THE DRY GOODS TRADE.

Baillie, James, & Co.	May, Thomas, & Co.
Baukhage, Beak & Co.	McIntyre, Denoon & Co.
Benjamin, Wm., & Co.	Meyer, J., & Co.
Black, Lewis S. &Co	Moss, S. H., & J.
Claxton, T. James, & Co.	Muir, W., & R.
Dougall, John, & Co.	Munderloh & Steencken.
Foulds & Hodgson.	Ogilvy & Co.
Gilmour, J. Y., & Co.	Prevost, Amable, & Co.
Greenshields, S., Son & Co.	Ringland, Ewart & Co.
Hingston, James, & Co.	Robertson, A., & Co.
Lewis, Kay & Co.	Roy, Jas., & Co.
Macfarlane, Andrew, & Co.	Stephen, William, & Co.
May, Joseph.	Stirling, McCall & Co.

Winks, George, & Co.

As the season advances there is a gradual falling off in the amount of business done, and during the past week fewer orders and for smaller quantities of goods have been received from the country merchants than heretofore. Still the sales for the month of May foot up very respectably, showing a total in excess of the same month last year. This is owing more, perhaps, to the larger and better assortment of goods offered to dealers this year than to the actual requrements of the country, and stocks in most localities are still reported as larger than was expected would be the case. There appears to be a great disinclination to purchase cotton goods except for actual wants, under the expectation that before long cotton will be much lower. This may be correct as far as some classes of coarse staples are concerned, but in finer goods, such as muslins, prints, &c., in the manufacture of which long-staple cotton is a necessity, there is apparently little cause to anticipate any marked decline for some time. Thread has advanced instead of receded. We have seen invoices of purchases made in December and March last, and for the same quality of thread about twenty-five per cent. more money was paid at the latter time than at the former. Fine muslins showed an advance of over seven per cent. during same time, and this too when the lower grades of the raw material were steadily declining in value. The following circular has been issued by one of the prominent thread manufacturers, under date of May 15th, in order to correct the mistaken idea that an immediate reduction in cotton goods must follow a decline in the raw material.

"The idea prevails that all qualities of Cotton have fallen in value, and that an immediate reduction in the price of cotton goods must take place. This is a mistake, as, though coarse qualities of cotton have no doubt gone down in value, still, fine yarns which are made from long staple cotton, the supply of which is limited, continue high in price, with no prospect of any decline. As it is from these yarns our sewing threads are made, no early reduction in price is to be anticipated; the cotton market to-day, even in the face of the money panic, is strong."

There appears to be some probability that Cotton has now reached the lowest point for the present, for, notwithstanding the large accumulation of stock in Liverpool, amounting at latest dates to 970,500 bales, and the severe pressure in the money market, quotations were very little affected, and as soon as the financial panic had subsided, a fair amount of business was done at former rates.

Linen Goods continue dear, and though an impression prevails that they will be cheaper, as manufacturers are much behind hand in their orders, we do not look for any immediate decline.

THE LEATHER TRADE.

Brown & Childs.	Kirkwood, Livingston & Co.
Dougall J. & Co.	Seymour, C. E.
Hua & Richardson.	Seymour, M. H.

Shaw F. & Bros.

During the past week transactions have taken place to a moderate amount, the demand being almost entirely for prime stock, and inferior grades not much inquired for.

Spanish Sole—Has been in rather limited demand, chiefly for local consumption, at former quotations, and as there are no speculative buyers in the market, there seems to be some disposition to force sales of inferior.

Slaughter Sole.—For mediums and heavy there is demand at prices slightly lower than previous figures; but light is unsaleable at present.

Harness.—The demand is only moderate, but for good heavy stock, of which the supply is rather low, there is ready sale.

Waxed Upper—Is in rather better demand, and holders are firm in consequence of a bare market. Prices have an upward tendency, though we do not hear of sales of any importance at advanced rates.

Grained Upper.—Extra Heavy and small spread are neglected; for other descriptions there is a fair inquiry.

Buff and Pebbled.—Strictly choice stock is in good demand, but lower grades are abundant, and sell slowly.

Patent and Enamelled—Are firm at previous quotations; the supply evincing no improvement.

Calfskins.—There is a slight improvement in the quality of the receipts, but prices are not likely to give way so long as no accumulation of the stock takes place.

Splits—Find ready sale, especially choice descriptions, for which there is a preference at the difference in prices.

Sheep Skins—Are unchanged; the stock of desirable Russetts and Colored Linings being still low.

Hides.—A recent advance in the United States gives a firmer tone to the market here. Sales to a considerable extent have been made of Green and Green Salted, of which the stock principally consists.

THE GROCERY TRADE.

