

PROVISIONS.—The Chicago hog market has ruled strong, with values advancing daily since our last reference; a further advance of 5c to 10c per 100 lbs was established yesterday, when the receipts were 17,500, against 12,377 on Tuesday, and the shipments were 24,970. Pork and lard opened strong with an advance in values, but closed easier, at a decline of 2½c May and 15c June for pork. In Liverpool pork advanced 6d yesterday. Liverpool market has been firm this week, with an advance of 3d for lard, now quoted at 55s 9d. Stocks of lard in Liverpool on 1st April were 23,100 tierces against 31,500 tierces on the like date last year, and the stocks of pork were 3,900 bbls against 6,687 bbls at the like date last year. In sympathy with the Chicago market, which has advanced fully \$1 per bbl for pork this month, the local market has ruled very firm all week, and values have advanced about 50c per bbl. for *mess pork*, and about 50c per 100 lbs. for *lard*. The jobbing demand continues fair, at \$21.50 to \$22 for Canada *mess pork*, and \$21 for Western do; dealers state that the latter could not now be laid down and sold at under \$21.50. Thin *mess* has sold at \$20. Stocks of pork in Canada are very light. Fairbanks' *lard* has been selling in round lots at 14½c to 14¾c, and Canada do. at 14c; a lot of 600 pails of the former changed hands on Tuesday at 14¾c. In *bacon* and *hams* not much doing, and prices unchanged. *Eggs* in fair request, at 17c; some large cases have been sold at 16c.

POTATOES.—The American demand for Canadian potatoes appears to be increasing, thirty-four carloads having been shipped last week from Point St. Charles to various parts of the following States:—Massachusetts, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Connecticut, Missouri, Illinois, New York, and Rhode Island. The enquiry is chiefly for Early Rose, for seeding purposes; sales have been made at from \$1.07 to \$1.12 per bag on board the cars.

SALT.—Owing to firmer freights and stiff prices in Liverpool, this market is reported firmer, under a good steady demand. Liverpool coarse salt is now quoted here at 70c to 75c per bag.

SEEDS.—The market for *clover* is firmer and tending upwards, now quoted at \$8.75 to \$9 per cental with stocks rather light. Lower Canada *Timothy* is scarce; quoted at \$3.40 to \$3.50 per bushel, and Western *Timothy*, which is now being imported from Chicago, quoted at \$3.10 to \$3.30 per do.

WINES AND LIQUORS.—A fair jobbing trade continues to be done, at full prices, especially for the best *brandies* and *gins*, of which stocks are getting low. No round lot transactions can be reported this week.

WOOL.—The home market rules quiet for both domestic and foreign wools, with values entirely unchanged. The only reported transaction for the week was that of a sample lot of Australian at 22c. Manufacturers appear to be pretty well stocked, and are not buying much. The English market is firm, the late London sales having closed at good prices, but the leading American markets are represented dull.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

Boston, April 13, 1882.—*Flour.*—Very firm, choice brands, tendency to higher prices. Sales of Superfine at \$4.25 to \$4.75; Extras, including choice Bakers, \$5.75 to \$7.50; Winter wheats \$6.50 to \$7; Patent Spring \$6.50 to \$7.50; and Patent Winter \$8 to \$9 per bbl. Cornmeal firm at \$3.60. Oatmeal in fair demand at \$6.50 to \$7.50 for common and choice. *Hay.*—Choice firm, good demand at \$20 to \$21; Medium selling \$16 to \$18 per ton. *Produce.*—Choice Butter

unchanged, steady demand, selling at 42c to \$45, and new dairy 33c to 42c. Cheese firm, at same prices as last week. Eggs arriving freely; 18½c to 19c for Canada and Western. Potatoes in good demand and firm; choice grades \$1.10 to \$1.20, medium 90c to \$1. Green Apples in moderate demand at \$3 to \$3.25. Onions selling at \$2.25 per bbl.

Chicago, 2.36 p.m.—Wheat, May, \$1.29; June, \$1.26½. Corn, May, 77½c; June, 75½c. Oats, May, 51½c; June, 50½c. Pork, May, \$18.25; June, \$18.52½. Lard, May, \$11.40; June, \$11.55.

Milwaukee, 2.30 p.m.—Wheat, May, \$1.28½; June, \$1.26½.

New York, 3.31 p.m.—Wheat, No. 2 Red, May, \$1.44½; June, \$1.41½; July, \$1.27½; Aug., \$1.23. Corn, May, 84½c; June, 84c.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

London, April 13, 1882.

(Beerholm's advices)—Floating cargoes.—Wheat firm; Corn nothing offering; Cargoes on passage.—Wheat firm; Corn do. Good shipping of California Wheat, just shipped 46s; now do. 47s 6d; Liverpool Wheat and Corn on spot firm; No. 2 Red Wheat 50s 6d; prompt 50s; amount of Wheat on passage for the U. K. 2,675,000 qrs; Corn 190,000 qrs. Paris Wheat and Flour turn dearer.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

(By Special Telegraph.)

Toronto, April 13, 1882.

