

remain unchanged, there being little inclination to speculate, and considerable receipts from Upper Canada are looked for in the course of next month. *Lard and Canned meats* of all kinds have been extremely dull during the week, and transactions limited to the merest retail.

BUTTER—Has likewise been extremely dull, and beyond a few parcel sales at very low prices. Below our quotations, there have been no transactions. There are a few orders in town for shipment to the Lower Provinces, at low limits and with increasing receipts holders will be disposed to meet buyers within the range of our quotations. The British market continues unchanged, the low quality of the past season's product prevents the butter of this continent from competing with the Irish and Dutch butter, except at ruinously low prices, and without a marked improvement in the quality of the coming season's make, a continuance of present rates must be looked for. Strictly choice and fine butters alone will be in good demand, and commanding ready and probably remunerative sale.

SEEDS—Timothy continues in over-lock, and is dull and nominal, a considerable abatement would probably be required to move a parcel. *Clover Seed* is scarce and wanted.

ASSETS—Pots are quiet and somewhat unsettled in value, fluctuating from day to day. *Pearls* are nominal at about \$8 10 to \$8 20.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Brash, George, | Gilbert, F. F.
Charles, A. & Co. | Hall, Kay & Co.
Crabtree & Co. | Leach, W. H.
Curry, W. & P. & Co. | Newshaw & Edwards
Eaton & Co. | Richmond, Watson & Co.
Evans, John Henry | Mulholland & Co.
Fryer & Co. | Robertson, Jas.
Graham, F. | Russell, John & Sons.
Wall, A. & Co.

THE transactions the past fortnight have been so limited that quotations are purely nominal, and buyers are holding off for first arrivals, so that the quotations we give are only realised for absolute wants.

FIG IRON—There is very little now left of last year's importations, and transactions are now making for lots to arrive. We hear of sales by first ships of Sumnerite at \$23, ex ship, 4 months; other brands are variously quoted, but so far we hear of no sales by next week we hope to give quotations of large sales, and these will fix rates for May and June.

BAR IRON—The stock in market is very low and all are waiting arrival. The Gleniffer from Glasgow is now reported, and she has a large quantity of bar and bundle iron for our principal houses and which will fully assort stocks. *Scotch bars* have been quoted in large lots from ship's side at 10c under our quotation. In other goods we have no changes as yet to report, stocks being so much dissipated that in many cases holders get their own prices for what is wanted at once, this, however, will be obviated on arrival of vessels. So far appearances favour buyers.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Hos & Richardson, | Seymour, M. H.
Seymour, C. E. | Shaw, F. & Sons.
Smith & Edmonson.

WE are unable to report any increased activity during the past week, trade having been slack, the sales making being for the most part confined to small lots, there being no disposition manifested to operate largely.

SPANISH SOLE—Stocks are very light, especially of best brands, and while there is no noticeable change in prices, there is no desire to force sales.

SLAUGHTER SOLE—Has very little inquiry, and the market is bare of stock.

HARKNESS—Has undergone no change, the receipts are still very limited, consequently prices remain firm.

WAXED UPPER—Arrives very sparingly, and no sales of any considerable lots are reported, prices are without change and the demand is only limited.

GRAINED UPPER—Has had some little inquiry, and the coming month will probably witness a more active call.

BUFF AND PERLED—Are very quiet, there being no demand of consequence, except for strictly first class stock, while the bulk offering is of low grades.

PATENT AND ENAMELLED—Participate in the general dullness, the demand being limited.

CALFSKINS—Prime stock to any extent is not in market, and ordinary is not much sought after.

SKINTS—Are less active, and the inquiry for the most part is confined to light and medium.

SUEZKINS—There has been rather more inquiry for light suits, while medium to heavy are more neglected.

HIDES—The receipts continue limited, and find ready sale at full prices.

THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.

Amos, Miller & Co. | Johnston & Cooper.
Hawthorn, Duff & Johnson. | Smith & Cochran.
Smith & Edmonson.

THE amount of the past month's business has hardly come up to expectation, and during the last week there has been a falling off in sales, especially of heavy men's wear. A number of buyers have visited the city, but they have purchased more sparingly than the manufacturers would have desired. *Country stocks* are as a rule heavy for the season of the year, and until they are somewhat reduced, judicious traders will not add to them more than is required to keep up a good assortment, merely for the sake of making up a large bill.

VESSELS SAILING FOR MONTREAL AND QUEBEC.

FOR MONTREAL.

