

upper, 9 lbs. and over, to a very good buyer at 4c, but the stock was very choice, large and even, and some part of the price paid was for the superiority of quality over even fine heavy upper; also sale of a lot of 100 and odd sides medium upper, 8 lbs. about, at 3½c., a price considered very advantageous to the buyer. Other sales are advised of 400 sides light upper under 8 lbs. at 12c. to 13c. Holders are taking confidence from the increased demand, and although higher prices are not yet talked of, the temper of the market is apparently turning that way. Within a fortnight or so the cutting season will have set in, and the demand will not then be optional but positive, so that the immediate outlook is at least unfavorable to any expectations of concessions. The tone of the market for sole is not so clearly defined. There is such a wide range in prices, according to size of lot as well as quality, that quotations are at best an uncertain guide to value. For instance, a dealer who would sell a round lot of No. 1 Spanish at 25c. would insist upon 28c. for a small lot of selections from the same, so that the prices between these figures depend upon special terms. We are informed of a sale of 5,000 sides to an English buyer, price not stated, but believed to be at some concession from the lower figure above given, and in another quarter we learn positively of an opportunity to buy 1,000 sides at 24c. Sales of 800 sides of No. 2 have been expected at 22½c. These transactions in sole hardly indicate a firm market, but they are perhaps exceptional, and holders claim to be firm at unchanged quotations, being always willing to make concessions for extra large lots. Some effort has been made to secure better prices for bull, which as yet have proved unsuccessful, but the demand at established figures, 15c. to 17c. according to manufacture, is ahead of the supply.

LUMBER.—Considerable lumber arriving by boats, which is mostly taken up by corporation contracts for deals, the exhibition buildings, ship lining and small fittings for exporting cattle, &c., &c., otherwise the local trade is very trifling. Prices keep firm at the mills, as there is a steady demand for deals and lumber of all grades. It is almost impossible to pick up a large stock assorted, as nearly all the manufacturers have sold the season's production, except odd lots of culls.

OILS.—The market for oils is unchanged, with a moderate business doing in the way of filling country orders. Prices are unchanged. **Naval Stores.**—Turpentine has taken a start up again, the advance reaching 5c to 6c in a few days. The Standard Oil Co. are manipulating the market again, and it is hard to say what the next move may be. Other goods unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—**Butter.**—The jobbing demand is very light, and is supplied at about 18c. for Townships, 17c. for Morrisburg and Brockville, and 14c. to 16c. for Western. Creamery is quoted 21c. to 21½c. The shipping demand is singularly eager, though it does not readily appear at this point. Shippers have for the past few years been gradually extending the system of making their own purchases in the country through commission agents or clerks, or in person, until now there is practically no market here for that class of trade. Hence the anomaly has arisen of prices fully as high in the country as here, and perhaps just now a shade higher. There appears to be some special strife for business rather than for profits going on just at this juncture, which has induced free out-of-town buying in the face of what is generally regarded as a most unfavorable outlook. The active participants are said to aim not at making purchases themselves, but rather at forcing their rivals to pay swinging prices. However this may be, the effect of the singular contest has been to strengthen the farmers very much in their views, and probably to give them a very incorrect notion of the actual state of the market. The outlook is for an unusually large make, and late private cable advices from England give a sombre color to that market, facts that seem hardly to justify the presence of seventeen buyers in the towns of Sweetburg

and Cowansville within a day or two. The market may be described as unsettled and giving every appearance of artificial strength. **Cheese.**—A good shipping business is reported, but the dealings on which it is based have not taken place in this market to any great extent. It is understood that contracts have been entered into in some instances for the June make, and also with one or more factories for the make for the whole season. The market here is generally reported weakening, and is given a range of price from 11c. to 12c., with sales so far as advised only at 11½c. for shipment. The consignments now about to arrive in Liverpool are large, from 75,000 to 100,000 boxes for each of the next three weeks, including the present, and it is confidently expected that this stock will effect a radical change in Liverpool prices, even if it should be going forward largely on orders. A private telegram from New York on Wednesday describes that market as "bad," and the expression will generally be admitted to have some application to this market as well. The prospect of a large make is fully as assured for this commodity as for butter, and we find little or no diversity of opinion in the trade as to the strong probability of lower prices. The Ingersoll market to June 8th shows fifteen factories registering 1878 boxes, last half of May make. Sales all the way from 11½c. to 10½c.; nearly all the factories sold, a few only holding on to the make of the last five or six days. At Little Falls, reported June 7th, 6,000 boxes sold at 11½c. to 12c., with exceptional lots at 12½c. to 13c. At Utica, same date, 9,737 boxes sold at 11½c. to 12c. The New York market is reported, June 9th, by the *Commercial Bulletin* as follows: "Receipts to-day, 10,986 pkgs. Some little irregularity may still be noticed, without, however, any apparent tendency to decided depression. Sellers have made a slight concession since the advices from the country came to hand, and buyers appear to be looking for still greater favors, but are not obtaining them on choice cheese. For the great bulk of the offering, and in the ordinary course of sale, 12½c. is about all that can be named, but choice and special selections have commanded a trifle more, and we still retain the former extreme quotation. Shippers are in the meantime hunting around among the "off" quality stock and picking up a great many comparatively cheap parcels."

