

No. 1 \$6 to 7; pale, \$7 to 8.50; coal tar and pitch nominal.

**OILS.**—There has been an active market during the week, and prices are advancing. Sales of olive oil at \$1 to 1.10; linseed is firm at 76½ to 77½c. for raw, boiled linseed bringing 80 to 82½c.; cod oil is now nearly all in one hand, and for which 53 to 55c. is asked, a round lot was sold early in the week at 51c.; seal oil is somewhat firmer, ordinary pale, 60 to 62½c.; steam refined, 65 to 70c.; upwards of 800 brls. have changed hands within our range of quotations. The unfavorable reports from the seal fishing fleet, owing to the severe weather and ice along the coasts having seriously interfered with the fishing has caused a considerable advance in that oil. **Petroleum.**—Very little activity in this trade. Car loads of No. 1 white have been placed at 27½c and 28 to 30c is now demanded, probably owing to the reorganization of the old combination in Ontario.

**PROVISIONS.**—**Butter.**—Receipts during the week 435 kegs; shipments, 448 kegs. The business this week has been almost entirely confined to choice grades for local consumption at from 20 to 21c; lower grades are dull and neglected. **Cheese.**—Receipts 390 boxes; shipments 102 boxes. Prices keep very firm which has rather checked the demand for consumption, nothing doing in shipping lots. We quote 13 to 14c as the current market value. **Pork.**—Receipts 10 brls; shipments 8 brls. Market dull; new mess pork, \$15.25 to 15.75; thin mess, \$14 to 15; prime pork nominally, \$11. **Beef.**—Prime mess in lots, \$14.50; Cincinnati sugar cured hams, 17c; city cured hams, 12½c. **Lard** in fair local demand at 9½ to 10c. **Tallow** remains dull at \$8 to 8.75 per brl for rendered and 5c per lb for unrendered.

**SALT.**—Market generally very dull, fine 65 to 70c; coarse, 75c. **Factory Filled** quiet at \$1.50. **WOOL.**—The supply for this market keeps very limited. Prices are very firm but not what is looked for in the west. The following are the buying prices at present, fleece wool, 45 to 50c; pulled wool super, 40 to 45c; do. No. 1, 30 to 35c; do. black, 30 to 35c; do. unassorted, \$5 to 40c.

## TORONTO MARKET.

TORONTO, April 11, 1872.

Trade is fairly active for the season; the expected opening of lake navigation next week somewhat stimulated the breadstuff's market.

**CATTLE.**—The supply during the week was limited, but sufficient for the demand, which was chiefly for local consumption. Sales were for the most part of trifling account, but full prices were obtained. 1st class cattle brought 5c, and 2nd class 4 to 4½c live weight; 3rd class seldom offered, and not in demand; prices nominal at 3½ to 3¾c, live weight. **Sheep** still very scarce and not in great demand as prices are too high; 1st class being worth \$10 to 12; 2nd class, \$7 to 8. **Spring Lambs** in fair supply at \$3.50 to 4.50. **Calves** \$3 to 8, with a moderate supply and demand.

**DRY GOODS.**—The spring trade is progressing steadily, but scarcely equals the anticipations that were formed of it. The feeling in woollens continues firm but the opinion is now shared in by a good many that prices are about at their highest point, so far, at least, as the raw material is concerned. While this is the case we do not think there is any reason to anticipate a decline in values for a good many months to come. Stocks are low in all the principal markets so that it is considered impossible for the supply to overtake the demand even under the stimulus of 60c per pound until the clip of two seasons at least have been placed on the market. Cotton goods are reported firm and unchanged. Complaints come from many sections

of the country on account of the bad condition of the roads. The weather for the past few days has been so fine as to give good hope of a speedy change for the better, as it will bring many classes of goods into large demand, which have moved very little yet. Importations at Toronto for March show a slight increase on last year; the figures are:—

	1871.	1872.
Woolens .....	\$242,751	\$295,025
Cottons .....	431,624	407,229
Silks and Velvets .....	134,370	118,817
Fancy Goods .....	108,329	119,914

\$819,274    \$840,985

But the totals for the first quarter—1st January to 31st March—indicate an important expansion as follows:—

	1871.	1872.
Woolens .....	\$437,619	\$703,840
Cottons .....	735,066	903,051
Silks and Velvets .....	171,046	196,709
Fancy Goods .....	147,731	211,757

\$1,512,462    \$2,015,357

**FLOUR AND MEAL.**—**Flour.**—There has been a good deal of business done during the week both in the local market, and in filling orders for shipment to the Lower Provinces. Prices have been almost uniformly steady irrespective of the fluctuations in the value of wheat in foreign markets. No. 1 superfine sold freely at equal to \$5.35 f.o.c. here; fancy at \$5.55 to 5.60, and extra at \$5.70. These prices are still asked and obtained. **Oatmeal** continues in light demand by the car load; buyers could probably be found at \$4.60; small lots sell as before at \$4.90 to 5.25. **Cornmeal** unchanged at \$3.10 to \$3.25 for small lots. **Brans** continues very scarce and dear; buyers at \$19 per ton by the carload.

