

buyers, and sales are of only a moderate jobbing character; export business is dull. We quote spring patents \$4.50 to 4.60; winter, \$4.25 to 4.50, straight roller, \$3.90 to 4; strong bakers', \$4.10 to 4.25. Bran is \$13 to 14, shorts \$14 to 15, and moulie \$20 to 22.

GROCERIES—The sugar market retains the strength lately noted, with granulated 4½c. at the factory, and the lowest in yellows is 3½c. The New York market is even firmer, and a Montreal gentleman largely interested in sweet stuffs, who was in that city a few days ago, says he heard of large blocks of Scotch and German granulated being bought to cost about 4½c. laid down. New Valencia raisins received via Liverpool are being quoted to the country trade at 6½c. The first direct steamer is due here about the 10th prox., when quotations will be revised. New candied peels are quoted as follows: Citron, 23 to 25c.; lemon, 13½ to 15c.; orange, 14½ to 16c. Canned salmon is very firm, and may be quoted at \$1.45 to \$1.55 as to brand and lot. Prices of new tomatoes as to brand and lot. Prices of new tomatoes and corn seem hardly settled, but the pack is generally reported a short one. The tea market rules strong for Japans, and London advices are to the effect that Congous are showing some advance, also Ceylon and Indian teas, which latter have been dragging somewhat of late. An auction sale of some 600 packages of fine Japan teas, damaged by the fire on the "Empress of Japan," was held here the other day on underwriters' account, and realized good prices. An event of considerable interest to all wholesale grocers and tea jobbers throughout the Dominion, will be the first fall trade sale of teas to be held on account of Messrs. John Duncan & Co., at their stores in Montreal on the 12th of October. The trade sales of this leading house have always attracted large audiences, the goods offered being put up without any reserve. There will be offered in all 5,707 packages, comprising 8,645 Japans, 948 Congous, 643 Gunpowder, and smaller lots of Young Hysons, orange Pekoe, Indians, Ceylons, etc.

HIDES—No change is to be noted in the hide market since a week ago. Dealers are buying all green hides offering at 5, 4 and 3c. for Nos. 1, 2 and 3 respectively, and are also taking the few calfskins coming forward at 5c.; lamb-skins, 65 to 70c. The Chicago market is still reported dull and weak.

LEATHER—Dealers say there has been a little more doing since last report. Sole is very firm, and were it not that tanners are contracted a good way ahead, a further advance might be possible. Splits are dull and quotations might be shaded for lots. Buff is in fair demand, with comparatively moderate stocks. Boston advices say that tanners are asking a cent a foot more for grain. We quote:—Spanish sole, B. A., No. 1, 21 to 23c.; do., No. 2 to B. A., 17 to 18c.; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 19 to 20c.; No. 2, 16 to 17c.; No. 1, China, none to be had; No. 1, slaughter, 20 to 23c.; No. 2, do., 18 to 20c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; British oak sole, 38 to 45c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 26 to 29c.; ditto, heavy, 23 to 28c.; grained, 24 to 26c.; Scotch grained, 28 to 30c.; splits, large, 15 to 20c.; do., small, 12 to 14c.; calf splits, 32 to 33c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 20 to 26c.; buffed cow, 11 to 13c.; extra heavy buff, 14 to 15c.; pebbled cow, 9 to 14c.; polished buff, 10 to 12c.; glove grain, 11 to 13c.; rough, 17 to 20c.; russet and bridle, 45 to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE—It is hard to find anything new to write about in the local market. Trading is of a very slow, ordinary character, and for the last several weeks there have been no alterations in local prices. The outlook in the British metal market is apparently a rather gloomy one, judging from the last Kidston circular just received, from which we quote: "Owing to a combination of causes—active shipping season, depletion in stocks, and in some cases furnaces working badly—makers of special brands find some difficulty in meeting requirements, and have been able to establish advances. This in the face of falling prices for finished material is somewhat anomalous, were it not explained as above, and probably a low range of values will be reached during the coming winter, unless trade takes an unlooked for forward movement. The warrant market has been lower, while stocks in yard at Glasgow are 388,759 tons, showing a reduction for the fortnight of

