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IMPORTATIONS of drygoods at the Port of New York show a very large increase during the first ten months of the current year; \$88,335,302 were entered for consumption this year, against \$68,523,271 last year—an increase of nearly twenty millions.

It is understood that the Directors of Molson's Bank in appointing Mr. R. J. Dallas to the Toronto Agency gave that gentleman large powers, and have devoted a certain portion of the capital to the uses of the Toronto branch. Mr. D. will, therefore, be able to give the Bank's customers here every facility.

THE impression seems general amongst those in the provision trade that the hog crop is very large this season, both in Canada and the United States. From nearly all the Western States an increase more or less important in the number of hogs is reported, the opinion being that the crop is on an average ten to twenty per cent. greater than last year. Meantime prices have opened low, and are not likely to range much higher unless the present information as to demand and supply should prove incorrect.

IF IT BE TRUE, as asserted by the government organs, that the forthcoming census will show the population of the whole Dominion to be little more than three and a-half millions, most persons will conclude that this is but the crowning proof of the utter incompetency that has been displayed in this business from first to last, and that, as already believed, the returns will be little else than utterly worthless.

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CORNER OF WELLINGTON AND JORDAN STS.

We invite an inspection of our Stock, which is now complete in all Departments,

**WOOLLENS, COTTONS, LINENS,**

SILKS, SMALL WARES AND

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Toronto, 13th September, 1871.

**R. H. GRAY & CO.,**

43, YONGE STREET, TORONTO,

Manufacturers and Importers of  
**SHIRTS and COLLARS.****SCARFS,****TIES, and****BOWS.**

of which we show

**The Largest Variety in the Trade.****R. H. GRAY & CO.**

It is reported that the affairs of a leading retail dry goods establishment in this City, are involved in a snarl, which it is being attempted to unravel under the Insolvent law before Judge Duggan. The case has been twice postponed, and is to come up again to-day. A good deal of recrimination between the parties to the suit has been indulged in. As matters look at present, there is an appearance of much unscrupulous plotting for the purpose of circumventing the creditors.

SOME time ago when several retail boot and shoe firms, who were doing a profitable business in Toronto launched into wholesale manufacturing we uttered a word of caution which now proves to have been timely. The present season has been comparatively a dull one for the boot and shoe business, owing to the long continuance of mild, dry weather. This has operated adversely to the trade and especially to the more newly formed establishments, one of which is just now in serious trouble.

ST. JOHN, N. B., journals state that Mr. S. R. Foster, manufacturer of tacks and nails has succeeded in establishing a reputation for his goods, not only in Canada and the United States, but also in England and Australia. Canada has advantages for the profitable manufacture of a great variety of articles which are not surpassed or equalled by any country on the face of the globe—a fact which if once generally understood would tend greatly to strengthen and extend our various industries.

THE St. JOHN *Globe* notes large receipts of manufactured goods and produce from the up-

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7 Front Street,

*(The New Iron Block,,***TORONTO,**

ARE prepared to shew the contents of 400 packages of well assorted

**DRY GOODS.***Terms liberal to close buyers.***FISH! FISH!! FISH!!!**

LAKE SUPERIOR

**Trout and White Fish,**500 half Barrels just received from our own Fishery.  
Also on hand

Bbls. Round Herrings.

Bbls. and ½ bbls. Mackerel.

Quintals prime Table Codfish.

½ Boxes choice scaled Digby Herrings.

Cases Fresh Mackerel, (1lb. tins.)

Cases Fresh Salmon (2lb. tins.)

&amp;c., &amp;c., &amp;c.,

**THOMAS GRIFFITH & CO.,**

Wholesale Grocers Wine and Spirit Merchants,

37 &amp; 39 Front Street, Toronto

per provinces are arriving there. One steamer alone brought 1000 packages. We are glad to learn that our interprovincial trade is expanding, as it will doubtless continue to do. Some of those wholesale firms who employ commercial travellers are of the opinion that if the seaboard Provinces would allow these peregrinating gentlemen freer scope more business would be done with them than now. Middlemen of this class are not considered necessary down there; travelling without a license is punishable by a fine.

**COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS.**

A Brantford paper is specially severe upon commercial travellers; let us hope that the following censures are undeserved:—

"Commercial travellers might all be gentlemen. Perhaps the majority are confirmed loafers and sots. We say perhaps, because those seen so far by us this season have been a rough, and we can truly say a low class. We have seen many gentlemen among them, and this does not refer to them. Those who are disreputable loafers well know that we mean them. These are the ones who are conspicuous at the bar, rush into the dining room like starving hyenas, and jostle their neighbors at table like untamed boars. Theirs are the voices heard at the table, at the bar, and in the sitting room above all others. They rarely close a door after them, or perform any other of those polite attentions which characterise gentlemen. If there is a lady boarder, these loafers are seen to sneer or wink to some boor companion. They howl about the house until late after midnight, drinking and singing to the disgust of all respectable boarders, and they generally patronize a hotel, the landlord of which is a hale