

have been steady at \$3.65 to \$3.75 for standard, and about \$4.00 for granulated, with small lots selling about 25c. above these prices.

GRAIN.—This market has been quiet all over, and with one exception prices have been easy. Very little export demand has been heard of, and that little only at rather easier prices, while holders have not been inclined to make concessions. Wheat—Margins for shipping-lots are said to have been reduced; at all events very little has been doing in them. No. 2 fall lying at outside points sold in the latter part of last week at equal to 81½ and 82c. here, but at the close 81c. seemed the best bid; No. 2 Spring and red winter has been wanted at 83 to 83½c. f.o.c., but held higher, closing with a sale of the latter for May delivery at 87½c. Oats scarce and wanted, and have been the only grain which can fairly be called firm; cars to arrive sold last week at 33½c. for mixed and 33c. for white: this week mixed has brought 33c. and 32½c., closing with more wanted at the latter price. Barley—The demand has been slack, but still some little has been heard, chiefly for the upper grades. These sold last week at 58c. for No. 1, and 53½c. for No. 2 f.o.c., and on Monday No. 2 sold at 53c.; extra No. 3 at 46c., and No. 3 at 41½c. all f.o.c. The feeling at the close seemed easier, but 57½c. would probably have been paid for No. 1, with 52½c. for No. 2; but the lower grades neglected. Peas.—Dulness in English markets has made itself felt here; lots lying outside sold last week at equal to 52½c. and 51½c. here; on Monday 52c., or equal to that price here, was paid; and at the close a lot lying outside changed hands at equal to 51½c. here. Corn.—Canadian has sold at 52c. for a car on track.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Green hides have been coming forward freely, but all have been taken at former prices, though a fall was expected; cured easier, and sold by car-lots at 8c. and in small lots at 8½. Calfskins—There has been a very few offered and these have been taken at 10c. for No. 1 and 8c. for No. 2. Sheepskins—Have been quiet, as country lots have come forward slowly, holders asking more than dealers have been inclined to pay; choice green have sold usually at \$1.15 to 1.25.

GROCERIES.—While trade is quiet it is somewhat better than last week, but payments continue slow. Teas are the most active staple on the list; anything with good drawing and style is in demand; prices firm here but feeling in New York easier. Sugar dull and unchanged. Coffee quiet and scarce. Tapioca has advanced; fresh importations are held at 7 to 7½c. but old stock is offering at 6c. Syrups are scarce and advancing; common now held at 38 to 35c. Valencia raisins are firmer at 6½ to 6¾c. for good stock, but candied are offering as low as 5c. Prunes firm with a tendency upward. Canned tomatoes firm; prices are unchanged at \$1.40 for small lots, but rounds will not be sold at that figure. Valencia oranges unchanged at \$5 to 5.25 for 420 cases; tendency upwards. Messina lemons firmer, 420's are held at \$6 and 300's at \$5. Oysters—Easier at \$1.25 per gallon for standard and \$1.60 for select with cans at 30 and 35c. respectively.

LIVE STOCK.—The cattle trade is passing through about the worst week this year. Supplies have been large for the past couple of weeks, while the demand from Montreal as well as local buyers has been light; for the best offering 3½c. has been the highest paid. Export cattle are in fair demand at 3½ to 4c. per lb. for good steers and heifers, and 3 to 3½c. for bulls. Sheep and lambs steady, with mixed lots at \$4.50 to \$5.25 per head. Calves very scarce and firm at \$6 to \$12 per head for good quality weighing 100 to 180 lbs. Hogs scarce, and in demand at 4 to 4½c. per lb.

PROVISIONS.—Receipts of butter have continued to be small and insufficient, more particularly those of choice dairy for local consumption; selections have been worth 20c., and in default of better fair to good has been taken at 16 to 18c.; shipping lots wanted but hardly any offered; one lot, generally dairy, sold at 16c.; common to fair store has sold at 12 to 14c.; rolls of good quality and well packed firm and readily taken at 17 to 18c., with stocks of all sorts small and the demand steady. Cheese—The little on hand held very firmly, and small lots have sold at 13c. Eggs—Receipts have been coming forward slowly and all wanted at firm prices, or about 19c. for pickled and 22 to 24c. of a better quality than has been offered for some weeks. Pork—Quiet, but held higher at \$15.00 to \$15.50 for small lots. Bacon—No movement in car lots reported this week, but

long clear cars could probably have still been bought at 7½c.; cases have sold quietly at 8c.; Cumberland very quiet at 7½ to 7¾c., and rolls and bellies unchanged. Hams—A lot of 1,000 green has been sold at 10c., and smoked have been steady at 11 to 11½c. Lard—Still in good demand at firm prices; some pails have been sold at firm prices; some pails have sold in lots of 100, large and small mixed, at equal to 9½c. all round, while the range has been from 9½ to 10c. for pails, there being no movement in tinnets or tierces. Hogs—Sold last week at \$5.85 by car lot, but at the close these were offered slowly and bids were up to \$5.90 to \$5.95. Dried Apples—Seem rather excited with trade lots worth 5c., and dealers selling small lots at 5½ to 6c.; evaporated very scarce with 12c. paid for a trade lot, but more since bid and dealers' prices up to 12½ to 13c. Hops—Growers and country dealers could have sold trade lots at 20 to 25c. for new, and 15 to 20c. for yearlings but have stood out for more; the only movement on the spot has been the sale of a few small lots of yearlings at 20 to 22c. to brewers.

SALT.—Canadian, bagged, has sold by car at 61c. here; and barrelled at 80c. for two car lots, with small lots a 80 to 85c.; Liverpool inactive and seems not offered; prices nominal.

SEEDS.—Alsike of inferior quality has begun to drop off, and the range this week has been from \$4.50 to \$6, the latter being for choice only; red clover rather firmer at \$5.25 to \$5.40. Timothy has been offered to a small extent by farmers and taken at \$1.50 to \$2.25.

TALLOW.—Very plentiful but still taken at 2c. for rough and 4c. for rendered; trade lots of the latter held at 4½c. but no sales.

WOOL.—The very few small lots of fleece offered have been readily taken at 23½c. for good merchantable, and at 20c. for coarse; pulled has been selling at about 20c. for combing in small lots; and at 24c. for supers in lots of 2,000 to 5,000 lbs., with 28c. paid for extra. A steady demand has been heard from the factories.

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