

dealt in to a fair extent from \$6.20 to 6.15. The market closing easier at \$6.15 to 6.17½; seconds have been in some demand at \$5.30 and thirds at \$5.20. *Pearls*.—About 100 barrels of firsts were placed during the week from \$7.10 to \$7.25, towards the close the market was somewhat easier and the quotations were \$7.15; nothing doing in seconds. The stock at present in store are pots 1,698 brls; pearls 833 brls.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—We have very little change to report in this department of trade, the large manufacturing houses are busy filling orders and expect to be kept fully occupied till the close of navigation. As there is no change to report in prices we do not report them this week.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**—We have had a quiet market this week, and prices present very little alteration since our last report. *Bi carb.*—Maintains its value and sales this week have been made at the advance noted in last report, viz. from \$5.60 to 5.75 according to size of parcel. *Sal soda.*—Is a shade firmer with sales at \$1.85 to 2. *Soda ash* is steady at 2½c. *Caustic soda* is if anything dearer 5 to 5½c being readily obtained. In *bleaching powder* there is not much doing and prices continue steady at 2½ to 2½c. *Copperas* \$1.15 to 1.37½; *Saltpetre* \$9.75 to 10; *Epsom salts* 1½ to 2c; *refined borax* 25 to 27c; *Cream tartar crystals* 27 to 28c; *Alum* 2½ to 2½.

**DRY GOODS.**—The busy part of the season is over and few buyers are in the city. Country orders are most all filled. Business in the country is reported to be very brisk at present, although there are some complaints of tardy remittances. Fancy goods are in good demand and a fair business in this particular branch is being done stocks of which are coming well down. Clothing continues in request and stocks are well reduced.

**FISH.**—*Dry Cod.*—Is not in over supply and the demand is good with considerable sales at \$4.70 to 4.80. *Green Cod.*—Is now selling at \$4.25 to 4.75. The new crop of Labrador herrings are now beginning to arrive, one few were offered for sale by auction yesterday, we now quote *Labrador herring* in barrels at \$5; half barrels \$2½ to 3. At the auction sale of herrings yesterday 210 barrels in small lots sold at \$5, 1 lot of 100 barrels brought \$4½; 275 half barrels changed hands at \$2½. *Salmon.*—Quiet at \$14.50 to 15.

**FURS.**—Our quotations for raw furs are for prime skins, business quiet. A sale of Buffalo robes belonging to the Hudson Bay Company takes place on the 29th. We continue to quote:—Beaver \$2 to 2.25 per lb; black bear large \$3 to 10; ditto small \$6 to 8; fisher \$6 to 7.50; silver fox \$25 to 50; cross fox \$5; red fox \$1.50; lynx \$2 to 2.50; marten, dark Labrador, \$7 to 8; pale marten \$1.75 to 2.25; prime dark mink \$3 to 3.50; mink dark 2nd \$1.50 to 2; otter \$8 to 10; fall muskrat 12c; winter muskrat 15c; spring muskrat 22c; racoon 25 to 50c; skunk 10 to 20c.

**FREIGHTS.**—The panic in the United States has brought down the rates of freight, the demand even at the reduced rates is very light while tonnage is abundant. The latest engagements by steamer and sailing vessels to Liverpool and Glasgow for heavy grain were at 8/3 to 8/9 Flour 4/0 to 5/0. Some vessels have been taken up for orders any port in the U. K. at 8/6 to 9/3 for heavy grain. Rates to London nominal.

**FLOUR.**—Receipts during the past week 31,717 brls; total receipts from 1st January to date 792,546 brls being an increase of 168,079 brls on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1872. Shipments for the past week 12,333 brls; total shipments from 1st January to date 650,674 brls, being an increase of 157,265 brls on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1872. Market during the week has been dull with a slight demand confined almost entirely

to the supply of local wants. Prices have had a downward tendency and the market to-day, although showing rather more activity, prices sustained a further decline especially for extras, fancy and superfine. We now quote:—Extra \$6.45 to 6.50; Fancy \$6.25 to 6.35; Ordinary supers from Canada wheat \$5.80 to 5.90; Strong Bakers flour \$6.25 to 6.55; Welland Canal, flour \$5.80; Ordinary super No. 2 \$5.45 to 5.55; fine 5.00 to 5.20 Middlings \$4.25 to 4.50; Pollards \$3.80 to 4; Upper Canada Bags 2.75; Oatmeal dull \$4.75 to 5.15, and Cornmeal \$2.90 to 3.

