

## WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

It can scarcely be said that the advent of another month has so far brought any marked improvement in the monetary situation. Some dealers reported a slight improvement, but in this there was a difference of opinion, and others failed to perceive any change for the better yet. Collections were therefore generally slow. At the banks discount rates were unchanged at about old rates. Loan companies are still having a quiet time, but they look for greater activity later on.

## WINNIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

In wholesale circles the feeling was similar to the previous week. Business was not active, but in most lines there was enough doing to keep things on the move. Altogether the state of trade may be described as fairly good for the season. The weather has been too fine to favor an active movement in textiles and kindred branches, and money has not commenced to move freely as a result of the harvest, farmers, being busy plowing, in which direction they are just now bending all their efforts, instead of delivering grain.

## BOOTS AND SHOES.

Dealers in this branch have enjoyed a fairly active business for the past couple of weeks. A portion of this has been in sorting orders, and quite a number of retailers who did not place orders of any size earlier in the season, have lately been coming forward and ordering freely, a good fall trade now being assured.

## CLOTHING.

The latest feature of this branch has been the arrival of eastern travellers with samples of spring goods. This seems to be carrying the "early bird, early worm" business to a great extreme, and practically amounts to staying up all night to get the worm. The object of starting out this early is of course to get the start of other houses, but it is not likely that a sufficient number of retailers will place their orders at this early date to make it an advantage to take these early trips. After the first of January would seem to be time enough to show spring samples. The earlier travellers start out, the oftener will they be obliged to go over the ground.

## CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE

Business in this branch has been good of late. Dealers are busy sending out orders, and have work for some time ahead. Travellers are on the road and meeting with a good business. Lamp goods have commenced to move freely, and orders for fancies for later delivery are coming to hand.

## DRY GOODS.

Travellers are on the road still with samples for sorting trade and a fair number of orders are coming in, but business cannot be said to be more than moderately active for the season. Payments are very slow, and it will require a change in the weather to start the people buying. The city trade is rather quiet, taking it all around.

## FURNITURE

There has been some improvements in this branch, and business is described as fairly good, though not active. The distribution is divided

between the country and city trade in about the same proportion

## DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

Business continues steady, with prices unchanged as follows: Howard's quinine, 75 to 90c; German quinine, 65 to 75c; opium, \$6 to \$6.50; morphia, \$2.50 to \$3; iodine, \$4.25 to \$4.50; bromide potassium, 65 to 75c; American camphor, 40 to 45c; English camphor, 45 to 50c; glycerine, 30 to 40c; tartaric acid, 70 to 75c; cream of tartar, 35 to 40c; bleaching powder, per keg, \$8 to \$10; bicarb soda, \$4.50 to \$5; sal soda, \$2.25 to \$2.50; soda ash, \$3 to \$3.25; chlorate potash, 25 to 30c; alum, \$3 to \$3.75; copperas, \$3 to \$3.25; sulphur, flour, \$4 to \$4.50; sulphur, roll, \$4 to \$5.25; American blue vitrol, 6 to 8c.

## FRUITS—GREEN, VEGETABLES, ETC.

Fall apples were being cleared out last week, and no more of those sorts were expected except some snows. Winter apples were on the road, and will be plentiful this week. Concord grapes were getting scarce, but other varieties were plentiful. Quotations were as follows: Rodi oranges 7 per box, 100 count; Messina lemons, \$7.00 to \$8.00 per box; apples, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per barrel; California peaches, \$3.00 per box; California pears, \$4.50 to \$5.00 per box; Ontario grapes, Concord, 7 to 8c per pound; Delaware and Rogers grapes, 10c per pound; and Niagara grapes, 12 to 14c; California muscat grapes, \$2.75 to \$3.00 per crate of 20 lbs.; California Tokay grapes, \$3.50 per crate of 20 pounds; southern onions, \$3.00 per 100 pounds; Egyptian onions, \$7.00 per case of 100 pounds; apple cider, \$7.00 per keg of 15 gallons; cabbages, 30c to 60c per dozen; cauliflowers, 60c to \$1.50 per dozen; celery, 35c per dozen bunches; sweet potatoes, \$9 per barrel; carrots, 40 to 45c bush; turnips, 25c bush; vegetable marrow squash, 50 to 75c per dozen; native onions, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per bush; beets, 40c per bush; green tomatoes, 75c to \$1 bush; citrons, 3c pound.

## FRUITS—DRIED, AND NUTS.

Foreign dried fruits have now commenced to arrive. Valencia raisins are reported stronger. Quotations are as follows: Figs, Turkey, in boxes, 10 to 11c, new Elme, figs, in layers, 15c per lb., or \$2 per dozen in 1 lb. boxes; golden dates 10c; Valencia raisins, \$2.25; London layers, \$3.50; evaporated apples, 16 to 17c; dried apples, 8 to 8½c; new Turkey prunes, 6½ to 7c. Nuts are quoted: Peanuts, roasted, 17 to 18c; peanuts, raw, 15c; walnuts 18c; almonds, 20c; filberts, 12½c; Texas pecans, 17c; cocoanut, \$12.50 per 100; maple syrup, \$15 per dozen cans of 1 gallon; maple sugar, 13c per pound, in cakes, new.

