

GREEN FRUITS.—The unreasonable weather has interfered somewhat with the demand, which, however, has been fair. Oranges ruled firm at \$4 to \$5 in boxes, and lemons have been exceptionally firm: quoted at \$4.50 to \$6 per box. Strawberries were plentiful, and sold by the crate at 8c. to 10c.

GROCERIES.—Since last reference the amount of business done has been moderate, and prices are substantially unchanged. *Teas.*—There has been a quiet but firm market here. Japan advices report lower-grade teas to be in light supply and not desirable. Sales up to date 76,700 piculs, being about 3,000 less than at same time last year. In consequence of the active enquiry and moderate receipts, prices of all grades up to finest advanced \$1 per picul (already reported by cable) after the departure of the last San Francisco steamer; reduced supplies have enabled the natives to fully sustain values. Other letters dated Yokohama, 5th June, state that the tea market has been active and some 23,000 piculs were settled, since previous mail, bringing the figures up to 57,000 piculs or 1,000 in excess of the previous year. The principal demand has been for leaf, grading good medium and under, and these kinds, being in small supply, have ruled dear. Prices for these grades have been fully \$4 higher than last season. Settlements at Yokohama and Hiogo to date are 78,000 piculs, or about the same as at same date last season. Prices as follows:—Fine, per picul, \$25 to \$27; finest, \$28 to \$30; choice, \$32 to \$34; choicest, \$36, and upwards. Rice is dull in England at 8s 9d to 9s 3 per cwt: local market steady and unchanged. *Sugar.*—The local market is reported steady and not materially changed from last week. An English correspondent writes:—Our market advanced 1s to 1s 3d in 2 days, but it is difficult to see how prices can be maintained in view of the excessive stocks of raw which are 314,737 tons in Liverpool against 292,982 last year. Valencia raisins may be affected in a commercial sense by the Cholera pestilence, prime quality is scarce here at 7c to 7½c.

HAY, STRAW AND FEED.—Sales of loose hay at \$10 to \$12 per 100 bundles as to quality. Straw at \$5 to \$6 per 100 bundles. Pressed hay unchanged at \$16 to \$17 per ton; straw in bales, \$8 to \$9 per ton. Shorts quiet at \$17 to \$18 per ton; bran weaker at \$14 to \$15, the former for Montreal and the latter for Upper Canada; moult \$24 to \$26, as to quality; buckwheat 65c. per bushel.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—The local pig-iron market remains dull and lifeless. A few round lots have changed hands at about former values, including one or two lots of No. 1 Calder. Nothing has transpired in the English market to materially affect values in Canada the past week. Tin plates have not maintained the advance consequent upon the corner in ingot tin. The latter now shows a drop of about £3 per ton, being quoted by cable at £93 15s. It is a strange commentary, says a trade letter, that the South Wales makers who have virtually a monopoly of the trade of the world, are composed of such diverse and opposing elements that many of them can only conduct their business with a loss, not only to themselves, but to everyone else handling their products. Canada plates are at present at the lowest figure ever reached, and it is notorious that under the most favorable circumstances makers' prices must leave them a loss of 10s to 15s per ton. Exports from England to British America for May show an increase. John Williams & Co., in their monthly circular, write:—Any improvement in our trade with the Dominion of Canada is particularly gratify-

ing and it is hoped the suppression of the Half-Breed rebellion, the approaching completion of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, and the inauguration of several new branch feeding lines will open up a new era of prosperity and progress for our countrymen there. Best selected copper is cabled at £48 10s; Ohiji bars, £44 5s; Warrants easy at 40s 10d. The stock of pig-iron in Connal's Glasgow stores on the 16th June comprised 599,244 tons, against 589,767 in 1884 at this date. At a meeting of the Montreal Nail makers this week prices of iron nails were maintained, but it was decided to reduce the advance of 25c per keg, which has been charged on steel cut nails of all kinds and to make the advance 15c per keg instead. As to small goods, tacks, brads, etc., it may be stated that the tack combination had a meeting and increased their discounts 5 per cent.

LEATHER, BOOTS AND SHOES.—The leather men have had a dull week, as factory work has been interfered with by the holidays, and business is, also, generally slow at the close of the month. At the boot and shoe factories leading manufacturers informed our representative that they had been in receipt of fair orders, and had every reason to look forward to the future with confidence. July is expected to be a busy month in both departments of trade.

LIVE STOCK.—The exports of cattle and sheep continue large and in excess of last year. Shipping cattle offered here were all taken at firm prices, and exporters are said to be making up for their losses in previous years, as many of their consignments have struck favorable markets on the other side. Exports of cattle to date 21,467: sheep 2,191. We quote good to choice cattle at 5½c to 5¾c; sheep 4c to 4½c; live hogs lower at 5½c. Butchers' cattle sold at 3½c to 5½c. Latest cables quote the English market ½c higher, in consequence of light receipts from the Continent and Ireland. Prime Canadian steers sold at 15c.

OILS, SALT, ETC.—Steam refined seal has been active, and is held higher at 51c to 52½c. Cod oil is firm. Cod liver steady at about 85c to 90c. In spite of an advance of 2½c in American petroleum, the market here is unchanged. *Salt.*—English advices report a decline of 6d per ton at the works. Here the market is quiet and unchanged. Linseed oil in London is cabled at £21 10s to £21 17 6d.

WOOL.—The market has continued steady all round. The cargo of foreign previously referred to has arrived in port. Domestic is still bringing high prices at first hands. The following was dated London, June 26:—At the wool sales to-day 10,000 bales of Port Phillip, Sydney and New Zealand were sold.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

(Revised by Telegraph.)

Toronto, July 2, 1885.

Wholesale trade continues quiet, and there are few features to chronicle. Generally speaking, the movement is more restricted than for several years back at this particular season. There is a moderate sorting-up trade being done, and no activity is expected for a month or so. In some quarters there is a good deal of grumbling about payments, while in others they are reported fairly satisfactory. The money market is inactive. Call loans rule at 4 to 5½ per cent on first-class collateral, but there is a small amount of business doing. Time loans 6 per cent. Commercial paper is discounted at 6½ per cent for A 1, and at 7 to

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