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MONEY AND COMMERCE.

TRUE WITNESS OFFICE, Tuesday, August 5. Financial.

The leading events transpiring in the local money markets during the past week were the retiring of the Standard bank, of Quebec, from business, and the suspension of the Consolidated bank.

The local money market continues inactive; good commercial paper is still discounted at the banks at 7 per cent., and loss on coal remains made at about 5 per cent. on coal.

—The Banque du Peuple has declared a half-yearly dividend of 2 per cent.

—The Union bank, of Halifax, has declared a half-yearly dividend of 3 per cent.

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—The customs duties collected at Halifax during July amounted to \$50,743, a decrease of \$12,648, compared with the same month of last year.

—The customs receipts at St. John during July, out, show a falling off of \$21,649.44, compared with the receipts during the corresponding period of last year.

—The amount of inland revenue collected at Halifax during July is \$12,540, showing a decrease of \$397, compared with the corresponding month of last year.

—The collections at the inland revenue office at Belleville, Ont., during July, were as follows:—Spirits, \$3,198; tobacco, \$1,118; malt, \$171; licenses, \$200; total, \$4,687, being an increase of \$739 over 1878.

—The customs returns at Belleville for July, out, were:—Imports, \$18,862, and duty \$4,712, against imports \$15,894, and duty \$2,668, for July, 1878, showing a large increase this year. The exports for 1879 show an increase of \$8,878 over those of 1878.

—The traffic earnings of the Great Western railway for the week ending July 26th amounted to \$69,308.26, compared with \$78,923.98 for the corresponding week last year, a decrease of \$9,615.72.

—The traffic earnings of the Grand Trunk railway for the week ending 26th July, 1879, compared with the corresponding week of 1878 shows an increase of \$6,630.

Passengers, mails and express freight, \$63,008 \$59,704 Freight and live stock, 91,495 88,070 \$154,504 \$147,874

Business Troubles. —James Reilly, boot and shoe merchant, St. Catharines, Ont., has assigned.

—The liabilities of Senator Howland, St. John, N.B., amount to \$25,000; assets small.

—Boomer & Co., wholesale liquor dealers, St. Catharines, Ont., has assigned.

—Jury Foley, trunks, &c., Halifax, liabilities are \$4,000.

—The liabilities of F. Bossom, Halifax, amount to \$7,015.50.

—A. P. Power, dry goods, Halifax, owes \$5,500. At a meeting of creditors he made no offer, and will be sold out.

—An offer of 25c on the dollar has been rejected by the creditors of S. Drapeau, publisher, Ottawa.

—Mr. A. M. Perkins has been appointed assignee to the estate of the late E. S. Freer, whose liabilities amount to \$37,746.

—The liabilities of Shaw Bros., grocers, St. John, N.B., who assigned last week, amount to \$2,000.

—W. A. Tweedale, Munic, general trader, has failed. Liabilities between \$2,000 and \$3,000, principally in St. John, N.B.

—E. C. Newberry, fish, Halifax, has offered 20 cents on the dollar. The creditors have not yet decided whether or not to accept a fifth of their claims.

—A writ of attachment has been issued against Jos. E. Guilbeault, bottanist, Back River, for \$250 at the instance of Alphonse Turcotte. Chas. O. Perrault, assignee.

—At the instance of Messrs. Gault Bros & Co., a writ of attachment has been served upon Robert O. Wilson, for \$234.65. Mr. Chas. Bailie, assignee.

—Michael Cuddihy has caused a writ of attachment to be issued against Theophilus Rapin, saloon keeper, for \$244.23. L. A. Globensky, assignee.

—Hon. Senator Howland, of Alberton, P. E. I., owes \$2,887.37 in Halifax. The balance is principally in the island; but E. Russell & Co., Boston, are creditors for \$3,500, and some St. John firms have also been let in.

—A writ of attachment was issued this afternoon against Mrs. Assile Rouillard, wife of Mr. P. L. Duvert, painter and trader, of this city, for \$460 at the instance of Mrs. C. Charbonneau. The husband of each of these ladies is living, but take shelter from their creditors, it is stated, under the name of their wives.

—Michael Foley, ship owner and general dealer, of Alberton, P. E. I., falls with \$29,568 direct liabilities, and \$25,375 indirect. Assets nominally \$60,000, of which sum \$32,000 is in book debts and promissory notes of little or no value. An offer of 20 cents on the dollar cash is now under consideration, and it is thought will be accepted.

