

	JUNE 29.		JULY 6.	
	Asked.	Bid.	Asked.	Bid.
<b>LOAN COMPANIES.</b>				
Farmer's Loan .....	128	128	128	126
L. & C. L. & A. ....	135	131	132	128
National Investment, xd.	110	108½	109½	108
People's Loan .....	111	108	110½	108
Real Estate Loan & Deb.	96	96	100	97
Lon. & Ont. Invest. ....	118	118	118	118
Land Security Co. ....	144½	144½	144½	144½
Manitoba Loan, xd. ....	125	120	123	120
Huron & Erie, xd. ....	158	158	158	158
Dominion Savings & Loan, xd.	116	116	116	116
Ontario Loan & Deb., xd.	130	130	130	130
Canada Sav. & Loan .....	112	112	112	112
London Loan .....	130	130	130	130
Hamilton Provident, xd. ....	107	107	107	107
Brant Loan & Sav. Co., xd.	130	130	130	130
Ontario Investment .....	107	107	107	107
Manitoba Investment .....	107	107	107	107
English Loan .....	107	107	107	107
British Canada .....	107	107	107	107
Agricultural Sav. and Loan.	141	141	141	141
Royal L. ....	141	141	141	141
Ontario and Qu'Appelle .....	141	141	141	141
<b>DEBENTURES.</b>				
Dom. G. Stock, 5 p. c.	6	6	6	6
County (Ont) 6 " .....	6	6	6	6
Township (Ont.) 6 " .....	6	6	6	6
City of Toronto 6 " .....	6	6	6	6

## Commercial.

### MONTREAL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

DULNESS FOLLOWING DOMINION DAY.

WAITING TO SEE WHAT THE CROPS WILL BE.

EARLY DRY GOODS TRAVELLERS ON THE ROAD.

COUNTRY BUYERS OF IRON HOLDING OFF FOR LOWER PRICES.

MONTREAL, July 5th, 1882

The holidays of the past few days have completely unhinged the business of the week in wholesale circles, dry goods and groceries having shown extreme quietness, as well as iron and hardware and other leading lines. The only department in which there can be said to be any activity is the boot and shoe manufacturing business. Remittances, however, are generally satisfactory, but much will yet depend upon the nature of the coming harvest before a good fall business is assured.

**Dry Goods.**—Travellers are now generally on the road, but as yet there has not been sufficient time to form any idea as to the nature of the trip. A few orders have been received from those travellers who took the road early, but there seems to be a general disposition on the part of country merchants to wait until a more definite idea can be formed of the crops, before ordering any extensive lines of fall goods. The sale of damaged goods in this city during the week have been well attended, but most of the purchases were made by city retailers.

**Iron and Hardware.**—There is very little change to report in pig iron, as western buyers are still holding off in the fond hope that something must eventually turn up between now and the fall, either in the shape of lower freights from the other side, or in a tumble in the price of iron in Great Britain. Last year, if we remember rightly, they pursued the same policy, but with what results we believe they are the best judges. Sales are reported of 150 tons of Garscherrie at \$21.75; 50 tons Cambroo at \$20.50; and 60 tons Eglinton at \$20.25. One small lot of C-iron is also reported at \$22. In bar iron the market is firm at \$2 to \$2.15 for Staffordshire crown and equal brands. There have been sales of tin plates at \$5.25 to \$5.30 for I. C. charcoal, and at \$1.40 to \$1.50 for coke. Canada plates have sold at \$3.15 to \$3.20 for Penn and equal brands. General hardware is quiet and prices are steady, a few fall orders having been received from travellers. Remittances are reported fair.

**Grain.**—This has been one of the quietest weeks experienced in wholesale groceries for some time past, both as regards the city jobbing and country trade. In sugar there has been a decline of ½c. in granulated, latest transactions being reported at 9½ to 9¾ in the refineries. In raw sugar, however, there has been more doing at 7½c. to 7¾c. for bright Barbadoes and Porto Ricos in round lots, some 200 hds. having changed hands at those figures. Molasses are quiet and firm, with sales

of Barbadoes at 52½ to 55c., a lot of Antigua selling at 49½c., and Trinidad at 47c. In fruit the season is about over, and in most the market is flat, the only sales of any moment being in low grade and common Japans at 15c. to 21c. Coffee is quiet, and spices are firm at quotations. Rice has changed hands at \$3.60 to \$3.75.

**DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.**—Advices just received from England state large sales of bicarb. soda have been made in Liverpool on Montreal account, at \$8.10s. A slight improvement has taken place in caustic soda on the other side, and a few cable orders from this side have recently been filled at current rates. Here the sales are reported of a large lot of bicarb., at \$2.90, and a round lot of caustic soda at \$2.25. There is a little more inquiry for cream tartar crystals, with sales at 29s. to 29½. Bleaching powder is firm at \$1.60 to \$1.65. Roll sulphur has been placed as low as \$2.00, and flower of sulphur at \$2.75 to \$2.80, for round quantities. Sal soda has met with some inquiry at 95c. to \$1.00. In drugs there is no material change.

