

entirely. Nuts are firm at prices, in some cases higher. New prunes are offered to arrive this week. Rather better demand has been declared for canned goods, especially in vegetables such as tomatoes and corn, but fruit is comparatively neglected. Some fall pack salmon offered prove choice quality and are taking fairly well. Prices of these and of lobsters are maintained.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—Since our last there has been some stir in getting forward orders for the North and Northwest. The last of the Lake Huron boats left Collingwood on Tuesday last, and the last boat for Port Arthur, on Lake Superior, is to leave Owen Sound next Saturday. The Grand Trunk boats from Sarnia have stopped. Generally speaking, trade has been good. Such articles as skates, freiside utensils, cutlery, have moved off steadily, and in heavy goods there has been a good demand. Bar iron, horseshoe nails, sleigh-shoe steel, have been quite active, and a moderate movement can be reported in tin and Canada plates, sheet zinc and copper. The demand for cut nails has apparently arisen from a desire to stock up with them before winter sets in.

HIDES AND SKINS.—There is complaint of a falling off in volume of trade, one firm finding its trade 30 per cent less this month than last. A like decline is reported at various points in the province, the fact being that fewer cattle and sheep are offered in the market. Hides are quiet at steady prices, but relatively higher here than in the United States, i.e., buff hides, 30 to 50 lbs. A car of choice cured and inspected hides sold on Tuesday at 5½c. per lb. Calfskins, being out of season, are nominal. Sheepskins are quoted at 85c. each.

HOPS.—A moderate movement is going on. The transactions represent both small and large parcels of domestic. New range from 18 to 20c., a single bale generally selling at 18 to 19c.; yearlings we quote at a range of 15 to 17c., and of them the foregoing as to small and large lots might be repeated, changing the figure. Some holders in the country ask 20c. at outside points, and express some confidence of a rise; but city dealers will not pay that figure, thinking that our present prices current represent ranges of value in this market. Foreign hops are very firm.

LIVE STOCK.—Trade is very dull and offerings small. Butchers' cattle have sold slowly at 2½ to 3c. per lb.; good were scarce, and a few heads of choice brought 3½c.; one load sold at \$27 per head, averaging 900 lbs.; a load of North-West brought 3c., averaging 1,000 lbs., and a few choice N.W. heavier weights brought 3½c. No enquiry for sheep or lambs, and only some 100 offering. Calves nominal, only a dozen or two in market, some of which could have been had at \$2.50.

PROVISIONS.—We note only an ordinary trade with no special feature. Receipts of butter have been larger, and prices somewhat weaker. We quote dairy 17 to 19c., and large rolls 16 to 18c. per lb. Cheese continues steady and unchanged at 10½ to 11c.; the cable price is 52s. In hog products a fair trade is passing; bacon, long clear, holds at 8 to 8½c.; breakfast, 11 to 11½c.; hams, 11 to 12c.; rolls, 8½ to 9c. per lb. Dressed hogs are bringing \$6.50 per 100 lbs., and receipts of them are rather more free; lard is firm at from 9½ to 10½c. per lb. as to package. Eggs, fresh, bring 17 to 18c.; pickled, 15 to 15½c. per dozen.

WOOL.—Quotations are for the most part unchanged, and we can report no activity in demand. A sale of 100,000 pounds Canadian fleece combing is announced this week at 18½ cents. Not much is selling to the factories at the moment, but the mills appear busy and are reported as pretty well sold up. As to foreign wools, dealers here await details of the London sales.

BRITISH MARKETS.

Messrs. Gillespie & Co.'s Prices Current, dated Liverpool, November 9th, 1892, says:—**SUGAR.**—Raw is very firm at extreme prices. Refined moving upwards.

Rice remains steady at our last quotations. **CHEMICALS** are in fair demand. Bleaching Powder is back to £8 per ton. Chlorate of Potash firm at the advanced price of 8½d. to 8½d. per lb. Cream Tartar dearer at 83s. 9d. per cwt., c.i.f., to Halifax, N.S.

ONLS.—Castor a shade firmer at 25.16d. to 25d. per lb. for good seconds. Palm has ad-

vanced to £20 10s. to £21 for Bonny, and £23 per ton for Lagos. Olive remains quietly steady at about £35 to £35 10s. per tun for usual good ordinary quality.

FREIGHTS, via Portland and Boston, are about as below. To Montreal, groceries, 17s. 6d. to 20s.; chemicals, 17s. 6d. to 20s.; oils, 20s. to 22s. 6d. To Toronto, Hamilton or London, groceries, 20s. to 22s. 6d.; chemicals, 20s. to 22s. 6d.; oils, 22s. 6d. to 25s.

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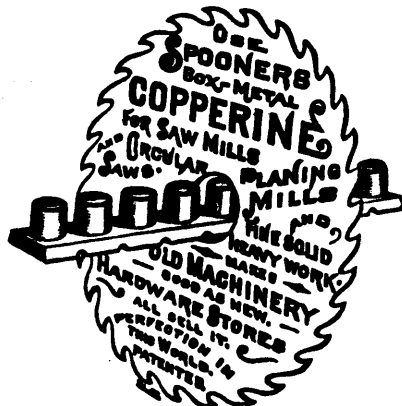
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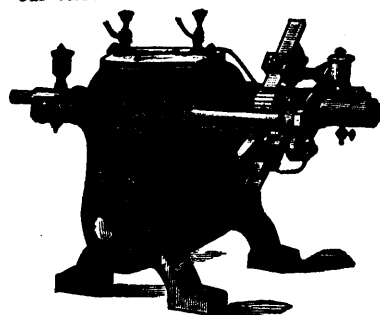
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