

WINNIPEG MARKETS.

WINNIPEG, SATURDAY AFTERNOON, Oct. 12.

[All quotations, unless otherwise specified, are wholesale for such quantities as are usually taken by retail dealers, and are subject to the usual reduction on large quantities and to cash discounts.]

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The feature is the easiness in the price of leather. A decline of 2c has been reported in some lines of domestic leather, and the market is decidedly off from the top. Some travellers are out with spring samples of boots and shoes, but they have not made much progress yet.

CORDWOOD.—The demand is increasing, but prices are about the same. The Winnipeg school board is calling for tenders for 330 cords of tamarac and 200 cords of jack pine wood. We quote the following prices for car lots on track here: Tamarac \$3.75 to \$4 per cord; pine \$3.25 to \$3.50 per cord; spruce \$3 and poplar \$2.25 to \$2.50 per cord.

COAL.—The rumored further advance of 50c per ton at Duluth in the wholesale price of Pennsylvania anthracite, which we mentioned last week as not being considered authentic, proves that we were right, as no such advance occurred. The price remains at \$5 per ton at Duluth, or equal to a cost of \$6 in car lots on track at Winnipeg. Winnipeg retail prices are the same and we quote: Pennsylvania anthracite, \$3.50 per ton delivered to consumers. Souris lignite, \$1.25 per ton delivered to consumers and \$3.85 at the yard here. Lethbridge bituminous \$6.50 per ton to consumers, delivered.

DRY GOODS.—Cottons are very firm still and some further advances are reported since our report last week. The Dominion and Colored mills advanced their prices the first of this month. Gray cottons are quoted $\frac{1}{2}$ c higher; flannelettes, $\frac{1}{2}$ c; unbleached sheeting, $\frac{1}{2}$ c. This is the third advance for the latter. Bleached sheetings are up $\frac{1}{2}$ c, colored cantons and denims are $\frac{1}{2}$ c higher (this being the second advance), linings are up $\frac{1}{2}$ c and black and white wadding 2c per dozen.

DRUGS.—The most notable feature is the remarkable advance in cream of tartar, prices having advanced at the rate of 6 to 7c per week in England. The price has now reached 101 to 102s per cwt in England, this showing the enormous advance of 40 to 42s per cwt or equal to 10c per pound during the past three months. Glycerine keeps on advancing. Following prices are for small parcels, and will be shaded considerably for full package orders: Allum per pound, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; alcohol, \$4.75; bleaching powder, per pound; 6 to 8c; bluestone, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c; blue vitrol, 5 to 8c; borax, 11 to 13c; bromide potash, 55 to 75c; camphor, 75 to 85c; camphor, ounces 80 to 90c; carbolic acid, 40 to 65c; castor oil, 11 to 15c; chloride potash, 28 to 35c; citric acid, 55 to 65c; copperas 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4c; cocaine, per oz., \$7.50 to \$8.00; cream tartar, per pound, 28 to 35c; cloves, 20 to 25c; epsom salts, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4c; extract logwood, bulk, 14 to 18c; do., boxes, 18 to 20c; German quinine, 30 to 40c; glycerine, per pound, 20 to 25c; ginger, Jamaica, 25 to 40c; do., African, 20 to 25c; Howard's quinine, per ounce, 35 to 45c; iodine, \$5.50 to \$6.00; insect powder, 35 to 40c; morphia sul., \$1.30 to \$2.25; Opium, \$1.50 to \$5.00; oil, olive, \$1.25 to \$1.40; oil, U. S. salad, \$1.25 to 1.40; oil, lemon, super \$2.25 to 2.75; oil, peppermint, \$1.00 to \$1.50; oil, cod liver, \$2.25 to 2.75 per gallon; oxalice acid, 13 to 16c; potass iodide, \$1.25 to 4.50; paris green, 17 to 18c lb; saltpetre; 10 to 12c; sal rocnello, 30 to 35c; shellac, 45 to 50c; sulphur flowers, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c; sulphur roll, per keg, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c; soda bicarb, per keg of 112 pounds, \$3.75 to \$4.25; sal soda, \$2 to \$3; tartaric acid, per lb., 45 to 55c.

