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sian sable, 10; silver fox, 40; blue fox, 60; white fox, 50; red fox, 55; grizzly and Russian bear, 15; wolf, 50; lynx, 40; and wild cat, 75. Muskrat sold same as Co. of New York. last March; eastern mink, 15 per cent. higher; northern, ditto, 10 per cent. higher; otter, 12½ per cent. higher; and black bear, 10 per cent. higher. Local ASSETS, quotations of red fox are reduced to from \$1 to \$2.

MONTREAL STOCKS IN STORE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.
	Jan. 21.	Jan. 28.
Wheat	. 39,335	93,855
Corn	. 15,773	15,544
Oats	. 88,042	92,392
Rye	. 8,695	8,695
Peas	. 32,592	31,313
Barley	. 41,737	41,737
Total grain	. 230,174	283,536
Oatmeal	420	420

439 16,680 429 Buckwheat 10,213 9,937 shows GROCERIES.—The week few

changes. The large French-Canadian houses are preparing for stock-taking, and some of the English houses are similarly employed, but travellers who are on the road report fair demand. There is a rather better enquiry for teas, and all grades of Japans are very firmly held. There is reported to be some expectation in the United States of a reduction in the duty on tea, resulting, it is said, in some enquiries from that direction. Some 1,500 packages, largely Japans, which were smoked damaged at the recent fire, have been surrendered to the insurance companies, and will be put up at auction next week. Refiners report rather a quiet demand for sugars, but quotations are without further change, the factory price for granulated being \$4.65, and for yellows, from \$3.95 to \$4.55. Molasses is quiet, but stocks are very light.

LEATHER.—The late big fire cleaned out some considerable stocks of sole, ordinary black and fancy leather, five firms having been sufferers. Buying on the part of shoe manufacturers continues, it is said somewhat light. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. I. 24½ to 25½c.; No. 2. B.A., 23 to 24c.; No. 3, B.A., 22c.; No. 1, ordinary, Spanish, 24c.; No. 2, 22½ to 23c.; No. 1 slaughter, 27c.; No. 2, ditto, 25c.; common, 22 to 24c.; Union crop, 29 to 30c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; ditto, heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits, 18 to 21c.; Ouehee ditto vertex medium. Quebec. ditto. 15 to 17c.; juniors, 15 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 26c.; Canadian, 20 to 22c.: colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskins linings, 30 to 40c.; colored sheepskins, 6½ to 7½c.: black, ditto, 6 to 6½c.; black Indias, 7 to 8c.; harness, 31 to 33c.; buffed cow, 11 to 14c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebble cow, 11 to 13c.; glove-grain, 11½ to 13c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE. - Hardware orders for spring delivery are reported as coming in well; in heavy metals the demand is still on the quiet side, but improvement is looked for next month. As regards prices, there is hardly a change to noted, except that lead is said be a little easier in England. to be a little easier in England.
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Ferrona, No. 1, \$19 to \$19.50; Midland.
\$19 to \$19.50; machinery scrap,
\$18.00; common ditto, \$13.00 to \$14.00;
bar iron, Canadian, \$1.50 to \$1.60;
Hoops, \$1.85; bands, \$3.10; Canada
plates—Pontypool, or equal, fifty-two sheets to the box. \$2.80 to \$2.90;
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