

soft weather is very bad for hauling logs. There will be quite a shortage on lumber cut at small country mills that depend upon farmers and jobbers for supply; holders are very firm. Prices remain unaltered, as there is not enough business doing to establish quotations.

Oils.—Market has remained quiet for all kinds. *Steam refined seal* rules steady at 60c to 62½c per Imperial gallon, and *straw seal* still sells at 45c, a lot having changed hands at this figure the other day. In *Cod oil* business is at a standstill, and prices remain weak and unsettled. *Linseed* shows no improvement; values quoted at 72c to 74c for raw, and 76c to 78c for boiled. *Refined petroleum* quiet and unchanged.

Provisions.—Receipts of hogs in Chicago during the month are estimated at 417,000, and shipments at 179,426. The receipts yesterday were 19,000, against 23,042 for Tuesday, with shipments of 9,301. The hog market opened quiet yesterday, light grades selling at \$6 to \$6.60; mixed packers at \$6.10 to \$6.60, and heavy shipping at \$6.70 to \$7.40. Pork closed dull and weak yesterday, having declined 20c to 25c per bbl., while lard also fell 15c per 100 lbs. The home market continues quiet and steady; no transactions in round lard have occurred this week. Orders for *Mess Pork* have been filled on country account at \$21.50 to \$22 for Canada short cut, and at \$21 to \$21.50 for Western. *Lard* inactive, and easier if anything; a small business is passing at 14c to 14½c per lb. in pails. *Smoked meats* unchanged, hams being still quoted at 12c to 13½c per lb. *Dressed hogs* quiet, and prices nominal as last quoted. The *Egg* market continues weak, and sales have occurred at 22c to 23c for fresh in cases; receipts continue on a liberal scale, and stocks are accumulating. *Lined* quiet and nominally quoted at 17c to 18c. *Fresh-laid* dropped 3c to-day, quoted now at 20c to 21c, and are retailing at 35 cents per dozen, and good quality potatoes at \$1.40 per bag.

SKEDS.—The market for *Clover* is very quiet, the export demand being nearly over; it is still quoted at \$4.80 to \$5.00 in car lots at shipping points in Ontario. In this market there is very little doing, the Spring demand not having yet commenced. Stocks held are light. In *Timothy* there is no change to report; the farmers are still holding back, and prices are nominal at \$3.00 to \$3.25 per bushel.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

Boston, March 2, 1882.—*Flour* is dull, prices rule in buyers favor. Sales of Superfine at \$4.25 to \$4.75; Extras, including choice Bakers, \$5 to \$7.25 per bbl. *Wheat*.—There is a fair demand for choice; but other kinds moderate. Sales of choice have been at \$19 to \$21, and medium grades at \$16 to \$18 per ton. *Produce.*—The market is quiet for butter, but choice grades are scarce and firm. Sales of choice at 40c to 46c; fair and good, 35c to 41c; and 20c to 35c for common and good. Cheese quiet but prices steady; sales of choice at 13½c to 13¾c; fair and good, 11c to 13c. Eggs scarce and firm, and have been selling at 30c to 32c per doz., including all kinds. Beans quiet, prices not so firm. *Canada Peas* in steady demand at from \$1.05 to \$1.10 per bushel. Potatoes quiet, choice selling at \$1.10 to \$1.15; other grades 85c to 95c per bushel.

Chicago, 1.02 p.m.—Wheat, April, \$1.27; May, \$1.24½. Corn, April, 58½c; May, 63½c. Oats, April, 40½c; May, 43½c. Pork, April, \$16.75; May, \$17.02½. Lard, April, \$10.45; May, \$10.60.

Milwaukee, 1.02 p.m.—Wheat, March, \$1.23½; cash, \$1.21½; April, \$1.23½; May, \$1.24½.

New York, 2.00 p.m.—Wheat, No. 2 Red, April, \$1.32½ to \$1.33½; May, \$1.33½; June, \$1.31½. Corn, April, 69½c; May, 70c; June, 90c.

MARITIME MARKETS.

HALIFAX, N.S., March 2, 1882.

The weather during last few days has been delightful, and outport vessels are beginning to move. There is, however, little improvement in trade, which is unusually dull even for this season of the year. We have heard of some sales at \$6.55, 4 months, for Superior Extras, but we think those prices the exception, most of the dealers being content to hold stocks rather than sell from store at such prices. We quote high grade Patents \$7.25 to \$8.00; good to choice Superiors, \$6.25 to \$6.65; low to medium, \$6.35 to \$6.40; Extras not wanted, \$6.20 to \$6.25. Oatmeal dull at \$5.15 to \$5.40; Cornmeal quiet at \$3.75 to \$3.80. Butter quiet at 16c to 18c, and cheese in over supply owing to the wreck of the *Moravian*. Pork, 21c for mess. Oats, 47c per 34 pounds.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LONDON, March 2, 1882.

(Beerholm's advices).—Floating Cargoes.—Wheat and Corn, firmer. Cargoes on passage. —Wheat and Corn, quiet but steady. Quotation of Red Winter Wheat, 50s 6d to 51s. Good cargoes of California Wheat, 48s. 6d. Good shipping of California Wheat just shipped, 45s; now due, 48s. Cargoes on sale off Coast—nothing offering. Liverpool—Wheat on spot steadily held. Corn firmly held No. 2 Red Wheat 49s 6d., prompt 49s. 6d. Amount of Wheat on passage for U. K., 3,150,000 qrs.; Corn, 160,000 qrs. Paris—Wheat and Flour firm.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

(By Special Telegraph.)

