

lee, \$21.00 to 21.25; Eglinton, \$19.75 to 20.50; Carnbroe, \$20.25 to 21.00; Langloan, \$21.50 to 22.00, bars per 100 lbs. Scotch and Staffordshire, \$1.80 to 1.85; best ditto \$2.25 to 2.30; Swedes and Norway, \$4.25 to 5.25; Lowmoor and Bowling \$6.25 to 6.50; Canada plates per box—Glenmorgan & Budd \$3.30; Arrow \$3.50; Hatton \$3.15 to 0.00. Tin plates per box Charcoal IC, \$5.75 to 6.00; ditto, IX., \$7.50 to 8.00; ditto, DC., \$5.25 to 5.50; Coke \$4.75 to 5.00; Tinned Sheets, No. 26, Char., 10 to 11c; Galvanized Sheets, 28 best, 6½ to 7½; Hoops and Bands, \$2.25 to 2.50; Sheets, best brands, \$2.50 to 2.75; Boiler Plate, \$2.50 to 2.75; Lead, Pig, per 100 lbs. \$4.50 to 4.75; ditto, Sheet, \$5.00 to 5.50; ditto; Bar, \$5.00 to 5.50; ditto, Shot, \$6.00 to 6.50; Cast Steel, 11½ to 13c; Spring Steel, \$3.75 to 4.00; Sleigh Shoe Steel \$3.00 to 3.25; Tire Steel, \$3.50 to 3.75; Ingot Tin, 25.00 to 26.00; Ingot Copper, \$17.50 to 18.00; Sheet Zinc, \$5.75 to 6.00; Spelter, \$5.50 to 5.75; Horse Shoes \$4.25 to 4.50; Iron Wire, per bdl. of sixty-three pounds, \$1.75; Cut nails, Sin. to 6in. hot cut American and Canadian pattern \$2.60; 2½in and 2½in do. do. \$2.85; 1½ to 2½in do. do. \$3.10; 1½in do. do. \$3.60.

Liquors.—Business still continues quiet. The stock of brandies and gin is small and prices are firm. Champagnes and wines are slow of sale. We quote *Brandy*, Hennessy's per gal. \$4.40 to 4.60; ditto in cases, \$11.25 to 11.50; Matignon & Co., per gallon \$3.30 to 4.50; ditto in cases, \$8.00 to 13.00; Boitards per gal. \$3.00 to 3.20; ditto cases \$6.40 to 9.50. *Gin*, De Kuyper's per gal. \$2.05 to 2.15; Red cases, \$7.90; Green cases \$4.60; Ball & Dunlop's, per gallon. \$1.95 to 2.10; Red cases \$7.75; green cases \$4.50; *Booth's Old Tom*, cases 6.50 to 6.75; ditto in wood, \$3.00; *Pelee Island Wines*, \$1.44 to 1.80 per Imp. gal.; in cases \$5.00 to 6.00; *Champagnes*, Piper Heidsieck \$25 to 26; Agala & Co., \$25 to 26; G. H. Munn's \$25 to 26; M. H. Mills La Diamont, \$18 to 20. *Ports*, Graham's \$2.10 to 4.80.

LEATHER.—The market has shown but little activity the past week, though a fair amount of leather has been placed in moderate sized lots. Stocks are well assorted, while receipts in some descriptions are in excess of the demand. Prices on the whole are fairly steady, though buyers have the advantage. We quote *Hemlock Spanish Sole* No. 1 B. A., 25 to 26c; ditto No. 2, B. A., 23 to 24; No. 1 *Ordinary* 24 to 25; No. 2, ditto, 22 to 23c; *Buffalo Sole*, No. 1, 22 to 23; ditto No. 2, 20 to 21; *Hemlock Slaughter*, No. 1, 26 to 28; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 36 to 42; do. heavy, 35 to 40c; *Grained*, 35 to 42; *Splints*, large, 24 to 33; ditto small, 24 to 28; *Calfskins*, (27 to 36 lbs.) 60 to 80c; ditto (18 to 26 lbs.) 55 to 70c.; *Sheepskin linings* 30 to 50; *Harness* 26 to 32c.; *Buffed Cow* 14 to 17c. per foot; *Enamelled Cow*, 15 to 16c.; *Patent Cow*, 15 to 16c.; *Pebbled Cow*, 14 to 16 *Rough* 24 to 30c.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter*.—Receipts 385 pkgs, shipments 990 pkgs. A good deal of butter has been changing hands during the week; the market however, closes dull. Creameries 24 to 27c; Eastern Townships, 20 to 22c; Morrisburg 19 to 21c; Brockville, 16 to 19c; Western, 15 to 17c. *Cheese*.—Receipts 500 boxes, shipments 2359 boxes, market has been quiet and steady all week at 12 to 13c. *Pork* is firm and rather dearer than last week, sales of mess reported at \$16.75 to 17.00; *Lard*, 11½ to 12½c; *Hams*, 12½ to 13c; *Bacon*, 10 to 11c.

