

ments for the corresponding period of 1876. There has been very little wheat offering yet, although some lots of spring wheat have changed hands at \$1.30 to 1.32; for Canada white winter \$1.42 is offered; red winter is nominal at \$1.37. *Maize* is firm at 56 to 57c; some transactions at inside quotations. *Peas*.—Quiet at 85 to 87½c for 66 lbs. *Oats* 33 to 34c. Nothing doing in *Barley*.

GROCERIES.—So many buyers in the city caused quite a stir in the grocery trade, and a large quantity of goods have been sold, retailers apparently more willing to lay in stocks. *Teas*.—The demand has been chiefly confined to medium grades of Japan at from 20 to 32c for old crop, but these prices are beneath the views of holders and leave no margin. Fine new crop Japans are difficult to move. In green tea there has been nothing doing; some sales of black reported at about 34c. *Coffee*.—A fair jobbing demand has been experienced and sales to buyers in the city have been numerous. Java 26 to 30c; Maracaibo 22½ to 25c; Singapore 23 to 25c; Rio 22½ to 24c; Mocha 30 to 33c. *Sugar*.—The market for American sugar has been decidedly firmer since the date of our last report, and pretty large quantities have changed hands; but as stocks here are pretty large there was ample to meet all demands of retailers who were buying more liberally than usual. We quote Scotch yellow 8½ to 9½c; American granulated 10½ to 10¾c; Dry crushed 10½ to 11c; Raw sugars are scarce and very little enquired for, holders are asking 8½c to 9. *Molasses*.—Stocks are small and there has been an improved demand, as a consequence holders are firm, Barbadoes 50; Trinidad 47 to 43; *Syrups*.—The markets is firm, holders asking an advance which has checked the demand in the meantime. *Rice*.—The advance in the English market has caused very considerable firmness to be shown here, and \$4.20 was refused for a round lot, \$4.25 to 4.50 are the present prices here, but a further advance is confidently anticipated. *Spices*.—The demand in this branch of trade has been very quiet and sales confined to job lots within our range of quotations. Black Pepper 9½ to 10c; white pepper, 18 to 20c; nutmegs, 60 to 90c; mace, 75 to 90c; African ginger, 10 to 12½c; Jamaica ginger, 18 to 21½c; cassia, 14 to 17c. *Fruit*.—The low price at which layer raisins have been procurable was a great inducement for buyers from the country to lay in stocks, and large sales have been made from \$1.10 to 1.20, and even less has been accepted for a round lot; Valencias sold at 3½ to 4½c; Sultanias, 7 to 8c, the outside quotation being for new to arrive; seedless, 5 to 6c; currants, 5½ to 6c for old crop; figs, 6 to 7c; prunes are almost out of stock; nuts of all kinds are unchanged.

HIDES AND PELTS.—The market for hides is quiet but steady, and no present prospect of any change in prices, \$8, \$7 and \$6 being still the prices for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively; lambskins, 65 to 70c.

HARDWARE.—During the past week with the large number who took advantage of the low fares from the west, business has been quite active; the amount purchased has not been large, but any little activity, however small, is appreciable after the dull times we have had, and it is only to be hoped that the little rush will continue until the closing of the season. There has been no change in prices of any moment. By last British reports markets are firm, and with a little demand prices would rise. We quote: *Pig Iron*—Eglinton and Clyde, \$18.00 to 18.50. American \$20.00 to 21.00; Summerlee, \$18.50 to 19.00; Gartsherrie \$19.25 to 19.50; Hematite, \$24 to 26.00; *Bars* per 100 lbs. Scotch and Staffordshire \$1.85 to 1.90; best do. \$2.10 to 2.15; Swedes and Norway, \$4.75 to 5.00;

Lowmoor and Bowling, \$6.00 to 6.50. *Canada Plates* per box, Glamorgan and Budd, \$3.50 to 3.60; Garth and Penn, \$3.60 to 3.75; Hatton, \$3.40 to 3.50; *Tin Plates*—per box, ordinary brands—Charcoal I.C., \$6.50 to 6.75; ditto, IX, \$8.50 to 8.75; ditto DC, \$5.50 to 5.75; Coke IC, \$5.50 to 5.75; *Tinned sheets*, Charcoal best, No. 26, 12 to 13c; *Galvanized Sheets* 8 to 8½c; *Hoops and Bands* per 100lb. \$2.45 to 2.50; *Sheets* best brands \$2.75 to 2.80; *Boiler Plate*, ordinary brands, \$2.75 to 3.00; do. best brands, \$3.00 to 3.25; *Russia sheet-iron* per lb., 10 to 11c; *Cut Nails*, 2 d lath 4.50; 2½ to 4 shingle \$3.80; 5 d to 10 \$3.30; 12 d and larger \$3.00; 100 keels lots 5 per cent. discount; cut nails patent chisel pointed 25c extra; *Pressed Spikes*, \$4 to 5; shot ditto \$7.00 to 7.25; *Lead*—Pig \$5.50 to 5.75; sheet ditto \$5.75 to \$6.00; Bar ditto \$6.00 to 6.25; *Steel cast*, 12½ to 13c; *Spring*, ditto \$4.00 to 4.25; sleigh shoe steel \$3.25 to 3.50; *Tire* ditto \$3.75 to 4.00; *Ingot Tin* 18c to 19½c; *Ingot Copper*, 19 to 20c; *Horse Shoes*, \$4.50 to 4.75; *Proved coil Chain*, ¾ inch, \$5.00 to 5.25; *Anchor*, 6 to 6½c; *Arvils*, 10 to 11c; *Wire* per bbl. of 63 lbs., No. 6, \$1.05 to 2.00.