—A demand of assignment has been made upon Fish, Sheppard & Co., dry goods merchants, St. Paul street, this city, for \$4,400, by the Consolidated bank. The amount of the firm's liabilities is between \$125,000 and \$150,000. The same firm was in financial difficulties about two years ago, and was extricated by the Consolidated bank.

—Cattle dealers in Toronto are jubilant over the bright prospects of a lively trans-Atlantic fall trade. They now have about 8,000 sheep awaiting shipment, and it is said that 50,000 could easily be disposed of. The want of sufficient ship accommodation is a subject of general complaint.

—From the 1st January to July 31st, there were shipped from this port 13,827 head of cattle, against 7,729 for the same period last year; 39,474 sheep, against 7,312 last year; 1,909 hogs, against 217 last year, and 163 horses against 428 last year.

—The rates of ocean freights are easier here, although not quite so low as at this time last week; 5s to 5s 6d are the rates asked by steamer to direct ports in the United Kingdom, but these figures are not now so easily obtained. For sail the rates are 9s 9d to 6s.

—The imports into the Dominion of Canada during July, ut. were:—Dutiable goods, \$2,992,365; coin and bullion, \$43,934; free goods, all other, \$1,112,929. The imports for the month of June show a decrease of \$2,482,328, as compared with those for June of last year.

—There were 33,500 boxes of cheese and 2,800 packages of butter shipped from Montreal per European steamers during last week.

—Since the 15th July last, 5,500 head of cattle were shipped to Great Britain from New York. This shows a large increase in the exportation of cattle from this continent.

—At Woodstock cheese market on Saturday about 15 factories were represented, and 6 factories registered on the board 1,450 boxes of the last half of July make, the balance having been sold previous to market day. No sales were reported during market hours.

—A commercial agent at Nottingham, Eng., reports a gloomy account of crops owing to the unpropitious cold season. From his central position he predicts a serious failure throughout England, and a large demand upon Russia and America for breadstuffs. Among farmers a great increase in the number of bankrupts must ensue.

—The Allan line steamship have carried to Liverpool and Glasgow during the present season up to the 25th instant 2,638 cattle, 13 calves, 99 hogs, 39 horses, and 5,246 sheep, which were all landed in good order, with the exception of 4 cattle and 39 sheep, and of these 3 cattle were embarked in an injured condition, and died or were slaughtered shortly after leaving port.

—The three-masted schooner Floretto, a Chicago vessel, which sailed direct from her own port with deak for Glasgow some time ago, has arrived at Hamilton with a cargo of sugar, direct from Barbadoes. From Glasgow she went to South America, and thence to Barbadoes. She left that island on the 8th June. It is stated that the venture has been rendered possible by that clause of the tariff which exempts packages and charges from duty. It is true, it would seem that consumers will have to pay a considerably higher price for the sugar than if it had been brought by rail.

Referring to the new Canadian loan of £3,000,000, the London Standard of the 16th July, instant, said:—The applications amounted to £3,162,000, and tenders above the minimum price, £95 per £100 bond, will receive in full. The fact that the amount of the above issue was so barely covered is ominously significant of the impression which widely prevails in this country that the monetary obligations of the Dominion are already more than sufficient to tax her resources for an indefinitely extended period. This is rendered still more apparent when it is recollected that the accumulation of British capital at present seeking safe and profitable investment is so enormous, and that loans recently issued by certain Australian colonies were covered several times over.

—The Canada Gazette, last issue, contains a notice of an application to be made for an act to incorporate Messrs. Fred Gault, Sir Hugh Allan, Matthew Hamilton Gault, David Morrice, and Samuel Hamilton Ewing, of Montreal, as the Stormont Manufacturing Co., with a capital stock of \$150,000, and Cornwall as the chief place of business.

—An Ottawa despatch states:—The city is full of contractors, including several prominent Americans, and as usual there is no end of wire-pulling, comparing notes, and speculating upon the results of tendering bids for the one hundred mile section of the Canada Pacific railway, west of Winnipeg. The tenders were to have been opened on Saturday, and will probably be submitted to the privy council as a whole, the government being anxious not to delay the commencement of the work.