Tobacco.—Manufactured plug is in good demand; prices unchanged. **Cut.**—Trade in this line improves; the new law passed last session is now in force, and from this all cut tobaccos must be put up in packages not larger than 1 lb. Dealers have until 1st August to dispose of their stock of larger packages, after which any remaining will require to be re-entered into a licensed factory and re-packed. The law if enforced will improve this branch of the business. **Cigars.**—Domestics are in fair demand, and are quoted: Clear Seed from \$12 to \$25; Seed and Havanas, from \$22 to \$40. Imported Havanas are being imported in considerable quantities, prices very firm.

WINES AND LIQUORS.—Business in this line is uncommonly quiet just now, but payments are reported fairly good. A few vessels conveying imported liquors have arrived in port during the past fortnight, and the wholesale houses are principally engaged in making deliveries of goods ordered some time ago. New transactions are very limited. Prices show no change. The adoption and enforcement of the Scott Act in several of the counties in New Brunswick seems to be creating a good deal of stir among the people interested in spirits in St. John. It is altogether probable that the test will gradually extend itself over the whole Dominion, but what effect it may have upon the trade generally remains to be seen. Some persons assert that the Act is unconstitutional, but three judges of the Supreme Court at Ottawa having sustained it against only one judge voting against it in their late judgment, it would appear probable that the measure will remain on the Statute Book.

Wool.—Fleece continues to arrive in limited quantity, and dealers find the condition of the market too unsettled to admit of a definite quotation. Prices are differently reported from 30c. to 34c., and this range will probably cover all actual business. Foreign wool has not changed materially since last week, but we note a deepening of the influences then at work, and the admitted "very quiet" state of business has all the outward symptoms of genuine depression. The latest London sales give no occasion for discouragement, prices being fairly maintained, but the demoralization in the States is a factor that holders cannot and consumers will not disregard. Prices nominally unchanged.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, June 10th, 1889.

Market quiet to-day. Flour still neglected, but a small lot of medium Bakers sold yesterday afternoon at \$5.60. Wheat seems easy, with less demand. No. 2 Fall would not be likely to bring over \$1.13 to \$1.14. No. 3 was offered at \$1.13 without bids. Spring seems unsettled, sales yesterday on private terms, but the range seems to have been wide. Oats firm, and Western wanted at \$3.71. Barley and Peas nominal. Wool unchanged, with sales at 28c., but the tone still weak.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

Chicago, June 10, 1.02 p.m.—Wheat, June, 97c; July, 96c; Aug., 88c. Corn, June, 35½c; July, 36c; Aug., 36½c. Oats, June, 30½c; Pork, 1.01 p.m., June, \$10.25; July, \$10.27½; Aug., \$10.37½. Lard, June and July, \$6.55; Aug., \$6.60.

Milwaukee, June 10.—Wheat, June, 98½c; July, 99½c; Aug., 92c.

ENGLISH MARKET.

Beebom's Report, 2.30 p.m. June 10.—Floating cargoes Wheat, Whites depressed while there is good demand for Reds. Maize unaltered. Cargoes passage Wheat firm, Maize downward tendency. London fair average mixed Amn. Maize, prompt shipment, was 23s. and 23s. 6d., now 23s. Liverpool Spot Wheat dull, Maize ½ penny cheaper. On passage U.K. ports, call and direct ports, Wheat, 1,900,000 qrs.; Maize, 430,000 qrs.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

BEACONSFIELD VINEYARD, G. T. R.—Near Pointe Claire, P.Q.—Mr. G. F. Gallagher, of the late firm of Menzies & Gallagher, and Gallagher & Co., has entered into co-partnership with Mr. Louis Gauthier, and their vineyards have been extended to Beaconsfield Station, G.T.R. They are now prepared to fill all orders for the celebrated "Beaconsfield Grapes" and other favorite varieties, and forward them to all parts of Canada or the United States, by post or otherwise, for spring planting. Messrs. G. & G. intend to lay out a portion of their new farm for the cultivation of small fruit, which will be cultivated on a large scale for the supply of their customers. A catalogue will be issued in a few days, and be ready for distribution on application. All orders should be addressed to Gallagher & Gauthier, Beaconsfield, P.Q., or to their office in Montreal, No. 57 St. Gabriel street.

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