

equalled expectations, the retailers reporting an in disposition on the part of their customers to buy freely.

Stocks here are still quite full heavier perhaps than is desirable at this season, but they may yet be considerably reduced before the close of navigation.

Cotton goods in the English markets have been advancing of late, and though there has not been any actual advance on previous prices here, holders are firm and not disposed to force sales at a sacrifice. Woollens are unchanged, and the market rather in favour of the buyer. Fancy goods meet with a moderate demand, though orders are not large.

The prospects are not considered good for a heavy late trade, but the results of the season so far are for the most part satisfactory. Remittances are coming in as well as could be expected, but a fair proportion of country paper will undoubtedly have to be renewed, less, however, we think, than has been the case previous to 1863.

## THE GROCERY TRADE.

Baldwin, G. B., & Co.  
Chapman, Fraser & Tylos.  
Chapman H., & Co.  
Childs, George, & Co.  
Frank, J. C., & Co.  
Guthrie, Moffat & Co.  
Jeffery, Brothers & Co.  
Kinnaird & Co.  
Matheson, J. A.

Mitchell, James  
Robertson & Beattie.  
Robertson, David.  
Tait, John.  
Thompson, Murray & Co.  
Torrance, David, & Co.  
West, Bros.  
Winning, Hill & Warr.

WE have to report rather more animation in our market during the past week, with a decided improvement in its general tone. The business done at the trade sales of two cargoes fruit from Messrs. T. & F. Ross & Co., on the 13th and Messrs. Crane & Baird, on the 14th, was not as large as was expected, however. The attendance was good and the bidding not without spirit, but the prices to which buyers seemed disposed to go were below the point at which sellers were willing to let their goods go, and only a portion of what was offered was placed. We give below quantities sold, with the prices obtained.

TEAS.—The market has been rather quieter since our last report, the demand being chiefly for local wants, and otherwise very little doing. Twankays and low grade Japans have had a good enquiry, the absence of desirable stocks preventing business to any considerable extent. The few lots which have arrived, however, have been at once picked up and full rates paid. Low grade Imperials have also been wanted to take the place of Twankays, but chiefly by the local trade and no large transactions are reported. Blacks are still enquired for, but the supply is small at present, although arrivals to a considerable extent are shortly expected.

COFFEE.—Is inactive, the only demand being from the local trade, and prices are unaltered.

SUGAR.—Raw have been in active demand. Stocks of refined being low, the refiners have been compelled to come into the market, and from 800 to 1,000 hhds are reported as having been purchased at full rates, although prices have not transpired. There has also been a fair outside demand for grocery samples, several lots having been taken by the local trade. Prices are tending upwards, and holders of the better grades of Sugar have withdrawn their samples from the market. Good bright Barbadoes are offering at 8½c, and held firmly at that figure. The New York market for raw Sugars is also firm, low grades being scarce. Refined Sugars are in active demand and stocks are low, the refiners being unable to fill orders on hand for immediate delivery. They have again advanced their quotations, ½c. on all grades of whites and ¾c. on yellows, and are by no means anxious to make sales.

MOLASSES.—Has been in active demand, both from the trade and from the refiners, and holders are now asking an advance of from 2c to 7½c on previous rates, and are firm in their views. Transactions reported are on private terms, and principally in Muscovado and Clayed. The following are the quotations:—Muscovado, 46c to 42½c; Clayed, 32c to 33c; Centrifugal, 7½c to 30c.

GRAIN.—Have also advanced, 8c on Golden, 4c on Standard, and 2c on Amber.

FISH.—Arrivals of Herrings have been very light. No. 1 split are in demand, but the high prices asked check transactions, although in several instances full rates have been paid. Both large table and green Cod in barrels and draft are well inquired for. The stock is light, especially of green, and both hold for full figures.

FRUIT.—Owing to the public sales of new fruit, very little has been done at private sale. For quotations we refer our readers to the reports given below.

OILS.—Fish Oils are firmly held, but not much doing in them. Lard and Olive Oil being scarce and high in price, Sax's Engine Oil is in good demand at \$1 00.

RICE.—The market for the past week has shown very little activity, and except for our local trade, but few sales have been made. Last week's prices remain unchanged, although holders seem more disposed to meet the views of purchasers. Rangoon is quoted at \$4 00 to \$4 10, Patna \$4 15 to \$4 25, and Arracan \$4 35 to \$4 50 for round lots.

SALT.—Is rather easier in consequence of expected arrivals, and prices are for the most part nominal.

SPICES.—Have been less enquired for, and sales have been confined to local wants. No alteration to report in prices.

WINES AND LIQUORS.—Since the public sales the feeling with regard to prices has been rather easier. Purchasers seem indisposed to pay the high prices previously asked, and holders appear more willing to meet their views. Business, however, has not been to any large extent, and prices can hardly be looked upon as settled.

Cargo Sale of Fruit, Oct. 13, 1863, for account of Messrs. T. & F. Ross & Co., John Leeming & Co., Auctioneers:—

700 lbs layer raisins 10s 6d; 500 do 10s 3d; 250 hlf do 5s 4d; 500 qr do 2s 11d; 100 boxes London layers 14s 3d; 100 do black brand 14s 9d; 50 drums Malaga figs 6½c; 100 qr do 7c; 30 bags Gilberts 5½c; 65 do Jordan shelled almonds 8½c; 200 half boxes Valencia raisins, to arrive, ex "Deodar," 7c, 500 do 6½c.