—The State of Trade. DRY GOODS.—Our wholesale dry goods merchants report that country trade is still being very cautiously, and not going to order full winter stock until after harvest. They are delaying purchases of Canadian woolen goods until they are actually needed, and they will likely obtain them later on at cheap prices, if not cheaper, than at present. About the only class of goods being ordered are English, and even these are moving off slowly. No large parcels are wanted. Remittances have not improved much, as yet.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The demand for hides is fully equal to the supply; the offerings of butchers during the week have consisted chiefly of light hides, and there are no stocks of any consequence on hand. Prices are still quoted at \$8.75 and \$9 respectively for Nos. 1 and 3 from first hands; tan skins have to pay 75c to \$1 mure per 100 lbs. Sheepskins are worth 25c to 35c each, with a good day and for all offerings, and are quoted at 25c to 30c, with the supply only moderate, etc.

PAINTS AND OILS.—Trade rules quiet, at unchanged prices. Orders are expected in this season by dealers, but a fair business is being done in assortments. Oils.—Lard is firm at 62c per gallon for raw and 60c for boiled. Spirits of turpentine worth 40c per gallon. In fish oils there is very little doing; cod oil worth 45c to 50c, as to quality. Steamer refined

wool is worth 45c to 47c, as to quantity. No activity is looked for until after the 1st September. Remittances reported slow during the past week.

WOOL.—Trade has continued very quiet, and prices in this market are falling downwards. Manufacturers are buying in lots sufficient only to meet immediate wants. Sales of Canadian fleeces have been made here at 20c to 22c; and extra fine wools are quoted at from 25c to 30c. Pulled wools—Extra pulled worth 27c to 30c; super, 22c to 25c; pulled No. 1, 18c to 20c; and black wool, 20c to 22c. A cargo of green Cape wools has just arrived in port from Algoa Bay, and sample lots, to arrive, have been sold at 16c to 17c.

The demand in the leading American markets has fallen off considerably during the past month, in consequence of large receipts of the summer clip.

FARMERS' MARKETS. Bonsecours and St. Ann's—Prices at Farmers' Wagons, &c.

Tuesday, August 5. There was a remarkably large attendance of market gardeners and farmers, etc., at the above named markets to-day, and a very large business was done in vegetables and fruits. So great is the competition now for advantageous positions on the Bonsecours market, that several wagons were located at 1 and 2 o'clock this a.m.

On Tuesday last, and farmers were selling them at 80c to \$1 per bag, although 90c was the average price paid; there were scarcely any other grains offering. New potatoes were plentiful, at 30c to 35c per bushel in baskets, and in bags of 14 bushel, 45c to 50c was asked for Early Rose. French beans were sold at 40c per bushel, cauliflowers at \$1 to 1.50 per dozen, and tomatoes, \$3 to 3.50 per bushel. Green corn was selling at 8c per dozen ears. Eggs were lower to-day; new laid, 15c to 20c; packing, 11c to 12c.

Large shipments of apples are arriving every evening from Rochester and Western Ontario; to-day they sold at \$2 to 3.00 per bushel for all good qualities; Bell pears at \$3 to 4.00 per bushel; Delaware peaches at \$4 per crate; mush melons at 50c to 75c each, or \$6 to 9.00 per dozen; blueberries at 70c to 80c per box of Laprairie, and 75c to \$1 per box of Saguenay berries, according to size of the boxes. Red raspberries sold to-day at 75c per parent pailful.

The following are the corrected prices up to date:—

VEGETABLES.—New potatoes 25c to 35c per bushel; new carrots, 20c to 30c per dozen bunches; new onions, 25c per dozen bunches; parsnips, 30c to 40c per dozen bunches; cabbages, 15c to 20c per bushel; celery, 10c to 50c per parcel of a dozen bunches; spinach, 10c to 15c per bushel; pineapples, 20 to 30c each; rhubarb, 10c to 20c per dozen bunches; French string beans, 15c to 20c per bushel; cucumbers, \$2 per bushel; cauliflowers, \$1 to \$1.50 per dozen; tomatoes, \$3.50 per bushel; new onions, 20c per dozen bunches.

FRUIT.—Apples—New, \$2.00 to 3.00 per bushel and from 40c to 60c per peck; Lemons, 25c to 30c per doz.; \$3 to 7 per case; oranges, 35c to 40c per dozen; pineapples, 20c to 30c each; cranberries, 10c per gallon; coconuts, 60c per dozen; gooseberries, 50c per gallon.

