

26 to 32c; ditto small 18 to 25c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs 60 to 75c; ditto 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 30 to 42c; harness 26 to 30; buffed cow 14 to 17c per ft.; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 19 to 20c; pebbled cow 14 to 17c; rough leather 27 to 29.

LIQUORS.—Brandy.—We have no change to note in quotations, market keeps steady and fair sales are reported at late quotations. *Gin.*—Market getting bare, and prices firm. *De-Kuyppers* is now held for late quotations. *High wines.*—Are in active demand, but no alterations are made in quotations.

NAVAL STORES.—Demand is getting pretty active, and we quote *spirits of turpentine* rather higher 60 to 62½c. *Rosins* are steady and unchanged in values. *Strained rosins.*—\$4.50; ditto No. 2 \$5; ditto No. 1 \$5.50; ditto pale \$6 to 7. *Coal tar*—\$3 to 3.25. *Pine tar*—\$5. *Pine pitch*—\$5. *Coal pitch*—\$4.50.

OILS.—There has been rather more doing in this department of trade during the past week, and large sales of *cod* oil have taken place at 56 to 57c. *Linseed boiled* 72 to 74c; ditto *raw* 68 to 70c, being rather under last weeks prices. *Seal*—Steam refined 65 to 70c. In this kind of oil very little has been moving and prices are unchanged. *Petroleum*—In very little demand at 19 to 22c. One car load was placed at 18½c.

PROVISIONS.—Butter.—No receipts; shipments 431 kegs. Transactions are small, stocks light and present prices are well maintained. A quantity of choice butter has been shipped by rail for the Toronto market. We quote store packed western 26 to 27c; dairy ditto 29 to 30c; Townships butter 30 to 35c. *Cheese*—No receipts; shipments 623 boxes. Not much doing but the market is firm at 12½ to 13½c for fine factory, and 13½ to 14½c for the finest factory. *Pork*—Receipts 355 bbls; shipments 28 bbls; market keeps very firm and steady, new Canada mess \$18.50 to 19, and thin mess \$17.50 city inspected. *Lard*—firm at 11 to 11½c. *Tallow*—Rendered 6 to 6½c; ditto rough 3½ to 4½c.

SALT.—Market dull, fine \$1 to 1.15; coarse \$1.05. There is very little doing and these quotations are nominal.

WOOL.—A considerable sale of Lower Canada pulled wool took place early in the week at 34c, with this exception we hear of no transactions in Lower Canada wools.

TORONTO MARKET.

TORONTO, March 25, 1874.

In some branches of trade, including dry goods and heavy hardware, there has been rather more activity than previously, but groceries have been very dull, and in produce scarcely any business has been done. For provisions there has been a fair consumptive demand, and prices are generally firm.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Have been going off steadily, orders coming in fast enough now to keep manufacturers pretty fully occupied in filling them.

CATTLE.—*Beeves.*—There were a good many in during the week, but the demand was good, and all offering were disposed of at fully last week's prices. Extra cattle, for the Eastern markets, brought \$5.50 to 6.00; first-class \$5; second-class \$4.50 to 4.75, and third-class \$3.50 to 4.00. Sales include the following:—One car of steers and heifers, averaging 1350 lbs, at \$5 per 100 lbs. and \$1 a-head over; two cars, averaging 1400 lbs, at \$70; one car, averaging 1328 lbs, at \$5.00; two cars, averaging 1200 lbs, at \$54; two cars of oxen, averaging 1600 lbs, at \$4.25; two cars of mixed cows, steers &c., averaging 1200 lbs, at \$48. *Sheep.*—Very few offering and high prices are being paid at present. First-class would now bring \$10 to 12; second-class \$8.00; and third-class \$5 to 6. *Lambs.*—

Have continued in small supply, the few lots coming in bringing \$8.50. First-class may be quoted at \$7 to 8.50; second-class \$4 to 5, and third-class \$3. *Calves.* There is an active local demand, with buyers at \$10 per 100 lbs live weight. First-class may be quoted firm at \$10 to 12; second-class \$6 to 8.00, and third-class \$3 to 4.

