results of these visits, which have very often a good and lasting after-effect.

DRUGS AND MEDICINES.—No special feature in the market comes up for record this week. Camphor is very firm, for reasons stated last week, and further advances are expected. Manchester advices state that there is rather less activity in some lines but that the general volume of trade at present can hardly be called unsatisfactory for this time of the year. The future, however, cannot be faced without some misgiving, owing to the high cost of raw materials, the fuel question, and the general outlook abroad. Caustic soda continues firm, and in active demand. Chlorates of potash and soda are steady, the latter being somewhat scarce in the market. Bleaching powder is more plentiful and prices have fallen somewhat.

FLOUR AND MEAL.—The market for flour is fairly steady now, the demand being more active. From $2.60 to $2.65 is bid for 90 per cent. patents in buyers' bags, west. For strong bakers' Manitoba, $4.25 and $4.30 is a usual price. Oatmeal is quiet at about $3.20. Bran and shorts are in fairly active demand.

GRAIN.—No particular feature strikes our attention under this heading at present. Ontario wheat is about a cent lower, with very little demand. Manitoba remains unchanged. Barley is nominal, with nothing moving yet. Oats are steady at 26 or 26½c. Peas are a cent higher at 57 to 58c. Rye is unchanged, while corn is a cent or so higher. Buckwheat is nominal with nothing doing yet. We note that in the States, wheat has shown considerable improvement, and prices are ranging higher. Reports from the interior have indicated some uneasiness as to the results of the spring crop, the wet weather having caused a deal of damage.

GREEN FRUIT.—Very large shipments of grapes, peaches, pears and plums are coming forward now, the shippers no doubt possessing the idea that Toronto during Exhibition is capable of consuming almost any quantity of these fruits. Following are the ruling quotations: Lemons, extra fancy, $5 to $5.50; oranges, late Valencia, 150's, $5 to $5.25; common peaches, 25 to 35c.; Crawfords, 45 to 60c.; common pears, 25c. per basket; Canadian plums, 40 to 55c.; grapes, Niagara, 25 to 30c. per 10-lb. basket; champions, 15 to 17½c.; cantaloupes, 40 to 75c. per basket.

GROCERIES.—Large numbers of country merchants are in town, having taken advantage of the cheap rates to the Exhibition to combine business with pleasure. Sugars are firm, and outside markets indicate a maintenance of present prices with the prospect of even a further advance. The market is entirely bare of raisins, while, as to currants, the situation is one of increased strength. Horseshoe salmon is practically withdrawn, the prospects being that, owing to extreme smallness of the pack, buyers will receive but a small portion of their contracts. All sockeye packs are short, outside of Alaska brands, which are, of course, confined to the American markets.

HARDWARE.—The highly satisfactory situation in the hardware trade continues,

LIVERPOOL PRICES

Liverpool, Sept. 5, 12.30 p.m

	s.	d
Wheat, Spring	6	3½
Red Winter	6	0
No. 1 Cal	6	5
Corn new	4	3
" old	4	2½
Peas	5	1½
Lard	37	6
Pork	72	6
Bacon, heavy	42	0
Bacon, light	42	6
Tallow	25	6
Cheese, new white	51	0
Cheese new colored	51	0