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FINANCE & COMMERCE.

TRUE WITNESS OFFICE. Tuesday, April 10.

Financial. Money continues in good supply, with rates easy; loans on call made at 4 to 5 per cent. interest, and on time at 6,-the demand, however, is light. Only a moderate amount of commercial paper is being negotiated, at from 6 to 8 per cent. discount, the bulk of the small business reported being done at 7.

The local Stock Exchange was slightly surprised on learning to-day that the Directors of the Bank of Montreal, at their meeting this forenoon, had declared a divi-dend of only 4, instead of 5 per cent dividend (as expected) for the current half year. This, of course, had a depressing effect on the market for bank stocks, and Montreal sold at a decline of 7 per cent on the closing rate of yesterday, down to 135 regular and 1301 ex-dividend, and Merchants' sold at a decline of 14 per cent, down to 95], with buyers closing at 951.

~Cornwall has voted a bonus of \$8,000 to the Canada Cotton Company.

The Bank of England lost £14,500 specie during the week, but raised its reserve from 43; to 48 9-16 per cent of liabilities. The postal discount rate of the Bank is unchanged at 3 per

The traffic receipts of the Great Western Railway for week ending April 9th were \$97,689.39, against \$81,102.53 in the corresponding week last year, an increuse of \$16,586.86.

—The Western Canada Loan and Saving's Company have decided to discontinue the issue of 5; per cent. debentures, and those issued for the future will only bear interest at the rate of 5 per cent, per annuni. -The Grand Trunk Railway traffic receipts

The Grand Trunk Rallway traffic receipts for the four weeks ending April 10th, 1881, aggregated \$821,334, an increase over the like period of last year of \$211,235, with a decreased mileage of 118; miles for the Riviere-du-Loup line, which is equal to \$17,000 of traffic included in last year, making an increase of \$225,23 in four weeks.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE CITY WHOLESALE TRADE.

TUESDAY, April 20. The local breadstuffs market, in sympathy with foreign markets, has been quiet and weak during the past week, and the market closes with values easier for flour :-Buperior Extra...... \$6 10 @ 0 00

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City Bags (delivered) 3 20 0 3 25	
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ASHES Receipts for last week, 113 brls	

of pots; no pearls. The deliveries comprised 264 brls pots. In store here on Saturday last, 624 brls pots and 340 brls pearls; total, 964 brls. The market is quite liteless at present: makers in the country are apparently holding back their supplies for a better market and cheaper freight rates, and the demand is light. Occasional sales of pots are reported at \$3.75 to \$3.80, but there is nothing doing in pearls.

BCOTS AND SHOES .- There have not been many buyers in this market during the past week, but our wholesale manufacturers are still kept busy filling back orders, of which there is yet a sufficient number unfilled to keep the factories running on full time until after the 1st May. A good deal of heavy wear, much more than usual, is being manufactured this year. Prices unchanged. Travellers will start out on a short sorting-up trip about the 1st May. An increased demand for light summer goods is expected after the opening of navigation. Remittances have improved, and are now re-

DRY GOODS .- Remittances during the past week have continued to improve; this indicates that the predictions we made a fortnight ago about the general improvement in the trade to be expected at the opening of navigation will be borne out. There have been a few buyers from the Ottawa district and Eastern Townships in the market during the week, and they report that in these districts a marked improvement is noticeable in the amount of business done so far this spring, as compared with the last couple of years. We understand that travellers are about starting out on another spring sorting-up trip through Ontario. The trade in the west, it is tions of leather the market is quiet at unreported, has continued to suffer, by reason of unseasonable weather and consequent bad roads. Prices of all kinds of goods are extremely firm, with a decided upward tendency; the rise in values is traceable to the increased cost of the raw material.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS .- This market is reported entirely unchanged. An active country trade continues to be done, orders for general drugs being placed with travellers quite freely, but all movement of round lots here has ceased, pending the arrival, as we stated before, of spring shipments. There has been no quotable change in values since our last reference. Trade in England is as yet quiet, having been considerably interfered with by the late elections. The opium market is essentially unchanged; in New York, the great bulk of stocks is held by the combination, and is not for sale. There is very little offering, indeed, and prices remain very firm; it would cost about \$8.50 to lay down in case lots, and \$10 is still asked here by retailers. The latest information from Turkey reports only 900 baskets on hand at the moment, against over 2,000 baskets at the like period of last year.

