

THE GROCERY TRADE.

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Bacon, Clarke & Co.
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Conner, Olson & Lamb.
J. Douglas & Co.
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Gumpert & Moore
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.
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J. Berry, Brothers & Co.
Kingson & Kitchin.
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E. Maitland, Tice & Co.
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H. J. O'Leary
McNeill, Kinross & Co.
William Niven & Co.
Reuter, Lonsdale & Co.
Rimmer, Dunn & Co.
Robertson & Beattie.
David Robertson
Hayland Routh & Co.
Simpson, Jack & Co.
Joe Tiffin & Sons
David Torrance & Co.
Thompson, Murray & Co.
Alex. Urquhart & Co.

Winn & Holland.

THE market for export still continues very active, and demand is undiminished; nearly all goods in this branch of trade exhibit an advancing tendency; arrivals from England of Teas and general groceries are eagerly watched, and all desirable shipments at once taken for the American markets at good round profits to the importer—operations with our American neighbours being strictly upon a cash basis, returns are prompt and unquestionably satisfactory.

We note the article of Bicarbonate Soda is very active for export, and considerable sales to arrive are reported at \$4.50 per cwt. in Bond. We do not anticipate for some months any falling off in demand for goods for the American markets, and are of opinion that so long as this requirement exists, prices in this market will be firmly maintained, and a hardening tendency in prices may be anticipated.

Within the last fortnight a large number of dealers in general merchandize from Western Canada have been in market, who have bought (for their limited requirements) very freely in groceries; they report the Fall business as opening out very briskly, and look forward to making large collections from their customers, who have been in arrears in their payments; the very satisfactory crops and plenitude of money is a guarantee to them of a large and paying trade.

TEAS.—The market is very firm with an upward tendency; much activity exists at improving prices. Fine Young Hysons exceedingly scarce; the small stocks in hand are held at extreme rates. Coloured and Uncoloured Japans are in good demand for the United States, and large sales have been made within the fortnight at advanced prices. Fine Gunpowders are in meagre supply, and held at outside figures. Stocks of Imperials and Hysons are only very moderate. Blacks—some considerable sales have been made in Bond for Boston and Western markets at paying profits. We report supplies ample for all local requirements. Latest advices from England advise Teas without change and prices very firm.

SUGARS.—Are in limited supply with an advancing tendency; several parcels are, however, offered to arrive at \$9.50 to \$9½ for fair to prime Cuba and Porto Rico. Considerable purchases have been made within the last fortnight upon speculation, from stock on hand, and in this commodity the market exhibits much firmness, with a prevailing impression that figures must yet go higher. We note by last mail an advance in England of 6d. to 1s. per cwt. with much activity. The New York market is also one half cent per lb. better.

COFFEE.—Some slight improvement in demand is visible, and several parcels have changed hands in the city. While more enquiry exists for consumption, stocks are fairly assorted and ample for requirements. An advance is noted in New York market at 1c. per lb. Latest English dates report the article steady.

TOBACCOS.—Only few lots changing hands; limited orders are being executed on Western account, but there is no activity in this product; prices remain unchanged and firm.

RICE.—Great paucity of stock in the market, and any lots arriving are quickly picked up at full rates.

MOLASSES.—Are in good demand, and we report several sales at improved prices. We hear of a lot of common layered having been taken at 85 cts. We observe an advance in New York market of 3 to 5 cts. per gal.

FRUIT.—Raisins are still very scarce, and until the new fruit arrives, the market no doubt will be very bare. Currants are in fair supply and prices unchanged.

SALT.—There is some enquiry for this article: although we do not hear of any purchases having lately been made for the Western States, some extensive shipments are reported from Liverpool to this market; and unless demand is active for the American markets, we may anticipate heavy supplies this Fall. We refer to our prices current for quotations.

FISH.—Stocks still very meagre, and the high prices maintained.

