

PROVISIONS.—*Butter*—Receipts, 521 kegs; shipments, 319 kegs. We have a very quiet market, the demand being almost wholly for local consumption. We quote store-packed western, 10c to 12c; fair dairy, 13c to 15c; choice dairy, 16c to 18c. *Cheese*—No receipts; shipments, 124 boxes; business on account of the scarcity has been limited; fine factory is worth 13c, and finest new cheese, 14c. *Pork*—Receipts, 1,581 brls.; shipments, 358 brls.; there has been a good deal of activity in this department of trade. Mess pork is scarce, and sold at \$15.25; thin mess, \$14 to 14.25; extra prime pork, \$9.50. *Lard* in good demand, at 9½c to 10½c. *Tallow*, 8c. *Beef*—Prime mess, \$14.75 to 15. *Oil Cake*, \$40 to 50 per ton. *Smoked Hams*, 11c to 11½c.

SALT.—The demand at the moment is very light. *Coarse* to arrive is offered at 70c to 72½c; on the spot sales are offered at the same figures. *Fine* brings 70c; *Goderich salt*, \$1.25 to \$1.40.

WOOL.—This market remains much the same as last week, prices are unchanged, and holders are very firm and do not feel anxious to sell even at the present prices.

TORONTO MARKET.

TORONTO, May 22, 1872.

Fine showers have fallen during the week, greatly promoting the growth of the spring crops, which, owing to the protracted drought, were at a stand still.

CATTLE.—Extra cattle are wanted at \$6; so is first class at \$5.25 to 5.50, but very little of either is to be had; the scarcity of better qualities has brought second class more into demand, and caused a slight advance during the week; this grade is quoted \$4.75 to 5; milch cows are dull of sale, at \$25 to 50. Some sales of car loads of cattle and lots within the range of the foregoing quotations. *Sheep* are wanted; receipts are light and prices firm. First class sheep are wanted, and will bring \$9 to 10; good medium weights are most in demand; second class are scarce, and range from \$6 to 7.50. No business doing in third class, would not command over \$4 to 4.50. Forty head of first class sold in one lot at \$9; and 25 at \$9.50. *Lambs* in small supply, and wanted at \$2.50 to 4, according to size and quality. *Calves*—First class are firm at \$6 to 8; other qualities range from \$2 to 5.

DRY GOODS.—In this branch there is nothing to notice of interest in connection with the local market. Advices from the English manufacturing districts favor lower prices for woollens. The poorer qualities of wool are rapidly decreasing in price, but in some quarters there was an opinion that choice wools cannot come below the present prices for a considerable time to come. The chance of a decline has induced a good many to hold back from buying or from giving fresh orders. This is the state of feeling in England. It does not seem reasonable to expect that any decline in manufactured goods can take place before the fall purchases are made, so that spring goods will not be cheaper with us this season. The Manchester cotton market opened dull this month, and the feeling is in favor of a decline. An advance of one per cent. in the bank rate of discount in England has tended to depress business; the unsettled state of the labor question and the clouds in the political horizon, all tend in the same direction.

FLOUR.—Flour though only quoted 6d lower in Liverpool has fallen about 20c here. Extra opened at \$6.90 to 7; fancy, \$6.70 to 6.75, and No. 1 superfine at \$6.50. As the week advanced prices became weaker and transactions limited to small parcels for local use, but late in the week there were large sales of extra at \$6.75 to 6.80, and later \$6.75 seemed the top price; superfine sold down to \$6.30; fancy closing nominal.

FREIGHTS.—One or two charters to Kingston at 2½c gold and 3c greenbacks to Oswego are reported. Flour to Kingston per steamer, 17½c; to Prescott, 20c; to Montreal 25c per brl. Railway Freights unchanged.

GRAIN.—*Wheat*—In sympathy with unfavorable advices from Liverpool, prices declined heavily last week, the market closing 7 to 10c lower than it opened. Sales include a lot of 10,000 bush. No. 1 spring inspected at \$1.40 f.o.b. here, 5,000 bush at same price; 2,500 bush No. 2 fall at \$1.51 f.o.b. *Barley*—Little offered, and only a small demand. One car sold at 65c delivered, holders are firm. *Oats*—In good demand, and selling readily in car lots at 45c f.o.b. cars and 43c on the track and to arrive, one car in bulk sold at 44c on the track; two cars brought 46c f.o.b. T. G. and B. cars. The market closed easier at 42½ to 43c on the track. *Peas*—Have been fairly active and firm. One lot of 1,000 bushels sold for 72c f.o.c., at Hamilton, and another of 10,000 bushels for 77c f.o.b. at the same place. A lot of four cars of medium quality changed hands at 74c f.o.c., and fourteen cars of Toronto street peas at 77c f.o.c. No sales have since been reported.

GROCERIES.—*Teas*—People are looking out anxiously for anything like good value on hand, but all goods offering are too high for buyers. The retail trade are not buying in expectation of the reduction in duty. *Sugar*—There is an excited market and the stock is very small although a good deal on the way. Prices are fully ½c up and the advices from West Indies show a small crop. *Tobacco*—On account of the report that there would be an increase in the duty on this article, the demand was rather good and McDonald has advanced ½c.

