week. Superior Extra, none offering. Stock of flour in store on 3rd May, 22,056., and the 12th April 26,912 bbls. The first cargo of flour for the season has cleared for Halifax. *Oatmeal*—is in a good deal better demand; small lots selling at $5.75 to $6. *Cornmeal*—is also in good demand, and is selling in small lots at $3.75 to $4.

PROVISIONS.—Stocks of provisions in this market are very light, being only sufficient for the requirements of local consumption. *Butter*—is a drug, no demand except in retail. *Eggs*—have been received more freely and are worth 12c. Other articles nominal as quoted.

FREIGHTS.—The following are the Grand Trunk Railway Company's summer rates from Toronto to the undermentioned stations, which came into force on the 19th inst.:—Flour to all stations from Belleville to Lynn, inclusive 25c.; grain per 100 lbs. 13c.; flour to Brockville and Cornwall, inclusive, 30c.; grain, 15c.; flour to Montreal, 35c.; grain, 18c.; flour to all stations between Island Pond and Portland, inclusive, 75c. grain 38c.; flour to Boston, 80c. gold; grain 40c.; flour to Halifax, 90c.; flour to St. John, 85c. Freights by the Great Western Railway, to all points, unchanged.

Demerara Sugar Market.

The following is from Sandbach, Parker & Co's. market report, dated, Georgetown, Demerara, 23rd March, 1869:

SUGARS.—We have had a very active market, and prices have advanced fully twenty per cent. Immediately after the arrival of last mail, buyers entered into keen competition, and sales were made as high as $7 90 for Vacuum Pan, the next ten days prices reduced a little, and, $7. 60 to $7 70, was the ruling quotation; since the arrival of the present mail, there is not so much disposition to operate, and the views of buyers are not in accordance with those of sellers: the transactions at public sale yesterday and to-day have been limited, our quotations are however, framed on the mean between the two parties, and are rates which we expect to see obtained during the week; the demand for Muscovadoes was quite as good as for Vacuum Pan, the quantity offering was however small.

MOLASSES.—For really good samples, there has been an active demand, and the extreme prices of 38½ for Vacuum Pan and 32½ for Muscovado have been realized; for the lower grades the enquiry has been dull, and we have the same remark to make regarding the present state of this market as of Sugar.

RUM.—Very little doing, holders prefer shipping to accepting the rates offered here; we have not heard of a single transaction of consequence

SUGARS (package included) sold by 100 lbs. Dutch, 10 per cent. tare.

Muscovadoes, equal to No. 8 Dutch Standard	$4.50 ℔ 100 lbs.	In hhds. of about 1800 lbs. each.
No. 10 do.	$5.00 "	
" 12 do.	$5.50 "	
Vacuum Pan No. 12 do.	$6.00	
" " 14 do.	6.50	
" " 16 do.	6.75	
" " 17 do.	7.00	
" " 18 do.	7.50	

MOLASSES (package included, sold by Imperial gallon.)—

Muscovado, from 26 @ 30 cents, as to color and density	In puns of 100 gals.
Vacuum Pan from 27 @ 35 cents, as to color and density	
RUM (colored, package included, sold by Imperial gal. from 35 per cent, @ 38 overproof 40 cents.	Ditto.
From 38 per cent. @ 40 overproof, 45 cents.	

Halifax Market.

BREADSTUFFS.—Our markets for supers. continue active at quotations. The demand for No. 2 is reviving. Rye flour continues unsought for. White fall wheats dull at nominal price, with large stocks. Cornmeal active at quotations. Oatmeal dull and lower, with large stocks.

WEST INDIA PRODUCE.—Sugar continues active at full rates, with light receipts. Molasses dull and nominal, holders and buyers continue apart, and transactions are small. Rum inactive at former quotations. Coffee inactive and nominal.

Sugar V. P. 10½c to 11c.; Porto Rico 9½ to 9¾c; Cienfuegos ———; Barbadoes 9c. to 9½c. (nominal); Molasses (P. R.) ——; Cienfuegos 41c. to 42c.: Trinidad 40c. to 41c.; Rum 58c. to 60c. for Demerara (in bond); Coffee—Jamaica 12c. (nominal).

EXCHANGE.—Bank drafts London at 60 days at 13 per cent.; Montreal sight 4 per cent.: New York gold 4 per cent.; currency 21 per cent. discount; St. John, N.B. 3½ per cent. premium.

Petroleum Regulations.

The Commissioner of Inland Revenue has issued a departmental notice, based on an order in Council dated 23rd April, allowing petroleum in process of manufacture to be removed under removal bonds. To reduce the fire test from 115° to 100° Faht. for petroleum intended solely for exportation. To dispense in part, or in whole, with the payment of the fee for testing petroleum. To dispense with the branding or marking the same, if deemed necessary.

His Excellency in Council has also been pleased to authorise the following regulations respecting the removal and exportation of petroleum:—1st—Petroleum may be removed, in bond, from the place where it has been distilled to any other licensed refinery for the purpose of deodorizing it, or otherwise completing its manufacture in bond, without payment of duty. 2nd—When petroleum in process of manufacture is removed in bulk—that is to say, in tank cars, or other vessels containing large quantities—and when the removal is made under removal bonds, the inspection fee of twenty cents per package is only to be collected on each tank or other package. 3rd—Petroleum, refined for exportation, may be inspected and branded; or it may be exported without inspection or branding, at the option of the exporter, and if exported without inspection or branding the inspection fee is not to be collected, but the refiner shall nevertheless, make a full return of his operations, and give a true account of the quantities refined by him in the same manner as if the products of his refinery were going into consumption. An allowance for waste occasioned by the process of deodorization, not exceeding 7 per cent., may be deducted from the quantity specified in the removal bonds, provided that such waste is proven to the satisfaction of the Collector of the Inland Revenue, and provided also that no part of the residuum composing the waste occasioned shall go into consumption for any purpose whatever.

SUGAR RAISING.—Within a few years past several European countries have directed considerable attention to the manufacture of sugar from beet roots. Last year 220,000 tons were made in France; 165,000 in Germany; 97,500 in Russia; 92,500 in Austria; 82,500 in Belgium; 15,000 in Poland and Sweeden, and 7,500 tons in Holland. Some English capitalists are making extensive arrangements for the manufacture of beet root sugar, while the French government is doing all in its power to stimulate it. Many assert that beet sugar is clearer than cane sugar, and because of this and other reasons, is preferable to the latter.

—The following notice appears in the Canada *Gazette*:—Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at its next Session, for an Act to incorporate Freeman Tupper, Thomas R. Pattillo, James F. Forbes. John H. Mulhall, John G. Morton, John D. McClearn, Lewis Sponagle, Stephen C. Tupper, James S. Sponagle, J. N. Freeman, Thomas Day, Joseph Inness, all of Liverpool, Queen's County, Nova Scotia, and others, under the name of "The Bank of Liverpool."

— The Anglo-American Peat Company launched a double-decked scow, called the *Nellie Cox*, at Edgarville, Welland County, the other day. She is to be employed in the service of the Company, and will have a peat machine on board.

—Notices of application from the Erie and Niagara Extension Railway Company and Erie and Niagara Railway Company to the next Dominion Parliament for powers authorizing both or either of these railway companies to construct and operate for a railway or other purposes a bridge over or a tunnel under Niagara River, or near Fort Erie, in the County of Welland, to co-operate in construction and management with any similar corporate powers existing within the State of New York, or to be created by the Congress of the United States; said bridge to have 250 feet span, to rise above high-water mark 20 feet, to be of stone or iron piers, or wrought iron or steel superstructure, and to have a draw of 270 feet for vessels.