

	June 11, 1894.	June 12, 1893.
Fall wheat, bush.....	86,704	113,401
Spring wheat "	4,895	35,586
Hard wheat, "	30,000	20,104
Goose wheat "	1,523	
Barley "	38,870	35,029
Oats "	48,567	17,982
Peas "	2,116	13,530
Corn "	nil	480

Total grain, bush. 212,725 236,112

The stocks of grain in store at Port Arthur on June 1st were 1,359,905 bushels. During the week there were received 115,104 bushels, and shipped 180,710 bushels, leaving in store on June 1st, 1,294,299.

GREEN FRUITS.—The warm weather has caused a considerable increase in the volume of business. Valencia oranges are now either out of stock or in small compass. There is a fairly good demand for Messina oranges, and the statistical position appears to favor holders. Orders for lemons are better and values are hardening. We quote Hercules: 300's, \$3.50; 360's, \$3.25; Mikado's, 300's, \$4.50; 360's, \$3.50 per box. Canadian strawberries have been arriving quite freely, and at present are quoted at 12 to 13c. per box. It is generally considered that the crop will be a large one. From some sections the fruit, although the berries are large, is arriving in soft condition, as a result of excessive rains. The market is well supplied with bananas, and there appears to be a disposition among exporters to push the fruit forward.

GROCERIES.—Fine weather has had a good influence upon trade throughout the country. Prices have remained very steady, and fluctuations are unimportant. Dried fruits, such as raisins, currants and prunes, are in good demand for the season, since arrivals of small green fruits tend to detract from the strength of the market. The prospects for California fruit this coming season are as follows: The first crop of raisins it is believed will be small. Peaches and apricots promise an abundant quantity. Though some sections advise a smaller crop of prunes, the belief is quite general that the new trees coming into bearing will make good the deficiency, and result in a fair average yield. Sugar has not fluctuated in value during the week, although quotations of refined are ½c. higher in New York. Arrivals of new pickings of Japan teas continue to be delayed by floods in British Columbia.

HARDWARE.—If it were possible to total the amount of goods shipped out by Toronto wholesale houses this week, it would not be found to be very large. For although orders have been numerous, they have for the most part been confined to a very limited amount of goods. However, the houses are kept busy, for it takes almost as much time to make up a small parcel as one much larger. In so far as we can learn, the depression in trade is not leading to as much cutting in prices as one would naturally expect. The inference to be drawn is that values are in many cases down to or near the cost of production. This applies more especially to heavy goods. Large quantities of out and wire nails are being sent out. It is difficult to say whether the demand is a consumptive one or is created by the present low prices. However, it is safe to say that the

consumptive demand in the city is very limited, for building operations have almost ceased. Orders for fencing wires are being filled more rapidly this week. Canadian retailers had placed orders with American makers which, as a result of the strike, they were compelled to cancel. The result was that the Canadian factories were pressed beyond their capacity. For rope there is good demand. Some advance has been made in the previously existing low prices of manilla during the last month. This is due to the rise in the price of raw materials. Sisal hemp has, we believe, never touched a lower point than that reached during the present spring.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The market has received only a moderately large quantity of hides this week, but trade is quiet and without special feature; prices remain unaltered. Calfskins are quiet. Sheepskins are steady at 85c. to \$1 for skins of full growth. Lambskins and shearlings are both more plentiful, the former being quoted at 20c., the latter at 10 to 15c. Tallow is steady, and without marked features.

PROVISIONS.—Only a quiet trade is doing. Liberal receipts of butter are coming in, but the quality on the whole is considered only fair; prices remain unaltered, as compared with those of last week. Creamery butter is offering at 18 to 19c. in pound prints; the demand is only moderate, as the price is considered too high in comparison with dairy butter. Cheese is easier, and is jobbing on the local market at 9½ to 10c. per lb.; country sales are bringing 8½c. Eggs are somewhat firmer than they were a week ago and stand at 9 to 9½c. per doz., but at the time of writing receipts are becoming more liberal. There has been no change in hog products. Bacon finds but slow sale. Hams are in fair demand. Prices of lard are low, and makers of compound and packers of pure lard alike complain of poor profits. The warm weather of the past few days forced sales of the dressed hogs arriving at lower prices, and transactions were made at \$5 to 5.25 per cwt.

WOOL.—A material increase is now shown in the receipts of this year's clip. The wool, too, is arriving in good condition, especially as compared with the quality at the beginning of the season. In the western part of the peninsula 14 to 15 cents a pound are the ruling prices for best clean washed of Lincoln, Leicester, Cotswold, and 16 to 17 cents for medium Shropshire and Southdown. Toronto merchants are paying 16 to 16½c. for merchantable fleece and 12½ to 13c. for rejects. Transactions made with Canadian mills are limited, and from all reports their operations as yet are not on a very extensive basis.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, June 14, 12.30 p. m.

	s.	d.
Wheat, Spring	nominal	
Red Winter	4	7½
No. 1 Cal.	4	10½
Corn	3	9
Peas	4	10
Lard	35	½
Pork	67	6
Bacon, heavy	31	6
Bacon, light	32	6
Tallow	25	0
Cheese, new white	46	8
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