

here are low, holders are asking outside prices. *Green Cod*, owing to scarcity, has been selling at \$7 to \$7.50; *Labrador Herrings* have also advanced since this day week, and are now selling at \$4.75 to \$5; *Salmon* is very scarce in first hands, holders asking \$14 for No. 1.

RAW FURS.—Any skins coming in are readily bought up within our range of quotations, no change may be looked for till after the March sales and dealers do not expect that prices will be materially affected. We quote *Mink*, prime dark, large, \$1.25 to 1.50; do. small, \$1.00 to 1.25; *Martin*, \$1.25 to 1.75; *Beaver* per lb. \$1.25 to 1.60; *Bear*, large, \$7.00 to 10.00; ditto cubs \$2.00 to 4.00; *Red Fox*, \$1.25 to 1.50; *Muskat*, large, 9c to 10c. do. small, 5 to 6c; ditto kits 2 to 3c; *Lynx*, \$1.00 to 1.50; *Skunk*, prime dark, large, 40 to 50c; ditto white 20 to 30c; *Raccoon*, prime 25 to 60c; *Fisher*, prime, \$6.00 to 7.00; *Otter*, prime dark, \$6.00 to 8.00.

FLOUR.—The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst. was 69,716 bbls, against 61,435 bbls on the 15th ult. and 55,992 bbls on the 1st of March 1878. Receipts during the past week 9405 bbls, total receipts from 1st January to date 765,092 bbls being a decrease of 23,534 bbls on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1878; shipments during the week 1541 bbls. Total shipments from 1st January to date 26,705 bbls, being a decrease of 25,060 bbls on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1878. The amount of flour changing hands since this day week has not been large but holders are very firm in their views pending revelation of the "N. P." Tariff and to effect purchases buyers would have to advance their views in order to meet holders. There was little done on change to-day only a few small sales of extra superior and fancy reported at quotations. We quote *Superior Extra* \$4.75 to 4.80; *Extra Super.*, \$4.50 to 4.55; *Fancy*, \$4.30 to 4.35; *Spring Extra*, \$4.20 to \$4.25; *Superfine*, \$3.90 to \$4.00; *Strong Baker's Flour*, \$4.30 to \$4.50; *Fine*, \$3.30 to 3.50; *Middlings*, \$2.95 to \$3.15; *Pollards*, \$2.60 to \$2.80; *Ontario Bags* \$2.10 to 2.15 *Oatmeal*, \$3.75 to 3.85; *Cornmeal*, \$2.45 kiln dried.

GRAIN.—*Wheat*.—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 1st inst. was 85,858 bushels, against the same number of bushels on the 18th ult. and 396,095 bushels on the 1st of March, 1878. Receipts during the week 40,475 bushels; total receipts from 1st January to date, 335,119 bushels, being a decrease of 113,831 bushels on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1878. Shipments during the week 40,405 bushels; total shipments from 1st January to date, 333,952 bushels, being a decrease of 111,954 bushels on the shipments for the same period of 1878. *Wheat and Maize* in the absence of transactions are quite nominal. *Peas*—some small sales at 72c to 74c per 65 lbs. *Oats*, 28c to 30c. *Barley*, nominal. *Seeds*—*Timothy*, \$1.60 to \$1.70; *Clover*, 7c to 7½c per lb.

GROCERIES.—*Teas*.—There has only been about the usual demand this week, and that from country dealers; low grade *Japans*, say from 21c to 24c, are asked for, but there is little of that in market. We quote good common to choicest 25c to 50c; *Young Hysons*, 22c to 70c, according to grade; *Congou*, 24c to 65c; *Coffee* has been quiet, the late demand has completely subsided; prices are on the whole steady, but rather above buyers' views. We quote *Ceylon* 21c to 22c; *Mocha*, 29c to 30c; *Gov. Java*, 29c to 30c; *Maracaibo*, 20c to 22c. *Sugar*.—The business in sugar this week has been confined to the ordinary country demand; holders here are still firm in their views. We quote: *Dry* crushed, 9½ to 9½c; *Granulated*, 8½ to 8½c; *Yellows*, 6½ to 7½c. There has been no demand for raw sugar; for any little in the market holders are asking 6½ to 7c. *Molasses* has been in rather better demand, as is usually the case about Lent. We quote: *Barbadoes*, 35 to

