

Beans.—The market continues tending downwards, and prices show a further reduction. Receipts have been very large, and stocks have accumulated, and at present there are more sellers than buyers, with prices ranging at 11c to 12c per dozen, and closing weak with prospects of lower prices next week.

Flour.—The opening of navigation at this port has caused an increase in the demand for flour, and there has been considerable business both in flour on the spot and to arrive. There has been no change in prices, and we therefore continue last week's quotations. The stock in warehouse shows a decrease of 5,500 barrels. Stocks in warehouse and in hands of millers:

	May 1, 1879.	April 15, 1879.	May 1, 1879.
Wheat.....	98,637	115,808	400,279
Corn.....	90,295	122,092	120,447
Pers.....	57,010	53,543	186,589
Oats.....	21,519	22,993	140,886
Barley.....	81,366	81,666	45,879
Flour.....	71,997	77,669	73,193

Furs.—The very large stocks of raw furs held over in Europe has a depressing effect upon prices. A decline is looked for in some kinds of skins.

FUEL.—There is more demand for wood and less for coal, owing to the warm weather, and prices of the former are well maintained, although there is likely to be some fall immediately, as usual at the opening of navigation and the arrival of the spring fleet of river craft. The following are the prices per cord, delivered: Maple, \$5.50 to \$6.00; Birch, \$5.00 to \$5.50; Beech, \$4.50 to \$5.00; Tamarac, \$4.50 to \$4.00. There is no change in coal, although at the sale of 100,000 tons of Scranton at New York on Wednesday, there was a decline of 10c to 20c per ton as compared with the previous month. The following are the prices in this city, delivered:

Pittston and Lackawanna	
Stove, 2,000 lbs.....	\$0 00 to \$7 50
do. Egg.....	0 00 7 50
do. Chestnut.....	0 00 7 50
Grate.....	5 50 6 00
Pictou Steam, 2,240 lbs.....	5 50 0 00
Scotch Steam, do.....	5 50 0 00
Newcastle Smiths, do.....	5 50 5 50
Coke, per chaldron.....	0 00 3 75

GROCERIES.—There has been for the season a fair amount of business doing. Ocean steamers are now at wharf with addition to assortments.

Sugars.—Scarcely anything to notice in change of prices for the week. Raw Sugars are offering at hand and to arrive. It is very likely increased business in wholesome raw sugars will be done. Present prices are 6½c to 7½c. Yellows 7c to 8½c. Granulated 8½c to 9c. *Teas.*—Firm, and fair sales good Japans and Young Hysons. Black Teas quiet. *Molasses.*—Dull. *Syrups.*—Not much to report as to sales. *Rice.*—\$4 to \$4.45. *Coffees.*—Steady. *Chemicals.*—Firm. *Spices.*—All kinds firm with moderate business. *Fruits.*—Valencia Raisins still firm and in demand 6½c to 7c. Malaga Fruit dull. Currants also dull.

HARDWARE.—A fairly active business continues to be done. The advance in prices consequent on the tariff changes appears to be better sustained than was suspected. The following changes are made in prices this week: Block tin, 18c to 19c per lb.; grain tin, 19c to 20c; Iron Wire, per bundle, No. 6, \$1.70 to \$1.80; No. 9, \$2 to \$2.10; No. 12, \$2.30 to \$2.40; No. 16, \$2.70 to \$2.80; Steel, cast, 12c to 13c; r lb.; Spring, 3½c to 3¾c; tire, 3c to 3½c. These changes are chiefly due to modifications in the new tariff. Other prices unchanged.

THE HORSE MARKET.—Last week horses were brought into the city for sale from St. Hyacinthe, Arthabaska, St. Bruno, St. Johns, St. Dominique, Beloeil, South Durham, Cornwall, River

Beaudette and Toronto. Good prices were the rule, but this was more on account of the qualities than from an advance in values, although the market is firmer. The following shipments were made from Montreal to the United States for week ending April 26th:—April 19th, 6 horses, \$428; April 21st, 20 do, \$1,729; April 22nd, 18 do, \$1,657.50, 16 do, \$1,265; April 23rd, 17 do, \$1,385, 18 do, \$1,456.50, 15 do, \$1,187, 16 do, \$1,491, 21 do, \$2,171; April 24th, 16 do, \$931, 12 do, \$472, 20 do, \$1,450.50; April 25th, 9 do, \$989.50.

LIVE STOCK.—The arrivals of live stock during the past week were sixteen carloads of cattle, 35 calves, 85 horses, 494 horses and one carload of sheep. At the St. Gabriel market last Monday prices of cattle ranged from 4c to 5½c. per lb., hogs 5c to 5½c. per lb. The following sales were made: 22 cattle at from 4½c to 5c. per lb.; 11 do, at 4½c. per lb.; one carload do, at 4½c. to 5c. per lb.; 6 do, for \$352; 3 do, for \$172; one carload do, at 4½c. per lb.; 15 do, at 4½c. per lb.; 6 do, at 4½c. per lb.; 8 choice do, at 5c. per lb.; 1 large calf at \$34; 2 cattle at from 4½c. to 5c. per lb. and 13 hogs at 5c. per lb. Eight carloads of cattle are supposed to have been offered.

LEATHER.—Market still quiet and prices continue to favor buyers. The trade for some reason is holding off, and manufacturers generally are not purchasing to the extent that the closing of a number of large wholesale houses would warrant. An unsettled feeling seems to exist. *Sole Leather.*—The trade in Sole Leather has been for small quantities, manufacturers purchasing from day to day, and in such quantities as they need for immediate consumption. *Buff and Pebble.*—There has been a moderate business done in these lines, but at very low prices. *Upper and Splits.*—There has been a fair demand for extra quality of both Upper and Splits but inferior not asked for.