LIQUORS.—No change in prices, if we except Brandy in case, which are in very limited supply and enquired for, holders of this stock are very firm, as the lots held are in few hands.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

James Baille & Co.
Banker, Bank & Co.
Wm. Benjamin & Co.
James P. Clark
John Douglass & Co.
Foulds & Hodgson.
Gilmour, White & Co.
Lewis, Kay & Co.
Thomas May & Co.
McIntyre, Thomson & Co.

J. Meyer & Co.
Mundelich & Steinhilber.
O'Brien & Co.
Ringland, Kwart & Co.
A. Robertson & Co.
Stirling, McCall & Co.
William Stoddard & Co.
Thompson, Clouston & Co.
Alexander Walker
George White & Co.

AFTER two weeks of extreme excitement, the dry goods trade seems to have entered into a more settled state. Trade is still active, and the transactions during the past week have been large. It requires but a casual glance at the present wholesale stocks in this city to perceive the rapidity with which stocks have been reduced. We think we are justified in making the statement, that in no two weeks trade of any former season has the trade been more satisfactory. There is still a steady demand for all classes of seasonable goods, and the later buyers find it somewhat difficult to complete their usual assortments. Goods are however largely arriving by each steamer, and will continue to do so late on in the season. Stocks are likely to improve from this out, though with all this there is no prospect of a surplus in any staple line.

Our views expressed on the cotton question during the past four months have been well sustained. Spite of all argument we have maintained a belief in the upward tendency of all cotton manufactured goods. By late advices we notice a strong upward tendency. There are statements made, from figures gathered from pretty reliable sources, that cottons are likely to be higher three months hence than they are to-day. This we believe. Woollens are also higher, since purchases were made for this market considerable advance has taken place. Orlate a large quantity of goods has been taken on American account. White and grey cottons in bond and out of bond have been purchased in considerable quantities; cloths also have been sold freely to United States. Silks likewise have come in for a share of the drain from this quarter. Low and medium price cottons in grey and white are difficult to obtain. Certain lines in woollens are scarce.

Dress goods in medium supply; assortment not up to usual standard. Coloured Cobourgs, a poor assortment in the market. Baggings are asked for; hard to obtain. In all the above lines however large duplicates are now coming forward, which in a week or so will make the stocks more complete than they have been at any one time this season. In cotton yarns there is quite a dearth—no stock in the market. The Dundas and Thorold mills are still turning out their usual quantity, but cannot begin to supply to demand made upon their manufacture. All classes of Canadian manufactured goods are in good demand.

WHOLESALE CATTLE MARKET.

THE supply of good cattle to our market has been exceedingly scarce this week, the very great demand for the American markets, especially Boston and New York, has drained the West of the bulk of good cattle, which generally came weekly to our market; prices rule high. *Beeves*, extra none, 1st quality \$7 to \$8; 2nd do \$6 to \$6.75; 3rd do \$5 to \$5.50; *Refusals*, consisting of bulls and cows, \$4 to \$4.75, milch cows are scarce and in good demand—American buyers purchasing all the pick at high prices, say \$23 to \$23.25, \$24 to \$50. Yearling \$8 to \$10, two year olds \$12 to \$20, three year olds \$28, \$33 to \$31. Working oxen per yoke \$75 to \$90 to \$120. We notice the sale of a lot of 60 head of fine fat cattle by Mr. Jas. McShane for the Brighton market. *Sheep* in good demand and worth, 1st quality, \$5.75 to \$7; 2nd do \$4 to \$5.25. *Sheep and lambs* by the lot \$3 to \$4. *Catties* none in market and in small demand. *Hogs*, very fair supply this week, prices rather lower. Live weight \$8 to \$8.25, and some very choice brought \$8.50. Dressed \$9.50 to \$10.50. *Tallow*, worth 6c rough. *Lard*, 10c. per lb. rendered. *Beef*, *Hercos* very scarce at \$25 to \$26, Prime Mess in bris. \$14 to \$16. Prime \$10 to \$12.