37½c; *Porto Rico*, 32 to 33c. *Syrups* are in fair demand from 39 to 55c. *Rice*.—There has not been much demand; some small sales from \$4.25 to 4.50. *Spices* have only been in the usual jobbing demand; prices may be called firm with upward tendency: *Pimento*, 15 to 17c; *Black Pepper*, 8½ to 9c; *White Pepper*, 18½ to 19c; *Cassia*, 14 to 18c; *Cloves* are dearer and are now selling at 40 to 45c; *Nutmegs*, 65 to 95c; *Jamaica Ginger*, 21 to 22c; *Mace*, 75 to 85c. *Fruit*.—This market may be said to be quite stagnant and prices nominal; holders, to clear out stocks, would probably accept lower figures than we quote: *Layer raisins*, \$1.45 to 1.50; *Loose Muscatels*, \$1.55 to 1.65; *London layers*, \$2.00 to 2.15; *Valencias*, 5½ to 6c; *Sultanas*, 4½ to 4½c; *Currants*, 3½ to 4½c; *Figs*, layers, 10 to 11c; ditto *Malaga*, 5½ to 6c; *Prunes*, 4½ to 4½c; *Tarragona almonds*, 15 to 17c; *Filberts*, 7 to 9c; *Walnuts*, 7 to 8c; *Brazil nuts*, 7 to 8c.

HIDES.—We have no change to report in the hide market. Butchers hides are bought at \$6, 5 and 4, for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively, and *calfskins* 8 to 9c. per lb.

HARDWARE.—The demand consequent on the expected changes in the tariff seems to be about over, and only a few orders are coming in for goods actually required. Tin plates are still very firm. The prices of hardware are still very low, but holders do not seem to care about parting with them till the new tariff is known. Pig iron is held for extreme rates as it is fully expected there will be a heavy duty on it, as it is at present on the "free list." We quote *Rars*, per 100 lbs.: *Scotch* and *Staffordshire*, \$1.70 to 1.80; best ditto \$2.10 to 2.20; *Swedes* and *Norway*, 4.50 to 5.00; *Lowmoor* and *Bowling*, \$5.50 to 6.00. *Canada Plates*, per box, *Glamorgan*, \$3.15 to 3.25; *Garth* and *Penn*, \$3.15 to 3.25; *Hatton*, \$3.00 to 3.10. *Tin Plates*, per box: *Charcoal I.C.*, \$5.75 to 6.00; ditto *I.X.* \$7.75 to 8.00; ditto *D.C.* \$4.75 to \$5.00; *Coke* 1c \$5.00 to 5.25; *Tinned sheets* charcoal, best No. 26 11 to 12c; *Galvanized Sheets*, best brands, No. 28, \$7.25 to 7.50. *Hoops* and *Bands* per 100 lbs \$2.20 to 2.30; *Sheets* best brands, \$2.25 to 2.50; *Boiler Plates*, ordinary brands, \$2.25 to 2.40; ditto best brands, \$2.75 to \$3.00. *Russia Sheet Iron* per lb 10 to 11c; *Cut Nails* 2dy lath, \$4.25; ditto, 2½ to 4c. *Shingle* \$3.50; ditto 5dy to 10dy, \$3.15; ditto, 8dy to 6, \$3.40; ditto, 12dy and larger, \$2.85; 100 keg lots 5 per cent. discount. *Cut nails*, chisel pointed, 25c. extra. *Pressed Spikes* \$4.00 to 4.75; *Lead*, pig, per 100 lbs., \$4.00 to 4.25 sheet \$5.00 to 5.25; bar \$5 to 5.25; *Shot* \$5.50 to 6.00; *Steel*, cart per lb. 12 to 13c; spring per 100 lbs \$3.25 to 3.50; *Sleigh shoe*, \$2.50 to 2.62½; tire, steel, \$3.00 to 3.25; *Ingot tin* \$17.50 to 18.00; *Ingot copper* \$17.50 to 18.00; *Horse shoes* per 100 lbs., \$3.25 to 3.50; *Proved coil chain* ½ in. \$4.50 to 5.00. *Anchors* \$5 to 7; *Anvils* 5 to 7c; wire per bbl. of 63 lbs, \$1.70 to 1.80.

