

Hops.—New Canadian are offering, and we are told of some being bought for 18c. per lb. The domestic crop is understood to be a good one, and dealers are not disposed to pay more than 17 cents, while growers hold for 20 cents. Brewers are holding off for lower prices, but we hear of one case where they have paid 20c. Old hops in the hands of dealers appear to be pretty well cleared out. Yearlings have sold recently at 15c. Although Canada has a good yield, the prospects are that all we have will be wanted, the crop in England being not so good as was expected.

LUMBER.—The reduction of duty into the United States under the McKinley tariff has made it possible to sell our coarser grades of pine to the Americans. Hence a free movement is going on, and only a lack of railway cars prevents a much larger export to the States. There is only a limited movement to Ontario points. The Toronto building trade is not active at present, and outside the city the only sales seem to be small sorting-up requirements of country lumber-yards. One-inch pine and thicker, cut up and better, is firmer, being now quoted at \$25 to \$27 per M feet; 1½-inch \$32 to \$36; 1½-inch flooring is now higher at \$15, and 1½-inch \$15 to \$16. Prices of other grades unchanged. Shingles are moving off rapidly at quotations, and lath are steady at former prices.

PROVISIONS.—In the dairy market enquiry for choice butter continues good and all arrivals are quickly picked up at 18 to 20c. per lb.; there is not much common to be had; cheese is steady at 10½ to 11c. per lb.; hog products are in moderate movement, long-clear bacon jobbing at 8½c., hams at 12c., rolls at 9c., backs at 11 to 11½c., breakfast bacon 11 to 12c.; eggs are steady at 17c. for fresh and 15 to 16c. for pickled per dozen; the receipts of dressed hogs are not so large as usual; they sell at \$6.50 per 100 lbs.; dried and evaporated apples are dull.

WOOL.—The market does not present any remarkable features. Little or nothing is doing in fleece; there is no movement here and no foreign demand. For pulled wool there is a moderate and steady request from local mills at recent prices, say 22½ to 23c. per pound for superior and 26c. for extra. Trade with Canadian mills has been pretty fair.

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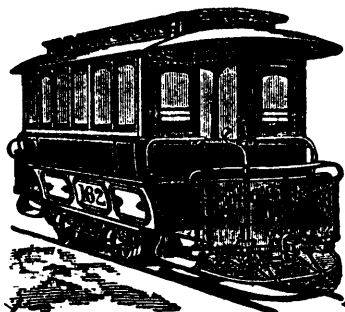
Oct 27, 12.30 p. m.

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Wheat, Spring	6	3
Red, Winter	5	11½
No. 1 Cal.	6	10½
Corn	4	5½
Peas	5	10
Lard	47	6
Pork	75	0
Bacon, heavy.....	44	0
Bacon, light	44	6
Tallow	23	9
Cheese, new white	51	6
Cheese, new colored	51	6

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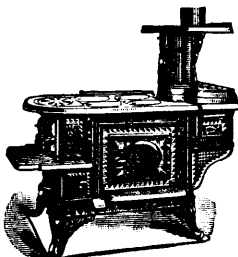
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