Victorian friends have not forgotten what it was that gave them such an instant hold on buyers here. Canada is coming along, as will be seen by a reference to my import table, and it is to be hoped that it will not be long

before she regains her old relative position in the supply."

CHESE — No change is apparent in cheese here, business ruling small. In fact holders are indifferent, and though it is reported that orders on the basis of about 10½0, have been received, the stock is not purchasable at that figure. In Montreal "a very good demand has set in on the other side, and buyers there are increasing their cable limits, cales having been made over the cable at equal to fully 10 c. here for finest Western October; but 11c, is the lowest some holders will entertain for their finest Western goods, and everything now points to their being able to get it very shortly. As the English make, which was unquestionably very short this season, As the Legish make, which was unquestionably very short this season, gradually disappears there must be a greater run on finest Canadians, and that we shall see higher figures before long is the general impression throughout the trade. The Laverpool public cable has advanced to 53s.; but private cables quoted 54s. to 54s. 6d. a week ago." A letter from London says:—"Cheese moves slowly and steadily along. Quotations are unchanged from last week for finest late makes, but lower priced sorts are not so easy trobtain, as stocks are being drawn on, and buyers are rather eager to lay hold of anything below 50s. The information in the Trade Bulletin, that contracts have been made for delivery in January at 50s. to 54s. c. i. f., is received with some surprise here, as it is felt here that stocks will probably have become seriously depleted by that time, and that unless something strange happens prices will be higher than now. The Grocers' Journal, in an article this work on the subject, said there will always he bears ready to drop on anything, but it should expect to see prices nearer 60s. for September by January, than 50s."

Ecos -The demand for eggs is fair, but buyers steadily decline to adrance their figures, and this makes business drag despite a slackening supply. The aspect of the outside markits is not favorable. In London it is reported that "Eggs are easier to buy, France waking up a bit, and Russia flooding the market. The drop can hardly, however, be more than from 31. to 6d. per long hundred. In Glasgow old rates rule, as supplies are not above requirements, while in Liverpool good prices are being paid for the finer Canadians, which fetch up to 93. 31 per 120, inferior selling down to

63. 10d. '

-There is nothing to remark concerning these fruit in the local market. Shipments have fallen off owing to unfavorable returns from England. Holders now prefer to wait awhile before forwarding more, hoping that prices may advance after the New Year. In Lendon apples are a slow trade, owing to the quantity on hand; but prices are moving up, especially for Baldwins, and auctions this week are more satisfactory than for some

Dried Fruit.—This market has not presented anything out of the ordinary run during the past week. Valencia raisins and currents are very firmly held, and what business is passing in them is on a steady basis.

Sugar -Actual business on spot is moderate, and it is understood that jobbers are selling at very close margins. The reports of the London market for raw are firmer, although quo ations are unchanged, and stand at 13s. 10\frac{1}{2}\)1. for beet first, 16s. 3d. for Java and 14s. 3d. for fair refining. Light has again reduced his estimate of the beet crops, and this has strengthened the market. New York is unchanged at 4 11-162, for refined.

Tea .- Nothing specially interesting has transpired in tea during the week, but the firm tone of the market is fully sustained. A moderate movement in Japans and blacks is going on in a small way sufficient to demonstrate this fact, low grades having the special call. Cable advices from London state that there are no low grade blacks to be had at all under

5½ to 6d.

Coffee. The coffee market rules firm with supplies here very light, while advices from outside markets tend to strengthen the views of holders. Some small quantities have come forward during the week and have been turned over from first hands at 20c, and it will be hard to find a seller under that of really good stock. We quote Rios 20c. to 21c. in straight wholesale

lots, Santos nominally about the same.

Fign.—The local market is not changed. Supplies on hand of both pickled and cured fish are quite large, but the total want of a market in which to dispose of them remuneratively obliges holders to keep them in store. Macker I and herring stocks are, however, quite low, and hopes of mackerel now "striking in" are abandoned for this season. Our United S ates friends who were engaged in taking mackerel have fared much better than our people have. The reasons for this fact are difficult to understand. It is not that they have better gear, better bait or better men. Still, they have made a fairly successful season, while our mackerelers have done nothing. Our outside advices are as follows :- Montreal, Dec. 7 .- " There is a steady demand for fish, and now that the Archbishop has intimated that the Lenten observance will be strict this year, fish dealers expect a more active demand from jobber who have been holding off until certain about this. Values rule quite firm, and as already noted, supplies of several leading lines are limited. We quo'e—Labrador herring \$5 to \$5.50; C. B and B C. salmon \$13 to \$15; green cod \$4.50; haddock and cod 3c." Gloucester, Mass., Dec. 7.—"Receipts the past week moderate in all departments, showing a falling off from the previous week and a large decline from the corresponding week of last year. Orders are light, as usual at this season, and prices are likely to hold their own if they do not advance. Latest fare prices as follows:-Mackerel in fishermen's order at \$13 50 to \$15.50 per bbl. Last sales Bank halibut 15c. and 11c. per lb. for white and gray. Georges cod from vessel \$4.50 and \$4.37 for large, \$2.62 and \$2.75 for small. Bank 85; Bank \$5.50 to \$6 for large and \$3.25 for small; Shore \$6.50 and \$4.50 for large and \$3.25 for small; Shore \$6.50 and \$4.50 for large and \$3.25 for small; Shore \$6.50 and \$4.50 for large and small, dry Bank \$6, medium \$3.50; cured cusk at \$70 column \$1.75 column \$2.50 column \$3.25 for small; Shore \$6.50 and \$4.50 for large and small, dry Bank \$6, medium \$3.50; cured cusk at \$70 column \$1.75 c

\$5 per qtl.; hake \$2; haddock \$2.50; heavy salted pollock \$2.62, Newfoundland herring \$4 per bbl., pickled codfish \$4, haddock \$3.75; hallbut heads \$3.50; sounds \$13., tongues and sounds \$12; tongues \$11; ale-wives \$3.50; trout \$14; Hislifax silmon \$23; Newfoundland do. \$16."

Lalles, rough hands are a horror. Bathe them well at night in Johnson's Anodyne

PROBLEM OF A BAD GOLD PIECE.

Those of our readers who have their own ideas about what money is, are invited to consider the following proposition with a view to determining whether their definition of money is applicable in all cases. The study in solving the problem presented may throw some light on the real functions of money. A man found a \$10 gold piece, and, rubbing his hands in glee, he said to himself: "I will now go and pay my rent." This he did. The landlord took the \$10 rent and paid it to a farmer for corn, and the farmer, nandlord took the \$10 rent and paid it to a farmer for corn, and the farmer, meeting the man who found the money, and who, by the way, was a carpenter, and to whom he owed \$10 for building a corn crib, gave him the \$10 piece in payment of his account. Thereupon the man took the coin to the bank and then learned that it was counterfeit. These questions arise: was the man's rent paid? Did the landlord pay for the corn, and did the farmer pay the man for building his corn crib?—Business.

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