

## VISIBLE SUPPLY OF GRAIN IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

	Mar. 26, '92. Bush.	Mar. 28, '91. Bush.	Mar. 29, '90. Bush.
Wheat ....	41,297,000	22,764,155	27,116,028
Corn .....	12,154,000	2,987,897	20,204,267
Oats .....	3,891,000	2,809,563	4,536,352
Rye .....	1,702,000	471,069	1,405,289
Barley ....	1,091,000	1,328,224	1,351,057

Wheat increased 154,000 bushels the past week, corn decreased 118,000 bush., oats decreased 81,000 bush., rye decreased 31,000 bush., and barley decreased 80,000 bush.

GROCERIES.—Business in this line usually slackens as the end of the month is neared, which may account for the comparative dullness observable this week. Teas are moderately active all along the line this week or two, medium Japans and low-priced or medium blacks selling of late. In sugars we remark much firmness, although little is selling from the fact that such stocks had already been laid in by grocers at the prevailing low prices. The market closed yesterday in New York barely steady, with no buyers. Prices cannot well go lower, and it would not take much to send it up half a cent a pound. Tobaccos are without change. Canned vegetables have moved very fairly in the last few days, especially tomatoes, corn and beans. Trade in dried fruits is pretty much over, except in Valencias and currants, which sell all the year round. Figs are getting scarce, and there will be none to sell at a sacrifice this season.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—A moderate trade is all that can be reported. The English market for metals is generally steady. The Canadian makers of nails, tacks, and horse shoes having come to an agreement, the prices of those are pretty well established. We note in our prices current some changes of quotations: antimony is lower; on shot, the discount is now 10 per cent.; galvanized iron quotes 4½ to 5c. for No. 22; flat head screws are 72½ to 77½ off list price.

HAY AND STRAW.—The market is well supplied with both. Timothy hay is selling at \$14 to \$15 per ton, clover at \$11 to \$13. Straw is bringing \$9 to \$10 per ton.

HONEY.—This article has reached low prices, and the market is extremely depressed. There are large stocks on hand held over, with very little demand. Probably this is to be accounted for by the cheapness of sugar and the recent plentifulness of fruit, which has caused people to neglect such delicious saccharine food as honey in favor of preserved fruits of various kinds. It is possible now to buy the finest honey at 8½ to 9c. per pound, while darker grades, possessing the wild flavor of the buckwheat blossom, can be had for 6½c. Comb honey has not come in proportion, and it is worth 10 to 16c. per pound according to quality. There is more demand for it too.

HIDES AND SKINS.—Dealers are still paying to local butchers 4½c. per lb. for green hides; they declare that this is too much, because they can buy Chicago hides at 4½c.; they still pay 5c. per lb. for steer hides, which are accumulating, but cannot get over 6c. per lb. for cured and inspected. Calfskins are coming in now and then, and taken at 5 to 7c. per lb., green; tanners pay 6 to 8c. for them cured; wool skins, \$1.25 to 1.40, not many coming in, but all taken; rough tallow, steady; rendered is accumulating in stock and declining in price.

PROVISIONS.—A fair volume of trade is being done, the most of it perhaps in hog products.

In dairy products the scarcity of butter is more marked; the new-made article is decidedly wanted; rolls bring 18 to 20c. per lb.; baker's is also scarce: the cable reports cheese 57/6; the market here is quiet and unchanged; prices for hog products are, as a rule, unchanged; we quote long clear, 7½c.; hams, 10½c.; rolls, 8½ to 9c. per lb.; short cut pork brings \$16 per barrel; pure lard is scarce at 10 to 10½c. per lb.; eggs are in not quite so large supply, and the price for them is 10½ to 11c.; some Ontario dealers have begun to buy them by the pound only; this is the true method, for only the large eggs are fit for the British market. Both dried and evaporated apples are very quiet. Honey, as is elsewhere shown, is very low.

WOOL.—We can report an improved demand from the factories; for Canada fleece combing for blankets 18 to 18½c. per lb. is being paid; for clothing, 21 to 22c.; extra selected ditto, 24 to 25c.; Southdown, 28c.; selected Brasher fleece, tub-washed, 22c.

## THE COTTON MARKET.

We learn from the circular of Macdonald & Co., cotton buyers, St. Louis, dated March 26th, what were the receipts, shipments and stock of cotton at St. Louis during the period of seven months, from Sept. 1st, 1891, till March 25th, 1892:

Receipts .....	1891-92	662,833 bales.
" .....	1890-91	605,661 "
Shipments .....	1891-92	548,882 "
" .....	1890-91	515,871 "
Stock .....	1892	124,686 "
" .....	1891	90,364 "

Receipts last week show a falling off from last year of 33,884 bales. This, with large sales in all markets, says the circular, has caused a firmer feeling than has existed for some months.

## LIVERPOOL PRICES.

March 31, 12.30 p. m.

	S.	D.
Wheat, Spring .....	0	0
Red, Winter .....	7	84
No. 1 Cal .....	7	9
Corn .....	4	11
Peas .....	33	3
Lard .....	56	3
Pork .....	33	6
Bacon, heavy .....	34	0
Bacon, light .....	25	6
Tallow .....	57	6

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Surplus .....	800,000

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## INCREASES MADE LAST YEAR

In Income, .....	\$55,168 00
In Assets, .....	\$417,141 00
In Cash Surplus, .....	\$68,648 00
In New Business, .....	\$706,967 00
In Business in Force, .....	\$1,600,376 00

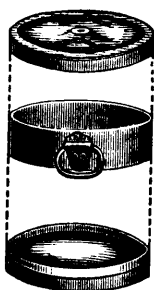
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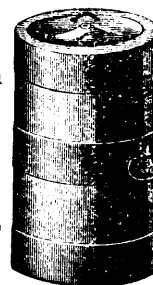


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