TOBONTO STOCKS IN STORE.

Stocks of grain in store in Toronto elevators for the week ending March 5th, 1894, and at a corresponding time last year, were as follows:

| - | March 5, 1894. | Feb. 26, 1894. |
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| Hard wheat, bush | 22,685 | 22,685 |
| | 106,332 | 106,468 |
| | 7,509 | 4,700 |
| | 1,523 | 1,523 |
| | 78,232 | 76,637 |
| | 5,766 | 5,766 |
| | 45,620 | 45,620 |
| | 1,800 | 1,800 |
| Total | 269,548 | 265,199 |

GROCERIES.—The general feeling is good for this season of the year, and a fair aggregate of business is being done. Green Rio coffees are in scarce supply, but a car is expected to arrive within a few days. Trade in dried fruits is quiet, while fine off stalk Valencias fruits is quiet, while fine off stalk Valencias are in scarce supply. Stocks of syrups are not large, and some houses say that they find difficulty in filling orders. Sugars are steady, with prices unchanged. An increased trade in canned goods has taken place this week, and the market has recovered from an uncertain feeling which resulted from the proposed change in the mode of selling goods by pack-ers. Values of some lines are firmer. Beans stand at 95c. for 2's and \$1.45 for 3's; corn is concided at 85c. to \$1.40 : neas at 85c. to \$1.40 : quoted at 85c. to \$1.40 ; peas at 85c. to \$1.40 ; pumpkins, 3's, 85c. to \$1.10 per doz.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—Goods for spring requirements, such as wire, agricultural tools and fencing wires, are going out, while orders for shelf goods have during the last few days been freely received. In fact some of the larger houses report that the present week has opened up exceptionally well. In most lines orders for spring shipments are being freely received. In some metals better prices are looked for; these expectations are based upon the idea that values have reached a bottom point. Tin has been reduced $\frac{1}{2}$. per lb., but at this reduction the market is steady. Copper has lost nothing during the week. Lead is renorted slow and values cheap. The spirt HARDWARE AND METALS .- Goods for spring at this reduction the market is steady. Copper has lost nothing during the week. Lead is reported slow and values cheap. The spirt recently made in the iron markets of the United States has not been maintained, but prices in England are stiff. Prices of wire are now the same in shipments from Hamilton are now the same in shipments from Hamilton and Toronto as from Montreal, a 10 cents per 100 lbs. freight allowance that was formerly added having been taken off. With regard to London, 4c. net is to be added instead of 14c. This applies to bright, galvanized, annealed and coppered wires.

HIDES AND SKINS.—There continues to be a plentiful supply of hides, while the demand is only moderate. During the week car lots of hides have been sold at quotation prices, which stand as follows: Cows, green, 3c; steers, 3jc; oured, 3jc to $3\frac{3}{4}$. In sheepskins there is noth-ing new to report. Calfskins are not active, and green are quoted at 4 to 6c. per lb. Tallow is a little more plentiful and prices are weaker.

LEATHER.-The volume of trade done with both local and eastern factories continues to show improvement. Leather merchants re-port having made some fair sales of Spanish sole and of slaughter. The country jobbing

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trade, however, has not shown very marked improvement. Some shipments of sole have gone forward during the last few days, and other shipments will shortly be made, as par-cels are now in the course of preparation. There is only a fair call for harness leather, Cclored leathers find good demand, and good makes are closely sold up. Large quantities of dongola leathers are being cut up by the factories, but for a large part these are brought in from the United States. in from the United States.

PROVISIONS .- The bad reads in the country There is a good demand for butter at 18 to 19c., and dairy tubs are worth from 19 to 21c. New laid eggs are in good demand at 15c. We pickled, cold storage, and held stock is worth from 6 to 8c. In hog products there is not much change in prices, mess pork having re-duced to \$15.50, and long clear bacon from 8c. to 730.

Wool.-The wool market has been much more active this week, and a better movement is reported than for some weeks past. Prices, while steady, are unchanged. The general features of the market have shown no alteration, although, of course, increased business gives greater confidence in the situation.



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