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still finding their way across the line; prices are unchanged. Oats are firm and in good demand at 41 to 42c. per bushel; peas still rule at 58 to 59c., and chiefly for export. Rye is still quoted at 50 to 52c., and corn 45 to 47c., these prices are, however, purely nominal, as there are really no transactions to record.

STOCKS IN STORE.

Stocks of grain in store at Toronto on Monday morning last and on the other dates indicated were as follows:—

	Nov. 17. 1890.	Nov. 10. 1890.	Nov. 18. 1889.
Fall wheat, bush.	23,735	24,459	10,151
Spring " " " " " " " "	48,800	46,073	41,359
Oats, bush " " " " " " " "	1,100	1,100	1,236
Barley, " " " " " " " "	45,004	27,656	246,731
Peas, " " " " " " " "	606	685	2,445
Rye, " " " " " " " "	nil.	nil.	4,789
Corn " " " " " " " "	nil.	nil.	nil.

Total grain, bush. 119,245 99,972 307,231

VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The visible supply of grain is much behind that of other years at this date, according to the following comparison. Barley is the only article which is not badly behind in quantity available:—

	1890. Nov. 17. bush.	1890. Nov. 10. bush.	1889. Nov. 18. bush.
Wheat..	23,197,212	22,699,747	28,401,776
Corn ..	5,658,607	6,385,063	6,091,065
Oats....	971,285	3,986,231	6,235,217
Rye	685,985	707,001	1,176,154
Barley..	4,765,381	4,720,388	2,748,559

GROCERIES.—The wholesale houses report business satisfactory, but say that payments would stand a little improvement. All canned goods continue in active demand and values steady; tomatoes have advanced other 5c. per dozen, being now quoted at \$1.35 for Crown 3's; \$1.35 for Ice Castle 3's; \$1.35 for Beaver

3's; as stated for weeks past, although all canned goods in fruits and vegetables are exceptionally high, they are bound to go higher as the season advances. Stocks cannot be increased until next season, and they are in very small compass. All kinds of dried fruits are relatively high in price and very firm; it is expected that Patras and Vostizza currants will be dearer; prunes to hand are ruling very high and likely to advance; syrups and molasses very firm at quotations. Rice not so firm, and all kinds of spices easy. In sugars, whites last Saturday dropped 3/4c., and are now quoted for extra granulated 6 1/2 to 7c. per lb. Redpath's Paris Lump 7 1/2 to 7 3/4c. Yellow sugars are unchanged and very firm. All kinds of teas continue firm, more especially low grade Young Hyson and young Japans; of the latter the market is bare of stock.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—Business is not especially brisk, compared with former seasons in this line, except perhaps in some descriptions of heavy goods. So far as prices go, there are no changes to note this week. The financial difficulties in London have had a depressing effect on a few of the leading speculative metals, most notably on Scotch iron warrants, which have dropped to 48/10d., as reported by to-day's cables. Ingot tin and lead also a shade easier.

HIDES AND SKINS.—In this market we have to chronicle another decline of 3/4c. per lb. in green and cured hides. Prices to butchers for green hides No. 1 are 5c., for No. 2, 4c. There is little or no sale at present for cured, and what offer are ruling at 5 1/2 to 5 3/4c. per lb. In calfskins there is little or nothing doing; the season is pretty well over. Sheepskins are unchanged, 90 to 95c. each being the best market prices. Tallow is somewhat scarce, but prices are unaltered.

LEATHER.—In the leather market an easier feeling exists in regard to prices. There is no great accumulation of stock, neither can it be said that any great depreciation in values prevails; and still there is a disposition to shade somewhat on certain lines. The volume of business for the month is not up to the usual quantity for the season; this can be attributed largely to the very bad condition of the country roads, which in many localities are now impassable. Payments are fairly good, although the quantity of grain sold, thus far, is exceptionally small, farmers holding back for higher prices. Doubtless the movement of grain will be increased when the frost sets in. The feeling at present in the leather market is one of cheerfulness.

PROVISIONS.—Dairy business is reported fairly active, no change in prices to note. Receipts are somewhat freer. Choice dairy tub is quoted at 14 to 16c. per lb. for very fine, rolls 13 to 15c. No enquiry for mediums or

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