

deliveries from farmers. A firm market for peas exists; export enquiries are good, but stocks here are not such as will admit of any large shipments being made.

GR. CEREALS.—During the week a quiet, but steady trade, has been done. The most interesting feature in the market has been a decline of ½c. per lb. in granulated and yellow sugars; these lower prices are given with the object of stimulating trade, which has not been very brisk of late. In the New York market lower prices are also offered, and the *Journal and Bulletin of Commerce* says: "Refined goods have been decidedly dull and the market unsatisfactory. Very unexpectedly the week opens with a shading of 1-16c. on Nos. 13 and 14 and ½c. on all the rest of the list, the effect of which has been demoralizing, because there appeared to be nothing in the situation to warrant such a change." Trade in teas and coffees is strictly normal. In canned goods some changes in values are reported. Few jobbers are carrying large supplies of peaches and 2's, Bartlett, are worth from \$2.10 to 2.25. Packers claim that stocks of corn and tomatoes are very limited, and are holding their goods at an advance of about 10c. per doz. over the price asked at the beginning of the season; corn is quoted at from 90c. to \$1.40, and tomatoes at from 85 to 95c. Values of salmon show somewhat lower tendencies, and we quote: Horse Shoe, 4 doz., \$1.32 to \$1.35; white salmon, 90c. to \$1.10.

HARDWARE.—The volume of trade doing is not as large as is usual at this season of the year. Those who require building materials, bars, plates, etc., are delaying purchases in the expectation of some change in the tariff being made. In the meantime only those things required for immediate needs are being taken, such as garden tools and agricultural implements. Some fairly good sales of fencing wire have been made.

LEATHER.—Trade in sole leather is fairly good both to local manufacturers and jobbers; the movement to eastern factories has shown but little change as compared with last week. Some export shipments are in course of preparation, and will, it is expected, go forward during the coming week. A fair demand for slaughter exists, but prices are on such a low basis that the trade done can give but little satisfaction to holders. We hear of enameled splits being offered to a local manufacturer at 12c. Competition in harness is understood to be very keen and prices correspondingly low.

OILS AND PAINTS.—The event of the trade at present is the dissolution of the white lead association. Prices remain open now, and manufacturers are free to sell at such values as they please. Although no quotations are as yet offered, 4½c. will in all probability be the price of at least the Toronto houses. Trade has on the whole improved greatly within the last few weeks. Turpentine at 52c. is strong, and merchants say that higher quotations are looked for from primary markets.

SEEDS.—The very open weather which we have had this spring has brought out the consumptive demand much earlier than usual. The enquiry for seeds is active. Values are well maintained, and as the seed is now practically all marketed by growers, prices are upon the basis of jobbers. We offer the fol-

lowing quotations: Timothy, \$2 to 2.50 per 48 lbs.; alsike clover, \$5.50 to 7.50; red clover, \$6 to 6.20 per 60 lbs.; Hungarian grass, 90c. to \$1; millet, 70 to 80c. per 48 lbs. These quotations, it will be remembered are jobbers' selling prices.

PROVISIONS.—The receipts of butter have been somewhat larger this week; the demand, however, is not so urgent; rolls are quoted at 19 to 20c., and choice dairy at 19 to 21c. per pound. The local cheese market is quiet and without change. Hog products have shown no further decline in price this week; dressed hogs are quoted at: Light, \$5.50; heavy, \$5.75. Eggs continue to be received in large quantities, and new laid are worth from 12½ to 13c. per dozen, while stocks of pickled and cold storage are about exhausted. The trade doing in dried and evaporated fruits is light; dealers are buying at 5½, and sales have been made at 6c. per pound. The local market in hops is quiet; sales of medium at 12 to 14c. per pound are reported. New maple syrup has arrived, and is worth 75 to 80c. per gallon. Some stocks of last year's syrup are being carried over.

WOOL.—Trade in fleece wool remains upon a nominal basis. Pulled wools are selling slowly, and trade on the whole shows no great activity, although some dealers see a gradual improvement in the situation. Values show little or no change, as compared with those reported a week ago.

LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, March 21, 12.30 p. m.

	s.	d.
Wheat, Spring	5	2
Red, Winter	4	11½
No. 1 Cal.	5	12
Corn	3	10½
Peas	4	11½
Lard	37	0
Pork	68	9
Bacon, heavy	31	6
Bacon, light	43	0
Tallow	28	0
Cheese, new white	56	6
Cheese, new colored	56	6



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