bxs smoked herring. From Newfoundland, 270 brls herring, 30 qtls codfish. The exports to the West Indies: 992 trcs, 525 bxs, 314 half bxs codfish, 241 trcs scale, 128 brls, 3 half brls mackerel, 828 brls herring, 182 bxs smoked herring; 150 brls alewives; 2½ barrels Salmon. To United States, 58 brls, 4 half-brls, 85 kits, mackerel; 520 brls, 38 half-brls, 30 qtr-brls herring, 2 brls, 1 qtl, 5 bxs salmon. To Canada, 175 brls, 50 half-brls herring; 575 bxs smoked herring, 100 qtls codfish.

PRODUCE.—There is a scarcity of potatoes and oats, and prices have gone up. The high rates of breadstuffs have caused potatoes to advance accordingly. We quote P. E. Island 70 and 75 cents per bush.; Oats 55 and 60 cents. Prices are likely to rule high until the new crop comes in. Butter continues dull, with limited enquiry. The receipts for the week: From P. E. Island, 4881 bush Potatoes: 4965 bush Oats; 39 pkgs Butter. From Outports, 50 bbls Apples; 50 bbls Potatoes; 177 pkgs Butter. Exports to West Indies, 263 pkgs Butter, 60 bush Oats.

PROVISIONS.—There is some enquiry for good Mess Pork, but quotations are unchanged. Prime and Prime Mess dull. Quotations from $15 to $17 according to quality. Lard in moderate request. Imports for the week: From P. E. Island—48 bbls Pork, 30 bbls beef, 10 pkgs Lard. From United States—140 bbls Pork 50 pkgs Lard. From Outports—189 bbls Pork, 71 bbls Beef, 48 pkgs Lard, 10 bbls and 4 kegs Tallow.

WEST INDIA PRODUCE.—We have no change to note in Molasses or Sugar. Prices are firm at present quotations. The imports for the week, 505 puns, 50 tierces, 54 bbls Molasses, 136 hhds, 25 tierces, 48 bbls Sugar, 435 baskets, 135 bbls Onions. Also from wreck Sophia, 49 hhds, 39 bbls Sugar, 26 puns Rum. The exports to Canada, 277 hhds, 31 tierces, 59 bbls Sugar To Ports, other than Provincial 21 puns, 10 tierces Molasses, 4 bbls Sugar, 12 bags Coffee.

## MONEY MARKET.

THERE is no particular change to note in financial matters. Regular customers of banks, those whose accounts are otherwise profitable, obtain money readily at 7 per cent, but outside transactions are done at 8 to 9 per cent. There is a fair demand for Sterling Exchange the banks drawing at sixty days for cash at 110 to 110¼. Sight drafts selling at 110¾. Private bills, 60 days sight, are bought at 109. The rate yesterday in New York for first class bankers' bills, 60 days sight, was 110. Bank gold drafts on New York sell at par to ¼ per cent discount.

GOLD in New York has fluctuated but slightly during the week, the range having been between 136½ and 138, closing yesterday at 137⅞.

SILVER has offered in great abundance, but was less plentiful yesterday, buying at 4½ to 4¾, and selling at 4¼ per cent discount.

## THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

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| Baillie, James, Co. | MacKay, Joseph, & Bro. |
| Bankhage, Beak & Co. | May, Joseph |
| Johnstone, James, & Co. | May, Thomas, & Co. |
| Clark, Jas P & Co | McCulloch, Jack & Co. |
| Claxton, T. James, & Co. | McIntyre, Denoon & Co. |
| Davis, Welsh & Co | Moss, S. H., & J. |
| Foulds & Hodgson | Muir, W., & R. |
| Gault, Bros & Co | Munderloh & Steencken. |
| Gilmour, J. Y., & Co. | Ogilvy & Co. |
| Greenshields, S., Son & Co. | Plimsoll, Aublin & Co. |
| Hingston, James, & Co. | Robertson, A., & Co. |
| Lewis, Kay & Co. | Roy, Jas., & Co. |
| Macfarlane, Andrew, & Co. | Stephen, William, & Co. |
| MacKenzie, J. G. & Co | Stirling McCall & Co. |

Thomas, Thibaudeau & Co.

