

and 1.46 in store. *Maize* is dull, latest sale was at 75 to 77½c. *Peas*.—About the beginning of the week some small sales were reported at 76½c. *Oats* are about nominal at about 38 to 39c; *Rye*, 96 to 92c.; *Barley*, 60 to 70c.

GROCERIES.—*Teas*.—Any business reported has been of a retail character, and no improvement is expected in this branch until Government has said definitely what it intends doing regarding the duties. At present, no one will buy except for the immediate wants of retail customers. We quote *Japans*, from common to choicest, 18 to 50c.; *Young Hysons* from 4th to extra 1st, 22½ to 55c.; *Oolong*, 20 to 55c.; *Twan-kay*, 1 to 27c.; *Congou*, 17 to 55c.; *Souchong*, 25 to 65c.; *Coffee*.—There is nothing to report in this article, the market generally is weak and sales here have been very limited within our late range of quotations. *Sugar*.—The market for refined sugar has been weak and prices are decidedly in buyer's favor, although we cannot quote them lower than 9½ to 9½c for granulated, and 7½ to 8½c for yellows as the current quotations. *Raw Sugar* is scarce but there is very little enquiry for it except from the refineries. *Beet Sugar*.—Little, if anything done this last week, some samples which were shown this week were of an improved color and much better grain.

Molasses.—Little doing at the moment, in the early part of the week small sales of Barbadoes were reported at 50c but holders generally are asking 52 to 53c; *Porto Rico*, 48c; *sugar house*, 35 to 37c. *Syrup* is in fair request at 3½ to 4½c per lb. *Rice* is difficult to move at \$3.50 to 3.75. *Tapioca*, 5½ to 6½c; *Sago*, 5 to 5½c. *Spices* are in small demand but prices are as a rule firm. *Black pepper*, 14 to 15c, but lower prices are shortly expected. *White pepper* owing to scarcity maintains its value at 22c; *Cloves*, 30 to 37½c; *Cassia*, 11 to 14c; *Nutmegs*, 55 to 85c; *African ginger*, 9½ to 10½c; *Jamaica ginger*, unbleached, 13 to 16c; ditto, bleached, 19 to 21c; *mace*, 50 to 70c. *Fruits*.—The demand for dried fruits has been disappointing being far behind expectations, but some improvement is looked for after the holiday season. Our quotations are now about as follows. We quote:—*Layer raisins*, \$2.75 to 2.90; *Loose Muscats*, \$2.80 to 3.15; *London layers*, \$3 to 3.25; *Valentias*, 8½ to 9c; *Sultanas* 10½ to 12½c; *Currants* in moderate request at 6½c to 6½c; *Figs* 6 to 12½c, and for some very choice, 13½ is asked. *Tarragona almonds*, 7½ to 8½c; *Trebizond filberts*, 8 to 9c; *Sicily filberts*, 9½ to 10c; *Bordeaux walnuts*, 7 to 8c; *Grenoble walnuts*, 13½c.

HARDWARE.—Since our last report business has been generally very dull and quiet, as is usual at the holiday time. Prices are all advanced and considerably higher in this market. *Bar Iron* is now advanced to \$2.25 here and other lines in same proportion. *Cut Nails* have also been put up 15c per keg. We withhold quotations in the meantime, as by another week prices will be more settled and reliable.

HIDES.—A fair amount of business is being done at easier prices and we now quote \$8.50, 7.50 and 6.50 for No. 1, 2 and 3 green butchers hides. *Lambskins* are now worth from \$1.15 to 1.20 each.

LEATHER.—The past week, as usual in the holiday season, has been a quiet one, and there has been no special movement in any line. As the shoe manufacturers are getting in a fair share of orders for the spring trade, a steady demand is expected in a week or so, but there is an ample supply of nearly all descriptions of stock and prices will probably continue easy, we repeat prices as last week; *Hemlock Spanish Sole* No. 1, B. A., 24½ to 26c; ditto No. 2 B. A., 23 to 24c.; No. 1 *Ordinary Spanish*, 24 to 25½c.; No. 2 do., 22 to 23½c.; *Hemlock Slaughter*, No. 1, 26 to 28; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 36 to 40c.; do., heavy, 35 to 37c.; *Grained Upper*, 35 to 38; *Splits*, large, 22 to 29c.; small, 17 to 24c.; *Calfskins*,

(27 to 36 lbs.), 70 to 85c.; ditto., (18 to 26 lbs.), 65 to 80c.; *Sheepskin linings*, 30 to 50c.; *Harness*, 26 to 34c.; *Buffed Cow*, 14 to 16c.; *Enamelled Cow*, 14 to 18c.; *Patent Cow*, 14 to 15½c.; *Pebbled Cow* 12 to 15c.; *Rough*, 25 to 28c.