would be paid, for winter do, 121c, and for Spring do, from 17c to 18c. For other kinds prices are as last quoted. Our wholesale manufacturers are very busy on staple goods, for the fall trade and attending to orders, which are now commencing to come forward. The travellers for all our large houses left the city on to a very low ebb, the market continues the 15th inst., on their spring trip through strong. the Lower Provinces with Fail samples.

GROCERIES .- This branch of trade has continued quiet, without any new feature of interest to mark the week. Business has been restricted to a fair jobbing trade with country merchants, but the bad roads still furnish sufficient cause for complaint, been restricted to a fair jobbing trade with country merchants, but the bad roads still furnish sufficient cause for complaint, and for remittances being slow. Sugars are reported a shade easier; prices all round are about ic lower than when we last wrote. We quote yellow refined at 7½c to 8½c; white coffee sugars, 8½c to 9c; crushed A, 8½c to 8½c; and standard granulated, 9½c to 10½c. Of Barbadees, there is very little in the market. Molasses and syrupus are in light demand, and prices are stationary at the figures last quoted. Fruits—The market is exceedingly bare of all kinds, there being nothing here to offer; it is very doubtful if a wholesale parcel of raisins could be obtained in the market; some dealers say not; prices, therefore, for all kinds are purely nominal. Teas — The demand is reported very light, and sales are confined to retailers' parcels for immediate consumption,—no round lots moving. We quote as before, 29c to 55c for Japan, as to grade; Young Hysons at 32½c to 65c; are easy in values, but the demand is dull. In rice there is but little movement; prices range from 54 10 to 54.35 as to parcels. is but little movement; prices range from \$4.10 to \$4.35, as to parcels.

HARDWARE AND IRON .- Prices all round show a weakening tendency, but no decided change is reported since last week. Orders have in consequence begun to fall off. The market, therefore, remains very quiet. Wholesale dealers are employing themselves filling back orders, and no revival in trade is expected until after the opening of the canals for traffic. Pig iron continues dull and depressed, at weak, but nominally unchanged

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HIDES AND SKINS -The demand for green hides in this market continues good, but butchers are offering very few, and prices remain firm but nominally unchanged at \$10.50, \$9.50, and \$8.50, respectively, for Nos. 1, 2 and 3. We learn from one or two buyers that as high as \$11 and \$11.50 has been paid, but with the present condition of outside markets there is no profit in hides at these extreme figures, but two or three large hide dealers here are held responsible for this state of things; a couple of weeks ago when prices were lower they asked tanners unreasonable advances, we are given to understand, on buying prices, so that rather than pay these unreasonably high figures to the dealers, and thus allow them to control everything, tanners entered the hide market themselves, and now it remains to be seen who will give way first. It is a good thing for the butchers, but on the other side it is a question of the "survival of the fittest." Culfskins are coming forward more freely now, and are readily taken at 14c. Lambskins, steady, at about 25c each. A few Sheepskins have changed hands at \$1.25

to \$2 each. LEATHER. -The market has been more active this last week than during the week previous. Buyers, chiefly wholesale shoe manufacturers, have been enquiring for suitable stock, more especially splits and upper, values for which have consequently hardened. Light slaughter sole and rough leather have also been in good request, but they are scarce. Buff and Pebble dull; in all other descripchanged prices. Remittances ve

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Rough Leather...... do 0 27 .. 0 80 PROVISIONS.—The wholesale provision market rules dull and generally weak. Receipts of new butter have steadily increased until prices have fallen to 20c to 23c, at which figures small lots changed hands today; and the outside rate is only paid for single tubs of exceptionally choice quality. New cheese has been offered, for which as high as lac was bid; no sales reported, though retail lots of old cheese in Montreal are nominally worth 14c to 15c. Eggs held at 12c to 12½c for fresh. Maple sugar is worth 9c to 10c per pound in wholesale lots. Sales of syrup at 80c to 85c. like period of last year.