Sale of Fruit, &c., October 14th, 1863, for account of Messrs. Crane & Baird. John J. Arnton, Esq., Auctioneer:

100 half-boxes (flat) Layer Raisins, 5s 4d; 200 qr do do, 2s 11d; 25 bxs do, 10s 6d; 100 do do, 10s 4d; 250 qr do, 2s 6d; 100 hlf do do, 5s; 100 boxes do, 10s 4d; 1,000 do do, 10s; 20 hlf-bx blk Crown Layers, 6s; 100 boxes Muscatel Raisins, 11s 1d; 25 do do, 11s 3d; 75 kegs seedless Raisins, 8½c; 10 do do, 8½c; 100 frail soft shell Almonds, 14½c; 10 boxes Lemons, \$4 25; 10 do do, \$4; 5 bags Filberts, 6s; 15 do do, 5½c; 25 boxes Jordan Almonds, 30c; 5 qr butts Olive Oil, 7s 6d.

## THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Grathen & Caverhill.  
Frans & Frans.  
Frans, John Henry.  
Hall, Kay & Co.  
Ireland, W. H.

Horland, Watson & Co.  
Mulholland & Baker.  
Robertson, Jas.  
Waddell & Pearce.

WE have to report a fair though quiet business for the past week. Heavy goods have moved off rather slowly, but for shelf and manufactured goods there has been a steady demand.

PIR IRON.—Is without demand, and transactions reported are altogether of a retail character.

BAR IRON.—Is unchanged. Stocks are large and well assorted, and buyers of round lots can command some reduction on our quoted prices.

HOOF AND BAND IRON.—Are unchanged.

TIN PLATES.—Are not over abundant, and prices are well sustained.

CANADA PLATES.—Are slightly more active, but with no large transactions reported, and no change in quotations.

CUT NAILS.—Are firm. Several of the nail makers have been compelled to stop work for some weeks, owing to a deficiency in the supply of water to run their machinery. Consequently holders of nails are firm in their views, with the expectation that decreased production will lead to a still more active demand.

SHED GOODS.—Have sold freely, orders continuing to be received to a fair amount.

## MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Atkin & Kirkpatrick.  
Black & Locke.  
Crawford, James.  
Davies Brothers & Co.

Hannan, M., & Co.  
Hobson, Thomas, & Co.  
Mitchell, John.  
Rajbhai, Thomas W.

LOUR.—Receipts continuing liberal, and there being little export demand, prices have steadily receded day by day, with little changing hands, beyond the small local requirements. Latest reported sales of Welland Canal brands have been at \$3 10. City millers refused to sell under \$5 25, at which a parcel of 500 bbls changed hands a couple of days ago. Supers from Canada Spring wheat range from \$5 25 to \$5 45, but beyond occasional hundreds for local use, little business can be reported. The higher and lower grades are in restricted demand and only moved in a retail way within quoted range. Bays are also dull and lower, latest sales have been at \$2 50 to

\$2 60 according to sample. Rates of flour have at length reached a point to seriously engage the attention of shippers, and with the prospect of more Ocean tonnage available shortly, more activity, and probably some improvement in prices may be looked for.

OAT AND CORNMEAL.—Remains unchanged, there being no improvement on the previous retail demand.

WHEAT.—There are few recent sales to note, and rates are practically nominal. Till within a day or two carloads of Red winter were taken at \$1 25, but are now neglected, buyers talking of \$1 20 as their views of value. Upper Canada spring is purely nominal, there is little in stock, but though offered at \$1 25, does not elicit a bid. Nominal rates are about \$1 20. Western No. 2 may also be quoted nominal at \$1 18.

PEASE.—More favourable advices by cable have strengthened the market, and some advance on last week's rates may be noted. Latest sales have been of car-loads from store at \$1 07 to \$1 08 per bbl. A cargo sold yesterday at \$1 07½. Holders in store are mostly firm at about \$1 09 to \$1 10, but \$1 08 is the highest yet attained.

BARLEY.—Is active, and ranges from \$1 25 to \$1 35. Latest reported sale was of a cargo of good at outside rate.

OATS.—Continue purely nominal at unchanged rates.

CORN.—Latest reported sale of mixed western at 86c for 56 lbs.

PORK.—A steady consumptive demand continues for Mess at full rates of last week. Other grades practically nominal in the comparative absence of supplies.

LARD.—Still scarce, and former high rates are maintained.

BUTTER.—Little demand can be noted, the late decline in the States having checked business especially in poor or ordinary qualities. Choice, from the comparatively small proportion in stock, is for the time held firmly, but attracts little attention.

EGGS.—Pots are dull and former rates barely obtainable except for heavy tares. Pearls also meet a more restricted demand, and have lost about five cents of the recent advance, highest closing rates, \$5 60.

## THE LEATHER TRADE.

Atkin & Kirkpatrick.  
Urquhart, Campbell.

Seymour, M. H.  
Shaw, F. & Brothers.

A FAIR amount of business has been done during the past week. The scarcity of some kinds of stock still continues. Prices of prime stock rule about as last quoted, and indifferent figures are obtained for inferior grades. Receipts have been light, and stock on hand has not accumulated.

## GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Traffic for the week ending 18th Sept., 1863.

Passengers.....	\$41,722.12
Freight.....	\$3,974.06
Mails and sundries.....	2,243.75

Total receipts for week . . . \$47,939.93

Corresponding week, 1862..... \$45,226.26

Increase. . . \$2,713.67

## NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Traffic receipts for week ending 26th Sept., 1863.

Passengers.....	\$4,163.35
Freight and live stock.....	8,576.41
Mails and sundries.....	274.74

Total..... \$13,014.50

Corresponding week, 1862..... \$12,557.78

Increase..... \$456.72

TIMBER REGULATIONS.—A Three Rivers paper has reason to believe that the Local Government is about to make some modifications in the present timber regulations, but not in the duties, which will remain as heretofore.

A Halifax paper says.—That the latest gold discoveries in the Province of Nova Scotia are reported from Whycocomah, Inverness County, and Trevelyan, Halifax County.