## GROCERIES.

The eastern sugar combination is reported to have broken up. Sugars were weaker and ½c lower at some points. Latest advices report teas firm and higher, especially for low grades. Quotations are now as follows: Dark yellow sugar, 6½c; medium to bright, 6½ to 7½c; granulated, 8c to 8½c; lump sugar, 8½ to 9c. Coffees—Rios, 25 to 29c; Government Java, 33 to 35c; other Javas, 25 to 30c; Mochas, 31 to 35c. New season's teas are now quoted as follows: Japan season 1886-7, 20 to 45c; Congos, 1886-7, 20 to 60c; Indian

teas, 35 to 50c. Old range Moyune gunpowder, 25 to 70c; panfried Japan, 23 to 45c; basket-fired, 25 to 40c; Pinganey young hyson, 25 to 35c; Moyune young hyson, 25 to 50c; Season's congous, 1885-6, 20 to 55c. Syrups, corn, \$2.25 to \$2.60; sugar cane, \$2.10 to \$2.35. T and B tobacco, 50c per pound, P. of W., butts 47c, P. of W. caddies, 48c; Honeysuckle, 7s, 55c; Brier, 7s, 55c; Laurel Bright Navy, 3s, 57c; Index d thick Solace, 6s, 48c; Brunette Solace, 12s, 48c.

## CANNED GOODS.

Prices are: Salmon, \$7.00; mackerel, \$6.00; lobsters, \$0.50 to \$7; sandlines (French), 4 tins, 14c; ½ tins, 24c; cove oysters, \$5.25; corn, \$3.25; peas \$4; tomatoes \$3.75; baked beans \$2.75 per dozen, corned beef \$3, lunch tongues, 2 lbs. \$6.50 to \$7.00; 1 lb. \$3.25. Fruit in 2lb. tins, per doz: pears, \$2.50 to \$2.75, strawberries, \$2.50 to \$2.75; plums, \$2.25 to \$2.50, peaches, \$3.75, raspberries, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

## HARDWARE AND METALS.

Business is steady, with a fair movement. Quotations are as follows: Cut nails, 10d and larger, \$3.75 to \$4.00; I. C. tin plates, \$5.50 to \$5.75; I. C. tin plates, double, \$11 to \$11.50; Canada plates, \$3.75 to \$3.90; sheet iron, \$3.50 to \$5.00, according to grade; iron pipe, 35 to 40 per cent off list prices; ingot tin, 28 to 30c per lb., according to quality; bar iron, \$3.00 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs.; shot, 6 to 6½c per lb.; tarred felt, \$2.75 to \$2.95 per 100 lbs.; barbed wire, 6½ to 7c.

## HIDES.

Are stronger and quotations ½c higher, as follows: Winnipeg inspection, No. 1, 6½c; No. 2, 5½c; bulls, 4½c; calf, fine-haired real veal, 7 to 13 pound skins, No. 1, 8c; No. 2, 6c; sheep pelts, 30 to 65c; tallow, 3½ to 4c.

## LEATHER AND FINDINGS.

Prices are: Spanish sole, 28 to 31c; slaughter sole, 33 to 35c; French calf, first choice \$1.25 to \$1.50; Canadian calf, 90c to \$1.00; French kip, \$1 to \$1.10; B Z kip, 85 to 90c; Bourdon kip, 75c; slaughter kip, 55 to 65c; No. 1, wax upper, 45 to 50c; grain upper, 55c; harness leather, 31 to 34c for plump stock. American oak sole, 45 to 60c; buffe, 17 to 22c a foot; cordovan, 23 to 25c; pebble, 21 to 23c; colored linings, 12c.

## PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.

Linseed oils are lower; also Canadian coal oils. Prices are as follows: Turpentine, 80c in five-gallon cans, or 75c in barrels; harness oil \$1.25; neatsfoot oil, \$1.50; linseed oil, raw, 70c per gallon; boiled, 73c in barrels or 5c advance in five-gallon lots; seal oil, steam refined, \$1; castor, 12½c per lb.; lard, No. 1, \$1.25 per gal.; olive, oil, pure, \$1.50; union salad, \$1.25; machine oils, black 25 to 40c; oleine, 40c; fine quantities, 50 to 75c. Coal oils, silver star, 25c; water white, 28c. American oils, Eocene, 34c; water white, 31c; sunlight, 27c. Calcined plaster, \$4.25 per barrel; Portland cement, \$5 to \$5.50, white lead, genuine, \$7.00; No. 1 \$6.50; No. 2 \$6.00; window glass, first break, \$2.25.

## WINES AND SPIRITS.

Prices do not give any sign of change. Quotations are: Gooderham & Wort's five year old, \$2.40; seven year old, \$3; old rye, \$1.75; Jules Robin brandy, \$4.50; Bisquet Debouche & Co.,