FURS.—There are no raw furs, to speak of, coming to market as yet. A few trappers have been enquiring as to quotations during the past week, but no purchases of any account will be made until next month, when an active trade will likely be done in spring askins. For fall muskrats, about 8c to 8kc.

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WOOL.—The market is reported rather quiet for domestic wools, of which stocks are very low, and there are no increased supplies coming forward, Sales of small lots of unassorted Canada pulled continue to be made at 35c. Manutacturers are still buying foreign wools, and as stocks have got down

THE FARMERS' MARKETS. Sonsecours and St. Aun's-Prices at Farmers' Waggens, etc.

TUESDAY, April 26, 2 p.m.

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VEGETABLES.—Potatoes, 50c to 550 per bag; carrots, 30c to 40c per buabel; choice ontons \$1.00 per barrel, or \$1.00 to \$1.50 per bushel; paranips, 50c per bushel; beets, \$5c to 40c per bushel; turnips, \$0c to 40c per bag or 20c to 50c per bushel; turnips, \$0c to 40c per bag or 20c to 50c per bushel; turnips, \$0c to 40c per bag or 20c to 50c per dozen, or \$1.25 to 1.50 per br!; American lettuce, 50c to 60c per dozen heads; artichokes, 75c per bushel.

FRUIT.—Apples, \$2.00 to \$4.00 per barrel; lemons, \$7 to \$7.50 per case, or \$4.50 per bac; cranberries, \$10 per barrel, or 40c per gallon; grapes, Malaga, \$5.50 to \$0.00 per keg of 50 lbs.

GRAIN, ETC.—Oats, 75c to 50c per bag; buckwheat, 45c to 50c per bushel; peas, 80c to \$0 per bushel; acup peas, 90c to \$1.00 per bushel; barley, 60c to 65c per bushel; corn. 80c to \$1 per bushel; white beans, \$1.00 to \$1.50 per bushel; bran, 90c per cwt; corn-meal, \$1.40 to 1.50 per cwt; moulle, \$1.00 to 1.10 per cwt; buck wheat flour, \$1.50 to \$1.60 per cwt; catmeal, \$2.45 to 2.50 per bag.

FARN PRODUCE.—Butter—Prints, 23c to 30c per

per cwt; moulie, \$1.00 to 1.10 per cwt; buck wheat flour, \$1.50 to \$1.60 per cwt; oatmeal, \$2.45 to 2.50 per bag.

FARM PRODUCE—Butter—Prints. 23c to 30c per lb.; lump, 20c to 25c per lb: Eastern Townships, tub, lye to 21c. New-laid eggs, 15c to 18c per dozen; packed do. 11c to 18c. Fine cheese, 00c to 00c per lb: ordinary, 00c to 00c. Maple sugar, 10c to 12c per lb. Lard. 10c to 11c. Maple syrup, 25c per quart, or 90c to \$1 per gal.

Poulrry AND GAME—Turkeys, \$1.50 to \$2.50 per pair; geese, \$1.00 to \$1.80 per pair; ducks, tame, 00c to 00c per brace; pigeons, \$1.00 to 1.50 per pair; geese, \$1.00 to \$1.80 per pair; ducks, tame, 00c to 00c per brace; ligeons, \$1.00 to 1.50 per pair; outle, \$2.50 per dozen; prairie hens, 00c to 30 per pair; qualls, \$3 per dozen; prairie hens, 00c to 30 per pair; qualls, \$3 per dozen; prairie hens, 00c to 30 per dozen; partridges, 75c to 90c per pair; black ducks, 60c to 75c per brace; hares, 20c to 25c per pair.

