FOR LEISURE MOMENTS.

Not a Carpenter.

A would-be fashionable young lady went into a German barber shop yesterday, accompanied by a female friend, and said to a barber:

"I would like to have my bangs shingled, if you please."

"Vell, excuse me, but I don'd vas any garpenter. You moost to a garpenter go fur dot shinglin' pisniss. Dem got shingles und eferything."

He Admires Etiquette.

"I'm going to give you a good threshing," said a young married man to another.

"What for?"

"Because you smiled at my wife as she passed along here to-day."

"Well, your wife smiled at me first."

"Did she? Oh, that alters the case. Of course it was etiquette on your part to return the smile, and you being a much larger man than I thought you was I am glad you have acquainted me with all the facts in the case. I'm a great admirer of etiquette. Come and take something!"

A Lost Opportunity of Getting Rich.

"Father," he said, as he laid down the paper and turned to the old man in his shirt sleeves on the verandah, "they say there has been a sharp advance in canal stocks."

"No!"

"Yes, there has. Here's an item of a man who made over $16,000 by the rise in stock in one year."

"By jingo! that's awful! Why, what a consarned family of fools we are, William. We might just as well have put in our rainy days digging a canal of our own and had it all done by this time!"

A Few Hours Too Late.

A New York broker who reached a village in Ohio the other evening was interviewed, soon after placing his name on the register, by a farmer, who said:

"I just wish you had arrived here this afternoon."

"Any excitement?" replied the broker.

"Well, should say so. My son Daniel was convicted of stealing seven sheep, and has been held to the higher court. You ought to have been here!"

"Why?"

"Why; I'd have had you on the jury, and you could have declared Daniel shick as grease. Our folks here don't look at such things as you New Yorkers do."

Too Smart Even For a New Yorker.

Impatient New York gentleman, going to the White Mountains, is seated by the side of the driver. The stage on which he is just came up behind a rival coach loaded with passengers.

New York man—I say, driver, I will give you one dollar if you will pass that coach.

Driver (sleepily)—I will do it. (Then addressing the first driver, he says):—Oh, I say Bill!

Bill—Wall?

First driver—There is a man over here who says he will give me one dollar if I can pass ye and get ahead of yer coach. Ef ye will haul out and lemme pass I'll give you half.

Bill instantly hauled out, change was made, and in a moment the rear coach had about sixty feet advantage of the road.

The New York man, who expected a race for his dollar, was so amused over the deal that he never dreamed of refusing to pay.

Takes To Learning.

The Superintendent of Public Instruction passed a garden where a negro and his three sons were at work.

"Hello, old man, why don't you send your sons to school?"

"All de valuable timber, sah, is dun gone to school."

"These boys should attend school; why don't you send them?"

"Case my son Dan is takin' all de eddyecation for de family. I s'lected him 'case I thought he could take larnin' better dan de rest ob de boys an' case he ain't no 'count at home."

"You say he takes learning well."

"Wall, I reckon he does. Dat chile ain't been dar but a week an' he's dun fotch home about fifty books. Oh, yes, sah; he takes larnin' mighty well. Takes all he kin get his han's on."

Why He Growled.

Everybody had been abusing the poor old conductor because his train was four hours behind time, and the man was nearly worn out explaining that it was not his fault.

"It's a shame," exclaimed an aged gentleman at length. "Conductor, if anyone else finds fault with you you can call me as a witness that you did the best you could."

"Thanks," murmured the conductor, brightening up at the prospect of one friend on the train.

"I think we are getting on fast enough," continued the old gentleman, turning to the most obstreperous of the passengers.

"You travel on a pass, don't you?" growled the passenger.

"I do," replied the old gentleman.

"Good for sixty days, isn't it?" sneered the passenger again.

"It is," responded the old gentleman.

"No wonder you are in no hurry," grumbled the other man. "I have only got a trip ticket that expires in thirty days, and I haven't any money for another if we don't get there before my ticket runs out."

She Might Be Hungry.

The senior partner of Package, Bale & Co. rang his bell.

"Ask Mr. Phipkins to step this way."

Phipkins stepped.

"Mr. Phipkins, you asked for Saturday off."

"Yes, sir" (nervously).

"And three weeks' salary in advance. Are you in trouble."

"N-no, sir. Not particularly!"

"Must you have that amount?"

"I'm afraid so, sir."

"But my young friend, excuse me; do you intend spending it all in one day?"

"Well you see, Mr. Package, I—I—"

"Yes" (encouragingly).

"I'm going to Manhattan Beach with my intended."

"Very proper, sir. Very proper, indeed. But the fare?"

P. (interrupting—"Yes, sir, I know, the fare is nominal."

"Ah! yes. I see. A little present. Or a new suit for yourself?"

