MONEY MARKET.

P. D Browne

THERE continues to be a fair demand for money, as usual at this season of the year and this demand will probably be an increasing one, keeping pace, to some extent, with the renewed activity of business as spring opens. More mercantile paper will be offered to the Banks, and, being based on legitimate transactions, will be readily accepted, and absorb a portion of their surplus funds. Rates of interest are unchanged.

Sterling Exchange is dull at 108¾ to 108¾ for Bank Drafts on London at 60 days sight. Private Bills are nominal. The recall shipments of U. S. Bonds to Europe, amounting to over $30,000,000, have furnished a large supply of Sterling Bills, which have kept the price down. With a cessation in the foreign demand for Bonds the price would undoubtedly advance.

Gold Drafts on New York are unchanged.

Gold in New York has been very steady, closing at 131½.

Silver has been in fair supply, and is slightly cheaper The shipments by Mr. Weir now amount to $400,000, as will be seen by the Bank and Express certificate published elsewhere.

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

Bank on London, 60 days sight ...	108¾ to 108¾
" " sight . .	109¼ to 109¼
Private, " 60 days sight.... ..	107¾ to 108
Bank in New York, 60 days sight	108¾
Gold Drafts on New York.....	par to ¼ prem.
Gold in New York.....	131¼
Silver, large.....	3¼ to 3 dis.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Foulds & McCubbin.	Ogilvy & Co.
Greenshields, S., Son & Co.	Plimsoll, Warnock & Co.
Lewis, Kay & Co.	Roy, Jas., & Co.
McIntyre, Denton & French.	Robertson, Stephen, & Co.
MacKenzie, J. G & Co.	Stirling McCall & Co.

Sutherland, Force & Co.

THERE has been rather more activity during the past week in this branch of trade, and the spring business may now be said to have fairly commenced This market has been visited by a number of buyers from all sections of the country, and purchases have been to a fair extent.

Stocks are now pretty well assorted, although a good many goods are still on the way from Portland, or lying at that port awaiting transportation. The Grand Trunk is doing its utmost to expedite matters, but the snow-storms were so retarding in their effects, that it will be some weeks yet before all the goods now due here can be brought in.

Prices of staple cotton goods are ruling firm, and a small advance on last spring's quotations is being obtained on yarns white and grey cottons and prints. In other lines there is no change of consequence to note.

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Baldwin, C. H., & Co	MacDonald, J. A.
Chapman, Fraser & Tylee.	Mitchell, James
Childs, George, & Co.	Robertson, David.
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.	Tiffin, Bros
Hutchins, R. & Co.	Thompson, Murray & Co.
Kingan & Kinloch.	Torrance, David, & Co.

A SMALL jobbing business has been done during the past week, but inactivity has been the prevailing feature of this market. Importers are generally preparing to take stock, and there will be little done till after they have finished.

TEAS.—Medium grade Imperials have had rather better enquiry, and a few lots have changed hands, terms private. Uncolored Japans continue to meet with fair demand, samples worth from 52½c to 57½c being asked for and finding ready sale. Young Hysons are neglected. Blacks quiet, and prices unchanged

COFFEE —We have no change to note, the business being very limited.

SUGAR—Raws have been rather quiet during the week, and sales limited to small lots, so that prices may be considered as to some extent nominal, although holders are firm, and no disposed to force sales. A fair business has been done in refined, some large orders having been filled. Prices are unaltered, and in the absence of favorable news from the Cuban sugar districts, are likely to be well sustained.

MOLASSES.—Has had but little demand, holders, nevertheless, being firm in their prices, which remain as previously quoted.

FRUIT.—Layer Raisins have met with a fair enquiry, and several round lots have changed hands, on private terms. Valentias have been neglected. Currants have been well enquired for, but prices remain as before.

RICE —Although there has been only a light enquiry for Rice, it remains firm, holders being encouraged by the favorable reports from the English markets, looking to higher prices, and by the fact that stocks here are not large, and will not be much increased till after the opening of navigation.

