boxes Scale Fish. 4 361 bbls, 26 hf-bbls, 10 qrs and 297 kits Mackarel. 1,960 bbls, 26 hf-bbls, 1 qtr Herrings. 60 bbls. 3 hf-bbls Alewives. 1 bbl 4 hf-bbls Salmon; and 16 kits Tongues and Sounds. Of the above, all the Cod and Scale Fish; 612 bbls 5 hf-bbls, 10 qtrs and 27 kits of Mackarel; 1,207 bbls, 3 hf-bbls, 12 tces Herring; and all the Alewives, Salmon, and Tongues and Sounds, were shipped to West Indies 3 382 bbls, 21 hf-bbls and 270 kits Mackarel; 50 cks, 436 bbls, 23 hf-bbls Herring to United States. 370 bbls Mackarel, 217 bbls Herrings to Canada *via* steamer to Portland

FRUIT—Continues quiet. The only arrivals we have to note this week are 200 boxes Oranges and 5 boxes Lemons from United States, and 3,000 boxes Oranges from Por o R co; 27 cses and 409 bxs Figs were shipped to United States.

PRODUCE—Is dull. The quantity afloat has greatly decreased. Oats are selling out of store in small lots at 47c to 50c. per bush. Potatoes unchanged. Butter is firmer, and the demand a little more active; the receipts are 117 pckges Butter from Canada *via* Portland; the exports 50 pkgs to West Indies.

PROVISIONS.—Pork continues quiet; the enquiry is limited to Mess, which moves off in small quantities. Beef is still dull, with no demand. The imports for the week are 220 bbls Pork, 3 tres 5 cs and 50 kgs Lard from the United States; and 25 pkges Lard from Canada

OILS.—Cod unchanged. Kerosene dull; it would not be safe to quote over 35c to 35c per gallon. The imports are 405 cks Kerosene from United States.

WEST INDIA PRODUCE.—The market has assumed a firmness in consequence of late advices from West Indies, which show an advance in both Molasses and Sugar Holders are asking an advance of ¼c per lb on Sugar, and it is probable that an advance will soon take place, although the stock on hand is large. Rum quiet, without change in rates. The imports have been 180 puns, 76 tcs, 70 bbls Molasses; 147 hhds 57 brls Sugar. The exports: 105 hhds Sugar, and 45 puns Molasses: of which 25 puns Molasses went to Canada, and 20 puns, and the 105 hhds Sugar to United States. We also note the following among the imports during the week. 70 tons Anthracite Coal, 34 chts, 25 hf-chts Tea; 50 bxs Tobacco; 50 bbls Refined Sugar; and 20 csks Vinegar, from United States; 75 cks Vinegar; 30 rolls leather; and 12 cs Hams, from Canada The following among our exports: 120 cks oats; 50 chts Tea; 300 bxs Candles; 220 tons Ice; 100 kegs Nails; 580 M Shingles; 41 M Lumber, 75½ M Wood Hoops; 31 Sheep, to West Indies; and 100 tons Plaster to United States.

FREIGHTS.—Several vessels have been chartered during the week. One of about 300 tons capacity to load ice for West Indies on private terms; three for New York at 40c per bbl (gold) for fish; one for Boston at 33c per bbl, and one to Philadelphia, fish, out, and a return cargo of corn, flour, &c , at 80c per bbl.

THE BANK OF COMMERCE.—A satisfactory proof of the unusual amount of capital in the Province seeking investment, and consequently of the renewed prosperity of the country, is afforded in the case of the new Bank of Commerce, the head quarters of which are soon to be opened in this city. It is hardly two months since the subscription list was opened; no prospectus holding out golden hopes to future shareholders has been published, no extraordinary effort has been made to fill the pages of the new stock-book: —and yet, notwithstanding the absence of these usual preludes to the commencement of a banking institution, the whole amount of capital required, one million of dollars, has been subscribed within the short period mentioned. Moreover, so plentiful is the supply of money that within the past two days, since the closing of the subscription list, over one hundred thousand dollars have been offered in excess of the required amount by parties anxious to invest in the stock of the bank. A meeting of the shareholders is called for the 18th prox , to be held in this city, for the purpose of electing directors under the provisions of the act of incorporation, and it is expected that the bank will begin operations on the 1st of May. It will commence under auspices as favourable as have attended the birth of any banking enterprise in the country, and, if managed even with ordinary ability and discretion—and that it will be, there is no reason whatever to doubt—it may be congratulated upon having before it a long and prosperous career.—*Toronto Leader.*

THE GULF FISHERIES.—A correspondent at Shippegan, Gloucester County, writes to the Miramichi *Gleaner*:—"It is to be hoped that H. M. S. Fawn may be put on the station in the Gulf next season for the benefit and protection of our Fisheries. At no time has there a more judicious and efficient service been performed than was done under Commander Basil Hall, in about eight days last summer. He boarded 120 American vessels in the Gulf, out of these only six were found wanting, and the delinquents soon cleared out of the Gulf."

