

but in almost all cases, prices favouring the buyer. Young Hysons in the early part of the week were rather more inquired for but have again become quiet, with the exception of the highest grades, which in consequence of scarcity are still in demand. Other greens are without much enquiry, and blacks are in rather poor demand. Twankays are still well enquired for, but few transactions result, as holders are stiff in their askings, and buyers look for lower prices.

COFFEE.—Without change, and nothing doing.

SUGAR.—Is well enquired for, raws of good grocery quality being very scarce. Holders of Barbadoes and Porto Rico look for \$8½ and \$8 for fair samples, and some lots of vacuum pan are held for \$9½ to \$10. No change reported as yet in refinery sugars but if the scarcity of raws continues, an advance is not impossible.

MOLASSES.—In fair request, but not as much as might have been expected at this season of the year. Syrups probably have taken their place to some extent with our Canadian friends. We quote Muscovado from 87½c. to 43c., clayed, 34c. to 86½c.; Centrifugal, 82c. to 33½c.

SYRUPS.—Are now somewhat scarce, and we note an advance of 2c. a gallon on the several grades.

FISH.—Of all kinds have been in fair demand. Draught Cod cannot be obtained in first hands at any price, and dealers are asking from 27½ to \$9. Table Cod \$4½ to \$5½. Herrings—Labrador Splits are now held for \$5; South Shore Splits, \$3 to \$4. Some lots of North Shore offered at \$2 to \$2 50. Some lots of Haddock in h-bbls offering at \$2½ to \$2½.

FRUITS.—Are experiencing a moderate demand. Layer Raisins are somewhat more freely offered, though quotations remain about the same. Valentias are in rather better demand, holders asking 8c. to 8½c. Currants are quoted from 2c. to 5½c, now fruit readily commanding the latter figure.

RICE.—Is extremely scarce, the stock being in few hands. Prices asked are from \$4.20 to \$4.25, which in case of want is freely paid. Some lots of broken in the market at \$4.05 to \$4.10. The probabilities, too, are in favour of higher figures.

SALT.—Although not held in very great quantity, has been somewhat more freely offered during the past week, holders appearing willing to part with a portion of their stocks at slightly reduced figures. We now quote Liverpool Coarse at \$1.35 to \$1.40. Fine, nominal.

SPICES.—Very little doing.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Baker, Popham & Co.
Baillie, James, & Co.
Clark, Jas. P. & Co.
Clarston, T. James, & Co.
Davis, Welsh & Co.
Donnelly, James.
Dunn, H. Fish & Co.
Foulds & Hodgson.
Foulds & McCubbin.
Gilmour, J. R., & Co.
Greenhalgh, & Son & Co.
Hingston, Telfer, & Co.
Hughes Brothers.
Johnstone, James, & Co.
Lewis, Kay & Co.
Macfarlane, Andrew, & Co.
MacKenzie, J. G. & Co.
MacKay, Joseph, & Bro.
May, Joseph.
May, Thomas, & Co.
McCulloch, Jack & Co.
McLachlin Bros. & Co.
McMaster & Co., Wm. J.
Moore, S. H., & J.
Muir, W. & R.
Munro, John & Steenken.
Ogilby & Co.
Pillmott, Aubin & Co.
Roy, Jas., & Co.
Robertson, Stephen, & Co.
Stirling, McCall & Co.

GOODS are arriving and being opened out, but the amount entered at the Custom House so far this year is considerably less than during the same time last year. We trust this feature of the trade will continue, and that at the close of 1883, the imports will show so great a reduction that the country will have an opportunity to be relieved from the present pressure of unneeded goods.

In the English markets, there have been considerable fluctuations, the tendency having been towards rather lower prices. Latest advices by Cable quote Middingl Upslands 9½d., and 9½d. for New Orleans. Manchester markets for goods and yarns are reported dull and heavy.

The Liverpool cotton report of the London Economist under date of the 15th ult. says:—

Cotton has been in unusually extensive demand throughout the week, a large proportion of the business being for future delivery. Prices advanced daily, and on Wednesday morning most descriptions had gained fully 1d. per lb. on last week's quotations, but during the day, partly owing to advices from New of increased receipts, the market became quiet, and today has been without animation, though with considerable demand and prices generally close about 1d. above the rates of Thursday last. For Sea Island a good demand has prevailed, and prices are fully 1d. per lb. dearer. In American very large sales have been made, and quotations are advanced about 1d. per lb. on last week's rates.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Crathern & Caverhill.
Evans & Evans.
Evans, John Henry.
Hall, Kay & Co.
Kreling, W. H.

LeBlond & Bourdant.
Morland, Watson & Co.
Muholland, & Baker.
Robertson, Jas.
Round, John & Sons.

Waddell & Pearce.

WE have no change to note in prices, as there is nothing doing. Small lots of Pig Iron have been sold at lower rates than we quote, and a lot of Coltness to arrive is offered at \$22, 6 months.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Black & Locke.
Byson, Campbell.
Hus & Hicard.

Seymour, C. E.
Seymour, M. H.
Shaw, F. S. Bros.

Smith & Edmonson.

THE same inactivity noticed of late continues, and the amount of business doing is very limited. Some further shipments of Sore have been made to Britain, but stocks are still abundant. In Curried Leather the supply is in excess of the demand of most descriptions, and sales cannot be forced, as consumers are indisposed to purchase beyond immediate wants.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick.
Black & Locke.
Buck, Robertson & Co.
Converse, Cohen & Lamb.
Crawford, James.
Davis Brothers & Co.

Hannan, M., & Co.
Hobson, Thomas, & Co.
Laidlaw, Middleton & Co.
Mitchell, Robt.
Raybald, Thomas W.
Sinclair, Jack & Co.

