

COMMEAL.—The demand keeps very regular with small supplies. Market firm. Receipts for the week 811 bbls. Duty on American meal 1s. 6d. per barrel. Canada, free.

MOLASSES.—Is a complete drug. No demand.

SOAP.—Stocks are small, but quite sufficient for present demand.

FISH.—The catch of mackerel off the coast during the week has somewhat improved, but we have still to report no receipts, except a few small lots, but are daily looking for the first fleet. Codfish are reported plenty, but few being taken owing to the scarcity of bait.

LUMBER.—Spruce continues in good supply, with a slight decline in prices. Good pine wanted. Laths in better demand. Shingles in full supply.

OATS.—None to be had.

OIL.—Kerosene in good supply. No demand at this season. Duty 7½d.

BANKS.—Round lots cannot be procured, and the same remarks may now be applied to potatoes. Prices in both cases nominal.

MONEY MARKET.

MONEY is very easy, and the demand light. Sterling Exchange is rather lower, with sales of round amounts on the street at 109½. Transactions have taken place between banks at the present quotations of New York, 109½ to 109½.

GOLD in New York has not fluctuated much during the week, keeping in the vicinity of 140, generally a fraction above. The closing rate yesterday was 140½. **SILVER** has been abundant at unchanged rates.

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

Bank on London 60 days sight	109½ to 110½
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Private, " 60 days sight	109 to 109½
Bank in New York 60 days sight	109½ to 109½
Gold Drafts on New York	par to ½ prem
Silver in New York	140½
Silver	4½ to 4½ dis

THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Ballie, James, Co.
Baskin, Hark & Co.
Johnstone, James & Co.
Clark, Jas. P. & Co.
Carton, T. James & Co.
Davis, W. & Co.
Foulds & Hodgson.
Gault, Hark & Co.
Gilmour, J. Y. & Co.
Greenfield, S., Son & Co.
Harrison, James & Co.
Lewis, Ray & Co.
Macfarlane, Andrew & Co.
MacKenzie, J. G. & Co.
Mackay, Joseph, & Bro.
May, Joseph.
May, Thomas, & Co.
McCulloch, Jack & Co.
McIntyre, Denoon & Co.
Moore, S. B. & J.
Muir, W. & R.
Munderloh & Stenden.
Ogilvy & Co.
Pinnell, Aubin & Co.
Robertson, A. J. & Co.
Roy, Jas. & Co.
Stephen, William, & Co.
Stirling, McCall & Co.
Thomas, Tobacconist & Co.

ANOTHER week of quietness has been added to a many previous, but with a slight indication of improvement. A good many goods are coming forward by every ship, some of which are being opened and marked, but the bulk of these are being bonded, as it is yet too early to prepare stocks for buyers.

The goods being opened are generally staples, and in Cottons show a marked decline on spring prices, quotations now beginning to appear cheap as compared with those for the past five years.

Trade will probably be late this season, as country merchants hold large stocks, and will desire to reduce them as low as possible before making their fall purchases. The elections, also, will be likely to interfere considerably with trade, and tend still more to postpone business. Some travellers are about leaving for their first trip, but we suppose it will be fully the middle of the month before samples will generally be complete, and the end of the month or the first week in September before stocks will be fully assorted and in trim for our Western friends.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Brush, George.
Charles, A. & Co.
Cairns & Carehill.
Currie, W. F. P. & Co.
Evans & Evans.
Evans, John Henry.
Foster & Co.
Fraser, F.
Gilbert, R. E.
Hall, Kay & Co.
Harris, W. H.
Kershaw & Edwards.
Morrison, Watson & Co.
Mullholland, & Baker.
Robertson, Jas.
Rounds, John & Sons.
Waddell & Pearce.

BUSINESS is completely flat, absolutely nothing doing. Not a single transaction is reported of any magnitude, and less freight in the shape of iron or hardware is offering for the West than at any time since the opening of navigation. Every one who can has gone out of town, and until the hot days are at an end, at least until the beginning or middle of September, we do not look for much animation in this department of trade. In the absence of business, quotations are mainly nominal.

