

red do. 4½ to 4¾c.; London washed whiting, 50 to 55c. Paris white, \$1.00 to \$1.15; Cookson's Venetian Red, \$1.75; other brands Venetian Red, \$1.50 to \$1.60; Yellow ochre, \$1.50; Spruce ochre, \$2.00 to \$3.00. Glass, \$1.50 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.60 for second break.

SALT.—A moderate business is doing for the season, store prices are now in force; we quote coarse twelves 50 to 52½c., elevens 53 to 55c., factory-filled \$1.25; Eureka dairy \$2.40; Rice's pure dairy \$2.00; Turk's Island 30c. a bushel.

WOOL.—Business is rather quiet, still domestic are taken up about as quickly as offered; the demand will probably be very active till after New Year's. Values are rather easier if anything. We quote A. supers 26 to 27c.; B. ditto 23 to 24c.; unsorted 22 to 24c.; fleece 24 to 25c.; Cape 14½ to 15c.; Australian 15 to 17c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, December 8th, 1887.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Travellers now out are sending in a fair number of sorting orders, but the demand is principally confined to rubbers, overshoes and felt goods. There is also an odd spring order being sent in. On the whole business is rather ahead of this time last year. Factories are working short hours just now as manufacturing is slackening off.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—With the exception of quinine, which is gradually advancing again, there is nothing of an important character to chronicle in this branch of trade. Business keeps on the quiet side.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—No special features are observable in this department. What few transactions have taken place have been principally in roller flours at \$3.75 to \$4.20. Some sales have been made on export account. The

feeling is quite firm and there appears to be no disposition to give way in price. Stocks held here are light but supplies at outside points are more ample. Bran is scarce and worth about \$14 to \$14.50. We hear of nothing beyond a local enquiry for oatmeal and cornmeal.

GRAIN.—Our market is in a somewhat unsettled condition in sympathy with the variability of American markets. The demand for wheat is confined to the supply of the wants of local millers, and since navigation closed trade in any line is not brisk. Our list shows current values in fall and spring. Barley is selling at our figures in car lots, no larger parcels changing hands since close of navigation. Peas are in demand at a slight advance over last week's prices. There is a firm feeling in oats which command a cent more since last issue, say 35 to 37c. Corn and rye are purely nominal.

The visible supply of grain as estimated by the Secretary of the Chicago Board of Trade shows a stock of wheat amounting to 40,000,000 bushels, an increase of 899,000 bushels; corn, 5,000,000 bushels, decrease of 870,000 bushels; oats, 6,000,000 bushels, decrease of 50,000 bushels; rye, 280,000 bushels, decrease of 41,000 bushels; barley, 3,600,000 bushels, decrease of 81,000 bushels.

GROCERIES.—We have to note another advance in sugars since our last. There is now nothing under 6½c. in Canadian refined at Refinery, and that of the darkest color and hard to get. Extra granulated quotes at 7½ to 7¾c. and Redpath's Paris lump 8½ to 8¾c. The market is very firm and very active, considering the volume of trade. Molasses has advanced in sympathy with sugar and the range is now 35 to 40c. Currants are firm with an advancing market in Greece. Valencia raisins merely steady.

HAY AND STRAW.—Receipts on farmers market have been quite liberal during the week and prices are in consequence perceptibly lower. We quote for loose timothy hay, \$14.00 to 16.00; clover hay, \$12.00 to 14.00. Straw, bundled oat, \$12.00 to 13.50, and loose unchanged from \$7.00 to 9.00.

HIDES AND SKINS.—No change to note in price of hides which are in fair supply, but we cannot report many transactions. Dealers and tanners are both awaiting developments. Sheepskins now stand at 90c. for best. Stocks are about as usual. There is nothing doing in calfskins and values are nominal. Tallow still keeps dull and unchanged.

PETROLEUM.—Owing to a drop in crude, prices of refined are lower. We now quote Canadian in 5 to 10 barrel lots, 13c.; single barrels, 13 to 13½c.; Carbon Safety, 16½c.; American Prime White, 22½ to 23c.; Water ditto, 24c., and Photogene, 25c. The demand is good.

PROVISIONS.—Trade is only of moderate extent. Butter is quiet; choice is salable at 20

to 21c.; rolls are in large supply and easier at 17 to 18c. and for really choice 19c. In cheese the feeling is dull and easy. Factory-men are anxious sellers and the buyers are in the minority. Although the market for hog products is firm there is little business being done. Dressed hogs have advanced smartly and sell at \$6.25 to 6.30. For fresh eggs the quotation is 21 to 22c. and for pickled 18c. Dried and evaporated apples show no change in price. Of poultry there is an excessive supply current prices are 6 to 8c. for turkeys per lb., 5 to 5½c. for geese, 25 to 30c. per pair for chickens, 40 to 50c. for ducks.

WOOL.—A quiet market still prevails and our prices current shows no changes since a week ago. Fleece is nominal, there being no sales heard of. In pulled wool the demand is only moderate, indeed buyers will be few until after stocktaking. There is also very little doing in foreign goods.

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