

them and refused, for fine Moyune teas. The "Finella" continues to be the only vessel on the berth for New York; the "Princess of Wales" appears to be still loading for this Port, and is open for freight, but it would seem that her charterers have some difficulty in securing cargo enough to fill her. Exchange on London is rather less favorable to sellers; the rate for bank bills at 6 months being 6 1/2 d. to 6s. 7d.; and for credits 6s. 7 1/2 d. to 6s. 7d. The stocks at Shanghai foot up 52,493 hf-chests, against 33,960 hf-chests on 8th Dec, 1868. Reports from the interior of China would seem to indicate that the Rebels are again gaining ground, and much anxiety is manifested by the Mandarins; and a renewed demand for arms and warlike stores threatens trouble. We notice accounts of the brutal assassination of two officers of H.M. 20th Regt., stationed at Yokohama. It is feared that this event will be likely to disturb the peaceful relations so lately established, and the promising trade which has just sprung up.

Exports of Black Teas from Kinkiang for the season up to date of our advices reach 9,375,700 lbs., against 901,900 lbs., for the same period last year. Export of Green Teas have been 1,193,400 lbs., against 4,848,000 at same date last year.

With such accounts from places of production, we cannot see any prospect of a decline in Green teas in this market, at least for some time to come, especially in fine Greens, and no marked reduction, even in the lower grades, unless the English market, from the excessive stock on hand, should considerably relax.

SUGAR.—The market is without any decided change. Stocks are daily becoming more limited of desirable sugars, and are exceedingly light in first hands. We hear of several round lots having been purchased on Western account; also, a good parcel having been taken for Quebec; and holders are a shade firmer in their views. We hear from private sources that in Cuba and Porto Rico prices have advanced fully half a cent; and as sugars cannot, at present, be laid down from New York, within at least 1/2 c. of quotations here, as a consequence, it would seem that figures should advance in the market. We must, ere long, receive shipments of the new crop via Portland; in the mean-time we do not advance our quotations.

COFFEES unchanged, with little animation, and sales only of a retail character, prices as before.

TOBACCOS with considerable demand. For the West a good many parcels have been moved at 2 1/4 to 2 1/2 of fair brands. Several large lots have also changed hands within last few days. We hear of a lot of 800 boxes 10's having been purchased on account of a large manufacturer of this city at fair rates for cash. This little incident tends to substantiate our previous reports, viz: that Tobaccos cannot be manufactured duty-paid at the figures at which they are now offering.

RICE quiet; sales limited, with very little demand. The advance on England is maintained. Our quotations are unaltered.

MOLASSES.—Little demand outside of retail lots, and prices unchanged.

FRUIT.—No sales to report.

TEA.

HYSON TWANKAY.—25 half-chests choicest Moyune 35 1/2; 20 do Tychon 28c.

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CONGOU.—20 hf-chests choice English Breakfast 82c; 20 do do 82 1/2; 30 do extra do 42c; 14 mats choicest breakfast 55c.

MANDARIN MIXTURE.—20 mats choicest 70c.

SOUCHONG.—40 half-chests Extra English Breakfast 40 1/2; 30 do choicest 51c; 20 do extra do 56c; 20 do extra Lapseng 69c; 20 mats choice family 45c; 15 do do 44c; 17 do finest do 84 1/2; 2 do 88 1/2.

OOOLONG.—25 hf-chests choice 40c; 30 do choicest 43c; 18 do extra 54c.

YOUNG HYSON.—29 hf-chests finest extra finest Moyune 74c; 32 do fine 50c; 20 do superfine do 58c; 47 do finest extra Ping Suey 57c; 73 do do Moyune 57c; 10 do extra finest do 74c; 10 do do 77c; 10 do do 78c; 20 do extra choicest Ping Suey 71c; 30 do finest 46 1/2; 39 do curious small leaf 70c; 10 do choice 64c; 29 do finest extra finest 79c; 10 do Ping Suey 56c; 25 do do 55c; 28 do do 76c; 30 do fine 61c; 29 do do 60c; 30 do choicest Ping Suey 73c; 31 do do 74c; 48 do finest Moyune 57c; 35 do superior do 53c; 30 do finest Ping Suey 52c; 10 mats catties extra choicest Ping Suey 79c; 5 do do 80c; 30 half-chests finest extra finest Moyune 77c; 16 do superfine Ping Suey 44 1/2; 34 do choice do 62 1/2; 30 do fine Moyune 48c; 35 double cases extra choicest do 82c; 42 hf-chests extra fine superfine do 55c; 24 do fine do 55c; 85 to choicest do 80c; 40 do fine Ping Suey 48 1/2; 10 mats catties curious small leaf do 75c; 30 hf-chests extra fine superfine Moyune 56c; 25 do first Ping Suey 56c; 40 do extra fine superfine Moyune 61c; 49 do do 60c; 10 do double cases curious do 89c; 70 hf-chests superfine 46 1/2; 10 do finest do 49c; 21 do do 36 1/2; 28 do 85c.