DRY GOODS.—There has been a good deal of activity in this department of trade during the past week, the amount of goods disposed of up to this date being if anything in excess of what was anticipated. Payments are being made with a fair degree of promptitude, and importers seem generally pretty well satisfied with the prospects of a good spring trade.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—*Flour.*—In store on 23rd inst. 32,316 bbls; against 33,489 bbls the previous week, and 28,784 bbls at the corresponding date of last year. The market opened quiet, but moderately firm, continuing so during the first half of the week, but since then, owing to absence of enquiry and to a heavy fall in wheat in the English market, the tendency has been decidedly in buyers' favour. Extra sold at \$5.60 f.o.b., though not to any great extent, and sellers have been found at \$5.50, which is probably the outside now obtainable. For spring wheat extra \$5.15 to 5.26 f.o.c. was paid in the early part of the week, but at the close there were sellers at \$5.12½ f.o.b., at which a sale took place yesterday. No late transactions were reported in superfine, which is nominally worth \$4.90 to 5. *Oatmeal.*—Has advanced in price, and may now quoted at \$4.75 to 5, with recent sales at \$4.85 to 4.90. *Brant.*—Continues scarce and in demand, with buyers at \$15 on the track.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—In store on the 23rd inst., 725,349 bush. against 724,255 bush. the previous week, and 425,283 bush. at the corresponding week of last year. A further decline has taken place in Liverpool, quotations for both red and white wheat being 6d per cental lower than at this day week. A reduction in ocean freights, however, has prevented the full effect of the decline from being felt on this side of the Atlantic, and holders are asking little less than they wanted a week ago. No transactions, other than an occasional car have been reported, and it is difficult to arrive at values, but No. 2 white and No. 1 Treadwill may be quoted at \$1.25 to 1.27, and No. 1 spring at \$1.18 to 1.19. *Barley.* Has been generally inactive, and prices have been tending downward. A round lot changed hands in the beginning of the week on p. t., since which nothing was reported till yesterday, when a car was sold at \$1.31 on the track. At the close \$1.35 was the most that could be got for No. 1, and \$1.30 for No. 2. *Peas.*—In store on the 23rd inst., 101,446 bush. against 98,777 bush. the previous week, and 49,783 bush. at the corresponding date of last year. No sales are reported of cargo lots, but for car lots No. 1 would bring 70c, and No. 2 68c on the track. *Oats.*—Receipts have been limited during the entire week, the scarcity being particularly marked at the close. Last sales were at 44c on the track to arrive. *Rye.*—Continues steady at 70c, with scarcely any coming in.

GROCERIES.—*Coffee.*—Inactive and unchanged. *Fish.*—There are a few dry cod now in the market, which are held at \$5.25 to 5.50 per quintal. Scaled herrings are quoted at 30 to 32c, with a considerable reduction noted in stocks. *Fruit.*—Has had little attention, some few Valentias have changed hands at 8c, small lots being quoted at 8½c. Currants are held at 6 to 6½c for new, and 4½ to 5½c for old as to sample. *Rice.*—Prime samples are firm at \$5.25, but sales of medium quality have been made for less money. *Spices.*—Cloves are inactive and unchanged. Cassia in lots is quoted at 21 to 23c. Pepper is firm, but a sale of 100 bags to arrive is noted at 18½c. *Sugar.*—The

market has been very quiet, and in the absence of demand sales are made with difficulty, holders being obliged to make some concession in order to induce business. In Cuba sugar sales are noted of several hundred boxes centrifugals, at something under recently quoted prices, but precise terms have not been communicated. Yellow refined has been a slow sale, but prices are nominally unchanged, at from 8c upwards according to quality. White sugars are quiet, with a few sales of dry crushed to note at 10c. *Tea.*—The demand has almost entirely fallen off, and very few lines have changed hands during the past week, but prices are fairly maintained. *Tobacco.*—Has only the ordinary demand from the retail trade, and there is no change to note in prices.

HARDWARE.—Trade is improving somewhat, and there is now a fair demand for tinnners' and plumbers' stock. In bar iron, however, nails and shelf hardware there is not much doing. There are no stocks of pig iron held here at present, but prices are easier.

HIDES AND PELTS.—*Hides.*—Green are unchanged, receipts being moderate and about equal to the present demand. Of cured and inspected selected weights have sold at 8½c, holders asking 8½c for assorted lots. *Calfskins.*—Dealers are paying 11c for green skins, of which the supply is now beginning to improve. In cured there is as yet little movement. *Sheepskins.*—There has been about the usual number coming in and there is no change to note in prices.

LEATHER.—*Spanish sole.*—The demand is sluggish at present, but stocks are light, and holders are not pressing sales. *Slaughter sole.* Is rather quiet, but prices are firmly maintained. *Upper.*—Is not selling except to a very limited extent at present, and prices are nominal. *Harness.*—Has some enquiry, but there is very little held here, and prices are firmly maintained. *Buff and Pebble.*—Buff is more plentiful and somewhat easier, now quoted at 15 to 16c, but pebble is still in small supply and firm at 16 to 18c. *Russets.*—Small lots are selling at 45 to 50c four months, but for cash good light stock can be bought at 40 to 42c.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—There has been rather more coming in, the high prices which have ruled here inducing consignments from points as far East as Montreal. The market in consequence is easier, and fine butter in tubs may now be quoted at 33 to 35c in a retail way, ordinary to fair being worth 27 to 30c. *Cheese.*—There is very little now here, and holders now ask 14½ to 15c. *Dried Apples.*—In fair request and advancing, held firmly at 9½ to 9¾c. *Eggs.*—The supply has increased very considerably during the week, and prices have fallen. Late sales of packed have been at 13½ to 14. *Lard.*—Some round lots have changed hands including Canadian in tinnets and Western in tierces, but all on p. t. Sales to retail dealers are being made at 11 to 11½c according to quantity and quality for tinnets, and 10½c for tierces. *Bacon.*—In fair request and selling at 8½ to 9c for Cumberland cut. *Hams.*—Smoked are quoted at 11½ to 12½c, with as yet only a moderate demand. *Pork.*—Mess is held at \$17.50 to 18.00, with very little enquiry.

WOOL.—Is in fair demand, with sales of medium lots of pulled combing and supers at 31 to 31½c at which there are still buyers.

—It appears by a circular issued from the head office of the National Life Insurance Company of the United States, that a number of the directors of the Republic Life Insurance Company of Chicago have also been elected to the direction of the National. Mr. George H. Stuart has been elected President of the National in place of E. A. Rollins.