The numerous strikes in this city within the past ten days have interfered with general business. The Grand Trunk shed laborers' strike perhaps gave the most annoyance to wholesale merchants generally. Large quantities of freight had been piled up, and for a week it was almost impossible to get deliveries. In a number of instances merchants sent their own porters to have goods brought to their warehouses. Shipments suffered as well, but the past few days new men have been engaged and everything is going on more smoothly. The dry goods trade has been moderately active, with a fair number of sorting-up orders. Prices continue very firm, especially cottons, and it is thought that they will continue so. Hardware is fairly active and firm, with stocks of heavy goods small. Drugs are active and generally firm. Groceries are in better demand, with an advance in sugars. Dried fruits firm. Provisions quiet and firm, and stocks of meats small. Breadstuffs have been more active, and prices generally are higher than they were a week ago. Money has been in fair demand and rates firm. Call loans have been made at 6 to 6½ per cent, and time at the latter figure. Prime commercial paper is discounted at 6 and the ordinary at 7 per cent. Sterling exchange is firm; 60-day bills between banks are quoted at 109½ to 109¾, and demand bills at 110½ to 110¾. Gold drafts on New York are 1-16 to ¼ premium. The stock market has been fairly active during business days, but the volume of business is small, owing to the adjournment of the Board from Thursday till Tuesday. Prices have been irregular, with weakness prevailing on Wednesday morning. Sales of banks the past two days comprise Montreal at 212½, 211½, 210½ and 211½, Ontario at 65½ and 65, Toronto at 176 and 175½, Merchants at 132½, Commerce at 145½, 145¾, 145½ and 145½, Imperial at 138 and 138½ ex-allotment, Federal at 168½, 167½, 165½ and 167½,

Dominion at 209½, Standard at 118 and 118½. Loan and Miscellaneous shares quiet and irregular, with sales of Canada Permanent at 223 and 224, Western Canada at 195, London and Canadian at 140 and 140½, Real Estate Loan at 100, National Investment at 110½, Consumers' Gas at 153, 152½ and 151½, and Western Assurance at 180½ and 179. The market closed quiet and steady to-day, with sales of Montreal at 211, Ontario at 65½, Merchants at 133, Federal at 167, and Dominion at 210.

Following are closing bids to-day as compared with those of last Thursday:

Banks.	Bid April 13.	Bid April 6.	Loan Cos.	Bid April 13.	Bid April 6.
Montreal..	211	213½	Can. Permanent	223	...
Toronto ..	175½	176	Freehold..	177½	177½
Ontario ..	65½	64½	Western Can..	198	190
Merchants	133	133	Bldg. & Loan..	106½	106½
Commerce	145½	145½	Imp. Savings..	111½	111½
Dominion	209½	209½	Farmers' Loan.	129	128½
Hamilton	...	...	Land. & Can'dn	140½	...
Standard..	117½	117½	Huron & Br'e..	...	...
Federal ..	166½	165	Dom. Savings..	120	...
Imperial ..	138½	142	Ontario Loan..	...	...
Molson's ..	...	...	Hamilton Prov..	...	...

BOOTS AND SHOES.—There is a fair sorting-up trade, and prices continue unchanged. Manufacturers are pretty well supplied with orders, but the strike of the women operatives is a great drawback. They have now been out about two weeks, and it is thought some satisfactory arrangement will be made in a few days.

COAL AND WOOD.—The demand for coal has been quite active during the week on account of colder weather. Orders are for half to two ton lots, and prices unchanged. Egg, stove, grate and chestnut, as well as the best soft sell at \$6.50 a ton, and second quality of soft at \$6. Wood is also in good demand and steady at \$5 per cord for hard and \$4 for pine.

COAL OIL.—Although prices are somewhat stiffer in the west, they are unchanged here, and 18c to 18½c per Imperial gallon are the ruling rates for Canadian refined. Large quantities of American are being sold at 25c for prime and 28c to 30c for water white, but 28c is considered a "cut" price. Crude in Petrolia is firm at \$1.50 per barrel.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.—*Apples.*—There is a moderate demand for barrel lots, and they are firm at \$3.50 to \$4.50, the latter for choice. Stock on hand is very small. *Beans* are about sold out, and prices are nominal at \$2.60 to \$2.70 per bushel. *Eggs* are in fair supply, but the demand is less active and prices are easier; case lots are worth 14c to 15c per dozen. *Hogs* are steady at \$8.25 to \$8.75 for butchers use. *Hops* are still held firmly but outside advices are unfavorable; orders are of hand-to-mouth character at 22c to 24c for choice and 18c to 19c for ordinary. *Onions* are quiet and unchanged at \$2 to \$2.25 per barrel. *Potatoes* are easier, the receipts being large and the demand from the States restricted. Sales have been made the past day or two at \$1 to \$1.05 per bag on track. *Poultry* scarce and firm, with chickens at 75c per pair, and turkeys at 15c to 18c per lb. *Tallow* continues in good demand and is firm at 8c for refined in small lots; dealers pay 4c for rough and 7½c for rendered.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—There has been quite an active trade the past week, and prices generally are steady. *Oil Lemon* is unchanged, at \$4.25 to \$4.50 per lb. *Golden Seal Root* firm at 60c per lb., and *Cuttle fish bone* at 55c to 60c. *Opium* is firm at \$5 to \$5.25. *Quinine* is easy at \$2.65 to \$2.75 per oz. *Tartaric Acid* is unchanged at