

gal. in kegs and cans. *Dried Apples* selling slowly in jobbing lots at 5c to 5½c per lb.

SEEDS.—No change to note in *Clover*. The market continues flat; no export demand, and the local trade has not yet fairly commenced. Prices quoted at \$5 to \$5.50 per bushel. *Timothy* is coming forward more freely, and, under an active demand, is quoted at \$2.70 to \$2.85 per bushel.

Wool.—Continues remarkably dull in this market. Manufacturers are postponing their large purchases in a manner that is quite disappointing and unexpected to dealers; sales for the week of both foreign and domestic descriptions comprise only small lots, at nominally unchanged prices. There is an easier feeling noticeable, however, and for anything like a round lot of Cape wool sellers would undoubtedly make concessions; some small lots have sold at 18c, and 19c is now the outside figure for it. At the London sales on Tuesday last 7,600 bales, chiefly Victorian and New South Wales, were offered; the tone of the market and prices remained unchanged.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

(By Telegraph.)

Chicago, March 10, 1.02 p.m.—Wheat, March, 98½c; April, 99½c; May, 103½c; June, 103½c. Corn, March, 37½c; April, 38½c; May, 42½c. Oats, March, 28½c; April, 29½c; May, 33½c. Pork, 2.10 p.m., March, \$15.35; April, \$15.35; May, \$15.50. Lard, 2.13 p.m., March, \$10.35; April, \$10.42½; May, \$10.55.

ENGLISH MARKETS.—By Cable.

Beebom's, 10th March.—Floating cargoes, Wheat slow; Maize, none offering. Cargoes passage Wheat, inactive; Maize, not much demand. Good cargoes Red Winter Wheat off coast was 47s 3d, now 47s; Do, California, was 46s 3d, now 46s. London Fair Average mixed American Maize, prompt shipment, was 25s, now 25s 6d. Arrivals on sale off coast, Wheat small, Maize nil. Liverpool Spot Wheat inactive, Maize quiet, steady. Passage U. K. ports, call and direct ports, Wheat, 2,400,000 qrs.; Maize, 300,000 qrs.

Liverpool, 10th March, 11.30 a.m.—Flour, 8s 6d to 11s; Spring, 8s 6d to 9s 3d; Red Winter, 9s 2d to 9s 9d; White, 9s to 9s 6d; Club, 9s 5d to 9s 11d. Corn, old, 5s 7d; new, 5s 6d. Pork, 68s; Lard, 52s 9d; Bacon, 40s 6d to 41s 6d.

London, 10th March, 11.30 a.m.—Consols 99 9-16 money; 99½ account. Bonds, new 4½s at 14½; new 5s at 3½. Br. 50½; Ill. C., 135½.

MARITIME MARKETS.

(By Telegraph.)

St. John, N.B., March 10th, 1881.

Trade has been inactive this week, in Breadstuffs especially. The receipts of Flour have been moderate, but there has been a good deal bought to arrive. The stocks are nearly moderate, the business has been very light, and there is no perceptible change in prices, which are: Choice Superior, \$6.00 to \$6.15; Patents, \$6.80 to \$7.10; Good Extra, \$5.75 to \$6. Green apples have advanced in price. Common fruit commands \$1.50 to \$2 per brl, and culled \$2 to \$2.50. Beans still continue at the advance quoted last week, despite the fact that several carloads have come in sugar and molasses without change, and not much called for.

Halifax, N.S., March 10, 1881.

The weather has been unusually spring-like during the week; snow has almost disappeared along the Atlantic coast, and the harbors are opening up, so that coastwise vessels will very soon be in from all points. The early fishermen will be seeking supplies, and trade will probably look up. We note but little change in the Breadstuffs market. Prices have been well maintained, although but little margin on the cost;

and owing to tardy arrivals, holders will be able to quit themselves of stocks on hand at present figures. Chipman & Co. quote 3 and 4 mos. prices, as follows: Walzen, \$7 to \$7.25; Toronto Standard Superiors, \$5.75 to \$5.80; Choice Extra, \$5.70 to \$5.75; Strong Bakers, \$5.85 to \$6.05; Spring Extra, low grades, \$5.20 to \$5.30; Bran per ton, \$18.50 to \$19. Clover Seed per bush., \$8.25 to \$8.50. Timothy, nominally, \$3.25. Hogs, per 100, \$8 to \$8.50. Butter, fair to good, 17c to 20c. Oatmeal, \$4.80 to \$4.95. Cornmeal, \$3.20 to \$3.30. Oats, per bush., 47c to 47½c.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

By Telegraph from our Special Correspondent.

Toronto, March 10, 1881.