MEAT.—Beef—Roast beef (trimmed), 12;c to 15c; sirloin steaks, 12c to 15c; corn beef, 10c; mutton, 11c to 12;c; veal, 8c to 12;e; pork, 8c to 10c; ham, 12;c to 00c; bacon, 12c to 13c; fresh sausages, 10c to 00c; Bologna sausages, 14c to 15c; spring lamb, \$1 to 2 per qr; dressed hogs, \$3.00 to 8.25 per cwt.

Fish.—Haddock, 7c; codfish, 7c; mackerel, 2;c; bass and dorey, 40c to 50c per bunch; olivet, 2;c per lb; lobsters, 10c do; perch, 10c to 80c per bunch; rock bass, 15c per bunch; smoked eels, 25c to 40c per couple; fresh salmon, 25c.

THE MEAT TRADE.

The Mark Lanc Express of March 29th says:—
"The direct result of the successful experiment in connection with the Strathleven's cargo of cattle was greater than the demand, and according last week. The range paid at this market was from 3 to be per lb, live weight. The receipts comprised about 9 carloads cattle and 4 cars of hogs as follows:—James Howden, Peterboro, 1 car cattle; J C McBean, Toronto, A Dowd, Waterloo, E Charter, G-E, I Stone, Whitby, M Martin, St. Johns, S McLenghin, Brockville, each one carload of cattle; and Morgan & Co, Oshawa, W Martin and W Head, each one load of hogs from Guelph, The Chicago hogs a rived on consignment. Mr Ald MoShane bought 13 head of cattle at 42c, which he will probably ship in May from Montreal with other cattle be has on hand. He has sublet, so it is reported, all the freight room he had engaged at Halliax, and is new telegraphing for vessel room at this port.

BECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

The Mark Lanc Express of March 29th says:—"The direct result of the successful experiment in connection with the Strathleven; Cof 34 Leadenhal street, the importers, to form a limited liability company to develop and carry on the traffic. It is to be called 'The Australian Fresh meat Company (Limited).' The capital required is £150,000 in £10 shares, the whole of which are now offered for subscription. The prospectus states that at the present time meat of the quilty of that sent in the Strathleven; can be purchased at 14d per lb at the Australian ports of shipment,' and that 'an ample supply can be relied upon at an average cost not exceeding 2d per lb.' This estimate appears to be avery safe one, for beef especially is now a glut in the Australian market at id per lb, wholesale, according to the Queensland and New South Wales press."

LONDON GROCERY MARKET.

LONDON, April 16.—In Mincing Lane during the probably ship in May from Montreal with other cattle be has on hand. He has sublet, so it is reported, all the freight room he had engaged at land the sublet of the su

meceipts and shipments.

The receipts of live stock at Point St. Charles for the week were 26 carloads cattle, 3 cars horses, and 3 of hogs. Mr. McShane shipped to England, via Portland, 3 carloads of cattle, and via Halifax, 5 cars Messrs. Craig & Kennedy shipped 17 cars to England.

AT VIGER MARKET

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the offerings comprised about 270 head of cattle, of which one-half were from the St Gabriel market, about 100 calves, 40 sheep and some 50 spring lambs. The quality of the beeves was fair to good, for local use only, but the attendance of butchers was quite moderate, and the supply was found to be considerably in excess of the demand. Prices, however, were fairly well sustained, the range paid for cattle to-day being from 30 to 4 jc per lb, live weight. M Laporte, of Mildmay, had 17 head of cattle—left over from last week—under offer; he sold some half-dozen at from \$20 to \$15 esch. N Taillefer brought 12, out of 20 head, down to Viger Market, where he sold them at about 4 jc per lb. Messrs Roberts and Wilder had a load of 17 head altogether; they sold 7 head at the Point, and 10 head at Viger market, at about \$50 esch, on an average, or from 4c to 4 lc, the latter price being for very choice grades. J. Bayard trader, sold 18 head at aboul \$50 esch. or 4 lc. Louis DeLorme had 24 head under offer and sold only 2 head up to 11 a.m. for \$30. Robt. Cochrane, Guelph, sold only 2 head for \$70 out of a load of 20 head cattle. Jas. Howden, Peterboro', sold his lot of 8 head at from \$31 to \$12 esch. J. Benoit, trader, also sold 8 head at an average of \$30 each. E. Bishop, Cote St. Louis, had 9 head under offer, but would not sell at the prices offered. Calves sold at a range of from \$1.50 to \$4 each, they being nearly all quite small. For sheep \$7 and \$8 each was asked, but no sales were reported.

