PROVISIONS.—Trade rather quiet, but prices firm nearly all over. Butter.—There has been little doing for shipment as buyers and sellers are apart ; holders ask 18c. outside and shippers are not inclined to pay over 16 to 17c for selectons which bids are refused. Local receipts have been small and below the wants of the local market; all offered has found a sale at 15 to 17c. for good to choice store, but some white has sold at 13c. Cheese.-Firmer with small lots selling at 11 to 11_{4c} ; and sales of 540 boxes at Ingersoll on Tuesday at 10 $_{4c}$, holders generally standing out for 11c. Eggs.—Receipts on the increase but a steady sale for all offering at 12 $_{4c}$. Pork.—Quiet and unchanged, with small lots selling at \$20.50 to 21.00. Bacon-Steady all over; long clear has been held in car lots at 11c, with 10³/₄ freely bid and steadily refused; tons and cases have usually sold at 111c for it and 101 for Cumberland; rolls 121c. and canvassed bellies 131c. Hams-Firm, at 13 to 134c. for either smoked or canvassed, the former price being for round lots. Lard.-Has advanced half a cent; pails have been selling at 141 to 15c; tinnets at 14 to 144c, and tierces at 14c for small lots. Dried Apples-Rather firmer, with sales of country lots at $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{3}{4}c$; and dealers selling barrelled at $4\frac{1}{4}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}c$. Hops—There has been an enquiry for a few bales at about 20c for choice and at 15 to 17c for medium, but no movement of any consequence is reported.

SALT .- New Liverpool is offered in car lots at 680 on track of 70e delivered ; dairy ranges from \$1.25 to 1.45. Goderich is rather firmer at 85c for cars and 90 to 95c for small lots. Land salts are unchanged.

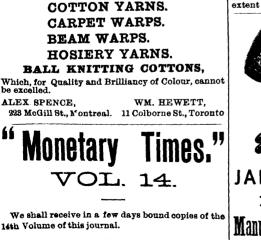
TALLOW .- Quiet and unchanged at 6 to 61c for rendered and 3c for rough, with but little doing.

WOOL - Has continued quiet, but seems rather firmer; some small sales of fleece have been made at 23c, which price would probably be repeated. Country holders, however, generally stand out for 25c, and city dealers refuse to pay Pulled wools, quiet, with 27c bid for super it and 34 to 35c for extra.

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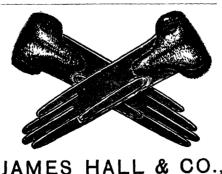
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