

day last, and the accumulated mail of the latter day showed a large number of fall orders, which have continued to come in well since. Some moderate sorting is also still being done. A fair amount of retail paper was due on the 4th inst., and was on the whole well met, though it is thought that some having paper due that day allowed the several days of previous holiday making to interfere with the providing for their obligations. With regard to values of textiles, no changes are reported.

MONTREAL STOCKS IN STORE.

	June 27.	July 4.
	Bushels.	Bushels.
Wheat	108,909	114,558
Corn	203,555	204,000
Oats	1,117,430	1,118,242
Rye	14,023	13,171
Peas	2,012	29,474
Barley	30,432	30,342
Total grain	1,750,513	1,778,447
Oatmeal	180	286
Flour	20,555	15,760
Buckwheat	49,580	49,201

GROCERIES.—The last few days have developed quite an active enquiry again for teas, after the lull since the heavy shipments to the United States, but the supplies available are quite small, and holders have pretty much their own way with regard to prices. Some moderate sales of new Japans are reported at about 20c., and there is little available in the way of new goods in this line below that figure as yet. Advances just received from Foochow are to the effect that the market has opened 10 per cent. higher. The improved demand for sugars, which has been looked for by refiners for the past several weeks, is beginning to show itself this week. Prices have undergone no change since last report; standard granulated being 43½c. at the factory, Dutch ditto, 44c., and Austrian, 44½c.; yellows range from 3½ to 3¾c. per lb. Rice is in fair request at steady prices; a steamer with about 40,000 sacks for the local milling company is due here about the 15th inst. Private letters received from Barbadoes state that the molasses market there is closed, the crop being all sold. It is estimated the receipts here this season are several thousand puncheons short of last year; jobbing prices continue at 30 to 31c. Some leading packers of vegetables still decline to make quotations for new goods, but others quote 75 to 80c. for tomatoes, 60 to 65c. for corn and peas; last year's gallon apples can be bought very cheaply, as compared with a couple of months ago. No new lobsters here yet. As far as can be gathered from reports regarding Mediterranean dried fruits received thus far, there will be no marked differences from last year's prices. A local commission house has a letter from a Denia exporter, who says that prices of Valencia raisins may rule easy, as money is in much request. A letter, under date June 17th, from Smyrna, states the Sultana crop is progressing favorably, and if weather continues fine, the yield will be equal, if not ahead, of last year. So far only a few open orders for small lots of new fruits have been placed for first shipment. A cable was received to-day offering new filberts, for October delivery, at about half a cent a lb. over last year's figures.

HIDES.—We have this week to record quite a decline in the price of hides, dealers having reduced quotations to butchers from 11c. per lb. for No. 1, to 9½c. The Chicago market is weaker, and receipts of dry hides at New York last week were unusually heavy. Lambskins were put up to 25 to 30c. each, on the 1st inst.; calfskins remain at 10 and 8c. per lb. for Nos. 1 and 2 respectively.

LEATHER.—The shoe factories were nearly all shut down from Thursday, 30th June, till Monday, 4th July, but are again in full operation. They all seem fairly