FISH.—Local jobbers prices for fresh fish are as follows: B. C. salmon,

12 to 14c; Lake Superior trout, 9c; whitefish, 6c; pickerel, 8c; funan haddies, 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; kippered goldeyes, 80c doz. Very little doing in salt fish; oysters. \$2 for standards and \$2.25 select, per gallon. B. C. halibut is now coming freely, and is quoted at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ c here.

FLUID BEEF, ETC.—Following are prices of the goods put up by the Johnston Fluid Beef Company of Montreal.—Johnstons Fluid Beef—No. 1, 2-oz. tins, per dozen, \$2.70; No. 2 4oz., \$4.50; No. 3, 8oz., \$7.88; No. 4, 1 lb., \$12.83; No. 5, 2 lb., \$21.80. Staminol—2oz. bottles, per dozen, \$2.55; do, 4oz., \$5.10; do, 8 oz., \$7.65; do, 16oz., \$12.75. Fluid Beef Cordial—20oz. bottles, \$10. Milk Granules—In cases of 4 dozen, \$5.10. Milk Granules with Cereals—In cases of 4 dozen, \$4.25

GREEN FRUITS.—Winter apples are not to hand yet. Ordinary qualities of fall apples are about the same price, but fancy sorts of late fall apples, such as snows, kings, etc., are scarce and bring higher prices, having sold as high as \$3.75 per barrel. A few new lemons were in, but there has been no general supply yet. Lemons are very scarce everywhere, and we hear of \$18 and over being paid in some markets east. The few in here sold at \$11. Prices are: lemons, no quotations; bananas \$2.25 to \$3 per bunch as to size; California peaches \$1.25 to \$1.35 per box; California and Oregon pears \$2.25 to \$3.00 per box; apples \$3.00 to \$3.25 per barrel; Ontario concord grapes 50c per basket of 10 lbs; Ontario white Niagara and Red Roger's grapes 65c per basket of 10 lbs; Ontario pears 60 to 90c per basket; California grapes, tokays, \$3.00 to \$3.25 per crate; tomatoes 70 to 90c per basket; Figs, 14 ounce boxes, 1.50 per dozen; dates 7 to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ c a lb.

GROCERIES.—The strong tone of the sugar market holds and there is apparently no prospect of a change soon, with the light European beet crop and the interference with the crop in Cuba by the rebellion. Prices have advanced sharply in Europe and at New York. American refiners are buying largely in Europe. Canadian refiners advanced prices again $\frac{1}{2}$ c on Monday, making the price of granulated stand at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c and yellows 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 4c as to grade at the refineries. One or two advances every week are now the order. A remarkable advance in cream of tartar has been going on for some time, prices having advanced about 10c per pound in England in the past three months. Canned lobsters and mackerel have advanced in the east, owing to the light pack this season. New Valencia and California raisins will soon be in the market. New California fruit is now being offered to ship. Denia advices report an advance in Valencias there of 2s. Willet and Grey summarize the sugar situation statistically as follows:

	1895-96.	1894-95.
Stocks in the world		
Oct. 1.....	1,200,000	518,126
Beet crops of Europe..	3,687,000	4,816,000
Cane crop of Cuba....	600,000	1,020,000
Cane crops of other countries.....	2,185,000	2,185,150
Domestic crop of U. S.	270,000	320,000
	7,942,000	8,889,276
Consumption requirements.....	8,000,000	7,689,276
Deficiency.....	59,000	
Surplus.....		1,200,000

It will be seen from the above that while stocks are much larger than a year ago, for the crop year beginning October 1, 1895, the supplies during the present year are estimated to be much less than they were last year, owing to the light crop in Europe and the trouble in Cuba. In view of the light crops, the large stocks at the moment are not sufficient to keep down prices.

