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TEA, ITS HABITAT, BOTANICAL CHARACTER, ETC.

ACLIMATE to suit the tea plant must combine the attributes of heat and dampness, and if it is only nice and damp, it cannot possibly be too hot, write A. Morris and H. Robson in Grocers' Monthly. Nevertheless greater variations of temperature may be tolerated than of dampness, but the plants cannot endure anything like cold weather. Roughly speaking, in proportion as a climate becomes more and more unhealthy for Europeans, so it gets more and more suitable for the cultivation of tea.
The tea plant belongs to the great division of the flowering plants or Phanerogams, which is known as the Dicotyledones. This division is characterized by the provision in the embryo of two seed leaves or cotyledons, the function of which is to nourish and protect the plant at its first start in life. The Dicotyledones are again subdivided into Angiosperms and Gymnosperms. In the former division the ovules are protected by being enclosed in a kind of box, which is known as the ovary at first, but as the fruit when the ovules have matured into seed. In the Gymnosperms the ovules are exposed, but the exposure is usually only technical, and, although the atmosphere has free access to them, the access is of a very limited kind. The Angiosperms are subdivided into the Dichlamydeæ, Monochlamydex and Achlamydeæ. The tea plant belongs to the first of these, as the reproductive part of its hower is enclosed in a double set of leaves, sepals and petals. In the Monochlamyder there is only one set of outer leaves in the fiower, the perianth ; and the Achlamydeæ are destitute of outer leaves entirely, so that the flowers consist solely of reproductive organs. The Dichlamydeæ are again subdivided into Corollifloræ, Calycifloræ and Ti.alamifloræ. The last of those three includes the order to which tea belongs, and
is characterized by the flowers of the plants which constitute it having a polypetalous corolla and hypogynous stamens. In other words, the petals, although, of course, attached to the "floral receptacle," or thalamus at the head of the peduncle, or flower stalk, are free from one another, while the stamens grow from beneath the ovary, being attached to the floral receptacle at a higher point than the petals, but below the ovary. The Thalamiflore are represented in Britain on a very extensive scale-the buttercup, the water lily, poppy, mignonette, pink, wallflower, flax, cotton and the violet all are examples of it, but the order to which the tea plant belongs is not, of course, indigenous in the three kingdoms. Its name is Ternstromiaceæ alias Camelliaceæ, the genera Thea and Camellia being practically identical.

## the tea plant.

The tea plant is a shrub or small tree which will grow, in the wild state, to a height of ten to fifteen feet, although it is kept much smaller when under cultivation. The leaves spring alternately from the stem, not one leaf opposite another, and they are about two inches long when full grown. They are coriaceous (leathery), and, being destitute of secondary leaves (stipules) at the place where their stalk or petiole arises, are said to be exstipulate. The shape of the leaves is lanceolate, or lance-head-like, the greatest width of the leaf being nearer to the stalk than the apex. The edge of the leaf is serrate, i.e., divided into little teeth pointing towards its apex. The venation or arrangement of the veins in the leaf is very characteristic, and takes, therefore, a very important place among the tests of a genuine tea leaf. The main branches proceeding from the central vein or midrib turn off just before they reach the
serrated margin, so as to leave a kind of border just inside the latter.

## the flower.

The large white flower next claims our attention. The outermost leaves of it, which have a mainly protective duty to perform, and which are called the sepals individually, and the calyx collectively, are from five to seven in number, coriaceous, and deciduous (falling off before the ripening of the fruit). Inside the calyx is the corolla, made up of the petals. The function of the corolla is partly protective, but it is chiefly intended to attract insects. The petals are, in fact, a kind of notification to the insect woild at a large that something nice to eat is provided gratis in the interior of the flower. The six-legged animals naturally respond with alacrity, but, while bent solely on their own gratification, carry pollen from the stamens of one flower to the pistil of another, thereby rendering the ovules of the latter capable of ripening into seeds, and securing the cross-breeding which is necessary for the continuation of the existence of the tea plant. The petals vary in number, there being sometime five, sometimes six, and sometimes nine of them, and they are sometimes slightly joined together at the base. This constitutes a sligh ${ }_{t}$ deviation from the typical thalamifloral state of things, but the imperfection of our classifications makes these little aberrations unavoidable. The aestivation of the petals is imbricate, or, to put the statement into the vernacular, they overlap each other while in the bud. The stamens are numerous or indefinite. It is found that when there are more than ten or twelve stamens in a flower, the number varies so much that it is no use counting them. Hence, they are described by one of the adjectives just given. A stamen usually consists of two parts, a stalk or filament bearing a pollencontaining head or anther. In the tea plant the filaments are either quite free from

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one another or cohere so as to form several bundles. In the latter case they are said to be polyadelphous. The yellow tea-anthers are either, as it were, balanced in the middle on the filament, or have their stalk adhering all down one side of them. The botanist expresses all this circumlocution in four words : anthers versatile or adnate.

## THE OVARY.

The ovary is divided into several chambers arranged round a central pillar or axis to which the ovules are attached. The placentation, says the botanist, is axile. From two to seven styles surmount the ovary, and provide channels by which the pollen can enter into communication with the ovules. The ripened fruit is either a capsule from which the seeds escape by valves, or is indehiscent. In that case the seeds cannot escape until the pericarp or outer wall of the fruit rots away.
Perhaps the British plant which most nearly approaches the tea shrub is the St . John's Wort, with its dotted leaves, but, of course, the differences between the two vegetables are very considerable, although they have some well-marked features, in the stamens, for example, in common.

