

of 251 brls pots, and 532 brls pearls on the stock held at the corresponding period of 1871. The shipments from 1st January to date have been 1,140 brls pots, and 159 brls pearls.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—The principal trade done during the week has been in prunella goods. In leather goods there has not been much doing owing to the heavy stocks held over by country merchants. Prices are very firm; we quote: Men's No. 1 stogas, \$2.50 to 2.62½; No. 2 do \$2.25 to 2.30; kid clump, \$3; do D S, \$2.75; calf clump, \$3.75; calf congress, \$2.50 to 3; buff congress, \$2.20 to 2.30; boys' boots, \$2 to 2.25; youths' boots, \$1.50 to 1.75; women's calf boots D S, \$1.30; buff ditto, D S, \$1.25; split do, D S, \$1 to \$1.10; buff congress, D S, \$1.35; balmorals, D S, \$1.40 to 1.60.

**CATTLE.**—There is an increasing demand for beeves, but the supply has been very limited, and the best coming in are not really of first-class quality, but they were readily taken up at our quotations, leaving the market bare. The current rates are for first-class cattle \$7.00; second class \$6.50; third class \$5.50 per 100 lbs. Milch cows \$25 to 50. **Sheep.**—The demand has been fair, and all desirable lots offering found purchasers at from \$4 to 6 per head. **Lambs.**—\$2.50 to 4, per head.

**COAL AND FIREWOOD.**—There has been an active demand for all kinds of house coal; prices are maintained. American anthracite \$12; Welsh anthracite \$12; Newcastle grate \$11 to 12; Scotch steam \$10 to 12; English coke \$9.50 to 11.

**FIR WOOD** has been in fair demand at rather easier prices. We give the following as the ruling market prices. Maple \$10; birch \$9.50; beech \$9; soft wood \$8.

**DRESSED HOGS.**—The importations during the past week have fallen off considerably, but the market is still glutted. Prices, however, have advanced since last week, the prices now being \$5.20 to 5.60; some choice heavy weights have been placed a little over our outside quotations.

**DRY GOODS.**—Travellers who are out, are getting over the ground quickly and are sending in quite a number of orders. Country merchants are evidently expecting higher prices shortly, and are buying now in large quantities. The stocks here are pretty well assorted and every steamer to Portland brings large importations from England, which are being pushed forward as fast as circumstances will allow. English advices report an advance on worsted skirt braids of fully 50 per cent.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**—This market is very strong, in consequence of advices from England, reporting an advance there; the stocks held here at present are small; and holders are indifferent about parting with them, even at our quotations; an advance is confidently looked for here before the opening of navigation. Saltpetre is firm at \$9 to 11; sal soda, \$1.95 to 2; soda ash is very firm at \$3; caustic soda is also very firm at \$4.75; bleaching powder scarce and in demand at 3½c to 4c; epsom salts, \$2; copperas, \$1 to 1.05; alum, \$2.25 to 2.50; cream tartar crystals, 23c to 25.

**FISH.**—Green cod has been rather easier with sales at \$4.50 to 4.75; dry cod is somewhat scarce, sales reported have been from \$4.50 to 5; Labrador herrings are active at \$4.00 to 4.12½; Canso herrings, \$3.50 to 3.75; for mackerel there has been a better demand at \$4.00 to 4.25.

**FURS.**—There has been very little change in the market during the week, very few furs are coming in, prices are generally well maintained, we quote;

Cross fox, \$4; red fox, \$1.25 to 1.50; pale martin, \$1.50 to 2.50; mink, \$3.50 to 4.00; bear, \$7 to 10; lynx, \$1.50 to \$1.75; fisher, \$5 to 6; beaver, 1.50 to 1.75; fall muskrat, 10c; otter, \$7 to 8; racoon, 40 to 50c; skunk, 30 to 50c.