MONEY MARKET.

WE have no change to report in the money market. There is a steady demand for accommodation, which the banking institutions find no difficulty in granting to their customers. Sterling Exchange has been selling for to-day's mail at 109¼ to 109½ for 60 day Bank Drafts, cash, and at 109¾ to 110 for discounts Sight Exchange is quoted at 109¾. Best Bankers 60 day Bills in New York sold yesterday at 108¾ to 108⅞ for gold. Sight drafts on New York payable in gold, have been sold at par.

GOLD in New York has declined somewhat, closing yesterday at 133¼.

SILVER is scarce, and in demand, buying at 3¼ to 3½, and selling at 3 to 3¼ per cent discount.

THE DRY GOODS TRADE

Baillie, James, & Co.	May, Joseph.
Auldjo, Beck & Co.	May, Thomas, & Co.
Johnston, James, & Co.	McCulloch, Jack & Co.
Black, Lewis & Co.	McIntyre, Denoon & Co.
Clark, Jas. P. & Co	Meyer, J., & Co.
Sutton, T. James, & Co.	Moss, S. H., & J.
Davis, Welsh & Co.	Muir, W., & R.
Evans, Shearer & Co.	Mandelbaum & Steencken
Smith & Hodgson.	Ogilvy & Co.
Gault, Bros & Co.	Pitfield, Aubin & Co.
Hoover, J. J., & Co.	Prevost, Anable, & Co.
Greenshields, S., Son & Co.	Robertson, A., & Co.
Houghton, James, & Co.	Roy, Jas., & Co.
Lewis, Kay & Co.	Stephen, William, & Co.
Macfarlane, Andrew, & Co.	Stirling, McCall & Co.
McKenzie, J. G. & Co.	Thomas, Thibaudeau & Co
Mackay, Joseph, & Bro.	Winks, George, & Co.

THE business of the week since our last report has not been quite as active as the more sanguine would desire. We find quite a diversity of opinion, some houses complaining that the amount of business being done is decidedly less than for the same time last year, while others, including some of the most extensive, report sales up to this period perfectly satisfactory, and look forward to the continuance of a reasonably active trade, appearing to think that there will not be an overstock in the market. We observe that the imports still continue large, and for this port, in excess of last year, so that, taking into consideration the large quantity of goods held over, stocks held by importers are now very heavy. But with decreasing imports from this forward, which may be expected, and with a reasonably active trade for the remainder of the spring, stocks will have tolerably well run down by the end of the season. Buyers, although acting cautiously, are purchasing fair parcels, and as the country generally is in a sound condition, there is a probability of a good demand from Western merchants.

There is no remarkable change to note in goods or prices. Goods are generally being sold low,—and as stocks are still well assorted, buyers find no difficulty in having their wants supplied, and at satisfactory rates.

COTTONS are in good supply, but with no appearance of an overstock. The demand is fair and prices are steady.

LINENS —Stocks are well assorted, and a reasonably active demand continues

WOOLENS.—Present appearances indicate that the supply is more than sufficient to meet the wants of the trade, and an anxiety is being manifested to reduce stocks somewhat. Evidently our Canadian manufactures are taking the place, to a considerable extent of the imported article in this department, and great caution will require to be exercised by our importers to avoid an overstock of the class of Woollen goods so largely being made here.

Fancy and Dress goods, shawls, &c., are still well represented, the demand for all desirable styles continuing good. The assortment of Hosiery, Gloves, Haberdashery, &c., is good, and no scarcity apparent as yet.

The latest cable despatches quote Cotton dull and declining at 12½d. for Middling Uplands, and 13½d for Middling Orleans.

