

are now quoted one cent higher. Canadian in 5 to 10 barrel lots, 17c. Crude oils are said to be dearer than they have been for 14 years past. Business is good, large quantities being shipped.

PROVISIONS.—The dairy market continues to improve; for fine butter in tubs there is an active enquiry at unchanged prices, say 14 to 15c. per lb.; medium and inferior grades are totally neglected at 6 to 10c. per lb., large rolls selling at 12 to 14c. Cheese is steady, and for fall make shows an advance in value, quoted at 9½ to 10½c. Of dried and evaporated apples, old stocks are exhausted, and there is no new fruit on the market. In hog products trade is quiet, long clear bacon selling at 8½ to 8¾c. per lb.; hams are about exhausted, selling at 13c., new breakfast bacon, 10½c.; new rolls, 10c.; lard quiet and unaltered in price; eggs are much unsettled, and just now quoted at 17 to 18c. per dozen.

WOOL.—The wool market is quiet; prices weak and in some cases reduced; for fleece wool we quote 20c. per lb., a reduction of 1½c. per lb.; fleece clothing remains at 22 to 23c.; pulled wools are unchanged in prices. The demand from the mills continues of a very limited character and principally for small lots. As to foreign wools the report from London, England, on Sept. 27th ult., is that, so far as the sales have gone, they show in fine goods an advance of from 5 to 7 per cent. for really fine lambs, in merinos an advance of 5 per cent. may be quoted. At the sales in Havre, France, South American wools have been withdrawn, because better prices can be had privately. We doubt very much if shorn Cape skins can be bought at 10d. stg., and that means 21½c. per lb. laid down here. An advance in prices is also noted in Australian merino grease, and Australian scoureds. Crossbred wools do not show an advance, but sell firmly at July prices. Capes maintain their position, also good snow whites and inferior scoureds rule about 5 per cent. lower.

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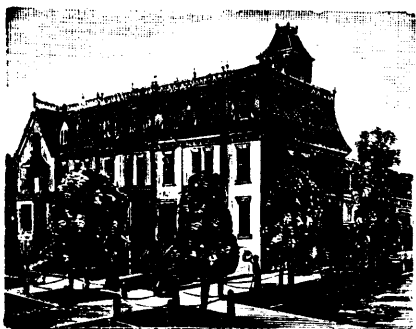
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