THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

The Cotton Monkets

One of the leading mills has issued evised price list, which shows a lit-higher level on a few lines, says Toronto Globe. One line of ducks been advanced, making the third ance in that line. There is a feelen advanced, making the third c in that line. There is a feel-the market that prices in the uture may show a general ad-Recent advices from the Man-market received by local firms an advance of one-pighth of a an advance of one-eightn of on cotton goods, and repeats to y on cotton goods, and repeats to her manufecturer brought a reply the order could only be repeated advance over the prices at which advance over the prices at which goods were previously sold. It is the advance in the British mar-on cotton goods is comparatively t, taking into consideration the sight, taking into consideration the advance in raw cottons. Large stocks of raw material are carried over there by the big manufacturers, and they are able to continue longer at old prices, but recent advices show that they are now coming to the higher level of prices in the raw cotton mar-

ket.

A buyer for a large local firm late-ly spent three or four days in New York market trying to pick up some job lines at low prices, but met with

York muse-job lines at low prices, Duk and indifferent success, A feature of interest in regard to canadian manufactured cotton goods is the fact that several firms which have for years in the past steadily and to carry Canadian textiles, tor years in the past steadily d to carry Canadian textiles, ring to sell only imported lines, his season carrying large stocks linings, sateens and such goods of mestic manufacture. This is a fact domestic manufacture. This is a fact that must be gratifying to the Can-adian manufacturers, and it is an ex-cellent evidence of the manner in which the Canadian goods have been

Dry Goods Trade Notes.

Linens continue to harden in value as roducing centres in Ireland. Some lines of household goods are as much as Ia per cent. higher there to-day than they were at the close of liest year, while the whole range of these goods is from 5 to 15 per cent. higher, trashes are firm and likely to advance still further. Stocks in 5. Stocks in manufactur ers' hands are light.

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Milliners all report having experinced an exceptionally good run of
pring trade. The demand has been
urgely for a better class of hats than largely for a better class of hats than are usually taken, which has helped to swell the profits of the business. Ready-to-wear hats promise to be in hig demand for summer uses, and the styles show great variety of both shape and trimming. In sailors the rough styles will be most popular.

A London report, dated April 11, says: "The quantity of 92,400 bs. catalogued for the ostrich feather auccatalogued for the ostrich feather auc-tions was considerably in excess of any previous sale. In addition to the large supply, trade generally has been disa-cointing. This was partly caus-ed b, the extreme prices ruling last sale. We have to report a decline all sale. We have to report a decline all met the market, and everything sold. Fine fashers were well competed for, but common qualities and dark goods were difficult of sale at even a great reduction of the sale. The sale was the sale with the sale with the sale with the sale white. The better lines declined about 10 per cent, and the medium sizes and narrow fully 15 per cent. Good thirds were 5 to 10 per cent, cheaper. Fennina sold rather cent cheaper. Fennina sold rather one cheaper. Femina sold rather better than white, but common nar-row had a heavy fall. Good thirds showed only a small decline on last sake streme rates. Byocks declined about 15 per cent. Spadones did not maintain last sakes very high rates, and were 15 to 20 per cent. lower. and vere 15 to 20 per cent. Permina di drab were also much cheaper. Black again lower. Good bright lots sold fairly well."

Hardware Trade Notes.

ass has firmed up in price east may go higher in all Canadian

he various companies manufacturing washing machines in Ontario whereby a uniform price list will hereafter prevail for these goods.

Last week we recorded an advance in the price of wood handles. The reason for this advance is to be found

in the large demand for the goods and the increasing scarcity of suitable

material.

The market for pig iron still continues to gain in strength, and some in the business are predicting a famine. The general opinion seems to be that the finishing capacity of this continent in the hardware line is far beyond the iron producing capafar beyond the iron producing capa-

city. The advance which we recorded in harvest tools last week was the third which has occurred recently, the total amount of the three being about 33 1-33 per cent. It will be remembered though, that this season's prices opened 40 per cent. lower than last year, so that prices are still somewhit lewer than they were a year.

LUMBER TRADE

Pacific Lumber Conditions.

Whatever may be the conditions in other sections, there is an absolute uniformity in the reports from the Pacific coast, asys the American Lumberman in last Saturday's review of recoveded to their utmost with orders, and shipments are limited only by the available stocks of lumber and the available stocks of lumber and the small degree to local prosperity. The entire coast from the guif of California to British Columbia is booming forms, and the cities are making extensive real estate improvements, and consequently there is a demand for consequently there is a demand for consequently there is a demand for thoroughly cleaned down. As far as the castern trade is concerned, it is Whatever may be the conditions in thoroughly cleaned down. As far as the eastern trade is concerned, it is taking all that the mills have to spare. The country is full of timber lookers, and new mills by the dozen are being reported weekly. Of course the great demand from the east is for the great demand from the east later for timbers, flooring and railroad material, for sprace, cedar and redwood ceding and siding, for factory lumber of the state of the stat shipments are not heavy just at present, but the export trade is in good shape and promises to take larger quantities of lumber than usual during the season.

Lumber Trade Notes.

In another part of this issue the new Winnipeg wholesale list for white pine lumber will be found in full. This list shows an advance of 50c per thousand feet on nearly every line.