RAW FURS.—At the coming sales in England martens are expected to do fairly. Red fox will be weak; skunk, mink and rats are likely to show a considerable falling off; raccoon, beaver, otter and fisher are expected to sell fairly, but all furs bought here for that market must be bought low, and buyers should not allow themselves to be led away by competition. Our quotations are

without any material change. *Winter Musk Rat*, 12c; ditto Fall 8c. *Kitts* 3c.; *Red Fox*, \$1.00 to 1.25; *Cross Fox*, \$2 to 3.00; *Silver Fox*, \$25 to 30.00; *Lynx*, \$1.00 to 1.50; *Marten*, 75c. to \$1.00; *Otter* \$8.00 to 10.00; *Mink*—Prime dark, \$1.00 to 1.25; *Beaver*, 2.50; *Bear*—Large prime, \$6 to \$8; ditto small \$4 to 5.00; ditto cubs, \$2 to 4.00; *Fisher*, \$5 to 6.00; *Skunk*—Black 25 to 50c.; *Raccoon*, 40 to 60c.

WOOL.—There has been a better enquiry for wool during the week but without leading to business, and little activity is anticipated before the beginning of February. Meantime prices are nominal and unchanged. Canada pulled A super, 34 to 35c; B super, 32 to 33c; nothing doing in foreign wools.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Jan. 20th, 1881.

A week of sleighing has had a brightening influence upon retail trade, and has in some departments affected wholesale business for the better. The high price prevailing for pork has brought some of it into market, but packers are not eager to buy much at such figures. There is not much doing in the cattle market; bread-stuffs are dull and weak, but provisions are more active, drugs moving fairly; dry goods and groceries quiet. Stocks have revived since the beginning of the week. Ontario sold on Monday at 98½ and at 100 yesterday. Merchants at 118 on Tuesday, Commerce 137 and to-day at 139; Canada Permanent sold at 199, Building & Loan Society at 98½ on Wednesday.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The stock of flour in store although greater than last week, is only half that of this time last year. The quantity is 7,447 bbls. against 6,763 bbls. last week and 14,898 bbls. on like date 1880. The market continues dull; there is scarcely any movement, no round lots changing hands. Prices are unaltered from last week's list. The quotation for superior extra is \$4.85; and nominally 4.70 for fancy and 4.10 for fine. *Oatmeal* continues quiet at say \$4.00 to 4.20; *Bran* 12.50 per ton.

Stocks of grain at the city elevators and stores have increased during the week. The following was the quantity on the 17th inst:

	Fall	Spring
Jan. 17 '81	Wheat. 80,244 bu.	Wheat. 56,645 426,291 54,867 12,242
Jan. 10 '81	78,263 bu.	53,691 403,018 49,205 11,713
Jan. 19 '80	148,840 bu.	154,529 181,190 50,162 2,890

GRAIN.—There is no life in the grain trade, only "hand to mouth" purchases are made. *Wheat*.—Fall.—Stocks in store 80,244 bush. against 78,263 bush. last week and 148,840 bush. on like date last year. No. 1 is nominally unchanged, but we quote No. 2 a cent lower, say \$1.09. *Wheat*.—Spring.—Stocks in store 56,645 bush. against 53,691 bush. last week and 154,529 bush. on like date last year. The market is weaker. We quote \$1.16 for No. 1. *Oats* are in small supply and there is none in the elevators. Demand is quiet, however, and prices unchanged. *Barley*.—Stocks in store 426,291 bush. against 403,018 bush. last week and 181,190 bush. on like date last year. The tendency is downward, we quote No. 1 at \$1.00 nominally and No. 2 extra at 95c. with 90c. for No. 2. nothing doing. *Peas* are unchanged in price. Stocks in store 54,867 against 49,205 bush. last week and 50,162 bush. on like date last year. *Corn* is inactive at former prices. *Rye* firm.