HARDWARE.—Metals are very firm and advancing steadily. Galvanized iron is 10 per cent higher in the east. Prices are as follows:

TIN, lamb and 56 and 28 lb. ingots, per lb, 20 to 21c.

TIN PLATES.—Charcoal plates, I. C., 10 by 14, 12 by 12 and 14 by 20, per box, \$1.50 to \$1.75, I. X., same sizes, per box, \$5.75 to \$6; I. C., charcoal, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$8.50 to 9.00; I. X., per box, 20 by 28, 112 sheets to box, \$10.50 to 11.00.

TERNE PLATES.—I. C., 20 by 28, \$3.50 to 9.00.

IRON AND STEEL.—Bar iron, per 100 lbs. base price. \$2.50 to \$2.65; band iron, per 100 lbs., \$3.00 to \$3.15; Swedish iron, per 100 lbs., \$5.25 to 6; sleigh shoe steel, \$3.25 to 3.50; best cast tool steel, per lb, 12 to 13c; Russian sheet, per lb, 12 to 13c.

SHEET IRON.—10 to 20 gauge, \$3.00; 22 to 24 and 26 gauge, \$3.25; 28 gauge, \$3.50.

CANADA PLATES.—Garth and Blaina, \$3.00 to \$3.10.

GALVANIZED IRON.—Queen's Head, 22 to 24 gauge, per lb., 5c; 26 gauge, per lb., 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; 28 gauge, per lb., 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

IRON PIPE.—50 to per 60 cent. off list.

CHAIN.—Best proof coil, 3-16 inch, per lb., 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ c; $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, per lb, 6 to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; 5-16 inch, per lb., 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 6c; $\frac{3}{8}$ inch, per lb., 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ c; 7-16 inch, per lb., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c; $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, per lb., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 5c.

SHEET ZINC.—In casks, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c lb., broken lots, 6c.

LEAD.—Pig, per lb., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ c.

SOLDER.—Half and half (guar) per lb, 14 to 16c.

AMMUNITION.—Cartridges—Rim fire pistol, American, discount, 35 per cent.; rim fire cartridges, Dominion, 50 per cent.; rim fire military, American, 5 per cent. advance, central fire pistol and rifle, American, 12 per cent.; central fire cartridge, Dominion, 80 per cent.; shot shells, 12 gauge, \$6 to 7.50; shot, Canadian, soft, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ c; shot, Canadian, chilled, 6c.

AXES.—Per box, \$6.50 to 15.50.

WIRE.—Galvanized barb wire, plain twisted wire and staples, \$3.50 per 100 lbs.

ROPE.—Sisal, per lb., 8 to 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ c base; manilla, per lb., 11 to 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ c base; cotton, $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch and larger, 16c lb.

NAILS.—Cut, per keg, base price, \$2.85 to \$3; common steel wire nails, 5 to 6 inch, \$3.50 per keg; 3 to 4 inch. \$3.80 keg; 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inch, \$4.09 keg; 2 inch, \$4.38 keg.

HORSE NAILS.—Pointed and finished, oval heads. List prices as follows: No. 5, \$7.50 box; No. 6, \$6.75 box; No. 7, \$6 box; No. 8, \$5.75 box; No. 9, 10 and 11, \$5.50 box. Discount off above list prices, 50 to 50 and 10 per cent.

HORSE SHOES.—Per keg, \$4.50 to \$4.75; snow pattern horse shoes, \$4.75 to \$5.

LUMBER.—Business has been considerably brisker with the city dealers recently. The mills are preparing for the winter log cut. The cut in the woods will be larger this winter, as last winter there was very little done in the woods. This has enabled the mills to reduce stocks somewhat, and they will be able to start in on a larger scale. Lumbermen complain that there is very little money in the trade at present prices.

RAW FURS.—There is very little interest in the fur trade yet. A few new skins are coming in, but they grade low yet. The fall fur sales will be held in London this month. The following quotations give the range of prices paid in Winnipeg at the close of last season, but prices for this season are not