An improved business has been noticed in several departments of trade during the past week, and especially in millinery. Openings are now in order, and a large trade is reported. The arrangements made by the Board of Trade in securing reduced rates to merchants buying at wholesale establishments have been beneficial, in that there are many country merchants in town. There is also some activity in the dry goods trade, with an increased demand for white cottons and prints. The bulk of the orders are yet by mail, but when buyers get through with millinery, they will give their attention next to dry goods. There is considerable firmness in cotton goods, and the demand seems to be based on actual wants. As was the case last year, there are no advancing figures to stimulate buyers. Manufacturers are very busy, they being unable to keep up with orders. In woollens there is a fair movement, and the lower prices this year will probably induce merchants to order early. Ready-made clothing dealers are busy filling their orders for shipments. The season is about over for taking orders. Merchants report a fair trade, and an increase over last season. Hardware is moderately active and prices unchanged. The movement consists chiefly of builders' hardware, &c. The money market was somewhat more active, without much change in quotations. Call loans have been in more demand at 4½c to 5c per cent. and time loans at 5c to 5½c. Stirling exchange has been a little irregular; 60-day bills are quoted at 108½c to 108½c across the counter, and demand bills at 109½c, with ½ less between banks. Commercial paper has been most active at 6 to 7 per cent., the former quotation for large amounts at short dates. Gold drafts on New York at ½ to ½ premium. The stock market has ruled more active than for several weeks, and values of banks are from 1 to 3 per cent. higher within the past two or three days. Montreal sold at 184½ and 185, Ontario at 99½, 100 and 100½, Commerce at 142 and 143, Dominion at 163 and 163½, Merchants at 119½, Standard at 106, and Imperial at 122½ and 123. Loan and miscellaneous shares were also in good demand and higher in some cases. Freehold sold at 157, London and Canadian at 149 x d., National Investment at 112, Huron and Erie at 161, Building and Loan at 105½, Manitoba at 120, Consumers Gas at 149, and Western Assurance at 219.

Following are the closing bids to-day as compared with those of last Thursday:

Banks.	Bid Mch. 3.	Bid Mch. 10.	Loan Cos.	Bid Mch. 3.	Bid Mch. 10.
Montreal..	182½	184½	Can. Permanent	205	205
Toronto..	145	149	Freehold,	157	157
Ontario..	98	100	Western Can..	186½	186½
Merchants	117½	119	Bldg. & Loan..	109½	109½
Commerce	139½	142	Imp. Savings..	119	119
Dominion	160	162½	Farmers' Loan..	180	180
Hamilton	118½	118½	Lond. & Can'dn	146x d	148
Standard..	104½	105½	Huron & Erie..	160	160
Federal..	139½	142	Dom. Savings..	114	117
Imperial..	121	123½	Ontario Loan..	181	181
Molson's..	Hamilton Prov..	128	130

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The activity in this line consists in getting goods packed and their shipment. A large trade has been reported during the past two months, but at present orders are not numerous.

COAL.—On account of the Spring-like weather, the coal trade is less active. Prices, however, continue firm, and are likely to remain so until the supply increases on the opening of navigation. Egg, stove, grate and chestnut, \$8; best soft coal, \$7.50; second quality, \$7.

COAL OIL.—The movement has not been large since our last, which is attributed in a measure to the lengthening of the days. Prices are steady at 22½c per Imperial gallon for large lots, and 23c for smaller quantities. There is a feeling that prices will advance now that the gravity is settled and higher prices ruling for crude.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.—*Apples.*—A fair business is reported at former quotations, viz: \$1.75 per barrel for choice in large quantities and \$1.25 to \$1.50 for common. *Beans* are in moderate demand and steady at \$1.35 to \$1.45 per bushel, according to quality. *Country Cakes* Lard is not offering to any extent, and is firm at about 12c per lb. *Eggs* are coming forward in fair quantities and steady at 17c to 18c per dozen in case lots. *Hogs* are dull but firm for car lots of choice, although street lots are easy. Cars are worth \$8 to \$8.25. *Hops* are quiet with sales of small lots of fair quality at 18c and inferior are quoted at 15c to 16c. *Onions* are steady at \$4 per barrel. *Potatoes* are in good demand and firm, with few cars offering; they are worth 60c to 65c per bag. *Poultry* are quiet and firm at 10c to 11c per lb. for boxed lots of turkeys, and 6c to 7c for geese. *Tallow* is firm and unchanged at 6½c to 6¾c; dealers pay 3½c for rough and 6c to 6½c for rendered.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business continues fairly active, and prices are firm at former quotations. *Opium* is unchanged at \$8.50; *Quinine*, \$3.75; *Tartaric acid*, 60c; *Morphine*, \$3.75; *Cream of Tartar*, 35c; *Turpentine*, 82c to 85c; *Linseed Oil*, 79c for raw and 83c for boiled; *Extract of Logwood*, boxes 14c. *Camphor*, 40c; *Iodide of Potassium*, \$3.25.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The market has been quieter this week and what few sales there were were on p. t. Buyers and sellers are apart, the latter being encouraged by the better feeling outside. There have been several sales of shipping superiors in sacks, but prices are kept quiet, Barreled flour is nominal at \$4.90 for superior extra, \$4.80 for extra, and \$5.15 to \$5.30 for strong bakers. To-day's market is easier, with a sale of 1 car of superior at \$4.85. The stock in store is 9,199 barrels against 8,966 barrels last week and 18,446 barrels the corresponding week of 1880. *Oatmeal* is quiet and firm at \$4.10 to \$4.15 for large lots and \$4.25 to \$4.50 for small lots. *Cornmeal* is dull and unchanged at \$3. *Bran* is firm, with few sales taking place; there are buyers at \$12.50 and sellers at \$13, a ton in car lots.

WHEAT.—Transactions during the past week have been few. The firmer prices at the leading centres have encouraged holders, and buyers and sellers are apart. On Saturday and Monday, there were several sales to millers of No. 1 Spring at \$1.20, which is considered a top price. No. 2 would probably bring \$1.17. Fall has been firm, with buyers of No. 2 at \$1.10 and of No. 3 at \$1.03. Yesterday the market was easier: No. 1 Spring offered at \$1.18 March delivery and \$1.23 May, with buyers at \$1.17 in each case. No. 1 Spring closed to-day, offered at \$1.19 April delivery, with \$1.17 bid, but no transactions. The stock in store is now 193,456 bushels against 185,609 bushels last week and 339,658 bushels the corresponding week of 1880.