"No, sir, but you see she might be hungry, and we have to get something to eat at a hotel—"

"That's enough, Phipkins. Well make it a month's pay. You might want a mouthful. Draw what you want—draw what you want. I've been there, myself, Phipkins.

A Game Described by a Spaniard.

Cricket itself is a curiosity to most foreigners. French, Spanish, and Portuguese writers, besides those of other countries, have described it with bewildering vagueness and misleading exaggeration. A Spaniard, who desired to make his fellow-countrymen familiar with the game, said: "Two posts are placed at a great distance from one another. The player close to one of these posts throws a large ball to the other party, who awaits the ball to send it far with a small stick with which he is armed; the other players then run to look for the ball, and while the search is going on the party who struck it runs incessantly from post to post." This is only part of the description, but the rest is much like it. If we did not know that cricket was the subject of the sketch we should think the writer was explaining some game with which we are not familiar in this country.

A Texas paper tells this cheerful tale of the experimental school of medicine: A woman came to a prominent physician, and asked for a remedy for her husband's rheumatism. The doctor gave her a prescription, and said: "Get that prepared at the drug store, and rub it well over your husband's back. If it does any good come and let me know." He got a touch of rheumatism myself."

FINANCE AND COMMERCE

STOCKS.

WEDNESDAY, Aug. 22.

The market was decidedly more active and stronger to-day, sales generally being made at advancing prices. The shorts, however, if there are any, did not seem anxious to cover, and the buying was on behalf of those credited with being on the bullish side of the street. There was no special feature, the improvement being shared evenly by the banks, which all closed strong and higher than last night.

August 22.—Bank of Montreal, buyers, 198; trans., 15 at 198; Ontario, 115 and 114½; trans., 4, 1 at 114½; Molson's, sellers, 125; Toronto, 181½ and 184½; trans., 25 at 184½; Merchants', 122 and 121½; Commerce, 133½ and 133; trans., 60 at 133½, 50, 20 at 133; Imperial, 142 and 142; trans., 10 at 142½; Federal, 160 and 159½; trans., 20, 5, 25, 50 at 159½; Dominion, buyers, 201½; Standard, 115 and 114½; Hamilton, sellers, 118; British America, 113 and 112; trans., 20 at 112½; Western Assurance, buyers, 130; trans., 20, 4 at 130; Confederation Life Association, sellers, 275; Consumers' Gas, 147 and 146; Dominion Telegraph, 88 and 87; Lybster Cotton Co., sellers, 100; Noxon Bros. Man. Co., 110 and 100; Ontario and Qu' Appelle Land Co., sellers, 125; North-West Land Co., 51 and 50; trans., 100 at 51; Canada Permanent, 223 and 222½; Freehold, 167 and 166; Western Canada, buyers, 183; Canada Landed Credit, buyers, 121½; Building and Loan Association, 102 and 101½; trans., 50, 2 at 101½; Imperial Savings & Investment, buyers, 107; Farmers' Loan and Savings, 127 and 125½; London and Canada L. & A., 143 and 144; National Investment, 106 and 104; People's Loan, sellers, 106; Real Estate, Loan & Debenture Co., sellers, 93; London and Ontario, buyers, 116; The Land Security Co., buyers, 140; Huron and Erie, 162½ and 159; Dominion Savings and Loan, 116 and 114; Ontario Loan and Debenture, 125 and 123; Canadian Savings and Loan, 121 and 120; Ontario Investment Association, 129 and 127.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS—WEEKLY REVIEW.

THURSDAY, August 23.

PRODUCE.