Chapman H., & Co.	Noad, James S., & Co.
Childs, George, & Co.	Reuter, Lionais & Co.
Converse, Colson & Lamb.	Rimmer, Gunn & Co.
Davie, Clark, & Clayton,	Robertson & Beattie.
Fitzpatrick & Moore.	Routh, Havilland & Co.
Fournier, Jules	Saunderson & Co.
Gillespie, Moffatt & Co.	Schneider, Bond & Co.
Gear, Henry J.	Sinclair, Jack & Co.
Hutchins B., & Co.	Tiffin, Jos., & Sons.
Jeffery, Brothers & Co.	Thompson, Murray & Co.
Kingan & Kinloch.	Torrance, David, & Co.
Leeming & Buchanan.	Urquhart, Alex., & Co.
Maitland, E., Tylee & Co.	West, Bros.
Mathewson, J. A. & H.	Winn & Holland.
Mitchell, Kinnear & Co.	Withers, Joy & Co.
Nivin, William, & Co.	

We have another very quiet week to report, very little having been done, with the exception of the trade sale for account of V. Hudon, Esq., (Messrs. Cuvillier & Co., auctioneers), which took place last Friday. The attendance on that occasion was very good, and though some articles did not bring their value, and were withdrawn, on the whole, the prices obtained were not unsatisfactory. The following are the amounts disposed of, with the range of prices:—

Auction Trade Sale by Messrs. Cuvillier & Co., for account of Victor Hudon, Esq.:

45 bags corks in lots 12½ to 16c; 10 pockets 51c; 100 cases Bath bricks 31 to 33c; 46 cases sardines, quarters each 100, 14 to 14½c; 10 doz Gelatin 6s; 90 crates wine bottles (13 doz) per gross 5½c; 25 do porter bottles do 5; 17 cs Price's pickles 10s 6d to 10s 9d; 5 do assorted 9s: 10 do gerkins 11s 3d; 4 do onions 10s 9d; 4 do beans 10s; 13 casks sulphur (about 2 cwt each) 15s 3d to 15s 6d; 8 casks brimstone (400 lbs) 14s to 14s 3d; 10 cases salad oil, qts and pts, 15s 3d; 35 do half-pints $5; 10 olive oil Foucher qts $6¼; 5 do pints $7; 2 cks olive oil 7s 3d; 4 cases French mustard (small) 7s 3d; 6 cases do (large) 10s 6d; 3 cases (6 doz each) Wix's half lb mustard 13s 6d; 1 do (4 doz do do) 1 lb do $4¾; 10 do liquorice, in lots, at 13½; 30 cases assorted liquors, in lots, at 4 to $4½; 45 cases Vermont bottles, in lots, 3¾ to $4; 46 bags Brazil nuts at 7¼ to 7½; 6 bales hard shell almonds 11 to 11½; 11 hogsheads Hennessy brandy 8s 4d to 8s 6d; 6 quarter-casks do 8s 9d; 5 hogsheads Otard, D & Co pale brandy 8s 3d; 5 oct. do 8s 9d; 3 hogsheads do dark 7s to 9s; 15 do Durat's brandy 7s 9d; 16 qr-casks do 7s 9d; 10 hhds Martell 8s to 8s 1d; 110 cases Hennessy's brandy 7.75 to $8; 130 do Otard & Co $7.30 to 7.12½; 45 do Vine Growers $6.75; 55 do Martell $7-75; 10 do quarts do $7.75; 5 pints do $8; 5 half-pints do $9⅜; 300 cases brandy, in lots, $2¾ to 3⅛; 170 do Bourdeaux brandy do $2⅝ to 2¾; 85 do do $2⅜; 10 do violet $8; 230 do claret St Julian $2 to 9s 9d; 591 do claret, in lots, 8s to 9s; 10 do star do $2¾; 9 casks French rosin $3½; 23 do do $3½; 15 hogsheads Sauterne wine 58 to 59c; 25 qr-casks do 6s 3d; 50 cases do in lots $3; 21 qr-casks sherry 65 to 66c; 5 cases Marachino $7; 54 do prunes in lots from 52c to $2.25, according to size; 60 bxs layer raisins 11s to 11s 9d: 8 quarter-casks crown port 68c; 10 do Burgundy 63c; 23 do octave 54c to 65; 9 do quarter do 51c; 20 cases porter (Guinness), quarts) 11s 3d; 5 do Old Tom $4½; 12 qrs do 32½ to 33c; 25 kegs of 27 galls 35 to 35½c; 5 cases do 12s; 10 hhds St Julien Medoc claret 30 to 32c; 8 qr cks do 32c; 6 cs assd scents $3¼ to $5¼; 100 bags rice in lots 18s 9d; 35 bags black pepper in lots 9½ to 9¾; 7 do cloves 10⅜c; 22 bags cassia 34½ to 35; 4 hhds button blue 6c; 39 brls capers in lots 95c to $1; 43 cs washing soda in lots 11s 6d to 12s; 15 bags saltpetre $8½ to 8¾; 10 casks whiting 90; 28 bbls Epsom salts 11s 9d to 12s 3d; 2 cs Madras Indigo 61c; 30 boxes Belmont sperm candles 24½ to 25c: 4 brls lampblack 5¾; 10 half chsts Japan tea 50c; 10 hf do do 60; 65 do Twankay in lots 36c to 45c; 25 cs soap 5½c; 100 hhds sugar in lots 9¼; 50 do do do 9⅜; 31 hhds vinegar, in lots, 32 to 33½c.