**GRAIN.**—*Wheat*—Receipts during the past week 243,593 bush; total receipts from 1st January to date 6,856,281 bush, being an increase of 4,192,590 bush on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1872. Shipments for the past week 325,460 bush; total shipments from 1st January to date 6,136,053 bush, being an increase of 4,145,047 bush on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1872. This market has shown more activity during the past week than for some time previous, and a number of cargoes have been changing hands with the following range of quotations: Canada red winter \$1.35 to 1.40, white do \$1.37 to 1.41, Canada spring \$1.30 to 1.31; No. 2 Chicago spring \$1.27½, No. 2 Milwaukee \$1.30. *Maize*—Market dull and nominal at 60c. *Peas*—Steady with sales at 80 to 82½c per 66 lbs. *Oats*—Steady and in moderate demand at 33 to 35c. *Barley*—Market firm and advancing under reports of a short crop. Latest transactions were at \$1 to 1.10. *Pot and Pearl Barley*—In larger demand than the supply can meet. Prices unchanged, viz., \$7 for the former and \$12 for the latter.

**GROCERIES.**—*Teas.*—There has been some enquiry for medium Japans for which holders are advancing their views. The last reports from Japan to 16th Sept. report the market there as active and the demand has caused Teamen to advance in their asking, and arrivals have fallen off. The imports of Japan teas this season to the United States and Canada via San Francisco is 3,475,193 lbs. *Coffee.*—Market here is very firm, and prices are still advancing owing to the lowness of stock of all kinds of coffee. The high prices which rule now, have also a sensible effect on the demand, but lower prices need hardly be looked for, as short crops are reported in all coffee producing countries. Importers who have been holding back from ordering in the hope of cheaper markets now see that it is hopeless to wait longer. Singapore sells at 26 to 28c and Maracaibo 25 to 26c these being the only kinds in any stock. *Rice.*—Is in less demand from \$4.00 to 4.05 being the current rate. *Sugar.*—Prices this week have had a downward tendency but the demand has been restricted to small lots. Fair to choice grocery can be bought at at 7½ to 7¾c; refining grades bring 6½ to 7¾c according to quality. Scotch refined in large supply with sales at 7½ to 8¾c. Local refined in good demand at 10½ for crushed A; 11c for ground; 11½c for extra ground. *Molasses.*—Not much moving at present, the only kind dealt in this week being Centrifugal at 24 to 24½c and Sugarhouse at 21 to 22½c. Golden syrup 46c; standard ditto 44c; amber ditto 68c. *Spices.*—Black pepper is in rather better supply and quotations are easier, but there is not much demand, good samples could be procured at 20c. Market nearly bare of cloves and prices firm at 26c; nutmegs can be bought at a shade under last weeks quotations, some small sales are reported 90c to \$1.00. Ginger is scarce and 21 to 23c is paid for Jamaica. *Fruit.*—Nothing doing in layer raisins, no new crop yet in the market. New Valencias 8½c; Sultanias 10½c; Currants are dearer 4½ to 5c being paid for old and 6c for new.

**HIDES.**—Business brisk, importations fair, while there are more orders than can be filled with the Montreal market hides. Sheepskins

advancing, other kinds are unchanged. We quote—Salted hides \$9.50 to 10.00; No. 1 green hides \$9.50 to 10.00; No. 2 ditto \$9.00 to 9.50; No. 3 and Bulls \$7.50 to 8.00; Sheepskins 80 to 90c; Calfskins 15c per lb.