HARDWARE.—We note a number of changes, the extent of which is indicated in our price list. The tendency of prices is still strongly upward.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Receipts of hides are light but equal to the demand. Tanners complain that there is too small a margin between hides and leather to admit of anything but the smallest possible profit; a car of cured sold at 98. Calfskins are plenty and selling steadily. Sheepskins scarce and worth \$3.50 and upwards for No. 1.

LEATHER.—Spanish sole continues in good demand and firm. Harness is very dull, the market being oversupplied, and sales are difficult to effect at anything like satisfactory prices. Upper is in moderate supply and firm; no enquiry for calf; well finished No. 1 kip would find buyers; inferior, no demand; russets in moderate demand; little offering.

LUMBER.—Two million six hundred thousand feet has been shipped this week principally mill run culls cut. Vessels are still scarce and the lumber is kept back on that account. The tendency of prices is still upward and the demand good. Dry lumber is very scarce in the local market especially inch boards as high as \$11.50 per M. has been paid for shipping culls on the dock this week.

PLASTER.—Sells at \$1.05 per barrel in car lots. Car loads in bulk \$6 per ton.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter*—New rolls sell at 15 to 17c; for lots of tub there is no demand. *Cheese*—Some lots of new have arrived and readily sold at 13 to 13½c in small parcels. *Eggs*—Are in good supply and weak at 11 to 11½c for lots. *Pork*—Nominal and unchanged. *Dressed Hogs*—A few for local use are selling at about \$7; for good live \$5.25 is offered. *Potatoes*—75 to 80c on the track for car lots. Apples \$2 to 3.25 per brl. *Poultry*—Chickens, 55 to 60c per pair; turkeys, \$1 to 1.50 each.

SEEDS.—Dealers are selling small lots at \$5.25 and timothy at \$3.25. Hungarian grass, \$2 to 2.25. Flax seed, \$2 to 2.25.

WOOL.—The feeling is weak and the tendency rather downward. Some samples of the new crop have come in and sold at 53 to 54c.

BANK OF NEW BRUNSWICK.—The annual meeting of the stockholders was held in St. John. The affairs are in a highly satisfactory condition. The following statement of the liabilities and resources was submitted:—

Liabilities.

Capital Stock paid.....	\$900,000 00
Bills in Circulation.....	993,755 50
Net Profits on hand.....	274,152 02
Balance due to other Banks.....	60,793 46
Cash deposited not bearing interest.....	975,400 15
Cash deposited bearing interest....	1,066,799 27
Interest on deposits and rebate on bills discounted.....	75,000 00

Total\$4,345,900 40

Resources.

Dominion notes.....	\$161,755 00
Gold, silver and other coined metals in its banking house.....	170,065 92
Real estate.....	1,482 53
Bills of other Banks incorporated in the Dominion.....	62,017 00
Balance due from other Banks....	357,342 50
Debts due to the Bank, including notes, bills of exchange, and all stock and funded debts of every description, (balances due from other Banks excepted).....	3,593,237 45

Total.....\$4,345,900 40

The overdue debts are only \$3,225.31. The dividend declared on 2nd April was five per cent. on \$900,000. The reserved profits then were \$299,109.79. Mr. Lewin was allowed \$5,000 by a hearty vote. Mr. Girvan had his salary increased by \$500. All of the old Directors and officers of the Bank were re-chosen, the stockholders feeling that the stability and flourishing condition of the institution is entirely owing to its good management. At a meeting of the Directors, J. D. Lewin, Esq., was re-elected President, and Edward Sears, Esq., Vice-President.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

In the matter of William D. Ckie, of the City of Toronto, Retail Grocer, an Insolvent.

[In the matter of Geo. Sawdon, of the City of Toronto, Tinsmith, an Insolvent.]

First Dividend Sheets have been prepared, open to objection until the tenth day of June next, after which dividends will be paid.

Dated at the City of Toronto, this 23rd day of May, A.D. 1872.

W. F. MUNRO, Assignee.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Craven C. Beckett, of the Village of Yorkville, Retail Grocer, an Insolvent.

A first and final Dividend Sheet of the amount of composition due, under and by virtue of a Deed of Composition and Discharge, dated the twenty-seventh day of April, A.D. 1872, and made between the said Insolvent and his creditors, has been prepared, open to objection, until the tenth day of June next, after which the said composition will be paid.

Dated at the City of Toronto, this 23rd day of May, A.D. 1872.

W. F. MUNRO,
Assignee

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869, AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

In the matter of William Henry Weston, an Insolvent.

The Insolvent has made an assignment of his Estate to me and the Creditors are notified to meet at my office, No. 20 Toronto street, in the City of Toronto, on Monday the Third day of June next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive statements of his affairs and to appoint an Assignee.

Dated at Toronto, this 18th day of May, A.D. 1872.

W. T. MASON,
Interim Assignee.