

also been dealing freely with wholesale houses, but country dealers complain of trade being bad. Remittances are not at all encouraging, and are the subject of general complaint.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—Business is improving, and stocks from recent arrivals are now well assorted, but there is very little change in values, heavy chemicals are the turn lower. Buyers are operating very cautiously. We quote *Bi Carb* \$3.10 to 3.15; *Saltpetre* is firm at 8.50; *Soda Ash*, \$1.50 to 1.75; *Arrow Root*, 11c to 15c; *Cream Tartar crystals*, 25c to 26c; ditto ground 28c to 30c; *Caustic Soda* \$2.35 to 2.50; *Sugar of Lead*, 11c to 12c; *Bleaching Powder*, \$1.35 to 1.40; *Alum* \$1.65 to 1.70; *Sulphur*, 2½ to 3½c; *Roll Sulphur*, 2½c to 2¾c; *Epsom Salts* \$1.50 *Sal Soda* 1.00 to 1.12½; *Whiting*, 50c to 55c. *Sulphate of Copper*, 5c *Copperas*, 1c; *Borax*, 10c.

RAW FURS.—Arrivals are now beginning to fall off, and there is very little doing, but any skins offering are readily bought up within our range of quotations, which are unchanged since this day week.

FISH.—There is nothing doing just now in Fish, and prices of all kinds are nominal.

FRIGHTS.—There is not nearly so much demand for Tonnage as was at one time expected and rates continue low, for heavy grain by steamers and iron clippers to London, Liverpool and Glasgow, the latest engagements were at 3/3 to 4/-; small vessels for orders were taken up at 5/- to 5/6.

FLOUR.—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst., was 51,907 brls against 71,907 brls on the 1st inst., and 64,907 brls on the 15th of May, 1878. Receipts during the past week 16,915 brls, total receipts from 1st January to date 219,825 brls, being a decrease of 41,606 brls on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1878. Shipped during the week 24,681 brls, total shipments from 1st January to date 120,324 brls, being a decrease of 4,358 brls on the shipments for the corresponding period of 1878. In the early part of the week there was a fairly active demand for Flour, and an advance was obtained on late quotations, latterly holders' views were above those of buyers at the close the market was quiet and steady and prices very firm, and to fill orders buyers had to meet holders' views. We quote *Superior extra* \$4.75 to 4.80; *Extra Super.*, \$4.55 to 4.60; *Fancy*, \$4.40 to 4.45 *Spring Extra*, \$4.35 to 4.40; *Superfine*, \$4.00 to 4.05; *Strong Baker's Flour*, \$4.40 to 4.60; *Fine*, \$3.35 to 3.45; *Middlings*, \$3.00 to 3.15; *Pollards*, \$2.60 to 2.80; *Ontario Bags* \$2.12½ to 2.17½; *Ontario Oatmeal*, \$4.20 to 4.25; *Cornmeal*, \$2.50 to 2.60.

GRAIN.—*Wheat.*—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 15th inst., was 108,652 bush., against 98,637 bush. on the 1st inst., and 333,958 bush. on the 15th May 1878. Receipts during the past week 200,610 bush: Total receipts from 1st January to date 1,226,199 bush. being a decrease of 34,897 bush. on the receipts for the same period of 1878. Shipped during the week 126,535 bush.; total shipments from 1st January to date 1,016,175 bush. being a decrease of 77,299 bush. on the shipments for the same period of 1878. In the early part of the week there was a good deal of business done in Canada spring at from \$1.00 to 1.05; at the close there was little doing, holders asking from \$1.03 to 1.06 according to sample. Some sales of *Peas* were reported early in the week at 80 to 81½c; *Maize* has been sold afloat at from 45 to 46½c. per 66 lbs.; *Oat*: are held at 31 to 32c.