THE past week has not been an exception to the general dullness prevalent for some time past in this department. The fact is forcing itself upon importers that too many goods have been imported, not only this season, but for the past three seasons, and the result is an overstock in most departments. This, coupled with an unfavourable season, owing to the backward spring and continued cold weather, is having its due effect, and more goods remain in the hands of our importers than is desirable. The Western merchants now find their hands more full of goods than they might reasonably have expected. A great many bought cautiously, owing to the heavy winter stocks still remaining over from last year; but the spring trade has been disappointing to all concerned. Nothing remains, so that matters may adjust themselves, but for all parties to act with extreme caution for the future. Let our importers keep the following facts constantly before them: that the country is now full of goods; that the imports for the past three seasons have been in excess of the demand, and that even with a good season's trade in the autumn, which can hardly be expected, a much smaller quantity of goods will be wanted than usual. The country merchants will require to do all in their power to work their stocks down to enable them to purchase sufficient to freshen up their stocks in the autumn. Prices continue in favour of the buyer, and some goods can be bought cheap at the present time, as importers are desirous of clearing out the remains of spring stocks. Goods sent to the auction rooms sell at low prices. A good many light summer goods remain on hand, and with little chance of moving them off. As the season is getting late, these goods are being jobbed low to reduce stocks. Trade must be reported as depressed and unsatisfactory.

## THE HARDWARE TRADE.

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| Brush, George. | Gilbert, E.E. |
| Charlebois, A., & Co. | Hall, Kay & Co. |
| Crathern & Caverhill | Ireland, W. H. |
| Currie, W. & F. P., & Co. | Kershaw & Edwards. |
| Evans & Evans. | Morland, Watson & Co. |
| Evans, John Henry | Mulholland, & Baker. |
| Ferrier & Co | Robertson, Jas. |
| Fraser, F | Round, John & Sons. |

Waddell & Pearce.

BUSINESS during the past week has exhibited some symptoms of the activity usual at this season of the year. Assortments of both heavy and shelf goods being now nearly complete, orders are being filled with more promptitude than usual. Prices generally remain about as before but there is an inclination to give way in favour of buyers, sales being hardly as large as anticipated.

PIG IRON.—Our price list remains unaltered. Buyers and sellers having their views quite separate, but very few transactions are making for Western Canada. Sales to the Western States already exceed 3 000 tons of assorted brands, at prices fully equal to our quotations. Holders are inclined to yard their iron rather than sell at less figures, anticipating a further advance in England and a corresponding firmness in the market here. The sales so far for Western Canada have only been in small lots, in some instances at rather over quotations.

BAR IRON.—Stocks, except of Refined, are now very complete. Scotch bars in large lots can now be bought at 5c. under our quotations, but ordinarily parties hold for these prices.

HOOP AND BAND IRON.—Are at the present pretty firm at quotations. Stocks, however, are rather in excess, large lots arriving, so that we anticipate a reduction in rates.

BOILER PLATE—Is in full stock, and selling freely at prices quoted, though large lots could be had at 10c to 20c lower.

CUT NAILS.—Makers are very firm, and for large orders, delivery could not be made for at least a month. Sales have been made for delivery in September and October to a considerable extent at present rates.

TIN PLATES.—A large stock now arriving, and prices favour buyers; quotations remain as before.

## THE LEATHER TRADE.

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| Hua & Richardson. | Seymour, M. H. |
| Seymour, C. E. | Shaw F. & Bros. |

Smyth & Edrinson.

THERE has been rather more animation in this trade the past week, and sales have been fair, so that the ordinary receipts have not caused any particular accumulation.

SPANISH SOLE—Is held in very limited quantities, in fact, of the better grades there is a scarcity, and prices consequently are firm.

SLAUGHTER SOLE—Has occasional enquiry, but no special demand.

HARNESS.—There is no increase of stock, and the small lots arriving when choice, are marketed at full prices.

WAXED UPPER.—The receipts are unimportant, and unless larger lots are being prepared for market, consumers will find difficulty in supplying their wants.

GRAINED UPPER—Is in fair demand, with sales of desirable stock making at 50c.

