

complete failure of the crops in India, opium and morphia have made a stiff advance, and still higher prices may be expected. A very fair sorting up business is being done, and remittances are very good for the season. We quote *Bi Carb Soda*, \$3.60 to 3.75; *Soda Ash*, \$2.75 to 3.00; *Bi Chromate of Potash*, \$1.63 to 1.73; *Refined Borax*, 14 to 15c; *Cream Tartar Crystals*, 29 to 30; ditto ground, 32 to 35; *Caustic Soda*, \$3.00 to 3.50; *Sugar of Lead*, 12½ to 15½c; *Bleaching Powder*, \$2.25 to 2.50; *Alum*, \$2.00 to 2.25; *Copperas*, per 100 lbs \$1.25; *Sulphur* \$3.25 to 3.50; *Roll Sulphur*, \$2.25 to 2.50; *Epsom Salts*, 1.75 to \$0.00; *Sal Soda*, \$1.50 to 1.75; *Saltpetre*, \$9.00 to 9.50; *Sulphate of Copper*, \$7.00 to 8.00; *Whiting*, 65 to 70c; *Opium*, \$8.00 to 8.50; *Quinine*, \$4.25 to 4.50; *Iodide of Potass*, \$6.50 to 6.75; *Bromide of Potass*, 50 to 55c; *Morphia*, \$3.50 to 3.75; *Castor oil*, 13 to 14c; *Cod Liver oil*, \$1.00 to 1.10; *Shellac*, 55 to 60c.

**DRY GOODS.**—Business still continues moderately active, caused by buyers in the city, a number of them from the North-west, the city trade has also been doing well, and there is much more disposition shown to lay in considerable stocks. Both cotton and woollen goods are firm, although there is a report of a decline in the Manchester market. Remittances in this trade show a considerable improvement since our last report.

**FURS.**—There will not be much doing in the local market for a fortnight or three weeks, when some spring lots will begin to come in, meanwhile prices are pretty well established, the only change we have to note this week is a reduction in the price of Fisher. We quote *Mink* prime, dark large \$1.25 to 1.40; ditto small, 75c. to \$1.00; *Marten*, prime, 75c. to \$1.00; *Beaver* prime dark, per lb., \$2.00 to 2.25; *Bear* large, \$7.00 to 8.00; ditto small, \$2.00 to 4.00; *Red fox*, \$1.50 to 1.60; *Musk rat*, fall 8 to 10c; winter, 10 to 12½c; spring 15 to 17c; *Lynx* prime large, \$1.00 to 1.50; *Skunk* prime dark, large, 40 to 60c; ditto white large, 20 to 40c; *Raccoon* prime, 40 to 60; *Fisher* prime, \$4.00 to 6.00; *Otter*, prime dark, \$6.00 to 8.00.

**FLOUR.**—Receipts for the past week 6,072 bbls: Total receipts from 1st January to date 61,717 bbls., being a decrease of 59,452 bbls., on the receipts for the same period of 1879: Shipped during the week 2,416 bbls: Total shipments from 1st January to date 23,879 bbls., being a decrease of 18,975 bbls., on the shipments for corresponding period of 1879. The market has been quiet and business has been confined to the supply of local wants. Although we have heard of enquiries being made there has been nothing as yet been done for future delivery. We quote *Superior Extra* \$6.15; *Extra Superfine*, \$6.05 to 6.10; *Fancy*, \$5.97½; *Spring Extra*, \$5.90; *Superfine*, \$5.50 to 5.60; *Strong Baker's Flour*, \$6.25 to 6.50; *Fin*, \$5.00 to 5.10; *Middlings*, \$4.35 to 4.50; *Pollards*, \$3.20 to 3.30; *Ontario Bags*, \$2.85 to \$2.95; *Oatmeal*, \$4.50 to 4.60; *Cornmeal*, \$2.90 to 3.00.

**GRAIN.**—*Wheat.*—Receipts for the past week 9,800 bushels. Total receipts from 1st January to date, 343,176 bushels, being a decrease of 154,350 bushels on the receipts for the corresponding of 1879. Shipments during the week 6,102 bushels. Total shipments from 1st January to date, 275,448 bushels, being a decrease of 218,691 bushels on the shipments for the same period of 1879. There is no change as yet to note in the state of the wheat market, and in the absence of transactions price is still nominal at \$1.40 to 1.42 for Canada spring. *Maise* is inactive at 70c. *Oats* are more enquired for, price is firm at 32 and 34c is offered for May delivery. *Peas* are held at 80c, but we have heard of no sales. *Barley* and *Rye* are nominal. **SEEDS.**—*Timothy* \$3.40 to 3.50. *Clover* \$3.80 to 4.00.

