

good supply. Prices remain unaltered, our outside quotations being charged for small lots only.

OILS.—As is usual during January, there is scarcely anything doing in oils of any kind; there is no jobbing movement reported, and even transactions of a retail character are quite limited. The same remarks apply to *Naval Stores*. Quotations remain nominal and unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—The western markets are firmer, Chicago closing yesterday at \$13.17½ Feb., \$13.32½ *Mch* for *Mess Pork*, and *Lard* advanced 2½ to 5c. to \$8.82½ Feb., \$8.92½ *March*. Hogs were firmer and 5c. higher, closing at \$4.75 to \$5 for mixed packers. This market rules quiet and firm; receipts of *Dressed Hogs* for the week have been fair, but sales were chiefly for cars to arrive at full prices; all arrivals expected for the next fortnight have been bought, and choice heavy hogs, in car lots, are selling at \$6.75 to \$6.80; light hogs bring \$6.65 to \$6.70. For a lot of heavy hogs in Toronto \$6.80 delivered here was refused on Tuesday, and in Chatham, Ont., they are selling at \$6.50, the freight to this market being 38c. *Mess Pork* rules firm, under a fair demand at \$16.50 for old Chicago, and \$17 for new, in jobbing lots; stocks light. *Lard* in pails selling at 12½c to 12½c; and in tubs at 12c; supply moderate. In *Hams* nothing doing yet. *Eggs* steady at 22c. to 25c. per doz., as to quality; a lot of 10 cases sold yesterday at 22c. Of course strictly fresh, if offered, would bring considerably higher figures. New York market is firm, Canada eggs being quoted there at 35c. to 36c.

PETROLEUM.—Prices have declined ½c per gal. since last Thursday, and the market rules steady. The demand continues light for the season. Crude, \$1.65 per bbl f.o.b. at Petroleum. The shortness of the water supply is still badly felt in the producing districts.

SEEDS.—The opening of the market this season has been slow, and very little clover has been shipped from this port. Ontario holders are asking \$3.25 to \$5.50, but none of the Ontario red clover crop of 1880 has reached this market. No movement in shipping lots is expected before the latter end of this month or the beginning of February. There is but little Timothy coming forward either; quotations for Timothy range from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per bushel of 45 lbs.

WINES AND LIQUORS.—Market continues quiet with values firm and unchanged. Dealers report a good enquiry for *Gin* in cases, which is scarce. *Hennessy Brandy* is also in good request, considering its cost, but buyers are taking hold, in anticipation of higher prices. Choice wines scarce and in steady, consumptive demand.

WOOL.—Manufacturers are tolerably well stocked, and not much movement is looked for in this market until February. Sales during the week have been moderate, and comprise small lots of *pulled wool* at last week's quotations. For foreign descriptions also there is no change to note in values; this market has been pretty well cleared of all desirable parcels. We hear of a sale of a round lot of *Greasy Cape* on p. l., but understood to be at about our quotations. A large quantity of English wool has recently been purchased in Liverpool market for American consumption. A lot of 1,000,000 lbs. *Wool* was reported sold—no doubt at low prices, which, however, have not transpired. The Boston market is reported dull this week.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

Chicago, Jan. 20, 2.28 p.m.—Wheat, Jan., 98c; Feb., 98½c; *March*, 99½c. Corn, 1.04 p.m., Jan., 36½c; Feb., 37c; *May*, 41½c. Oats, Jan., 31½c; Feb., 31½c; *May*, 35½c. Pork, 2.11 p.m., Jan., \$13.30; Feb., \$13.32½; *March*, \$13.47½. *Lard*, 2.19 p.m., Jan., \$8.37½; Feb., \$8.90; *March*, \$9.00.

Milwaukee, Wheat, Feb., 97½c; *March*, 98½c.

ENGLISH MARKET.

Beerbohm's Report, Jan. 20.—Frost and snow impedes business. On passage U. K. ports, call and direct ports, Wheat, 2,425,000 qrs.; Maize, 250,000 qrs.

MARITIME MARKETS.

HALIFAX, N.S., January 20, 1881.

Our markets continue depressingly dull, and sales of breadstuffs almost nil. We quote nominally as follows, 3 & 4 months, taking Toronto standards as a guide: Superior Extra, \$5.70 to \$5.75; Extra, \$5.55 to \$5.65; Spring Extra, \$5.40 to \$5.45; Strong Bakers', \$5.80 to \$5.95; low grades not quoted. Oatmeal, \$4.90 to \$4.95; Cornmeal, \$3.35 to \$3.45. Oats, 34 lbs., 46½c to 47c. Butter, as to quality, 16c to 18c.

TORONTO WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 20, 1880.

The state of the wholesale trade of this city during the past week cannot be said to be active. In most departments the movement of merchandise has been in keeping with the ordinary quietness at this season of the year. The general feeling among merchants is that of hopefulness, as trade is now considered to be on a healthy and sound basis. The wholesale dry goods trade remains in much the same condition as that reported last week. It is said that there is some cutting in prices indulged in in lines of which stocks are large, resulting from competition. Travellers are, as a rule, out with samples of Spring goods. Collections are reported as good for January. The provision trade is somewhat better, there being an increased demand for hogs and their product. Prices have advanced during the week, and it is now thought the cry raised a month ago to the effect that hogs would be very scarce, might turn out to be true. Several cars of dressed hogs sold yesterday at \$6.50 per 100 lbs. The money market is quiet, without change in rates. Prime commercial paper of large amounts is discounted at 6 per cent., and smaller amounts at 7 per cent. Call loans rule at 4 to 4½ per cent., and time loans at 4½ to 5 per cent. Sterling Exchange has been firm at a slight advance; sixty-day bills are quoted at 108½ between banks, and 108½ to 109 over counter; demand bills 109 to 109½. Gold drafts on New York are ½ to ½ premium. The stock market has been fairly active during the week, and prices have somewhat recovered from the depression of several days ago. Among sales of banks the past few days were: Montreal at 174½ and 178, Ontario at 98½, 99 and 100, Merchants at 118, Commerce at 138½, 137 and 139, and Imperial at 118. Loan and miscellaneous shares were firm, with sales of Canada Permanent at 199½, Ontario Loan at 131½, Building and Loan at 98 and 98½, Western Assurance at 226, Dominion Telegraph at 92, and Consumers' Gas, ex-altollment, at 141.