The past week has been a very quiet period in the local market, from the fact that there has been very little of either flour or grain offered. Stocks of old grain are now run low, and new has not yet begun to offer; besides which old on hand is generally held very firmly; in some cases, indeed, an advance is looked for. Thus, quietude has been the rule, and it seems likely to continue to be so for two or three weeks more, or until the new crop has begun to offer. As to the yield of that crop the significant fact should be noted that few complaints has as yet been heard from farmers. The general opinion of unprejudiced parties seems to be that although the wheat crop will be below that of last year, the total yield of the land will be considerably in excess of last year's yield. And to this we may add as an element of some importance, that the prospects seem to be in favour of rather an advance on prices of wheat. Stocks in store here have gone on declining very slowly, and stood on Monday morning as follows:—Flour, 1,575 bbls.; fall wheat 74,706 bush.; spring wheat, 40,721 bush.; oats, 700 bush.; barley, 22,032 bush.; peas, 772 bush.; rye, 341 bush.; against, on the corresponding date last year, flour, 475 bbls.; fall wheat, 50,712 bush.; spring wheat, 33,765 bush.; oats, 1,109 bush.; barley, 3,423 bush.; peas, 4,728 bush.; and rye, 6,284 bush. Stocks in Montreal have increased somewhat during last week. Outside advices show a fall of a penny on red winter and No. 1 Californian wheat, and a rise of 4d. on corn in England during the week, with the tendency of English markets downwards for the last three days. During last week the feeling was rather firmer than either before or since, though foreign wheat was quiet. The imports for last week have not reached us; but the total supply in the preceding week ending on the 11th inst. is stated to have been equal to 561,000 to 575,000 quarters of wheat. The quantity of wheat and flour in transit on the 18th inst. was equal to 1,725,000 quarters against 1,677,000 on the 9th inst., and 1,362,000 last year. Prospects of supplies during the rest of the season seemed fairly good; but receipt of new wheat on the 1st prox. seems very improbable. Continental advices show nearly all authorities agreed in estimating the French wheat harvest very low. Estimates vary from 75,000,000 hectoliters, or 47,000,000 hectoliters (about 128,000,000 bushels) less than the official report of the crop of 1882, which was 122,000,000 hectoliters to 85,000,000 to 95,000,000 hectoliters. The latter estimate, if correct, would still leave the crop short 27,000,000 hectoliters, or about 76,000,000 bushels. During the season of 1882-3 France imported about 40,000,000 bushels of wheat. Existing French stocks of wheat are in excess of those of last year at the corresponding time; but it is, nevertheless, believed that French imports during 1883-4 will necessarily exceed those of the current year when they seem likely to reach about 40,000,000 bushels. These facts cannot fail to make themselves felt sooner or later. French markets in the first week of August seem to have been quiet but firm. Wheat at Paris showed some firmness, but large stocks checked buyers. Country markets were again scantily supplied. Of a total of 115 reports received, 46 quoted a rise on wheat, 26 firmness, 39 no change, and 4 a decline. In the ports there was very little animation in the wheat trade; at Bordeaux and Nantes, however, prices were firmer, and at Havre slightly higher. German advices report wheat at Hamburg in good demand at rather higher prices, with rye firm. Too much rain was falling in northern Germany, and the probable result of the year's harvest in general was expected to be under an average. At Danzig stocks of wheat had considerably diminished and supplies had fallen off, fine sorts being especially scarce and quoted at 46s. 6d. to 48s. 6d. per 504 lbs. f.o.b. Belgian markets were firm on both wheat and rye, with an upward tendency. Austro-Hungarian markets were fluctuating. Pesth showed an advance on the 30th ult., but both it and Vienna subsequently receded. Russian advices of July 28 report more activity in the wheat market, but business for export was checked by the increased freight and the unfavourable rate of exchange. Supplies by sea were insignificant, but by rail pretty liberal of wheat. The Taganrog market was also firmer, but stocks and supplies were very small. At Nicolaieff prices were rising, stocks being generally cleared, but receipts of new wheat and rye were expected to shortly commence. Roumanian crops were turning out less favourably than had been expected. States markets have usually been rather easier through the week. At New York it is said the stock of prime wheat has been so insignificant and the assortment so poor that shippers have been able to fill their orders only to a partial extent, and have purchased freely for forward delivery; white of all sorts has been scarce and in demand. In the west, however, there is said to have been quite a free movement of winter wheat in the middle States. Large receipts at interior points have caused a very considerable increase in the visible supply, but for which prices might possibly have been firmer. There is said to be prevalent "a growing feeling of confidence in the final outcome of wheat values." Receipts at the west have been on the increase, and amounted to 2,454,000 bushels last week, against 2,273,000 in the previous week, and 423,000 last year. The exports of wheat and flour from the United States seaboard, and from Montreal for the week ending on the 18th inst. were 161,127 bbls. of flour, and 1,973,454 bushels of wheat, against 154,991 bbls. of flour and 3,974,148 bushels of wheat in the corresponding week last year. The visible supply of grain comprising the stocks in granary at the principal points of accumulation at lake and Atlantic ports, and on rail and on the Mississippi river, and afloat on New York canals, destined for tidewater on the dates indicated was as follows:—

	1883.	1883.	1882.	1881.
	Aug. 11.	Aug. 4.	Aug. 12.	Aug. 13.
Wheat, bu.	20,461,650	18,750,985	13,483,325	17,405,060
Corn, bu.	10,790,395	10,917,788	5,339,623	16,045,101
Oats, bu.	2,823,948	3,504,671	1,244,155	7,256,348
Barley, bu.	338,548	331,919	38,825	104,784
Rye, bu.	1,376,427	1,593,894	625,745	298,728
Total bu.	35,730,668	35,099,258	20,721,673	41,113,030