Anyone who may desire to verify our remarks about the tea leaf by examination of the debris from the teapot, will please bear in mind that such debris contains complete leaves only exceptionally. If, however, a judicious selection of fragments is carefully flattened out between two pieces of colorless glass and then held up to the light, they will probably illustrate the points we have insisted upon fairly well. If they do not, try again, and in the case of repeated failures-a very improbable event by the way-change your tea merchant.
The tea flower exhales an agreeable perfume, which has been extracted from it as an essential oil, and made an article of trade.

## COMPOSITION OF THE LEAVES.

As in the case with those of all plants, the composition of tea leaves varies within
rather wide limits. They, of course, contain cellulose and coloring matter, but they are among the most nitrogenous of all leaves, and an estimate of total ritrogen in a sample has been recommended as a test of the presence of foreign leaves. This property of the tea leaf is due to the presence of theine, an alkaloid to which tea owes to a large extent its physiological action. Tea contains from 2 to 5 per cent. of theine, and always in a state of combination with tannin. The tannin or tannic acid imparts to tea infusion a " rough" flavor, and the principal difference between the tastes of Chinese and Indian teas is due to the latter containing much more tannin than the former. The tannic acid of tea appears to be identical with that of oak bark, and, in fact, an infusion of tea, properly used, forms one of the best liquids for tanning hides known. It is, of course, much too expensive to be used for that purpose, however, independently of the fact that although the result is everything that can be desired, tanning with tea is a tedious process, requiring great care and the repeated use of weak infusions at carefully regulated temperatures. The supposed physiological bearings of the tanning powers of tea will be discussed later on, in their proper place.
volatile oil.
Tea also contains some volatile oil, which contributes the aroma of the infusion, and possibly is responsible for some of the effects of tea on the human system, and also about 6 per cent. of mineral matter, which remains behind as ash when the tea is incinerated. This ash is remarkable for containing more than 50 per cent. of soluble salts, such as alkaline phosphates, and is again a feature which enables tea to be differentiated from nearly every other leaf, and especially from those which have been most commonly used to adulterate it. Any "facing" or other mineral adulterant is at once revealed by the percentage of ash being abnormally high. One of the writers has known a sample, actually
submitted to him for analysis, to yield 14.5 per cent., and no doubt the Custom House analysts could quote much higher figures even than this. Spent tea, i.e., tea which has been infused, and then dried again, only about 3 per cent. of ash, of which fivesixths are insoluble in water. The determination of the ash and soluble ash will therefore show whether or not the sample is adulterated with leaves which have already served to supply a beverage. In this connection we may mention that tea, when thoroughly exhausted by means of repeated doses of boiling water, will yield from onethird to one-half of its weight into solution. All the proportions and percentages mentioned refer to the tea in the state in which it comes into the hands of the retail grocer, and not to tea deprived of its hygroscopic moisture.

## examination of tea

As regards the examination of a sample of tea it does not call for analytical abilities of a high order on the part of the chemist, and it is the rarest thing in the world for a British medical officer of health to come across a case of actual adulteration, still less a case of any gravity. A jealous watch is maintained by the Custom House over the tea imported into this country, and its weilappointed laboratory and competent staff of chemists make it the next thing to a dead certainty that a lot of tea adulterated abroad will be stopped on the threshold. And : scarcely pays to adulterate tea in this country. Plenty of rubbishy stuff is forced down the public throat by the "giving away" of articles of crockery and "vertu," but sheer falsification is very unusual.
The examination of a sample of tea then, partly botanical and partly chemicai. The way in which the leaves are examine after infusion has been already described but it should be mentioned that when a sample of tea is to be tested botanically th: infusion is made with warm water only, the object being simply to soften the leave sufficiently to allow of their details bein

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made out. If the water is too hot or its action is too prolonged the leaves get even more broken up and disintegrated than they are in the uninfused sample. It may also be mentioned that if the leaves are very much broken up, the sample is sure to be of inferior quality. It will be old and have suffered much knocking about.
chemical examination.
For the chemical assaying of a sample of tea, three operations are essential, and we shall now proceed to describe them.
I. The determination of the percentage of ash.-A known weight of the tea is carefully heated in a platinum dish until it is completely burned to a gray ash, free from black specks. The crucible and ash are then weighed, and the weight, minus the tare of the crucible, gives the ash. During the incineration great care must be taken that the tea does not catch fire. If that happens it will cause the ash to lump, and immer.sely increase the time required to burn off all the free carbon. In any case the contents of the crucible should be crushed, as soon as they have ceased to fume, with the end of a glass rod flattened out so as to form a kind of pestle. Particles adhering to the glass can be brushed back into the dish with a camelhair pencil.
2. The determination of the soluble ash. -The total ash obtained as above is exhausted with pure, boiling, distilled water, and transferred to a weighed filter. The filtrate is evaporated down over a waterbath, and the residue weighed, and the filter and its contents are also dried and weighed. It goes without saying that the weight of the residue got by evaporating the filtrate, together with that of the insoluble residue retained by the filter, should be equal to that of the total ash.
3. The determination of the extract.-By this is meant the total amount of substances in the tea which are soluble in hot water. A known weight of the sample is boiled for a considerable time in from fifty to a hundred times its weight of pure distilled water. The whole mass is then filtered. This must
be done while it is still hot. The reason of this is that some of the constituents of tea are perfectly soluble only in hot water. Anyone can observe that a hot tea infusion is clear and transparent, and that the same infusion becomes turbid on cooling. The leaves on the filter are repeatedly washed with the pure, boiling, distilled water, and the washings allowed to run into the filtrate. Finally, the whole filtrate, or a known fraction of it may be used if it has been well mixed, is evaporated to dryness over the waterbath. If only a part is evaporated, the whole process can be carried out in a tared platinum dish, and if the whole is made use of, the evaporation should be finished in platinum as soon as the volume of the infusion has been so far reduced that the dish can hold it. Finally, the dry extract is weighed. It is impossible to check the determination of extract by weighing the exhausted leaves in a similar way to that in which the determination of the soluble ash is verified, as it is practically impossible to get the spent leaves into exactly the same condition as regards their content of moisture as the original sample.
The results which all these tests should give with a genuine sample of tea have already been sufficiently indicated in the earlier portions of this article.
The estimation of the total nitrogen in a sample of tea is best made by means of an " ultimate organic analysis," i.e., estimation of the percentages of the elements constituting an organic substance. For comparison with other leaves, the following process, which requires less skill and time, will, however, suffice : A weak infusion, resulting, of course, from a known weight of tea, is distilled with caustic potash and potassium permanganate, and the resulting "albuminoid " or "organic" ammonia is estimated in successive lots of distillate measuring 50 cubic centimeters each, and the amounts obtained are added up. The estimation is done colorimetrically by Nesslerizing, in exactly the same way as is adopted in the examination of a drinking
water, by comparison with a very weak standard solution of ammonium chloride.

