same period last year. Rue quiet and nominal at 56c; stock in store, 1101 bushels. Corn steady, Canadian being quoted at 45c to 50c.

GROCERIES.—The business of the week was fair and prices steady. Sugars in moderate demand and firm at 61c and 65c for standard and granulated. Fruits quiet; valencias scarce and firm at 91d. Red coffee is easier at 104c to 12c. Teas firm; Japan choice, 40c to 45c; good, 25c to 28c. Gunpowder 25c. Tobaccos and liquors firm.

Hardware.—A slight improvement is reported for the week, but orders are still of a small sorting-up character. There is yet no improvement in prices, in fact, some quotations are lower than a week ago. Nails are still selling at \$2.35. Copper easy: ingot from the to 17c. sheet from 23c to 25c; and bar 23c to 33c. The discount on iron pipe is 674c to 70 per cent. Pig iron dull at \$18 to \$19, and ordinary bur iron \$1.85. Tin plates steady; T. C. coke \$4.40 to \$4.50; I.C. charcont, \$4.90 to \$5.00 and D. C. charcont \$4.25 to \$4.50.

Hines, Sains, etc.—There is no feature in these markets. Prices rule steady, with deman d and supply about equal. Butchers still pay 7½ c for No. 1 cow hide, and 8c for No. 1 steers, and cured sell at 8½ c to 8½ c for cows and 9½ c for steers. Caliskins nominally unchanged at 13c to 15c. Sheepskins in moderate supply and prices firm; the best bring 90c and country lots from 50c to 15c. Tallow is steady, dealers paying 3½ c for rough and 6½ c for rendered; the latter sells at 6¾ c.

LEATHER.—This trade is quiet, with orders restricted to small lots. Prices rule firm at unchanged quotations.

Live Stock.—The cattle market has been a little more active, with receipts large. Holders are asking higher prices, owing to a little better demand and higher prices in Britain. Choice steers for export being 54c to 54c, and first-class butchers' cattle 44c; inferior rule at 3c to 4c per lb. Sheep steady at 31c to 4c per lb. Lambs sold at 54 to 54.75 a head. Hogs brought 44c per lb.

Provisions.—Bacon.—Trade has been rather poor this week, and prices unchanged. Gar lots of long clear can be obtained at 8c, and small lots job at 8\(^1_4\) to 8\(^1_2\)c. Cumberland Gut is quoted at 7c to 7\(^1_2\)c, and rolls at 10c. Hams are inchanged; smoked sell at 11c, and pickled at 9\(^1_4\)c to 10c. Lard is moved fairly well, and prices remain steady at 10c for round lots, and at 10\(^1_4\)c to 10\(^1_4\)c for small quantities. Mess Pork is firmer, in sympathy with the west, at 31c to 817, but there is little demand here. But'er is dull, and none but choice qualities are salenble. The demand is restricted to local wants, there being no shipping. Choice dairy tub would sell at 17c, but there is little offering; large rolls of good quality sell at 15c to 16c, and inferior store-packed at 10c to 12c. Eggs are a trifle casier, case lots of limed selling at 18c to 19c; fresh are quoted at 20c to 12\(^1_4\)c in a jobbing way, but little moving.

Wool.—While there has been a little more enquiry during the week, it cannot be said that the movement has increased. Dealers, however, appear to think that prices will get firmer; selected fleece is quoted at 18c, and ordinary to good at \$15c to 16c. Sonthdown, 22c. Supers in fair request from factories, and steady at 21c to 22c. Extras, 24c to 25c.

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CANADIAN BRANCH STATEMENT 1884.

INCOME.

Premium Income, \$309,542.77
Interest, \$309,542.77
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\$313,388.27

EXPENDITURE.

Losses, \$120,277.92
Expenses, \$22,758.50
Balance, \$313,388.27

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