OILS.—*Petroleum*.—The price in London is now 17c.; business here is very quiet and will stocks be so till traders have good sleigh roads; stocks are full and prices favor buyers, and although we do not lower our quotations of last week, for car lots there is no doubt they would be shaded. Car lots 20½c., broken lots 21½ to 22c., single barrels 23 to 24c. *Linseed oil* steady and unchanged. *Fish oils* are dull difficult to move at the moment, prices being almost nominal.

PROVISIONS.—Common grades of butter are a drug in the market, but the enquiry for choice is good and for which full prices are obtained, but the article is scarce. We quote roll butter 20 to 21c.; *Brockville and Morrisburg* 16 to 20c.; *Western* 12 to 16c. *Cheese*.—The market is firm for good makes. Current prices wholesale are 10½ to 12c. according to quality. *Pork*.—The market is dull, new mess is steady at \$20.50 to 21.00. *Lard* continues easy at 14 to 14½c. for Canadian. *Hams* 13 to 13½c. *Bacon* 12 to 13c.

WOOL.—We have again to report a very dull wool market, but this is always expected in the holiday season. Some small sales of foreign wool were reported in the beginning of the week. *Australian* at 23 to 30c for low grade to fine combing. *Domestics* are dull and prices favor buyers. *Pulled Super A* is now worth 32 to 33c; *B. Super* 30 to 31c; *Unassorted* 28c.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, JAN. 4.—The following are quotations for breadstuffs, the prices of wheat and flour being top figures:—*Flour*, 13s.; *spring wheat*, 10s. 6d.; *red winter do.*, 11s.; *white do.*, 10s. 8d.; *club*, 11s. 1d.; *corn*, 5s. 10½d.; *oats*, 6s. 4d.; *barley*, 5s. 2d.; *peas*, 6s. 11d.

LONDON, JAN. 4.—Beerbohm says, as to floating cargoes:—*Wheat* firm; *maize*, quiet. *Cargoes on passage*—*Wheat* and *maize*, not much enquiry. *Mark Lane*—*Wheat* and *maize* firm. *English country markets* firm; *French markets* steady. *Imports into the United Kingdom* during the week: *Wheat* 360,000 to 365,000 qrs; *maize*, 85,000 to 90,000 qrs.; *flour*, 130,000 to 135,000 bbls. *Liverpool*—*Spot wheat*, steady; *maize* quiet. *On passage to the Continent*—*Wheat*, 980,000 qrs.; *maize* 60,000 qrs. *Paris*—*Flour* and *wheat* a turn dearer.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto Jan. 5th, 1882.

The change to cold weather which set in last week was welcome to all shop-keepers as well as others, but not enough snow fell to make sleighing in this part of the province, and the limited movement of the whole of December which the bad roads occasioned, has not been succeeded by activity. Those importers who have finished stock-taking and balancing have now more leisure on their hands than for months. *Dry goods*, *groceries* and *hardware* are all quiet, but in rare instances have prices given way, metals are especially firm. In dairy products and hog products there is very little doing. *Breadstuffs* too, are quiet but without weakness. The share market has been fairly active at somewhat irregular prices; the latest sales are *Bank Commerce* at 140, *Imperial* at 136 and 137, *Federal* at 158, *Dominion* 195½. In loan stocks, *London & Canadian* changed hands yesterday at 139 to 139½, *Building and Loan* at 102½.

CATTLE.—Receipts small, and demand fair; but few first class *beeves* offered, 4 to 4½c was paid for some, while seconds and thirds, which were more plentiful ranged from 3½c down to 2½c. No. one is buying for export just at

present. *Sheep* are dull at from \$6.25 to \$7 per head. *Lambs*, but few offering, these bring from \$3.50 to 4.50 per head the last price only for choice. *Calves* nominal.

