

about two-thirds of the average. "Barley has suffered quite extensively, is backward in growth, but at present is making very rapid progress, and with a continuance of favorable weather will probably come up to nearly the average of the last two years." Oats at present are backward, but present conditions point to a yield fully up to the usual amount. The yield of peas will be a little short in quantity, but at present the quality of the crop is in general all that could be desired, reports from the largest pea counties of the west being quite favorable. Corn bids fair to be under the usual quantity. Quite an extensive acreage of buckwheat is under cultivation this year, two-thirds of this crop being grown in the Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence and Ottawa groups.

The stocks of grain in store at Port Arthur on June 23rd were 1,284,275 bushels. During the week there were received 93,132 bushels, and shipped 108,377 bushels, leaving in store on June 29th, 1,269,030

GROCERIES.—What may be considered a fairly active season's trade is being done. Dried fruits sell well in consideration of the presence of green fruits; stocks of Valencia raisins continue scarce. The sugar situation is without special change; orders for small lots are being freely received. The *N. Y. Journal and Bulletin of Commerce* of Wednesday says: Holders of raws are in most cases disposed to assume that about the only thing likely to seriously impair the market is a free sugar schedule, and while the possibility of such a result is admitted, it is considered a contingency too remote to worry over. At all events former rates are asked and the offering carefully made. Demand somewhat indifferent, but takes up odd lots without bearish effort. Samples of new season's Pocklin teas have been received; these are the choicest early pickings, but the quality has not turned out as well as that of similar receipts last year; the liquor does not appear to be as fine as that of last season, but is perhaps a little fuller bodied; prices, although not yet settled, will probably be much the same as those of a year ago. The general movement of teas to the trade is but fairly good. Some are inclined to regard the salmon situation with bullish eyes, but it is impossible so early in the season to give a forecast of the new pack. Holders of last year's pack say that it is now very good property and can be disposed of at an advantage.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—No special features have characterized the trade of the last two weeks. Galvanized iron, tin plate, and black iron are moving fairly well; but sales of zinc, copper, lead and antimony are decidedly slow. Solder is quoted lower, standing: Half-and-half, 13½ to 14c.; standard, 12½ to 13c. There does not appear to be any decrease in the demand for harvest and garden tools, the special requirement of the trade being just now for grain cradles, snathes and hay rakes; all kinds of hoes are in request. A good business is doing in cut and wire nails, although few car lots have changed hands. Trade in hinges and heavy hardware is fairly active. The movement of rope shows material decrease. For builders' and plumbers' supplies, country accounts continue to improve, but the city trade is flat. Stocks of screen doors and windows are low, and jobbers find some little difficulty in supplying the demand. Lamp goods and gas fixtures are now being shown by sample for the fall trade. Although somewhat early in the season as yet, everything points to a good fall trade in sporting goods during the next month. Shipments of window glass from stock continue to be small.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The local hide market has developed nothing new; prices are unaltered, and, as near as can be learned, the general feeling in the trade remains unchanged. The Chicago packer hide market has come to a standstill as a result of the great strike. All the big packing houses are closed down. Calfskins on the Toronto market are slow. Lambskins and shearlings have been advanced, the former now standing at 25c. and the latter at 20c. Tallow is without change or special features.

LEATHER.—Trade is still on the quiet side. Eastern factories are making but moderate demands upon stocks, while factories in the west are taking still less in proportion to their requirements. In consequence of heavy shipments made by way of export last week, nothing is going forward at present. Advices from

England indicate a quiet market. The country jobbing trade shows but little activity. Values remain fairly steady, but are, of course, depressed.

PINE LUMBER.—Trade in the last few weeks has witnessed a slight improvement. The export trade to the United States still remains practically dead, although as there are now better prospects of a speedy settlement of the tariff question, it is confidently expected that the American demand will soon show signs of revival. The requirements of the city building trade are very small, the only really good demand coming from western Ontario. This section takes for the most part only the common grades. Values remain unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—General trade is only fair. The receipts of butter are not so large as they were a week ago, the consumptive demand keeping up moderately well, with quotations unchanged. Hog products are in much the same position as reported last week; the demand for lard appears to have gained somewhat in strength. Hops are quiet; only small lots are passing hands; quotations stand at 13 to 15c. Offerings of eggs this week are somewhat small, and trade lots are selling at 9½c., with really fresh bringing 13 to 14c. per doz.

WOOL.—Free wool now appears to be almost a certainty so far as the United States is concerned. *Bradstreets* of June 30th says: "Trade continues slow and the market is no firmer. Buyers are bidding lower prices on lots, and dealers maintain a fair amount of steadiness at the recent decline. Arrivals show an increase, and stocks are larger, although much below the usual average at this season. Manufacturers are not disposed to stock ahead with wool even at the low prices, as they do not regard the future of the goods market with favor, and consequently prefer to buy the raw material as they need it, and take chances on prices." Prices paid for the season's clip, of which free deliveries are being made, are somewhat higher, and dealers are paying 16 to 17c. for first-class merchantable fleece. The demand from the mills shows little or no improvement.

THE BRITISH GRAIN MARKETS.

The grain report of L. Norman & Co., Ltd., dated London, June 18th, says: "Since our last report of the 11th inst., the wheat markets have fluctuated according to the state of the weather and foreign advices. Early in the week the upward movement was maintained, but at the same time the volume of business transacted was far from large, owing to the attitude of sellers, who had either withdrawn from the market or held for limits far beyond buyers' ideas. At the end of the week, with fine genial weather and lower American advices, prices were weaker, but to-night on the opening advance in the U. S. A., market is closing firm with more enquiry. The quantity afloat to arrive is still large, but Russian shipments show a decrease, while American and Argentine exports during the week have been moderate. We can only reiterate our last week's remark that the course of the market now depends upon 'sunshine or rain.'"

Hard Manitobas.—Quiet but steadily held. A parcel on passage sold at 23s. 1d., c.i.f., Lon-

don. Sellers, June and July shipment, ask 24s. 3d., c.i.f., and for July and August 24s. 6d., c.i.f.

Hard Duluth.—Quiet and little passing. For parcels on passage or for shipment, 24s. 6d., c.i.f., asked.

Barley.—Grinding qualities have been in active demand from ninnence to a shilling advance on the week. Malting sorts neglected.

Oats.—With large arrivals market very quiet with downward tendency.

Peas.—In London this article has ruled steady, but trade quiet. In Liverpool, owing to small stocks, market has been firm. White Canadian, June and July shipment, offering at 24s. 6d., c.i.f., but no buyers.

Hay.—Owing to rain interfering with the cutting of the home crop and damaging that already cut, this article has been very firm. For Canadian, sound, delivered at wharf in London, £4 per ton has been paid. For shipment there are buyers from £3 12s. 6d. to £3 14s., c.i.f.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, July 5th, 12.30 p.m.

Wheat, Spring	5	0½
Red, Winter	4	8½
No. 1 Cal	5	0½
Corn	3	8
Peas	5	1
Lard	35	6
Pork	66	3
Bacon, heavy	35	6
Bacon, light	37	6
Tallow	45	
Cheese, new white	45	
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