selling at low prices; the demand is principally for hams and breakfast bacon for the Christmas trade, although long clear and mess pork is being sent to the lumbermen's shanties. being sent to the lumbermen's shanties. Since the warm weather supplies of eggs have become more plentiful, and prices have easier tendencies. We quote strictly new laid, 20 to 21c.; cold storage, 15 to 18c.; held fresh, 15 to 18c., and pickled, 14 to 14½c per doz. Receipts of poultry until Thursday were light, and with the soft weather prices are likely to be lower.

SEEDS.-The local trade is confined within SEEDS.—The local trade is confined within strict limits. There is little movement in red clover; the few lots that are moving bring about \$4 per bushel to the grower. Alsike clover is moving somewhat more freely, transactions realizing growers between \$2.75 and 4.25 per bush., according to quality. New York quotations, Dec. 17th, are as follows: Clover, fair grades, \$6 to 6.75; high grades, \$7 to 7.50 per 100 lbs.; jobbing lots nominal. Timothy, in small lots of fair grades, \$3.75 to \$4; high grades, \$4.25 to \$5.

Wool. -The situation shows little or no change. Dealers continue to pay 24c. for the few lots that are being offered. It is said that a dealer in Hamilton is holding 500,000 bales a dealer in Hamilton is holding 500,000 bales of the 1895 clip. Manitoba and the North-West, if all accounts be true, was not a profitable field of investment for the Ontario wool buyer this year It is said that a Toronto merchant purchased a large quantity of territorial wool at 12c. per lb., and after paying 13c. freight charges, sold it at 14c. per lb., a paltry remuneration for the amount of work involved in the transaction. Pulled wools remain unchanged. The "Miowera," arriving in Vancouver 10th inst., carried considerable wool. During October, wool amounting to \$124,458 in During October, wool amounting to \$124,458 in value was imported into Canada. The last sale of the London wool auctions for the series of 1895 was held on the 11th inst. begins Jan. 14th, 1896 The next sale

## LIVERPOOL PRICES.

Liverpool, Dec. 19, 12.30 p.m.		
	s.	d
Wheat, Spring	5	4
Red, Winter	5	31
No. 1 Cal	5	3½ 5
Corn	3	2
Peas	4	8 <u>1</u> 6
Lard	27	6
Pork	50	0
Bacon, heavy	26	0
Bacon, light	26	6
Tallow	00	9
Cheese, new white	44	0
Cheese, new colored	45	U

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Reserve for Security of Policy-holders, Dec. 31, '94	2,566,560
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