## BRITISH GUIANA CANE SUGAR.

The cane juice for 1897, it is claimed, i the poorest known, and it is stated on good authority that prior to 1896 the juice showed an average of 1.65 pounds sucrose; while for 1897 the average is only 1.30 pounds sucrose per gallon. This very poor juice is evidently due to the excessive rains. Exports for the year amounted to 99,789 tons, while for 1896 they were 105,271 tons. From authentic reports up to date, I am able to give a table showing the reduction in acreage in sugar since 1892 .

|  | Acres in cultivation. |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1892 | . | ... | .. | ... | .. | 76,101 |
| 1893 | ... | . | ... | ... | . | 75,920 |
| 1894 | ... | ... | .. | . | .. | 70,012 |
| 1895 | . | ... | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | ... |  |
| 1896 | .. | ... | , | ... | - | 66,908 |

The above table shows a continual decrease, though for the year 1897 the reduction is less than for any previous year.
From the same source I find there are only sixty-one estates in the colony cultivated. There are four estates of under 500 acres ; twenty-seven estates of 500 acres and under 1,000 ; seventeen estates of 1,000 acres and under 1,500 acres; nine estates of 1,500 acres and under 2,000 acres ; three estates of over 2,000 and under 3,000 acres. one estate of over 3,000 acres (diamos estate).

The planters claim that unless some reli, is given by the mother country, the indust cannot survive. One of the promine market reports of the colony says: "If were not for the protection, though involui tarily accorded, to our British sugar coloni by the United States in levying a counte vailing duty on bounty-fed beet sugar, protection denied us by the stepmoth: country, our sugar would not be wort cultivating." United States Consul Demerara.

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I noticed in a recent issue a chat you had with a number of firms regarding the necessity of stock-taking annually, and the several reasons given why it is a good idea to take stock.
All the reasons given were good, but there is still another reason, and it is more important, I think, than any of those yet given.

In these days of improved fre-fighting appliances, losses by fire, as a rule, are only partial losses. Some of the stock is almost certain to be saved, unharmed in any way. The loss, therefore, by fire and water is the difference between the value of the stock in the store immediately previous to the fire and the value of the stock remaining after the fire. The burden (and it is a great burden sometimes) of making out the account against the insurance companies for goods burned and damaged rests entirely on the shoulders of the one insured. The only way absolute proof of loss can be made is by the produrtion of the annual stock list and the books containing the re-
cords of the total purchases and sales from the date of the last stock-taking up until the time the fire occurred. Verbal testimony, even if sworn to, as to the value of stock burned, will not be accepted.
Every merchant who insures his stock agrees, either in the application he signs for insurance, or by the acceptance of the policy with its printed conditions, that, in the event of fire, he will produce for inspection by the insurance company's adjuster, the annual stock sheets and all books of record pertaining to the stock insured.
In a recent insurance suit, the case being one where the insured was unable, or would not produce the annual stock sheets and books, the judge ruled " non-compliance with the conditions of the application and policy was fatal to recovery.'

Since the John Eaton \& Co. and several other recent large fires, there is a disposition on the part of insurance adjusters to be more exacting than ever as regards the production of the annual stock sheets and records of sales and purchases.
A duty every merchant owes to his creditors, his family, and himself is to take stock annually and keep his books properly, so that, in the event of a fire, he will have no difficulty in proving his loss.
The insurance companies are honorable, and do business in an honorable manner. For their own and their customers' protection they are obliged to be particular in adjusting fire losses. It is only the careless fellow who does not manage his business properly, and who terms all insurance companies gangs of thieves, that ever has any
trouble proving the amount of his loss after a fire
A. E. Docherty.

Ottawa, April 25, 1898.