The following are the Liverpool quotations for each day of the past week, the price of wheat and flour being now for figures:—

	Aug. 16. 5.00 p.m.		Aug. 17. 5.00 p.m.		Aug. 18. 11.30 a.m.		Aug. 20. 5.00 p.m.		Aug. 21. 5.00 p.m.		Aug. 22. 5.30 p.m.	
	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Flour	11	6	11	6	11	6	11	6	11	6	11	6
S. Wheat	9	0	9	0	9	0	9	0	9	0	9	0
R. Wheat	9	4	9	4	9	4	9	4	9	3	9	3
Cal. No. 1	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	9	8
Cal. No. 2	9	4	9	4	9	4	9	4	9	4	9	4
Corn, new	5	4	5	6½	5	6½	5	6½	5	7½	5	8
Oats	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6
Barley	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6	5	6
Peas	7	2	7	2	7	2	7	2	7	2	7	2
Pork	78	0	78	0	78	0	78	0	78	0	78	0
Lard	43	9	44	9	44	9	44	9	46	0	46	0
Bacon	42	0	41	6	41	6	41	6	41	0	41	0
Tallow	41	0	41	0	41	0	41	0	41	0	41	0
Cheese	49	0	49	0	49	0	49	0	48	0	48	0

FLOUR—Supplies have been small, and all wanted at steady prices; but holders have generally been looking for an advance, and have not always found that easy of obtainment. Superior extra, guaranteed, changed hands on Friday at $4.95, and would have brought $5 on Saturday, at which price was freely bid on Monday and Tuesday, when holders usually stood out for $5.10. Extra on the same days would probably have brought $4.85 to $4.90. At the close yesterday one small sale of superior extra was made at equal to $5, though holders generally refused this price; extra seemed quiet and unchanged.

BRAN—Seems scarce and steady, with buyers from $10.25 to $10.50.

OATMEAL—Rather easy; a car of choice sold at $5.15 on track, and poor has been offered as low as $5. Small lots quiet, at $5.40 to $5.60.

WHEAT—There has been scarcely any obtainable, though a steady demand at firm prices has been maintained all week. No. 2 fall sold to a small extent on Thursday and Monday at $1.11 f.o.c., and No. 3 fall on the latter day at $1.09 f.o.c. No. 2 spring changed hands last week at $1.14 f.o.c., and No. 3 sold on Tuesday at equal to $1.12 here for a round lot lying outside. Goose sold last week at $1.02 f.o.c. The feeling at the close seemed rather unsettled, but No. 2 fall changed hands at equal to $1.12 here, and No. 2 spring could have found buyers at $1.15 f.o.c. Street receipts small, and prices about $1.10 to $1.11 for fall; from $1.12 to $1.15 for spring and $1 to $1.02 for goose.

OATS—Offerings rather increasing, and prices declining through the week. Western on track sold on Saturday, Monday, and Tuesday at 44c.; but on the latter day there were more offered at this price with 40c. the best bid, which continued to be the case yesterday. Street prices have declined to 42c.

BARLEY—Nothing doing because nothing offered, but the feeling seems to be growing rather easier as reports of the yield improve; a fairly good crop seems generally expected.

PEAS—None offered, nor does it seem probable that any will be in the market until we have the new crop. As to its nature we are quite in doubt; it seems probable that the yield has been a large one, but as to the quality and the numbers of bags present advices are not explicit.

RYE—Nominal at about 60c., either for lots or on the street.

HAY—Pressed inactive, and prices almost nominal from the large supplies on the market, where they have been in excess of demand. Prices easy, and closing at $8 to $10 for new and $11 to $12 for old.

STRAW—Abundant, but all taken; oat and rye in sheaves $8 to $9.50, and loose worth $6.

POTATOES—Dealers have been selling imported at about $2 to $2.25 per barrel; but Canadian on the street are said to have been of very bad quality, and have been slow of sale at $1.75 to $2.00.

APPLES—There have been a few barrels of Astracans offered and sold at $2.50 to $3 on the street; and dealers have been selling imported at $4 to $4.50 per barrel.

POULTRY—Offerings still limited to ducks and spring chickens, usually bringing 45 to 60c., and ducks 50 to 55c. per pair, though some inferior have sold below these prices.