**HARDWARE.**—A steady trade has been done during the past week, and prices are tending upwards. *Pigs* remain as last quoted. *Bars* are firm at the advance which was established on Monday last. *Hoops bands and sheets* feel the good effects of the improved state of the bar iron market. *Canada Plates* are moving more actively at our inside quotations. *Tin Plates* meet with but light demand and prices do not improve. *Nails* are selling more readily, and there is a likelihood of an advance in the price as present rates are unremunerative. Our quotations are:—Gartsherrie, \$41.00 to 42 Summerlee and Lauglan \$36.00 to 39.00; Eglington \$34.00 to 35.00; Glengarnock \$35 to 36; Carnbroe \$34 to 36; Monkland and Clyde \$33.00 to 35.00. Hematite \$42 to 44. *Bar Iron* per 100 lbs. Scotch \$3.25 to 3.35; Staffordshire \$3.32 to 3.35; ditto refined \$3.50 to 3.70; Swedes \$5.50 to 6.00 *Hoops and Bands* \$4.00 to 4.50; *Sheets* \$4.50 to 5.50; *Boiler plate* \$4.50 to 5.50; *Russian sheets* \$16 to 17; *Galvanized sheets* \$9.00 to 11. *Canada Plates* per box; Hatton \$6.75 to 7.00; Arrow and Garth \$7.25 to 7.50; F. and W. crown \$7.50 to 7.75. *Budd Lion* \$7.25 to 7.50; *Glamorgan* \$7. to 7.25. *Tin Plates* per box: Charcoal IC \$11.25 to 11.75; ditto IX \$13.25 to 13.75; ditto DC \$10.25 to 10.75; ditto DX \$12.25 to 12.75; *Coke IC* \$10.25 to 10.75. *Tin*—Block per 100 lbs \$34 to 35; *Antimony* \$18 to 19. *Zinc sheet* \$7.50 to 8.00; ditto spelter \$6.50 to 7. *Lead* per 100 lbs. Bar \$6.50 to 7; ditto sheet \$7 to 7.50; ditto pig \$6.25 to 6.75; shot \$7.00 to 7.50. *Nails cut* \$4.25 to 5.75; ditto pressed \$7 to 10; ditto horse 5 to 10 o/o disc off list; *Spikes pressed* \$6 to 7. *Steel.*—Cast \$14 to 16; ditto spring \$6 to 7; ditto sleigh shoe \$5.50 to 5.75; anvils \$10 to 11 per 100 lbs; vices \$12 to 14; anchors \$7.50 to 9; manilla rope 13.50 first quality. *Blasting powder* \$3.50 to 4; *sporting powder* \$4.25 to 5. *Boiler tubes* are lower in price, we now quote 2 in 22c; 2½ in 24c; 2½ in 26c; 3 in 31c; 3½ in 24c; 4 in 53c; 5 in \$1.00. *Iron wire* per bale No. 6 \$3.20 to 3.30.

**LEATHER.**—Receipts moderate, business fair though not brisk. Upper has less enquiry and only prime makes are at present saleable. *Harness* is in better supply and without quotable change. *Splits*, large well finished stock is moving pretty freely, but light and medium are dull of sale. Prime buffed is scarce and good pebbled is not in over supply. We quote:—Spanish sole No. 1 25 to 26c, do No. 2, 23 to 24c Buffalo sole No. 1, 22 to 23c; do No. 2, 19 to 20c; Hemlock slaughter 27 to 31c; waxed upper light and medium 37½ to 42c; do. heavy 33 to 38c; grained upper 35 to 42c; large splits, 26 to 32c; do. small 18 to 25; calf skins (27 to 36 lbs) 60 to 80c; do. (18 to 26 lb) 50 to 70c; sheep-skin linings, 30 to 40c; harness, 27 to 30c; buffed cow, 14 to 17c. per foot; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 19 to 20c; pebbled cow, 14 to 17c; rough leather 28 to 29c.

**LIQUORS.**—*Brandy.*—There has been quite an excited market for this liquor and prices have advanced still further, for the favourite brands in wood \$2.15 to 2.35 is paid, cases \$7½ to \$7¾. *Gin.*—Is firm with sales of DeKuypers in wood at \$1.40 to 1.43; red cases \$6.60 to 6.75; Green cases \$3.60 to 3.65. *High wines.*—In fair request at \$1.50 duty paid.

**NAVAL STORES.**—*Spirits of turpentine* active and advancing, sales from 57½ to 60c. For *rosins* there is also an active demand, but there is no change to note in values. *Pine tar* \$5; *Pine pitch* \$4.50 to 5; *Coal tar* unchanged; *Coal pitch* easier at \$2.75 to 3.