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Baldwin, O. H., & Co.
Chapman, Fraser & Tylos.
Chapman, H. & Co.
Childs, George, & Co.
Converse, Colson & Lamb.
Davis, J. Lark, & Clayton.
Fitzpatrick & Moore.
Fountain, Jules.
Frank, J. C. & Co.
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.
Jaffey, Brothers & Co.
Anderson, John & Co.
Bishop & Kinloch.
Leeming, Thomas & Co.
Mitchell, James.
Phelan, Joseph.
Robertson & Wattie.
Robertson, David.
Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Tiffin, Joe, & Sons.
Thompson, Murray & Co.
Thurman, David, & Co.
West, Bros.

TRADE generally is quiet, the country trade in particular, and as a general thing prices remain as previously quoted.

TEAS.—There has been a more lively enquiry for Twankays and Uncolored Japans. Want of stock has prevented transactions in the former, but Japans have changed hands to a considerable extent at stiffer prices. They are now held at 600 for medium, and 600 for the finer grades. There has not been much doing in other classes of greens, and blacks are still neglected.

COFFEE.—Rio has been in better request, and is firmer, though we do not alter quotations.

SUGAR.—Messrs. H. Routh & Co. offered for sale by auction yesterday some 100 hhds. of bright grocery sugars Porto Rico, Cuba, and Barbadoes. The attendance was limited to a small number of city buyers, and the bidding was rather spiritless. About 35 hhds. only were sold, at prices ranging from \$8 30 to \$8 70 per 100 lbs.; the balance was withdrawn, figures realized not being considered satisfactory.

TOBACCO.—The leaf markets in the United States have been quite excited for the past month, and prices have advanced from 1½c per lb. on common, to 50 on fine leaf, and are very firm and brisk at the advance, without any chance of abatement, but exhibiting a strong tendency to further increase in price. The city manufacturers have been obliged to advance prices accordingly, and well known reliable brands are in short supply.

In other articles there is little doing, and in the absence of enquiry, prices continue as before.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick.
Cameron & Ross.
Converse, Colson & Lamb.
Crawford, James.
H. Leach, Thomas & Co.
Kirkwood, Livingston & Co.
Laidlaw, Middleton & Co.
Leeming, Thomas & Co.
Mitchell, Robt.
Raphael, Thomas W.
Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Seymour, C. E.

FLOUR.—Receipts, which have been light, have largely consisted of common goods drawn in from the States and elsewhere by the recent activity, and satisfactory rates ruling, a steady demand for Superfines has generally ruled, and latterly the supply of good reliable Flour has been inadequate to the demand, and towards the close enhanced rates were demanded, and to some extent given. Closing transactions in Superfine have been at \$7 50 for the commoner and somewhat doubtful samples ranging up to \$7 80 for strictly sound and good, while for delivery \$8 was secured for favourite sponging brands. Extras have been in full supply, and prices have not materially changed. Little disposition to operate in the commoner kinds has latterly been shown, owing to excessive supplies, and rates may be quoted somewhat lower. *Rye Flour*, though coming in sparingly, and the quantity in stock being gradually lessened, has nevertheless been depressed in price by the unfavourable reaction in the common goods. Latest sales from place of landing have been at \$5 90, and of choice from store at \$5 95. *Oat Flour*, good, is scarce, the supply being mainly from the local mills, and satisfactory prices have ruled. We quote \$3 60 to \$3 70 as closing rate for best, and \$3 60 to \$3 60 for ordinary. The market has been largely regulated of late by supplies, and till the new harvest is available, prices will mainly depend on receipts.

OATMEAL.—Little has been latterly done either for export or consumption, and rates have continued unchanged.