## SUIT OVER DAMAGED TEA.

ASUIT for damages has been entered by P. C. Larkin \& Co., of Toronto, against the Manchester Fire Insurance Co. The suit is an outcome of the recent fire.
The salvage on the tea which Larkin \& Co. had in the Carrie building was valued by the appraisers at $\$ 900$. The appraisers are alleged to have been ready to sign the papers to this effect on a certain Wednesday evening, but the insurance company claimed not to be ready. They were not signed ed not to be ready. They were not signed till the following Monday and it was not till
the next day P. C. Larkin \& Co. were given permission by the insurance people to remove the tea. Between the Wednesday and Tuesday referred to the teas are claimed to have been further damaged by rains, the roof being off the Carrie building. At any rate when they were sold, and that by the insurance company, they only realized $\$ 500$. The difference between that sum and the $\$ 900$ is what P. C. Larkin \& Co. are trying to recover, alleging negligence on the part of the insurance company.
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Canada is explained by the fact that they have great manufacturing industries which would be manifestly benefited by reciprocal trade relations with Canada. Not long since, one of the nembers of a New England chamber of commerce declared, during the course of a speech, that reciprocity with Canada was of vital importance to the New England States.
This is a remarkable statement coming trom a country which has, half a dozen times or more, refused Canada's importunities for reciprocity. But the emphatic resolutions of the various chambers of commerce, urging President McKinley and Congress to negotiate a reciprocal treaty with the Dominion, are scarcely less remarkable.
The preferential tariff on British goods and the general drift of the trade of the Dominion towards Great Britain are undoubtedly the monitors which are causing the business men to realize the importance of Canadian trade.

It has always been somewhat puzzling to Canadians why the United States should so persistently refuse to entertain proposals for reciprocity.
There is no country in the western hemisphere which is nearly as good a purchaser of United States products as Canada, and yet the politicians across the border have so far been able to thwart in its infancy each and every movement for reciprocity. The trade of the United States last year with Canada and other countries in America was as follows:

|  | Imports. | Exports. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dominion of Canada | \$49,373,472 | \$70,766,316 |
| Bermuda | 621,83I | 854,832 |
| British H |  |  |
| British West Indi | 12,285,885 | 7,943,477 |
| British Guiana | 4.706,785 |  |
| Mexico..............i. Costa Rica......... | 18,511,572 | 23,42I,064 |
| $\underset{\text { Costa Rica }}{\text { Guatemala }}$...........) |  |  |
| Honduras | 8,524,428 | 7,939,907 |
| Nicaragua |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Hayti | 1,460,220 | 3,832,388 |
| San Domin | 2,369,424 | 1,098,635 |
| Cub | 18,407,211 | 8,259,776 |
| Puerto Ric | 2,181,024 | 1,988,888 |
| Argentine Re | 10,772,627 | 6,384,984 |
| Bolivia |  |  |
| Brazil | 69,039, | 12,450.06I |
| Chili | 3,792,434 | 2,578,911 |
| Columbia | 4,730,537 | 3,807,012 |
| Ecuador | 566,5 |  |
|  | 722,099 | 1,108,436 |
| Urugu | 3,515,054 | 1,213,426 |
|  | 9.543 | 3,417,522 |
| What the outcome of the present agitation |  |  |
| will be remains to be seen. The feeling in |  |  |
| Canada toward the United States is much |  |  |
| more kindly than it was a few months ago, |  |  |
| but there is by no means that desire for |  |  |
| reciprocity with the United States that the |  |  |

was even five years ago. We do not mean that there is a very strong opposition to it ; but there is a decidedly unconcerned feeling in regard to the matter.
If a fair offer of reciprocity was made the Dominion would, in all probability, be ready to seriously consider it. But it must not be forgotten that the tendency in Canada at the moment is toward closer relations with Great Britain, commercially as well as nationally.
The Canadian Grocer does not point these things out with any idea of discourag. ing closer trade relations with the United States. It merely desires to point out certain conditions which have to be dealt with in a question of this kind.

## COMPLAINT AGAINST REFINERS.

WHOLESALE grocers have a complaint against the sugar refiners. No. 2 granulated is the cause.
In a little over a week the refiners have made reductions in No. 2 granulated aggregating $3-16 \mathrm{c}$. per lb ., and this in spite of the fact that the sugar market generally is tending upward.

The motive for what may be termed this unnatural reduction was the desire to keep foreign granulated sugar out of the market. Against this no one can complain. It is business. But what the wholesalers complain about is that now the domestic No. 2 granulated is below the parity of the imported article, the Canadian refiners have either practically none to sell or they will supply, say, 50 barrels on condition that the wholesaler takes 200 barrels of standard granulated as well.

While this course on the part of the refiners may be business, it is irritating none the less to the wholesalers.

## FRENCH SUGAR BOUNTIES.

An error was made in the figures relating to the French sugar bounties in the article which appeared in last week's issue dealing with the preferential duty on West India sugars.

It was stated that the countervailing duties imposed by the United States on French sugars, to offset the bounties paid on French sugars was 42 c . per 100 lb . on raws and 47 c . on granulated. It should have been 8 oc . on raws and 92 c . on granulated.

## THE OUTLOOK FOR CHEESE.

I$F$ present conditions are maintained the season for new cheese will open much better than any person thought it would a month ago, when finest fall makes were a drug on the market at $71 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.
Within the past fortnight a noticeable improvement has set in, values advancing a full cent, and 15,000 to 18,000 cheese were cleared off the Montreal market at a range of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to $81 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., the final 10,000 boxes being at the outside figure.
This practically cleans up all the old cheese there is in Canada, aside from a few odd lots at different country points, that do not amount to any great quantity, so that the prospects are in favor of present values being maintained until the new make is on the market.

In fact, while the change in the market may disappoint those traders who were hoping for an unusually low opening on new cheese, and the chances for speculation that this fact would afford them, the surprise has been not that the market improved, but that it did not do so before.

It is undoubted that it has been many years since the consumer in Great Britain got fine Canadian cheese as cheap as he did last winter.

