

factories that are working actively, so that buying has been very light indeed, still stocks are not at all full, and there is no tendency to weakness in prices which are firmly held at last quotations. There have been some rumors of a disturbing nature, on the street, affecting a large western shoe manufacturer and jobber in whom some local and Quebec houses are interested. Last week's prices are unaltered.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—In *Pig Iron* there is no movement whatever. The market at home is apparently weaker again, and large consumers will not order at all just now. Offers cabled from Britain at one shilling lower than any former quotations have met with no response. Warrants are cabled at forty-one and two pence. We quote *Gartaherrig* and *Summerlee*, \$17.50 to 18.50; *Langlois*, \$19 to 19.50; *Coltness*, \$19.50 to 20.00; *Eglinton* and *Dalmellington*, \$16.50 to \$17; *Bar Iron*, \$1.75 to \$1.80; *Copper*, 16 to 16½c. Remainder of quotations stand as last week as under; *Hematite*, \$20.00 to \$22.50, depending on brand; *Siemens*, \$19.00 to \$20.00; *Bar Iron* still \$1.75 to \$1.85; *Canada Plates* \$2.85 to \$3.00 as to brand; *Tin Plates* *Bradley Charcoal*, \$6.00 to 6.25; *Charcoal I O* \$4.75 to \$5.00 as to brand; do. *I X*, \$6.25 to 6.50; *Coke I C.*, \$4.25 to \$4.40; *Galvanized Sheets*, No. 28, 6 to 7c. according to brand; *Tinned Sheets*, *coke*, Nos. 24 to 26, 6½ to 7½c.; *Hoops and Bands* per 100 lbs., \$2.25 to \$2.30; *Sheets, Boiler*, Plate per 100 lbs. *Staffordshire*, \$2.45 to \$2.55; *Steel Boiler Plate* \$2.25 to \$2.00; heads \$4.50; *Russian Sheet Iron*, 10½ to 11c. Lead per 100 lbs.:—*Pig*, \$3.75 to \$4.00; *Sheet*, \$4.00; *Shot*, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast *Steel*, 11½ to 12½c., firm; *Spring*, \$3.50, firm; *Tire*, \$3.25 to \$3.50, firm *Sleigh Shoe*, \$2.25 to \$2.50. *Round Machinery Steel*, 3½ to 4c. per lb. *Ingot Tin*, 22 to 24c. *Bar Tin*, 25.; *Ingot Copper*, 16½ to 16¾c. *Sheet Zinc*, \$4.75 to \$5.50; *Spelter*, \$4.75 to \$5. *Bright Iron Wire*, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

OILS AND PAINTS.—There is some excitement in *Lined Oil*, which has developed additional strength at home and from 55 to 56c. is now quoted for raw, 59 to 60 for boiled, with a probability that these figures may be raised shortly as there is a strong upward tendency reported. There is a little doing in *Cod Oil* at \$7½ to 60 for Newfoundland; steam refined *Seal* 63 to 65c. in lots with very little demand; straw seal, 53 to 55c. *Turpentine*, 50 to 52c. *Paints and Colors* unchanged. We quote: *White Lead*, (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6.25 to 6.75; No. 1, \$5.50 to 6.00; No. 2, \$5.00 to 5.50; No. 3, \$4.50 to 4.75. *Dry White Lead* 6 to 6½c.; *Red do.* 5 to 5½c. These prices for round lots. *London Washed Whiting* 55 to 60c.; *Paris White* \$1.25 to 1.50; *Cookson's Venetian Red* \$2.00 to 2.50; *Yellow Ochre*, \$1.50 to 1.75; *Paris Green* 19 to 20c.

PROVISIONS.—Pork has been a little more active with some larger transactions reported in Western Mess. We quote *Canada Short Cut* \$21.50; *Western Mess* \$19.50; *Hams* 14½c. *Butter* dull and quiet, *Creamery* 19c to 20c.; *Townships* 16c to 17½c.; *Western* 13c to 14c. *Cheese* also dull at about 8½c.

SALT.—An average trade is doing at 40 to 42½c. for *Elvens*; there are some few *Twelves* coming forward at about 37½c.; *Factory Filled*, \$1.10 ex wharf, \$1.20 ex store.

WOOL.—There is no improvement whatever in business, the sales since last report being a mere bagatelle; prices are the same in every particular.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Messrs. J. Lewenz & Co's., tea letter of 13th June from London says: Not much further change in values has taken place this week in China teas. Congous sold at auction and privately much the same as last week, there being at the same time more general business doing, tending to impart some steadiness to the market. The green teas sold at auction consisted mostly of *Pingsueys* and went somewhat flatly, as there is very little enquiry for them. Indian teas have latterly met less ready biddings at sale, and again many parcels had to be withdrawn for want of adequate offers: but Java teas were rather well competed for.

The China public sales amounted to 33,225 packages including 1,829 green and 4,187 scented tea and the Indian sales to 14,142 packages including 4,292 Java tea.

Beerbohm's London, report as follows, under date 2nd July: Floating cargoes—Wheat, slow; maize, none offering. Cargoes on passage—

Wheat and maize very inactive. Mark Lane—Wheat and maize very dull. English and French country markets very quiet. Imports into United Kingdom for the past week—Wheat, 220,000 qrs. to 225,000 qrs.; maize 225,000 qrs. flour, 160,000 bbls. Weather—England, very fine. Paris—Wheat and flour rather easier. "Liverpool, 12.45 p.m.—Breadstuffs dull and unchanged. Maize, 5s. 3d. Lard, 38½."

