and shipped 653, leaving in store on the 6th April 2,962,890 bushels

Grain.—Wheat is much firmer with a fairly good demand from the local millers and moderate movement for export. In comparimoderate movement for export. In comparison with last week, quotations are 1c. per bushel higher, for both winter and spring wheat. Oats are steady and unchanged with sales at outside points at 29 to 30c. Peas are in moderate demand for export. In rye, corn and buckwheat the movement is purely nominal. Statistics of grain exports for New York for the year 1892, have been compiled by Mr. William F. Ferguson, of the Produce Exchange. His figures show that 73,396,828 bushels of grain were shipped during the year. The wheat amounted to 48,057,323 bushels; corn, 15,719,119; oats, 3,391,475; rye, 3,063,719; peas, 823,678; flax seed, 855,913; barley, 674,811; buckwheat, 634,468.

Hides and Skins.—There is a fair demand

HIDES AND SKINS.—There is a fair demand for hides, with prices steady and sales of cured in car lots at 5½c. per lb. There is no change in calf skins. Few sheep skins are offering, and for those offered the demand is by no means active. Dealers are paying 5½c. per lb. for rendered tallow, and asking 7½c., but at these figures we believe there are few transactions.

IRON AND HARDWARE.—Business among the IRON AND HARDWARE.—Business among the wholesale houses is somewhat more active this week. The demand for general shelf goods has been fairly large, while trade in heavy lines, such as fencing wires, barb and plain, and steel boiler plates, has been active; ropes are moving fairly well. A meeting of the manufacturers of bar iron was held during the week in Montreal. For some time past there has been considerable cutting in the trade; this was discussed, and as a result an agreement has been considerable cutting in the trade; this was discussed, and as a result an agreement was signed whereby all the mills are bound to reduce the price of bar iron by 10c. per hundred pounds. There is a rumor to the effect that an outside syndicate is endeavoring to secure control of all the rolling mills of the Dominion, but at the meeting nothing decisive on this point was done. A meeting of the wire nail association did not give similar results to the above. It was there resolved that prices be maintained, with the exception of a few lines of tacks for which quotations were reduced.

PAINTS AND OILS.—The prices of paints are, Paints and Oils.—The prices of paints are, upon the whole, steady and without change. Bro. Japan is higher and quoted at \$1.90 to 2.00; Spirits of turpentine is lower at 65c.; for linseed oils we quote: 1 to 3 bbls., raw, 60c., boiled, 63c.; 4 to 9 bbls., 59 to 62c.; 10 to 19 bbls., 58 to 61c. per gal. It is now almost past doubt that the Newfoundland seal fishery has been a failure, and the seal oil held here is quoted at 60c. per gal. American advices say quoted at 60c. per gal. American advices say there is only one piece of news of a weak na-ture in connection with the market, and that is that cotton seed oil is now back to its old

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