GROCERIES AND LIQUORS.—There are no special features to note in groceries; business is very moderate and prices unchanged. Messrs. Reinach's Nephews' Tea circular of 1st week in January has the following:—"Compared with

January 1880, prices are 35 to 40 per cent. lower, and the consumption, which during the last three months of 1879 and for the first six months of 1880, showed a continued decline, has since developed faster than the previous decrease. These last two months we have had a sustained and steady trade, the clearances for November and December being 33,150,000 lbs., against 26,690,000 lbs. in 1879. A year ago, wholesale dealers, as well as retailers, importers and speculators, were large holders at a high cost, whilst at present, stocks in all hands are moderate and quotations are at (what may certainly be called) a safe level. Importers ought to bear well in mind that the profits realised during the first two or three months of the season 1880-81 were due to the shipments from China being moderate, while losses were incurred latterly when, in response to the better market here, shipments were hurried forward. Let them arrange that the year's requirements come forward gradually, and not a whole season's supplies in three or four months. The wholesale trade has had serious warnings how undue competition leads to granting too great facilities, and the heavy losses incurred by bad debts during 1880 ought for some time to come act as a check, though we fear there is yet a tendency to err in this respect. One of the features of the year's trade has been the growth of the business in Indian teas, the deliveries in the past 12 mos. being 41,600,000, or more than a fourth the whole consumption of Great Britain, uncolored Japans, used so largely in America are not liked in Europe." *Liquors*.—Messrs. James Hennessy & Co. have desired their agents in Montreal to announce that, owing to the complete failure of the vintage of 1880 in the Cognac district and the exhaustion of their stocks of 1878's, they will have no brandy younger than 1877 vintage to dispose of. For these and the older vintages they hesitate to name a price, but not likely exceeding 300 Fs. for 1877's—older vintages in proportion. For cases prices in the meantime remain at: 30/- for one star, 35/- for two stars, 40/- for three stars, and 45/- for V. O., but subject to advance by cable on all quantities not actually booked.

HAY AND SHEEP.—Hay is offering freely since the snow of last week, and brings from \$11 to \$14 according to quality, \$15 has even been paid for choice. *Straw* brings \$6 and \$7. As to seeds, there is no change in the situation from our sketch of some weeks ago, business is nearly at a standstill. Holders of clover are very firm, but buyers undecided. In some sections a pretty fair yield has been obtained from recent threshings, and in others, a very poor and scanty crop. British houses having been inundated last year with American seed, are holding off to see what American surplus there is to come forward. Probably \$5.00 to \$5.25 is nearly the nominal value in this market per bushel of 60 lbs. *Timothy*.—We quote say \$2.50 per bushel of 48 lbs., the lower Canada bushel being 43 lbs.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Competition amongst the city dealers resulted in green hides being advanced yesterday to 10c for steers and 9½c. for cows which will hardly have the effect of stopping the accumulation which had begun. A car of cured, all cows, sold at 9½c. this week, 10½ and 10½ will now be asked for steers. *Sheepskins*, from \$1.50 to 1.75 is now paid; *Tallow*, rendered is quiet, 6c. per lb. is paid and 6½c. asked.

IRON AND METALS.—Business is quiet here meantime, travellers have just started out. English and Scotch advices showed increased firmness in the iron market. Charcoal tins are somewhat higher, lead firmer by cable advices and copper slightly advanced according to Liverpool circular of 6th inst. From the annual review of the Scotch iron trade, by Messrs. James Watson & Co. of Glasgow, we are reminded of the artificially high price of pig iron in January 1880, 67/ to