MONTBEAL HORSE MARKET.

MONTREAL HORSE MARKET.

SATURDAY, April 17.

The demand for Canadian horses has, to some extent, recovered its former activity during this week, and the official report of shipments to the States shows a considerable increase over the fotals for last week; 288 horses have been exported this week, at a total cost of \$27,908.50, against 229 horses valued at \$17,968, for last week. Better prices also have been paid this week for the best animals; we quo e the range at from \$50 up to \$150 each, with the average at about \$90. The demand for good carriage horses—"drivers" and "steppers"—is firm, but the offerings in this market since our last reference have been light, and generally poor in quality. The Americans, therefore, have been visiting Belleville and other points west in search of first class stock. It is expected, however, that as soon as the boats start to ply on the river, and the country roads improve, that farmers will come forward with increased supplies. Mr. Dean, for E. Snow, of Boston, shipped 19 carriage and business horses, which he called the best load he had secured during the season, but they were bought some time last week at good prices.

At the American House yards this week about 6 carloads were bought and shipped to the States of Mass., and New York, and to-day there were some 18 buyers registered at the hotel, the majority of them not having filled their orders yet. The Kingston Whig says:—Mr. F. Elliott, of Montreal, has purchased on Wolf Island, during the past few days, about 20 carriage horses valued at \$100 at \$150 each, which will be shipped to the gister were heavy numbering over 600.

The receipts of horses dest week at Albany N: Y., market were heavy rinn heal at Albany

455; 15 do. 1.175.50; 9 do, 700; 9 do, 780; 18 do, 1.585; 20 do, 2.520.50; 19 do, 1.575; 18 do 1.278; 5 do, 450. April 15—20 do, 1.595; 16 do, 2.130.5r; 20 do, 1.662; 8 do, 508. April 16—9 do, 1.370; 18 do, 972. April 17—9 do, 1.070; 4 do, 838; 10 do, 874.50.

Montreal Fuel Market.

Montreal Faci Market.

Wennesday, April 14.

The rather unseasonable weather of the past few days has had the effect of temporarily stimulating the demand for Anthracite coal in this market, and a fair business for the season continues to be done in small orders for local consumption. Beyond supplying the immediate domestic requirements, however, there is little or nothing doing, as the demand from manufacturers and founders, etc., for soft coals is reported very light. As usual, there is no uniformity or agreemeent among dealers here with regard to prices, as is the case in many parts of the States, and during the past week a couple of other dealers have commenced to sell at about the same reduced rates advertised in the Post several weeks ago by F. Brennan & Co., viz.; Stove, \$7; egg and furnace, \$6.75 to 7.10, and chestnut at 650. We, therefore, revise our list of prices below in order to cover the range.

Judging from the general tone of the leading American markers at present and appearances here, the prices for Anthracite coal may be expected to be \$1.50 to \$2.40 per ton higher in this market during the coming summer than during last summer season. Stocks in this market have been reduced to a low point, and it is not probable that there will be much coal held here at the opening of navigation, and as the large American companies show a disposition to advance prices still further, it would not see m wise for our citizens to delay purchasing their spring requirements in anticipation of much lower prices at the last May next. The future course of prices, however, will depend almost entirely upon the progress of the iron industry in the States; and it is generally believed now that the recent heavy fall in values for iron will encourage the demand and create increased activity, in which case the great bulk of the production of coal would by consumed in manufacturing it, and thus coal prices would continue firm. On the other hand, the companies may quite possibly overdo the thing, and mine too much coal, causi

MONTREAL HAY MARKET.

