in causing a quiet grocery trade. Some changes in values will undoubtedly be made by the new tariff, but as yet none of the houses are willing to make alterations in their price are willing to make alterations in their price lists. For raisins there is good demand, as a result of the scarcity of dried apples. Trade in sugars is quiet and rather limited. The N.Y. Journal and Bulletin of Commerce says of raw sugars: "All refiners have an ample working stock, and counting expected arrivals, probably control a considerable surplus; while at the same time importers suffer the approximation." at the same time importers suffer the annoy-ance of many cargoes and steamer lots coming along for which early returns are expected, and, under attempts to secure custom, they are at once placed at a disadvantage. The European markets are cabled rather tame in tone. Under the new tariff regulations the importation of brighter sugars is made possible by raising from 14 to 16 the Dutch standard. In canned goods a reduction in vegetables of from 2 to 14c. per lb. receives most discussion; changes have also been made in some canned meats, but as yet prices remain unaltered.

HARDWARE AND METALS .- Wholesale mer-Hardware and Metals.—Wholesale merchants have, everything being taken into consideration, done a satisfactory week's trade. The business doing at present is principally in general hardware and tinware. Trade in heavy hardware has not reached any great activity yet, but the "rush" is expected to begin almost immediately, and will probably be continued during the next four weeks. Spring rates are supposed to take effect on April 3rd. Values remain as yet generally unchanged, pending the ratification of the new tariff bill. Hoop iron, however, as the result of competition, is reduced 100. per 100 lbs.

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HIDES AND SKINS.—This week hides have met with somewhat better enquiry. Buyers have apparently come to the conclusion that at present prices good values are on the market. Sales in car lots of No. 1 cured hides are reported at 3½c.; prices of green remain unchanged. Only a quiet trade in sheepskins is reported; 80c. each continues to stand as the market quotation. Calfskins are quiet and uninteresting. Tallow is easy, dealers paying 5tc. and selling at 5tc.

LEATHER.—Both locally and on Eastern account, trade in Spanish sole shows improvement; the aggregate movement to the country jobbing trade has increased somewhat; but the parcels sent forward are small. Some export shipments of Spanish have been made to England during the week. In slaughter there is more trade doing, but it is impossible to report any improvement in values. Some shipments in splits have gone forward to England, and an export trade is being done, we believe, upon a fairly satisfactory basis.

Provisions .- The appearance of the market is much the same as a week ago. For butter is much the same as a week ago. For butter the demand about equals the supply, rolls forming the bulk of the receipts. The local cheese market remains quiet and with no change in prices reported. With the season about over, dressed hogs are quoted at \$5.50 per cwt.; in dressed hogs only a moderate trade at inchanged prices is being done. Receipts of fresh eggs have been excessive, but are now more moderate; prices are, however, lower and from 10 to 11½c, per doz. may be taken as a fair quotation; pickled are out of the market. Dried and evaporated apples remain without change.

One impediment to trade has been WOOL. removed by the announcement of the Canadian Budget. Until the new tariff regulations were known buying and selling were for the most part confined to the supplying of immediate needs. It now remains to be seen what the United States Congress will do with the Wilson Bill. During the week trade has been very quiet, and in the absence of business, values remain unchanged.

#### LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, March 29, 12.30 p. m

Wheat, Spring	5	2
[ Ked. Winter	5	1
No. 1 Cal	5	14
Corn	4	10%
Peas	4	11.
Lard	38	0
Pork	68	9
Bacon, heavy	32	6
Bacon, light	33	6
Tallow	26	0
Cheese, new white	£6	6
Cheese, new colored	56	6

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