**GRAIN.**—**Wheat.**—The general tone of the market has been firm in sympathy with Liverpool which was reported steady up to last Tuesday, when a slight reduction was quoted in Red winter and white, which, however, did not sensibly affect prices here. A good demand for all kinds has existed during the week, and frequent sales have been made though not generally reported. Holders of white wheat in view of an anticipated short supply next season, are very firm in their views and generally indifferent about selling. Buyers could be found at \$1.35 f.o.b. for No. 1, and at \$1.30 to \$1.32 for No. 2. No. 1 Spring was sold at \$1.22 in store, and at \$1.24 f.o.b., which prices would still be paid; No. 1 Treadwell sold at \$1.27 f.o.c.; 7 cars at \$1.28 **Barley.**—Sales of No. 1 in carloads delivered were made at 69 and 70c, and on the track at 67c. **Peas.**—The market has been quiet, buyers and sellers generally apart. A round lot of 5,000 bushels sold at 67c at Guelph. Car loads on the track would probably find buyers here at 69 to 72c. **Oats** have been quiet and steady with buyers at 40c for car loads on the track, or 42c, i.o.b., N.R.C. cars. Street price 42 to 43c. **Rye.**—Very little offering, unchanged at 72c. **Corn.**—No. 2 western sold in car loads at 55c on the track.

**GROCERIES.**—Trade is still quiet. Almost the only movement is in tea and sugar; of the former some fresh supplies have been received, but not sufficient to affect prices, which may still be quoted with an advancing tendency. **Sugars** are light in stock, and held at firm prices. Small lots of British refined have been sold on the spot, and to arrive at firm rates. **Coffee** remains firm, with small stocks on hand. **Fruit** inactive. **Layers** have declined 10c. Very little demand except for immediate wants. **Fish** entirely nominal; no business doing. **Tobacco** quiet but firm; holders confident in view of the upward tendency of leaf.

Imports of leading groceries at Toronto for the month of March:—

	1871.	1872.
Tea—Green and Japan..lbs..	74,239	55,744
do.	\$25,279	19,712
Tea—Black..lbs.....	8,349	13,973
do.	\$2,655	5,489
Sugar.....lbs.....	\$85,020	247,578
do.	4,850	16,195
Dried fruits and Nuts .....	\$405	716

**HIDES AND SKINS.**—The market continues firm, at late prices. The supply is very moderate, and not equal to the demand. No. 1 green hides are worth 9c; No. 2, 7½c to 8½c; No. 1 cured and inspected are worth 9½c to 9¾c. There is a good demand for foreign hides, of which considerable quantities are being imported. **Sheepskins** are scarce and in good demand, at \$3 to 3.50, and for extra \$4 is sometimes paid. **Calfskins** selling as before, at 12c to 12½c for green.

**PROVISIONS.**—There is no material change to note since last week. The local trade is still fairly active. Common butter is not so much wanted, but buyers could be found at 10c to 10½c; choice would readily fetch 17c to 19c, but it is difficult to obtain. **Fresh eggs** have been uncommonly scarce, 30c being asked and obtained for small lots, but within the last day or two they were bought at 25c. **Lard** is held in lots at 9c, with buyers at 8½c to 8¾c. **Mess Pork** remains inactive; buyers not at all keen at \$14; one car was reported to have been sold at that figure. There is a good demand for dried apples, which sell in small lots at 9c. Choice hops are wanted at 55c; ordinary and poor qualities neglected and nominal. **Salt** unchanged. **Petaloes** are offering more freely in lots, at 75c to 80c per bag. **Onions** in wholesale lots are worth \$1.25 or 1.50 in small lots.

**SEEDS.**—The market has been generally quiet during the week. Round lots of clover sold at \$5; small lots by dealers at \$5.25 to \$5.50; timothy in small lots is worth \$3 to 3.25.

**WOOL.**—The market presents the same features as at the date of our last report. Holders are somewhat more timid as to the future, and would probably sell at more reasonable prices than they have recently been asking. We continue to quote pulled combing, and fleece at 55c, but have no report of any late transactions at that figure.

## TORONTO STOCK MARKET.

Reported by Blaikie & Alexander, Brokers.

April 11, 1872.

We have to report a very active market during the past week. The transactions in all the favorite stocks having been large, and at well sustained figures with a continued demand.

**Banks.**—There was little done in Toronto, the views of buyers not being over 206, while sellers are asking 208 to 210. The sales of Ontario ranged from 111½ up to 113½, and back again to 112, closing with buyers at 112½, and 114 asked. Very large amounts of Commerce were taken at rates between 134½ and 136, closing in good demand at the latter figure, and offered at a half better. A good deal of Royal was placed at 109½, selling down to 108, but recovering again with last sales at 108½, and none offered under 109. Under a strong demand, Dominion sold rapidly from 111 up to 114, and is now wanted at that, and held at 114½. Merchants showed a slight falling off, the sales being from 135 to 133½, but later recovering, and was placed at 134 and 134½. Montreal sold from 230½ down to 226½, advancing again with large transactions up to 228, and closes with sellers at that.

**Bonds.**—There is nothing doing in Governments. Some amounts of City were placed at 98½ to 98½, and round lots of Townships at 96, 96½ and 95½. County may be had at 101½, and