FLOUR, F.O.C.	
Superior extra, per 196 lbs	$5 00 to $5 03
Extra	4 85 " 4 90
Fancy and strong bakers'	none.
Spring wheat extra	4 80 " 0 00
Superfine	none.
Oatmeal, per 136 lbs	5 00 " 5 15
Cornmeal, small lots	3 75 " 3 80
BAG FLOUR (per bag 98 lbs., bags returnable, if not 8c. more), by car lots, f.o.c.	
Extra, per bag	2 35 " 2 37½
Spring wheat, extra, per bag	none.
GRAIN, F.O.C.	
Fall wheat, No. 1, per 60 lbs	none.
" " No. 2	1 10 " 1 12
" " No. 3	1 09 " 1 10
Red winter	none.
Spring wheat, No. 1	none
" " No. 2	1 14 " 1 15
" " No. 3	1 11 " 1 12
Oats (Canadian), per 34 lbs	0 42 " 0 42½
Barley, No. 1, per 48 lbs	0 73 " 0 00
" No. 2	0 68 " 0 00
" Extra No. 3	0 59 " 0 00
" No. 3	0 48 " 0 50
Peas, No. 1 per 60 lbs	0 00 " 0 00
" No. 2	0 78 " 0 79
Rye	0 60 " 0 00
PRICES AT FARMERS' WAGGONS.	
Wheat, fall, per bushel	$1 08 to $1 10
Wheat, spring, do.	1 10 " 1 13
Wheat, goose, do.	1 00 " 1 02
Barley, do.	0 50 " 0 65
Oats, do.	0 42 " 0 00
Peas, do.	0 65 " 0 70
Rye, do.	0 60 " 0 00
Clover seed, do.	none.
Dressed hogs, per 100 lbs	8 50 " 8 75
Chickens, per pair	0 40 " 0 65
Ducks, per pair	0 50 " 0 70
Geese, each	none.
Turkeys, each	none.
Butter, pound rolls	0 17 " 0 18
do. large rolls	none.
do. tub dairy	0 16 " 0 17
Eggs, fresh, per doz.	0 18 " 0 20
Potatoes, per bbl.	1 75 " 2 00
Apples, per bbl.	2 50 " 3 00
Onions, green, per doz.	0 15 " 0 20
Cabbage, per doz.	0 40 " 1 00
Cauliflowers, per doz.	1 00 " 3 00
Celery, per doz.	0 75 " 1 00
Turnips, per doz.	0 30 " 0 40
Carrots, per doz.	0 30 " 0 40
Tomatoes	2 50 " 0 00
Beets, per doz.	0 20 " 0 25
Parsnips, per bag	none.
Rhubarb, per doz.	0 25 " 0 00
Melons	none.
Beans, per bush.	0 80 " 1 00
Corn, per doz.	0 10 " 0 15
Radishes	0 25 " 0 30
Hay, per ton	7 50 " 13 00

PROVISIONS.

TRADE—Seems to have been steady in meats.

BUTTER—No improvement can be reported. Stocks here have continued on the increase, and those in the country are thought to have reached a large amount. Still no shipping demand is heard, though there have been sellers at 13 to 14c. The only transaction in this line reported is the sale of one small lot of good store at 13c., but it is probable that a good deal more could have been bought had it been wanted. English advices are generally discouraging, and shippers hold off persistently. Selections for local consumption are sold slowly as before, generally about 15c. Inferior has been nominal, being neither offered nor wanted. Street receipts have been rather on the increase, and prices easier at 15 to 16c. for rolls, with little or nothing doing in rolls or tubs, which may be quoted as nominal at 15 to 18c. for the best dairy.

CHEESE—Quiet, and rather easy at 10½ to 11c. for small lots of fine, and skim scarce at 9c. English quotations show a further decline, closing at 48s. 6d.

EGGS—Have been in rather better demand, with receipts small and prices firmer, closing from 16 to 17c. for round lots. Street receipts small, and price firm, at 19 to 20c. for really fresh.

PORK—Inactive; nothing doing, save in small lots, and not much in them; prices, however, have been wonderfully well maintained; none is quoted below $19, and some claim to have still got $20.

BACON—The demand has improved, and sales of tons and cases have been made, with increase at 9½ to 10c. for long clear, and 9½c. for Cumberland. Round lots not moving, but long clear could probably have been bought at 9½c.; Cumberland scarce and held firmly. Breakfast bacon very scarce, but a few very small sales at 13½ to 14c. have been effected.

HAMS—Stocks low and held very firmly. Smoked have sold in lots of 50 and 100 at 13½c. and canvassed at 14c.; small lots a half cent more, but some parties will sell canvassed nearly as cheap as smoked. Pickled seem to have been quiet but firm, and held at 13c.

LARD—Quiet and unchanged with small lots selling slowly at 12½c. for tinnets and 13c for pails.

HOGS—Very few have been offered, and these few have sold usually about $8.50.

SALT—Livery dull; any business has been active at 50c. per bag of 50 lbs.; Liverpool coarse quiet at 65c. for cars, and 75 to 80c. for small lots, but cars have been inactive. Canadian, as before, at $1.25 for coarse, and $1.35 to $1.50 for small lots to single barrels.