7,941 tons. Steel is lower owing to the cessation of ship-building. Tinplates are most depressed, and some makers have closed their works, while others contemplate like action. Many thousand employees are thrown out of employment, and the winter in South Wales promises to be a most trying one." The same circular speaks of copper, tin, lead and zinc as all being dull. Warrants as last cabled are quoted at 41/5d. We quote:—Coltress pig iron, \$19.50; Calder, No. 1, \$19; Calder, No. 3, \$18; Summerlee, \$19.50; Englin-ton, \$18.50; Gartsherrie, \$19.50; Carnbroe, \$18; Shotts, \$19.50; Middlesboro, No. 3, none offering; Siemens' pig No. 1, \$18.75 to \$19; machinery scrap, \$15 to 16; common do., \$12; bar iron, \$1.90 to 2.00 for Canadian; British, \$2.25; best refined, \$2.40; Canada Plates—Blaina, Swansea, and Garth, \$2.55 to 2.60; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$7.00 to 7.50. Merchants' roofing, 20x28, \$13.50. Black sheet iron No. 28, \$2.60; No. 26, \$2.50; No. 24, \$2.40; tin plates—Bradley charcoal, \$6.00; charcoal I. C., \$4.00; P.D. Crown, \$4.25; do I.X., \$5 to 5.25; coke I. C., \$3.30 to 3.50; coke wasters, \$3.15; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5c.; Morewood, 6½ to 6½c.; tinned sheets, 5c.; No. 24, 6 to 6½c.; No. 26, 6½ to 6½c.; the usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.40. Staffordshire boiler plate, \$2.75 to 3.00; common sheet iron, \$2.50 to 2.80 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00; Russian sheet iron, 10½ to 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$3 to 3.25; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 10½ to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50 to 2.75; sleigh shoe, \$2.40; round machinery steel, \$3.00; ingot tin, 2½ to 23c.; bar tin, 25c.; ingot copper, 12 to 12½c.; sheet zinc, \$6 to 6.25; spelter, \$5.25 to 5.75; American do. \$5.50. Antimony 12½ to 15c.; bright iron wires Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.65 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.70; galvanized, \$3.35; the trade discount on wire is 7½ per cent. Coil chain, ½ inch, 5c., ¾ in., 4½c.; 7-16 in., 4½c.; 1 in., 3½ to 4c.; 1½ in., 3½c.; 2 in., and upwards, 3c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS—Business in these lines is still of rather moderate character, and the usual fall trading has not yet set in. Prices show very little change; linseed oil and turpentine are still low; castor oil also continues very easy, and a 25 case lot to arrive could probably be had at 6½c. There is difficulty in getting a 10 gallon lot of pure olive oil in the city. Fish oils are very little enquired for. We quote:—Turpentine 45 to 46c. per gal.; Linseed oil, raw, 54c. per gal.; boiled, 57c.; olive oil, 95c. to \$1; castor, 7 to 7½c. in cases; smaller lots, 8c.; Newfoundland cod, 38 to 40c. per gallon; steam refined seal, 42 to 44c. Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$5.25 to \$5.50; No. 1, \$5; No. 2, \$4.50 to 4.75; No. 3, \$4 to 4.50; dry white lead, 5 to 5½c.; genuine red do., 4½ to 4½c.; No. 1 red lead, 4c.; London washed whiting, 50c.; Paris white, 90c. to \$1; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.50 to 1.75; spruce ochre, \$2.25 to 2.50. Window glass, \$1.30 per 50 feet for first break, \$1.40 for second break; third break, \$3.

WOOL—The local demand is not improved. The cholera epidemic is seriously affecting the New York market; all shipments arriving are being closely watched, and it is said orders have been issued to disinfect cargoes arriving in future, in consequence of which orders have been cabled to withhold shipments. Local dealers are not pressing sales at the moment.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Sept. 29th, 1892.

BOOTS AND SHOES—Business is very good and much above what it was for the corresponding period of last year. Orders are coming to hand in a very satisfactory manner, and the demand shows a healthy and a steady increase.

DRUGS—We hear of no special feature in any line, but a fair general movement is in progress. Although the cholera scare is rapidly dying out, the demand for disinfectants continues, and in fact has not as yet suffered any diminution, but cholera remedies are not quite so firm. Chloroform and chloral-hydrate are lower.

