

Dried apples are firmer with some speculative inquiry. We quote *Mess pork* \$21 to 22.00 *Bacon*.—Long clear 11½ to 11¾c. *Butter* 15 to 18c; *Cheese* 11 to 12c; *Hams* 14 to 15c; *Dried apples* 4½ to 4¾c. The summer pack of hops, according to the Cincinnati *Price Current*, has been only 2,647,900 hogs between the 1st March and 27th July, against 3,287,700 hogs same period last year. The trade in new hops has opened in New York. The crop reports from the United States do not indicate a full average crop this year. New York State reports point to a loss of one quarter from 1880. Wisconsin reports but three-quarters the usual average.

WOODENWARE.—Business continues to be active for this time of year, a steady demand has been apparent. *Matches* declined some weeks ago. *Eddy's No. 1* are now \$3.25 per case; "Telephone," \$3.00. *Eddy's* new parlor match is having a good run, selling at \$1.75 per gross for lots of 200s, and \$2.50 per gross for 300s. These are sulphurless and odorless. Prices in *Tubs*, *Pails* and *Washboards* are without a change. *Brooms* are steady, though the price of stock is on the rise.

WOOL.—The movement, which is not a large one, is mainly confined to foreign sorts to manufacturers. Domestic fleece is heavy and the price continues low, 23c. outside. A fortnight ago, a lot of 15,000 lbs., *Pulled*, was sold at 25½, 26½ and 28c for the various grades composing it; prices to-day are not greatly different. We know of a medium sized lot offering at 26c., and for selections 28c is paid. Canadian long-stapled fleece is a drug, and our farmers should cultivate Southdown wool or a cross grade in preference to the Leicester and Cotswold. It would pay them better in quality of mutton and in saleableness of wool. There is as much as 250,000 or 300,000 lbs. of fleece in three hands in this city, of last year's crop, besides another 100,000 in Kingston, Strathroy and Chatham, and, with this year's clip on top of that, the glut is a heavy one.

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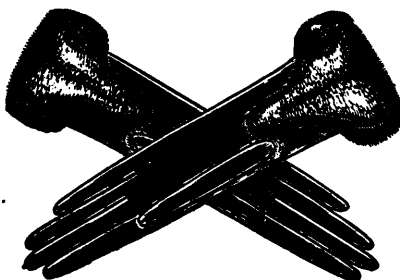
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City Treasurer's Office,
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