THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Baillie, James & Co.	Moir, Thomas, & Co.
Bankhead, Peak & Co.	McIntyre, Duncan & Co
Benjamin, W. & Co.	Morris, T. & Co.
Black, Davis & Co	Muir S. H. & J.
Claxton, T. Jones & Co.	Molle, W. & R.
Donald, John & Co.	Mundorff & Greenshields.
Ferguson & Hodgson.	Ordner & Co
Gault Bros & Co.	Pitcairn, Arnoldi, & Co.
Gillespie, T. Y. & Co	Raymond, Ewart & Co.
Greenshields, Jackson & Co.	Robertson, A. & Co.
Hampson James & Co	Ross, Lee & Co
Lewis Kerr & Co	Scothorn William, & Co.
Macfarlane, Andrew, & Co.	Stirling, McCall & Co.
Muir, Joseph	Wicks, George & Co.

QUIETNESS continues to be the noticeable feature in this branch of trade Some few orders are being received from country customers, but they are small in amount, and only of importance as indicating that the shelves of the retailers are being somewhat lightened and that later on, larger orders may be looked for The winter roads in many localities are now in tolerably good condition, but in some places, owing to the high winds which prevailed when the snow was falling, the roads are left completely bare, or blocked up with drifts.

The English markets both for the raw material and for manufactured goods, are unchanged since our last. Sales of cotton in Liverpool have continued large, and chiefly for consumption, it being now pretty well understood that the stock in hand and afloat for Europe will if anything, fall short of the requirements of the trade.

The New York dry goods market is reported as showing somewhat more animation than previously, but there is still very little being done. In woollen goods, more especially, the demand is very light, and holders find it very difficult to make sales even at concessions from current prices.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

French, George	Hart Kay & Co
Ingram James, & Co	Leonard, W H
Charlton, A. & Co	Scott, W & Edwards.
Crathern & Caverhill	Mitchell, Wakefield & Co.
Currie W & C. F. & Co.	Mitchell & Baker.
Frame J H	Robertson Jas
Lyman & Clare	Robertson, John & Sons.
Tees & F	Stevens J H
Gilmour, C. P	Wood & H Wood

BUSINESS still continues very quiet with little or nothing doing. For a few special articles, of which there is a scarcity, orders are being received, but generally speaking, inactivity prevails everywhere

The depression in the English Iron Trade previously noticed, still continues. We give elsewhere a letter from two gentlemen who have been visiting the Continental coal and iron fields for the purpose of drawing comparisons between them and those of England, with a view to the discovery of the causes which are enabling the French and Belgian iron and iron manufactures to take the place of English in many of the European markets. This is the second of a series of letters which these gentlemen are addressing to the *Times*.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Pearson & Cutter	Sayegeur, C. F.
Lengstaff J & Co.	Sayegeur, W H
Hall & Ruggles.	Shaw J. & Bros.

WE have to report a more active market with an improved demand for stock needed for the spring trade, but though the supply is by no means excessive prices remain entirely unchanged

SPANISH SOLE—Has been in rather better request at unaltered rates, but no very large sales are reported as having been made.

SLAUGHTER SOLE—The supply of this stock continues low, with prospects of a deficiency for the early trade, and higher prices than at present exist.

HARNESS—Steady, with no particular inquiry.

WAXED UPPER—Has been more inquired for, but buyers are unwilling to pay present rates and the stock in market being small holders are not disposed to make concessions

BUFF AND PEBBLED—Are in better demand, and sales have been effected to a considerable extent at prices varying according to quality best class of stock being most sought after

PATENT AND ENAMELLED—Sales are being made in moderate quantities at previous quotations, and the stock continues light.

CALFSKINS—Are in better request, and less difficulty has been found in effecting sales at quotations

SPLITS—Have more inquiry, and prices are firm, the demand exceeding receipts

SHEEPSKINS—The stock on hand is not heavy, nor is there much demand.

HIDES,—The recent importations have been taken off the market, and the stock on hand is again quite low.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick.	Ewart Bay, Middleton & Co.
Cameron & Ross.	Lahaye, M
Converse, Colson & Lamb.	Lowden, Thomas & Co
Crawford, James.	Mitchell, Robt.
Dougall, John, & Co.	Morrice, D., & Co.
Fuller, Thos, & Co	Rankel, Thomas W.
Hobson, Thomas, & Co.	Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Jacklin & Ferguson	Stewart, W. W.
Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co	Seymour, C. F.