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SATURDAY, April 17.

The offerings of hay and straw at the College street market during this week have been light, still the supply was greater than hast week. The estimated receipts comprise 200 loads, of which about 60 loads for last week. The demand, however, for both hay and straw has fallen off considerably, and for want of buyers prices declined. There is scarcely any good Timothy hay now to be had, the offerings being chiefly common cow hay; and prices paid range from \$8 to \$8 per 100 bundles, and for straw from \$10 3.50 do, a fall of about \$1 on last week's prices for hay, and about \$2 for straw. Values for pressed hay and straw remain unchanged

THE U. S. CATTLE TRADE.

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The agitation of legislative measures in the United States to prevent the introduction and spread of contagious diseases among cattle has directed attention to the aiready large and increasing commerce in live stock. There is no branch of commerce that has grown so rapidly as this. In 1873 the value of horned cattle exported alive from the United States was \$695,857, and in 1873 the value was \$3,379,200. For the six months ending December 31st last, 77,756 head were shipped at a total value of \$1,971,332. If the exports during the current itseal year are kept up to the standard of the first six months, the value exported this year, it will be seen, will amount to nearly \$10,000,000. Of the shipments of last year \$6,616,114 went to England alone, the land of beef eaters.

in the Australian market at id per ib. wholesale, according to the Queensland and New South Wales press."

ing the past week there has not been much improvement. Holders still desire to realize, and as there is an absence of speculation, prices in many instances rule in favor of buyers. Sugar has again declined, both on the spot and for arrival. Sales of low East India were made at a fall of 6d per cwt. Other sorts were about 3d to 6d cheaper. For floating cargoes there were no buyers unless at fully 1s reduction. One cargo of Java off coast sold at this decline. Rice sold at lower rates. The enquiry for coffee has been more general. The late low quotations appear to have attracted the attention of buyers, and the downward tendency has been checked. Cevlon kinds show a rise of 1s to 2s per cwt. The finer sorts of East India brought very extreme rates, but foreign and low qualities generally have not participated in the improvement. There has been a fair export demand for tea, but prices show little altera-

Fluance, Commmerce and Trade. -Water has been admitted into the Eric canal and the formal opening takes place next Tues day, 20th inst.

—Owing chiefly to the large export of cattle to Great B. italu, the price of beef at Hahfax has advanced considerably during the past few

weeks.

—The first instalment of a shipment of fifty cars of square timber from Hastings arrived at Belleville last night by the Grand Junction Railroad to be raited and towed to Quebec.

—A Quebec despatch says:—"Holders of seeking tonnage to arrive are asking 28s tid to Liverpool. Merchants wanting vessels will not listen to anything over 25s."

The lumber manufacturers on the Lahave River, N.S., have received large orders from the United States for refuse pine lumber, and a prosperous season is looked for in that branch of business.

—A Halifax despatch says Mr. Turner, representative of an English company, is forwarding a project for the construction of a dry dock at this port. It is understood the Dominion Government will grant a subsidy to the company undertaking the work.

—A Port Hope (Ont.), despatch says: A cargo of 20,039 bushels of wheat will arrive at Midland in a day or two for Messrs. E. Peplow, F. Beamish, Peter McCabe and G. B. Salter, from Milwaukee. This is only the beginning of the vast grain trade which will pass over the Midland when the elevators are completed.