A comparison of the figures ruling in Liverpool during a few seasons makes this clear at a glance

|  | $\begin{aligned} & 1898 . \\ & \text { s. } \mathrm{d} . \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{\text {cter }}^{1897 .}$ | ${ }_{\text {c }}^{1896 .}$ | 1895. s. d. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January... | 42 o | 57 o |  | 50. |
| February | 396 |  |  | 496 |
| March. | 37 ㅇ |  |  |  |
| April. | 43 - | 546 |  |  |

During the present winter and spring, therefore, values have been away below where they were last year at the same time, in fact, for several years, the lowest point in March being 20s. 6 d . per cwt . below the figures for March, 1897. It would have been, indeed, surprising had not consumption increased with values at this low level, especially as meat foods of all sorts were high in comparison with cheese. But, while this consumption was going on traders in Great Britain stubbornly held back because they believed there was a large quantity of cheese in Canada unmarketed. The auction sale in Liverpool on March 15 was the first incident to disabuse them of this idea.

This sale realized a much better average price than the bears expected, and since
values have exhibited a firmer tendency, which culminated last week in the large sales above reported, at a clean recovery of ic. per pound

But for this recovery the losses of some Montreal operators would have been much heavier than they were. One firm admitted that the improvement in the market represented a saving to it of at least $\$ 6,000$, as it enabled it to get out its stock to better advantage.
Even allowing for the change for the better, the experience of traders in fall cheese of the season of 1897 has been a very costly one. At the close of navigation there were in the vicinity of 450,000 cheese held in Montreal. These were chiefly fall goods, and represented an average cost of fully $9 c$. per lb . There was very little selling until the middle of February, as holders hoped against hope that prices would mend, but they did not.
When holders commenced to let go, values had declined to 8 c ., at which basis quite a lot of cheese was disposed of. As the realizing went on prices sagged under the process until $71 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. was reached and the holders who recently sold out, very pluckily held on, as a result reaping the benefit of the late advance in prices.

Allowing for everything, however, carrying charges, insurance and shrinkage, the average loss this year on fall cheese was not far from $\$ 1$ per box so that some $\$ 350,000$ was dropped as an outcome of last season's deal in fall cheese. The factorymen should bear this mind, for it will have its influence on the market this season, especially as in 1896, also, traders were badly hit on their June-July deal, the losses being fully as great as they were on the fall make last season.

## DO YOU SELL WALL PAPER?

There are a good many general merchants who handle wall paper, and there are a good many who do not who should. M. Staunton \& Co., the well-known wall paper manufacturers, of Toronto, are advertising in another column to the effect that every reader of The Canadian Grocer who sells wall paper can, on mentioning this journal, receive, free and post paid, an article that he will find useful in the wall paper branch of his business. Send for one.

## THE DIRECTORS OF LIMITED

 COMPANIES.JUDGMENT was given a few days ago in a case which is especially interesting to limited liability companies in On. tario.

The case in question was one brought by a lithographing company against the directors of the defunct Burford Canning Co., Limited, to recover $\$ 152.30$ and interest, the amount of a bill of exchange, in which the word "limited" was not plainly presented after the company's name. The case of the plaintiffs prevailed, and judgment for $\$ 160.50$ and costs was awarded them.
The Ontario Companies Act is strict in this matter and directors of limited liability companies should be careful to see that the concerns with which they are connected, comply with the law.
Sub-section 1 of section 22 states that " the directors of the company shall be jointly and severally liable upon every written contract or undertaking of the company on the face whereof the unabbreviated word 'limited' is not distinctly written or printed as the last word in the name of the company where it occurs in such contract or undertaking."

## CURRANTS DEARER.

The recent weakness in the currant market has turned out to be a temporary affair, as The Canadian Grocer intimated it would.
A cable received in Toronto this week from Patras states that prices have advanced one shilling per cwt., and reiterates what has already been said regarding the shortness of stocks.

A few transactions for importation have taken place during the past week. And, although stocks in Canada are light, the higher values in the primary market are not likely to affect quotations here.

## RUSSIAN EGGS IN ENGLAND.

Advices received last week, from Great Britain, report that heavy receipts of Russian eggs are expected during the coming summer.
The production of eggs in the great Northern Empire has increased so rapidly that dealers found it difficult to dispose of the supplies that were offered them from week to week.
If the expectation is realized it should mean low prices for eggs in the British markets, so that Canadian traders and farmers, who look to them as an outlet, should bear the fact in mind.

## THE WAR AND SPANISH FRUIT.

זERE is some speculation among grocers and commission men as to the effect of the Spanish-American trouble on the Valencia raisin market. There is a good deal of uncertainty in this respect, and also in relation to other Spanish products.
According to The New York Bulletin the United States treasury department has stateid that any stock shipped from Spain not accompanied by an American consular invoice will be liable to confiscation, and, as all the American consuls have left Spain it is considered very doubtful that sellers on the other side would be willing to take the risk of making shipments. It is also intimated that Spanish merchandise, whether shipped direct or via England or continental ports, may soon be refused entry at United States ports. As all the spring direct steamers for Canada have already sailed, action of this sort may tend to curtail the supplies of Spanish fruit on this continent during the coming summer, as there will be no more direct Canadian steamers until fall.

According to advices from London this phase of the situation is receiving some attention there, and Valencia raisins and other Spanish fruit have exhibited a firmer tendency as a result.
The Montreal wholesale houses, while they report that their stock of Valencia raisins is not as large as it was this time last spring, consider they have sufficient to carry them along to the end of the summer, and are of the opinion that there may be some change in the situation by that time.

Should values advance elsewhere, however, to any material extent, they will hardly resist the temptation to take advantage of the fact.

## AN INTERESTING TARIFF DECISION

'ADECISION in an interesting case was handed down in New York a few days ago by the board on classification of the United States General Appraisers.
firm in that city had imported 250 bags of refined sugar from Great Britain, but, as the shipment was not accompanied by the certificate showing country of origin, the
collector at New York, in addition to levying the ordinary duiy, imposed the German countervailing duty of $\mathbf{2 . 5 0}$ marks per 100 kilos.

