

Total shipments from 1st January, 507,411 bushels, an increase of 124,273 bushels on the same period of 1881. A number of cargoes for May delivery have been placed chiefly of Canada Spring at \$1.40 to 1.41. At the close of the market we quote \$141½ to 1.44, according to quality; *Maize* is firm, but little doing, 79 to 80c in bond being present prices; *Pease* meet with firm inquiry, but holders are asking as high as \$1.00, which prevents business, 96½c for May is bid. *Oats* are in good demand on American account, and some large sales have been made at 41c, f.o.c., for May delivery, 42 to 42½c is asked. *Barley* is steady at 60 to 65c. *Rye* is quiet at 87 to 90c.

GROCERIES.—*Teas*—The market is very firm for fine Japans; low grades not much asked for, business is likely to be more active when navigation is fully open. We quote uncoloured Japans for low common to choicest, 18 to 55c; Young Hyson, common to first, 22 to 50c. *Coffee*—Mocha keeps steady at 19 to 31c; other kinds in fair demand at last week's quotations. *Sugar*—Refined qualities are in good demand at advancing prices. Granulated is now worth from 9½ to 10½c; Grocers A, 9½ to 9¾c; Yellows are very strong at 8½ to 9½c. There has been some little movement in *Raw Sugars*, but the stock is still very low, 7½ to 7¾c are quotations now. *Molasses*, scarce and dear, demand good; Barbadoes is now worth 55 to 58c; Trinidad, 45 to 47c; *Syrups* are still scarce, and cannot be had from the refinery under 4 to 4½c per pound. *Rice* is quiet; sales at \$3.40 to 3.50; the new Rice cleaning mills are expected to be open here about the end of May. *Spices* as a rule are firm, but demand limited; Black Pepper and Pimento command full prices; Nutmegs are also firm at 69 to 90c. *Fruit*—Business is almost at a standstill, and nothing but retail sales are reported. Valencia Rasins are still scarce, and are worth from 10 to 10½c. We quote Laver Rasins, \$2.75 to \$3.00; loose Muscatels \$2.80 to 3.00; London Layers are scarce at \$3.00 to 3.10; Sultanias 10 to 12c; Seedless 9 to 10c; Currants 6½ to 7c; Figs 10 to 12c; Prunes 7½ to 8c; Almonds Languedoc 14 to 16c; Jordan Almonds \$1.00 to 1.10; Brazil nuts 7½c; Filberts, Sicily, 9 to 10c; Walnuts 8 to 12c; ditto Grenoble 12c. *Sardines* quarters 10 to 11½c; ditto halves 21 to 23c. *Canned Lobsters* \$1.15 to 1.50; ditto *Salmon* \$1.75 to 1.85; ditto *Mackerel* \$1.10.

HIDES.—The demand has not been active, but prices of Nos. 1, 2, & 3 hides are steady at \$8, \$7, and \$6. *Calf skins* 13c to 14c; *Lamb skins* 20c; *Sheep skins* \$1.35c to \$1.50.

HARDWARE.—We cannot report any change this week in the state of business. The demand for most goods continues fairly active and there is a good deal of enquiry for future delivery, but the impossibility of foretelling the future in freights, makes merchants here reluctant to sell much ahead. In pig iron from yard a lively demand exists and by the time fresh stocks arrive, the present small spot lots will have pretty well been used up. Our quotations remain unchanged in the meantime.

LEATHER.—The market continues quiet, the demand being confined to seasonable goods, and as stocks in most lines are in ample supply, prices in these goods still favor buyers. Best Spanish and slaughter sole are in fair request with moderate stocks, while curried leathers continue in excess of present requirements. Prices are nominally unchanged. We quote:—*Hemlock Spanish Sole* No. 1, B.A., 24 to 26c.; ditto No. 2 B.A. 22 to 23½c.; No. 1 *Ordinary Spanish*, 24 to 25c.; No. 2 do., 22 to 23c.; *Buffalo Sole*, No. 1, 21 to 23c.; No. 2 do 19 to 21c.; *Hemlock Slaughter* 26 to 29; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium 32 to 37c.; do., heavy, 30 to 35c.; *Grained Upper*, 35 to 38c.; *Splits*, large, 22 to 28c.; small, 17 to 22c.; *Calfskins*, (27 to 36 lbs.), 70 to 85c.; ditto., (18 to 26 lbs.), 65 to 80c.;

Sheepskin linings, 25 to 50c.; *Harness*, 26 to 34c.; *Buffed Cow*, per ft., 13 to 16c.; *Enamelled Cow*, 14 to 16c.; *Patent Cow*, 15 to 16c.; *Pebbled Cow* 11 to 15c; *Rough*, 24 to 27c.

OILS.—The seal fishery is almost a failure, many of the steamers have returned with light fares, and the Harbor Grace fleet only got out to the fishing on the 14th April instead of 5th to 10th of March and it is feared too late to do any good. Our local markets are steady, with more inquiry and better prices are expected. We quote *Cod oil* Nfd. 52½. and Hlfx. 51½; *Seal* pale 60c.; ditto straws 55c. to 57½; ditto steam refined 65c.; *Petroleum*, the market is quiet and easy, demand expected to improve with open water. We quote car lots 18c.; broken lots 18½c. to 19c.; single bbls 20c. to 21c.; *Lined oil* is steady at 71c. to 71½c. for raw, and 74c. to 75c. for boiled.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter*—Receipts for the past week 13 pkgs.; shipments 181 pkgs; The market for new butter is a little easier, and for old there has been some inquiry on lower ports account, which it is expected will take up the whole stock held here. New is worth 25c. and old according to quality is selling at 14c. to 18c.; *Cheese*—Receipts for the past week 400 boxes; shipments 501 boxes, there is a steady demand for job lots at 12c. to 13c.; *Pork* is firm. Canada short cut still sells at \$2.50c. to \$22.00; *Lard* in fair demand and firm at 14½c. for Canadian and 14½c. for Fairbanks; *Hams* are quiet at 11c. to 14c.; *Eggs* have been in rather small supply and were readily bought at 17c. to 18½c.

SEEDS.—Stocks are said to be low and prices are a little stiffer; *Clover* has been selling at 9c. to 9½c.; and *Timothy seed* at \$2.30c. to \$2.50c.

SALT.—Stocks are light and the market firm any sales of *coarse* are made at 70c. while *fine* is worth \$1.35.

WOOL.—There is very little doing in the wool market. Some small sales of Australian have taken place, but domestic wool is hardly asked for, under these circumstances we cannot make any change in our quotations which we repeat. Greasy Cape, 19½ to 21c; Australian, 24 to 32½c.; Canadian A super, dull at 33 to 34c; A super, 30 to 31c; No. 1 super, 28c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, April 20, 1882.

The volume of wholesale business during the past week has been fair for this season of the year. Farmers are busily engaged in sowing, and receipts of produce are likely to be small for a month to come. The labour troubles tend to create an uneasy feeling in some branches of trade, and have at least an indirect effect on the general markets. The outlook is considered good, and reports of the fall wheat crop indicate

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