

speculators are not disposed to purchase at this rate.

The imports for the week: From Canada—2,005 bbls flour, From United States—1,552 bbls flour, 300 bbls rye, 519 bbls corn meal, 5,524 bush corn: From Prince Edward Island—50 bbls oatmeal; Coastwise—39 bbls oatmeal.

FISH.—All descriptions dull. Cod quiet, good hard cured in moderate request; soft cured and Labrador very dull. Mackerel—the market is nearly bare, quotations nominal, 100 bbls arrived from Boston per schr. "Freud." Herrings quiet, quotations range from \$1.25 to \$2.25 per bbl Alewives in fair request, stock on hand small. Receipts for the week, 756 bbls herring from Newfoundland. The exports, To West Indies—1,615 tins, 16 hf bbls, 100 drums, 923 boxes, 648 hf boxes, codfish; 203 tins, 60 drums, 61 boxes Seal-fish; 1,120 bbls, 65 hf bbls, 5 kits Mackerel; 1971 bbls, 19 hf bbls herring; 289 bbls, 23 hf bbls Alewives; 6 bbls salmon, 115 boxes smoked herring. To United States—69 tierces Seal-fish. To Canada—40 barrels herring.

PRODUCE.—Potatoes and oats in fair request; butter dull and drooping with no prospect of recovery. Receipts for the week: From P. E. Island—4,413 bush potatoes, 7,605 bush oats; From Canada—910 bush oats; Coastwise—50 bushels potatoes. Exports to West Indies—50 bbls potatoes, 211 pkgs butter.

PROVISIONS.—Pork, there is some enquiry for Mess, principally for Labrador fishery. Prime and Primo Mess quiet; Lard in fair request, Beet dull. Receipts. Coastwise—254 bbls pork, 32 bbls beef; From Prince Edward Island—23 barrels pork; From United States—25 barrels pork. Exports to West Indies—29 pkgs lard.

WEST INDIAN PRODUCE.—We have no change to note, Molasses firm, but the demand is not active; sugar also firm without change in quotations; rum in moderate request. Imports for the week—229 puns, 33 tins, 28 bbls Molasses; 40 hds, 13 bbls sugar. The exports to Canada—174 puns molasses, 47 hds sugar, 14 puns rum, 50 bags coffee; To United States—77 puns molasses; To St. John, N. B.—200 puns, 10 tins molasses, 25 bags coffee. To other ports not Provincial—7 puns molasses, 6 hds, 10 bbls sugar.

SALT.—Since our last review we have to notice the arrivals of ship Fanny Forsyth, and barque Attila from Liverpool, with 1,543 tons, and 2,180 bags, barque Glacier, from Lisbon with 609 tons, a schooner from Oporto, with 320 hds, also schooner Gazelle, from Boston, with 390 hds; also three schooners from Canada, with 4,365 bags.

Money matters unchanged.

THE COTTON TRADE.—Great financial agencies work silently, but they are most potent in their effects. Recently we have witnessed a succession of cotton failures in this country and in England, amounting in the aggregate to several millions of dollars, and the full effects of the depression of the cotton trade have not yet fully been developed. In this city there are large amounts of protected cotton bills, the acceptors of which are not yet announced in the list of insolvents, and upon which the holders decline to take action lest the depression should spread into panic and induce numerous failures. It appears not to be generally understood that this condition of affairs is due to the dependence of our commerce upon the discount facilities of the Bank of England. That institution has for some time past persistently declined to discount the bills of cotton merchants. What may be the reasons of this extraordinary course we know not. It may be that Manchester, desiring to have cheap cotton, has prevailed upon the directors of that institution to withhold the facilities enabling merchants to carry cotton. Or it may be that, imagining cheap cotton to be an essential to the renewal of orders for yarns and goods from the continent of Europe, the Bank has taken this course as a step towards increasing the Continental trade, or it may be that, thinking cotton unreasonably high, the managers deem cotton paper unsafe to discount; only in that case it would seem singular that the Bank should have discounted cotton paper for so long during the previous period of the decline in price. But, whatever may be the cause of its action, its effect has proved most baneful to the cotton trade, and the injury is not confined to the merchants and bankers of this country, but extends equally to the great mercantile interest of Liverpool.—U. S. Economist.

THE WHEAT CROP ON THE PACIFIC.—The wheat crop of this year, which now promises to be immense, will be further swelled by a heavier contribution than ever from California. The San Francisco Bulletin says.

"Agricultural prospects are excellent. The grain crops in the great valleys of the Sacramento, San Joaquin and Tulare, are generally in fine condition. It is believed a much greater breadth of land is put into wheat than there was last year. Confidence in the continuance of a large export demand, and the increased facilities for exporting flour have encouraged our farmers, many of whom have put in crops of from 4,000 to 5,000 acres each. But we are glad to observe that while so much grain is being cultivated, more attention is also being paid to a variety of other products."