Against this the importer appealed, but the decision just handed down sustains the ruling of the collector.

This case is particularly interesting to Canadians, as, aside from the countervailing duties, the tariff laws, in regard to invoices showing country of origin, will, after August I next, be much the same in the Dominion as in the United States.

## THE GREEN FRUIT MARKET.

ONE of the largest wholesale fruit firms of Toronto has received advices stating that, as Havana is to be blockaded, no more pines from that source of supply may be looked for.

The greater portion of our pineapples come via New York or other ports in the United States. Last year, the value of our imports from the United States was $\$ 71,124$, out of a total of $\$ 73,046$. Of these, a large proportion, especially of the higher grades, came from Havana.

The season for the shipment of fruit had hardly begun when the blockade of Havana was instituted, and, as, according to The New York Journal of Commerce, the crop was rather late, the shipment so far has been light. April shipments from Havana in 1897 , to date, amounted to 19,338 bbls., against ${ }_{15,647}$ bbls. this year.

The scarcity of Havana pines may be somewhat overcome by larger exports from the Bahamas in English bottoms, and by increased overland shipment of Florida pines, the crop of which is said to be greater this year than for several years. The cheaper pines are not expected to be much short of the demand.
With apples away up in price, and with the better qualities of pineapples scarce, the sale of bananas, oranges, small fruit, etc., this spring will probably be larger than usual. Bananas especially are likely to be in demand.

The growth of the banana trade in Canada has been interesting. Up to 1888 it was too insignificant to be itemized. That year $\$ 64,767$ worth were imported. Last year the value of our banana import was $\$ 402,121$, and this year a much larger total may be expected.

## THE WAR AND FLOUR.

SINCE the commencement of hostilities between the United States and Spain, a week ago, the wheat market has manifested a remarkable firmness. Advances of 14 c . in red wheat, 17 c . in white and goose wheat, and 18 c . in No. I hard Manitoba wheat are noted.
Whether this will be a permanent rise during the period of hostilities, or whether it is a temporary excitement, is yet to be seen. At any rate, the gain to Ontario holders will not be as great as it would have been at this time during the last few years, as holdings throughout the province are much lighter than usual at the time of the year.

As a result of the advance in wheat, flour has taken a great jump, all grades being 60 to $80 c$. per barrel dearer than a week ago. Further advances in both wheat and flour are anticipated by most jobbers. It is almost certain that flour, at least, shall advance, if wheat does not decline.
Millers have for some time claimed to be working on too close a margin, and the facts seem to bear out their claim. As compared with this time a year ago, they are working on a very small profit.

A year ago red wheat was quoted at 78 c . per bushel, and Ontario patents flour at $\$ 4.60$. As it takes four and a half bushels of wheat to make a barrel of flour, the cost of the wheat in a barrel of flour would be $\$ 3.51$, or 76.2 per cent., thus leaving $\$ 1.09$ per bbl., or 23.8 per cent. for manufacturing, etc. This week, red wheat is quoted at $\$ 1.05$ and Ontario patents flour at $\$ 5.50$. The wheat in a barrel of flour now would cost $\$ 4.72 \frac{1}{2}$, or 85.9 per cent., thus leaving only $721 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., or 14 . I per cent. for manufacturing etc.
Of course, it has to be taken into consideration that much of the flour now sold is made of wheat bought some time ago, at a lower market, but the point remains, that if wheat remains at a stationary point for any considerable time, an advance in flour may be reasonably expected.

## MOLASSES ADVANCED.

The Montreal Wholesale Grocery Guild, at a meeting held on Wednesday, advanced the price on Barbadoes molasses Ic.

The price is now 25 c . for car lots and 26 c . for puncheons.

The rise in prices at primary points is the cause of this action, and even at this level it will cost more to lay down new crop molasses than the jobbers are asking.

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## MEETINGS OF BOARDS OF TRADE.

## WOODSTOCK, ONT.

「HE annual meeting of the Woodstock Board of Trade was held on Thursday evening last week, a fair number jeing present. The chair was occupied by he president, John White.
The annual report showed the board to be in a satisfactory condition. The town of Woodstock has had special reasons for congratulations in the fact that its industrial enterprises are in as flourishing a condition is during any time in its history. All the manufacturing establishments are apparently solid and prosperous. The advisability of incorporating the town of Woodstock as a city has been discussed, and the hope was expressed in the report that this matter should receive further consideration during the coming year.
In moving the adoption of the report, the president delivered the annual address. He dwelt on the value of the board of trade to Woodstock, showing that since the Paterson biscuit works were induced to go there the popnlation of the town had almost doubled. The board of trade is a valuable adjunct to the council, and in their endeavors to secure new industries for the town should receive every encouragement from the council.
Addresses were also delivered by H . Powell, vice-president ; A. Pattullo, D. W. Karn, R. T. Crawford and G. O'Grady, all favoring more enterprise on the part of the council in securing new industries.

The following officers were then elected unanimously : President, H. Powell ; vicepresident, G. de C. O'Grady ; secretary, J.
. Wallace ; council, R. T. Crawford, J.
Y. Ormsby, A. J. McIntosh, John White, D. W. Karn, O. G. Anderson, Lewis Suiter, R. Whitelaw, E. W. Nesbitt, A. Pattullo, Dr. Mearns and John A. Bain.
Messrs. Bean and Woodroofe were placed on the board of arbitrators instead of Messrs. Hunter and Scarffe, and E. W. Waud and Dr. Rice were appointed auditors.