NATURAL LEAF JAPAN.—40 hf-chests finest uncolored

43 1/2; 80 do do 45c; 10 do do 45 1/2; 10 do choicest 58c; 20 do finest 44c; 60 do do 42 1/2; 45 do do 48c; 50 do finest uncolored 49c to 50c; 15 do 47c; 45 do 45c; 10 do pure 49c; 10 do finest 4 1/2; 39 do do 43 1/2; 52 do do 48c; 30 do do 52c; 30 do do 50c; 10 do extra fine 44c; 49 do do 43c; 50 do choicest uncolored 47c; 27 do do 47 1/2; 33 do do 48 1/2; 50 do do 49c.

IMPERIAL.—45 hf-chests choicest Moyune 70c; 20 do do 72c; 36 do do 73c.

GUNPOWDER.—25 hf-chests choice Moyune 76c; 10 do choicest 79c; 20 do small leaf Ping Suey 31c; 39 catties extra fine 29c; 60 do do 29c; 50 do do 40c; 20 hf-chests choicest Ping Suey 77c; 35 do choice do 72c; 60 do do 70c; 20 do choicest Moyune 91c; 20 do do Ping Suey 74c; 8 do do Moyune 86c; 30 double cases extra choicest Moyune 82c; 30 hf-chests do do 79c; 10 double cases curious do 82c; 10 mats choicest small leaf Ping Suey 83c.

GROCERIES.

Four hds Cuba sugar \$8.80; 2 do do \$8.75; 6 do do \$8.70; 5 tierces do \$8.70; 5 do \$8.80; 2 do \$8.75; 13 do do \$8.70; 11 do do \$8.75; 55 bags Aracau rice \$3.35; 65 do do \$3.30; 10 cases qrts Bagialupi salad oil 15s 6d; 20 do do 15s; 20 do do pints 8s 9d; 20 bxs magnolia 10's tobacco 23c; 20 cases qr-lbs do 25c; 9 bags filberts 7 1/2; 10 bags soft shell almonds 12 1/2; 10 do do 11 1/2; 50 do do 11c; 15 brls currants 5 1/2; 5 do do 5 1/2; 100 bxs M R raisins \$1.65; 20 do do \$1.95; 100 bxs do 80c; 60 do Valencia raisins 7 1/2; 2 hds Coleman's mustard 19 1/2; 2 do do 19c; 1 cs Windsor soap 17c; 1 do do 16 1/2; 5 bxs Castile soap 10 1/2; 15 do do 10c; 30 bxs Montreal pipes 6s 3d; 25 bags Maracaibo coffee 23c; 10 do do Java 23c; 15 kegs bi-carb soda \$3.55; 30 do do \$3.50; 60 brls sal-soda 7s 3d; 70 bags black pepper 9 1/2; 5 cts cassia 28 1/2; 10 do arrowroot 24c; 15 brls prunes 6c; 2 cases liquorice 17c; 1 hhd Islay malt whiskey 5s 9d; 5 qr-casks do 5s 10d; 2 hds do do 6s 3d; 2 hf-casks do 6s 4d; 2 puns high wines 4s; 5 hf-casks DeKuyper's gin 4s 4d; 20 cases green do 13s; 10 do red do \$4.25; 2 hds Sazerac brandy 8s 4d; 20 cases Kirpiston whiskey 14s; 2 hds Otard's brandy 7s 9d; 2 do do 8s 9d.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

A. A. Barber & Co.
Crathern & Caverhill.
Elliott & Co.
Farrist & Co.
A. H. Forbes.

Prothlingham & Workman.
Hall, Kay & Co.
Joe. N. Hall & Co.
Morland, Watson & Co.
Mulholland & Baker.

THERE are, as yet, no changes to note in our usual quotations. The only perceptible difference is an increased firmness by holders of heavy goods, in consequence of the last advices from Liverpool and Glasgow, which show that freights are likely to be even higher than they were last spring. This will tend to increase cost of all heavy goods, particularly Bar Iron, which is likely to advance in this market, in proportion to advance in rate of freight, so soon as spring trade opens.

In Pig Iron there is no change. The importations by first vessels will be very small; and although the price has receded in Glasgow, it is not likely that any great decline will take place here. Judging from present appearances, we anticipate a considerable demand from Chicago and the West; and as those markets absorb large quantities, a slight decline will at once induce shipments.

TIN PLATES.—Some kinds are already getting scarce, and a better price is therefore asked. The present stock will not last till new importations arrive.

