petre, \$9.00 to \$9.50; German Quinine, about ft., 14 to 16c. Enamelled Cow, 15 to 16c. \$1.20 to \$1.30; American do., \$1.30 to \$1.35; Patent Cow, 15 to 16c. Pebbled Cow, 11½ to Howard, \$1,30 to \$1.40; Opium, \$4.25 to \$4.50; 15½c. Rough, 23 to 28c. Russet & Bridle, Morphia, \$2.20 to \$2.30; Gum Arabic, sort, 28 to 45 to 55c. 81.20 to \$1.30; American do., \$1.30 to \$1.35; Howard, \$1.30 to \$1.40; Opium, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Morphia, \$2.20 to \$2.30; Gum Arabic, sort, 28 to 33c; White, 40 to 55c; Carbolic acid, 45 to 50c. Iodide Potassium, \$4.25 to \$4.50 per lb. Iodine, \$5 to \$5.50; Iodoform, \$7.50 to \$8.00.

DRY GOODS.—Travellers are all out, and in some cases are sending in fair orders, but the majority complain that it is very hard to do business; and this line feels the want of good business, and this line feels the want of good winter roads in the country as strongly as some others. City retail trade, is very dull, the holiday rush being over, and the wet weather prevailing up to Tuesday having a most depressing effect. Payments are only fair. In cottons the prices of greys have been withdrawn altogether, and the mills will not sell a bale until revised prices are fixed by the new combination. The scheme, it is understood, is being worked by the banks, and the mills will sell to a syndicate who will control prices, which it is expected will be will control prices, which it is expected will be advanced at least 15 per cent. if not more.

FLOUR.—The market is rather firmer, and holders generally talk higher prices, but there is no great amount of trading being done, sales last few days being very light. We quote:— 18 no great amount of trading being done, sales last few days being very light. We quote:—Superior extra, \$4.00 to \$4.10; extra superfine, \$3.85 to \$3.95; fancy \$3.80; Spring extra, \$3.65 to \$3.75; superfine, \$3.40 to \$3.50; strong bakers' (Canadian), \$3.70 to \$3.80; strong bakers' (American), \$4.25 to \$4.50; fine, 3.10 to \$3.25. 3.10 to \$3.25.

FISH .- Matters in this line are flat (it would hardly do to say stale) and unprofitable at the moment. There is really little doing, and we maintain prices as former standing:—Labrador maintain prices as former standing:—Labrador herrings, \$5.50; eastern shore, \$4.75 to \$5; fat July, C. B, \$5.25; dry cod, Gaspe, \$4.50; American cod, \$3.25; green cod, No. 1 being sold at \$4.00 to \$4.25; large No. 1, \$4.75 to \$5; No. 2 about \$3.25; North Shore salmon, \$14; \$13, and 12 for Nos. 1, 2, and 3 respectively, British Columbia salmon, \$11; Mackerel, \$4 to \$6; lake-trout \$4.25 to \$4.50.

Furs.—The average for mink will not now exceed 50 cents, and all that are wanted can be got at that figure. Lynx is improving in quality, and we advance quotations slightly. The local demand for raw furs is now over, and all buyings are for chipment. Supplies keep coming in freely. We quote for prime furs: Beaver, \$2.75 to 3.00; Bear, \$8.00 to 10.00; do., cub, \$4.00 to 6.00; Fisher, \$6.00; Red Fox, \$1.00 to 1.30; Cross do., \$2.00 to \$3.00; Marten, \$1.00; Lynx, \$2.50 to \$3.50; Mink, 60 to 75c; winter Muskrat, 10 to 12½c.; Otter, \$8.00 to \$10.00; Raccoon, 50c average; Skunk, 40 to 60c.