SALT—Has had but little enquiry but prices so far have not given way.

SPICES—Are quiet, and without change to note in price.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Cutlery & Cornhill.	Mitchell & Watson & Co.
[illegible] Henry.	McMillan & Baker.
[illegible] & Co.	[illegible] Jas.
[illegible] & Co.	

BUSINESS has been of a quiet character during the past week, with some few orders coming in for early delivery by Grand Trunk. With those who have contracts with the railway, summer freight rates come into operation on April 1st, and a good many goods were ready for despatch yesterday.

Prices are for the most part unchanged. Tins, however, has advanced, holders of stocks, now greatly reduced, are asking from 30c to 35c; prices will be somewhat uncertain until the arrival of fresh stocks after the opening of navigation Tin Plates are firm, but unchanged. Heavy goods are quiet. A sale of 20 tons Eglinton Pig reported at $20 50 for cash, is the only transaction we hear of.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Akin & Kirkpatrick	Seymour, M. H.
Bryson, Campbell.	N. S. Whitney.

THERE is nothing particularly new to note in this branch of trade since last report. Business continues quiet Receipts are only moderate, and there is but little change in prices.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick.	Hobson, Thomas, & Co.
Pawes Brothers & Co.	Mitchell, Robt.

FLOUR – Receipts continue moderate for the season, and with a fair demand. The leading grades have slightly improved in value. The market is, however, very sensitive, rates of the day being, in a considerable degree, influenced by arrivals. Some fluctuations have also been occasioned by inaccuracies in the cable despatches of 30th, Red Wheat being quoted 9s. 9d. instead of 9s, and California 11s. instead of 9s. 11d. Holders immediately advanced their views some ten or fifteen cents; and several hundreds changed hands at the advance, Extra being taken to a fair extent at about $5, and Fancy at $4 75 upwards; Strong Supers sold in several instances at $4 65 to $4.70. On correction of the Cable quotations an immediate reaction took place, Supers closing quiet at $4 55 to $4.65, latter for choicest brands; No. 2 meets a fair demand at $4.25 to $4 30, and Fine at $3 95 to $4. There is now little demand for Middlings and Pollards since country roads have given out, and quotations may be considered nominal. *Bags* are still in small supply, and though the demand is limited, all offered meets prompt sale at full previous rates.

OAT MEAL.—There is a steady consumptive demand, and with limited supplies, a high range of prices is still maintained, though there is a tendency to lower rates.

CORN MEAL—Is in full supply, and pressed at $3 50 to $3.60.

WHEAT —Only a few car-loads have changed hands for local use at $1.07 to $1 08 Some few transactions for delivery have taken place, mostly on p. t.

PEASE.—Nothing doing, either on the spot or for delivery, and prospects seem very indefinite.

BARLEY - Small sales may be noted at $1.15 to $1 17½, rates tending still lower.

OATS. Latest sales have been at 44c. to 45c, the latter for a few car-loads.

CORN—May be quoted practically nominal at 70c. to 75c for new, and 75c. to 80c. for old.

SEEDS.—*Clover* is in abundant supply; latest sales were at 11c. to 11½c. per lb. *Timothy* for a time back has been neglected, though pressed at low prices Latterly, sales to some extent have been made at $1 90 to $2 per 45 lbs., relieving the market in a measure, and holders are now asking some advance.

PORK.—A steady consumptive demand continues for *Mess* and *Thin Mess* at former quoted rates. Nothing doing in other grades, and therefore not quotable. *Hogs.*—Season over.

LARD.—Only taken to a small extent for City retail. Supply large and tendency to lower prices.

BUTTER —Beyond a limited enquiry for the better qualities suited for City consumption we have no demand to note. If holders in Ontario can realize and approach to rates said to rule here, it would be wise to do so, as failing an American demand, which at this late stage seems improbable, there is more here than can possibly be consumed ere new comes in; besides, the demand is alone for choice, and little of what comes in is fit for table use.

