

week in Toronto, has been the principal subject of conversation among millers since our last report. The market is very easy, and it is difficult to see how it could be otherwise with wheat quotations on their present basis. Oat-meals remain steady and unchanged. Mill feed is in fairly good request, with prices unaltered.

GRAIN.—When compared with last week, quotations of wheat are fully 2c. a bush. lower, and now stand as follows: Winter No. 1, 57 to 58c.; No. 2, 55 to 56c.; No. 3, 53 to 55c.; spring wheat, No. 1, 58 to 59c.; No. 2, 56 to 57c.; Man. hard, No. 1, 69 to 70c.; No. 2, 67 to 68c.; No. 3, 62 to 63c. Some offerings of the new crop have been bought at 53 to 54c. at outside points, principally in the western peninsula. Crops in Manitoba, from all reports, will turn out well; prospects in the Territories are not equally as bright. Oats are dull and declining; the new crop is coming forward, and sales of new oats have been made as low as 31c. Peas are scarce, and wanted; they are of more value in the market than wheat, since quoted at 60 to 62c. Nothing new has transpired in barley, and trade must remain quiet until the new crop begins to move.

The stocks of grain in store at Port Arthur on July 28th were 1,200,144 bushels. During the week there were received 138,165 bushels, and shipped 160,885 bushels, leaving in store on Aug. 4th, 1,177,424.

GROCERIES.—The week has brought with it a fair amount of business, and trade is considered in fairly satisfactory shape. The Grecian currant crop now being harvested is estimated at from 140,000 to 150,000 tons, against a crop of 175,000 tons in 1893, but the large surplus carried over in the German and American markets fully offset the shortage in the new crop. The crop of Brazil nuts has proved to be very large. The growing crop of Tarragona almonds is reported decidedly short of last season's outturn, but the surplus carried over from 1893 will give all consuming markets a full supply. Paper shell almonds are offering at the lowest prices ever seen, and the prices for new crop rule equally low. The new crop of Jordan almonds is estimated at about 25 per cent. short of last season; however, the surplus carried forward will fully compensate for any shortage. Naples walnuts are very scarce. Latest advices from Marseilles say that this year's crop of Grenobles will be very short, and on this account the trifling stock of 1893 crop now remaining in that market is held at extreme figures. There is a fair general demand for new Japan teas, and it is not thought likely that prices will be advanced in consequence of the Korean war. Sugars remain unchanged in price; the consumptive demand, in consideration of the fact that the fruit season is now on, is rather disappointing. Canned peas have been advanced 5c. by the association. Corn and tomatoes are in fair request. Elsewhere we give details concerning the salmon pack.

HIDES AND SKINS.—There is practically little that is new to relate of this market. Some car lots of No. 1 have exchanged hands at 3½c., but operations are of a limited character. Calfskins are dead, and values move neither up nor down. Lambskins and shearlings both remain at 30c.; the usual season's movement is taking place. Tallow is in moderate supply, with stocks about equal to the demand.

LEATHER.—A larger volume of trade is doing this week. The country jobbing trade has gained considerable strength during the last few weeks and some large houses are even pressed for stock to meet the peculiar requirements of the trade. But factory sorts are quiet. There is more doing east and some fair sized parcels have been sent to Montreal during the week. Ontario factories confine themselves pretty much to making high-class goods, and it is a significant fact that they are making very limited demands upon the stocks of merchants. Taking the trade all around things are just a little more hopeful, although the season was late in commencing.

PROVISIONS.—Trade remains quiet. Receipts of butter have been liberal again this week; best grades of dairy are selling at 16 to 17c., while creamery rolls are quoted at 22c. and tubs at 20c. per lb.; the demand for creamery stock is very slow. The jobbing trade in cheese is quiet and without special feature. Eggs are in a demoralized condition; the consumptive demand is very weak, even for this time of the year; best stock is worth but 9c., while inferior qualities are not taken at any price. The tone for the hog product market is one of firmness; long clear is selling at 7½ to 8c.; hams at 11½ to

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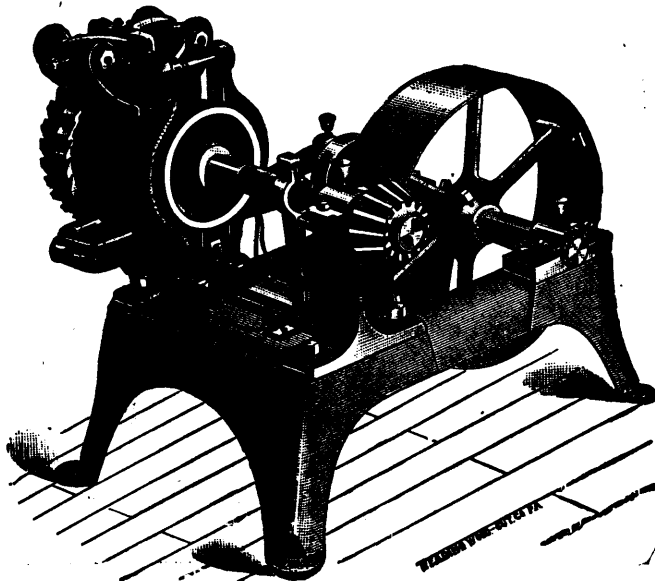
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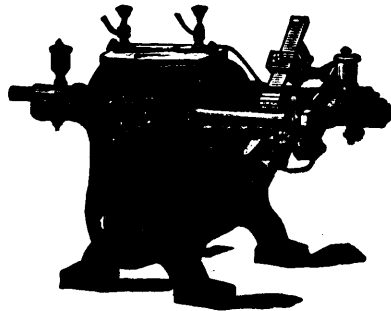
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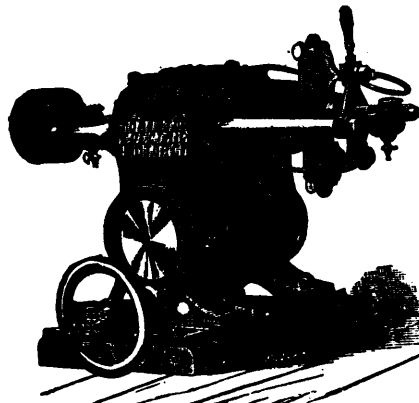
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