GROCERIES.—The entire absence of snow is being keenly felt in the country. Travellers out are unable to get around and report poor busi-There are pretty numerous enquiries showing that goods are wanted, they with the advent of good winter roads there is no doubt of a fair degree, at least of activity. Payments are re-ported a little off. In teas Japans are strong, prices are firmer in New York since the New Year, stocks here are light and holders feel entitled to better prices. In greens cheap Ceylons are scarce and wanted. Sugars are \$2. better all around since the turn of the year and 61 is all around since the turn of the year and of the the very lowest refinery price now for granulated. Molasses about same. Valencias 9 to 9½c; the putting on the market of 3,000 boxes of Elemes held by Tiffin Bros. filted the gap for a time, and sold in 500 box lots at 8c. Malagas out of the market. Subspace 6 to 7c. currents unchanged. market; Sultanas 6 to 7c.; currants unchanged. Rice \$3.40 to \$3.90; spices ond tobaccos reveal nothing new.

LEATHER.—Trade is livening up some. shoe factories here are all pretty busy under fair orders, and Quebes manufacturers are also reported as being pretty actively employed. Buying is therefore much livelier than it has been of late. Prices however are not changed. Buying is therefore much livelier than it has been of late. Prices, however, are not changed, and sole has not recovered from the recent slight falling off. We quote: Hemlock Spanish Sole B. A 24 to 27c. ditto, No. 2, B. A. 21c. to 25c; No. 1, Ordinary Spanish, 24c. to 25c; No. 2 ditto 22c. to 23c; No. 1 China 23c. No. 2 21c. ditto Buffalo Sole No. 1, 21 to 22c. ditto No. 2, 19½ to 21c. Hemlock Slaughter, No. 1, 26 to 27c; Waxed Upper, light and medium, 33 to 38c; ditto ditto heavy, 83 to 36c.; Grained, 34 to 38c. Splits, large, 23 to 30c.; ditto small, 16 to 24c. Calf-splits 29 to 32c. Calf-skins (85 to 46 lbs.) 70 to 80c; ditto (25 to 34 lbs.) 60 to 70c.; Imitation French Calfskins. 80 to 85c; Russet Sheepikin Linings, 30 to

METALS AND HARDWARE.—In metals, &c. business continues very dull, there is a trifle more doing in small lots to the Eastern Townships, but orders from the west are noticeable only by their absence. Prices all around are pretty much nominal owing to the want of business. The iron market at home is unchanged, and warrants keep about the same level, being quoted last at 42/2d; tin plates and ingot tin are a little cheaper, but market here is not affected. Wholesale hardware men are nearly all busy stock-taking, and are not looking for much business at the moment. Payments are spoken of as being rather poor. We quote: Gartsherrie and Summerlee \$19 to 19.50. Langloan, \$19.50; being rather poor. We quote: Gartsherrie and Summerlee \$19 to 19.50. Langloan, \$19.50; Coltness, \$19.50 to 20, and very scarce; Eglinton, \$17 to \$17.50; Dalmellington, \$17.25 to \$17.50; Calder \$19.00 to \$19.50; Hematite \$20 to \$22.50, according to brand; Stemens, \$19.00 to \$19.50; Bar Iron still \$1.70 to \$1.75; Siemens bar, \$2.10; Canada Plates about \$2.90. Tin Ptates Bradley Charcoal, \$5.85 to 6.00; Charcoal I C \$4.60 to \$4.75 as to brand; do. I X \$6.25 to 6.50; Coke I C., \$4.25. Galvanized Sheets, No. 28, 6 to 7c. according to brand; Tinned Sheets, coke, Nos 24 to 26, 6\$ to 7\$\frac{1}{2}\$ to; Hoops and Bands per 100 lbs., \$2.25; Sheets, Boiler Plate, per 100 lbs. \$4.25. Sheets, Boiler Plate, per 100 lbs. Staffordshire, \$2.50 to \$2.75; Steel Boiler Plate \$3.25 to \$0.00; heads \$4.50; Russian Sheet Iron, 10 to 11c. Lead per 100 lbs.:—Pig, \$3.75 to \$4.00; Sheet, \$4.00 to \$4.25. Shot, \$6 to \$6.50; best cast Steel, 11\frac{1}{2}\$ to 12c; firm; Spring, \$3.25 to \$3.50, firm; Tire, \$3.25 to \$3.50, firm; Sleigh Shoe, \$2.25 to \$2.50. Round Machinery Steel, 3\frac{2}{2}c. per 1b. Ingot Tin, 20 to 21c. Bar Tin, 24c.; Ingot Copper, 15 to 16c. Sheet Zinc, \$4.50 to \$4.75; Spetter, \$4.00 to \$4.50; Bright Iron Wire, Nos. 0 to 6, \$2.75 per 100 lbs.

