

week and 40,062 bush. at a like time in 1880. We quote \$1.34 for No. 1. *Barley*.—More demand is apparent to-day than last week, the close of navigation stimulating buyers to complete orders. Stocks in store, 302,242 bush. against 283,900 bush. last week and 376,881 bush. at a like period of 1880. No. 1 is easy, but lower grades firmer. *Peas*.—Stocks in store 6,754 bush. against 6,751 bush. last week and 29,312 bush. at a like time last year. The market is quiet at 78c. for No. 1 and 77c. for No. 2. *Oats*.—The local demand has been active for some days, and the short supply has ended in an advance of 2 to 3c., bringing No. 1 up to 47c. *Rye*.—The market is declining. Stocks in store are 8,557 bush. as compared with 8,763 bush. last week and 9,442 bush. at a like time in 1880.

C. C. Morton's circular of Nov. 5th states the total receipts of Canadian barley at Oswego (new crop) to that date were 2,716,557 bush. of which 1,694,144 bu. came from up-lake ports, and 1,022,414 bu. from the Bay Quinte District. The receipts to corresponding period in 1880 were 2,999,052 bu.; in 1879, 2,440,030 bu.; in 1878, 2,017,355 bu.; in 1877, 2,387,295 bu. Compared with the receipts in 1880, the deficiency this season is 282,495 bush.

GROCERIES.—While there has not been any great movement of lines, the country trade has been brisk and payments are prompt. The *Sugar* market continues steady, a line of Barbadoes changed hands at 7½c. and one of P. R. at 8c. There is some Scotch refined in market at 7 to 9c. as to quality, Canadian steady. *Syrups* are firm and in request. In *teas* there is a demand for green, good to choice, while blacks and Japans have been quiet. *Fish*.—There are lake fish in stock, both trout and white fish, the latter bringing \$4.25 to 4.50 in small lots, and trout \$4.25; cod fish are worth \$5 to 5.25 per 112 lbs. Labrador herrings \$6.75 in brls. and \$3.25 to 3.38 in half brls. *Fruit*.—The supply is limited and prices are still stiffening, there is no old fruit in market: we quote new layers \$3 to 3.25; London ditto \$3.50 to 3.75; Valentias decidedly scarce at 9½ to 9¾; loose Muscatels \$3.25 to 3.50. New currants, figs and nuts are likewise coming into market.

We learn further with respect to the Assam Tea question, referred to in our Montreal market report last week. In pursuance of the resolve to introduce the Indian teas to Canada, the Calcutta Syndicate has appointed agents for the Dominion in the persons of Messrs. Musson & Morrow of Toronto, who will probably receive consignments shortly. Recent statistics from the London market show that these East Indian teas, black and green, are growing in consumption year by year in Britain, and its extended use must in time affect the export of China and Japan. We observe that some one has written from London, Ont., to the Colombo, Ceylon, *Times*, urging the introduction of the Ceylon teas into London, as a likelier point, (strange logic), than Montreal, Quebec or the other older cities.

HARDWARE.—Heavy goods have been moving freely during the fortnight shelf-hardware, table cutlery, plated-ware, skates and Christmas goods generally are actively in request, payments are satisfactory and the feeling in the trade one of confidence. All metal goods are firm, indeed it is complained by some of our importers that Montreal firms are stiffer in their views and getting higher prices in some instances than we, owing to the keener competition in the west. *Cut nails* and *Bar iron* and *Window glass* also higher.

HIDES AND SKINS.—No change in price to note except that cured and inspected *Hides* have been sold at 9.25 to 9.75c. which is a fall of 25c. on cows.

LIQUORS.—Prices of all strong liquors are well maintained, and in some instances higher. *Gin* shows a slight advance being higher in Hol-

land, B. D. we quote 2.25 to \$2.50, green cases 4.50 to \$4.75c.; *Rum*, both Jamaica and Demerara are more in demand with the approach of cold weather, but little enquiry for Scotch or Irish *Whiskeys*, the Canadian taking their place Canadian *ales* and *lager beer* in like manner are largely supplying the place of the imported article. *Brandies*, continue to be good value, we advance Hennessy's cases one star to 11.25 to \$11.50, an offer of \$11.38 was refused to day for a lot of 25 cases, for 3 star, as high as \$15 is got. No Otard in market. *Native wines* are in pretty steady request. We quote per Imperial gallon, Mataro 1.15 to \$1.20; Savigny \$1.75, Saterne \$1.75; Port \$1.50 to \$1.80; Sherry 1.50 to \$1.75.

SEEDS & HOPS.—Clover seed is beginning to move, and dealers are paying here from \$5 to 5.25 per bush of 60 lbs. delivered in Toronto. The crop in Western Canada is reported to be of good volume, and of very fair quality. The American crop is large; quotations at Toledo are \$5.30 to 5.50 per bushel, and at Chicago, \$5.00 to 5.25. *Timothy* is slow to move, but little offers at present, and nominal offer made by dealers here is \$5 to 5.50 per cental. *Hops* are firm, holders being not anxious to sell. The quality of the present crop is said to be better than last year. We quote 20c. to 23c. for new, and 10 to 15c. for yearlings.

WOODENWARE, &c.—Prices of all wooden goods such as pails and tubs are firm, paper pails have grown to be quite a feature of Eddy's manufacture at Hull. By reason of the short crop of broom corn—which is held at nearly double last year's prices—brooms have advanced from 15 to 20 per cent and manufacturers look for a further advance. In matches, the new Eagle parlor brand of sulphurless are taking well. We quote: *Washboards*.—X., \$1.60 per doz.; X.X. \$1.90; "Waverly" and "Planet," \$2.00. *Pails*.—2-hoop, Eddy's make, per doz., \$1.70; 3-hoop, 1.90; Stable, best, \$3.60. *Lard Pails*.—20-lb., \$2.00 per doz.; 30-lb., \$3.40; 50-lb., \$4.25. *Paper Pails*, per doz., \$4.00. *Tubs*, in nests of 3, \$1.80; of 4, \$2.75; of 8, \$3.00; of 9, \$3.85. *Tubs*, by the dozen.—No. 0. \$10.25; No. 1., \$9.00; No. 2, \$7.80; No. 3, \$6.60. *Matches*.—Eagle parlor, no sulphur, per case of 1 gross, 200 in box, \$1.75; of 300 in box, \$2.50; Sulphur. "Ruby," per case of 10 gross, 100 in box, \$6.00; per case of 1 gross, 200 in box, \$1.25; 1 gross, 300 in box, \$1.75; Eddy's "No. 1," \$3.25 per case; Eddy's "Telephone" \$2.85; Howard's Original, \$3.00; Howard's Phonograph \$2.75. *Brooms*, 3-string, "Gem," No. 1, \$3.80; ditto 2 X. \$3.35; ditto 2, \$3.10; ditto 3 2-string, \$2.60; ditto 4, \$2.10; Hurl O., 4-string, \$3.20; 3-string 1, \$2.85; ditto 2, \$2.35; down to No. 5, 2-string, \$1.80. *Whisks*, according to quality, from \$1.05 to 1.80.

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