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Anderson, John & Co.	Kingan & Kinloch.
Baldwin, C. H., & Co.	Leeming, Thomas & Co.
Chapman, Fraser & Tylee.	Mitchell, James.
Chapman H., & Co.	Phelan, Joseph
Childs, George, & Co.	Robertson & Beattie.
Davie, Clark, & Clayton,	Robertson, David.
Fitzpatrick & Moore.	Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Fournier, Jules	Tiffin, Jos., & Sons.
Franck, J. C., & Co.	Thompson, Murray & Co.
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.	Torrance, David, & Co.
Jeffery, Brothers & Co.	West, Bros.

Winn & Holland.

BUSINESS during the week has been exceedingly quiet; the country roads especially in Western Canada, are mostly broken up, unfit for either sleighing or wheeling—and the state of the railroads are generally such at this period of the year, that business men do not care to transmit more than is absolutely necessary over them. Dry Goods of course form an exception, but groceries especially of heavy staples are only bought for shipment to the West, in cases of extreme necessity. Our business is therefore confined to the City trade, which does not at present offer much encouragement, especially as there is a total absence of speculation.

COFFEE.—The market is very quiet, and our last weeks prices are unchanged. In fact the demand for coffee has so far fallen off, that very few changes occur.

DRUGS. Business during the week has been dull, but several of our staple articles have run short in stock, and consequently are held for higher prices. Caustic Soda and Soda Crystals have advanced; we do not remark any change in other articles.

FISH.—There has been very little doing, the season of Lent being nearly over. We quote round lots of No. 1 Split Herrings, at $4 to $4 25; gibbed do, $3. No round offering. Codfish—Dry Table, worth $5.50 to $6. No green cod in the market.

FRUIT —The market is very quiet The stocks are considerable, and no activity is at present expected. Our prices remain unchanged.

MOLASSES —There has been more activity, especially in the lower grades. Considerable sales have been made to the refineries. Barbadoes have sold from 35c to 35½c; Clayed, at 35c to 38c; Muscovado, 37½c to 40c.

NAVAL STORES —This is a very dull season for most descriptions. The demand for *Rosin* has fallen off and prices are declining. Some retail sales of *Pitch* at our quotations *Turpentine*—There has been more demand, but our quotations are maintained—prices being comparatively low, large sales will likely be made this spring, as it is not worth while using the different substitutes.

OILS.—*Linseed*—There is no change in prices, but the tendency is upwards, and the spring business will shortly set in. *Fish Oils*—Are dull at present, and stocks ample. *Seal*—Pale is worth 80c to 82½c; straw do. 75c to 77½c *Cod*—Remains unchanged *Bleached Whale*—Sells slowly at $1 to $1 05; Crude do. 85c to 90c. Montreal *Manufactured Oils*—Machinery is active at 65c to 75c; Engine oil, $1 to $1.10; and lard oil extra 90c; and No 1, 85c No change in other qualities

RICE.—The demand has been purely of a retail character, but prices are firmly maintained. Arracan sells at $4, Rangoon at $3 75, and less for inferior qualities.

SUGAR.—Business in raw sugars has been very much crippled here, on account of the peculiar advantages given to the refining establishments Importers complain that they cannot bring raw sugars into this market with any chance of a profit, and therefore only import the lower or refinery grades. Some two cargoes of Cuba's are on the market, but so far have not been placed Small lots of Porto Rico have been sold at 8c. to 8¼c., and Cuba's 7¾c. to 8c. *Refined*—No change in price, but considerable sales are making.

Imports of sugars from 1st January to 1st April:

1866		1867.	
Lbs.	Val.	Lbs	Val.
2,751,287	$131 313	10,745,888	$588,163

Stock in bond of sugar on 1st April, 1867:

	Lbs.	Val.
Yellow Musc... ...	2,316 643	$109 208
Brown do.	8,016 492	$301,313
Not equal to Brown ..	2,544,164	$101,276

SALT.—The bulk of Liverpool coarse is held in one hand, and prices are unchanged, but the demand is merely of a retail character. Fine is more in request, especially as the butter season will soon open.

SOAP —The importations of English soap are rapidly declining, and in fact will soon cease. Our manufacturers are now making a *superior* article to the imported, and at a lower price. Our price lists will shew the difference, and the general opinion of the public has decided in favor of the superior quality, both of common and perfumed soaps. A large business is doing, and will be done, several large establishments working to their fullest capacity.

TEA.—Business during the week has been exceedingly dull, and strictly limited to the town trade. The West is fairly supplied, and is not likely to enter the market to any extent till after the opening of the navigation, when the spring sales take place. There has been some enquiry for Twankays, Young Hysons, and Japans, but it has led to few transactions.