

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 22nd, 1885.

The Stock Market started off strong and higher, but, on a rumor gaining currency that the forthcoming half-yearly dividend of 1½ per cent on the Can. Pacific R. R. stock, guaranteed by the Government, would not be augmented by the additional 1 per cent. promised by the company during the progress of construction, prices eased off and part of the rise of the previous week was lost. Imperial and Ontario Banks have been exceptions, each advancing about 1 per cent. Buyers declined 1½ for Montreal, 1 for Toronto and ¾ for Commerce. Federal sold down to 46½ but closed better at 47 to 48. British America Insurance has been rather weaker and Western Assurance stronger, the latter selling up 3 to 81. Transactions in Canada North West Land have been made at somewhat reduced rates, the last sale being at 42½. Loan Societies' stocks have been more active at about old rates, and the "bear" raid on London & Canadian has, at least for the present, quieted down. The market closed steady and dull, and there is a disposition to await a definite disposal of the report above alluded to.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Remittances in this line have been satisfactory. Business is fairly active, in the way of assorting stocks, the disposition being towards sparing buying. Quinine and iodine preparations are still firm; a sharp advance has taken place in bismuth and its preparations, the value of which is not definitely settled yet. Insect powder is beginning to be enquired for, has advanced at place of production and must go higher here. We quote camphor easier at 29c.; opium \$4.35; Quinine \$1.25.

CLOTHING.—Accounts given by several houses agree that the orders taken this month by travellers are of very moderate extent, and that the policy of good retailers is generally that of extreme caution. One house reports the cash system as making steady progress, evidenced by the fact that the cash discounts of its customers for 1884 aggregate \$250 more than in the previous year. Retail stocks are not heavy, and the prevailing cold weather is having the effect of stimulating the sale of heavy goods in the country. Payments are very fair.

DRY GOODS.—The present is not a time to expect many visitors to the warehouses and sales are mostly confined to small sortings and orders by letter. Travellers report retail trade in the country generally light, and in districts where snow has fallen retail trade is fairly brisk. There is a somewhat improved feeling in cottons, consequent upon the attitude of Canadian mills with respect to future operations, having in view the restriction of product. Grey domestics are still in over supply, but in other lines a more healthy tone is perceptible. It is too soon to say what may result from the efforts to reduce the make of knitted goods, but it is safe to predict that the experience of the last twelve months in this department will not be forgotten. The prevailing "cold snap" is good for heavy woollens trade and will help to reduce the stocks of blankets and flannels.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—Our quotations for flour are mostly nominal; a few odd cars of Superior Extra have brought \$3.65 per barrel, but millers are generally not selling, they are holding for \$4.00 and are likely to get it before long. Wheat having advanced 10 cents per bushel and flour only 15 cents per barrel in the same period, a rise in flour is to be looked for. Outside markets are easy, however—a decline of 6d. was cabled yesterday from London. Oatmeal dull and unchanged. Bran.—Scarce and has advanced; offered to-day between dealers at \$11.50 per ton.

GROCERIES.—This is not a season to look for anything like activity, but there is as much doing as is usual at the present period. Teas maintain their price firmly, without any material change in quotations. The sugar market is advancing; the advance at the refineries is really ½¢ per pound on granulated, and on yellows in proportion. Our prices current had gone to press before we could make the needed corrections which show a rise of ½ to ¾¢ as under:—Yellow, Can. Refined, 4½ to 6c.; Extra granulated, 6½ to 6¾c.; Standard do., 6½ to 6¾c.; off Standard do. 6½ to 6¾c. Fruit.—Raisins are becoming every day more and more scarce and although quotations are not altered an advance may be looked for any day in sound fruits; good Valencias, for example, even if obtainable could not now be laid down at less than 10c per lb. There is, of course, plenty rain-damaged goods and these are being bought out.

