THE GROCERY TRADE.

Baldwin, C. H., & Co.
Chapman, Fraser & Tylee.
Chapman H., & Co.
Childs, George, & Co.
Converse, Colson & Lamb.
Franck, J. C., & Co.
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.
Jeffery, Brothers & Co.
Kingan & Kinloch.
Mathewson, J. A.
Mitchell, James.
Robertson & Beattie.
Robertson, David.
Tiffin, Bros
Thompson, Murray & Co
T... ..., ...vid, & Co.
W...
Winning, ...ll & Ware.

DURING the past week we have had a fair amount of activity, though in consequence of holiday times and also coming trade sales, transactions have mostly been limited. In some articles however some large lots have changed hands, and the general feeling for almost all holders of staple goods is to hold on for full figures in preference to selling.

TEAS—Have had fair attention for all grades, though chiefly for Uncoloured Japans about 50c to 52½c, of which about 2,000 half-chests have been placed, and prices may be quoted a full 1c to 1½c per lb. higher than last week. Twankays continue very scarce and much enquired for, also low and medium Young Hysons, but the market is almost bare of those teas, and prices in the old country will not lay down here to pay the importer. Nothing doing in Black.

COFFEE.—But little enquired for. No change in prices.

SUGAR.—Has had a better demand, and the feeling of firmness in the New York market has caused a corresponding feeling on the part of holders here, some small lots were placed at auction, of fair grocery Porto Rico at $7.40 to $7.70, but sellers would not continue at those figures and withdrew, balance for $8 and over. At private sale holders very firm. No change at the refinery.

MOLASSES—Has had fair attention, and buyers are more disposed to pay the figures required by holders. Lots now in markets are in most cases very fine samples. Clayed may be quoted at 30c to 35c Muscovado (bright) and Demerara 38c to 45c, very little Centrifugal in market.

RICE—Has been somewhat neglected, though some lots just arrived. Good Rangoon have been readily placed, and fine samples Arracan are better enquired for.

FRUIT—With the exception of raisins, has not been in demand. Layers are still confined to the small stocks (new not having yet arrived) and holders are firm in their demand at $2 10 to $2 15 Currants somewhat more enquired for.

SPICES—Very little doing and unchanged.

FISH—In good demand, and full prices willingly paid for good lots, dry table cod say $4.75 to $5. Labrador herrings are also much enquired for, but really good No 1 are hardly obtainable.

OILS—Some cod oil changed hands to speculators, held somewhat firm. now at 50c. Seal oils remain unchanged. Lard oil having run out, Sax's engine is in good demand.

THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

McLaren, W. & Co.

THIS week's operations were not opened out as anticipated, but will no doubt greatly improve the latter end of the season.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Crathern & Caverhill.
Evans & Evans.
Evans, John Henry.
Hall, Kay & Co.
Ireland, W. H.
Morland, Watson & Co.
Mulholland, & Baker.
Robertson, Jas.
Waddell & Pearce.

BUSINESS within the last week has fairly opened out, and is much larger than anticipated; prices of all goods are well maintained, and there is every prospect of advances in prices of iron, owing to advices from England where it is going up. Stocks of all kinds are well assorted, and probably larger than at this time last year, with every prospect of it all being required. There are not many buyers as yet in town, but we believe on the whole, a fair fall business will be done.

PIG IRON—Moving off more rapidly recently than it has been for some time, at remunerative prices.

BAR IRON.—Stocks are large and in good demand Prices unaltered.

HOOP AND BAR IRON.—Good demand, at prices which have not changed since last week.

BOILER PLATES- Are inactive at unchanged quotations.

TIN PLATES.—Stocks are not large and prices are consequently fair. Canada plates have been overdone this season, and large lots have been forced on the market at and under cost

NAILS—Are still in a very unsettled state, the iron master's stocks being forced on the market at unprofitable prices.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Akin & Kirkpatrick.
Black & Locke.
Converse, Colson & Lamb.
Crawford, James.
Dawes Brothers & Co.
Hannan, M., & Co.
Hobson, Thomas, & Co.
Mitchell, Robt.
Raphael, Thomas W.