**GROCERIES.**—*Teas.*—Japan markets are very low and considerable orders have gone out there but the new crop teas will likely be here as soon as those now ordered which will most likely be coming by sailing vessels. Our market is very dull and no appearance of any recovery of the late decline. Prices are nominally unchanged. *Coffee* is dull and without any change in values since this day week. *Sugar.*—The market is very firm but the demand has not been very active. Last weeks advance has been fully maintained, and we still quote granulated 10 to 10½c, and yellows 7½ to 9c. *Raw sugars* are nominally unchanged at 8 to 8½c. *Molasses* are firm and a moderately active business has been done, several large transactions are reported within our range of quotations. Barbadoes 33 to 36½, holders now ask 39c for small lots. Porto Rico, 32 to 36c; Trinidad, 30 to 34c; *Rice* \$4.20 to 4.50. *Spices.*—If anything, the market is easier, but we cannot make any change in quotations which would probably be shaded for large lots. Black pepper, 10½ to 12c; White pepper, 18 to 19c; Allspice, 13 to 15c; Cloves, 35 to 40c; Cassia, 16 to 17c; Nutmegs 35 to 85c; African ginger, 7 to 8c; Jamaica ginger, 20 to 25c; Mace, 74 to 90c. *Fruit.*—Stocks of most kinds are pretty low, and as a consequence prices though nearly unchanged are firm. We quote, loose Muscatels, new, \$2.45 to 2.50; ditto, old, \$1.75 to 1.85; new layers, \$2.15 to 2.30; new London layers, \$1.85 to 3.00; *Valencias*, 8 to 8½c; *Sultanias*, 8½ to 9½c; *Currants*, 6½ to 7½c for new, old ditto, 4½ to 5½c; *Figs* 10 to 12c; *Prunes*, old 6½ to 8c; *Tarragona almonds* 18 to 20c; *Filberts* 8½ to 9c; *Walnuts*, Bordeaux 8½ to 9½c.

**HIDES.**—Grubby hides are plentiful, and the late reduction in prices is maintained, we still quote \$8, 7, and 6 for Nos. 1, 2, and 3, respectively. *Calfskins*, 12½c.

**HARDWARE.**—General dullness is still the prevailing feature of the Hardware market, there has been a slightly downward tendency in prices but we repeat last week's quotations, as in the absence of transactions prices are nominally unchanged. We quote *Pig Iron*, Glengarnock, \$32 to 33; Summerlee, \$32 to 33; Eglington, \$30; Carnbroe, \$32 to 33; Hematite, \$40. *Bars* per cwt, Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.75 to 2.80; best ditto, \$3.00 to 3.10; *Swedes and Norway*, \$4.50 to 5.00; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.50 to 6.75; *Canada Plates*, Swansea and Penn, \$6.00 to 6.00; Hatton, \$5.75 to 6.00; Arrow, \$6.00 to 6.75. *Tin Plates* ordinary brands, Charcoal I C, \$10.00 to 10.50; Charcoal I X, \$12.00 to 12.50; Charcoal D C \$9.00 to \$9.75; Coke I C \$9.00 to 9.50. *Tinned Sheets*, \$14 to 14½. *Galvanised Sheets* best brands, No 28, \$8.75 to 9.00. Hoops and bands \$3.25 to 3.50; *Sheets* best brands, \$3.50 to 3.75. *Steel*, cast, per lb, 13 to 14c; spring per cwt, \$4.50 to 4.75; best do., warranted, 0.00 to 0.00; tire ditto, \$4.00 to 4.25; Sleigh shoe, \$3.25 to 3.50. *Boiler Plates*, ordinary brands per cwt, \$3.50 to 3.75; best ditto, \$4.00 to 4.25; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$7.25 to 8; *Lead* per cwt, Pig, \$5.50 to 6.00; sheet ditto, \$6.00 to 6.50; bar ditto, \$6.00 to 6.50; shot, Canadian, \$6.50 to 7.00; *Ingot Tin*, \$28 to 30; *Ingot Copper*, \$22 to 23; *Horse Shoes*, \$4.00 to 4.50. *Sheet Zinc*, \$6.75 to 7.00; *Cut nails* 10 dy., to 60 dy., \$3.85; 8 dy., to 9 dy., \$4.00; 6 dy., to 7 dy., \$4.35; 4 dy., to 5 dy., \$4.65; 3 dy., \$5.35; the above nails are Hot cut American or Canada Patterns, Cold cut nails of Canada patterns 4 dy., \$4.35; 3 dy., 4.85; *Presed spikes* 3.90 to 4.75.