Avondale, Ogilvie, Shanghai, Dec. 27
Anglesea, Bruce, Greenock, March 25
Abenna, Hamilton, Clyde, March 25
Ardent, Laurie, Liverpool, March 29
Constance, Gannett, Cherbourg, April 3
Chaudiere, Wilson, Gravesend, March 29
City of Hamilton, Hicks, Gravesend, March 30
Courrier du Canada, Pelissier, Marseilles, March 24
Clydehead, Hamilton, Greenock, March 25
Cannoy Scott, Small, Tarragona, March 15
Gleniffer, Hamilton, Greenock, March 25
Myrtle, Grossart, Clyde, March 23
Pomona, Bruce, Liverpool, March 25
Queen of the Clyde, McVicar, Greenock, March 25
Shandon, McConnell, Greenock, March 25
Shamrock, Lindall, London, March 25
Spartan, Liddell, Glasgow, April 1

FOR QUEBEC.

Alma, Reimers, Antwerp, March 25
Abbe, Bonnevillie, Alexandria, March 12
Annie, —, Deal, March 25
Acme, Devine, Deal, April 3
Active, Bagg, Gibraltar, March 25
Ardhull, Madsen, London, April 29
Aurora, Willis, Cardiff, March 31
Annie Laurie, Cromarty, Leith, March 31
Ardmillan, Tulloch, Liverpool, April 2
Aljiers, Oswald, Sunderland, April 1
Alma, Smith, Genoa, March 18
Bethiah Jewell, Irvine, Greenock, March 25
Beta, Hughes, Cardiff, April 3
Brilliant, Walker, Dundee, April 1
Bannockburn, Anderson, Greenock, April 1
Baywater, Pack, Nazaire, March 29
China, Harvey, Newport, March 25
Chaudiere, Wilson, London, March 25
China, Brennan, Cardiff, March 21
Carl Tottie, Larsen, Deal, March 25
Crimea, Wright, Deal, April 3
City of Manchester, Ditchburn, Liverpool, April 2
Dedalus, Campbell, Swansea, April 1
Eleanor, Boase, Cardiff, March 21
Emperor, Barrett, Cardiff, March 27
Ella, McKenzie, Grimsby, March 27
Emily, Anderseer, Bordeaux, March 25
Empire, Hatfield, London, April 10
Essex, Stevens, Liverpool, April 3
Glenora, Neil, Black, Greenock, March 27
Giffon, Peterson, London, March 25
Galatia, Bulley, Teignmouth, April 5
Glan Mor, Owens, Llanellay, April 3
Hercynia, Thompson, Grimsby, March 27
Hano, Beverley, Leith, April 3
Haversham, Thompson, Alexandria, March 16
Huron, —, Swansea, April 4
Hazel, Jorgensen, London, April 29
Hughborough, Hilton, Hull, April 1
Irene, Pritchard, Liverpool, April 4
Jason, Janson, Antwerp, March 21
John Bunyan, Gibbs, Greenock, March 25
John Hull, Harris, Gravesend, March 24
Kong Sierre, Hansen, Liverpool, March 29
Lotus, Leithbridge, Bristol, March 11, for Quebec via Cardiff
Lotus, Culbert, Newport, April 3
Manchester, —, Belfast, March 14
Marquis of Bute, Hillier, Cardiff, March 21
McLeod, Brownrigg, Liverpool, April 2
Madras, Moodie, Liverpool, March 29
Marchioness of Queensbury, Johnson, Hull, April 2
Mamelon, Greyhart, Sunderland, April 1
Mile, Aylward, New York, April 17
Nelson, Walk, Rio Janeiro, Feb 25
Nina, Moore, Sunderland, April 3
Opsey, Silvey, Hull, March 25
Paragon, Irwin, Newport, March 25
Peter Kolt, Nieman, Sunderland, March 27
Pysche, Gillan, Liverpool, April 2
Rimswell, Wilkenson, Shields, March 26
Royal Victoria, Breton, Alexandria, March 19
Richard and Harriet, North, Hull, April 4
Royalist, Webster, Leith, April 3
Reliance, Amshury, London, April 20
Star, Wilson, Alexandria, Feb 21
Sea King, Rose, Grimsby, March 27
Stamboul, Main, Alexandria, March 19
Sunderland, Curtis, Cardiff, April 3
Santbeam, —, Gravesend, April 5
Sarah M. Green, Hull, April 2
Teredohead, Nicol, Greenock, March 23
Tadmor, Cunningham, Grangemouth, April 3
Tiptree, Mosley, Liverpool, April 2
Vasco de Gama, Harrison, Grimsby, April 1
Washington, Layn, Hamburg, April 2
Ward Chipman, Harber, Liverpool, April 1
Zelus, Taylor, Greenock, April 1

STOCK MARKET.

	Closing price.	Last Week's Price.
BANKS.		
Bank of Montreal	25 1/4	25 1/4
Bank of N. A.	102 1/2	101 1/2
Commercial Bank	70 1/4	70 1/4
City Bank	103 1/4	102 1/4
Bank of People	102 1/4	102 1/4
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