LIVERPOOL, 2nd July.

Business in cotton is good, at hardening rates, sales 12,000 bales, including 2,000 for speculation and export. Receipts 3,000 bales, all American. Uplands 6½d. Orleans 6½d; Futures strong and at 4 p.m. had advanced 1-16d. The cheese market which was 50s. 6d. on 26th ult, closed at 49s. yesterday and to-day; Tallow 84s. 6d. Lard 37s.; bacon 43s.; pork 71s. Top price for flour 11s. 6d.; spring wheat 7s. 4d.; red winter steady all week at 7s. 10d.; corn lower at 5s. 3½d.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, 3rd July, 1884.

With all the stir and bustle, bunting and music, processions and crowds, of this week's celebration of the city's fiftieth anniversary, wholesale trade has remained quiet, rather quieter, indeed, by reason of the jubilee, which has done good, however, to city retailers. Large numbers of people have visited the city during the past five or six days from far and near, and more or less interruption to business of many kinds has been one accompaniment of our merry-making. The effect of the crowds will be felt, however, indirectly, through retail channels.

The stock market has been demoralized by the Federal Bank troubles, but shows some improvement to-day. Bank of Montreal shares selling at 180 yesterday, Bank of Commerce at 110. Federal Bank stock which went as low as 67 on Monday last, has improved, under the new regime, sales being made yesterday of 28 shares at 64, ten at seventy and fifty at 72½. Loan company shares quiet. The Stock Exchange holds only one meeting per day during the week. At least one firm of brokers is in trouble by reason of last week's drop in Federal Stock.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—Only very small parcels of goods are selling to country visitors, \$100 is a limit which few exceed. Some factories have closed down for the week, nearly all the operations taking part in the various trades' processions of the celebration.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—This market remains dull. We heard of no sales of any consequence. Bran is worth more than a week ago, \$10 to \$10.50 will now represent the range. Superior extra still quotes \$5 to \$5.10; extra is selling \$4.85 to \$4.90; spring wheat extra is worth from \$4.35 to \$4.40. Oatmeal is steady at \$4.25 to \$4.50, and cornmeal remains at \$3.50. The stocks in store are: 30th June, 1884, 2,000 brls.; 23rd June, 1884, 2,000 brls.; 2 July, 1884, 2,795 brls.

GRAIN.—The wheat market is still exceedingly dull and the quantity changing hands is so insignificant that quotations remain almost nominal. The movement in oats is also of very small dimensions, prices are still in the neighbourhood of 41 to 42c. Peas are dull of sale and any changing hands continues to quote at 73 to 74c. Rye is unchanged at 60 to 61c. Nothing is doing in corn; 60 to 63c. is not far off the mark. The following are the stocks in store:

	STOCKS IN STORE.		
	June 30, 1884.	June 23, 1884.	July 2, 1884.
Fall wheat, bush....	63,957	63,023	76,929
Spring " "	79,297	79,489	112,489
Oats " "	8,415	6,816	1,000
Barley " "	3,041	4,041	48,202
Peas " "	27,958	27,788	272
Rye " "	380	380	225
Corn " "	3,200	8,200
Total Grain "	185,198	183,587	289,067

GROCERIES.—The situation in this department of trade is practically the same as a week ago. The great bulk of goods, as most persons know, is now sold by travellers. Semi-Centennial week has, therefore, had no effect upon the wholesale grocers. There seems to be a better feeling in sugars, although not sufficient to warrant any change in prices; dealers are not buying any more than they can really help. Coffee are as previously reported: Government Java 22 to 27c.; Rio 12½ to 14c.; Jamaica 15 to 22c.; Mocha 30 to 32c.; Native Ceylon 15 to 20c.; plantation ditto 22 to 27c. The ordinary quantity of teas is selling. There is nothing new to note in fruits.

Rice still scarce and unchanged. Spices are moving to a fair extent and there is the usual demand for molasses and syrups. Remittances are fair.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—We cannot say that the demand is any better, but the prospects for the immediate future are encouraging, and dealers are, in consequence, in good spirits. Any orders that have resulted from the celebration this week are merely of a sorting-up nature, and, on the whole, "Semi Centennial" week has been of very little benefit to the trade. Quite a number of customers are in the city, but if they came here to buy they have not yet done so to any extent. Prices are firm all through the list and we make no alterations.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Business is exceedingly dull and prices unaltered, i.e., steers 60 to 90 lbs. 8c.; cows 7c.; cured and inspected, 8½ to 9½c.; green calf skins 11 to 13c.; cured ditto 13 to 15c.; sheep skins \$1 to \$1.30; lamb skins 35c.; pelts 20c.; tallow, rough, 3½c.; ditto rendered, 6½ to 7c.

PROVISIONS.—The holidays having interfered with regular trade and only a very quiet week's business has been done. Prices are not materially altered, but the feeling is, if anything weaker. We are unable to quote any large transactions in hog products, and the jobbing demand is not so brisk as desired. Hams are in light supply and firmer, we quote 14½ to 15c. There is in a fair amount of Butter coming in at unchanged figures, 15c. can be obtained for choice lots, and 16c. by the single package. Cheese is rather easier, the cable to-day was 49/, the local quotation is 10½ to 11c. Eggs continue to bring 15 to 15½c.

WOOL.—Another very quiet week has passed with nothing of interest to chronicle. We repeat last week's quotations: Fleeces, ordinary, 17 to 18c.; ditto super 20 to 22c.; extra 27 to 29c.

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