In New York, the demand for leather continues active, and prices have still further advanced, receipts are light and stocks small. Quotations for Spanish light weights, 35 to 38 cents, middle 33 to 39 cents, heavy 40 to 41 cents. Hides are in good demand with a still further advance in prices. Sales are reported of 1000 Buenos Ayres at 21c. gold. We notice the arrival in New York of 50,000 sides from Boston at 81c. currency. Stocks in first hands of foreign, are steady, at 213,000 sides, against 500,000 sides same time last year, 238,000 sides in '68, and 276,000 in '69.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

THE operations in Heavy Goods still continue on a scale unprecedented for this market, so much so that many staples are quite exhausted and in many instances lots to arrive are sold long before vessels arrive. From present appearances many kinds of heavy iron as well as many staples will be entirely sold out, and have to be replaced at high freights via Portland.

PIG IRON.—Prices remain as before, although but few lots have been sold the past week, the views of buyers not coming up to demands of sellers. The quantity in market is much less than usual at this season.

BAR IRON.—No change in the prices have taken place for a few days. There have been large orders from Western Canada which have taken down the stock very considerably.

BOILER PLATES.—Are again very scarce, and some houses are asking an advance on our quotations. There is very little more to arrive as the orders went home too late for execution unless via Portland, which will enhance their value.

CANADA PLATES.—Are getting into fewer hands, and maintain full prices, in fact some parties ask 25 to 50 cents per box above the quoted prices.

TIN PLATES.—Are considerably higher than they were last week, and lots which were held on commission are entirely sold out. Lots to arrive are freely taken at our lowest quotations.

CUT NAILS.—Are firm at the advance of last week, and the orders are coming in freely. The manufacturers have their books well filled, and a further advance is anticipated.

FREIGHTS.—On all heavy goods for the West are fully 50 to 75 cents per ton higher than they were to all Lake Ontario Ports, and in proportion to Upper Lakes.

Freights.

We have no new features to advise, and, owing to the scarcity of tonnage, prices are purely nominal.

ARRIVALS.

From Antwerp	1 vessel	181 tons.
" London	1 "	1116 "
" Lower Ports	4 "	406 "
Previous this year	6 "	1702 "
	145 "	83730 "
Same time last year	151 "	85432 "
	188 "	100904 "
Decrease 1865	37 "	14572 "

DEPARTURES.

To Glasgow	1 vessel	1128 tons.
" Lower Ports	3 "	474 "
" London	1 "	1116 "
" Liverpool	1 "	1888 "
" Gloucester	1 "	197 "
Previously	7 "	4808 "
	164 "	79808 "
Last year	171 "	84611 "
	201 "	98306 "
Decrease 1865	30 "	13755 "

Custom House Returns.

We give the returns of the Custom House as compared with last year.

DATE.	1864.	1865.
September 15	\$12,349.99	\$ 6,439.90
" 16	8,087.35	2,504.67
" 18	2,632.60	23,906.24
" 19	21,613.22	12,301.92
" 20	10,310.35	6,692.30
" 21	10,810.27	21,544.54
Previous this year	\$ 65,701.69	\$ 78,399.57
	3,032,065.18	2,222,523.42
Total	\$3,098,766.87	\$2,101,912.99

Lower Port Produce.

Our Quebec correspondent says:—"The market for both fish and oils continues active, everything arriving being taken up eagerly at extreme prices. *Fish*—Dry Cod we quote firm at \$5.50 to \$6.10 tied; Green \$3.90 to \$4.00 per barrel. Salmon \$18 to \$19. *Shackled* No. 3 round & split \$6 to \$6.50. *Labrador Herrings* \$4.50 to \$4.75 split. *Basle St. George Herrings* round \$3.12 to \$3.50. *Basle des Chaleurs* \$2.45 to 2.66. *Oils*.—Strictly Pale Seal, none; Pale Straw 87½ c. to 90 c. Straw 85 c. to 87½ c. Brown 80 c. Cod Oil 83½ c. to 85 c. Porpoise 85 c. All in small stock."