

wanted. Liverpool cables to-day give the market there as steady, the demand very active and large supplies.

**PETROLEUM.**—More activity has been manifested in the past week than we have experienced for some time. Quotations: Canadian refined oil, 15c.; carbon safety, 17c.; Canadian water white, 19c.; American water white, 24c.

**PROVISIONS.**—Prices have continued generally firm. **Butter.**—All offerings of butter of a quality equal to that sought for local consumption has found a ready sale at firm prices, the range being from 16c. for choice store to 18c. for good dairy; one lot of 50 crocks of dairy sold at 18c.; medium qualities of mixed with white thrown out have continued to be wanted at 15 to 15½c., but holders have been wanting an advance which buyers have refused to pay. Common has continued scarce but would have been taken at 10 to 13c. Receipts of box-lots of rolls very small, but any really choice obtainable worth 16 to 17c. Cheese seems to have been selling quietly but steadily at 10 to 10½c. for good to choice in small lots, with some skims offered at from 6 to 8c., according to quantity and quality, but very little doing in them at any price. Offerings of eggs have continued large and fully sufficient, with prices easier at 14½ to 15c. for cases, and trade-lots obtainable at 14c., but little or no demand for them. In pork the scarcity of bacon has kept up a demand for mess as before at \$18 to 18.50 for small lots. Bacon—Rather more new bacon has offered, but even after this offerings have been limited, and all, old and new, held firmly; long clear has sold usually in case-lots at 11½c.; new Cumberland has moved very quietly at 11c.; there have been a few new rolls obtainable at 12½c., and still fewer new bellies at 14c. Trade lots of old smoked hams have been obtainable at 12½ to 12¾c., the inside price for heavy-weights, and new in small lots have sold at 13 to 13½c. Lard has been firm at 11c. for tins, at 11½c. for tubs, and 12c. for pails of imported in small lots; but these prices seem to have led buyers to purchase only for the supply of immediate wants. There have been a few hogs selling on the street at \$8.50 on orders. Common dried apples are very scarce and prices almost nominal at 7 to 7½c. for the

few sold; evaporated have sold rather better than common, and as before at 9 to 9½c.; no demand for trade lots. The movement in hops has been limited as before to a few very small parcels for the supply of immediate wants at 15 to 16c. for the best offered, with common offered at about 10c. Nothing definite is yet stated as to the new crop.

**SALT.**—Although still inactive the cable advices show English shippers, who sold at 55c. laid down here some weeks since, to be now holding at 59c., and this in consequence of advanced rates of freight; no sales nor no bids reported in response to the advance. Canadian rather higher at 88 to 90c. for small lots.

**WOOL.**—Dealers seem to have been indisposed to buy otherwise than by their own selection, and holders would appear to have been unwilling to accept this mode of sale; still a few lots of selected fleece have changed hands at 20c., with 15 to 16c. paid for rejections. Southdown has continued very scarce, but 23c. paid for the few very small lots offered. Pulled wools of all sorts inactive, and prices nominally unchanged.

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