FANCY GOODS, ETC.—Towards the close of January, remittances were good for some days; thus far in February they show a falling off. Trade is dull, and people do not seem hopeful. Orders include more staple and fewer fancy articles. In Laces and Small Wares, purchases will be late in the season. One house reports 40 per cent. of payments met.

FLOUR.-Stocks in store 16,222 brls against 14,878 last week and 24,100 brls on like date last year. The market continues steady with a very moderate demand only. Spring extra has changed hands in round lots at quotations. No quantities of superior extra reported sold, but odd 100 brl lots have moved at our figures. Neither fancy nor superfine show any movment, these grades are not made in any quantity, our quotations for them are nominal. Nothing done in extra. Oatmeal is quiet for local wants, and without enquiry for shipment this season.

Cornmeal as quoted.

Grain, — Wheat, Fall. — Stocks in store 79,022 bushels against 73,799 bush last week and 102,982 bushels on like date last year. At close of last week the market was moderately firm but a slight decline in the English market on Tuesday weakened the tone, and to-day holders are somewhat weaker. Sales have been made of small lots at our quotations, but no animation is noticeable. Wheat—Spring—Stocks in store, 184,627 bush against 165,850 bush last week, and 351,444 bush on like date last year. A few car lots of Nos. 1 and 2 sold on Monday and Tuesday at inside quotations. The market to-day is unchanged, without any disposition on the part of holders to make concessions. Oats—Stocks in store, 11,639 bush against 11,760 bush last week, and 10,818 bush on like date last year. There is the usual local demand, and small transactions continue to be made. Barley .- Stocks in store 149,510 bush, against 148,203 bush last weck, and 221,241 bush on like date last year. The market is dull and decidedly lower, a decline of 5c on all grades having been established this week. We can only give nominal quotations meantime. A few cars have been purchased by local malsters at the decline, but no export demand exists. Peas .stocks in store 36,390 bush, against 33,556 bush last week and 13,948 bush on like date last year. Market easier and but little doing. We quote 60 to bic for No. 1.

GROCERIES.—A moderate business is noted, teas, coffees, wines and liquors showing some activity, buyers evidently stocking up for fear of an advanced tariff. Coffees are moving rather faster than usual at prices quoted. The Fish trade will be small here this season; stocks are light. Demand for Fruit is small. London layer raisins are very low, more being in market than are needed. We quote \$2.10 to 2.30; new Valentias, which would cost 5\frac{3}{2}c to import now, are in few hands, firm, and bring our outside figure; the range in currants is 41/2 to 6c. Syrups are not active, but prices are maintained. The market for sugar is quite active here, refined moving rapidly at present low rates, 2c below last week's. The N. Y. market, where refined sugars have never been known so low, taking the drawback into account, has puzzled many dealers, having found "a still lower deep" this week than the very low figures of the week before. There are reports to-day of a recovery, which are not confirmed. English and Scotch are nearly driven out of market; raws dull and rather scarce. Teas are in fairly active demand; the supply is light of desirable lines, and the grades in request are for the most part seconds. Prices hold their own meantime; and the belief is general that the differential duty of 10 per cent. on United States teas will be effaced. There is a report that the new crop of Japans will be very short, the appearance of the flower being unfavorable. Some movement exists in wines and

liquors, but prices are as yet unaffected, except that holders would hesitate to part with a round lot unless at an advance.

HIDES AND Skins.—Market has continued steady. The supply is about equal to the demand, which is not quite so active owing to the dulness in the leather trade. Cows are sellthe dulness in the leather trade. Cows are sening a 7c and steers at 7½c; selected weights. A car of steers sold at 7½c. Sheepskins.—Not so many offering during the week and not so readily taken at 85c to \$1. Country lots not offering so freely, and for them prices are 75 to 85c. Tallow.—Straight lots in uniform packages and a uniform quality suitable for export would probably bring 5½c; but ordinary lots are dull, and not enquired for.

