an ordinary assortment called for, with still no change in quotations." In teas, the trade doing is not a large one, but is extended over different grades; values are being well maintained. The increased activity noted in canned goods last week has not been continued, and trade now payables of a strictly pormain. and trade now partakes of a strictly normal character.

Hard Wood.—Until the tariff question is finally settled little real activity can be looked for in the lumber trade. The resumption of industrial operations would appear to be far from complete in the United States, as the demands made upon our lumber stocks for immediate requirements are strictly limited. Black ash in first and second, meets, however, with fair request. Birch remains quiet. A good local trade is doing in basswood, and in fact this trade forms about the only activity fact this trade forms about the only activity in hard wood lumber circles; prices are firm. There is nothing stirring in butternut. Chestnut is dull. Cherry is quiet and merchants say that the stocks offered from the country are exceptionally large. Of soft elm there is a surplus stock. Of late merchants have been doing a good trade with Montreal in maple; 2-inch and 4-inch cuts are in best demand; no tracks are sold ander \$16. In oak there is but stocks are sold under \$16. In oak there is but little doing, and trade has fallen off.

HIDES AND SKINS.—The demand for hides continues to rule quiet; prices have made no advance from their low basis, and so far as can be judged, have shown no tendencies to advance; green stand quoted at 3c.; cured, at 3½c to 3½c. The hides offering are very grubby, but no one doubts that at present prices, good values are being offered in the market; and if there were any outlook in the leather market tanners should be large buyers just now. In calfskins, little or no change has developed; offerings are somewhat larger. Sheepskins still stand at 80c. each for best quality. The feeling in tallow appears to have lost strength during the week, although the quotations offered remain unaltered. HIDES AND SKINS .- The demand for hides the quotations offered remain unaltered.

LEATHER.—The week has marked an im provement in this trade. In sole leather the movement both to local and eastern factories movement out to local and eastern factories has been good. For slaughter the demand is fair, but prices are such that the trade done does not give satisfactory results. The demand for dongola continues good with the better class of goods coming from the United States. During the week some English bayers During the week some English buyers were in the market, and some fairly large pur-chases were made. The orders placed were, however, we believe, confined to splits and sole leather. The general impression among merchants here is that in the English market there is a good outlook for trade with Canada, especially in sole and black leathers.

Provisions.—The trade is rather quiet. Butter is in good demand, with choice fresh rolls at from 18 to 20c.; these comprise the bulk of the receipts; best dairy tubs are worth 20 to 21c. per lb. Cheese is quiet and unchanged. New laid eggs stand at 15 to 15½c. per doz.; pickled laid eggs stand at 15 to 15½c, per doz.; pickled and "held" stock are now pretty well out of the market, those remaining being quoted at from 6 to 8c, per doz.; the demand is being rapidly confined to strictly new laid. For hog products there is a weaker market. The following reduced quotations are offered: Long clear bacon, 7½ to 7½c.; rolls, 8½ to 8½c.; lard, 9 to

9to; lard compounds are in but poor request, with pure offering at such low prices. Dressed hogs stand at \$5.50 to \$6, with receipts fully sufficient to meet the needs of the market. Dried and evaporated apples are dull and neglected and neglected.

WOOL .- There has been no increase in the volume of trade in this department this week. Prices remain unaltered. Business with the mills is quiet, and their demands for domestic wool are strictly limited. There is much talk in the market about the importations of wool in the market about the importations of wool from the United States. One Ontario mill is said to have recently purchased some 60,000 lbs. of American wool, for which we are told 18½c. delivered, was paid In foreign wools the movement is normal and without special feature. At the London wool sales on the 11th, 4,900 bales were offered. Competition was active, especially for the better grades of crossbreds and merino combings. The continent took a fair proportion of the crossbreds at full prices. Merinos were in good demand and sold at good prices. The better grades were firmly upheld. Cape of Good Hope and Natal wools sold well. American buyers took a few desirable lots. a few desirable lots.

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Wheat, Spring	5 5	2
Red, Winter		3
No. 1 Cal	5	2
Corn	3	1(}
Peas	5	0
Lard	37	6
Pork	70	0
Bacon, heavy	32	6
Bacon, light	34	ñ
Bacon, ngnt	26	ň
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