

Monday and Tuesday last small parcels of both grades were sold at \$4.40 f.o.c., for extra, and at \$4.20 to 4.22½ f.o.c. for spring extra. Other grades have remained nominally unchanged. Yesterday 200 bbls. strong Bakers' changed hands at \$4.50 f.o.c. Superior Extra rules nominal at \$4.60 to 4.65, with very little enquiry, and fancy is worth \$4.25, with no recent sales reported.

**GRAIN.**—*Wheat*.—Fall, stocks in store 41,042 bush., against 43,423 bush. last week, and 14,109 bush. on like date last year. Since our last reference, the demand has improved, and the market has advanced a couple of cents. In Fall grades, No. 2 is the only kind enquired for, and car lots have recently changed hands at \$1.03 and 1.05 f.o.c., which, it will be noticed, is an advance of 1 to 3c on prices of last week. *Wheat*, Spring.—Stocks in store 58,658 bush. against 79,698 bush. last week, and 52,979 bush. on like date last year. The demand for Spring grades has been moderately active, but as the quantity of grain here is in small compass, the transactions have been rather small. On Friday last round lots of No. 1 sold at 97 to 98c f.o.c., but this week car lots have changed hands at 98 to 99c f.o.c., with the tendency still upwards. The rise also applies to the second grade, car lots of which sold to-day at 95c f.o.c., and at 94c on the track. *Oats*.—Stocks in store 19,150 bush. against 19,200 bush. last week, and 16,277 bush. on like date last year. There have been car lots offering regularly at 30c for Canadian, and 31c for American, but there was no demand and no sales have resulted. *Barley*.—Stocks in store 46,586 bush. last week, and 12,290 bush. date last year. The market remains purely nominal for this grain, as the season is past, and there is no business being done. *Peas*.—Stocks in store 7,633 bush. against 7,728 bush. last week, and 14,501 bush. on like date last year. The market has been very dull; no sales have been reported during the week, and we have not heard of any offering. We quote the value at 67c, irrespective of grades.

**GROCERIES.**—Trade on the whole must be considered decidedly good, though the bulk of the week's business has been in sugars, of which Scotch grades remain strong and firm, but granulated are reported slightly easier. *Coffees*.—The movement has been very light, and prices are unaltered. *Fruit* is becoming very scarce, that is, good qualities. Sales, therefore, have necessarily been small, although the demand is never very active at this particular period. *Valencias* have slightly advanced in value, and are now held at 6½ to 6¾c. Good currants continue in fair request, and are worth 6½c, but common qualities are plentiful and cheap. *Rice* has been in steady demand, and sales of average lots have been made at \$4.50, but a few round lots have changed hands at \$4.45 and \$4.42½. In *Syrups* and *Spices* there is no new feature to note; trade is very quiet, and prices though a shade firmer in sympathy with sugars and fruit, are not actually changed. *Sugars* have continued in fair demand, and the market rules firm, except for American Whites, which are reported easier, owing to some of the American refineries being overstocked. Sales include several large lots to arrive, at prices not made public. All Scotch grades in this market have been moving off at firm prices. In *Teas* there is only the ordinary consumptive demand, and prices range low in all grades. Stocks are moderate but well assorted. Sales are generally for small lots, but one lot of six chests of Young Hyson changed hands yesterday at a range of from 36c to 40c. *Tobaccos* are quiet and prices are unaltered, no large lots moving off.

**HARDWARE.**—Business on the whole, has been very quiet during the past week. Travelers for several of the leading houses are taking their holidays, and enquiries have been principally for heavy goods, mainly Canada plates,

and such articles as are adapted to fall requirements. One house reports a fair demand for shelf and house furnishing goods. Prices show a firmer tendency, but there are no actual changes to note. Copper has advanced in England, £3 to £4 per ton. The advance however may not be felt here, for some time to come.

**HIDES AND SKINS.**—The market for hides is very firm, and the demand has continued steady. Prices paid for No. 1 and No. 2 grades have been advanced ¼c; per lb, by the unanimous agreement of local dealers. No large sales have been reported. *Lambskins* and *Pelts* have been plentiful, and all offering are taken at the recently advanced quotations. *Calfskins* also continue plentiful, and the demand is fair, at unchanged prices. *Tallow* remains very quiet, with no change in values.

**LEATHER.**—Business has been confined to small parcels, sold to manufacturers in the country and city, as wholesale dealers have not experienced any special demand for any of the several lines. There has been a fair enquiry for *harness*, small lots of which have sold at previously quoted prices. No. 1 *sole* leather is reported scarce. Several dealers have received letters from tanners, stating that, owing to the low prices and poor payments, they have closed their establishments for a time, and the employees are finding more remunerative employment in the harvest fields. Remittances are generally reported light and unsatisfactory. Values, though weak, show no material alteration.

**OILS.**—Trade remains in a general state of quietude, and with no change in prices there is nothing of interest to report.

**PROVISIONS.**—Trade, though not active, is reported fair for the time of year. Remittances are also fair. *Butter*.—The local demand has continued good, and small packages of good selections in pails would bring 12 to 13c. There is no shipping demand, however, at over 10c for selections. Buyers of large lots are buying in New York, as they can do better there. *Bacon* has been moving off freely, at 7 to 7½c for long clear, and 6½ to 7c for Cumberland cut. *Cheese*.—The market has ruled quiet, small lots changing hands regularly for local requirements, at our quotations. Fine lots are scarce. *Hams* have continued brisk and firm, and dealers report sales at 11½c for round lots, and 11½ to 12c for small quantities. These prices are firmly maintained by holders. *Lard* is unchanged, the demand remains quiet. *Eggs* at present are a drug as the market is overstocked. Prices are quoted a shade lower than last week, at 10½c to 11½c per doz. *Mess Pork* has been in moderate demand at previously quoted values, no large lots moving off. *Dried Apples* have been in steady demand, and small lots continue to change hands at 6c to 6½c, and 7c for extra bright.

**WOOL.**—The bulk of the season's clip of *Fleece* having been bought previously the market has remained very quiet at unchanged prices, 23c to 24c for wool raised in the vicinity of Toronto, and 24c to 25c for choice western qualities. In one or two instances a little more money was paid for very choice lots. The aggregate quantity sold here during the week is about 50,000 lbs. Advices from Boston report the market active at firm prices.

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