

the present mild and sloppy weather continues, we do not look for much activity. Stocks here are pretty well worked down. In the country, dealers complain of doing very little, and in consequence we hear a good many complaints as to remittances.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—There has been a pretty good demand for heavy chemicals, and prices are well maintained. Stocks generally are not above what will be required, and values are maintained. We quote: *Bi Carb Soda* \$3.10 to \$3.25 per 112 lb keg, *Soda Ash*, \$1.40 to 1.45 per 100 lbs, *Cudbear*, 10 to 18c per lb.; *Arrow root*, 11 to 15c per lb.; *Borax*, 9 to 10c per lb.; *Cream Tartar Crystals*, 25c to 26c per lb.; *do Ground*, 29 to 30; *Caustic Soda*, 2.45 to \$2.50 per 100 lbs. *East India Senna*, 12 to 13c per lb.; *Sugar of Lead*, 11 to 12c per lb.; *Bleaching Powder*, \$1.25 to \$1.40 per 100 lbs.; *Madder*, 8 to 9c per lb.; *Alum* \$1.50 1.65 per 100 lbs.; *Copperas*, 1 to 0c per lb.; *Sulphur*, 3 to 3c per lb.; *Brimstone* 2½ to 2¼c. *Epsom Salts*, \$1.50 to \$1.75 per 100 lbs.; *Sal Borax*, \$1.10 to 1.25 per 100 lbs.; *Saltpetre* \$8.00 to 8.25 per 112 lb. keg, *Blue Vitriol* 5 to 6c.

FURS.—Dealers from the country hold rather extreme views as to prices, which prevents buyers here from operating, and in the meantime our quotations are nominally unchanged. *Prime dark Mink* \$1.50 to 1.75; *Martin*, 75c. to \$1.00; *Beaver* \$1.00 to 1.60 for prime dark; *Bear large* \$7.00 to 10.00; *Red Fox* \$1.25; *Muskat large* 9 to 10c; ditto small 5 to 6c.; *Kitts* 2 to 3c; *Lynx* \$1.00 to \$1.50; *Skunk* 40 to 45c. *Raccoon* 25 to 55c.

FISH.—The market is well supplied with all kinds of fish, but the demand has been light, prices generally are well maintained *Dry Cod* \$4.00 to \$4.25; *Green Cod* \$3.00 to \$3.50; *Labrador Herrings* \$4.75 to \$5.00. *Salmon* is rather brighter, we quote, \$10.50; 9.50 and 8.50; for Nos. 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

FLOUR.—The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst. were 45,123 brls, against 50,096 brls on the 1st inst. and 42,098 brls on the 15th November 1877. Receipts during the week 23,211 brls, total receipts from 1st. January to date 830,476 brls, being an increase of 95,588 brls. on the receipts for the same period of 1877. Shipments during the week 31,483 brls.; total shipments from 1st January to date, 664,466 brls., being an increase of 11,409 brls on the shipment for the corresponding period of last year. Since the date of our last report the flour market has not been very active, and the prices of this day week have not been maintained. Fine flour is rather scarce. To-day the market was steady with a rather better inquiry for sales within our range of quotations. We quote *Superior Extra* \$4.30 to 4.35; *Extra*, \$4.20 to \$4.25; *Fancy* \$4.10 nominal; *Spring Extra* \$4.00 to 4.05; *Superfine*, \$3.65 to \$3.75; *Strong Baker's Flour* \$4.20 to \$4.50; *Fine*, \$3.15 to \$3.25; *Middlings*, \$2.85 to \$2.95; *Pollaras*, \$2.50 to \$2.70; *Ontario Bags*, \$2.00; *Oatmeal* \$4.00; *Cornmeal*, kiln dried \$2.25 to 2.30.

GRAIN.—*Wheat*—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst. was 128,321 bushels, against 122,106 bush. on the 1st inst., and 308,787 bush. on the 15th November, 1877. Receipts during the week 121,057 bushels; total receipts from 1st January to date 7,178,156 bushels, being an increase of 215,707 bushels on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1877. Shipments during the week 213,619 bushels; total shipments from 1st January to date 6,494,740 bush., being an increase of 969,268 bushels on the shipments for the same period of 1877. There is nothing doing just now in this grain, the shipping demand is over; prices meanwhile are nominal. In other grains the demand has been small and our quotations are the last reported sales. *Maize*, 45c.; *Peas*, 73 to 74c per 66 lbs.;

Oats, 27c.; *Barley*, 75 to 85c., at these quotations any sales taking place have been for small lots only.

