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and has dropped a cent. Peas, oats and rye remain unchanged. Buckwheat is from 3 to 4c. lower, and dull at the decline.

GREEN FRUIT.—The receipts of fruit in this market are decreasing, day by day. Soon our main supply will comprise oranges, lemons, nuts, etc. McWilliam & Everist's list quotes as follows: Lemons, Majori, very fancy, \$6 to \$6.50; Malaga, \$4.25; California, \$4.50; oranges, Jamaica, \$3.50 per box; peaches, Crawford, very fancy, 40 to 55c.; late, 30 to 40c.; pears, fancy, 30 to 40c.; common, 25c.; plums, 40 to 50c.; grapes, Concords, 15 to 16c., per 10-lb. basket; Niagara, 16 to 17½c.; blue grapes, 22½ to 25c. per large basket; bananas, fancy, \$1.25 to \$1.75; tomatoes, 15 to 25c. per basket.

GROCERIES.—The wholesale trade is in a very satisfactory condition. Some houses are quite busy with carload orders for fall supplies for the North-West. Local orders, while not very large, individually, are very frequent. Tinned corn and tomatoes are being delivered rapidly. The most notable feature during the week has been the decline of 10c. in all grades of refined sugar, which change took place on the 3rd inst., in sympathy with the weakened conditions abroad, and the slump in the American market. New Eleme figs have been coming in lately, and are quoted at from 12½c. for "one-star," to 17c. for "two-star." Imported peels are now in the market, and are quoted at 10½ to 13c. for lemon; 11 to 13½c. for orange, and 14 to 17c. for citron, according to quality. Continued strength is manifested in Valencia raisins, a second shipment of which is now in the market. Fine off-stalk are quoted at 9c., and selected at 9½c. There is no change in currants, which are firmly held at the quotations mentioned. Some samples of Sultana raisins have been shown as a substitute for them, but do not meet with much favor. Teas are moving in fair quantities, although the high prices for Japans have interfered a good deal with their distribution. Medium-priced Ceylons and Indians are in good request.

HARDWARE.—No particular feature worth commenting upon has come up since our last number. Business continues highly satisfactory. Orders for small hardware are still coming in frequently. In heavy metals, there is little change, though Glasgow despatches say that the squeeze in Scottish warrants culminated the week before last, and the market receded to 68s. per ton for pig iron. Manufacturers' prices are easier, all round, but there is absolutely no fresh business being done with consumers. The market for pig iron is firmer, both in London and New York, the price in the former city having advanced £1 10s. per ton. This is due to shortage in shipments from the Straits during last month.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Prices have not changed materially since our last quotations. Fairly large quantities of hides are coming in now, but there is a fair demand. In Chicago, a brisk business

has been done during the past week or so, about 60,000 native cows having been sold at prices ranging from 9¼ to 10¼c.

LEATHER.—A firmer tendency is visible in the leather market, though our quotations of last week may be allowed to stand. The demand is fairly good.

PROVISIONS.—Butter remains at the same price, and in fair supply. Solid packed creamery has been rather quiet and steady. Hog products are firm, and have an advancing tendency. Long clear is quoted at 10 to 10¼c.; lard, 10¼ to 10½c., and in the latter there is a very pronounced scarcity. There is no barreled meat in the market.

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