**LEATHER.**—Business continues quiet, though the movement has shown a little more activity the past week. With firmer markets abroad, sole has stiffened and there has been a rather better inquiry from the shoe manufacturers as well as from the retailers. In curried leather there is no improvement to report while stocks are slowly accumulating. Buyers are holding

off waiting for lower prices though their chances in this respect are not favorable in face of an advancing hide market. We repeat our quotations of last week. We quote *Hemlock Spanish Sole*, No. 1, B. A. 26 to 27½c; ditto No. 2, B. A., 24 to 25½c; No. 1, *Ordinary*, 25 to 26c; No. 2, ditto, 23c to 24; *Buffalo Sole*, No. 1, 22 to 23c; ditto No. 2, 20 to 21c; *Hemlock slaughter*, No. 1, 27 to 30c; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 37 to 42½c; ditto, heavy, 35 to 38c; *Grained*, 35 to 40c; *Splits*, large, 28 to 34c; ditto, small, 25 to 30c; *Calfskins*, (27 to 36 lbs.), 55 to 70c; per lb., ditto (18 to 26 lbs.) 50 to 60c per lb; *Sheepskin linings*, 30 to 50c; *Harness*, 24 to 34c; *Buffed cow*, 14 to 17c; *Enamelled cow*, 15 to 17c; *Patent Cow*, 15 to 17c; *Pebbled Cow*, 13 to 17c; *Rough*, 24 to 28c.

**OILS.**—*Petroleum.*—This article is rather off in price this week and we reduce our quotations all round. There is a fair consumptive demand, but speculators are holding off in hopes of lower prices. The syndicate price in London Ont., is firm at 13c, and no change is likely to take place there until Parliament has decided what the "Test" is to be. We now quote car lots 14½ to 16c; according to the time it has been in store. Five bbls. lots 15½ to 16c; Single bbls., 16 to 16½c; *Linsed oil* is firm at 71 to 72c, for boiled and 67½ to 70c; for *Raw Fish oils* are quiet and few transactions of any moment are transpiring. *Cod Oil* is still worth 47½ to 50c; *Seal*, pale, 50 to 52½c; steam refined 57½ to 60c; *Olive* \$1.05 to 1.25; *Palm oil* 8½ to 9c.

**PROVISIONS.**—*Butter.*—Receipts during the past week 838 pkgs.: shipments 301 pkgs. There is almost no shipping demand, and business is almost entirely confined to the supply of local wants. Old butter from good to best qualities bring from 16 to 20c. but new butter commands full prices, say from 20 to 22c. *Cheese.*—There have neither been receipts or shipments this week, and the local demand has been meagre, the price is nominally higher than last Tuesday, say 14 to 15½c. *Pork.*—The demand for this article is not very active, but a few sales transpire now and then at \$16.00 to 16.50; *Lard* is in more request and some large transactions are reported within our range of quotations, 10 to 10½; *Smoked hams* 11 to 12c; *Bacon* 9 to 10½c.

**SALT.**—Prices are firm and a few sales are occasionally made at our quotations. *Coarse*, 11's 65 to 70c. 10's 70 to 75c; factory filled \$1.15 to 1.25 for well known brands.

**WOOL.**—There is little to report in this branch of trade, stocks of Canadian wools keep so low. We give the range for Canadian unassorted pulled at 32 to 35c, and Greasy Cape at 22 to 23c.

## TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, March 25th, 1880.

The prospect of spring which bright skies and open water affords us, does not appear as yet to have given much of an impulse to trade. The delay till 1st of May in opening the Welland Canal, which contract arrangements appear to render unavoidable, will be a serious disappointment to shippers, as well as to vessel and steamer owners at home and abroad. Navigation will open early on the Western lakes; steamers are plying on Detroit river and Lake Erie now. Admission is to be given by the canal feeder, via Dunnville, however, about the middle of April.

**CATTLE.**—A moderate trade has been doing, and a good demand exists for export. Good *beeves* command from 5 to 5½c., live weight. *Calves* are selling pretty well, "holy week"