GROCERIES.—*Teas.*—Japans are the only kind asked for, the cheap qualities are not so much in demand as for some time back, grades from 28c to 38c command ready sale, extra qualities have been taken to a limited extent at 40 to 52c. Greens are taken to a small extent at from 22c to 60c. Blacks are dull and inactive, market closes firm. *Coffee.*—Good qualities are in fair consumptive demand. Old Gov. Java 27c to 29c; Mocha, 30c to 34c; Maracaibo, 20c to 22c. *Sugar.*—The market is dull and prices again are in buyers favor, the demand is light and to effect sales of any magnitude further concessions would have to be made. Scotch Refined is selling from 7c to 8c, according to brightness; American Granulated, 9c to 9½; Dry Crushed, 9c to 10c; Extra C., 8c to 8½; Raw Sugars have been little asked for, prices are unchanged. *Molasses.*—There have been a few sales reported within our range but only of small quantities; Barbadoes, 37c to 40c; Trinidad, 30c to 35c; Porto Rico, 35c to 36c. *Syrups* are in moderate request, Amber, 49c to 53c; Standard, 42 to 45c. *Rice* is steady, sales run from \$4.25 to \$4.45, the outside quotation for good samples only. *Spices.*—There has been about the usual demand from the trade; prices have not materially changed since this day week. We quote Black Pepper, 8½ to 10c; White Pepper, 17 to 19c; Allspice, 14 to 15c; Cloves, 39 to 45c; Cassia, 14 to 18c; Nutmegs, 75c to \$1; Pimento, 13½ to 14½c; Jamaica Ginger, unbleached, 16 to 19c; do., bleached, 21c. *Fruit.*—The market is steady, but the enquiry is light, stocks however, are lighter than is usual, at this season, and prices will in all likelihood be maintained. New Layer Raisins, \$1.55 to 1.70; London Layers, \$2.15 to 2.30; Valencias, 4½ to 5c; Sultanas, 8 to 9c; Loose Muscatels, \$1.65 to 1.75; Currants, 4½ to 5c; Figs, 12 to 14c; Tarragona Almonds, 14½ to 16c; Filberts, 7½ to 8c; Walnuts, 8 to 9c.

HIDES.—Are in the usual demand; Butchers' Hides are without any change \$7.50, 6.50 and 5.50, being still the current rates. *Sheepskins*, 75 to 80c.

HARDWARE.—As the season of navigation is, we may say, closed, the little rush in getting orders filled by boat is now over, and we are gradually getting back to the usual stagnation of this time of the year. Prices have not improved in any way to note, and although stocks of heavy goods are light, merchants are still disposed to sell regardless of profits. Pig Iron being the only line advanced—more on account of the impossibility to bring out any at present rates of freights, than from any advance on first cost. We quote *Pig Iron* per ton, Gartsherrie, 18 to \$18.50; Summerlee, \$17.50 to 18; Eglinton, \$16.50 to 17; Carnbrae, \$16.50 to 17; Hematite, \$24 to 25. *Rars*, per 100 lbs.: Scotch and Staffordshire, \$1.67½ to 1.70; best ditto \$1.90 to 2.00; Swedes and Norway, 4.00 to 4.25; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$5.50 to 5.75. *Canada Plates*, per box: Glanmorgan and Budd, \$3.00 to 3.10; Garth and Penn, \$3.00 to 3.10; Arrow, \$3.15 to 3.20; Hatton, \$2.90 to 3.00. *Tin Plates*, per box: Charcoal I C, \$5.50 to 6.00; ditto I X \$7.50 to 8.00; ditto D. C. \$4.80 to \$5.00; Coke 1c \$4.75 to \$5; Tinned sheets charcoal best No. 26 11½ to 12c; Galvanized sheets, best brands No. 28 \$2.25 to 2.37½. *Hoops and Bands* per 100 lbs \$2.30 to 2.40. *Sheets* best brands \$2.40 to 2.50; *Boiler Plates* ordinary brands \$2.40 to 2.50; ditto to best brands \$3.00 to 3.25. *Russia Sheet Iron* per lb 10 to 12c; *Cut Nails* 2 D., 14th \$4.60 ditto 2½c to 4c; Shingle \$3.80; ditto 5 D. 10 \$3.30; ditto 12d and larger \$3.00; 100 keg lots 5 per cent. *Press-discount*, 1000 kegs, an extra 5 per cent. *Press-discount Spikes* \$4 to 4.75; *Lead* per 100 lbs pig \$4.50 to 5.00; ditto sheet \$5.50 to 6.00; ditto bar \$6