ASHES —*Pots* have ruled quiet, the competition being between a couple of buyers, neither of whom are anxious to augment supplies till more encouraging advices are received from Britain. *Pearls* are practically nominal in absence of receipts; rates of last week may be reported.

WOODEN RAILWAYS —The Montreal *Gazette* of the 23rd inst., says:—"Some doubt is raised in the Quebec Legislature about the success of wooden railways, and propriety of restricting the Quebec Government bonus to them is called in question Their success except for the movement of wood or ore, is, we believe, still a problem to be solved—high as our opinion and our hopes respecting them may be We believe, therefore, that it will be wise for all those parties seeking charters for wooden railways to take power to put iron upon them; and for all those taking powers for short railways through new or sparsely settled districts, to ask power to lay down wooden rails if they deem it expedient. The experiment should be fairly tested, and the method we suggest will furnish fair opportunity of doing this."

ASSIGNEES APPOINTED.

NAME OF INSOLVENT.	RESIDENCE.	NAME OF ASSIGNEE.
Ayres, P. J.	Lindsay	S. C. Wood.
Bunting, Charles	Tecumseth	Jos. Rodgers.
Eisinger, Joseph	Belleville	J P Thomas.
Decelles Alphonse	St. Johns	Wm. Coote.
Forrest Bros	Quebec	Wm. Walker.
Hill, Wm	Cornwall	A. B. Stewart.
Heinault, Damien	Montreal	T. Sauvageau.
Labelle, Thomas, j	Quebec	Wm. Walker
Lapage, F X	Quebec	Wm. Walker.
Mitchell, James.	Petrolia	Geo. Stevenson.
M. Kinnon & Clarke	Belleville	Geo. D. Dickson.
McAlister, W	Brantford	A. W. Smith.
Oddie, Thos	Cobourg	S. F. McNaughton
Peddie, John, & Co	Woodstock	Jas. McWhirter.
Steward, Wm	Toronto	Thos. Clarkson,
Smyth & Fanuman	Montreal	T. S. Brown.
Sutherland, Angus	Montreal	T. S. Brown.
Terrance, Wm	Guelph	Edwin Newton.
Warrick, Freik	Toronto	Thos. Clarkson
Warner, Charles	Sajabee	W. S. Williams.

APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGE.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	DATE.
Bowles, John	Cobourg	May 25
Clay, James	St. Catherines	" 17
Cennan, Thomas	Cannington	" 27
Fairweather, Wm	Peterboro	" 27
Henderson, J. T	Montreal	" 17
Johns, John	Thamesford	" 28
Maurice, Wm	Montreal	" 17
McGregor, Robert	Brantford	" 26
Pearce, Richard	Cannington	" 27
Spence, John	Goderich	" 26
Thibaudeau & Fils.	Montreal	" 25

WRITS OF ATTACHMENT ISSUED.

DEFENDANT'S NAME AND RESIDENCE.	PLAINTIFFS' NAME.	DATE
Bond, J C, & Co., Walkerton	Boyd, John & Co.	March 17
Dunlop, Thos., Walkerton	Jordon, John, & Co.	" 16
Dowing, & Co., Montreal	Molsons Bank	" 18
Fuller, Wm. A., Montreal	Kerry Bros., & Crathern	" 5
Leach, Douglas Guelph	Reid, John M.	April 6
McCormack, Thos Barrie	Lewis, Kay & Co.	" 5
McNeil, Samuel, Cornwall	Pearce, Orton Chas	March 18
Reynolds, Aaron, Woodstock	Royal Canadian Bank	" 18

NORTHERN RAILWAY.

Traffic receipts for week ending March 13, 1869.

Passengers	$ 2,223.47
Freight	5,190 97
Mails and sundries.	524.46
Total	$ 7,938 90
Corresponding week, 1868	6,169.18
Increase	$ 1,768.72

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.

Traffic for the week ending March 5, 1869.

Passengers	$22,744.47
Freight and live stock	39,715 89
Mails and sundries	3,007.61
Total receipts for week	$65 467 88
Corresponding week, 1868	53,299.12
Increase	$12,168.76