

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, 21st January, 1892.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—With the advent of seasonably cold weather, business is looking a little brighter, and orders are again including felts and rubbers. Spring orders are showing fairly well for the season, early buyers having already been supplied, and late purchasers do not generally buy until February. Payments are still rather backward.

DRUGS.—Business is reported moderately good, and payments are fair. The sale of heavy chemicals has, if anything, improved.

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La Grippe medicines are very firm, and quinine has advanced in price about one cent per oz. Values generally are holding their own, but price lists generally may be said to be without change.

DRY GOODS.—Reports are of much the same tenor as last week. Travellers are sending in fair-sized sorting orders, and report good prospects for next month. Spring goods continue to arrive, but the end of the current month will see them all warehoused. Cottons and woollens steadily maintain their values, and there is talk of an advance in domestic cottons. Payments are fair.

FLOUR AND OATMEAL.—The flour market is very dull, and prices all round, although unchanged, just nominal. There is none going east or for export. Oatmeal is easier in quotations, but unaltered. Bran is in less active demand, but offerings are less and prices are maintained at \$15 to 15.50 per ton in carload lots at outside points; city prices \$16 per ton.

GRAIN.—The wheat market is dull and heavy, in sympathy with outside. The English markets have been weak and declining for the past few days. The Americans have been running in the same groove; yesterday an advance of two cents per bushel was secured on the strength of the Chili war scare, but it has not been sustained. Ontario winter wheat has receded about two cents per bushel, spring wheat about one cent. Very little Manitoba hard wheat is coming forward, the market is pretty steady and prices remain without change. A little more enquiry is heard for barley for export to United States of the better grades for malting purposes, and some shipments of inferior are being sent to England for feeding purposes. Quotations are unchanged but the feeling is much firmer.

Oats are about ¼c. off, now quoted at 33 to 33½c. per bushel; offerings continue large, but the export demand has fallen off; local demand is about usual. Peas are lower and dull at the decline of one cent per bushel, now quoted at 59 to 60c.; what is selling is for export. Rye is wanted, but offerings are small; feeling easier, sales last reported at 89c., and offered here at 92 to 93c. Corn purely nominal.

TORONTO STOCKS IN STORE.

Stocks of grain in store in Toronto elevators, with comparisons, are as under:

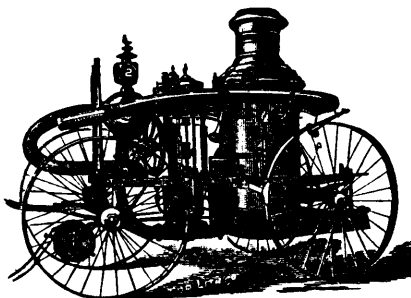
	Jan. 18, 1892.	Jan. 19, 1891.
Hard wheat, bushels....	18,810
Fall " " " " " " " "	35,858	36,654
Spring " " " " " " " "	34,470	71,261
Goose " " " " " " " "	5,600
Red " " " " " " " "	5,500
Barley, bushels.....	108,270	97,307
Peas " " " " " " " "	7,394	800
Oats " " " " " " " "	10,186
Corn " " " " " " " "	800
	226,888	206,022

The stock of grain in store at Port Arthur on January 7th was 800,056 bushels. During the week there has been received 122,203 bushels, and shipped 3,318 bushels, leaving in store on the 14th Jan., 914,940 bushels.

GROCERIES.—Business has perceptibly improved, but on the whole is disappointing; from this forward good trade is looked for, because the roads are now hard, and in many places there is sleighing. Dried fruits are dull and quiet; some inferior currants and raisins are offering at low figures. Mail advices from London, England, quote dates dearer by sixpence per cwt. New arrivals of Turkish prunes, "Sphinx" brand, are expected in the course of a few days; prices are a little lower than last year's range. Low grade Indian teas

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