COAL AND WOOD.—The zero weather of last Sunday and the cold temperature since have stimulated the demand for fuel. All hard coal is held at \$7.00 per ton, soft coal, best grate \$7, ordinary, \$6.50; hard wood per cord, \$6 to 6.50; pine, \$4.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business is rather slack, meantime, but a fair Xmas trade has been done in drugs and fancy goods, heavy chemicals are dull but prices are maintained. *Dye stuffs* are very quiet. *Howard's Quinine* continues firm in sympathy with German and French makes, we quote \$3.25 to 3.50 per oz.; makers will not quote for forward delivery. *Tartaric acid* steady at 60c. per lb. *Cream of Tartar* is held firmly at 35c. *Opium* remains about the same, with an upward tendency; sales at \$4.75 and \$5. *Castor Oil*, steady at 11½ to 13c; oil of *Sweet Almonds* 6c per lb; oil *Juiper berries*, Eng., 65c. per oz.; oil of *Peppermint*, \$4.50; oil of *Wintergreen* steady at 75 to 5.40 per lb.; oil of *Wormwood*, \$9.50 per lb. *Morphia* is steady at \$2.75 to 3.00 per oz. *Bicarbonate of Potash*, 18c; *Bichromate of Potash*, 17c per lb. *Potass Iodide*, \$2.90 to 3.00 per lb.; *Potass Bromide*, 43 to 48c per lb. *Cochineal*, 65 to 70c. per lb. *Borax*, 17c and firm.

FLOUR & MEAL.—*Flour*.—Stocks in store 3,385 bbls. against 2,865 bbls last week, and 6,413 bbls. on like date of 1881. Very little doing, *Superior Extra* sold at equal to \$5.65 at an outside point, and is held at \$5.75 here. *Extra* has changed hands at \$5.50. Some fancy was in market at \$5.50 f.o.b. *Oatmeal* is quiet and steady at \$4.80 to 5.00 for car lots and \$5.10 to 5.25 in small lots. *Cornmeal*.—Nominal at \$3.75 per bbl for car lots. *Bran*.—Some demand exists, but not enough to induce buyers to pay sellers' prices, which are \$14 while buyers offer \$13.25 to 13.50.

GRAIN.—The total quantity of all grains in store here is 496,896 bushels against 445,097 bush. last week, and 597,314 bush. the corresponding week of 1881. Prices are but slightly changed if at all, and the movement has been light. *Wheat*.—Fall.—Stocks in store 143,014 bush. against 137,941 bush. last week, and 77,092 bush. on like date 1881. There has been some export demand and No. 2 has changed hands at \$1.28. *Spring Wheat*.—Stocks are 54,094 bush. as compared with 39,361 bushels last week, and 55,392 bushels last year. We quote No. 1 at \$1.33; and No. 2 at \$1.31. *Barley*.—Stock in store, 272,585 bush. against 263,743 bush. last week, and 401,452 bush. last year, same date; small sales have been made during the week at within our range. *Stocks of oats* are 1,913 bush. against 3,523 bush. last week. *Western* have sold in car lots at 42c. *Peas* are nominal at 77 to 79c; stocks small being 9,708 bush. this week and 8,334 last week against 46,445 bush last year. *Rye* nominal with 13,592 bushels in store.

GROCERIES.—Business has been quiet for the week, scarcely any demand existing for anything except a few staple articles. *Teas* maintain their values and are moving in small parcels; *sugar* quiet with an easier tendency; *fish* unchanged; *fruit* quiet; *coffee* steady, *tobacco* firm.

HARDWARE.—The market generally is stiff, and demand moderate. *Zinc* is quoted rather higher; *pig iron* is not notably changed, but *iron bars* are \$2.50; *cut nails* 15c higher per keg; *window glass* on the rise; *tin* somewhat easier.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The market is quiet and prices steady at quotations, which, as will be seen, are a little lower than last week.

WOOL.—During the holidays but little was done, but an active trade is now looked for. Prices appear to be well maintained all round.