FLOUR.—The market for the end of past week remained firm and steady, with a moderate consumptive and shipping business doing, absorbing the bulk of the receipts at rates mostly unchanged for good down to ordinary Supers. Choice and favourite brands alone being sought after at slightly stiffening prices. The large arrivals, near 16,000 barrels, for the first three days of this week have completely prostrated the markets, buyers having withdrawn for the most part; only a trifling business has been transacted notwithstanding that holders are in many instances offering at reduced rates. The tone of the market is weak and the feeling gains ground that prices of flour, wheat and breadstuffs generally, must settle down to shipping point. at which operators can see their way clear to export to Britain with some reasonable prospect of profit. In Extras the demand is merely by retail, and the same may be also said of all grades below superfine.

GRAIN.—*Wheat*—The advancing rates of freight both in New York and here have depressed the wheat market, and shippers are only willing to operate at reduced rates. Millers are buying cautiously and merely lay in stock from hand to mouth. *Pease*—Arrivals are limited to a few carloads which are taken ex. store at from 97½c, to $1 per 66 lbs. according to quality.

PROVISIONS.—*Pork*—The demand continues the merest retail—prices are maintained with difficulty although stocks are small and in few hands. *Butter*—Little doing here this season in this article the sales range from 19c to 22c according to quality. The arrivals are mostly for direct shipment to Britain, where the price is well sustained hitherto.

ASHES.—*Pots* have declined slightly during the week and close quiet and steady. *Pearls*—The decline noticed still continues, and with heavy stocks both here and in Britain. The transactions are merely for small actual orders principally for export to the United States.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Black & Locke.
Bryson, Campbell.
Seymour, M. H.
Shaw F. & Bros.
Akin & Kirkpatrick.

THE business of the past week has been moderate; particular call being made for prime classes of Buff and Pebble; of this kind of stock the demand is far greater than the supply. Prices still continue as last quoted, with little prospect of an immediate advance.

ASSIGNEES APPOINTED.

NAME OF INSOLVENT.	RESIDENCE.	NAME OF ASSIGNEE.
Cown, A.	Ottawa	F. Clemow.
Davis, James	Montreal	A. B. Stewart.
Johnson, W.	Montreal	T. S. Brown.
McMahon, J.	Whitby	J. Holden.
Thompson, A	Kingston	R. M. Rose.
Ward, James	Toronto	Thos. Clarkson.

APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGE.

NAME.	RESIDENCE.	DATE.	
Arnold, W	Brampton	Nov.	23
Brady, J.	Toronto	"	12
Burroughs, J. W.	Stanstead Plain	Dec.	21
Brethen H.	Napanee	Nov.	24
Brown, J.	Cobourg	"	24
Bagnell, Thomas	Mono	"	14
Godin, J.	Stanstead Plain	Dec.	21
Hall, L. K	Stanstead Plain	"	21
Hoskins, R. A	Toronto	Nov.	23
Martin, J. D.	Berlin	"	25
McKinnon, A.	Cannington	"	24
McBean, A.	Cobourg	"	20
McLeod, J.	Guelph	Oct.	5
Wilks, James	Brantford	Nov.	26
Wilson, J.	Toronto	"	30

STOCK MARKET.

