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of Ontario growth offered, but Manitoban has been moved at firm prices. No. 2 hard sold on Friday at \$1.10, which price was repeated on Saturday, when a lot of 18,000 bushels of No. 1 hard to arrive on track brought \$1.13. There were buyers of No. 2 fall or No. 2 red winter at \$1.03 to 1.04 nearly all week. and goose changed hands on Saturday at 83½ f.o.c. On Tuesday No. 2 fall lying outside sold at equal to \$1.03 here, and No. 1 hard at \$1.13. At close on Wednesday there were buyers at former prices but none offered, save that No. 1 Northern was held at \$1.12. The chief movement in oats has been in new Ontario, which seems to show rather a wide range of qualities and prices. Cars on track sold in the latter part of last week at 34 to 35½c. on track; on Monday light weight sold at 34c. and good at 35c., and on Tuesday sales were made at 35c. for cars on track and cars to arrive, and at close on Wednesday at 34½ and 35c. on track, with light-weight offered at 33½c. No barley offered save a few loads on the street market, which have sold at prices ranging from 60 to 64c.; offerings are said to have begun to come forward up the line. Nothing doing in peas, but shippers would probably have been buyers at about 60c. The first load of rye on the street sold at 70½c. on Wednesday. Imported corn has sold at 61c. on track for feed.

GROCERIES.—Business is steadily advancing. Tea is becoming very active at firm prices; tobacco is moving well; syrups and molasses are in very large demand and the supply is short; in sugars, all yellows have been advanced ½c., and prices are strong at the rise; there is a much better demand for rice than has existed for some time. There is but little doing in dried fruits; the new goods will be here almost immediately, and intending buyers are holding back as much as possible. Coffee is very quiet. New tomatoes and salmon are both very much enquired for. Payments are being met very well.

HARDWARE.—A London cable states that an advance has occurred to-day in ingot tin and

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copper of £5. There is no other change of consequence, and our quotations are as yet unaffected by the advances, though prices can of course be counted as firmer. Payments are keeping very level.

HAY.—Pressed hay seems to have continued in good demand but rather easy in price, with good timothy not often bringing more than \$15 on track, and clover selling down to \$13, but a steady demand at these prices.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Offerings of green hides have been rather slack and prices steady as before; cured offered slowly and held steadily, but the only sales some small lots of selected at 6 and 6½c. Calfskins are as dull as ever, whether for green or cured; prices almost nominal. Prices of green sheepskins have risen five cents, to 50 to 55c. with dry selling down to 25c.; offerings of all sorts small. Tallow still scarce and steady at 1½ to 2c. for rough and 5½c. per lb. for rendered; but very little obtainable and a good deal more wanted.

HOPS.—There has been some little movement in small lots of last year's at from 8 to 13c., according to quantity and quality; new not moving, but some samples have been shown for which 15c. have been bid, these being of fine quality.

LEATHER.—There is no change of any consequence; the advance of last week has continued. In sole leather business is very active at the rise. Good plump leather is very scarce. Black leather, that is to say, harness, etc., is very short as well. The improvement is none too soon, but dealers anticipate a brisk fall trade. While there is no further change in prices quotations are very hard.

LIVE STOCK.—The local demand has been very fair, but prices are low except for prime. The export trade has not been as active as usual because the offerings sent in have not been good enough for the requirements of exporters. Our cable from Liverpool gives quotations at one-half penny a pound lower in London and Liverpool, chiefly on account of overcrowded markets.

PETROLEUM.—Business is becoming more active every day. Prices are firm and likely to advance. American water white is now quoted at 25c., a rise of one cent since last week. Prices in the United States markets are steadily increasing.

PROVISIONS.—Articles in this line have continued to sell well, with hog products firm. Butter seems to have been offered rather more freely and to have been selling the turn easier; creamery on the spot has sold at 20 to 21c.; selected dairy has been scarce and taken usually at 18c., and occasionally, but only very seldom, at 19c.; some lots of average dairy, or good store and average dairy, with white thrown out, sold outside at from 15 to 16½c.; and some common changed hands outside at 12 and 14c. Box-lots of rolls have come forward very slowly, and had they been available would have sold as high as selected dairy for choice; still no demand for shipment. Small