

Tobacco is active, and the demand is often for large quantities. Sugars are advancing still, the lowest refined sugar now is quoted at 6½c. Syrups and molasses considerably enquired for. Rice is also selling well at unchanged prices. New Valencia raisins are now quoted at 7½ and 8c. Coffee continues dull. In canned goods we have great activity, especially in salmon and tomatoes. Excepting sugar and Valencias prices are unchanged. Payments are reported very good.

HAY.—Pressed has continued fairly active with clover in car-lots worth about \$13, and timothy sold at \$14.50 to \$15.50, the latter being for choice only, in car-lots on track.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Receipts of green hides have been small and all readily taken, but as leather has been quiet, none seem to expect any advance; cured very scarce and, therefore, nothing doing. Calfskins—Green taken as before; cured nominally unchanged. Sheepskins—No advance yet over 55c. for the best green, but by some it is expected within a few days; offerings light. Tallow still firm, scarce, and wanted; rough sells still at 2c., and rendered from 5½ to 6c.

HORS.—Have been moving more freely and at advancing prices in sympathy with outside. New have changed hands at prices ranging from 16 to 22c., the latter for choice in small lots; last year's have sold fairly well at 13 to 15c. for good to choice, with medium down to 10c.; and some old have found a sale at from 4 to 6c. Brewers are said to show some inclination to supply existent wants, and dealers would appear not very anxious to push sales.

PROVISIONS.—An increased supply of butter has come forward; but the proportion of choice dairy, or which would pass for selection, has been none too much; all of this grade has been in good demand and sold readily at 18c., with a few tubs of gilt-edged going a shade higher; medium qualities consisting of choice store and average dairy with white thrown out have sold at 16 to 17c. on the spot, and a carlot, said to be all dairy, changed hands outside at 15½c. Common quiet and beginning to accumulate; box-lots of rolls offered slowly, but really good and well packed lots have sold readily at 17½ to 18c. Cheese—Small lots of good to choice have sold readily for local consumption at 9½ to 10c., and one lot of 38 boxes of July make changed hands at 8½c.; second-class grades inactive. Eggs—All offered wanted and at rather firmer prices, cases closing at 16½ to 17c., and trade lots in good demand at 16c. Pork—Small lots in good demand and firmer, usually bringing \$18.50. The market for bacon has been poorly supplied, and holders have been firm at 11½ to 11¾c. for long-clear in cases; Cumberland almost nominal at 11c.; rolls scarce at 12½c., and bellies scarce at 14c. Hams quiet as before at 12½c. for heavy-weights in lots not under 100, and at 13 to 13½c. for fine in small lots. Lard—The firmness outside has disposed some dealers to advance prices and left the market rather unsettled, but prices have generally stood at 11½ to 11¾c. for tins, and 12 to 12½c. for tinnets and pails in small lots. Dressed hogs unsettled in price, closing at about \$7.50 to 8.00 for the very few offered. Dried apples—New have begun to offer, but as the offers usually consisted only of a request

for bids there was nothing done; old inactive, with dealers holding them at 6½ to 7c.; evaporated steady and sold fairly well at 8½ to 9c. White beans—New offered in the same style as dried apples and with a like result; the only movement has been the sale of a very few barrels of old, hand-picked, at about \$2.25.

LIVE STOCK.—The trade continues in a weak and unsatisfactory condition. The western market has been again overloaded with very inferior stock, plenty of which has sold as low as 2c. per pound, and the best of it about 3c., or in a few instances 3½c. per pound. On Tuesday the same fault was found with the offerings for the export trade, the result being that 4½c. was the best price realized for cattle to be sent to England; better stock is in constant demand both for home and foreign trade. A private cable on Wednesday from Liverpool gave the market there as a shade firmer for cattle but decidedly weaker for sheep, and says the British live stock markets are, if not overstocked, very fully stocked, adding that there are no indications of any substantial early advance, though prices are expected almost immediately to harden.

POTATOES.—Cars have been moving, but at easier prices; sales have been made at 40c. on track, and there would appear to have been more offered for this price at the close.

SALT.—Liverpool coarse has been rather firmer, with sales of lots of ten to fifty bags at 70c., and single bags obtainable at 80c.; the firmness seems due to cable advices stating that advanced rates of freight have led to shipping-lots being held at an advance. Canadian quiet, but is held three cents higher for small lots.

WOOL.—The only movement has been in lots of 1,000 to 2,000 lbs. of fleece, at prices generally unchanged; good merchantable being taken at 19c.; selected at 19½ and 20c., and rejected at 16c., with the few parcels of South-Down offered standing at 23 to 24c. Some large lots of fleece have been offered, but held at more than the above prices, beyond which dealers have not been inclined to go, under present circumstances.

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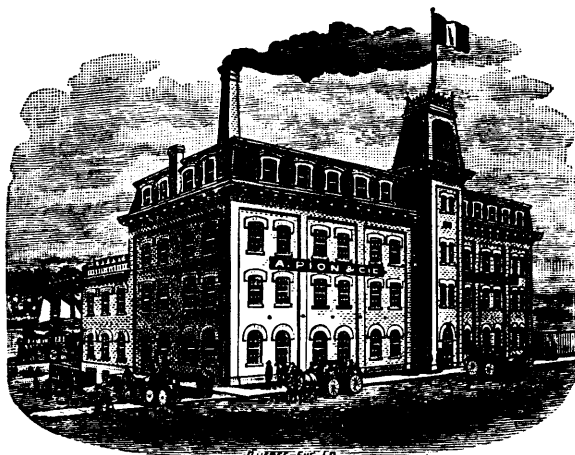
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