

advancing in price and sales of heavy mess have been made at \$19.00. Thin mess is very firm at \$17.50 to 17.75. Bacon and Hams are unchanged. Lard is steady at 12½c. for pails.

SALT.—There have been some large transactions in coarse, exship a shade under our quotation of 54 to 57c; Factory filled remains unchanged.

WOOL.—There has only been a small business done in domestic wool. We quote pulled super A. 35c; ditto B. 33c; Black 30c; Greasy Cape 18½ to 19½c.

## TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Sept. 23rd, 1880.

Trade cannot be said to have been so active as it was during the Exhibition week, but a good business has been done in almost every line since our last, and generally at firm prices. The fall trade has opened well, and seems likely to be a good one. Remittances seem to be satisfactory all over.

Stocks have been firmer than in the preceding week. The downward movement seems to have been checked, but there cannot be said to have been any symptoms of a further advance. The steadiness seems due to the character of the bank statement, and the generally prosperous state of affairs. Montreal bank sold on Monday and Wednesday at 154 to 152½, and then 153½. Merchants brought 105½; Commerce, 128; Ontario, 86½ and 86; Federal, 121½; Molsons, 98½; Montreal Telegraph, 133 to 134; British American, 151, but closing with 150 bid. Loan and Savings stocks have been advancing, but few offered.

ROOTS AND SHOES.—Have been fairly active at steady but unchanged prices; sales chiefly of the sorting-up sort.

CATTLE.—The demand has been active, and fully sufficient to absorb all offering. Export cattle or steers, averaging from 1200 lbs. upwards, have been so scarce that lighter weights have begun to be taken; prices have ranged from \$4.75 to 6.25; second-class, or light steers and heifers and heavy cows, have been wanted for the Montreal market and have been firmer, at \$4.00 to 4.50. Third-class has sold well at from \$3.25 to 3.75. Sheep have shown little change; first-class weighing not under 140 lbs. have been taken for shipment at \$4.00 per cental, or 6.00 to 7.00 per head, and second-class at \$5.00 to 6.00. Lambs.—The demand has improved, and prices have been steady, at \$3.37 to 3.75 for first class, dressing not under 40 lbs., the better price being for picked only; second-class have ranged from \$2.75 to 3.45; and third-class, chiefly culls, have sold about \$2.50. Calves.—Very quiet, with but few offered or wanted; first-class 100 to 125 lbs. have been worth \$6.00 to 7.50, and second class slow of sale at \$3.00 to \$5.50.

COAL AND WOOD.—There has been a fairly active business done, and the demand is on the increase. Prices are unchanged, and seem likely to be influenced by prices in the States.

DAY GOODS.—A fairly good trade in sorting-up sales has been done since the close of the exhibition. Flannels have been wanted, and some houses are oversold, with manufacturers hard pressed to supply orders. Cottons have been quiet but steady, and sales of tweeds seem to have varied in different houses.

Flour and MEAL.—An improved demand for flour set in last week and was followed by an advance in price. Superior Extra sold at \$4.75 on Friday up to 4.85, and \$4.90 on Monday; but on Tuesday it gave way and sold at \$4.60, which is the most that would have

been paid yesterday. Extra has not been offered and would not have brought over \$4.65 yesterday. Spring Extra seems less wanted and not worth over \$5 to 5.10. Bran has been firmer and sold at \$10 on track. Oatmeal.—Steady with sales of cars at 4.00 for common and \$4.12½ for choice; small lots at \$4.25 to 4.75.

FREIGHTS.—There has been a fair demand for grain vessels but enough of them to be had; rates have been firm at 2c. on wheat or barley from Toronto to Lake Ontario ports. Lumber has been \$1.25 to Oswego with 30c. back on coal. Rail rates are unchanged at 30c. on flour to Montreal; and 65c. to the Maritime Province ports. Through rates by Dominion and Beaver line are as follows:—Flour 93c. per bri, provisions 48½c; butter and cheese 64½c. flour and oatmeal in bags 42c. per cental.

GRAIN.—There have been small offerings of everything except oats but the supply has probably been sufficient as no demand for European shipments has been heard; pieces have generally been firm. Wheat has been scarce and wanted for milling. No. 2. fall has been firmer and selling at \$1.00 f.o.c., this price being paid for a round lot on Tuesday. No. 1 spring has been scarce but a few cars have sold at \$1.10 f.o.c., and No. 2. spring has brought \$1.08 f.o.c. Oats.—Abundant and declining; cars on the track sold last week at 34 and 33c, but the latest sales on Tuesday and Wednesday were at 33 and 32c, the latter for eastern. Barley.—In good demand and firm with the greater part of the supply consisting of No. 2. which has sold free y well through the week at 65c f.o.c. The market closed yesterday with No. 1. wanted at 70c; sales of choice No. 2. at 67c; of ordinary No. 2. at 65c and of extra No. 3. at 60c f.o.c., with No. 3. purely nominal. Street receipts through the week were about 54,000 bushels and prices yesterday 54 to 70. Peas.—There have been no car lots offered, and prices of them are purely nominal; on the street from 60 to 65c had been paid. Rye.—Very scarce with cars wanted at 70 to 72c and 70c paid on the street where receipts are small.