DRY GOODS—Though, perhaps, scarcely up to the average, there has been a steady movement this week. At present the most active demand is for tweeds, and mostly for tweeds

of Canadian manufacture. Silk velvets, velvet trimmings and serge cloth are all active. Owing to the much cooler weather a demand for woollen goods is springing up, especially in the different lines of underwear. The outlook for an unusually good fall trade is satisfactory. The chief occupation of the wholesale houses just now is in filling and sorting up orders, but as business has lately been unusually good, but few complaints are heard. Shipments are up to the average, and payments are improving.

FISH—Trade is quiet; herrings and whitefish are out of the market, and fresh supplies are not expected for a few weeks. Prices are unchanged at these quotations:—Trout, 7 to 7½c.; blue pickerel, 4c.; yellow pickerel, 6½c.; perch, 4c.; haddock, 6½c.; and salt water salmon, 15 to 16c. per pound.

FLOUR, MEAL, ETC.—There is little doing and the market is a heavy one, but offerings have been more large and the tendency of prices downward. Early in the week there was a slightly better feeling, and straight rollers sold to a small extent outside at \$3.40 to 3.45; extra has been quiet all the week: straight rollers were quoted yesterday at \$3.45 and \$3.50. Toronto freights and extras \$3.15 to 3.20. Ontario patents \$3.75 to 4.10. The close was dull. Oatmeal is unchanged, with small lots selling slowly at \$3.80 to 4.20. Bran is unsettled and little offering. A few cars have sold at \$11.50, and yesterday a car lying west (same freight as from Toronto), sold at \$11.75. Some small lots of bran were quoted yesterday at \$12.50.

GRAIN—The market is heavy, and the market yesterday closed with prices lower. White sold outside at 67 for straight and 66c. No. 1 Manitoba hard was offered to arrive at 90c., Montreal freights, and No. 2 hard, lake and rail, at 80c. to arrive. No. 3 hard, Montreal freight, sold over at 71c. lake and rail. There has been little enquiry for barley, and in consequence of low prices farmers will not offer freely; prices are purely nominal; receipts on the street have improved and values closed yesterday at 41 to 43c. Oats are dull, with car lots quoted at 30 on the track and 28c. outside. The market closed quiet; some white on the Midland was offered at 29c. and no bids; street prices closed 30 and 32c. Peas are in fair demand and unchanged at 58 to 59c. outside; sales yesterday on the street made at 60 and 61c. Rye nominal here at 57 and 58c., some lying east sold at 56c.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The following is a comparative statement of the visible supply of grain in Canada and the United States for the week ended Sept. 24, as prepared by the secretary of the New York Produce Exchange. The returns are here given in thousands, and are as follows:—

	Sept. 24, 1892.	Sept. 17, 1892.	Sept. 26, 1891.
Wheat, bush.....	44,962	41,489	26,861
Corn, ".....	9,799	9,795	8,887
Oats, ".....	680	6,019	5,470
Rye, ".....	772	670	2,538
Barley, ".....	460	430	1,363

STOCKS IN STORE.

The following are the stocks of grain, etc., in store at Toronto on Monday morning last, as reported by the secretary of the Board of Trade, and compared with the quantities for the preceding week:—

	Sept. '9, 1892.	Sept. 26, 1892.
Fall wheat, bush.....	34,528	32,412
Spring ".....	26,836	26,607
Hard ".....	10,100	10,000
Oats, ".....	3,800	3,860
Barley, ".....	22,210	29,022

Total grain, bushels 97,474 102,141

Following were the stocks in store at Port Arthur on Thursday, Sept. 22nd, and also those for the preceding week: Wheat in store, 365,254 bushels; received during the week, 23,939 bushels; shipped during the week, 145,367. For the previous week: In store, 399,326 bushels; received, 50,440 bushels; shipped, 84,512 bushels. Balance in store last week, 243,825 bushels; previous week, 365,254.

FUEL—Activity characterises this trade, and the demand for winter supplies is keeping all the wholesale men about as well occupied as they care to be. Prices are unchanged at present for either coal or wood, but it is probable that another advance in coal will be at-