

of navigation. Remittances are anything but satisfactory.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The only business at present transpiring, is for small lots to meet immediate demands; buyers are waiting the arrival of fresh importations on the opening of navigation. Any sales reported show a reduction in values. *Bi Carb* sales from \$5.00 to 5.10; *Sal Soda* on the spot brings from \$1.70 to 1.80; some sales to arrive are reported at \$1.50. *Soda Ash*, nothing doing on the spot, some sales to arrive at 2c. *Caustic Soda* is unchanged at 3½c; the same article is offered to arrive about ½c less; *Alum* 2½c; *Bleaching Powder* 3c; *Copperas* \$1.25; *Epsom Salts* unchanged; *Saltpetre* easier at \$8.00 to 8.12½.

FISH.—We have little change to make in our remarks regarding the state of this market since our last report. There is very little demand for any kind of fish. Stocks continue light for all sorts except Dry Cod and Salmon. We quote *Dry Cod* at \$4.75 to 5.00; *Labrador Herrings* are easier and procurable from \$4.50 to \$5.00; *Salmon* is unchanged at \$15. \$14 \$13 for No. 1 2 & 3 respectively *Mackrel* No 3 \$9. per brl and \$4.50 per ½ brl.

RAW FURS.—Quotations are unchanged and market has ruled very quiet. We quote *Beaver*, \$1.50 to 1.75; *Black Bear* \$6.00 to 12.00, according to size; *Fisher*, \$5.00 to 7.50 *Silver Fox* \$25.00 to 60.00; *Cross Fox*, \$2.00 to 5.00; *Red Fox* \$1.25 to 1.60; *Lynx* \$1.50 to 1.75; *Dark Labrador Martin* \$7 to 8; *Pale Martin* \$1.25 to 1.50; *Prime Dark Mink* \$2.50 to 0. *Dark Mink*, 2nd, \$1.50 to 2.00; *Fine Dark Otter* \$8. to 10.; *Fall Muskrat* 12 to 15c; *Winter* do 17 to 20c; *Spring* do 22 to 27c *Raccoon* 25 to 60c; *Skunk* 20 to 50c.

FREIGHTS.—Nothing has been done as yet in Ocean freights, so far as we have been able to learn.

FLOUR.—The stock of flour in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst. was 58,740 brls against 48,120 brls on the 1st inst. and 106,817 brls on the 15th of April 1874. Receipts for the past week 12,480 brls; total receipts from 1st January to date 126,506 brls, being a decrease of 5299 brls on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874. There has been a good deal of enquiry for the finer grades of flour but without leading to much business. The upward tendency of the market noted last week has been maintained and in some grades of flour a further advance has been made. Market to day closes firmer but transactions were of a limited nature. We quote *Superior Extra* \$5.15 to 5.25; *Extra Superfine* \$4.90 to 5.00; *Fancy* \$4.60 to 4.65; *Spring Extra* \$4.55 to 4.60; *Superfine* \$4.25 to 4.32½; *Strong Bakers Flour* \$4.80 to 5.00; *Fine* \$4.00 to 4.10; *Middlings* \$3.80 to 3.90; *Pollards* \$3.40 3.60; *U. C. Bag flour* \$2.20 to 2.25; *Oatmeal* is quiet at \$5.50 to 5.60; *Cornmeal* \$4.00.

GRAIN.—Wheat.—The stock in store on the morning of the 15th inst., was 202,794 bush; against 182,126 bush. on the 1st inst., and 578,310 bush. on the 15th April 1874. Receipts for the past week 31,200 bush.; total receipts from 1st January to date 127,301 bush., being an increase of 24,474 bush. on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1874. We hear of nothing having been done as yet for opening of navigation: \$1.10 was asked yesterday for spring wheat for May delivery, but buyers would not operate at that figure. It is expected this week will reveal some business. *Maise*—Stock in store 21,952 bush., market is very quiet, holders offer to sell at 80c without leading to business. *Pease*—Stock in store 193,783 bush. No sales of ready pease reported for May delivery, we quote \$1.05 per 66 lbs. *Oats* have advanced considerably since our last, and selling at 48 to 50c; *Barley*, market dull

and inactive at 70c; *Pot Barley* \$8.00; *Pearl Barley* \$14.00; *Timothy Seed* \$2.35 to 2.50.