supplied with stock for present needs, and no active buying of leather is in evidence at the moment. The American and English markets for leather are also reported quieter. There has been some weakening in the hide market, as noted elsewhere, but tanners claim that leather prices are still relatively lower, and quotations are firmly adhered to. We quote: Spanish sole, B. A., No. 1, 24 to 25c.; do., No. 2, 22½ to 23½c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 23 to 24c.; No. 2, 20 to 21c.; No. 1 slaughter, 26 to 28c.; No. 2, do., 24 to 25c.; common, 20 to 21c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do., heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits, 22 to 25c.; Quebec do., 18 to 20c.; juniors, 18 to 20c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calfskins, (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 24c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskins linings, 30 to 40c.; colored 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 13 to 15c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebble cow, 13 to 13½c.; polished buff, 12 to 13c.; glove-grain, 12 to 13c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Since last writing the week has been of a holiday character, with few noteworthy features. We do not hear of a deal in pig iron. Of Summerlee only one house is known to have any stock, and that of limited extent; quotations of this brand are \$17 ex-wharf, and \$18 ex-store. Other Scotch brands are wholly neglected. Domestic bars are still quoted at \$1.40 in a wholesale way. Canada plates are very firm, and it is a question if 52's could be bought much less than \$2.20. Tin, lead, copper, etc., are all reported steady, and zinc is cabled as having advanced 15 shillings last week. We quote: Summerlee pig iron, \$17 to \$18; Caron, No. 1, \$18; No. 3, \$17.25; Ayresome, No. 1, \$17.50; No. 3, \$16.50; Shotts, \$17.25 to \$17.50; Carnbroe, \$16, ex-store; Feronna, No. 1, \$15; Hamilton, No. 1, \$15 to \$15.50; No. 2, ditto, \$14 to \$14.50; machinery scrap, \$14 to \$15; common ditto, \$12 to \$13; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.40 to \$1.50; British, \$2 to \$2.15; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5; Canada plates—Pontypool, or equal, \$2.15 to \$2.20, 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2.25 to \$2.30; 75 sheets, \$2.35 to \$2.40; all polished Canadas, \$2.40 to \$2.45; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$5.75 to \$5.90; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.25; No. 26, \$2.15; No. 24, \$2.05; No. 17, \$2; No. 16 and heavier, \$2.15; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$5.60 to \$5.70; charcoal, I.C., Alloway, \$3.15 to \$3.25; do., I.X., \$3.90 to \$4; P.D., Crown, I.C., \$3.60 to \$3.75; do., I.X., \$4.50; Coke, I.C., \$2.90 to 2.95; do., standard, \$2.75 to \$2.80 for 100 lbs.; coke, wasters, \$2.70; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4; No. 26, \$3.75; No. 24, \$3.50 in case lots; Morewood, \$5 to \$5.10; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 5½c.; No. 26, etc., the usual extra for large sizes. Canadian bands, per 100 lbs., \$1.65 to \$1.75; English hoops, \$2 to \$2.15. Steel boiler plate, ¼-inch and upwards, \$1.85 to \$1.90 for Dalzell, and equal; do., three-sixteenths inch, \$2.50; tank iron, ¼-inch, \$1.50; three-sixteenths do., \$2; tank steel, \$1.75; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.45 to \$2.50; Russian sheet iron, 9c.; lead, per 100 lbs., \$3.85 to \$3.90; sheet, \$4 to \$4.25; shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast-steel, 8 to 10c.; toe calk, \$2.25; spring, \$2.50; sleigh shoe, \$1.85; tire, \$1.90; round machinery steel, \$2.25; ingot tin, 16¾ to 17c. for L. & F.; Straits, 16½ to 16¾c.; bar tin, 17 to 18c.; ingot copper, 13 to 13½c.; sheet zinc, \$5 to \$5.25; Silesian spelter, \$4.75; Veille Montagne spelter \$5 to \$5.25; American spelter, \$4.75 to \$5; antimony, 9½ to 10c.

OILS, PAINTS, GLASS.—Turpentine keeps up its reputation for frequent changes in price, and is this week down two cents, making the figure for single brls. 43c. per gal. Linseed oil is steady at former prices, though there was anticipa-

tion of a little decline this week. Paris green is barely steady as the season is now approaching a close. Window glass is very firm, and Belgian makers are quoting higher figures for forward deliveries. We quote: Turpentine, one to four barrels, 43c.; five to nine barrels, 42c.; net 30 days. Linseed oil, raw, one to four barrels, 49c.; five to nine barrels, 48c.; boiled, one to four barrels, 52c.; five to nine barrels, 51c., net 30 days; olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Nfld. cod, 37 to 40c. per gal.; Gaspe oil, 33 to 35c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 45 to 47½c. per gal. in small lots. Castor oil, 8 to 9c. in quantity, tins 9½ to 10c. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), 5.62½; No. 1, \$5.25; No. 2, \$4.92½; No. 3, \$4.50; No. 4, \$4.12½; dry white lead 5c.; genuine red do., 4¾ to 5c.; No. 1 red lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; Putty in bulk, bbls., \$1.65; kegs, \$1.80; bladder putty, in bbls., \$1.80; smaller quantities, \$1.95; 25 lb. tins, \$2.05; 12½ lb. tins, \$2.30. London washed whiting, 40 to 45c.; Paris white, 85 to 90c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to \$1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to \$1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to \$2. Paris green, 50 and 100 lbs., drums 17c.; 25 lb. drums, 17½c.; 1 lb. cartoons, 18c.; pound tins, 18½c.; window glass, \$1.40 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.50 for second break; third break, \$3.10.

WOOL.—The London Wool sales have developed further advance since the opening a week ago, prices being now reported 7½ per cent. higher than last series. There is active foreign buying, and offerings are some 50,000 bales short of the same series last year. On spot moderate sales of Cape are reported at firm prices, with scarcity of B.A.'s, which are not available at usual sources of supply in France.

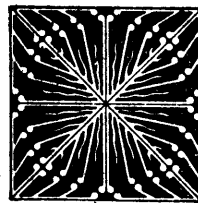
BRITISH MARKETS.

The Manchester circular of S. W. Royse & Co., dated June 25th, says:

"Chemicals.—Business is only quiet in the Alkali branch. Bleaching Powder is moving slowly, and is somewhat easier in price. Caustic Soda values are nominally unchanged, but are on the easy side. Makers of Ammonia Alkali report themselves very busy, and prices are firmly maintained for the home trade. Chlor-

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