Five new members were proposed and received.
A communication was received from the anadian motor syndicate wanting to know hat inducements the town could offer for to locate here. It was decided to ask for farther information.
woodstock, N.b.
Last week the board of trade in Woodstock, N.B., held its annual meeting, the president, Williamson Fisher occupyng the chair.
In the annual report reference was made to the decline of the lumbering industry, which industry had much to do with the
building up of that town. On the other hand, the starting of the woolen mills, the wrapper factory and the canning factory, have done much to keep the town in a satisfactory condition. But more industries are wanted, and an effort should be made to secure the erection of either a pulp mill or a boot and shoe factory.

After the adoption of the report, the following officers were elected: President, George E. Balmain ; vice-president, Alexander Henderson; sec.-treasurer, T. C. L. Ketchum ; council, Williamson Fisher, James Carr, James Watts, John Graham, J. N. W. Winslow, J. T. Garden, H. Paxton Baird, J. T. A. Dibblee, Chas. Appleby, William Dibblee, A. E. Jones, George L. Holdyke and David Hipwell.

A resolution was then passed memorializing the Dominion Government to appoint a commission with a view of regulating freight rates on the C.P.R., according to mileage.
The secretary was instructed to open up correspondence with parties in Great Britain to find out if business in exporting maple to that country could be opened up.

## SOUTH KOotenay.

At the annual meeting of the South Kootenay Board of Trade, it was decided to send a representative to the Dominion Government, asking for an import duty on lead and lead products.
The following officers were elected : President, D. R. Robertson ; vice-president, James Lawrence ; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Turner ; council, Messrs. Croasdale, Thomson, Evans, Irvine, Houston, Fletcher, Proctor, Des Brisey, Holt Grant, Gibson and Kydd.

## TRADE CHAT.

J.A. McRAE, grocer, Guelph, is making extensive improvements to his store, converting the second flat into a modern and first-class crockery and glassware showroom.

Edward Kelly has commenced business in a new grocery store in Sarnia, Ont.
The right to collect market tolls in Peterboro ${ }^{\circ}$ was sold the other day for $\$ 2,020$ for the year.
The creditors of James T. Logan, manufacturer of "Magnet" soap, St. John, N.B., have accepted roc. on the dollar.

The announcement that canned samon is to be added to the bill of fare on the British men-of-war has greatly pleased British Columbian canners.
The Paterson Biscuit Co., Limited, Brantford, desire to extend their works, and have asked the manufacturers' committee of the Brantford council to fix their assessment at

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$\$ 15,000$. They are now paying on $\$ 18,500$ realty and $\$ 13,000$ personalty.
J. S. Smith, grocer, Kamloops, B.C., intends starting a creamery in that place, the demand for butter being greater than the supply.
The grocery store of Fountain \& Backus, Simcoe, has been receiving considerable attention from the decorators and is very much improved thereby.
Vessels with western grain have begun arriving in Parry Sound, and are being unloaded at the new million-bushel elevator there, which is working well.

Nearly forty grain steamers, with their barges, were awaiting the opening of the Welland canal at Port Colborne, on Friday last. They were all from Chicago.
Some large orders for potatoes are arriving in Prince Edward Island from Boston firms, and there will be a boom as soon as the the Northumberland can begin carrying them.
H. F. G. Pett, who recently moved from Woodstock to Walkerton to start a biscuit factory there, has decided not to do so at present. He will conduct a bakery establishment.

A discovery of oil in Newfoundland is reported, and Wallace Bell, a Quebec pioneer, after fitting out with drilling machinery, etc., in Petrolea, Ont., has left for a four months' prospecting tour on that island.

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HINTS TO BUYERS.
This department has become so popular that many more notices than there is space for are received every week.
In future only important items of information will be inserted only important items of information will be only, not puffs of goods they handle, or the arrival of standard goods that everyone has in stock, or that they are offering goods at close figures, or that they have had an unusually large sale this season.

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SNCE the commencement of the Cuban war," say D. Gunn, Bros. \& Co., " there has been an active demand for all classes of smoked meats, with prices stiffening.
H. P. Eckardt \& Co. are offering a nice red salmon, to retail at IOC
T. Kinnear \& Co. have a carload of New Orleans molasses arriving this week.

Boston baked beans, $11 / 2 \mathrm{lb}$. and 3 lb . are in stock with The Davidson \& Hay, Limited.
T. Kinnear \& Co. have received a shipment of Moody's "Silk Edge" oil shoe dressing.

A fresh shipment of "Almondine" is arriving this week for The Davidson \& Hay, Limited.
'Fantasia" Queen olives in 10-oz., 16 0 oz . and $27-\mathrm{oz}$. sizes, are in store with The Eby, Blain Co., Limited.

A number of lines of Indian and Ceylon teas, in half-chests, are now in. store with Lucas, Steele \& Bristol.
H. P. Eckardt \& Co. report that they are having great success with their Molucca coffee, packed in 25 c . tins.

Orange Pekoe, in cads of about 10 and 20 lb . each, original packages, are for sale by Lucas, Steele \& Bristol.

The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, are mak ing a special offer just now in imported sardines, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~s}$, key opener.

The Japan teas offering by Lucas, Steele \& Bristol, in $20-1 \mathrm{~b}$. boxes, also 4-lb. fancy packages, are attractive and A I value.