MEAT.—Beef—best beef (trimmed), 10c to 12c; light steaks, 12c to 15c; spring lamb, 9c to \$1.50 per quarter; mutton, 8c to 10c; veal, 5c to 10c; pork, 8c to 10c; ham, 12c to 13c; bacon, 12c to 13c; fresh sausage, 8c to 10c; Bologna sausage, 12c to 15c; dressed hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00 per 100 pounds.

POULTRY AND GAME.—Turkeys, 10c to \$1.25 each; geese, 75c to \$1.00 per pair; ducks (wild), 60c to 60c per brace; game, 50c to 75c; quail, 20c to 30c per brace; prairie hens, 50c to 75c per brace; quail, \$2.00 per dozen; prairie hens, 70c to \$1.00 per pair.

THE CATTLE MARKETS. St. Gabriel. Monday, August 4.

The receipts of live stock at Point St. Charles during last week comprised 48 carloads of, or 6,601 sheep, 403 cars of cattle, 376 hogs and 2 horses. Of these, all the sheep and 17 carloads of cattle were shipped to Europe. This morning there were nine carloads of cattle, nearly all grass fed, offered for sale at the St. Gabriel market, and a large load of hogs arrived for Wm. Masterman. Robert Craig, Brampton, brought 3 loads cattle; Patrick Brady, Perth, 1 load do.; Hugh Kelly, Toronto, 1 load; Hugh Elliott, Kingston, and Ira Wigger, of Morrisburg, each 1 load; and James Aikins, Port Hope, 2 loads cattle. There were very few buyers in attendance, and no demand from shippers at all to speak of, hence the great majority of the cattle were driven to Viger market, the now favorite resort of the local butchers. Hugh Kelly received 21 head cattle, and sold 6 head, averaging 1,050 lbs. each, to Mr. Doe, local butcher, at \$46, or about 43c. per lb.; Mr. Brady sold 9 head cattle to local butchers at \$28 each, or 3c. per lb. Mr. Robert Balderson, Perth, sold two head grass cattle to George Kelly, of this city, at about 34c per lb. Mr. Aid. McShane was not purchasing to-day, except that he took a pair of fine steers from P. Brady at \$125. During the past few days he has bought 300 head of cattle for shipment from the Hon. Senator Cochrane and other breeders residing in the eastern townships, averaging 1,500 lbs. each, at about 51c per lb.; 225 head will be shipped to Glasgow per the steamship Canadian, and 100 head will go to Liverpool per another Allan steamer. Messrs. Prichard & Robson, of St. Mary's, Ont., were loading the s.s. Phoenician to-day with 500 sheep and 80 head cattle; the sheep will average 15c lbs. each, and the cattle about 1,300 lbs. each. The Phoenician is expected to sail to-morrow.

Mr. B. Hilliker, of Ingersoll, brought to market to-day 130 hogs, averaging 200 lbs each, for Wm. Masterman, this city, who paid for them about 43c per lb. Some 20 sheep also arrived by boat from below for Mr. J. W. House, who paid for them about 43c. The range of prices paid for good sheep is from 44c to 50c per lb, and first-class cattle for shipment will bring 50c to 54c.

Viger. Tuesday, August 5.

Business has been rather light at Viger cattle market this week; the receipts of live stock yesterday were fairly large, and a good many sales were reported, but at lower and sacrificing prices. The arrivals included about 200 head of cattle, of which 100 head were driven down from the St. Gabriel market; 800 sheep and lambs, a few calves, and a small number of fat hogs. Several head of cattle remained over until to-day; what were sold brought \$475 to 500 per cow, for first, and \$350 to 400 for seconds. About 40 sheep were sold for shipment to Great Britain, at from \$4 to 4.50 per cow, the remainder, chiefly lambs, brought \$2 to 3.50 each, according to size, etc. Calves were scarce, and sold at from \$2 to 3.50. A few head of fat hogs changed hands at \$4.25 to 4.50 per cwt, live weight, and a lot of nine sucking pigs were disposed of at \$1.25 each.

To-day the receipts comprised about 50 head of cattle from the St. Gabriel market, 20 milch cows, and about 200 sheep and

lams. The quality of the bees and milch cows was generally inferior, and the demand slow. The cows brought \$15 to 25 each, there being no first-class animals offering. For the sheep and lambs sellers asked the same prices as were paid yesterday, but buyers were difficult to find.

Montreal Horse Market. Monday, August 4.