GROCERIES.—Teas.—There has been a good enquiry for low grades of Japan tea, which are scarce in this market, and would with the increased firmness exhibited command from 40 to 47½c; and the higher grades 52½ to 60c. For blacks there has been rather more demand, sales running from 30 to 70c according to grade.

Coffee.—Holders of this article have advanced their views very considerably since our last report, but the high prices demanded has restricted business. For Java we quote 30 to 34c, with small sales at our inside quotation; Singapore 24 to 26c; Maracaibo 24 to 25c; no Rio in market. **Sugar.**—This market remains in the same demoralized condition as reported in our last, in consequence there has been nothing doing in raws, quotations for which are nominal. For Scotch refined the demand has been fair, and some considerable sales have been made at from 8½ to 8¾c; local refined unchanged. **Molasses.**—Market very bare of all kinds, and prices are firm. Muscovado 40 to 45c; Barbadoes and Porto Rico are cleared out. **Syrups.**—Market quiet, stocks are low but sufficient to meet the existing demand. Golden 50 to 56c; Amber 70c; Standard 48c. **Rice.**—This article is easier than for sometime back, fair sales have been made from \$4.10 to 4.20 according to sample. **Spices.**—A good jobbing demand has existed all week. Black pepper has been selling in small lots from 16½ to 17c; white ditto 25 to 26c; cloves are more asked for, and bring from 45 to 47½c; nutmegs small sales at 95c to \$1.05; pimento unchanged. **Fruit.**—Not much demand for good layer raisins, the price continues to be \$2.80 to 2.90. There is some inferior stock offering here just now considerably under these prices, which has been brought on from the U. S., being unfit for the New York market. *Valencias* 8½ to 8¾c; *Currents* are steady with moderate sales at 5½ to 6c; old crop are obtainable about 5c; *Prunes* 6½ to 7½c; *Tarragona Almonds* 15 to 15½; *Walnuts* 9 to 9½c; *Figs* 14 to 15c.

HIDES AND PELTS.—We note a slight advance in the price of hides, but the business doing is small very few coming in, the opening of navigation is expected to give an impetus to trade. We quote No. 1 inspected \$7.25 to 7.75; No. 2 ditto \$6.25 to 6.50; No. 3 ditto \$5.25 to 5.50 per 100 lbs. Sheep skins bring from \$1.25 to 1.60; Lamb skins 25 to 30c each; Calf skins 15c per lb.

HARDWARE.—There are no new features to note in this branch of trade, a fair amount of business has been done during the past week, and most houses are busy getting ready to fill orders booked for first boats. Prices are steady and stocks are much reduced in all the leading saleable goods. Remittances show some signs of improvements. We quote *Pig Iron* per ton of 2240 lbs. Eglington, & Clyde \$27. to 28 Summerlee and Calder \$31 to 32; American, \$27 to 29; Hematite \$41.50 to 42.00. *Bar*, per 100 lbs., Scotch and Staffordshire, \$2.65 to 2.70; best do., \$2.75 to 3.00. *Swedes and Norway* \$5.50 to 6.50; *Lowmoor and Bowling*, \$6.50 to 7 *Canada Plates* per box—Glamorgan and Budd, \$5.50 to 5.75½; Arrow, \$0.00 to 0.00; Garth, \$5.50 to 5.75; Hatton \$5.25 to 5.50. *Tin Plate* per box—Charcoal IC, \$10.25 to 10.50; ditto, IX, \$12.25 to 12.50; DC, \$9.25 to 9.50; Coke IC, \$8.75 to 9.00; 14 x 20, 25c extra. *Tinned sheets* Charcoal best No. 26 14c. *Galvanized sheets* best brands No. 28, 10c. *Hoops and Bands* per 100 lbs., \$3.25 to 3.50; *Sheets* best brands, \$3.50 to 3.75; *Boiler Plates* ordinary brands \$3.50 to 3.75; Best brands \$3.90 to 4.00; *Russian Sheet Iron* per lb. 16 to 17c; *Cut Nails* 2 D Lath, \$4.80; ditto, 2½d to 4d shingle \$4.05; ditto, 5d to 10d, \$3.55; ditto 12d and larger \$3.30; over 100 kegs 15c per keg less; ditto patent Chisel points 25c extra. *Pressed Spikes* \$5.00 to 5.25; *Shot Canadian* \$7 to 7.25;

Lead—Fig., per 100 lbs \$6.50; do sheets. \$6.50; do Bar, \$6.50; *Steel cast*, per lb. 13 to 14c; *Spring* per 100 lbs. \$5.00 to 5.50; *Sleigh Shoe* \$4.50 to 4.75; *Tire ditto*, \$4.75 to 5. *Ingot Tin*, 24 to 25c; *Ingot Copper*, \$22 to 23. *Harve Shoes* per 100 lbs. \$5.25 to 5.50; *Proved Coil Chain*, \$ in., \$6.50 to 6.75; *Anchors* 7 to 8c; *Anvils* 10 to 12c. *Iron wire* per bdl \$2.60 to \$2.80; *Fils "KINMOND"* brand 5 to 10 per cent off English list.