DRIED APPLES—Small lots of barrelled have gone off fairly well at 10c., and evaporated at 16c. Country lots would have found buyers at 9 to 9½c. had there been any offered.

HOPS—Unchanged; single bales have continued to sell slowly at 25 to 27c. for fine descriptions, but this has been all doing; no demand heard for country lots, and prices of them purely nominal.

WINTER BEANS—Have sold fairly well in small lots at $1.65 to $1.80.

GROCERIES.

TRADE—Seems generally rather inclined to improve.

TEA—Dealers on the spot seem generally well stocked and not much in want of lines; the market for them seems quiet but values steady. Sales have been made of good first Young Hysons at 37½ to 38c., of a lower line at 33c., and an old one at 32c. Japans have gone off at 25c. for a small chop of common new, at 34c. for a line of good medium, at 21 and 25c. for lines of old common, at 12c. for fine lines of very old and low Congous, and at 16c. for a line somewhat better than these. A line of common Gunpowder sold at 21c., and Blacks changed hands at 45c. for a line of fine, and 36c. for one of good medium Congou. Quotations are as follows, the outside figures being for retailers' lots:—Young Hyson, common to fair, 14 to 20c.; medium to good, 22 to 32c.; fine to choice, 38 to 52c.; extra firsts, 58 to 62c.; Twankays, 19 to 30c.; Gunpowder and Imperials, common to good, 20 to 35c.; fine to extra choice, 40 to 60c. Blacks—Congous, common, 16 to 20c.; medium, 22 to 30c.; good, 32 to 40c.; fine, 42 to 60c.; Souchongs, 35 to 50c.; Scented Pekoes, 30 to 45c.; fine, 45 to 65c.

COFFEE—Still scarce, firm and wanted; Rio could have found buyers in job lots at 10c. had there been any offered. Quotations are as follows, outside figures for retailers' lots:—Government Javas, 22 to 27c.; Singapore, 17 to 19c.; Rio, 10 to 10½c.; Mocha, 30 to 32.

SUGAR—Seems to have been quiet, with very little change in values during the week. Raw appears rather easy, with sales of Porto Rico at 6½c. for dark and 7c. for bright. Scotch inactive, with very little offered. Yellows have sold quietly at from 7c. to 8½c., the latter for bright. Granulated quiet and easy, with job-lots about 8¾c. for standard. Quotations are as follows, outside figures being for retailers' lots, and all sugars now being sold for 60 days:—Porto Rico, new per lb., dark to bright, 6½ to 7½c.; choice, 7½ to 7¾c.; Barbadoes, none; Scotch, low-grade, 6½ to 6¾c.; medium, 7 to 7½c.; bright to choice, none; Canada, refined, 6¾ to 8½c.; Paris, lump, 9½ to 10c.; granulated standard, 8½ to 8¾c.

SYRUPS—Dull, inactive, and easy all over. Quotations are as follows, the outside figures being for retailers' lots:—Common, 50 to 52c.; medium, 53 to 62c.; choice, 65 to 75c.; sugar-house molasses, 38 to 40c.; new West India, in hhds. and tierces, none; in bbls., none; choice do., none.

FRUIT—Has been rather unsettled, but closed with a firmer feeling. Damaged Valencias have sold freely in round lots at 4½c., but since then sound have brought 5c., and round lots were firmly held at this figure at the close, in consequence of cable news to the effect that the Spanish market had opened at $5 per quintal, which means 5c. here. Other sorts of box-fruits quiet and as before. Currants scarce and wanted; sales of poor at 6, at 6½, and 6¾c., and of half-barrels at 6½c., which would have been repeated. Patras advices state that the crop will, it is thought, be very much larger than that of 1882, and the quality is remarkably fine, climatic influences having been all that could be desired for the proper ripening of the fruit. Filberts are quoted at an advance. Prunes moving quietly and steadily as before. Quotations are as follows, the outside prices being for retailers' lots:—Raisins, layers $2.55 to $2.60; London do., new, $2.75 to $2.90; loose Muscatells, $2.80 to $2.75; Valencias, 5 to 5½c.; seedless, in kegs, 10c.; Sultanas, 9 to 9½c.; currants, 6½ to 6¾c.; ordinary to fine, in cases, 7½ to 9c.; almonds, Provence, 14 to 15c.; Tarragona, 16 to 17c.; filberts, 10c.; walnuts, 9 to 10c.; prunes, 6½ to 7c.; Turkish do., 10 to 11c.; French plums, in cases, 18 to 20c.; Brazil nuts, none; lemon peel, 20 to 22c.; orange do., 20 to 22c.; citron do., 23 to 27c.; Malaga figs, in mats, 4½ to 4¾c.; in boxes, none; Eleme, 11½ to 12c.; Turkish, 7½ to 7¾c.