The shipment of horses from this port to the United States during the past week comprised 82, at a total value of \$6,299, against 99 horses, valued at \$7,283 during the week previous. It will be seen from the above that there has been a considerable falling off in the supply, which is now expected to be small until after harvest at least. A few horses for local use have changed hands in this market during the week at low prices, but business at the corporation horse market on College street, and at the American horse yards, has been remarkably dull since the date of our last report. There are several American buyers in the city still in search of large driving horses, but for want of supply they are unable to fill their orders.

The list of horses exported to the United States through the consulate-general's office here during last week is as follows:—July 28—17 horses at \$1,307; 13 do at \$1,104. On the 30th inst.—10 at \$800.50; 22 at \$1,339.50; and 20 at \$1,689.

Montreal Hay Market. Tuesday, August 5.

The offerings of new hay at this market during the past week have been very fair, comprising about 375 loads of hay and straw, altogether. The demand for good qualities is good, and old hay is firm at \$11 to 11.50 per hundred bundles, while new hay sells at \$6 to 8.00 per hundred bundles. Straw is worth \$4 to 6.00 per 100 bundles, according to quality, etc., the average price paid is \$5.50.

Montreal Fuel Markets. Wednesday, July 30.

There is no new feature to note in the local fuel market since the date of our last report. Dealers report a fair demand for some lots of hard coal, principally stove of course, and a quiet steady trade is now expected to be alone until the close of navigation; the season for a rush of orders is over. Prices are firm but not changed since last week at this time; dealers do not seem quite so anxious to sell as they were, and hence concessions are not so easily obtained. The rates of freights on shipments from New York remain as last quoted, \$1.65 to 1.70, but there does not appear to be a great deal of antiratic coal arriving in port just now. The demand for steam and Newcastle smith's coal is reported fairly active, for the season, and a few cargoes lots of lower port coal have changed hands at prices within our range of quotations but sales are generally for lots of a hundred tons and under.

There were about 60 barges of cordwood, of different kinds, lying in the Victoria pier to-day, and of these about 14 or 15 barges arrived this week. The demand has fallen off, and sales were slow. Prices are unchanged.

COAL.—Retail prices per ton, delivered, for cash: Stove, \$5.25; chestnut, \$5.00; egg, \$5.00; furnace, \$5.00; Scotch grate (soft), \$5.00 to 5.50; Scotch steam, \$1.50 to 4.75; Sydney steam, \$3.25; Pictou do, \$3.75; Newcastle smith's, \$3.50; coke, per chaldron, \$3.50.

WOOD.—Retail prices per cord at the wharf, cartage extra: Long maple, 34 feet, \$5.00; long birch, 34 feet, \$4.50; long beech, 34 feet, \$4.00; short maple, three feet, \$4.50; short birch, three feet, \$4.00; short beech, three feet, \$3.75; short tamarac, 24 to 3 feet, \$3.00 to 3.50; short hemlock, 24 to 3 feet, \$2.00 to 2.25.

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BRICK.—Fire brick, Carr brand, is selling ex-wharf at about \$27 per M, and inferior quality at \$25 per M.

IRON.—The pig iron market is dull, Summer No. 1 selling at \$18 per ton.

TIMBER.—Rafts are arriving, but there is no demand for square timber. Merchants are not disposed to purchase until the stocks on hand are worked off, and the fall outlook is anything but encouraging, for, with freights at their present rates, and higher insurance as the season advances, a great falling off in tonnage may be expected before the close of navigation. The only article that exhibits any buoyancy are deals, which sell readily at an advance on previous prices. In hardwood there is little or nothing doing, with the exception of oak, for which there is some little demand.

FRAGMENTS.—There is no change to note and not a single vessel has been placed since the last report.

SALT.—The arrivals since the last report have been 2,200 sacks ex steamship; the market seems firmer and rates have improved; a small lot of 1,000 sacks was sold ex-store at about 49c.

Markets by Telegraph. Toledo, August 5, 12 M.—Wheat easier; amber, 99c asked, 98c bid for cash; No. 2 red, 99c to 99c for cash; 98c for August; 98c for September; No. 2 amber, Illinois white, 99c to 1.00. Corn neglected; high mixed, 37c; No. 2, 37c. Oats neglected; 37c for cash; 37c asked, 36c bid for August. Oats nominal.

