

COAL OIL.—There is a small demand for refined, and the feeling is somewhat firmer, although prices are no higher. Barrel lots sell at 20c per Imperial gallon. The crude market is steady in Petrolia at \$1.70 per barrel.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.—*Apples.*—The supply is moderate and prices firm; choice lots range from \$2 to \$3 per barrel and ordinary at \$1.50 to \$1.75. *Beans* quiet and unchanged at \$1.65 to \$1.75, according to quality. *Eggs* are higher, with receipts very small; case lots sell at 15c to 16c. *Hogs* offer slowly, and are unchanged at \$8 to \$8.50. *Hops* steady, with but a small demand; choice are worth 18c to 20c, and medium 14c to 16c. *Onions* are nominal. *Potatoes* are higher on limited receipts and a better demand; cars sold on Saturday at 45c per bag, and on Tuesday at 50c. *Poultry* firm, with receipts yet small; chickens are quoted at 40c to 50c per pair, and fowls 60c to 70c. *Tallow* quiet and unchanged at 6½c to 6¾c; dealers pay ¾c for rough and 6c to 6½c for rendered.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—This business has been quiet during the week, with but few changes in values. *Paris Green* is unchanged at 22c to 25c. *Quince Seed* is higher at \$4 to \$5. *Opium* is selling at \$6.50 to \$7. *Quinine* is unchanged at \$3.50 to \$3.75. *Tartaric Acid* is steady at 58c to 6c. *Creosote of Tartar* unchanged at 35c. *Turpentine* steady at 70c. *Linseed Oil* firm at 79c for boiled and 76c for raw. *Glycerine* scarce and higher at 38c to 40c. *Potass Iodide*, \$3 to \$3.25 per lb.; *Potass Bromide*, 45c to 50c per lb. *Oil Lemon*, \$3.50. *Alcohol*, \$2.53 per barrel, cash. *Morphine* is lower at \$3.65 to \$3.75 an ounce. *Cochineal* is quoted at 65c to 70c per lb. Heavy chemicals and dye-stuffs unchanged.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Flour is in good demand, but there are apparently few sellers, and prices are firm at an advance. The latter part of last week there were sales of Superior Extra at \$5.35, and Extra at \$5.20. On Tuesday Superior Extra is said to have sold at equal to \$5.60, which was no doubt for a superior brand; however, there were buyers yesterday at \$5.55. Extra would probably bring \$5.35, and although Spring Extra sold the latter part of last week at \$5.05, it is now probably worth \$5.25. Superior sold yesterday at \$5.45 and \$5.50. The stock in store is only 2,194 barrels, against 2,500 barrels last week and 2,254 barrels the corresponding week of last year. *Oatmeal* is quiet and steady at \$4.25 to \$4.35 in car lots, according to brand. *Cornmeal* dull and nominal at \$3. Bran continues steady, with sales at \$10 a ton on track and \$10.50 delivered. The Flour market closes quiet but firm, with buyers of Superior at \$5.55; Extra nominal at \$5.25; and Spring Extra at \$5.10 to \$5.15.

WHEAT.—The market has been fairly active at higher figures; the export demand has been good, and the quantity offering small. The latter part of last week there were sales of round lots of Nos. 1 and 2 Spring, together, at \$1.22, of No. 2 Fall at \$1.20 and \$1.21½, and of No. 2 Spring at \$1.22. On Monday 2000 bushels of No. 2 Spring sold at \$1.25, July delivery, buyers option, and car lots of No. 2 Fall at \$1.21, No. 2 Spring at \$1.22 and No. 3 Spring at \$1.17, present delivery. Yesterday no sales were reported, but \$1.22 was bid for 10,000 bushels of No. 2 Spring. No. 1 Fall is held at \$1.25. There is a good demand to-day, with holders not inclined to sell. No. 2 Spring would bring \$1.24 and No. 2 Fall \$1.22. The stock in store is 165,803 bushels, against 184,700 bushels last week and 148,788 bushels the corresponding week of 1880.

COARSE GRAINS.—*Barley.*—The feeling with holders has improved in consequence of better prices outside, but no sales are reported here, and prices are purely nominal. The stock in store is 16,721 bushels against 1,796 bushels the corresponding week of last year. *Peas* are firm with limited offerings; the only sale reported

was during the latter part of last week at 75c for good shipping lots. The stock in store is 22,575 bushels, against 29,700 bushels last week and 1,541 bushels the corresponding week of 1880. *Oats* have ruled steady; offerings have been small and the demand moderate. Sales of Western have been made at 39c on track almost daily. The stock is 19,537 bushels against 16,325 bushels the corresponding week of 1880. *Rye* dull and nominal at 85c. *Corn* is also dull but firm at 60c.

FREIGHTS.—Grand Trunk rates are unchanged this week, and ocean rates slightly altered.