GRAIN.—Wheat.—The arrivals by rail have been fair for the season, and with previous accumulations, there has been rather more than the milling capacity could absorb, and to effect sales some little concession in prices has been found necessary. Latest sales of Upper Canada, 1½c were at \$1 54, from track and store. The recent improvement in flour will tend to enhance the value of wheat somewhat. *Pease* no change to note, supplies are small and consumption active, ruling prices are still 95c per 60 lbs. *Oats* have become very scarce, and now fetch 45c to 47c for city use.

PORK.—There is little change to note. Holders are

firm, and for the little changing hands full rates are secured. There is however no speculation and purchasers restrict themselves to present consumptive want.

CUTMEATS.—Continue in excess and fetch relatively low prices.

LARD.—Engages little attention, rates are nominal.

BUTTER.—Continues neglected as hitherto, and the weather being excessively hot, what arrives is necessarily much heated, and out of condition.

ASHERS.—Pots have been quiet without much change in value, towards the close rather more competition was manifested. *Pearls* continue neglected and drooping, nominal rate at the close \$0 90 to \$0 95, but no one buying except desirable tares.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Hus & Richardson.
Seymour, C. E.
Seymour, M. H.
Shaw F. & Bros.
Smith & Edmondson.

THE business of the past week has been of an improved character, though not positively active; and stocks of some descriptions have been considerably reduced.

SPANISH SOLE.—Has been coming forward rather more freely, but with continued fair sales, especially of low grades and No. 2 there is no accumulation.

SLAUGHTER SOLE.—No sales of any consequence are reported, and the demand is unimportant.

HARNESS.—We have no change no report; the market is quiet at recent quotations.

WAXED UPPER.—Stocks are small, and no immediate prospect of any great increase, as all fair stock finds ready sale on arrival at unchanged prices.

KIP.—Preference is given to imported stock, so that Canadian is moved with difficulty, and quotations cannot be realized at present.

GRAINED UPPER.—Has sold more freely; Choice at outside figures, and a round lot of Extra heavy as low as 40c.

BUFF AND PEBBLED.—The call is mainly for first class stock, which is not over abundant while poor is in full supply, and cannot be sold except at low rates.

PATENT AND ENAMELLED.—Continue dull with little or no enquiry.

CALFSKINS.—There is a fair amount of stock in market, but sales are slow even where concessions are made.

SPLITS.—Have been in fair request, particularly heavy, the supply of which is small.

SHEEPSKINS.—Are not in large stock, the call is only moderate.

HIDES.—Such as are suitable for curried or upper leather stock are scarce, and prices are very firm.

A WISE GENEROSITY.—Theodore S. Faxton, Esq., of Utica, who is largely interested in some manufacturing establishments in that city, is about to do a handsome thing for the benefit of the operatives. His plan is to erect a fine building in the western part of the city, near the cotton mills, at a cost of about \$20,000, which shall be exclusively their own, to contain a suitable hall for lectures, with reading room, library, and all such arrangements needful to mental and moral improvement. It is designed to make it a place far more attractive than the grog shop, and so, not only improve the condition of those who frequent it, but perchance also save some from utter ruin. It is a wise and noble work, and will long stand, we trust, a suitable monument to the sagacity and liberality of the founder.—*Moore's Rural New Yorker.*

PUNISHMENT OF SWINDLING IN FRANCE.—A London paper says M. Pollet, the banker of Roubaix, who failed some time ago with liabilities to the amount of 16,000,000f, and assets of about 2,000,000f, has just been condemned by the Police Court of Lille to five years' imprisonment and 3,000f fine for swindling. His horse enjoyed the highest reputation, so much so that an eminent banker declared that "any person inquiring about its credit would have been as much laughed at as if he had asked if the Rothschilds were solvent." Yet for thirty years it was in a most embarrassed position, and for a great many of them only excited by putting into circulation petitions, bills of exchange drawn and accepted by clerks, servants, women, &c. Amongst the victims are Lecuyer and Co., bankers, for 1,650,000f; the Bank of France, for 1,650,000f; Messrs. Fould and Co., for 1,650,000f; Messrs. Alfallet and Co., for 800,000f; and several other bankers for sums of 240,000f, 350,000f, 420,000f, and 500,000f.