New York, Aug. 5, 12.30 P.M.—Wheat, call, No. 2 red, \$1.08 1/2 to 1.09 1/2 for cash; \$1.09 to \$1.09 1/2 for August; sales, 24,000 bush at \$1.09 1/2 for September; 3,000 bush at \$1.10 for October; No. 2 amber, 16,000 bush at \$1.08 1/2 for cash; 16,000 bush at \$1.08 1/2 for August; \$1.08 to \$1.08 1/2 for September.

Toronto, August 5.—Market inactive; flour quiet, with no movement reported; wheat tending downwards; No. 2 spring has been offered at \$1.01, with no buyers; oats firm, with sales of eastern at 39c and 39c on track; barley and peas purely nominal; wool very weak; lot sold at 20c bids have declined 50cts; No. 1 inspected now stand at \$1.50; pelts and lamb-skins unchanged; eggs abundant and slow of sale at 9c to 9c.

Halifax Markets. Halifax, August 2.—Trade has been quiet as usual at this season, and prices of leading staples have not materially changed. To the West Indies the exports of fish have been 1,441 terecks, 3,860 drums, 640 boxes, 50 half-boxes dry, and 1,623 barrels, 15 half-barrels pickled fish, making the total shipments to date 30,616 terecks, 31,789 drums, 18,712 boxes and 14,386 half-boxes dry fish, and 53,799 barrels and 1,886 half-barrels pickled fish. The imports of molasses and sugar to date are 7,718 puncheons, 658 terecks, 549 barrels molasses, and 7,415 hds, 175 terecks, 1,169 barrels and 171 half-barrels sugar.

The local stock and money market is very quiet, very few transactions in stocks, and prices low.

The lobster trade from Halifax is beginning to assume large proportions. The lobsters are sent from all round the shore, large quantities coming from New Brunswick, P. E. Island and Newfoundland. The brig Prosperite, which cleared on Thursday last 10,501 cases, and two other vessels, the Zeno and Mary Hughes, are nearly loaded. The season for taking lobsters closed yesterday. The production was getting too great for the demand; prices were steadily on decline and business was getting to be unprofitable; the result would have been that proprietors and factories would be unable to pay their hands, the factories would go up, and both fishermen and packers would lose their hard earnings and the proprietors their business. The close of the season, however, has been arranged satisfactorily to all.

The advance in freights and re-commencement of work on the Western Counties railroad gives a more lively tone to matters in Yarmouth than has been known for months past and a more hopeful feeling prevails.

The coal trade is reported to be continually improving, the Acadia company are shipping to order all the coal they can raise. The Halifax company have shipped more than they have done for years, the Intercolonial is also doing a good business and not only that, but the trade is reported profitable.

The shipments of flour down from Toronto and coal up, have turned out very well; it was tried as an experiment, and having proved successful will, no doubt, assume large proportions, "growlers" to the contrary notwithstanding.

BREADSTUFFS.—Flour firm, and some sales have been made above quotations. Cornmeal, oatmeal and rye flour, unchanged.

FISH.—Dry fish, firmer, and though quotations are lower than last week's, they are higher than have been obtained during the week. The supply last week was large, and prices declined. This week the arrivals have recovered a little. Mackerel, dull and lower for all kinds. Salmon, firm and enquired for, but the catch is reported to be small. Herring and alewives, unchanged.

Oil.—Very dull and unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—Quiet and unchanged.

SALT.—All getting scarce, and selling at about \$1.70 for Cadiz; no Liverpool afloat, and it is doubtful if the first arrival will realize over \$1.50.

WEST INDIA GOODS.—Molasses firmer, and holders anticipate higher rates. Sugar firm and unchanged.

COAL.—33,968 tons of coal were shipped from Spring Hill mines this season.

Liverpool Provision Market. BACON.—The country demand is not quite so strong as it has been, and slight concessions are made to effect sales. We quote clear bellies—very difficult to sell, market rather overstocked—30s to 33s is asked; rib-cut bellies, 28s to 30s; short middles, rib-in, 26s to 28s 6d; long middles, rib-in, a steady demand for fine brands at 32s to 35s; shoulder quiet at 21s to 22s. For long and short clear there is less enquiry, and prices rather easier, both cuts being now offered at 26s to 27s; backs dull at 26s to 30s 6d.

HAMS.—Staffordshire cut are most enquired after, and being scarce are held for rather more money. We quote 4s to 5s according to quality and size; long cut according to quality and size; inferior parcels, 40s to 44s; Manchester cut, 44s to 48s.

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