, 7c for rendered. Fish, whitelish \$5, trout \$4.

**SEEDS.**—There has not been any trade here yet. But threshing has been going on, and enquiries are made from the country as to what prices would be if supplies were forwarded. There is only an export trade to be done at present, and prices here must be on a basis to compete with American and Continental seeds in the London market. On this basis dealers here would not pay more than \$1.25 to \$4.50 for good red clover. What the local market may be in February does not affect present export prices. Alsike clover will have to compete in London with large supplies from Germany. It is thought that the early market for alsike will be better than what it will be later on. Dealers here would pay \$7.50 to \$8 per bushel of 60 lbs. The United States crop of red clover is large. It is a mere question for individual judgment whether to sell at present or wait.

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