	Closing prices.	Last Week's Prices.
BANKS.		
Bank of Montreal,	134 a 131	131½ a 136
Bank of B. N. A.,	102½ a 103½	102 a 00
City Bank,	102 a 102½	102 a 00
Banque du Peuple,	105¼ a 106	104 a 106
Molsons Bank,	Books closed.	106 a 00
Ontario Bank,	98 a 98½	97¾ a 98¼
Bank of Toronto,	115 a 00	115 a 108
Quebec Bank	97½ a 98½	97½ a 98½
Bank Nationale	106½ a 108	106 a 108
Gore Bank,	40 a 42½	40 a 00
Banque Jacques Cartier,	106 a 108	106 a 108
Eastern Townships Bank,	95 a 00	96 a 00
Merchants Bank,	103¾ a 105½	105 a 105½
Union Bank,	101½ a 102½	102 a 00
Mechanics Bank	95 a 97	94 a 97
Royal Canadian Bank	88½ a 91	88 a 91
Bank of Commerce	101½ a 00	101½ a 00
RAILWAYS.		
G. T R. of Canada	15 a 16	15 a 16
A. & St, Lawrence	....	....
G. W. of Canada	16 a 17	16 a 17
C. & St. Lawrence	9 a 11	9 a 11
Do. preferential	67½ a 00	67½ a 00
MINES, &c.		
Montreal Consols	$2.90 a $3.15	$3.00 a $3.50
Canada Mining Company	....	....
Huron Copper Bay	25 a 50	25 a 50
Lake Huron S. & C.	....	....
Quebec & Lk. S.	....	....
Montreal Telegraph Co.,	133½ a 135	133 a 135
Montreal City Gas Company	Books closed.	Books closed.
City Passenger R. R. Co.,	109 a 112	108 a 00
Richelieu Navigation Co.,	116 a 117	115 a 00
Canadian Inland Steam N. Co'y.	107 a 109	108 a 109
Montreal Elevating Company	100 a 100	100 a 100
British Colonial Steamship Co'y.	50	50
Canada Glass Company	95 a 00	90 a 00
LOANS.		
Government Debentures, 5 p.c. stg,	89 a 90	90 a 00
" " " cy.	89 a 90	89 a 00
" " 6 p.c., 1878, cy.	100 a 00	100 a 00
" " 7 p.c., cy.	100 a 101	100½ a 00
Montreal Water Works 6 per cents.	92½ a 93	101 a 00½
Montreal City Bonds, 6 per cents	92 a 00	92 a 00
Montreal Harbour Bonds, 7 p. c.,	100 a 100½	100 a 100½
Quebec City 6 per cents	80 a 90	80 a 90
Toronto City Bonds, 6 per cent, 1860	92½ a 90	92½ a 90
Kingston City Bonds, 6 per cent, 1872	93 a 95	93 a 95
Ottawa City Bonds, 6 per cents, 1860	90 a 91	93 a 95
Champlain R. R., 6 per cents	65 a 00½	90 a 91
County Debentures	.... a	.... a ....
EXCHANGE.		
Bank on London, 60 days	108⅜ a 108¾	108¾ a 109
Private do	108 a 108½	108 a 108½
Private, with documents	107½ a 108	108⅞ a 109½
Bank on New York	30½ a 31	30½ a 31
Private do.	31 a 31½	31 a 31½
Gold Drafts do.	1-32 dis.	1-16th dis.
Silver	4¼ a 4½	4¼ a 4½
Gold in New York.	142⅞ a 00	114¾ a 00

CANADIAN SECURITIES IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, Sept. 9th, 1868.

Consols for money, 94; for account, 94; Exchequer Bills, 15 to 20 pm

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

British Columbia 6 p. c., 31st Dec, 1872.	— to —
Canada 6 per cent. Jan. and July, 1877	103 to 105
Do 6 per cent. Feb. and Aug.	103 to 106
Do 6 per cent. March and Sept	102 to 104 xd
Do 5 per cent. Jan. and July	90 to 92
Do 5 per cent inscribed stock	90 to 92
New Brunswick 6 per cent Jan. and July	102 to 104
Nova Scotia 6 per cent., 1875	100 to 102
Do 6 per cent., 1886	100 to 102

RAILWAYS.

Atlantic and St. Lawrence	57 to 59
Buffalo and Lake Huron	3 to 3½
Do preference	5½ to 6½
Buffalo, Brant, and Goderich, 6 p. c.	— to —
Grand Trunk of Canada	15¾ to 16¼
Do equipt. mort. bds., charge 6 p. c.	80 to 83
Do 1st preference bonds	47 to 50
Do 2nd preference bonds	37 to 39
Do 3rd preference stock	26 to 28
Do 4th preference stock	18½ to 19½
Great Western of Canada	13¾ to 14
Do 6 without option, 1873	101 to 102
Do 5½ do 1877-78	93 to 95
North. R.R. of Canada 6 p. c. 1st prf. bds.	80 to 83

BANKS.

British North America	49 to 51

MISCELLANEOUS.

Atlantic Telegraph	32 to 34
Do do 8 per cents	75 to 80
British American Land	15 to 17
Canada Company	67 to 72
Colonial Securities Company	— to —
Canadian Loan and Investment	2½ to 1½ dis
Hudson's Bay	14¾ to 15
Trust and Loan Company, U. C.	½ dis to par
Telegraph Const'n & Maintenance (Lim)	— to —
Do. do	— to —
Vancouver Coal Company	— to —