**OILS.**—The past week has been productive of no important alteration in this line, the demand being slack and prices firm owing to small stocks, which are not likely to be augmented to any extent. A few sales of steam refined seal have been made at 70c. to 71c. per gallon. Newfoundland cod oil has been placed in small quantities at 61c. to 62½, and linsed oil at 70s. to 71c. raw, and 73c. to 75c. boiled. Refined petroleum is steady at 19c. to 19½c. in car lots.

**LEADS AND PAINTS.**—A fair business has been done in white lead in oil at \$6.50 to \$6.75 for round quantities, and dry white lead at 4½c. to 5c., up to 5½c. and 6c. for best qualities. Red lead, dry, is steady at 4c. to 5c.

**BOOTS AND SHOES.**—The improvement in this department of the wholesale trade noticed in our previous report has been emphasized during the week, and manufacturers report a much brisker business as a result of increasing orders from travellers who are now taking fall orders. A few western jobbers have also sent in some good-sized orders, and altogether the outlook for the fall business is better than was expected a short time since. Remittances are fair.

**LEATHER.**—Although boot and shoe men are busy turning out large quantities of goods they appear to be, in a great measure, independent of leather dealers, as they had previously laid in good stocks at low figures. A few small manufacturers, however, have been buying, and probably a little better volume of business in leather may be reported, but not sufficient to warrant any improvement in leather. There have been a few sales of plump Spanish sole at 24½c. to 25c. No. 2 selling at 22c. to 22½c. In black leather the situation shows little or no improvement upon that of the past few weeks. Waxed upper and splits are still quiet and in excess of the demand. Other kinds are unchanged.

**HIDES AND SKINS.**—Sales of No. 1 green hides are reported at \$8.00 and three cars of western hides at \$9.25 for No. 1, a car of No. 1 cured native hides selling at \$9.37½. Skins are unchanged.

**WOOL.**—There is a steady feeling in foreign wools, owing to the continued firmness in the Colonial wool sales in London, and the steady tone of the American markets for fine grades. In this market we hear of sales of Cape lots of from 6,000lbs. to 15,000lbs., each at 18½c. to 20½c., extra qualities bringing 21c. to 21½c. Australian is steady at 23s. to 24½c. for low grades, and 28½c. to 31c. for good to choice combing. Native wools are still very dull, fleece being quoted at 23c. to 24c. Unassorted Canada pulled is quiet and nominal.

**COAL.**—On Monday last dealers advanced the price of anthracite coal 25c. to 30c. per ton, to \$6.25 for stove and chestnut, and \$6.15 for egg. In steam coal there have been sales of a large lot of Scotch at \$5.25, about 1500 tons changing hands. Picton is steady at \$4.50 to \$4.75, and Cape Breton at \$4 to \$4.25 per gross ton, ex ship.

**PHOSPHATE.**—During the past week the barque Wimmera took out a part cargo of phosphate for London, besides what has been taken by steamers; and owing to the improved demand for Canadian phosphate abroad, dealers here are making great efforts to get all the ore they possibly can before freights go much higher. We quote 75 per cent. phosphate f.o.b. Montreal at \$19 to \$19.50, and 80 to 85 per cent. phosphate at \$21 to \$22 per ton. About 7,000 or 8,000 tons have already been shipped from this port. There is a good enquiry for high grade phosphate for Germany.

**LUMBER.**—Within the past ten days or so, three sailing vessels have left port with deals for West Hartlepool, England, one for London, and one for Cardiff. Two vessels have also left with cargoes of lumber for South America. Shipping culls are scarce, and sales are reported at \$14.00 in large lots, and at \$15.00 to \$16.00 for jobbing lots from yards. The sale of a lot of ash for the American market is reported at \$20.00, and sales of white and red pine have taken place at \$20.00 to \$25.00, a lot of very choice bringing as high as \$30.00 per 1,000 feet. There is still a good demand for white pine for Winnipeg, several car loads having been shipped to that city during the week. The yards are being filled up with new season's hard and soft lumber, and prices remain generally firm. Black walnut, per 1,000 ft., \$90 to \$100; oak, per 1,000 ft., \$45 to \$60; maple, per 1,000 ft., \$25 to \$35; birch, per 1,000 ft., \$20 to \$35; rock elm, per 1,000 ft., \$30 to \$35; ash, per 1,000 ft., \$20 to \$25; butternut, per 1,000 ft., \$35 to \$40; cherry, per 1,000 ft., \$60. Soft Wood.—Hemlock, per 1,000 ft., \$9 to \$10; spruce, per 1,000 ft., \$10 to \$12; basswood, per 1,000 ft., \$15 to \$18; Pine, 1st quality, per 1,000 ft., \$35 to \$40; pine, 2nd quality, per 1,000 ft., \$20 to \$30; Pine, mill cull, per 1,000 ft., \$10.50 to \$12; Shipping culls, per 1,000 ft., \$15 to \$16; Pickings, per 1,000 ft., \$20 to \$25, first and second qualities, per 1,000 ft., \$30 to \$40.