| Banks. | Bid Jan. 20. | Bid Jan. 18. | Loan Cos. | Bid Jan. 20. | Bid Jan. 18. |
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| Montreal. | 179½ | 177½ | Can. Permanent | 199 | 198 |
| Toronto .. | 144 | | Freehold | 157 | |
| Ontario .. | 99 | 99 | Western Can. .. | 164 | 164 |
| Merchants .. | 118 | 117½ | Bldg. & Loan .. | 97½ | 98 |
| Commerce .. | 138½ | 139½ | Imp. Savings .. | 129 | 129 |
| Dominion .. | 145 | | Farmers' Loan .. | 122 | 122 |
| Hamilton .. | | | Loan. & Can'dn .. | 149 | 148 |
| Standard .. | 104½ | 104 | Huron & Erie .. | 143 | 148 |
| Federal .. | 138 | | Dom. Savings .. | | 117 |
| Imperial .. | 119½ | | Ontario Loan .. | 132 | 130 |
| Molson's .. | 104 | | Hamilton Prov. .. | 123 | 123 |

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The business of the past week has improved some, and manufacturers

are fairly active. Travellers are meeting with fair success, and the Spring movement is likely to be large.

COAL.—There is a brisk demand for small lots, and prices continue firm at last week's quotations. Hard coal, embracing egg, stove, grate and chestnut, are firm at \$7.50 a ton; the best soft coal, \$6.50, and second quality, \$6.

COAL OIL.—The movement is fair, and prices steady at former quotations. Five barrel lots sell at 23½c to 24c, and barrel lots at 24½c.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.—Apples.—The demand for large lots is only moderate, and prices continue steady, \$1.75 for choice qualities, and \$1.25 to \$1.50 for common. The receipts by waggon are fair. *Beans* are quiet and unchanged; ordinary lots sell at \$1.20 to \$1.25, and hand-picked at \$1.45. *Country Lard* is steady at 9c to 10c a pound. *Eggs* are quiet and firm, and the offerings are chiefly of lined; they are worth 18c a dozen. *Hogs* are very firm, with receipts small; sales of car lots were made yesterday at \$6.50. *Hops* are quiet and steady; choicest qualities are quoted at 21c to 22c, and inferior to good at 15c to 19c. *Onions* are firm, with few offering; car lots are worth \$3 a barrel. *Potatoes* are in moderate demand, and prices are likely to be somewhat firmer as the losses by frost have been large. Car lots are worth 40c per bag. *Poultry* quiet and firm; boxed lots of turkeys are worth 10c to 10½ per lb., and chickens, 35c to 45c per pair. *Yellow* is steady, with a moderate demand; dealers pay 3½c for rough and 6c for rendered; while sales are being made at 6½c.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The trade of the past week has been moderately active, without any changes in values. Tartaric acid is steady at 58c, and Cream of Tartar at 35c. Linseed oil quiet at 79c for raw and 83c for boiled. Turpentine is in fair demand and steady at 82c to 85c. Quinine continues easy at \$3.60, and Morphine is steady at \$3 90 an ounce. Opium is unchanged at \$8.75. The demand for heavy chemicals is inactive, and prices without change. Dyestuffs are quiet and unchanged.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The demand for the past week has been inactive, and prices are for the most part nominal. Buyers apparently look for lower prices, and holders are for the most part firm. Superior extra offers at \$4.90, and choice brands of extra are held at \$4.85; but to effect sales prices would have to be slightly reduced. Sup. Extra offered to-day at \$4.90 without bids. The stock in store is 7,447 barrels, against 6,763 barrels last week and 14,398 barrels the corresponding week of 1880. Oatmeal is quiet, the demand being very limited, and holders asking \$4.10, but it is not probable that over \$4 would be paid. Cornmeal is confined strictly to local trade, and sells at \$2.90 to \$3. Bran is steady, with a few sales on Saturday and Monday at \$12.50 on track.

WHEAT.—There have been few transactions during the past week; prices cannot be said to be very firm, although there is no material change from last week. There were sales on Saturday of No. 2 Fall at \$1.10, and of No. 2 Spring at \$1.15. The last few days, in absence of business of any amount, values are nominal. No. 1 Fall is held at about \$1.12, and No. 1 Spring at \$1.16 to \$1.17; No. 2 Spring sold Tuesday at \$1.14. To-day's market nominally unchanged. The stock in store is 136,977 bushels against 131,944 bushels last week, and 303,369 bushels the corresponding week of 1880.

COARSE GRAINS.—Barley.—Business is restricted to local dealers, there being no export demand, and prices are slightly in favor of buyers. The latter part of last week there were sales of No. 2 at 93c f.o.c. and also at 91c on track; of No. 3 extra at 87c on track; and of No. 3 at 78c on track. On Monday No. 3 extra, sold at 87c on track, and No. 2 at 92c f.o.c. No. 1 offers at \$1.03, and \$1.02 would be