Seymour, C. E.

FLOUR.—Owing to the prevalence of snow storms, the arrivals have been unusually small. The demand has continued of the same retail character so often noted, and prices have undergone no notable change, though in supers slight variations according to the extent of the demand and the particular kind needed, takes place from day to day. Confidence in the future of prices is weak, and there seems no disposition to indulge speculation, beyond the modifying effects the recent storms may be presumed to have on supplies.

OATMEAL.—Little business to note, and no variation of consequence in prices demanded.

GRAIN.—Wheat—No arrivals, and in the absence of sales, quotations which are nominal, may be repeated. Pease \$1 to \$1.02½ per 66 lbs. according to sample, is obtainable for spring delivery, but few sales can be noted, the views of holders being mostly higher. Oats—Little doing owing mainly to want of forwarding facilities, rates are nominally 46c. to 47c. Barley—Holders have materially advanced their pretensions, and now demand \$1.05 to \$1.10 for ordinary samples. Buyers will not exceed \$1, and for the time being little is changing hands.

PROVISIONS.—Pork is quiet and firm. Mess continues in retail demand at previous rates; other grades are nominal at quotations. Dressed Hogs—The season is drawing to a close, and with small receipts and decreasing stocks, most of which now passed from first hands, holders exhibit more firmness, and for choice heavy averages an advance is paid. There has been but a trifling amount of packing at this point; little or no meat has been cut beyond some parcels of English Prime Mess and of Bacon put up for the British markets, operators generally have not had sufficient confidence in prices to invest to any extent. The city and local retail has been large, and the whole of the stocks of Hogs appear likely to be needed. Lard has advanced during the week in sympathy with British markets. Stocks here are in few hands, and prices close firm at quotations. Hams and Bacon have sold to some extent during the week at a slight advance on late rates, more confidence being felt in their future caused by favorable advices from Britain. Butter has been in active demand; choice, especially, has been sought after at gradually advancing rates. Stocks are unusually small, and being in few hands, are firmly held. Sales of ordinary to good have been made within the range of 15c. to 20c, choice bringing more money.

BEANS.—Pots have been more enquired for, and good bills have been sold at prices gradually working up to \$5.50 to \$5.75, at which the market closes quiet. Peas—Arrivals having dropped off, and the stock, although large, having got into few hands, an advance is demanded, and in one or two instances, to complete orders, sales have been made at high rates.

STOCK MARKET.

	Closing prices.	Last Week's Prices.
BANKS.		
Bank of Montreal	125½ a 129	126½ a 129½
Bank of N. A.	100½ a 104	101 a 104
Commercial Bank	101½ a 105	102½ a 105½
City Bank	100½ a 101	100½ a 101
Banque du Peuple	104	Books closed.
Melbourne Bank	110 a 112	111 a 113
Ontario Bank	112½ a 115	113 a 115½
Bank of Toronto	111 a 111½	111 a 111½
Quebec Bank	92 a 100	92 a 100
Bank National	107 a 108	105½ a 107½
Core Bank	90 a 93½	82 a 85½
Banque Jacques Cartier	108½ a 107½	104½ a 107½
Eastern Townships Bank	99 a 100	92 a 100
Merchants Bank	100½ a 100½	100 a 100½
Union Bank	100 a 101	100 a 101
Wells Bank	97 a 98	97 a 98
Royal Canadian Bank	91 a 92	91 a 92
Bank of Commerce	90 a 100½	100 a 100½
RAILWAYS.		
G. T. R. of Canada	15 a 16	15 a 16
A. & S. Lawrence	11	11
O. W. of Canada	11 a 11½	11 a 11
C. & St. Lawrence	11	11
Do. preferential	7½ a 80	7½ a 80
MINES, &c.		
Montreal Consols	\$1.90 a \$2.00	\$1.90 a \$2.00
Canada Mining Company		
Huron Copper Ray	45 a 50	45 a 50
Lake Huron & C.		
Quebec & Lk. S.		
Montreal Telegraph Co.	131 a 132	131 a 132
Montreal City Gas Company	138 a 140	138 a 140
St. Lawrence & C.	105 a 106	105 a 106
Richelieu Navigation Co.	100 a 101	98 a 100
Canadian Inland Steam N. Co.	107 a 108	105 a 110
Montreal Elevating Company	107 a 107½	100 a 107½
British Colonial Steamship Co.	90	90
Canada Glass Company	95 a 98	95 a 98
BONDS.		
Government Debentures, 5 p.c. a 7 p.c.	86 a 88	86 a 88
" " 6 p.c. 1875, a 7 p.c. 70	87½ a 88	87 a 88
Montreal Water Works 6 per cents	99½ a 100	99½ a 100
Montreal City Bonds, 6 per cents	101 a 101½	101 a 101½
Montreal Harbour Bonds, 7 p.c.	91 a 92½	91 a 92½
Quebec City 6 per cents	90½ a 92	90½ a 92
Quebec City Bonds, 6 per cents, 1860	102 a 103	102 a 103
Kingston City Bonds, 6 per cents, 1875	90 a 90	90 a 90
Ottawa City Bonds, 6 per cents, 1860	93½ a 95	92½ a 95
Champlain R. R., 6 per cents, 1860	90 a 91	90 a 91
County Debentures	70 a 75	70 a 75
EXCHANGE.		
Bank of London, 60 days	102½ a 110	110 a 110½
Private	102 a 110½	109 a 109½
Private, with documents	109 a 109½	109 a 109½
Bank of New York	22½ a 29½	23½ a 29½
Private do.	22½ a 29½	23½ a 29½
Gold Drafts do.	4	4
Silver do.	43	43
Gold in New York.	161 a 160	141½ a 160