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OILS AND PAINTS .- In linseed oil there is a reported advance at home of 10/- a ton, but dealers here are not in a position to benefit by it. We still quote 57 to 59c. for raw, 60 to 62c. for boiled; turpentine still 48 to 50c.; olive oil \$1.05 to \$1.10. Seal oil is quite strong owing to light stocks; for straw the price would be about 56 to 57c. role was about 50c. and steam to light s.ocks; for straw the price would be about 56 to 57c.; pale vat about 60c., and steam refined proportionately higher. In paints, &c., it is not expected there will be really much doing before March. Values are unchanged at the following figures: White Lead (genuine and first-class brands only) \$6.25 to 6.75; No. 1 \$5.50 to 6.00; No. 2, \$5.00 to 5.50; No. 3, \$4.50 to \$4.75. Dry White Lead 6 to 6\frac{1}{2}c.; Red do. 5 to 5\frac{1}{2}c. These prices for round lots. London Washed Whiting 50 6 to 6½c.; Red do. 5 to 5½c. These prices for round lots. London Washed Whiting 50 to 60c.; Paris White \$1.25; Cookson's Venetian Red \$1.75 to 2.00; Yellow Ochre, \$1.50; Spruce Ochre, \$2 to \$3.00.

Provisions .- The butter market is not in Provisions.—The butter mirket is not in satisfactory shape to holders, and buyers have pretty much their own way. We quote creamery 21 to 23c.; Eastern Townships 17 to 20c.; Morrisburg and Brockville 15 to 19c.; Western 13 to 16½c. Cheese, fine to fancy, fall makes, 12 to 12½c.; other grades 8 to 11½c. as to quality. In pork, business is very light. We quote Western mess, \$15 to \$15.25; Canada s. c., \$16 to \$16.25; iard 9½ to 10½c; hams 13 to 14½c.; dressed hogs about \$6.25 to \$6.50 in car-lots. Exce 20 to 22c. as to quality. Eggs 20 to 22c. as to quality.

Salt.—Is altogether unchanged at 60c. for elevens; twelves 57½c.; factory-filled \$1.25 to \$1.40; eureka \$2.40.

Wools.-There is almost a dearth of Cape wools.—Inere is almost a dearth of Cape wool, and nothing under 17c. is quoted. Domestics are in good supply, with rather a better demand; prices in these latter lines cannot go much if any lower. We quote: 27 to 28 cents for A. supers; 22 to 24c. for B. do.; black, 21 to 22c.; unassorted 22 to 25c.; Cape, 17 to 18c.; Australian, 19 to 28c. as to quality.

#### TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, Jan. 15th, 1885.

Increased confidence has characterized the dealings on the Stock Exchange, and large operators have been buying the best class of securities, which have not been so freely offered for sale of late, buyers being decidedly in the majority. A steady rise, almost without interruption, has been the result, led by Banks of Mont-real and Toronto, bids having advanced 12 for the former and 12 for the latter. Ontario Bank to 850; Russet Sheepikin Linings, 80 to 500; Russet Sheepikin Linings, 80 to the former and 1½ for the latter. Ontario Bank

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