**FLOUR.**—Receipts during the week 6,600 bls.; total receipts from 1st Jan. to date, 65,989 bls., being an increase of 15,724 bls. on the corresponding period of 1871. The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst. were 105,709 bls., against 104,571 bls. on the 1st inst., and 120,911 bls. on the 15th February, 1871. We have almost nothing to report of this market during the week but inactivity, there has been no demand for May delivery, and bakers and dealers have only been buying to meet immediate demands. Towards the close of the market there was more firmness exhibited in consequence of an advance in the Liverpool market, we still quote, extra, \$6.20 to 5.25; fancy, \$6.05 to 6.10; ordinary supers. from Canada wheat \$5.80 to 5.85; strong bakers flour, \$6 to 6.20; Canada super. No. 2, \$5.40 to 5.45; fine, \$4.75 to 4.80; middlings, \$3.80 to 4; Pollards, \$3.50; Upper Canada bags, \$2.70 to 2.75; oatmeal, 4.75 to 5.00.

**GRAIN.**—**Wheat.**—Receipts for the past week, 4,550 bushels. Total receipts from 1st January to date, 42,525 bushels, against 1750 bushels in the corresponding period of 1871. The stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst. were 210,015 bushels, against 221,821 bushels on the 1st inst., and 291,246 bushels on the 15th February, 1871. We cannot report much business doing here, the only round lot which we have heard of as changing hands were a few thousand bushels of Upper Canada white winter, at \$1.41½. **Maize.**—Stocks at present in store, 166,794 bushels; the demand has been very limited, and any sales transpiring has been retail lots at 65c. to 70c. per bushel. **Oats.**—Stock at present in store, 17,526 bushels. There has been a fair demand for this grain, at 33½c. to 35c. **Pease.**—Stocks in store, 64,674 bushels, only a very light movement is taking place; prices are pretty steady, at 85c. to 87½. **Barley.**—Stocks in store, 11,300 bushels; this market is dull and nominal, at 50c. to 55c. per bushel. **Timothy Seed**—is firm and in demand, at \$2.90 to 3.00. **Flax Seed**—is higher and enquired for, at \$1.50 to \$1.60. **Clover Seed**—is rather lower; choice samples bring 10c.; the range being 9½c. to 10c. per lb.

**GROCERIES.**—**Teas.**—In this department there has been an unusually large business doing. Young Hysons have been largely dealt in, at from 10c to 20c. per lb. over late rates. Uncoloured Japans were also in active demand; holders of nearly all grades are asking an advance of from 1½c. to 3c. per lb. over prices lately obtained.

**Sugars.**—This market continues very firm; prices ranging from 8½c. to 9½c. according to sample for low to good grades. Scotch refined has advanced in price considerably, and is now saleable at \$9.75 to 10.87½, according to sample. Local refined sugars are in demand and some important sales have been made on p.t.; in the meantime we have no change to make in our quotations. **Coffee.**—The price of this article is steady and without any change to note.

**Molasses.**—There has been a better feeling in this market, with rather more doing at a shade higher prices. Porto Rico has been placed at 34c. to 35c. and Centrifugal and Clayed at 20½c. to 23½c. **Rice.**—Market very firm, at \$4.25 to \$4.50. **Spices.**—In this department prices are still very firm. **Cloves**—are now held for 9½c. to 10c.; Cassia, 32½ to 35c.; Nutmegs, unchanged. Jamaica Ginger, 17c. to 19c.; Black Pepper, 15½c. to 16c. **Fruit.**—market dull and heavy, and lower; prices had to be accepted to effect sales. Layer Raisins are now to be had at from \$2.00 to 2.10; Valencia 6½c. to 6½c.; Currants are nominal, at 6½c. to 6½c., no change to notice in other fruits.