LEATHER.—Since last week there has been but little change in the market, which still remains quite dull with prices ruling in buyers favor. Tanners would do wisely to curtail their production in the meantime, so as to get prices up to paying point, for stocks at present are in excess of the wants of the trade, prices are without material change since this day week. We quote: *Hemlock Spanish sole*, No. 1; *B. A.*, 21 to 23c; ditto, No. 2 *B. A.*, 19 to 20c; *Zansibar*, No. 1, 19 to 20c; ditto No. 2, 17 to 18c; *Buffalo Sole* No. 1, 19 to 20c; ditto, No. 2, 17 to 18c; *Hemlock slaughter*, No. 1, 22 to 23½c; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 32 to 36c; ditto, heavy, 30 to 35c; *Grained*, 32 to 36c; *Splitts*, large, 22 to 29c; ditto, small, 20 to 25c; *Calfskins*, 27 to 36 lbs., 45 to 65c; ditto, 18 to 26 lbs., 40 to 60c; *Sheepskin linings*, 20 to 30c; *Harness*, 22 to 30c; *Buffed cow*, 12 to 15c; *Enamelled cow*,

15 to 16c; *Patent Cow* 15 to 16c; *Pebbled cow* 12 to 14c; *Rough* 20 to 23c.

OILS.—*Petroleum*.—The demand has slackened off very materially since this day week, and the market is easier but not quotably lower, some change is however looked for in the course of another week. Our quotations are still for car lots 16½ to 17c, part cars 17 to 17½c, single barrels 18 to 18½c. There have been some large sales of steam-refined *Seal* lately within range of quotations, and *Cod Oil*, stocks of which are very light, has been more enquired for. We quote *Nfd. Cod Oil*, 42½c; *Hlf.* ditto, 37½c; *Seal*, *Pale*, 42½c; *Seal*, *Straw*, 35 to 37½c; ditto, steam refined, 46 to 47c; *Linseed*, *Raw*, 59 to 60c; ditto, boiled, 62 to 63; *Olive*, 95 to \$1.10.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter*.—Receipts 5,489 pkgs; shipments, 11,612 pkgs. There is not much choice butter in the hands of farmers, and dealers are firm in their demands. For *Eastern Township*, 18 to 20c; *Morrisburg*, good to choice, 15 to 19c; *Dairy Western*, fair to good, 9 to 13c is asked. Choice lots are readily picked up by the local trade at full prices. *Cheese*, no receipts, shipments 7,327 boxes. The market for round lots is inactive, but there is a fair local trade at 8 to 9½c, according to make. *Pork*.—Receipts, 227 bbls; shipments, 66 bbls; The market is firm and a further advance has been obtained. *Mess* is now quoted 13.50 to \$14.00, our inside quotation was, however, refused a day or two ago for a round lot. *Lard*, 8 to 9½c for tubs and pails.

SALT.—The price is almost nominal, there has been almost no enquiry. We still quote coarse 62½ to 65c; *Factory Filled*, \$1 to \$1.15.

WOOL.—The nominal price is 23 to 25c, but the market is so quiet it is difficult to establish quotations.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 5th March, 1879.

We are unable to report activity in any branch of the wholesale trade. No one appears desirous of pushing trade until he discovers from the budget speech what goods are enhanced in value by the new tariff. And in the country some of the more prudent shopkeepers are hesitating at what prices to mark goods which may be more heavily loaded. As to stocks carried, if those in country stores are light, as most commercial travellers report, the importations of wholesale dealers cannot well be so described. We believe that there are more goods than are needed, and the profit which all should aim at will be rendered thereby more difficult to obtain. The produce trade has been quiet, holders being firm at prices which enquirers object to paying. The visible supply of wheat and corn in America shows a slight increase this week. In provisions matters are slightly more active. Grocery trade is unusually dull, and hardware transactions small. Shoe and leather merchants are doing but little in the meantime, and prices of leather are weak. Remittances from the country are rarely good at this season, and 1st to 4th March bills have not been satisfactorily met.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—In consequence of competition from other cities, some houses are disposed to make concessions in price, but our quotations represent the market fairly. A good many orders for spring goods have been taken, but none very large; and much attention is now given to getting payment of former bills before selling new ones.

DRY GOODS.—The week has been generally a quiet one in sales. Advices from the country show that not much is doing, and collections are assuredly no better than the season of the