

is in very small quantities no one seeming disposed to buy except for immediate requirements, but importing houses have not laid in such heavy stocks as formerly, and in the absence of repeat orders, no heavy stocks will likely have to be carried over. Some demand for fancy goods is shortly looked for. Remittances continue to be anything but satisfactory.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—We have very little to say about the state of business, which continues much the same as for some time past. Transactions are mostly of a retail character. *Bi Carb Soda* is offering at \$4.00 for round lots and \$4.25 for smaller parcels; *Sal Soda* is difficult to move at \$1.40; *Soda Ash* remains steady at \$2.00; *Caustic Soda* is a little firmer—we now make 3½ outside price; *Copperas* in small demand at 1½c; *Alum*, \$2.12½ to 2.25; *Blue Vitriol*, 6½ to 7½c; *Borax*, 12½ to 15c; *Madder*, 10c; *Bleaching Powder* is now held at 2½ to 3c; *Saltpetre*, \$8.00 to 8.12½; *Cream Tartar*, 2½c; *Sulphur* and *Brimstone* are dull and unchanged.

FURS AND SKINS.—The Hudson Bay Coy's sale in London showed a decline of from 5 to 20 per cent on almost all kind of furs; full particulars expected next week. We note an advance on Lynx and Dark Prime Mink in this market, viz.: Beaver \$2.50; Black Bear \$6 to 12, according to size; Fisher, \$5.00 to 7.50; Silver Fox \$25.00 to 60.00; Cross Fox \$2.00 to 5.00; Red Fox \$1.25 to 1.50; Lynx \$2.00 to 3.00; Dark Labrador Martin \$7 to 8; Pale Martin \$1.50 to 2.50; Prime Dark Mink \$2.50 to 3.50; Dark Mink, 2nd \$1.50 to 2.00; Fine Dark Otter \$8 to 10; Fall Muskrat 12 to 15c; Winter do. 20 to 23c; Spring do 30; Raccoon 25 to 60; Skunk 20 to 50c.

FISH.—There is very little demand for fish of any kind just now; new is beginning to come in market. We quote new *Dry Cod* \$4.75 to 5.00; *Salmon* in brls. is worth a shade over last week's prices, sales have been made at \$16.50, \$15.00, and \$14.50 for No. 1, 2, 3 respectively. *Labrador Herrings* are nominal at \$4.00 to 5.00, very few in market; *Scaled Herrings* 35 to 37½c.

FREIGHTS.—The demand for tonnage is small and the supply is only moderate. Rates of freight are steady and with very little change on our last week's quotations. Engagements for heavy grain by steamships and clipper to London, Liverpool and Glasgow 5/6 to 6/-. Several vessels have been taken up for orders at 6/9 to 7/-. For lumber to the River Platte \$19.50; to Cape Town with lumber \$18.00, or to Algra Bay, \$20.00.

FLOUR.—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst., were 39,992 brls., against 41,366 b. l. on the 15th ult. and 33,975 brls. on the 1st September 1874. Receipts during the week 16,494 brls.; total receipts from 1st January to date 617,775 brls., being a decrease of 33,629 brls.; shipments during the week 25,153 brls.; total shipments from 1st January to date 466,420 brls., being a decrease of 53,878 brls. on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1874. The demand this week for shipping parcels has been very light, and business has been confined to the supply of local wants. Holders do not press sales under the impression that quotations will be maintained. Canada flour is scarce; to day the market was exceedingly quiet, only about some 400 brls. changing hands, and our closing quotations may be taken to some extent as nominal. We quote *Superior Extra* \$6.10 to 6.20; *Extra Superfine* \$5.90 to 6.00; *Fancy* \$5.70; *Spring Extra* \$5.25 to 5.30; *Superfine* \$5.10 to 5.27½; *Strong Bakers Flour* \$5.65 to 5.75; *Fine* \$4.80 to 4.90 nominal; *Middlings* \$4.50 nominal; *Pollards* \$3.60 to 3.70 nominal; *U.C. Bag flour* \$2.65 to 2.70; *Oatmeal* steady at \$5.65 to 5.75; *Cornmeal*, \$3.70 to 3.75.