RICE—Sales of job lots of factory reported at $3.50 for B., and $3.45 to $3.50 for A. Arracan unchanged at $3.75 for small lots, and Patna $5.00.

FISH—Some small sales of summer trout and white fish have been made at $3.00 and $3.50; and some more were expected to arrive to-day, but for these 50c. more was demanded. All else unchanged. Quotations stand as follows, the outside prices being for retailers' lots:—Herrings, Labrador No. 1, bbls., $7.50; half-bbls., none; No. 2 do., $6.25 to $7.00; No. 1 Bay splits, bbls., none; half-bbls., $3.50; round half-bbls., $2.87 to $3.12; bbls., $5.25 to $5.50; No. 1 split, $6 to $6.25; No. 1 gibbed, bbls., none; half-bbls., $3.25; salmon, salt water, none; cod; fish, per 112 lbs., $6.25 to $6.50; boneless, in 40-lb. boxes, per lb., 4½ to 4½c.; in 5-lb. boxes, 4½ to 5c.; trout, $4.75 to $5.00; white-fish, none; mackerel, bbls., none; half-bbls., $5.75; kits, $1 to $1.20; No. 4 mess do., $2.50; sardines, ¼s, 13c.; do., ½s, 20c.; American do., ½s, 16 to 19c.; do., ¼s, 17 to 19c.; No. 1 Lake Huron herrings, $3.25 to $3.50.

TOBACCO—Very firm; the Macdonald factory has adopted an open price-list, and will not sell for future delivery, and an advance is generally expected before long. Quotations are as follows, the outside prices being for retailers' lots:—Prince of Wales' blacks, in boxes, 31½ to 32c.; 6's and 8's in cadies, 32 to 34c.; navy 3's, 32 to 35c.; bright navy 3's, 38 to 45c.; extra brights and myrtle, 50 to 60c.; solaces, 30 to 45c.; V.T.C. Black, 17½, 30 to 32c.

LIQUORS—There has continued to be a quiet business doing at unchanged prices. Quotations are as follows:—Pure Jamaica rum, 16 o.p., $2.85 to $3; Demerara, $2.55 to $2.75; gin—green cases, $4.50; red, $8.50 to $8.75; wines—port, $1.50: fine, $2.40 to $5.40; sherry, $1.50; fine, $3.60 to $4.50; champagne, per case, $14 to $26.50; brandy, in wood, Hennessey's and Martell's, $5 to $5.50; second-class brands, $3.40 to $4.50 according to age; in cases, Sazerac, $8 to $8.50; do., Otard's, $9 to $9.50; Central Society's, $8 to $8.50; do. Hennessey's, $11.50 to $12.50; do. Martell's, $11 to $11.25; do., Jules Robins, $8.75 to $9.25; do., Vieo-Grower's Co., $9 to $9.50; do., Jules Bellelire, $7.50 to $8. Whiskey—The following are Messrs. Gooderham & Worts' prices, on which merchants charge an advance of five cents:—Alcohol, per Imperial gallon, $2.75; pure spirits, 65 o.p., $2.75; do. 50 o.p., $2.50; do., 25 u.p., $1.28; family proof whiskey, $1.38; old Bourbon, $1.38; old rye, toddy, or malt, $1.30; domestic whiskey 32 u.p., $1.18; rye whiskey 4 years old, $1.60; do., 5 years old, $1.70; 6 years old, $1.80; do., 7 years old, $1.90.

HIDES, SKINS, AND WOOL.

TRADE—Has been quiet but steady in most goods.

HIDES—Green unchanged in price; offerings sufficient, but all taken. Cured quiet and steady; sales at 8¼ to 8½c.; the latter being selected.

CALFSKINS—Receipts decreasing; all offered taken at former prices; cured selling readily at steady prices.

SHEEPSKINS—The price of pelts has been advanced 10c.; these and lambskins now selling at 45 to 50c. for the best green. Country lots offering slowly and selling usually at 30 to 40c.

WOOL—Has been quiet but steady through the week. Fleece is usually held above the views of dealers, but some sales of selected are said to have been made at 19½ to 19¾c.; coarse Cotswold could have found buyers at 16 to 17c., but is usually held higher. Pulled wools inactive; no demand heard from the factories, and dealers holding off; prices nominal at about 22 to 24c. for it, and 29 to 30c. for extra.

TALLOW—Abundant and easy, though all offered has as yet been taken at former prices.