TORONTO, March 2, 1882.

The volume of business transacted in wholesale circles during the week has been small, but the movement is likely to increase this month. In some branches there has been a reduction of prices in consequence of the removal and reduction in duties. The weather has not been favorable for merchandise, although in some departments the sales reported have been quite large. At present there appears to be more stir in millinery houses, and the "openings" are likely to be largely attended; great varieties of goods of foreign manufacture are displayed, and merchants expect a large trade the next two weeks. Dry goods merchants are making deliveries of spring goods, for which large orders are being taken. Travellers are in, and after the rush for millinery is over a good sorting-up trade may be anticipated. Prices continue steady and particularly firm for cottons. Remittances are up to general expectations. The hardware trade is fairly active, and prices, as a rule, steady. Groceries are moving slowly; some lines are in small stock and firmer. The volume of business in grains has been small, with little change in values. The money market has ruled firm; the demand for call loans has been good at 6 per cent, and time loans are nominal at the same rate. Prime commercial paper is discounted at 6 per cent, and the general run at 7. Sterling exchange is firm; 60-day bills are 109½ between banks and 109½ across the counter, and demand bills at 110½ between banks, and 110½ across the counter. Gold drafts on New York are 1-16 premium between banks. The stock market was active for bank shares, and prices are again higher. Sales of the past few days comprise: Montreal at 208 and 208½, Ontario at 60½ and 61, Toronto at 170, 171, 172½ and 173, Merchants at 133 and 134, Commerce at 143½ and 144½, Imperial at 139

13a, and 137½, Federal at 162 and 162½, Dominion at 196½ and 196½, Standard at 115½ and 115½. Loan and Miscellaneous shares quiet and firm, with sales of Building and Loan at 107½ and 107, Manitoba at 120, Dominion at 120½, Farmers Loan at 125½ and 126½, Imperial Savings at 111 and 112, Western Assurance at 176 to 180, Consumers Gas at 156. The market closed strong to-day, with sales of Montreal at 210½, Ontario at 62, Commerce at 144½ and 145, and Standard 116; Western Assurance at 182, Union Loan 132, and London Loan at 110½.

Following are closing bids to-day as compared with those of last Thursday:

Banks.	Bid Mch. 2.	Bid Feb. 23.	Loan Cos.	Bid Mch. 2.	Bid Feb. 23.
Montreal..	210	20½	Can. Permanent	.....	22½
Toronto..	173	167	Freehold..	.....	140
Ontario..	61½	61½	Western Can.	.....	185
Merchants	131½	129½	Bldg. & Loan	.....	107
Commerce	144½	142	Imp. Savings..	.....	112
Dominion	191	195½	Farmers' Loan	.....	125½
Hamilton	.....	.....	Land & Can'dn	.....	148
Standard..	116	114	Marion & Erie	.....	160
Federal..	164	160	Dom. Savings	.....	120
Imperial..	138½	133½	Ontario Loan	.....	.....
Molson's	.....	125½	Hamilton Prov.	.....	.....

BOOTS AND SHOES.—There is considerable activity in warehouses entailed by the filling of orders for Spring goods. Sales of these goods have been large, and prices close on account of keen competition. No quotable change in prices.

COAL AND WOOD.—The demand for coal has been rather slack the past week; but prices continue at old rates, viz: \$6.50 for all kinds of hard and the best soft, and \$6 for second quality of soft. Wood is also unchanged at \$5.50 per cord for hard and \$4 for pine.

COAL OIL.—There continues to be a fair movement in Canadian and American refined oils, but dealers' hopes of an advance in prices have not been realized. Five to ten barrel lots sell at 18c per Imperial gallon, and single barrels at 18½c. Prime American sells at 26c and water white at 30c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.—*Apples.*—Shipments continue to be made to Britain of choice fruit, which is the only kind wanted there. Car lots here are worth \$3 per barrel. The city demand is inactive. *Beans* are scarce, and firm; sales of small lots are quoted at \$2.50 to \$2.60. *Eggs* have been coming in very freely the past week, and prices are lower, at 16c. *Hogs* are not offering to any extent, and the demand is limited; several car lots sold during the week at \$4.50. *Hops* are very quiet and steady; jobbing lots of choice are worth 22c to 25c and medium 18c to 20c. *Onions* are in fair stock and easy in absence of demand; they are worth \$2.25 to \$2.50 per barrel. *Potatoes* are in rather better demand than they were last week, and prices are steady at about \$1 per bag in car lots. Several cars sold at this price for the States. *Poultry* are scarce and firm; chickens are worth 60c to 80c per pair; geese 75c to \$1, and turkeys 13c to 15c per lb. *Tallow* remains firm, with small stocks; sales of refined are being made at 8c, and rough is worth 4c to dealers.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The demand for drugs the past week has been fairly active, but in some instances prices are easier, particularly Quinine, the duty on which has been removed. *Oil Lemon* is unchanged, at \$4.25 to \$4.50 per lb. *Golden Seal Root* higher at 60c per lb., and *Cuttle* fish bone at 55c to 59c. *Opium* is firm at \$4.75 to \$5. *Quinine* is easier at \$2.75 to \$3.00 per oz. *Tartaric Acid* is unchanged at 58c to 60c. *Cream of Tartar* unchanged at 35c. *Turpentine* steady