MONEY MARKET.

THERE is no change to note in the condition of the money market beyond the usual demand at this season of the year by importers for the purpose of remitting to England, a demand which the banks are supplying. Outside of those institutions the inquiry for accommodation is very limited, there being very little commercial paper offering in the street. Sterling Exchange is still firm at last week's rates.

Gold in New York has been dull during the week, with very trifling fluctuations, closing at 137. Greenbacks have sold at 27 to 27½ per cent discount, but are not abundant, the brokerage business being reported as unusually stagnant.

SILVER is abundant at previous rates.

The following are the latest quotations of Sterling Exchange, &c. &c.:

Bank on London, 60 days sight.....	110½ to 110½
Private, " " sight.....	111
Private, " " 60 days sight.....	109 to 109½
Bank in New York, 60 days sight.....	110½
Gold Drafts on New York.....	par to ½ dis.
Gold in New York.....	137
Silver.....	½ to ½ dis

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Baldwin, C. H., & Co.
Glasgow, Fraser & Tyee
Chapman, H., & Co.
Childs, George, & Co.
Converse, Colson & Lamb
Davis, Clark, & Clayton
Fitzpatrick & Moore
Kourier, Jules
Frank, J. C., & Co.
Oilleple, Moffatt & Co.
Jeffers, Brothers & Co.

Anderson, John & Co.
Kings & Kitchin
Leeming, Thomas & Co.
Mitchell, James
Phelan, Joseph
Robertson & Beattie
Robertson, David
Simpson, Jack & Co.
Tiffin, J., & Sons
Thompson, Murray & Co.
Torrance, David, & Co.
West, Bros.

THE weather during the past week has been for the most part unusually fine, and business throughout the country has been favourably influenced thereby. The jobbing city trade has been of a rather limited nature, transactions to any extent having taken place in one or two articles only.

The trade sale of groceries and liquors for account of Messrs. H. Routh & Co., which took place yesterday was fairly attended, the audience, however, being entirely composed of city buyers, western merchants being altogether unrepresented. The bidding was consequently not very spirited, but most of the goods offered were sold, and at prices considered satisfactory, when the absence of country buyers is taken into account. Below will be found a statement of the goods disposed of and prices obtained.

SUGAR.—Has had some speculative inquiry, and several hundred hogsheds have changed hands at \$5½ to \$5¾ per 100 lbs for good Barbadoes in bond. Prices still have an upward tendency, it being impossible to lay raw sugars down here at the prices at which they are now selling. A further improvement is also reported in the New York and London markets.

MOLASSES.—Are quiet, with few transactions passing, but holders are firm in their demands. We hear of a cargo of Trinidad having been stored with the expectation of being able to command an advance on present rates.

TEAS.—Are quiet and steady, with very little changing hands. Prices are unchanged.

FRUIT.—Raisins of all descriptions are neglected, the recent sales by auction having supplied the demand. Currants are also dull.

SALT.—Sales have been made at 60 to 65c. of Liverpool Coarse. A lot of old is reported as sold at Quebec at 70c. Fine is quoted at 70 to 75c.

WINES AND LIQUORS.—The stock of red wines is considerable, the arrivals having been large, with much more looked for, so that no advance in prices is likely to take place. A large amount has changed hands at rates which have not transpired. Stocks of Gin are light, and high quotations are maintained. Rum is quiet. Irish Whisky is wanted, and prices are firm.

Sale of Groceries on account of Messrs. H. Routh & Co. J. G. Shipway, Auctioneer.

PAINTS.—220 tins white, 5s. 6d. to red, 4s 9d. 50 do yellow, 4s 9d. 25 do black, 4s 6d. 60 do brown, 4s 6d. 25 do green, 6s.

VINEGAR.—89 qr casks Bordeaux, 85c to 40c, 50 tins do, 32c to 31c; 57 hds do 32c.

MACARONI.—40 bales, 13s to 13½c, vermicelli, 24 bales, 13½c.

FRUIT.—Nuts—Walnuts 154 bags, 6½c to 6½c, according to quality; Almonds 154 bags, 6½c to 7c, sardines half tins, 26 cases, 15½c to 15½c, quarter tins, 11½c to 12c.

WINES AND LIQUORS.—Curacao 25 cases, \$7 to \$8½; Claret—Chartreuse in cases, \$6.25; St. Julien, 225 in

cases, \$2 to \$2.60; Brandy in hds, \$1.22 to \$1.67½; and in cases, from \$3.50 up to \$7½. Gin—10 bds De-Kuyper, \$1.50 to \$1.32; 100 cases red, \$6.50; 100 cases green, \$3.35 to \$3.40.