Quotations stand as follows:—No. 1 inspected cows, $7.75; choice No. 1 steers, $8.75; No. 2 inspected, $6.75; No. 3 inspected, $5.75; calfskins, green, 13 and 11c.; calfskins, cured, 15 and 13c.; calfskins, dry, none; sheepskins, green, 45 to 50c.; wool, fleece, 15 to 20c.; Southdown, 24 to 25c.; wool, super, 22 to 24c.; extra super, 29 to 30c.; wool pickings, 9 to 10c.; tallow, rough, 4c.; rendered, 6 to 8½c.

LOCAL CATTLE MARKET.

A light run after the glut of last week caused a toning up in this market which can be quoted firm at last week's prices. There was no special demand for export, and only one load of stock offered and sold at 6½c. This may be in part owing to the scheduling of Canadian cattle in the British markets, private cables yesterday announcing that Glasgow had joined the list of scheduled ports for thirty days. Sheep are easier, as the quality is not so good, and good lambs will find ready sale, though the supply of poorer grades is in excess of the demand owing to the better quality going to the American markets. No hogs are coming in, but buyers are on hand daily, and the odd lots that occasionally offer are picked up readily at 6 to 6¼c. Should receipts not increase too rapidly, prices will remain unchanged, but another heavy run would see a further shrinkage. We quote:—

CATTLE.	
Steers, averaging	*Rough to Prime.*
1,350 and over	6 to 6½c. per lb.
1,200 to 1,350	6¼ "
1,100 to 1,200	6 " 4¾ "
950 to 1,150	3¾ " 4¼
Inferior	None.
Calves, per head	$6 to $12 each.
SHEEP.	
140 to 160 lbs	5½c. per lb
100 to 120 "	5 "
90 to 100 "	None.
80 to 90 "	None.
70 to 80 "	None.
Lambs, per head	$4 50 to $5 00

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MONTREAL

Aug. 22.—Flour—Receipts, 3,000 bbls.; sales, none reported. The market is quiet but firm at unchanged rates. Quotations:—Superior extra, $5.40 to $5.50; extra superfine, $5.20 to $5.25; spring extra, $4.90 to $5.00; superfine, $4.50 to $4.60; strong bakers', $5.25 to $6.50; fine, $3.90 to $4.10; middlings, $3.75 to $3.85; Pollards, $3.40 to $3.50; Ontario bags, $2.30 to $2.50; city bags, $3.00 to $3.05 for strong bakers'. Grain—Wheat—Red winter, $1.20 to $1.21; white do., $1.15 to $1.18; Canada spring, $1.17 to $1.18. Corn—61 to 62c. Peas—80 to 81c. Oats—35 to 36c. Rye—70 to 72c. Oatmeal—$5.25 to $5.50. Cornmeal—$3.50 to $3.75. Pork—$17 to $18. Lard—12½c. Bacon—13c. Hams—13 to 14c. Cheese—8½ to 9½c. Ashes—Pots, $5.10 to $5.20; pearls, nominal.

OTTAWA.

Aug. 22.—Flour, $5.50 to $5.75; fall wheat, $1.05 to $1.10; spring wheat, $1.10 to $1.15; peas, 70c.; oats, 43c.; beef, 12 to 15c.; mutton, 7 to 10c.; dressed hogs, 8 to 8½c.; hides, 7c.; sheepskins, 30c.; wool, none; butter, 16 to 18c.; eggs, 18 to 19c.; cheese 12 to 15c.; hay, $6 to $8; potatoes, 40 to 45c.; corn, none. Cattle very plentiful; selling from $18 to $35 per head.

BRANTFORD.

Aug. 22.—Flour, No. 1 super, $2.40 to $2.60; fall wheat, $1.03 to $1.06; pease, 62 to 65c.; oats, 32 to 34c.; cattle (live weight), $3.50 to $4.50; beef, $6.00 to $7.50; mutton, $6.00 to $7.00; hides, 6 to 7c.; sheepskins, 45 to 50c.; wool, 18 to 25c.; butter, 14 to 16c.; eggs, 14 to 16c.; cheese, 10 to 11c.; potatoes, per bag, 70 to 80c.; corn, 60 to 62c.

KINGSTON.

Aug. 22.—Flour, No. 1 super., $5.50 to $7.00; fall wheat, $1.05; spring wheat, $1.07; barley, 65 to 70c.; peas, 75c.; oats, 35c.; cattle (live weight), 4 to 5c.; beef, $6 to $8; mutton, 7 to 9c.; dressed hogs, none; hides, $5 to $7; sheepskins, 40 to 70c.; wool, 18 to 21c.; butter, 18 to 19c.; eggs, 17c.; cheese, 9c.; hay, none; potatoes, 60c. per bag; corn, 67c.; rye, 60c.

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