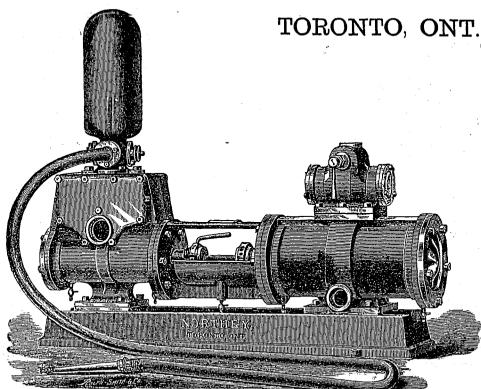
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Fragants.—Grain has been taken at 1s 9d to 2s 3d to direct ports, and cattle at 65s. Considerable cattle space has been contracted for and is being sub-let. Phosphate as to port, 5s to 6s. Deal freights are unchanged.

Grain and Flour.—The local market has been dull and easy up to within the past two days, when news of further encroachments by the Russians was received, and led to the adoption of firmer views by holders. Ordinary superior sold down to \$4.20, and 500 trls. of Fancy was placed at \$3.80; two cars of Spring Extra sold at \$3.80. Other transactions occurred at inside quotations. The shipments of grain at this port up to the 4th inst., as compiled at the Port Warden's office, are as follows:
—Wheat, 1,005,384 bushels; peas, 663,673; corn, 600,466; oats, 625,093; barley, 37,226. British cablegrams to-day reported as follows:
—Wheat lirm, fair demand; offerings moderate: corn firm good demand; bijher prices asked, prevent business. Prices of wheat advanced 1d to 2d. California prompt shipment went from 3 and 7s 1d to 7s 2d and 7s 5d. Liverpool corn rose from 4s 5½d to 4s 6d.

GREEN FRUITS, ETC.—Business has continued fair. Valencia oranges have sold at \$9 to \$9.50 per case; in boxes, \$4.50 to \$5.50. Naples lemons, \$8 to \$8.50; fancy Messinas, \$6 per box; Palermos, \$5. Several car lots of bananas have been received, principally yellows, which are selling at \$1.50 to \$2 per bunch. Tomatoes have been scarce, but consignments are expected at the close of the week. Green apples are selling in large lots at \$3.25; jobbing lots of three to five barrels, \$3.50 There are no

peaches offering at present but some are arriving and will sell at \$3 to \$3.25 per box. Strawberries, 6c to 8c per quart. California plums, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per box; green Bartlett pears, \$5 per box. Carthagenia coacoa-nuis \$6 per 100; Baracoas, \$4.50; green peanuts, choice, 6½c to 7c per lb; other sorts from 4c.

Groceres.—General business is moderate but improving; prospects for the near future fair. Tea.—There has been a good demand and sales show an increase, probably covering several thousand packages for the week. Low-grade Japans firm and enquired after; better kinds meet with rather slow sale; prices all round fairly steady. Arrivals of the new crop have not been large to date, consisting of a few lots of overland teas at high freight rates; other consignments, however, are en roule. It is feared in some quarters that tea may yet be subjected to rebellion duty. A tea letter dated Yokohama, June 19th, says:—Since the 5th inst. we have again to report an active market, and settlements during the period amount to 22,192 piculs; total settlements at this port for the season 79,189 piculs, against 79,635 at same date last season. At Kobe from the 2nd to the 17th instant settlements amount to 14,968 piculs, making the total settlements at that part 33,719 piculs, against 32,307 last season, a grand total at both ports this season of 112,008 piculs, against 109,718 total settlements at even date last season, showing an excess this season to date of 3,100 piculs. Arrivals from the country have been irregular; teas grading from and including fine and upwards are a trifle lower. Grades from good medium down are rough coarse leaf, much mixed and very dear at the quotations. Fine \$23 to \$24 per' picul; choicest \$32 to \$33 and upwards; good medium \$20 to \$22. Sugar.—The new duty will give

local refiners an advantage, as it virtually shuts out the low grades of imported. Prices here are substantially unchanged, so far as jobbing lots are concerned, but buyers of large quantities of granulated have secured advantages at the refineries. This is the season when a good demand is expected, and present prices should induce a large business. Fluctuations in this article of trade are frequent, and buyers will dowell to remember, now as always, that in reading market reports and conning over prices, in this and other publications, they are dealing with past events, and the facts contained do not necessarily hold good until the next issue of the paper. In this connection we have heard of trouble caused by mistrusting the statements of responsible wholesale merchants. Fruit.—No choice Valencies in the market. The opinion is spreading that the cholera ravages in Spain will seriously reduce the supply of the new crop. Rice, spices, etc., are quiet at quotations.

HAY, STRAW AND FEED.—Offerings of new hay are light and poor in quality with sales at \$6 to \$8. We quote choice timothy at \$13 and straw at \$5 to \$6. In pressed hay business is dull outside of the demand from exporters shipping cattle from here. The market is steady at \$16 to \$17 per ton; straw in bales, \$8 to \$9 per ton; shorts quiet at \$17 to \$18 per ton; bran weaker at \$14 to \$15, the former for Montreal and the latter for Upper Canada; moulic \$24 to \$26, as to quality buck wheat 65c per bushel.

HIDES AND SKINS.—In consequence of competition among buyers, inspected city beef hides are 50c per 100 lbs higher, and a corresponding advance has been established on the cured and