LEATHER.—Market fairly active, the demand extending over nearly all descriptions of stock. Prices are firm though nominally unchanged and are too low for the present figures in hides. Prospects are favourable for a steady demand throughout the remainder of the season. There is no change to notice in prices. We quote Hemlock Spanish sole No. 1 B. A. 23 to 25c; do. No. 2, 21½ to 22c; No. 1 Ordinary 22 to 23c; No. 2 ditto 21 to 22c; Buffalo sole No. 1, 21 to 22½; do. No. 2, 19 to 20c; Hemlock slaughter 26 to 27c, waxed upper light and medium 30 to 37c; do. heavy 32 to 34c; grained upper 34 to 37c; splits large 26 to 31c; do. small 20 to 25c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs., 55 70c; do 18 to 26 do. 50 to 65c; Sheepskin Linings 25 to 35c; Harness 23 to 30c; Buffed Cow 14 to 16c; Enamelled Cow 17 to 18c; Patent Cow 16 to 18c; Pebbled Cow 13 to 15½c; Rough 22 to 26c.

LIQUORS.—There has been more demand during the past week and transactions in all kinds of liquors have been fair. *Brandy* in wood according to brand brought from \$2.50 to 3.25; cases, \$9.25 to 10. *Gin*.—DeKuyper's in wood, \$1.65 to 1.70; red cases \$7.50; green cases, \$4. *Spirits*—61c per Imperial gallon. *Rye Whiskey*—37c. per Imperial gallon, both in bond.

OILS.—Stocks of all kinds of fish oil are light, while the demand is fair for all qualities. We quote *Cod*, 50 to 52½c. *Seal*—Pale, 52½c.; straw, 50c; steam refined, 55c. *Linseed*—raw, 67½c; boiled, 70c. *Olive Oil*, 90c to \$1.05. *Petroleum* has shown no change in values since this day week, current rates being 15½ to 17½c according to size of lot.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter*.—Receipts during the past week 2,012 pkgs; shipments, 5,011 pkgs. This market has ruled quite inactive and unless in the very choicest lots, no business worth speaking of has been done; market closes quiet at 17 to 21c. *Cheese*.—Receipts during the week, 15,137 boxes; shipments, 40,560 boxes. Market firmer with upward tendency; sales from 11 to 12c, closing firm at these quotations. *Pork*.—Receipts, 405 brls; shipments, 481 brls. Market quiet and unchanged; mess pork, \$16 to 16.50; thin mess, \$15.50. *Lard*, 10½ to 11½c according to package. *Tallow* is nominal at 9c.

SALT.—Market quiet and easy. *Coarse*, 51 to 52½ with sales at inside quotation; *Factory Filled*, 90 to 92½c.

WOOL.—There is a pretty fair demand for small lots of Canadian wool; stocks here however are very light. Late quotations are continued, say from 26 to 28c for pulled. Nothing reported in foreign wools.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 13th Sept., 1877.

Most of our wholesale houses have been busily employed during the week, some of them working at nights with all hands. A good number of buyers are in town from at least three of the cardinal points, cheap trips by rail from Goderich and intervening points having brought many.

There is in dry goods, a fresh and legitimate demand for goods, which people purchase with a better conscience, and have lively hopes of being able to pay for. Remittances, however, are still behind hand. Values in cotton goods here are steady, with a slight tendency upward in England. Dealers in woollens are busy, and disposed to hold their prices firm. In hardware the trade opens fairly, country buyers "feel their oats," and are not disposed to pay high prices, in the present condition of values. Flour is scarce and firm, the transactions in grain are limited, but the market is higher. The feature in provisions is the marked "jump" in cheese.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Orders are coming in briskly for the most part from buyers in town from all quarters, but a good number of travellers, and better orders are received. A noticeable feature of the trade is that the demand extends to a better class of work than a year ago, including men's, misses' medium and fine work. In men's and boys long work the demand not at present increased. Buyers in these lines are probably holding off till they are needed. Remittances have been very backward, renewals frequent, better is looked for in Oct. and Nov. Not over forty or fifty per cent. of ¼ Sept. payments appear to have been met.

We observe that the Associated American Rubber Companies intend to hold another great auction sale of rubbers in Boston next month, encouraged by the success of the last.

CATTLE.—There is no especial feature in our market. We see it stated that large numbers of cattle are dying in Ohio from the effects of a species of Texan fever. The disease renders the beef unfit for use. A great sale of Canadian short-horns was held at Windermere, England, on the 5th instant., when 42 animals brought \$82,000. Most of these belonged to Hon. M. H. Cochrane of Compton, Que., and some to Mr. Simon Beattie of Markham, Ontario.

FANCY GOODS.—This trade is "picking up," and buyers, of whom a fair number are in town, have shown considerable freedom in buying. This being true of this particular trade, is indicative of an increased purchasing ability, and a feeling that a little more display and ornament can perhaps be afforded. Travellers' orders are coming in satisfactorily, and although remittances are slack the hopes for October remittances and October trade is very hopeful.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—*Flour*.—Stocks in store 1,340 bbls., against 2,590 last week and 1,151 on corresponding date last year. There is a good demand for all grades, but no coarse flour is in market, and none apparently made. The market is firm, and an advance is obtainable in the medium grades from last week's prices. The request, which is most active for Spring extra, is but, barely supplied. New flour for this season's grain, is beginning to come in. See our prices current for quotations.

GRAIN.—*Wheat*.—Fall, Stocks in store 9,172 bush., against 8,453 bush. last week and 65,153 on corresponding date of 1876. The receipts have been very light, and transactions limited.