GROCERIES.—*Teas.*—There has only been a moderate demand this week for Japans of fair to good qualities, low grades very little asked for, prices run from 24 to 50c. according to quality. Common grades of Young Hyson have also been dealt in at about 22c. our range for this descrip-

tion of tea being 22 to 70c.; Congou 24 to 75c. there has been more enquiry for this kind of tea latterly. *Coffee.*—There has been no change in this branch of the trade, transactions are small and within our range of quotations; Java 23 to 25c; Old Government Java 26½ to 28c; Jamaica 18½ to 19½c; Mocha 29 to 32. *Sugar.*—The demand for Montreal refined continues to be fairly active; Yellow 6½ to 7½c; Granulated 8½. Imported sugars are dull and now difficult to move; the latest sales of dry crushed were at 9½ to 10c; Extra C Yellow, 7½ to 8c; Scotch refined Yellow 6½ to 7½c., according to quality. Raw sugars are not much asked for; holders are asking 6½ to 7½ for Barbadoes and Porto Fico. *Molasses.*—The market is dull and nominal; Sugar House 20 to 24c; Barbadoes 33 to 36c.; Porto Rico 25 to 27½c. *Syrups* are not much asked for, about 45 to 50c being rates for better grades. *Rice.*—Stocks are now pretty large and prices are lower, viz., \$4 to 4½, according to quality. *Sago* \$5½ to 6. *Spices.*—There has been a rather better enquiry for Spices, and we now quote Cassia 14 to 16c; Cloves 37 to 40c, with a considerable sale a shade over inside quotations; Nutmegs 60 to 80c; Jamaica Ginger 22½ to 24c; African Ginger 6½ to 7½c; Pimento 14½ to 15c; Black Pepper 8½ to 9½c; White Pepper 15½ to 16½c; Mace 70 to 80c. *Fruit.*—Not much enquiry, a few small sales are reported within our range of quotations; Layer Raisins \$1.35 to 1.45; Valencia 6½ to 7c; Sultan 7 to 8c; Currants dull at 3 to 4½c; Figs are scarce; Eleme 11 to 11½c; Layer, 9 to 10c; Almonds are firm at 15 to 16 for Tarragona; Filberts 7 to 9c; Brazil Nuts 6 to 7c; Walnuts 7 to 11c.

HIDES.—There have been no special demand this week, tanners are apparently curtailing this manufacture, prices continue steady at \$6. \$5, and \$4. for Nos 1, 2 and 3. *Lambskins* 25 to 30c. *Calfskins* 9 to 11c.

HARDWARE.—The hardware trade for the past week has been much more active, and most merchants have a busy time. The sales are not large, but a good many orders have been taken. Pig iron is hard to move at any price, except in small lots, other lines are without change.

LEATHER.—There has been very little done during the week and prices are far from steady. Country orders are small, and manufacturers are using very little stock in the meantime. Stocks of all kinds are pretty full though not excessive, provided there was a seasonable demand, measured leathers particularly, Pebble are quite dull, with large stocks. Prime Spanish sole is not in large supply, but common grades are plentiful. We quote *Hemlock Spanish Sole*, No. 1; B. A., 21 to 22c; ditto, No. 2, B. A., 18½ to 19c; No. 1 ordinary 20 to 23c; No. 2 ditto 17½ to 18½c; *Zanzibar*, No. 1., 19 to 20c; ditto No. 2, 17 to 18c; *Buffalo Sole* No. 1, 19 to 23c; *Waxed Upper*, light and medium, 28 to 34c; ditto, heavy, 27 to 33c; *Grained*, 31 to 35c; *Splits*, large, 21 to 27½c; ditto, small, 18 to 24c.; *Calfskins*, (27 to 36 lbs.) 40 to 65c; (18 to 26 lbs.) 40 to 60c; *Sheepskin linings*, 20 to 30c; *Harness*, 21 to 30; *Buffed cow*, 11 to 15c; *Enamelled cow*, 15 to 17c; *Patent Cow* 15 to 17c; *Pebbled cow* 11 to 14½c; *Rough* 20 to 23c.