GRAIN.—Wheat quiet and steady: although for round lots of spring 55c. would probably be paid, the actual movement is confined to lots of five to ten cars last week at 83 to 84c. for No. 1: 81 and 82c. for No. 2. The outside figures could be got to-day if any offered. Fall wheat, No. 2 is worth 84c. and possibly 85c., but in the face of yesterday's news of 6d. decline in Britain, any further advance can hardly be realized. Barley firm and looking higher, it is in fact scarce, for the stocks in store (127,000 bushels) are mostly held on maltsters' account, and market could be had for more at present quotations. There is no movement of rye. Oats are in demand at 31c. for best. Peas continue firm at our quotations, with small stocks on market.

STOCKS IN STORE.

The quantity of grain in store at the several wharves in Toronto, on the 19th day of January last, was as follows, as also the stocks last week and last year:—

	Jan. 19, 1885.	Jan. 12, 1885.	Jan. 21, 1884.
Fall wheat, bush....	86,643	79,304	68,620
Spring wheat, bush....	119,093	94,850	60,077
Oats " " " " " "	869	1,290	2,560
Barley " " " " " "	127,792	118,026	159,355
Peas " " " " " "	13,713	16,091	20,538
Rye " " " " " "	1,741	1,101
Corn " " " " " "	1,700

Total Grain....352,651 310,162 295,110

LUMBER.—The market is quiet, dealers are only sorting up for immediate use. Stock is being taken or else has been very recently taken and there is no movement. Prospects for next season are as yet indefinite, and it is not easy to say what will be the effect on prices. There is no demand for bill-stuff as yet, but there are enquiries, and the indications are that there will be a fair amount of building done in the spring. The section of country that supplies Toronto has a light stock. Very little is held by millmen, goods having passed into the hands of dealers. Prices are maintained meantime.

HARDWARE.—For this season of the year trade is fairly good, the average size orders moderate. We have made no changes in quotations of pig iron, but note that Nova Scotia pig is in market at 20.00 for No. 1 and 19.50 for No. 2. Bars, hoops and bands are steady. Boiler plate in fair request. Window glass is in fair supply at unchanged prices.

HIDES AND SKINS.—A fair business is passing. Green hides maintain their price, 7½ to 8c., and cured meet with request at 8½c. Sheepskins are in good supply and not so much wanted: best still bring 90c. but some only 65 to 80c. Calfskins are wanted and not very many offering. Sales of cured are fairly active at our quotations. No change in price of tallow.

PROVISIONS.—Matters are decidedly flat, the only movement being in lard and smoked meats. Offerings of dressed hags have increased materially and packers are indifferent about buying. They have been bidding 6.00 on spot for choice cars. Holders view, however, remain higher, farmers' offerings have been taken at from \$6.00 to \$6.10. Some sales of common butter have been made as 9 to 10c., but no large clearing could be effected even at these figures. The usual jobbing trade in cheese continues. Dried and evaporated apples and white beans and dull and nominal. Hops are flat.

BRITISH MARKETS.

London, Jan. 21 '85.

Beerbohm says:—London.—Floating cargoes Wheat, nil; maize, rather easier. Cargoes passing—Wheat and maize, declined about 3d. Mark Lane—Wheat and maize, rather easier; good cargoes red winter wheat, off coast, 35s. 6d., was 35s. 6d. to 36s.; good cargoes No 1 California wheat off coast, 36s. 6d., was 36s. 6d., to 37s.; No 2 red winter wheat, shipment present and following month, 35s. 4d., was 35s. 6d.; do., prompt, 35s. 6d., was 35s. 9d.; No 2 spring, prompt, 35s., was 35s. 6d.; mixed American maize, prompt, 23s. 3d., was 23s. 6d. English country markets, turn dearer; French, steady. Paris—Wheat and flour, firm.

Liverpool, Jan. 21, '85.

Noon quotations show breadstuffs steady and unchanged: Flour, 10s. to 11s. 6d.; spring wheat, 7s. 4d. to 7s. 6d.; red winter, 7s. 4d. to 7s. 9d.; corn, 5s. 1½d.; barley, 5s. 6d.; oats, 5s. 5d.; peas, 6s. 0d.; pork, 64s. 0d.; lard, 36s. 6d.; bacon, long clear, 32s. 9d.; short clear, 33s. 9d.; tallow, 33s. 9d.; cheese, 62s. 0d. Butter, U. S. finest, 107s. 6d.; good, 85s.

