

**CAMERON & ROSS,**

**COMMISSION MERCHANTS,**  
443 Commissioners Street, Montreal, are regularly receiving and selling on Commission all kinds of country produce—such as Flour, Grain, Butter, Cheese, Pork, Pot and Pearl Ashes, Leather, Wool, Clover, and Timothy and Flax Seeds; also purchasing on country account, Dry Goods, Groceries, Hardware, and General Merchandise.

In our last we announced that we would, in our next, refer to a very injurious habit which retail merchant throughout the country, to a larger extent than is generally supposed, fall into. In no country we know of is the confidence which exists between the wholesale and retail merchant so easily established as in this. It is a matter of much regret that their confidence should be so often abused. We do not wish to be supposed as conveying the idea that our wholesale merchants have the good of their fellows so much at heart as to place their means (for their goods are nothing else) at the disposal of individuals whom they would be loth to trust with half the amount of money which the goods they so willingly give would represent. As is the case with the confidence, so it is with the credit. We do not think that it is any guarantee of the prosperity of the trade of any country of its credit being too cheap; and if importations were in proportion to the wants of the country, goods would be more appreciated by the merchant and consumer, and credit would likely be worth its value. At present the largest portion of the trade is done on a credit basis, and it is to this we wish to draw attention. In most instances all purchases are settled by note at time as may be agreed upon, and it is a good evidence of the business capacity of the giver of the note to be always able to meet it at maturity; but in no instance does a good business man, unless it is an oversight, allow his note to mature, if he is not able to meet it in full, without advising the party in whose favour the note may be drawn, and give timely notice of the amount that he is likely to be short of and to have remitted to be available the amount he represented himself able to provide towards his note coming due. What we have said as prevailing to a larger extent than is generally supposed is that habit of neglect into which a large number of merchants fall into, and that is taking no notice of their notes at maturity, than which there is nothing else indicates so low an order of business capacity, and by any means should not be encouraged. It is not our intention to wound any but rather to stimulate and heal. If it should happen to be said while we are pointing out the mote in the eye of others, that there may be a beam in our own, all we can say is, that had any good or evil which man should pursue or avoid, been written only by those who were perfect themselves, it is not likely that much of the experience of the past would have been recorded for our guidance in the affairs of life.

**DRY GOODS.**—The stocks are now well assorted, but notwithstanding what reports may say, trade so far, is far from being satisfactory; the effects of the heavy purchase of last fall being now more felt than at any other time. A great anxiety is being manifested to press sales, and all buyers who are cautious and in good standing can lay in their spring stock to advantage.

**BETTER.**—During the week the arrivals have been considerable, with but very little demand. Prices of the finer qualities have advanced considerably in the British markets, which we think will cause some improvement in the price of the lower grades. Sales have been made here of inferior and medium 1 1/4 to 12c. per pound, the finer qualities for city trade command 18 to 15c. per pound.

**FLOUR.**—Extra \$9.00 to \$9.25; Fancy \$7.75 to \$8.00; Superfine \$7.50 to \$8.10. Bag per 100 lbs., Choice \$3.80 to \$4.00.

**GRAIN.**—Barley per 60 lbs. 55c. to 65c. Oats per 62 lbs., 35c. to 38c. Peas per 60 lbs., 80c. to 85c.

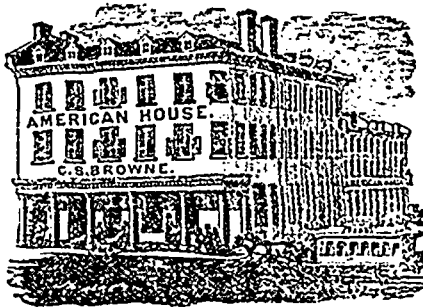
**ASHES.**—Pots, Firsts \$5.85 to \$5.95. Pearls \$7.20 to \$7.30.

**SEEDS.**—Clover 12c to 13c per lb. Timothy, 4c to 4 1/2c per lb. Flax Seed, \$1.60 per bushel.

**EGGS.** 12c. per dozen.

**N.B.**—All consignments carefully attended to, all charges as low as is consistent with a view to responsibility. Drafts accepted for two thirds value of consignments, when bill of lading is attached.

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**AMERICAN HOUSE,**  
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Orders for Flour, Oatmeal, Tobacco, Cheese, Hams, Brooms, Pails, Leather, or any description of Merchandise, promptly attended to.

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