6.50; Shot \$6.25 to 7.00; *Steel* best 12 to 13c; ditto spring per 100 lbs \$3.25 to 3.50; *Sleigh shoe steel* \$2.75 to 3.00; tire steel \$3.00 to 3.25; *Ingot tin* \$16 to 17.00; *Ingot copper* \$17 to 18. *Horse shoes* per 100 lbs \$3.50 to 3.75; wire per bdl. of 63 lbs, \$1.70 to 1.80.

LEATHER.—We have to report a quiet week. Orders from the country have been fewer, and the cutters are at present using but little stock. Quotations are about the same for most descriptions of leather, and receipts are fully up to the requirements of the trade. We quote: *Hemlock Spanish sole*, No. 1; B. A. 23 to 24c; ditto, No. 2 B. A., 21 to 22c; *Zanzibar*, ordinary No. 1. 21 to 22c; ditto No. 2, 18 to 19c; *Buffalo Sole* No. 1, 20 to 21c; ditto, No. 2, 18 to 19c; *Hemlock slaughter*, No. 1, 25 to 26c; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 32 to 37c; ditto, heavy, 30 to 34c; *Grained*, 34 to 37c; *Splits*, large, 25 to 30c; ditto, small, 20 to 25c; *Calfskins*, 27 to 36 lbs., 55 to 65c; ditto, 18 to 26 lbs., 45 to 55c; *Sheepskin linings*, 20 to 30c; *Harness*, 26 to 30c; *Buffed cow*, 14 to 15c; *Enamelled cow*, 16 to 18c; *Patent Cow* 16 to 18c; *Pebbled cow* 14 to 15c; *Rough* 22 to 24c.

OILS.—The stocks of all kinds of fish oils are heavy, a large shipment (about 300 brls.) of Newfoundland Cod oil was made to Glasgow by the "Phœnician" last week. We quote *Cod oil*, Newfoundland, 45c; ditto, Halifax, 40c; *Scal oil*, pale, 42c; ditto straw, 35c; ditto steam refined, 47 to 50c; *Olive oil*, \$1.00 to 1.10; *Linseed oil*, raw, 59 to 60c; ditto boiled, 62 to 63c. *Petroleum*. There is little or no change in this article, the demand is increasing for local consumption, prices in the West are unchanged, and here, although our quotations are firm, they are the same as have been ruling for some time past. Car lots 17c; part cars 17½c; single barrels 18 to 18½c. per wine gallon.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—Receipts during the week 6,958 pkgs.; shipments 4,606 pkgs.; the general features of the market are unchanged. Fine quality is readily sold at 14 to 17c. Brockville and Morrisburg 13 to 15c. Common grades are plentiful and almost unsaleable. *Cheese.*—Receipts 19,735 boxes; shipments 23,055 boxes. Not much doing in this market; current prices are 7 to 8½c, according to date of make. *Pork.*—Receipts, 51 brls.; shipments, 258 brls.; market steady at \$11.00 to 12.00 for mess. *Lard* is quiet but steady at 8½ to 9c for pails.

SALT.—Market quiet, and rather easier prices have prevailed for coarse salt. Sales reported from 60 to 63c; factory filled, \$1.00 to 1.15.

WOOL.—Canada pulled wool continues to move in a small way at 22 to 24c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Nov. 20, 1878.

The amount of business done here during the past week is somewhat larger than that of the week previous, but trade has not by any means assumed an active condition. The bad roads and mild weather have continued to retard the movement of dry goods, and provisions, leather, boots and shoes, hides and skins, wool, &c., have continued very quiet, without important changes in quotations, except for sheepskins, which have advanced 10c. each. *A steady demand has been experienced for groceries from country dealers, and hardware has continued fairly active. The trade sale of buffalo robes by Messrs. Galbraith, Christie & Co., was fairly attended, and the profits were certain and satisfactory. The produce market since our last has ruled dull, under very limited offerings and