**HARDWARE.**—There has been a large winter demand during the week, orders from travellers are coming in freely, buyers being anxious to supply themselves before the stocks here get

much further reduced. Bar iron is scarce and the high prices in England and heavy freights to Portland have almost put a stop to our usual winter importations as will be seen from our quotations. Bar iron has advanced as also tin plates. Cut nail are now quoted considerably over last week's rates, and manufacturers are not over anxious to part with them even at those rates; window glass in sympathy with the Belgium market has depreciated in value, the following are our revised quotations for this week:—**Pig Iron.**—Coltness or Gartsherrie, \$30 to \$35; Calder or Summerlee, \$28 to \$30; other brands, \$28 to \$30; hematite, \$30 to \$32. **Bars,** Scotch or Staffordshire, \$70 to 75; best refined, \$75 to 80; Swedes, \$100 to 120. **Ho. ps and Band.**—\$3.75 to 6.00. **Sheets.**—\$4.00 to 5. **Plates.**—Best—\$4.00 to 4.50; Low Moor or Bowling, \$7 to 8; cut nails, \$4.25 to 4.75; pressed nails, \$5.00 to 8.00; spikes, \$4.50 to 5.00. **Canada Plates.**—\$4.50; Swansea, \$5.25; **Tin Plates.**—Charcoal, 1. C., \$10.50 to 13.00; ditto, 1. X., \$12.00 to 12.50; coke, 1. C., \$8.50 to 9; sheet lead, \$7 to 7.50; pig lead, \$6 to 7; sheet zinc, \$7.00; window glass, \$2.00 to 2.50; cast steel, 13c to 16c; spring steel, 4½ to 6; sleigh shoe 4½c. to 5; potash kettles, \$2.25 to 3; camp ovens, \$3.50 to 3.60; bellied pots, \$3.50 to 3.60.

**HIDES.**—There is a fair business doing in green salted hides at 10½c to 11c.

**LEATHER.**—Trade has not been very active, holders are in no way anxious to sell at present rates as hides are advancing, and prices must continue firm. Patent and Enamel have been sold in considerable quantities, but for other kinds the demand has been very small. Russets are in small supply and very firm. We quote:—Sole leather, No. 1, B.A., 26c to 27; No. 2, ditto, 24c to 25; Buffalo sole, No. 1, 22c; No. 2, ditto, 20c; oak sole, 48c to 50; light waxed upper, 44c to 46; heavy ditto, 42c to 44; grain upper, 43c to 45; Russets 30c to 40; light waxed calf skins 70c to 75; heavy, ditto, 75c to 85; harness, 31c to 33; rough leather, 28c to 30; buff, 16c to 17; pink linings, \$4.70 to 5.50; Red Roans, \$6.50 to 8; light French Calf, \$1.20 to 1.35; heavy ditto, \$1.10 to 1.20; Patent cow 19½c to 20; Enamel cow, 19c.

**LIQUORS.**—**Brandy.** There has not been any further decrease in the price of this article. We continue to quote the favorite brands in wood at \$2.15 to 2.25, and \$7½ to \$8 in cases. Other brands in wood may be quoted from \$1.90 to 2.00. **Gin** remains firm but unchanged in price. There has been a good deal doing in High Wines, prices remain firm but unchanged.

**NAVAL STORES.**—The New York Market is again influencing the market for Turpentine here which has advanced to \$1.05 to \$1.10. In Rosins and Tar there is nothing doing and prices are nominal and unchanged.

**OILS.**—This market has been very dull. **Cod Oil** is quiet at 51½ to 52c.; there have been some sales of **Pale Seal** at from 60 to 62½c.; **Steam refined** 62½ to 65c.; **Straw Seal** is dull and nominal. **Petroleum** market rather easier with sales at 32 to 34c. according to quality.

**PROVISIONS.**—**Butter.**—Receipts 621 kegs; there has been nothing doing in the wholesale market and there has been only a limited retail demand; prices are nominal. **Cheese.**—Receipts 300 boxes; shipments 1537 boxes; there has been a good shipping demand for choice samples; prices are firm and dearer. Fine factory 11 to 11½c.; finest new cheese 12c. A choice lot for shipment is understood to have been placed at ¾c. over these quotations. The market for **Pork** continues dull and almost neglected, prices continue steady at the following rates: Old Mess Pork \$15.25 to \$15.50; Extra Prime Pork \$11 to \$11.25. **Lard** slow of sale at 10 to 10½c. **Tallow** dull at \$8.00 to \$8.75 per barrel for