bags, middle freights. Higher grades range from $2.85 to $2.95. Not much is doing in millfeed. Oatmeal is about the same.

Grains.—Wheat is about a cent lower all round, and dull at the decline. Barley is 1c. lower, and rather dull too. Oats are a cent or so off, and are tending lower. Peas, corn and buckwheat are unchanged. Receipts of new crop are light, it hardly having begun to move yet.

Fruits.—The wet day Tuesday did some temporary damage to the fruit district. Apart from that there has been a large quantity received, and sold, and prices have kept up quite well. Peaches are becoming more plentiful as plums become scarce. Tomatoes are already scarce, owing to the poor season. Grapes are beginning to come into evidence, though some of the stuff offered is still on the green side. We quote: Apples, per barrel, 75c. to $1.25; per basket, 10 to 20c.; peaches, 25 to 75c.; pears, 20 to 40c.; plums, 25 to 50c.; cauliflower, per dozen, 75c.; cucumbers, 10 to 15c. per dozen; Lawton berries, 5 to 7c.; grapes, per lb., Moore's early, 5 to 6c.; champion, 2 to 3c.; per small basket, Moore's early, 50 to 60c.; champion, 20 to 30c.; muskmelons, per basket, 30 to 50c.; huckleberries, per basket, $1.10 to $1.25; tomatoes, basket, 15 to 27c.; watermelons, 15 to 30c.; bananas, $1 25 to $2 a bunch; oranges, $3.50 to $5.75 a box; lemons, Messina, $2.50 to $3.50 a box; green corn, per dozen, 6 to 7c.; egg plant, 25 to 30c.

Groceries.—Business has improved considerably of late, though no feature of any special note or newness presents itself. Canned goods still retain their strength. Valensia raisins are very firm owing to scarcity, as before reported. In teas there is nothing new to report. Sugars remain the same,

Hardware.—The Wholesale Hardware Association, held its meeting last week in Montreal, but made no change in prices, the only business transacted being of a routine nature. Business continues very good for this time of the year, the number of Exhibition visitors to the wholesale establishments being larger than ever. The heavy metals trade is active and prices remain very strong. The British iron market has improved somewhat the last few days The tinplates market, however, is demoralized, and prices have fallen considerably. At low prices, some business continues to be done, however.

Hides and Skins.—The market for hides is firm, owing to light receipts. For lambskins there is a good demand. Tallow is unchanged.

Leather.—Business in the leather trade is good for this time of the year. Sometimes at this season hardly anything is being done, but this cannot be said just now. Stocks are at a low ebb, and there is quite a strong export demand. The prospects in the boot and shoe trade favor a good feeling in the leather business.