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A Quebec despatch says:—A large sale of spruce deals is reported at \$30 per 100, Quebec standard for firsts 3-inch, \$25 for seconds 3-inch, \$20 for thirds 3-inch, and \$18 for fourths 3-inch, and for all 2-inch plank \$2 less on each quality. A further sale of fourth quality spruce only is announced at \$14 per Quebec standard hundred, all 3-inch, AA heavy purchase of pine sawlogs has been made by a large sawmill owner on the Point Levis side at \$2.40 per standard log of 22 inch. The outturn, which will be about \$,000,000 feet board measure, it is rumored has been sold at a paying rate, but the price has not yet transpired. The impression is that prices of sawn goods will hold their own, at all events until the spring fleet has been disposed of, when, as usual, we may expect a lull, pending the result of sales in midsummer in the United Kingdom.—The Grand Trunk Railway Company has purchased 10,000 railway ties in Modoc.

-Last week's circular of the Liverpool Cotton Brokers' Association says :--- Except on Tuesday, when a good business was done at steady rates, cotton has been in limited request, heavy and irregular. To-day (Thursday) with an increased demand, prices were steadier, but still lower than they were last week. In American a moderate business was done, with much pressure to sell, and prices are reduced id to 5-16d. Sea Island was in limited inquiry at unchanged prices. Futures opened dull and were generally, throughout the week, very depressed. There were considerable fluctuations. The final rates are 9-32d lower for near, and 7-32d to id for distant positions, and id lower for new crops.

What Kind of Protection We May Expect from dreat Britain.

The anti-Canadian party is constantly harping on the great advantages we are called to resp from British connection. In case of need, the immense treasures and power of the mother country would be at our disposal. The Imperial Government would The Hovels of Ireland, by Fanny Parnell... not hesitate an instant in spending millions upon millions for our relief, regardless of the cost, however great.

Well! we know of no country in the wide world has the wealth and power which is ac-cumulated in the British Isles. Several thousand millions of pounds sterling are represented by the wealthy population of Great Britain. It is well known that large land holders have for their private use a bigher income than the whole revenue of the Government of Capada.

Now let us see how much of this great wealth is being applied to help the starving Irish, their fellow-citizens. The private subscriptions in Great Britain amount to about \$500,000, and the Imperial Parliament proposes to lend money, on easy terms, for farm improvements. In fact, the United States and Canada are doing more, so far, to relieve the famishing population of Ireland than Great Britain herself, with her numerous millionaires and wealthy classes.

Although three thousand miles away from the heart-rending scenes of the starving Irish people, who are actually dying for want of food, we feel more keenly their awful sufferings than their very fellow-citizens, who are almost at hearing distance from these faminestricken districts.

If that is the kind of relief that Great Britain gives to her own citizens, what could we colonists, across the sea, expect from the mother country? Our experience so far teaches us that the British Parliament never gave us a cent when any great calamity visited our shores. And at this moment, the very money which is being wrenched from the poor laboring classes of America to relieve their British relatives and friends in Ireland, will, ultimately, find its way to the coffers of the British treasury through the government tax-gatherer.

When the French Parliament met some weeks ago their first vote was a preliminary grant of five millions to relieve their poor. But the Imperial Parliament, more practical is only willing to lend money on easy terms, trusting to the charitably disposed persons all over the world to feed Ireland's starving people. This passing the hat round by the wealthiest nation on earth is the meanest sight which humanity has contemplated for some years. And when we are told by gushing loyalists in Canada that Great Britain would, in case of need, help us with her hundred millions in men and money, we have a right to point to her own starving people as the kind of treatment any Canadian in his senses can expect from the millionaires and wealthy classes of Great Britain .- Canadian Emancipator.

A quack named McDonald has had to pay a fine of \$25 for practising medicine in Metcalfe, Ont., without a certificate.

A Dundee correspondent says the recovered lattice work of the Tay bridge bears marks of sustaining the theory that the train went

Forty-eight car-loads of timber were received at Belleville from Hastings last week and there are 20 more to arrive thence, also 30 car-loads from Madoc. The timber will be rafted to Ouebec.

-Advices just received from the seal fisheries report the arrival of the Commedore at Harbor Grace with 6,000 seals. No fresh arrivals are reported, and the fishery is now considered a hopeless failure.

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