NAVAL STORES.—The only change we have to note this week is a drop of 5½c; in Sp Turpentine. Business has been very quiet. We quote *Cordage* Manila, 7½c per lb.; Tarred Russia, 10c. per lb.; Galvanized Wire, 7½ to 8c per lb.; *Canvas* No. 1, 25c per yard; *Oakum*, best Navy, 7c per lb.; *Stockholm Tar*, \$4 per bbl.; do. Pitch, \$3.50 per bl.; *Coal Tar*, \$2.25 per bl.; ditto *Pitch* \$2.50 per bl.; *Rosin* 2.25 to 2.50 per 280 lbs.; *Turpentine*, 40c per gal.; *Lignum Vitæ*, Choice, 5c per lb.

OILS.—*Petroleum.*—The downward tendency which has characterized this article for some weeks seems to have been arrested and the market is now firm at our quotations, but as yet no advance in prices can be reported, the present favorable prices makes a good demand. We quote car lots 11c; five brl. lots 11½c, and single brls. 12 to 12½c; *Linseed Oil* is rather unsettled, we quote it raw, 60c and boiled, 63c. There has been a better enquiry for cod oil, but nothing doing in other fish oil. Our quotations are for N'd Cod oil 40c, Halifax ditto 36c; seal pale 40c; ditto straw 32½c; ditto steam refined 45 to 46c. *Olive* 95 to \$1.10; *Palm oil* 8½ to 8¾c.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—Receipts during the week 1170 pkgs. shipped 585 pkgs. Butter is beginning to arrive more freely but for the most part has been taken up for local requirements at from 11c to 16c, creamery butter brings from 1c to 2c more. There is more enquiry now for shipping lots. *Cheese* receipts 1478 boxes; shipments 812 boxes. There is some little demand from the local trade at 6 to 7½c for new, old 7c to 8c. *Pork* receipts 965 brls.; shipments 470 brls, moderate demand for western mess at \$13.25 to \$13.50 according to size of lot. *Lard* is active at 9 to 9½c for tubs and pails Tierce bring 8½c. *Hams* are firm with advancing tendency, sales from 10c to 11c, *Bacon* 8½ to 9½c.

SALT.—Arrivals have been liberal, and Coarse has been selling to arrive and ex-ship at 45 to 47½c; Factory filled, 80c to \$1.15.

WOOL.—There is almost nothing doing just now, buyers seem to hold back or have been supplied elsewhere; Canada pulled, any small sales taking place were at from 21 to 23½c.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, May 22nd 1879.

The produce market has taken a turn for the better, and considerable transactions have taken place in the last week or two. In hardware, shelf goods for builders' use are the most in demand, heavy goods are not active at present. Boot and shoe manufacture is being more cautiously and leisurely proceeded with, and leather trade is quiet. Staple groceries are moving steadily though not briskly. Dry goods houses find this, as is to be expected, a quiet season; and reports from nearly all quarters agree that more money should be forthcoming from country customers than is to be had. We forbear to say what the prospect is for the crop thus early in the season, although in some districts fond hopes are being built upon it.

CATTLE.—There is more activity in the market this week than last; all the Cattle are in demand which offer, and they have sold at from 5c down to 4c; animals from 1,300 lbs. upwards brought 5c for export this week. Six or seven car loads have been bought this far. In consequence of this export demand, the butchers have found it difficult to procure enough for their wants. *Sheep* have not been plentiful, prices have not changed materially, \$6 to 7 is paid for firsts. It is reported that a firm in the city have contracted for 5000 sheep at points along the G. W. R. for shipment during June to London, Bristol, Liverpool and other ports. *Calves* are coming in slowly.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—*Flour.*—The market during the week has been firm and is still moderately active. Stocks at present in store are 12,400 brls. against 15,450 last week and 32,112 brls. on corresponding date last year. Holders of superior extra are asking \$4.50, but 4-45 is the highest price paid, a lot of 400 brls. sold at