RELIEF AT LAST!

COFFEE THAT IS COFFEE

—AND—

WHERE IT IS TO BE FOUND.

It is a remarkable fact, and one not to the credit of the Dominion, that while the adulteration of Coffee has become a thing of the past in the United States, it prevails to-day in Canada to such an extent that ground Coffee is rarely to be obtained in a genuine state according to the statements of Government chemists. From Quebec, Toronto, Halifax, and other cities, the official report is substantially the same everywhere, people are paying their money for what they suppose to be Coffee, for what is called Coffee, but which in reality is a mixture composed of from twenty-five to eighty per cent. of foreign substances such as chicory, beans, peas, wheat, oats, etc., with hardly twenty-five per cent. of genuine Coffee in some instances. These are matters of official record as stated in the report on adulteration of food, in supplement No. 3 to the report of the department of Inland Revenue for 1883.

It will be Admitted without dispute that this is a deplorable state of affairs, and should if possible be remedied at once, both in the interest of consumers and the trade. Nothing could be simpler than the means at command to reform this evil which affects every household in the Dominion. Let every consumer rebel against adulterated Coffee and insist that his grocer shall furnish him nothing but what is strictly pure. Let the retail grocer buy only such brands of Coffee, as are protected by positive guarantees of purity from such reliable roasters and packers as Chase & Sanborn, whose mills and principal offices are located in Boston, Mass., U. S. A., and who have a branch establishment recently located at 435 St. Paul St. Montreal, P. Q.

That this firm sells no Coffee which is not guaranteed to be entirely pure may be seen from a perusal of three Documents from the office of the Public Analyst in Montreal, Dr. John Baker Edwards, Ph. D., D. C. L. F. C., Professor of Chemistry. These documents bear dates respectively of Nov. 21st, Nov. 29th and Dec. 3rd, 1884. In the first, Dr. Edwards certifies that he has examined and tested, both analytically and practically, five samples of Coffee taken from as many different sealed cans ready for shipment and that he found them all "perfectly genuine ground Coffee of excellent quality and flavor." He further states that in consideration of the general and extensive adulteration of ground Coffee in Canada, which has been exposed repeatedly in the reports of the Public Analysts, the existence of an establishment devoting its attention entirely to the supply of pure ground Coffees is a matter for a public congratulation. It is the belief of this enterprising firm, he adds, "that the public taste (which has been so long satiated by gross admixtures of chicory and roasted grain and peas) will be educated to appreciate the superior aroma and more refreshing effect of pure coffee when it is offered in variety of quality and flavor derived from differences of climate and soil, but with the uniform guarantee of genuine berries, skillful blending and perfect roasting under each of these several branches.

In his second report, dated Nov. 29th, Professor Edwards relates how he obtained five samples of Chase & Sanborn's coffees from several retail grocers in Montreal, and having tested them reports that he finds them all to be pure Coffee. The final report, Dec. 3rd sums up his conclusions as follows: He certifies that a thorough analytical examination of each of the twenty-one brands of ground Coffee offered in Messrs. Chase & Sanborn, Montreal list, proves them all to be genuine and well roasted Coffees of a variety of flavor and strength.

He adds these remarks. Several of these samples were taken from sealed tins consigned to wholesale grocers, several were secured unbeknown to Messrs. Chase & Sanborn at various retail stores, and others by their consent were taken from the stock in their warehouses. I am satisfied of the general superiority of these Coffees and of their genuine character, and if the consuming public were acquainted as I am with the delicate and fragrant aroma which these coffees possess, the use of chicory would be abandoned. In conclusion he names the most favorite brands of Standard Java, Java and Mocha, and other blendings possessing superior quality according to their several growth, soil and varieties.

With these facts thus set forth by an unquestioned authority, the conclusions to be naturally drawn from them scarcely need to be pointed out to an intelligent public. The evil is acknowledged and notorious, and the relief has been clearly stated.