GROCERIES.—Have been fairly active with prices generally steady. Tea.—Lines have continued in good demand with the tendency of prices upwards. Young Hysons have sold at 57c. for firsts, at 42c. for good seconds, and at 34 to 35½c. for thirds. Japans have brought 43 for fine and 37 for Nagasaki, both new. Blacks, quiet, but one line of coarse Congou sold at 33. Sales on English account have been checked by advancing prices, but a fair business has been done. Coffee.—The only jobbing movement reported has been the sale of some lots of Rio at 17 and 17½c. other sorts are held as before. Sugar.—There has been a fall of 25c per cental at the factories, and the effect has been to make all sorts weak. Canadian yellows have sold in lots at 7½ to 9 and granulated at 10½. Scotch has been moving at 7½ to 8½ for dark and cars have been sold at 8½ for low-grade and 9½ for bright. Raw sugar quiet and generally unchanged. Syrups.—Quiet and unchanged but some West India molasses is now in the market. Fruit.—There have been some small arrivals of New Valencia and one job lot of 100 boxes sold at 8c but there is no more to be had at this price, as cable advices report still advancing prices market and Canadian orders not filled. holders here are firm at 8½ to 9c. the latter for small lots. There is scarcely any old box fruit in the market and quotations must be regarded as almost nominal. Currants are very firm with sales of job lots of 1879 crop at 5½ to 6c; new are expected within a few days and will go high. Filberts have sold at 8½c. and Almonds at 16½c. Rice.—Steady with sales of job lots of 50 and 100 bags at \$4.05 to 4.10; and small lots at \$4.37 to 4.50. Tobacco.—In better demand with sales of job lots of No. 1 Peerless at 15c. and Blackbird and Black Hawk at 18c. in bond. Fish.

No lake fish yet in the market and other sorts selling so slowly that quotations may be regarded as almost nominal. Liquors.—Wines and brandies are held very firmly with an advance expected but none yet established.

HARDWARE.—A good business is generally reported. Shelf goods have been active and a demand has prevailed for shot, fire-arms and axes. Tin plates have been rather quiet with prices rather unsettled but no change reported. Pig iron has been wanted for the Maritime Provinces.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Green hides remain unchanged in price, with all offering wanted; cured have been selling steadily at 10 to 10½c. Calfskins.—Offerings are small and prices unchanged. Sheepskins.—In fair supply, with the best green selling as before at \$1.00; dry are coming in slowly, and selling usually at 60 to 85c.

LEATHER.—Trade is generally active, particularly with the country, but there has been very little change in the general condition of the market. Sole has been wanted, and prices have been very firm. Upper has been more wanted. Harness.—Scarce with an upward tendency in price. Splits.—In good demand and firm.

PETROLEUM.—Active and firm, with a further advance since our last. Cars have been selling at 25c f.o.b. at Petrolia, and small lots here at 27c for five to ten barrels, and 28c for single barrels.

PROVISIONS.—Rather less active, but still selling well. Butter has been quiet since our last; unfavorable cable advices have checked the shipping demand and caused buyers to hold off, while the local market has been rather better supplied by street receipts. Prices have consequently declined one to two cents; selections sold in the latter part of last week at 20c, but 19c was the very best bid yesterday, and round lots would have brought over 17 to 18c; culls nominal, at 12½ to 14c. Cheese.—Small lots of fine are steady at 12½ to 13½c. At Ingersoll, on Tuesday, 5050 boxes sold at 13 to 13½c. Eggs.—In active demand has prevailed as there has been some movement in shipment to New York; prices are up a cent, and round lots bring 12 to 12½c. Pork.—No mess in the market, but prime mess has sold in small lots at \$17.00. Bacon.—Stocks are now very low, and prices are very high. Cumberland is now held at 9½ to 9¾c. for tons and under, and long clear at 10½ to 10¾c; two cars of long clear smoked sold at 11c. but no more could be had at that price. Shoulders are steady at 6½c. for green and 8c. for smoked and Canvassed. Hams.—Have been less wanted and rather easier at 11½ to 12c. for canvassed and 11 to 11½c. for smoked. Lard.—Stocks very small, but not very much in demand; pails sell at 12 to 12½c. and tierces, at 10 c; there seems to be no tinnetts offering. Salt.—Liverpool firm, at last week's advance to 78c for lots of 100 bags, and 85 to 90c. for small lots; dairy unchanged, at \$1.25 to 1.30 for coarse bag lots. Goderich has taken a jump upwards this week, and is held at \$1.05 for cars in consequence of small stock, and a scarcity of fuel at the wells. Hops.—New have sold to a small extent at 28c. to 30, but are now generally held higher; last year's have brought 20c. to 25; all available seems likely to be wanted and holders are firm. Dried Apples.—New country lots have sold to a small extent at 5c., but it is doubtful whether this price would be repeated; dealers sell at 7c.

TALLOW.—Stocks now on hand are small and the demand has improved; prices are firmer at 5½c. for rendered and 3c. for rough.

WOOL.—The market has been inactive in native wools, but a good deal of imported has been sold to the factories. Fleece has remained quiet with buyers and sellers apart; one small lot sold at 27c., but holders generally refused to accept this price. Super is worth 30c. to 31, and extra-super from 33c. to 35, but no movement is reported.