BUFF AND PEBBLED—Have had a better inquiry, particularly for good makes, and the amount changing hands has been in excess of the past few weeks.

PATENT AND ENAMELLED—Are quiet, the demand being limited, but there is no large stock in market.

CALFSKINS.—Inferior stock is in good supply, and sells with difficulty, while choice are scarce and wanted.

SPLITS—Have sold more freely, some large lots having been placed during the week at recent rates.

SHEEPSKINS.—Light Russetts are scarce, medium and heavy are not in over stock.

HIDES.—Very few in market, and prices continue to turn upward, so that the margin for tanners is small.

## MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

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| Akin & Kirkpatrick. | Laidlaw, Middleton & Co. |
| Cameron & Ross | Leeming, Thomas & Co |
| Converse, Colson & Lamb | Mitchell, Robt. |
| Crawford, James. | Raphael, Thomas W. |
| Hobson, Thomas, & Co | Sinclair, Jack & Co. |
| Kirkwood, Livingstone & Co | Seymour, C. E. |

FLOUR.—The receipts have been on a limited scale, and the volume of business smaller than for many weeks past. The demand has been almost wholly restricted to the local consumptive wants, and during the latter half of the week, more especially, the market has been very dull, and prices tending downwards. The higher grades though somewhat lower have not materially varied owing to the comparatively small supply in stock. Superfines have declined fully 20c per barrel on the ordinary run of samples. Sales are reported as low as $9, ranging up to $9.25 for strong bakers brands. No. 2 has also given way in some measure, and latest reported sales have been at rates ranging from $8.60 to $8.75 according to sample. Fine of good quality ranges from $8 to $8 10, and the lower grades within the figures given. *Bag flour* is quiet, and sympathises in the general decline. *Rye flour* is materially lower and neglected at the decline latest reported sales have been in the vicinity of inside rates. In view of the drooping tendency in all the leading markets on the Continent, the opinion gains strength that despite the efforts of interested speculators to maintain a fictitious value, prices must further decline, lapse of time serving to demonstrate that there are ample supplies for all the legitimate requirements of the country, and that the famine rates forced on consumers for months past, have been mainly owing to the wide spread speculation so freely indulged for some time past.

OATMEAL.—The market is weak and rates slowly giving way, latest sales have been at $6.50 to $6.60 with but a very limited demand at the decline.

WHEAT.—Few sales can be noted, there being but little placed on the market. One round parcel of Upper Canada Spring sold since the downward turn at $2.00.

PEASE.—Receipts have been heavy and with previous accumulations, the stock is considerable; little demand has existed owing to scarcity of ocean freight notwithstanding the lower rates demanded, latest sales have been at 90c to 91c per 66lbs. Some holders however withdraw their stocks and are not sellers at these reduced figures.

OATS.—We have no business of consequence to note, and rates may be continued nominal.

PORK.—The demand for all kinds has fallen off, and remains small for the season of the year, especially for mess. Stocks are however too light for holders to make any material reduction from present rates which consequently are firm as last quoted.

LARD.—British prices are again lower and the market here has sympathised to some extent, the quantity offering is small and for retail parcels late rates are demanded.

BUTTER.—No change can be noted. Sales at about 9c continue to be made, and the bulk of the old stock has now passed off the market at the low price ruling. In Britain the market is irregular, large quantities of French and other Continental butters keep the market amply supplied, and from the superior freshness and sweetness will successfully compete with Canadian, unless the quality of this season's make be materially raised over that of the two last; and thus gradually improve the reputation which has of late been seriously damaged. Small sales of new butter are made at exceptional rates which will materially decline when the local demand is supplied.

ASHES.—The drooping tendency of the Liverpool markets has depressed prices, and in the absence of any large orders sales are made at irregular rates. *Pearls* are weak and slightly lower.

## THE GROCERY TRADE.

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

West, Bros.

BUSINESS generally during the past week has been dull, the attention of buyers having being attracted by the important trade sales of teas, wines and liquors, Mediterranean goods and general groceries, which have taken place, or are about to take place almost immediately.

The attendance at these sales, so far, has been fair, including a good many Western buyers. Prices for