

Buskins, do fine 80c; *Misses' Peb. and Buff Bals.* \$1.00 to 1.15; *do split Bals.* 85c. to \$1.00; *do Prunella Bals.* 60c to \$1.00; *do Congress do* 60 to 70c; *Childrens' Peb. and Buff Bals.* 60c to \$1.00; *do split Bals.* 57½c; *do Prunella Bals.* 75c.

CATTLE.—Yesterday the stock offering was much beyond the present demand, which has been well supplied by the large number of cattle lately presented, consequently the market has been dull and prices favoring buyers. For choice butchers' cattle 4½c. per lb. was the outside price realized. The chief range for this description of stock was 4 to 4½c.; common stock ranging from 2½ to 3½c.; *Sheep* brought from \$5 to \$8 each, and *Lambs* of good quality \$4 each. *Hogs*, there were no sales reported yesterday prices are said to be easier a fair quotation here would be 7 to 7½c. per lb. live weight.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—A fair business is reported both in heavy chemicals and in drugs. The English markets for the former are firmer, and as there is an advance in freights, our local market, in sympathy, is rather stiffer. We quote as under *Bi Carb. Soda*, \$2.90 to \$3.00; *Soda Ash*, \$1.75 to 2.00 for high test. *Bi-Chromate of Potash*, per 100 lbs., \$12.50 to \$13.00; *Borax*, refined, 13 to 14c; *Green Tartar Crystals*, 29 to 30c; *do.*, ground, 31½ to 33c; *Caustic Soda*, white, \$2.35 to \$2.50; *Sugar of Lead*, 12½ to 13c; *Bleaching Powder*, \$1.50 to 1.60; *Alum*, \$1.85 to \$2.00; *Copperas*, per 100 lbs., \$1.00 to 1.25; *Flowers Sulphur*, \$2.90 to \$3.10; *Roll Sulphur*, \$2.12½ to \$2.25; *Epsom Salts*, \$1.35 to \$1.50; *Sal Soda*, \$1.10 to \$1.20; *Saltpetre*, \$10 to \$11; *Sulphate of Copper*, \$5.00 to \$5.25; *Quinine*, \$2.75 to \$3.00; *Opium*, \$5.75 to \$6.00; *Morphine*, 2.75 to \$3.00; *Shellac*, 32 to 35c; *Castor Oil*, 10½ to 11c.

DRY GOODS.—There has been no very marked change in the tone of the market the past week; prices are almost uniformly steady. Business continues good and quite up to the mark for the season, and things are likely to remain active till the close of navigation. Woollen goods are in active demand, and everything points to a large trade being done by retailers, as crops are large and have been secured in good condition. The demand for clothing is well maintained. It is but rarely that remittances are the subject of complaint.

FISH—are now in rather better supply; later advices confirm the reported short catch of *Labrador Herrings*, which we now quote at \$6.50, No. 1 Cape Breton herrings, \$5.75; ditto No. 2, \$4.50. *Dry Cod*, \$6.00 to 6.25; *North Shore Salmon*, \$21.20 and 19 for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively; *Green Cod*, No. 1, \$6, ditto No. 2, \$5.

FLOUR.—The stock in store, and in the hands of millers on the 1st inst. was 37,705 barrels, against 38,389 bbls. on the 23rd ult., and 34,498 bbls. on the 1st September 1881. Receipts during the past week 22,967 bbls.; total receipts from 1st January 669,744 bbls., a decrease of 22,471 bbls. on the receipts for the same period of 1881. Shipments during the week 22,074 bbls.; total shipments from 1st January to date 508,498 bbls., an increase of 40,246 bbls. on the shipments for the same period of last year. Business has not been very active, the market however has been considerably weaker, and prices still tend downward, so much so that our bakers have made a reduction of 2 cents on the price of the loaf, beginning yesterday. This looks as if low prices were expected to rule for some time to come. The new flour, which is coming in, is well spoken of. To-day there was a little more doing at the following quotations:—*Superior Extra*, \$5.40 to \$5.50; *Extra Superfine*, \$5.20 to \$5.00; *Fancy*, 5.60 \$5.65 nominal; *Spring Extra*, \$5.25 to 5.35; *Strong Bakers' Flour*, *American*, \$7.00 to 7.50; *do Canadian*, \$6.00 to 6.50; *Superfine*, \$4.70 to 4.80; *Fine*, \$3.80 to 4.00; *Middlings*, \$3.60 to 3.90; *Pollards*, \$3.40 to 3.60; *Ontario Bags*, medium, \$2.75 to 2.80; *do.*, *Spring extra*, \$2.70 to 2.75; *do.*, *Superfine*, \$2.40 to \$2.50; *City Bags*, delivered, \$3.45 to 3.50; *Oatmeal*, \$5.65 to 5.75 for Ontario; *Cornmeal*, \$4.25.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the 1st inst. was 73,900 bush. against 62,008 bush. on the 23rd ult. and 215,826 bush. on the 1st Sept. 1881. Receipts for the past week 467,289 bush.; total receipts from 1st January 5,991,109 bush., an increase of 537,438 bush. on those for the same period of 1881. Shipped during the week, 299,809 bush., an increase of 51,193 bush., on the shipments for the same period of 1881. A fairly active market has existed this week, but chiefly for car lots on the track which have changed hands at our quotations. Canada White Winter \$1.07;

Canada Red Winter, \$1.10, and Canada Spring to a small amount is offered on the track at \$1.10; there has been some movement in *Peas* at 93 to 95c.; *Oats* are readily purchased at 37½c; *Barley and Rye* are nominal.