FLOUR—We have to note liberal, although smaller receipts than previously. The stock of the higher grades being now in small compass, prices have advanced, transactions however are of a purely retail character. The local demand for supers is small, and the speculative enquiry, though on the whole active, has been more fitful, but confidence being strong in some quarters, the advancing pretensions of holders have been largely acceded to, and prices forced up, closing firm, and moderately active at $7.30 to $7.40 for choice brands. Much diversity of opinion in respect to prospects exists, many regarding the present rates as extremely hazardous, and avoiding operations altogether except for the supply of daily wants. The lower grades are in small supply, but engage little attention except the better samples of fine or No 2, which are taken a their relative value. *Bag Flour*. The arrivals from abroad have been trifling, and the trade has been mainly supplied by the local millers: the few parcels offered on Upper Canada account have been freely taken at full rates.

OATMEAL—Following on the reported decline in Britain, shippers retired for a time from the market, or only offered about $4.50, but confidence has again been in a great measure restored, and there are buyers for spring delivery as well as for present shipment, via. Portland; the rates on the spot being about $5.00 for good samples, or at a proportionate figure f.o.b. at the various points along the lines of railway.

WHEAT—As hitherto, the bulk of receipts have been direct to millers; some few cars have however been sold from store, and on the track. Rates have latterly been in sympathy with flour, we quote $1.50 to $1.55 as c' ng rates for U. C. Spring.

PEAS—There is little doing on the spot, but some inquiry begins to be made for spring delivery, the ideas of value being about 90c. per 60 lbs. for good samples.

OATS—The few cars coming in are sold in store at 31c. to 32c., according to quality. There is, however, little animation, and the expense of storing, &c., forbids offering much encouragement to consign in car loads.

BARLEY.—We hear of no transactions of note, and rates must be regarded as nominal.

PORK—The demand is of the merest retail character, and restricted to an occasional small parcel of Mess at about $19 Other grades are entirely nominal, and no temptation in price would induce an offer or a contract for a wholesale purchase. *Dressed Hogs*, until the last few days, were not arriving in excess of the demand from the packers and the local trade; but, latterly, receipts have been excessive, and several packers have retired from the market in expectation of lower prices, which seem likely to rule should the stock begin to accumulate. Prices remain nominally unchanged, being still within the range of $5.50 to $5.75, but the extreme quotations are not to be realised, except for choice and unusually heavy averages,—the bulk of the sales made during the past week ranging from $5.55 to $5.65 for weights of 220 lbs to 250 lbs. Prices have been gradually creeping up in the principal markets in C. W. from local competition; but the Montreal packers finding those in Upper Canada paying more than they deem a safe figure to secure the Hogs, prefer retiring altogether from the market, deeming it immaterial by whom the Hogs are packed, as the bulk of the Pork must come to this market for sale in the spring, when they can supply all their wants at fair current rates.

LARD, HAMS, &c—The market is fully supplied by the packers, who are freely selling at lower prices than the article can be laid down from Upper Canada. The demand is therefore almost nominal, and until Lent is over no improvement can be looked for

BUTTER—Remains in the same neglected state.—Stocks continue considerably beyond what is required for any probable local consumption or export demand for some time to come, notwithstanding the shipment to Britain of several considerable parcels on Upper Canada account Arrivals are moderate, and it is possible that the low rates ruling may tempt shippers to the Lower ports to clear the market in the spring.

ASHES—*Pots* have declined both here and in Britain and are nominally quoted at $5 70 to $5 75, with a weak market. *Pearls* are likewise unsettled and drooping—latest sales in the vicinity of $7.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OF CANADA.

(*Including the Receipts of Montreal & Champlain and Buffalo & Lake Huron Railways.*)

RETURN OF TRAFFIC, Week ending Jan. 5, 1867:—

Passengers	$36 426
Express Freight, Mails and Sundries	5,000
Freight and Live Stock	66,662
Total	$108,088
Corresponding Week, 1866	100,087
Increase	$ 8,001

STOCK MARKET.

	Closing prices.	Last Week's Prices.
Bank of Montreal,	123½	122¼
Ontario Bank,	100	100
Bank of B. N. A.,	100 x d	100 x d
City Bank,	90½	90¼
Commercial Bank,	74	74½ x d
Banque du Peuple,	103½	103½
Molsons Bank,	109½	108¾
Bank of Toronto,	103½	104 x d
Banque Jacques Cartier,	105	105¼
Merchants Bank,	105½	105 x d
Union Bank,	99	99¼ x d
Gore Bank,	97	97½ x d
Eastern Townships Bank,	95½	95 x d
Mechanics Bank	92	92½
Royal Canadian Bank	93½	93 x d
Montreal Telegraph Co.,	133½ x d	Books closed
Richelieu Navigation Co.,	129	129
City Passenger R. R. Co.,	79½	79¼
Government Debentures, 5 p. c.,	82	82¼
Montreal Harbour Bonds, 7 p. c.,	100½	100½
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Montreal Corporation Bonds	86½	86¼

PRICES OF GRAIN.

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