MAPLE SUGAR AND SYRUP.—The arrivals of Maple Sugar have been large, and the demand continues slow, with prices weak and irregular. Fancy small cakes selling at 9c to 10c, but the stock has to be very nice to fetch the latter price. Maple Syrup is selling well at 80c to 85c in tins of one gallon each, and 70c to 80c in large packages.

OILS.—Are in moderate request without particular change to note in price. *Naval Stores.* Turpentine, with light stock in the market, maintains the recent high figure, but is offered lower to arrive by canal boats in about a fortnight. Rosins and Tar are easier without much demand, however.

POULTRY.—The market is quite bare of good fat turkeys and ducks, and the small lots arriving sell readily at 12c to 14c per lb. Chickens and geese are in fair demand at 8c to 10 per pound.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—The market is quiet, and with the approach of spring and the increase in the receipts, prices have a downward tendency. New lots of Western dairy bring 12c to 15c, while choice Morrisburg and Brockville would bring 15c to 16c, and Eastern Townships 16c to 17c. Old lots are dull and very much neglected at 6c to 8c. per lb.

Cheese.—The market remains unchanged. Most all the factories will be in full operation this week, we expect to be able to report some purchases of the new make shortly. The advices from abroad continue very discouraging, holders are forcing sales of old stock at very low prices, caused mainly by continued anxiety on the part of the English farmers to get rid of their make. The quality of the English and Scotch make the past season has been inferior, and the best grades of American and Canadian have been taken in preference, but the immense stock of sharp and strong grades weaken the

entire market. From present appearances we are likely to see a continuance of low prices throughout the coming season, and we trust our Factorymen will give quality the first consideration. We note sales of 340 boxes, old, at 2c to 3c per lb., Little Falls, April 28, 1879. Four hundred boxes factory cheese sold here to-day at 5c, 200 at 5½c, 200 at 5¾c, 300 at 6c, 75 at something better than 6c; 500 boxes on commission; and 200 boxes farm dairy cheese sold at 3c to 6c.

White Beans.—Market is well supplied, and prices are only nominal at \$1.00 to \$1.20 per 60 lbs.

Tobacco.—All lines of manufactured are now very quiet, but better things are expected when navigation opens. Prices are unchanged as will be seen by *Prices Current.* Any change that may take place now will be an advance, as leaf in low and medium grades is sold now below the cost of production. From some districts there has been a slight advance caused by speculators buying to hold for an advance. *Cigars.*—This branch continues dull in both Domestic and Imported, but a fair trade is expected as the season advances. Prices remain steady. Cigar leaf is also without change.

WINES AND SPIRITS.—There is no change of consequence to note in this department. The present quotations of Canadian whiskeys are based on the prices fixed by the principal distillers under the new tariff. The Imperial gallon, as is well known is one-fifth greater than the wine gallon measure, and as a consequence the wine gallon is one-sixth less than the Imperial; or simply add 1/6th for Imperial measure, and take off 1/6th for wine measure. We quote per Imperial gallon: Alcohol, 65 over proof, 63cts. in bond, \$2.28 duty paid; pure spirits, 65 over proof, 65c in bond and \$2.29 duty paid; do. 50 over proof, 59c, and \$2.09; do. 25 under proof, 53c, and \$1.08; Family proof and Old Bourbon Whiskey, 39c, and \$1.18; Rye, Toddy and Malt Whiskeys, 36c, and \$1.11; Rye 4 years old 62c, and \$1.42; 5 years old, 72c, and \$1.52; 6 years old 82c, and \$1.62; 7 years old, 92c, and \$1.72. In car lots 50 o.p. is open to a discount of 5c. per gallon; Rye and Toddy, 25 u. p. to 1 cent per gallon. The above quotations are for goods laid down.

WOOL.—At Gillespie, Moffatt & Co's wool sale last Friday, fifteen bales of cape wool were sold at 15½ cents; ninety-one at 15 and two hundred and sixty-three at 14½c. Mr. Willet, of Chambly was the chief purchaser.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, May 1.

Market quiet. Flour inactive, but held as before at \$4.20 for Extra, and \$3.90 to \$4.00 for Spring Extra. Wheat quiet. Car of No. 3 Spring sold at 90c, but this was for an exceptionally fine sample. Buyers usually offer 92c to 93c for No. 2 Spring and 87c to 88c for No. 3. Oats steady at 37c to 37½c for Western Canadian. Barley unchanged; a car of Extra No. 3 sold at 52 f.o.c. Peas remain nominally unaltered.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

Chicago, Thursday, May 1, 1.03 p.m.—Wheat, May, 91½c; June, 92½c. Corn, May, 33½c; June, 35c; July, 36½c. Oats, May, 24c; June, 25½c. Pork, May, \$9.47½; June, \$9.52½; July, \$9.65. Lard, May, \$6.00; June, \$6.02½; July, \$6.10.

New York, 2.10 p.m.—Wheat, quiet; No. 2 Red \$1.13½ to \$1.13¾. Corn, quiet; str., 43; No. 2, 43½. Pork, May, \$10.05; June, \$10.05. July, \$10.10. Lard, \$6.22½; June, \$6.27½; July, \$6.32½.

Milwaukee, 10.5 a.m.—May, 90½c; June, 92½c.