A number of Trade Sales of tea, sugar, and general groceries are announced to take place this month, as will be seen by reference to our advertising columns.

THE HARDWARE TRADE.

Brush, George.	Hall, Kay & Co.
Buchanan, I., & Co.	Ireland, W. H.
Charlebois, A., & Co.	Kershaw & Edwards.
Crathern & Caverhill.	Morland, Watson & Co.
Currie, W. & F. P., & Co.	Mulholland, & Baker.
Evans, J. H.	Robertson, Jas.
Evans & Evans.	Round, John & Sons.
Fraser, F.	Simms, F. H.
Gilbert, E. E.	Winn & Holland.

Business continues active, and with the arrival of expected vessels goods are being received freely. Stocks are well made up, and though orders are coming in rapidly, there is no difficulty in filling them.

Block Tin.—Owing to a decline in the English market of £6 stg. per ton, prices here have been reduced 1c. per lb.

Copper.—A further decline of £5 stg. per ton having been reported by late English mails, a slight reduction will be noticed in our quotations for *Pig*. *Sheet* is unchanged.

Iron.—The great Liverpool Pig Iron speculation has collapsed. The financial panic was doubtless the cause of the bursting of the bubble, and Glasgow warrants, which have sold as high as 90s. stg. per ton, were quoted, at last advices, 55s. to 56s. In this market Gartsherrie is still held at $30, but other brands have given way somewhat, sales having been made at $26 to $27, according to quality. *Bar* is in good demand for best brands of Scotch at $2.80 to $2.90, but less money would bd acceptee for lower grades. Other descriptions of iron are unchanged.

Tin Plates are not at present in large stock, but ships now arrived and shortly expected bring large amounts, and prices are less firm and lower. Sales are freely made at $10.50 for I C charcoal to arrive, and holders would hardly refuse that figure for round lots for present delivery.

MONEY MARKET.

We have still to report a comparatively easy money market, with, if anything, a scarcity of good business paper looking for discount. Some of the banks, no doubt, are prudently confining their discounts to their regular customers, but there is no withdrawal of the usual amount of accommodation from them. There never was more money in Canada, even in the times when the construction of the Grand Trunk and Great Western Railways necessitated the disbursement of large sums, and it is very generally diffused amongst the people at large. And it is a very fortunate circumstance that it is so; otherwise, the panic, under which some of the oldest and best known houses in England have been compelled to close their doors, would not have passed without bringing disaster to this country in its train. Sterling Exchange is a fraction lower than last week. Bankers' 60 day bills have been sold at 109½ to 109¾, chiefly at 109⅝. Best private bills can be obtained at 108¾ to 109, documentary selling at 108½.

Gold—Advanced on Friday last to 141½ premium, afterwards declining to 137, from which point it again rallied, closing yesterday afternoon at 140. The shipments from New York by Wednesday's and Saturday's steamers amounted to nearly ten millions of dollars, making, with amounts previously reported, upwards of twenty-six millions in the second half of the month of May.

Silver—Is abundant; buying at 4½ and selling at 3¾ to 4 per cent. discount.

Freights.

Ocean—Per steamer to Liverpool, at 7s per 480 lbs for Peas, and 5s 9d per 320 lbs for Oats; Oatmeal, 3s 6d per brl; Pot Ashes, 35s per gross ton. Per steamer to Glasgow,—Peas, 7s per 480 lbs; Oats, 5s 9d per 320 lbs; Pot Ashes, 25s per gross ton. Per sailing ship to Glasgow,—Peas, 6s 3d per 480 lbs; Oats, 5s 3d per 320 lbs.

Lower Ports—Latest engagements were,—Four to Newfoundland, 3s 6d per brl; Pictou 3s per brl; to Bay Chaleur, 2s 9d per brl,—all currency; Halifax 60c.

Inland—From Lake Erie—Peas 10c per bush of 60 lbs. From Lake Ontario—Flour 25c per bbl; Grain 7c per bush of 60 lbs. From Kingston—Grain 5c per bushel

Up Freights for the week have been active at $2 per ton for heavy and $2.50 for light goods; Pig Iron being taken at $1.50, canal tolls additional.

RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE.

VIA GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY AND CANAL.

	For the week ending Wednesday, May 30, 1866.	From the 1st January to May 30, 1866.	To corresponding period 1865.
Wheat, bushels	13,965	159,748	413,902
Flour, barrels	20,135	216,815	236,713
Corn, bushels	109,172	186,227	800
Peas, "	113,375	292,229	16,767
Oats, "	86,780	287,989	22,090
Barley, "	300	22,102	24,189
Rye, "	......	10,016	1,308
Oat and Corn Meal, brls	1,045	5,604	237
Ashes, barrels.........	840	9,309	10,251
Butter, kegs...........	612	9,912	11,575
Cheese, boxes.........	122	1,081	2,012
Pork, barrels..........	435	6,549	6,482
Lard, "	31	2,264	883
Tallow, "	106	936	633
Whiskey & H. Wines, Cks. & punchs.....	155	3,758	4,014