RICE—10 bags Arracan, \$3.85 to \$4.10.

TEAS.—Japan, 115 pkgs 5½c; Oolong, 10 pkgs 42½c; Twankay, 40 do 37c, Hyson, 50 do 36c to 57c; Young Hyson, 105 do 35c to 53c, Imperial, 100 do 70c; Gunpowder, 25 do 91c.

SPICES.—Pepper black, 40 bags 8c to 8½c; Jimento, 6 bags 5½c; cloves, 10 do 9c.

CHEMICALS.—Soda, 110 kegs 5½c to 5½c; sal soda, 55 kegs \$1.85; borax, 10 cases 16c to 16½c.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Brush, George.
Charles, A., & Co.
Crathern & Cavendish
Currie, W. & F. P., & Co.
Evans & Evans.
Fraser, John Henry
Fraser & Co.
Fraser, F.

Gilbert, F. E.
Hall, Kay & Co.
Inglis, W. H.
Kenshaw & Edwards.
Morland, Watson & Co.
Mullholland, & Baker.
Robertson, Jas.
Round, John & Sons.
Waddell & Pearce.

DURING the past week we have to report trade quiet, and the amount of business transacted only moderate. Stocks in the main are fully assorted, and there is rather a disposition to press sales.

PIO IRON.—There is a wide difference in the views of buyers and sellers, and several lots which have recently arrived have not been sold, but have been put in store with the expectation of an advance in prices. \$23 to \$27 is asked for No. 1 Gartsherrie; \$22.50 to \$23 for Summerlee and Glengarnock; and \$21.50 for inferior brands, at 6 months ex-yard.

BAR IRON.—Scotch continues in good demand. Best brands can be bought at \$2.45 to \$2.50 per 112 lbs. Best refined Staffordshire is in full supply, selling at \$2.80.

FLOOR AND BAND IRON.—The demand is slack, and sales slow. Prices are somewhat easier, but we do not lower quotations.

BOILER PLATES.—Are more inquired for at stiffer prices.

CUT NAILS.—The demand is, if anything, in excess of the supply, and prices are firm, while there is no prospect of any accumulation of stocks at present.

TIN PLATES.—Are offering in lots below quotations, there being a surplus stock chiefly of inferior brands.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick
Cameron & Ross
Converse, Colson & Lamb
Crawford, James
Hobson, Thomas, & Co.
Kirkwood, Livingston & Co.

Laidlaw, Middleton & Co.
Leeming, Thomas & Co.
Mitchell, Robert
Raphael, Thomas W.
Simpson, Jack & Co.
Seymour, C. E.

LOUR.—The whole week has been one of uninterrupted dullness and depression in the Flour market, such as alone can follow a season of undue inflation when prices have been run up by illegitimate speculation without any substantial basis for the rates paid. Until the market declines to a point at which dealers consider themselves safe in buying a few hundred barrels ahead of daily wants, no improvement can be looked for. United States markets, both East and West, are uniformly dull, drooping, and depressed. The late violent reactionary decline has been arrested, but prices remain unsettled, and the demand almost at a stand-still. The near approach of the sowing season has also its influence in damaging the market by causing holders of doubtful parcels to press sales at any obtainable price. It will probably be some weeks before any activity or even healthy feeling can be looked for. *Big Flour*.—There is little offering but no sales can be reported. *Rye Flour* has participated in the general decline and depression, quotations being mostly nominal.

WHEAT.—Sales of a few parcels have been made at \$1.60 to \$1.65 per bush, but little is doing, however; holders in the West being indisposed to sell at present prices, and millers are only taking what they need for present consumption.

COARSE GRAINS.—Pease have been sold at 50 to 51c per 66 lbs., according to quality, situation, &c., samples afloat having, as usual, the preference. Absence of sufficient tonnage to move off the stocks has largely operated against this article throughout the season. *Barley and Oats* unchanged.

PORK.—Remains without notable change. The demand is merely by retail, and prices are still the turn in favor of the buyer. Stocks continue light, and while willing to meet purchasers, holders are firm, and no material abatement would be submitted to.

LARD.—Is nominal at late rates. No wholesale transactions can be noted.

HAMS CUTMEATS, &c.—Stocks are considerable, and somewhat in excess of the demand. Sales are consequently dragging, and large parcels difficult to move, except at some reduction.

BUTTER.—Now coming forward freely, but as yet the quality of the bulk of the arrivals is not sufficiently good to meet the views of shippers; Britain; sales are consequently the merest retail. It will be some time, probably, before prices become settled to a ship-