Manufacturers of sash and doors in Manufacturers of sash and doors in the United States are finding it impossible to handle all the business which offers itself in their line this spring. Best grades are particularly scarce and as materials are hard to obtain the unfortunate maker is being squeezed on both sides.

Lumbering operations are very ac-Lumbering operations are very active in the Kootenay country this year, and it is fully believed by some that this industry is doing as much for some of the towns of that part of British Columbia as the mining business. Large quantities of lumber are being shipped to Alberta and Assinibering shipped to Alberta shipped to Alberta

bola. Work has been commenced on another lumber mill for The Pacific Const Lumber Company, at Vancouver. The new mill will be located on Coal Harbor. close to the company's shingle mill. The erection of this mill has been made necessary by the rapid expansion of the lumber trade of British Columbia

A company is being formed in Vanconver for the purpose of acting as a sort of wholesale agent in the logging business of the coast. The company will purchase the logs of the numerwill purchase the logs of the numer-ous small loggers now operating on the coast, and after sorting and classi-fying them, will resell the logs to mil-men as they want them. It is hoped by this plan to simplify the business of handling logs. fying the

of handling logs.

The logging, lumbering and shingle industries of British Columbia were never in a more prosperous condition than they are at present. Never before were so many mills in course of construction, never was the price of logs so high, were orders as aggs, and never struction, never was so high, never were loggers so scarce, never were orders so large, and never were the employees of the mills and logging camps paid such high rates of wages. Millmen and shingle manu facturers have more orders ahead no than they can fill, even were the can of available timber equal to the and, which it is not by any means, in some instances several mills been forced to lie part time idle ing for booms. It is expected that have been forced to lie part time idle waiting for booms. It is expected that within a month the many logging camps now being opened up will be able to supply the mills, but the sea-son was so late this year that at pre-sent mill owners are literally begging booms from the loggers, and offering booms from the loggers, and offering almost any price. One great need the camps is labor, and good logge can command the high st wages pafor that class of labor in the west. Vancouver Province.

Dairy Teads Notes

The milkmen of Winnipeg as forming an association for mutu improvement and protection. Day Munro has been elected president as E. W. Edwards, secretary.

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Receipts of creamery butter at
Montreal increased largely last week
and as the export trade is light for
the time being, the market weakened
under the pressure of a larger supply
and prices went down 1 to 2c per
pound. About 20c was the price for
best creamery at the end of the week.

best creamery at the end of the week. A phenomenal slump in butter prices occurred at Minneapolis last week. The market dropped 6c in one day. Butter has been selling at very high prices there, and this drop was not unexpected. The market was not very steady at date of last advices, but was expected to settle at about 20k per pound for best creamery.

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There is a very firm feeling line. In additional and between now and the end of mext mouth it is feared that the shortage mouth it is feared that the shortage will, no doubt, be curtailed. Old cheese has been sold on this market holders are now asking more money. Sales of April cheese have been made on this market at 10%, to 10½ on the same week. Receipts of new cheese are increasing, those for the past quantity received for the same week last year.—Montreal Trade Bulletin.

Live Stock Trade Notes.

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In addition to a very large immigration of farmers from the United States to Western Canada, there are quite a few people coming in from that side of the line who have a preference for ranching, and who will likely engage in that industry. One man has come all the way from Texas to enter into the ranching business at or enter into the ranching business at the center into the ranching the size of th ill be located in the san New Mexico company.

Implement Trade Notes

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It is reported that a factory will be established in Winnipeg for the manufacture of farm machinery. The promoter of this project is J. B. Henderson, of Paris, Ont. So far no definite steps have been taken.

When the Dominion house met on Monday Sir Richard Cartwright introduced a bill adding binder twine to the list of goods coming under the general inspection act. Sir Richard the list of goods coming under the general inspection act. Sir Richard introduced another bill to amend the act respecting the packing and sale of certain staple commodities by mak-ing dealers in binding twine subjec-to penalties provided under the pres-ent law for the protection of pur subject

Country hides advanced 1/2c at Chicago last week and the market is re-

go last rited firm. One of the busiest manufacturing One of the busiest manufacturing Hoover Manufacturing overalls, ported firm. establishments in Winnipeg to-day is that of The Hoover Manufacturing Co., Ltd., makers of shirts, overalls, etc. Notwithstanding the fact that expected the state of the control of the state of the control of the con establishments that of The

The Decinion government has bed The Dominion government has had an expert from Pennsylvania examin-ing the coal deposits of the Crow's Nest Pass, with a view to making a selection of the 50,000 acres of coal lands which have been set aside as a government reserve. He recommends lands which have been set aside as government reserve. He recommen that the reserve be located betwee Morrissey Creek and Lodge Po Creek. In that region the seam thickest and most easily accessible.

thickest and most easily accessions. Some of the daily papers have been reporting an advance in stone and lime lately, which, so far as those in lime lately, which, so far as those in the trade are informed, has not "e-occurred. There was some talk of putting up the price of these important putting up the price of these important to the large putting and the price of the the large putting and the price of the the large putting and the price of the has not yet been done in the large price of which are quoted each week in The Commercial's market columns are the correct prices for these lines.

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