LEATHER.—Business generally shows no improvement. *Spanish sole* unchanged; *Slaughter sole* in moderate demand within quoted rates; *Waxed upper* dull, sales mostly of a retail character; *Grained upper*, no demand whatever; *Harness* quiet, but holders are not disposed to sell under quoted rates: measured leathers are in very slight demand; *Russets* and *Colored*, nothing doing; *Rough leather* almost unsaleable. We quote: *Hemlock Spanish sole* No. 1 B. A. 25 to 26c; do No. 2 23c; *Buffalo sole* No. 1, 22 to 23c; do No. 2 19 to 20c *Hemlock slaughter* 27 to 29c; *waxed upper lightand medium* 39 to 42c; ditto heavy 35 to 38c; *grained upper* 37 to 40c; *splits large* 26 to 32c; do small 18 to 25c; *calfskins* 27 to 36 lbs, 60 to 80c; do 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; *sheepskin linings* 30 to 40c; *harness* 28 to 31c; *buffed cow* 14 to 17c per ft.; *enamelled cow* 18 to 19c; *patent cow* 18 to 20c; *pebbled cow* 14 to 17c; *rough leather* 27 to 28. *Leather Belting*, warranted genuine English Oak Tanned, 20 per cent. off list, ditto Canadian Tanned, 30 per cent. off list.

LIQUORS.—Brandy.—Business improving as far as a jobbing demand is concerned, but there is no speculative demand just now, and prices are unchanged since our last, but as soon as importations arrive by the Ocean ships, a considerable fall in price is expected. *Gin* is also unchanged; stocks are getting pretty well worked down. *Rum*, Jamaica is still held for \$2.25 to 2.40; Cuba \$3.15 to 2.20. *Rye Whiskey* 38c in Bond; *High Wines* 65c in Bond.

NAVAL STORES.—The demand is very limited and sales are confined to small lots for consumptive trade. We quote *Spts. Turpentine* 50c; *Strained Rosin* \$3.75; No 2 \$4.00; No 1 \$5.00; *Pale* \$5.50 to 7.50; *Pine Tar and Pitch* are held at \$4.00 & 4.50 respectively; *Coal Tar* \$3.75 to 3.00 as to quantity; *Roofing Pitch* \$2.75.

OILS.—For *Cod Oil* the market is firmer and there is some enquiry for shipment to the United State at 62½ to 65c; *Seal Oil* under the favourable advices from the fisheries is if anything easier, but there is nothing of any consequence doing and the market closes quiet and nominal as follows *Pale* 65 to 67½c; *Straw* 57½ to 60c; *Steam Refined* 65 to 67½c; nothing doing in *Whale Oil*; *Olive* unchanged at \$1.00; *Linseed.*—Boiled 67½ to 70c ditto Raw 62½ to 65c; *Petroleum.*—Market very quiet and no transactions transpiring.

PROVISIONS.—Butter.—Receipts since our last 501 kegs. No shipments. For new Butter there is a good demand and from 21 to 22c has to be paid for it. There is not much old Butter now in the market prices of which are firm but unchanged since last week. *Cheese.*—Receipts are small just now, only some 36 boxes and shipments 410 boxes, demand has been confined to wants for local consumption 14 to 14½c paid for good to choice; *Pork.*—Market quiet few sales transpiring we quote *Mess* (inspected) \$23.; *Thin mess* \$21.50 to 22. *Lard* firm but quiet at 14½ to 15½c; *Tallow* rendered in brls 8c; ditto in the rough 5½c

WOOL.—Prices have advanced since this day week, and the tendency is still upward, the demand is improving. A sale of 2,000 lbs. of unassorted took place this week at 33c. We now quote pulled super 34 to 35c: unassorted 32 to 33c.