The all but total stoppage of sales of heavy goods for the West, consequent upon the high rates of freights by the Grand Trunk, has already tended to reduce stocks in Upper Canada; and we believe enquiries are already being made for some large lots to be secured for shipment on opening of canals. This will operate still further to make some classes of goods firmer.

In the matter of inland freights, we hear of no definite movement as yet; but it is said that some of the freight steamers will not be prepared for spring business; in which event it is just possible that up-freights on heavy hardware will be considerably higher than they were last fall,—there being a general complaint that they did not pay for handling.

Tea Deliveries.

—The estimated deliveries of tea in London during the week ending Jan. 9, were 1,189,175 lbs., which, compared with the return for the previous week, shows an increase of 547,456 lbs.

Ashes Exported.

—The value of the Pot and Pearl Ashes exported during the first half of 1864, amounted to \$513,340.

Bank Dividend.

—At the thirty-ninth annual meeting of the National Bank of Scotland, held on the 21st ultimo, the net profits of the year were stated at £125,021, out of which a dividend of 10 per cent. was declared on the paid up capital of £1,000,000, leaving £25,022 to be carried to the rest, which has thus been raised to £235,918.

THE PRODUCE MARKET.

THE general features of the trade, previously noted, continue with little variation. The limited carrying facilities of the railways continue matter of loud and universal complaint, as the tardy dispatch given to both inward and outward consignments serves to maintain a state of general inaction.

FLOUR.—Arrivals have been within the requirements of the consumptive demand, and some little advance on the leading descriptions has latterly been secured. Strong and favorite brands of Super have sold from \$4.30 to \$4.40, and Ordinary at the usual margin within these rates. Fancy and Extra find buyers as offered, the former at \$4.40 to \$4.50, and the latter \$4.65 to \$4.75. The lower grades continue in short supply, and all offered find ready purchasers at full rates.

Bag Flour.—Continued deficiency has resulted in some further improvement; latest sales of Ordinary have been at \$2.30 to \$2.35, and of Choice, \$2.35 to \$2.42 1/2. In view of the heavy deposits of Flour at the several railway stations, and the contingency of having them suddenly thrown on the market, purchasers exhibit the greatest caution in laying in stock, only buying to supply existing wants.

WHEAT.—We have no change to note either in the character of arrivals or the range of prices. The few cars of U. C. Spring offered have brought 97c. to 98c.

COARSE GRAINS.—Deliveries and transactions are of a retail character, and sales at figures so various as to be hardly quotable.

PORK.—The demand for Mess continues to be of a retail character. The stock is small, and in the hands principally of the large dealers; prices are very firm, and in some instances tending upwards. Prime and Prime Mess—Holders and Buyers are still apart in their views. Prices continue nominally unchanged.

DRESSED HOGS.—The Boston demand having entirely ceased for the season—the stock there being considerable, and beyond the immediate requirements of the trade and packers—we have to note less animation than formerly in the demand. Receipts are light, and the probability increases that all that come in will be required for local consumption. Prices are firm and steady; but, in the absence of any packing demand, it seems unlikely that there can be any further advance.

BUTTER.—Beyond a few sales made at low price, under peculiar circumstances, we have no wholesale transactions to note. Arrivals for the week have been lighter than in the corresponding one of 1864, and stocks are not understood to be excessive. The tone of the market may be considered somewhat more healthy, several of the lots most pressing for sale being now taken off the market.

ASHES.—Both Pots and Pearls have been in fair demand during the week, without material change in prices.

WOOL.

THERE is an upward tendency in this market for Canadian Wool, as it is found that stocks in the hands of manufacturers and dealers are not so heavy as was supposed.

The amount of Foreign Wools on hand is also small, and for some descriptions there is considerable demand for spring consumption.

We may quote—

Canadian Fleece fair	.....	at 40 to 43 cts.
“ good combing	.....	at 44 to 47 “
Peruvian Fleece.	.....	at 35 to 37 “
“ Skin.	.....	at 32 to 34 “
German Fleece.	.....	at 41 to 44 “

The feeling appears to be gaining ground that consumers need look for no material decline for some time, as several American buyers are now in the market, and offering outside rates for choice lots.

The abrogation of the Reciprocity Treaty will probably cause an increased demand for shipment to the United States, before Canada fleeces become subject to duty as other Wools are.

Manufacturers are now refusing to make contracts for goods, at prices which were accepted last month, owing to the depressed feeling then prevailing in the Wool market.

Post-dated Cheques.

—In the course of a trial of an action on a cheque it was ascertained that the cheque was post-dated. Mr. Justice Willes (England) said it should be remembered that people making and issuing post-dated cheques were liable to a penalty of £100.