GRAIN.—Wheat.—The Stocks in store and in the hands of Millers on the morning of the 1st inst. were 177,560 bushels against 206,915 bush. on the 15th ult., and 181,894 bushels on the 1st

September, 1874. Receipts for the past week 181,214 bushels; total receipts from 1st January to date 5,404,874 bushels, being a decrease of 80,660 bushels on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874; Shipments during the week 336,746 bushels; total shipments from 1st January to date 4,507,890 bushels, being a decrease of 1,186,005 bushels on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1874. There has been nothing done in cargoes during the week, prices for which are quite nominal till to day when 2 small cargoes of white wheat sold on p.t. Some car loads of Canada Spring were sold early in the week at \$1.27 to 1.28; it is now offering at \$1.27½, but without finding buyers. *Maize* we quote 7½c, at which a cargo has changed hands. *Peas* are nominal at \$1.04 to 1.06 per 66 lbs. *Oats* 47 to 50c; *Barley* nominal at 85c.

GROCERIES.—*Teas*—Japans have been in good demand, especially for low grades which are scarce, and large sales have been made at prices in buyer's favor. Blacks have also been asked for, and sales have been made of the common kind from 30 to 35c. *Coffee*—There is a very strong feeling in this market and our quotations are well maintained; stocks are very low at present and no reduction is expected, as prices in the following countries rule very high; Java 31 to 33c; Maracaibo 25c; Singapore 26 to 28c; Ceylon plantation 29 to 32c; ditto Native 25c; no Rio in the market. *Sugar*—Imported Yellows have been in moderate demand and in fair supply, sales reported being below those of last week, viz: from 7½ to 8½c; Local refined has been selling to a fair extent at the following rates: Grocers A 8½c; Confectioners A 8½c; Ground 8½c; and Extra Ground 9c; American Refined 8½ to 9c; Raws are quiet; a sale of Cuba reported at 6½ to 7c; Demerara 8½c. *Molasses*—Stocks are very light; not quite sufficient to meet the existing demand; in the event of any demand arising a considerable advance is sure to take place unless some large importations come to hand. Centrifugal 30 to 32c; Barbadoes 41 to 42½c; Sugarhouse 25 to 27c. *Syrups* are unchanged. *Rice*—Not much demand, and is offering in lots at \$3.90 to 3.95. *Fruit*—Demand has been confined to jobbing lots and prices have not materially changed. Layer Raisins \$1.90 to \$2.00; London Layers \$2.75 to 3.00; Valencia are scarce and in demand, and are held for 8c; Muscatels \$2.50; Sudltanas are now in better supply at 14 to 15c; Seeless raisins 9c; Currants are scarce small sales at 5½c; Figs 12 to 12½c; Prunes 5 to 6c; S. S. Almonds 14 to 15c; H. S. Almonds 4½ to 5½c; Walnuts 5 to 8c; Filberts 7 to 9c. *Spices*.—There is literally nothing doing. Black Pepper is easier at 12½ to 13½c; White Pepper 21 to 23c; Cloves 40 to 42½c; Nutmegs 85c to \$1.00; Cassia 18 to 22½c; Pimento 8½c; Mace nominal at \$1.20 to 1.40; Ginger 24 to 28c in small supply.

HIDES AND PELTS.—We have to note an advance on Lambskins which usually takes place at the beginning of the month. Hides are now in better supply and the demand has been better but without making any change in quotations. We quote No. 1 Inspected hides \$6; No. 2 ditto \$5; No. 3 ditto \$4 per 100 lbs. *Sheep* and *Lambskins* 50 to 60c; *Calfskins* 10 per lb.

HARDWARE.—There has been a marked improvement in the demand for heavy goods during the past week, and shelf goods have met with a fair enquiry. Stocks are filling up, but there is no likelihood of more being imported than will be required to supply the legitimate wants of the country. Prices are not as firm as they ought to be in face of comparatively light importations and a good demand. We look for more firmness in prices as the season advances. Remittances do not come in so well as might be reasonably expected. We quote *Pig Iron*—Eglinton and Clyde \$21.00; Carnbroe \$22.00 to 22.50; American \$26.00 to 28.00; Summerlie and Calder \$23.00 to 23.50; Langloan &