GROCERIES.—*Teas.*—There is a moderate demand for teas, but transactions are hard to put through, buyers and sellers being apart in their views. Prices in the meantime are unchanged, but buyers' views are from 5 to 10c. under those of sellers. *Coffee* market is steady, with only a moderate amount of business doing within the following range of quotations: *Mocha* scarce, 29 to 31c.; *Old Government Java*, 22 to 28; *Rio and Jamaica*, 10 to 15; *Maracaibo* 11 to 15. *Sugar* is in large demand and the article is sold up pretty close. *Granulated* is very firm at 9½ to 9¾c.; *Yellows* are steady at 7½ to 8¾c. The market for *Raw Sugar* has been dull, *Porto Rico* of very fine quality is offered at 7½c. *Syrups* are scarce and advancing, cannot now be bought under 58½c. and upward according to quality. *Molasses.*—Market is strong and there have been some large transactions in Barbadoes at prices which have not been allowed to transpire, nothing now can be had under 54c. and *Trinidad* 46 to 49c. *Rice.*—Market firm with a fair consumptive demand, holders expect still higher prices. *Spices.*—*Cassia* quoted 11½ to 13c; *Cloves* 27 to 33c.; *Nutmegs* 63 to 90c; *Jamaica Ginger* 18 to 22c.; *Pimento* 11 to 12c.; *Black Pepper* 27 to 29c.; *Mace* 60 to 85c. *Fruit.*—The first direct vessel with fruit was reported from *Gibraltar* on the 26th ult., and in the meantime any small lots that have come to hand have been sold out. *Valencia* raisins which are on the spot are held for 8½ to 10c; and for those to arrive 8½ to 8¾c. is asked. *Currants* are held for 6 to 6½c. *Nothing*, doing in other fruits, prices of which are nominal.

HIDES.—The demand for green butchers' hides is fully equal to the supply and prices are steady at \$10, \$9, and \$8.00 for No. 1, 2, and 3 respectively. *Lambskins.*—It is usual for an advance in these skins to take place at the beginning of the month, but owing to the very low price of wool, dealers have determined to make no change for this month, and we still quote them 80 to 85c.

HARDWARE.—During the past week business has been active and generally satisfactory. *Pig Iron* has considerably advanced in Glasgow and coupled with high rates of freight, any holders of stocks here are asking decidedly higher prices. *Bar Iron, hoops, bands, sheets, and plates* are all decidedly firmer owing to advices received from England confirming a much stiffer feeling there, due chiefly to amount of orders received, which have almost presented some makers from quoting, being filled ahead until nearly the end of the year. *Tin plates* are firm but are still being sold in this market at less than cost of importation. *Canada Plates* are in good demand and no overstock. *Ingot Tin* is still advancing. Other lines remain unchanged. *Pig Iron*, per ton, *Coltness*, \$24.00 to 24.50; *Siemens*, \$23.00 to 24.00; *Gartsherrie*, \$24.00 to \$24.25; *Summerlee*, \$24.00 to \$24.50; *Langloan*, \$24.25 to \$24.75; *Eglinton*, \$21.50 to \$22.00; *Carnbroe*, \$22.00 to 22.25; *Hematite*, \$26.00 to 27.00. *Bars*, per 100 lbs, *Scotch and Staffordshire*, \$2.00 to 2.10; *Swedes*, \$4.25 to 4.50; *Norway*, \$5.00 to \$5.25; *Lowmoor and Bowling* \$6.25 to 6.50. *Canada Plates* per box, *Glamorgan and Budd*, \$3.10 to 3.15; *Penn*, \$3.20 to 3.25; *Hatton*, \$3.00 to 3.10; *Thistle and Clifton*, \$3.25 to 3.30; *Tin Plates*, per box, *Charcoal IC*, \$5.25 to 5.35; *Charcoal IX*, \$7.25 to \$7.35; ditto, *DC*, \$4.50 to 4.75; ditto, *DX*, \$6.50; to 6.75; *Coke IC*, \$4.35 to 4.50; *Galvanized Sheets*, 7½ to 7¾c.; *Tinned Sheets* No 26, *Charcoal*, 9 to 10c; ditto *Coke* No. 24, 8½ to 9; *Hoops and Bands*, per 100 bs. \$2.40 to \$2.50; sheets best brands \$2.60 to \$2.75; *Boiler Plate* per 100 lbs. *Staffordshire* \$2.50 to 2.75; *Russian Sheet Iron* 18 to 14c. *Lead* per 100 lbs: *Pig* \$4.25 to \$4.50; *Sheet*, \$4.75 to 5.00; *Bar* \$4.50 to 5.00; *Shot* do \$6.50 to \$7. *Steel*, cast 11½ to 12c; *Spring* \$3.75 to \$4.50; *Tire*, \$3.50 to \$3.75; *Sleigh Shoes*, \$3.00 to \$3.25. *Ingot Tin* 00 to 20½c.; *Bar Tin* 26 to 27c.; *Ingot Copper* 20 to 20½c.; *Sheet Zinc* \$5.00 to \$5.25; *Spelter* \$4.75 to \$5. *Horse Shoes*, \$4.25 to \$4.50.

LEATHER.—The market continues quiet, the wholesale shoe trade being fairly well supplied with the bulk of the staples required for their fall orders. Receipts have fallen off, and as shipments to England in some lines have been very large for some weeks past, stocks are considerably reduced. The supply of best B. A. Sole is still barely sufficient for the wants of the trade, and prices are consequently firm. Light

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