GROCERIES.—There is a moderate demand and firm prices, but the chief movement is in sugars and teas. Medium qualities of Japans are firm at an advance of three cents, and granulated sugar is steady at 11c to 11½c. For other articles, our quotations of last week are unchanged. Payments are said to be good.

HARDWARE.—An active trade is still reported, and the movement unusually large for the season. Although orders are generally for small parcels they are numerous, and the feeling among the trade is good. With the exception of nails, prices are generally firm. We quote: Antimony, 17c to 18c per lb. *Axles.*—No. 11 half-patent, short beds, \$3.35; 1, \$3.35; 1½, \$4.33; 1½, \$5.15; 1½, \$6.31; 1½, \$8.22; 1½, \$10.41; 1½, \$12.50. Discount 30 per cent. *Barbed Fencing Wire* in good demand and firm at 8c to 8½c for galvanized and 7½c to 8c for painted. *Canada Plates* steady at \$3.50 to \$3.70, according to quality. *Nails* in fair demand and easy: 10 dy. to 50 dy. hot cut American or Canadian pattern, per keg of 100 lbs., \$2.50 to \$2.60; 8 dy. and 9 dy., do., \$2.75 to \$2.85; 6 dy. and 7 dy., do., \$3.00 to \$3.20; 4 dy. and 5 dy., American pattern, \$4.30 to \$4.35; 3 dy., do., \$4.05 to \$4.10; 4 dy. and 5 dy., cold cut Canadian pattern, \$3.05 to \$3.10; 3 dy., do., \$3.50 to \$3.60. Galvanized Iron steady at 6½c to 7c for No. 28; No. 26 half cent. less. Glass in fair demand, and firm; up to 25 in., \$1.75 to \$1.80; 26 to 40 in., \$1.80 to \$1.90; 41 to 50 in., \$2.15 to \$2.20. *Bar Iron*, ordinary, \$1.80 to \$1.90; refined horse shoe bars, \$2.25; Black sheet, \$2.50; Swedish Iron, \$4.50; and Norway, \$4.50 per 100 lbs. *Pig Iron* quiet and steady at \$20.00 for Eglinton, \$20.50 for Summerlee, \$21.00 for Coltness, and \$21.50 for Siemens. *Iron Wire.*—No. 6, per bundle, \$1.80 to \$1.85; No. 9, \$2.10 to \$2.25; No. 12, \$2.40 to \$2.45; No. 16, \$3.00 to \$3.05. *Tin Plates*, steady, as follows: IC coke, 10 x 14, \$5 to \$5.25; IC charcoal, 10 x 14, \$5.75 to \$6; IX charcoal, 10 x 14, \$7.75 to \$8; IXX charcoal, 10 x 14, \$9.75 to \$10; IXXX charcoal, 14 x 20, \$11.50 to \$12; DC charcoal, 12½ x 17, \$5.75 to \$6; DX charcoal, 12½ x 17½, \$7.50 to \$7.75. *Shot*, 5½c to 6c.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The hide market is very firm, with receipts of green small; butchers are receiving 8½c for cows and 9c for steers; cured are held at 9½c to 10c. *Calfskins* steady and unchanged from last week; green are quoted at 14c. *Sheepskins* dull, the receipts being confined to pelts at 25c. *Lambskins* are higher at 40c.

LEATHER.—There is only a moderate business doing at present, but the recent advance has been fully maintained. Following are the quotations to the country trade: Spanish sole No. 1, all weights, 25c to 27c; Spanish sole No. 2, 23c to 25; slaughter sole, heavy, 28c to 29; slaughter sole, light, 27c to 29c; Buffalo sole, 23c to 25c; hemlock harness leather, 32c to 35c; oak harness leather, 45c to 50c; oak belting leather, 30c to 31c; upper, heavy, 36c to 40c; upper, light, 40c to 44c; kip skins, French, \$1.00 to \$1.05; kip skins, English, 70c to 80; Splits, large, 29c to 31c; buff, 16c to 18c; pebble, 15c to 17c; russets, saddlers', \$8.50 to \$9.00; hemlock, calf, 36 to 40 lbs. per doz, 75c to 85c; hemlock, light, 60c to 70c; French calf, \$1.30 to \$1.40; Cod oil, 55c to 65c; strait's oil, 50c to 55c; gambier, 5½c to 6c; sumach, 5½c; degreas, 6c.

LIVE STOCK.—*Cattle.*—The receipts this week have been larger than last, there being about thirty car loads. The demand was good and prices were fully sustained, butchers cattle being from 4c to 5½c per lb. and export stock 5½c. Shippers contend that there is a loss to them at this price, but as they have contracted for space they must fill it. *Sheep* are firm at 4½c to 5½c, the latter for first-class; the supply is small. *Lambs* rule firm at \$3.50 to \$5 each. *Calves* sell at \$10 to \$12 for first-class, \$6 to \$8 for second-class, and \$4 to \$5 for third-class. *Hogs* unchanged at 6c per lb.

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