Gartsherrie \$23.00 to 23.50; Coltness \$24.00 to 24.50; Hematite \$30.00 to 31.00. *Bar*, per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.45 to 2.50; best do., \$2.65 to 2.75; Swedes and Norway \$5.00 to 5.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 7.00. *Canada Plates* per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$4.75 to 5.00; Garth and Penn \$4.75 to 5.00; Arrow \$5.25 to 5.50; Hatton \$4.75. *Tin Plates* per box—Charcoal IC, \$8.75 to 9.00; ditto, IX, \$10.75 to 11.00; ditto DC, \$7.75 to 8.00; Coke IC, \$7.00 to 7.25; 14 x 20, 25c extra. *Tinned sheets* Charcoal best No. 26, 14c. *Galvanized sheets* best brands No. 28, 9 to 10c. *Hoops and Bands* per 100 lbs., \$3.00 to 3.25; *Sheets* best brands, \$3.50 to 3.75; *Boiler Plates* ordinary brands \$3.25 to 3.50; Best brands \$3.50 to 3.75; *Russian Sheet Iron* per lb. 16 to 17c; *Cut Nails* 2 D Lath, \$4.75; ditto, 2½d to 4d shingle \$3.95; ditto, 5d to 10d, \$3.45; ditto 12d & larger \$3.15; 100 keg lots 5 per cent. discount. *Cut nails* patent Chisel pointed 25c extra. *Pressed Spikes* \$4.25 to 5.00; *Shot Canadian* \$7 to 7.25. *Lead*—per 100 lbs Pig, 6.50 to \$7.00; do sheets 6.50 to \$7.00; do Bar, 6.50 to \$7.00; *Steel cast*, per lb. 12½ to 13c; *Spring* per 100 lbs. \$5.00 to 5.25; *Sleigh Shoe* \$4.00 to 4.25; *Tire ditto*, \$4.50 to 5.00. *Ingot Tin* 22 to 23c; *Ingot Copper*, 22½ to 23c. *Horse Shoes* per 100 lbs. \$4.75 to 5.00; *Proved Coil Chain*, 3 in., \$6.00 to 6.25; *Anchors* 7 to 8c; *Anvils* 10 to 12c. *Iron wire* per bdl \$2.50 to \$2.60.

WOOL.—A few sales have been reported during the week, but of such a small amount as not sufficient on which to base quotations, but it is understood they were within the following range: Super pulled 29 to 30c; Unassorted and Black 28c. The market closes very dull.

LEATHER.—The inquiry for most descriptions of shoe stock has improved somewhat during the past week, though manufacturers still buy only in small quantities to fill immediate wants, as stocks are large and holders anxious to make sales. Prices are in buyers favor. We quote—Hemlock Spanish sole No. 1 B. A. 24 to 00c; do No. 2 22 to 00c; Buffalo sole No. 1 21 to 22½; do No. 2 19 to 20c Hemlock slaughter 27 to 29c; waxed upper light and medium 32 to 38c; ditto heavy 30 to 34c; grained upper 32 to 37c; splits large 20 to 29c; do small 18 to 24c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs, 55 to 70c; do 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 28 to 40c; harness 25 to 31c; buffed cow 13 to 16½c per ft.; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 18 to 19c; pebbled cow 12½ to 16c; rough leather 23 to 26. *Leather Belting*, warranted genuine English Oak Tanned, 20 per cent. off list, ditto Canadian Tanned, 30 per cent. off list.

LIQUORS.—Inactivity has characterized this market during the week, the demand being chiefly confined to jobbing lots. *Brandy*.—We continue to quote Hennessys at \$2.65 to 2.75 in wood; cases \$9.00; Martells \$2.50 to 2.60 in wood; cases \$8.50. *Gin*.—There is a firmer feeling in the market for DeKuyppus in wood, \$1.65 is paid for small parcels, but for round lots some concession would be made. Green cases \$3.90; Red cases \$7.50; Houtmans in wood \$1.55; Green cases \$3.72; Red cases \$7.20. *High Wines* have declined, we now quote for 60 to 65c per imperial gallon per car load. *Rye Whiskey* 25 to 39c per imperial gallon per car load in Bond.

NAVAL STORES.—Market has ruled quiet all week, any transactions reported have been small and within our range of quotations given last week, which we repeated *Spirits of Turpentine* 40 to 42½c, the former for large lots. *Rosins*.—Meet with a moderate sale at \$3.25 to 3.50 for strained; \$3.75 for No. 2; \$4 to 6.50 for No. 1 up to good pale. *Pine Tar*.—Scarce at \$4.00. *Pine Pitch*.—\$3.50. *Coal Tar* and *Roofing Pitch*.—Nominal, at \$2.75 to 3.00.

OILS.—There has been very little doing during the week, but the market for most kinds of oil is firm. *Cod Oil* 57½c; *Seal*, pale, 53 to