PAINTS AND OILS.—Thus early, there is not much doing; remittances are tolerable. Leads are in moderate request at unchanged prices; Glass is moving slowly; Turpentine has advanced a little, and is held at 43 to 45c with fair demand; Whiting holds the advance, until navigation opens probably; Linseed Oils are

steadv.

Provisions.—The market is firming up rapidly; and although opinions are divided upon high prices continuing, still the uncertainty of the Government's action in the direction of a duty allows room for speculative transactions. The receipts of hogs having within the fortnight been so short at all the principal points (Chatham, Seaforth, Stratford, Guelph, London, Toronto) tends to keep the price firm. Butter, choice is in some request and scarce at 14 to 16c; large rolls firm, at 11 to 13c. Store packed of low grades has sold at 6c. Eggs are scarce and but few offering, fresh bring from 20 to 22c; good mixed lots 18 to 20c.; limed, 16 to 17c. Cheess may be quoted as ranging from 7 to ojc. Lots of early are offering and can be had at concessions. No sales of any moment. Dried Apples are in rather better demand, although we cannot report any advance in prices, which range from 3 to 3½c for large lots in sacks to 41 to 5c. for small parcels. Bacon-Long clear has moved in round lots at 52c., and holders are asking 61 to 7c. C. C. is held at 6 to 62c. The advance has not extended to smoked, which is steady at quotations. Hams are not quotably higher, though the feeling is an upward one, some shipping is going on, but there is a fair local demand. Lard is higher; holders are not anxious to sell, and the feeling prevails that the stock will be short. Tierces are now bringing 8c, tinnets 81c, pails oc. Dressed hogs show a sharp advance, \$5 was paid for a lot on the market yesterday, and \$4.50 was bid on Wednesday for a car load and declined. Salt continues generally steady as quoted, fine is a trifle firmer.

Woodenware,&c.—Moderate orders are being taken for actual requirements only, prices being unchanged, except in brooms, which are low, Gems No. 1, \$3.00; No. 2, \$2.40; No. 3, \$2.00;

No. 4, \$1.60

Wool.-The market continues dull, and we can only repeat the quotations of last week. There is a slight demand from the mills for small lots of Pulled Super, and a small quantity sold within our range of quotations.

### Anchor Marine Insurance Company

The Annual Meeting of the above Company, will be held at the offices of the Company, Nos. 22, 24 & 26 Church St., Toronto, on

#### Monday, the 10th of March next,

AT THE HOUR OF ONE O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON, for the purpose of Electing Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of other business. By order of the Board.

HUGH SCOTT, Secretary.

Dated this 4th day of February, 1879.

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Notice is hereby given that the General Annual Meeting of the shareholders of the Isolated Risk and Faimers' Fire Insurance Company of Canada, for the election of Directors, and for other purposes, will be held at the Company's Cffices No. 6 Wellington Street East, City of Toronto, on THURSDAY, the 13th FEBRUARY, 189, at 12 o'clock noon.

By order.

J. MAUGHAN, Jr., Manager.

The above meeting was called by mistake, and will beld on MONDAY, 20th day of MARCH, 1879, at 12 o'clock, ncon, as per alteration in By-law at la t acqual

J. MAUGHAN, Jr., Secretary.

## GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

#### NOTICE.

Tenders are requested for the performance of the Mail service, i.e., the conveyance of the Mail bags, between the Post Office and the trains at Toronto.

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### 15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 1879.

JOSEPH HICKSON, Coneral Manager.

Montreal, Jan. 30th, 1879.

### NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.

#### Annual General Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the proprietors of this Company will be held at the

COMPANY'S OFFICES, BROCK STREET, TORONTO, On Saturday, 15th Feb., 1879,

At 12 o'clock, noon, to receive the report for the year 1878, to elect Directors for the ensuing year, and for other purposes. The stock and transfer books are and will remain closed until Monday, the 17th February inst.

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