Warren Bros. \& Co. are in receipt of a shipment of California peaches, in bags, which they are quoting at lower prices than usual.
" The grocer who sells package tea-and nearly all are coming to-can sell nothing better than 'Ludella' Ceylon tea," write H. P. Eckardt \& Co.
W. H. Gillard \& Co. are daily receiving orders for five case lots of New York ginger ale, of which they sold last year over 6,000
cases. The manufacturers of this summer drink, Pilgrim Bros. \& Co., of Hamilton, state that the quality will be better than ever, they having the most improved machinery and best possible facilities for its manufacture.
W. H. Gillard \& Co. are having a large run on their Seville orange marmalade in $7-\mathrm{lb}$. pails, $5-\mathrm{lb}$. tins and $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. glass jars, all of the finest quality.

The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, report large shipments, during the past week, of " Jungle" tea. Their turnover of "Kurma" tea is steadily increasing.
"Empire" syrup, pure sugar goods in cases of $562-\mathrm{lb}$. tins, is a recent importation from Scotland of The Eby, Blain Co., Limited. It's rich, yet delicate.

The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, has just received an invoice of medium Pakling Congou, in caddies, showing excellent cup value, at prices below its normal value.

The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, draw buyers' attention to their range of sifted Young Hysons, which, they claim, includes some splendid values in these fine teas.
"Royal " salad dressing, put up by the Horton Cato Co., in both sizes, is for sale by Lucas, Steele \& Bristol. This firm also received a shipment of C. \& B. Huile Surfine de Province.
The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, is offering California prunes, every size from $20-30$ to $90-100$, and peaches and apricots in bags, boxes and cartons, at prices to effect a speedy clearance, to which the attention of close buyers is invited.
The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, draws attention to its announcement in this issue of Williams Bros. \& Charbonneau's (Detroit, Mich.,) pickles and relishes. These goods comprise six lines, of 25 distinct varieties, of sweet and sour pickles, attractively bottled, labelled and packed.

The way repeat orders for "Sterling brand pickles, jams, jellies, etc., file in at office of T. A. Lytle \& Co. is evidence that these goods suit the palates of the public. "They are," write the firm, " unsurpassed for quality and put up in form that makes them attractive and appetizıng.

The business of Rutherford, Marshall \& Co. has extended so rapidly that this firm has found it necessary to enlarge its premises. It is now having larger premises prepared at No. 68 Front street.

## A CHAT WITH A MARKDALE MERCHANT.

MR. W. J. MACFARLANE, of Mark dale, was in Toronto this week, and The Canadian Grocer had the pleasure of a few minutes' chat with him.
Mr. Macfarlane is not only one of Markdale's leading business men, but he is the pioneer business man of the town. When he went there, thirty-five years ago, Markdale had neither railway nor store. In fact, there was only one building there, and that was a log structure. "Now," to use Mr. Macfarlane's own words, "Markdale is one of the best business towns of its size in Canada." Its business structures are of brick, its streets are well paved and it by electricity.
Mr. Macfarlane, besides conducting a large general store, in which nearly a dozen clerks are employed, is also an extensive grain buyer, and has been ever since he settled there.
" In the early days before we had the railways," he said, "we had to team all our grain to Collingwood, 36 miles away."
The advancing market in grain is quite agreeable to Mr. Macfarlane, who is the happy holder of about 70,000 bushels, principally coarse grains such as peas and oats
"Our part of the country," he explained, "does not raise much wheat. It is princ1pally coarse grains we now raise. We did at one time grow a great deal of barley and wheat, but the loss of the United States wheat, but the loss of the United States market put a stop to barley producing. We
are now, however,'going a little more into are now, however, going a little more into
wheat than we did during the last few years.'
" How is your part of the country for liv. stock ?"
" Good. We raise a good many cattle $\approx$ and hogs. O, yes," concluded Mr. Mac farlane, " ours is a good part of the countr for nearly everything.

Mr. Macfarlane is gradually turning h business into a cash one, and is much please with ihe results.
D. Gunn, Bros. \& Co. report that ther has been a great deal more creamery butte made this spring than formerly. The qualit has been very satisfactory.

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## ONTARIO MARKETS.

Toronto, April 28, 1898. GROCERIES

BUSINESS is gradually getting into a more satisfactory condition. The demand for goods is improving, and prices, with few exceptions, are tending higher. Sugar is the feature of the market, yellows having been marked up i-16c. per lb . on Monday and granulated a like figure on Thursday. The demand for sugar is, on the whole, good. Business is improving in molasses. Outside of corn, canned vegetables are still showing some weakness, particularly tomatoes. Coffees of Brazilian growth are still easy, although locally there is a good business doing at unchanged prices. Rice is scarce and dearer, and tapioca rules firm. Currants are is. per cwt. dearer in Patras, and Valencia raisins are firm and scarce. There is a steady demand for California evaporated fruits.

## CANNED GOODS.

While $\$ 1.15$ to $\$ 1.20$ represents the ordinary quotations on canned tomatoes, yet lower prices are occasionally being accepted. With stocks of tomatoes undoubtedly light, and the time when new goods can come upon the market far distant, there appears to be no sound reason for lower prices. Speculative holders are at the bottom of the matter. There have been some offers of tomatoes held in Hamilton submitted to Toronto wholesalers at $\$$ I. io f.o.b. point of shipment. Corn is steadily held. There is a fair demand for canned salmon, but fruits are not yet receiving much attention. SYRUPS AND MOLASSES.
The wholesale houses are this week experiencing an increased demand for molasses, and the market rules firm. Syrups are quiet and steady.

## SUGAR.

There is a decidedly stronger feeling in regard to sugar this week. The outside markets are higher, and both yellows and granulated are quoted $1-16 \mathrm{c}$. higher this week in the home market. The former was advanced on Monday and the latter on Thursday morning. Standard granulated is now quoted by the wholesalers at $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. in ordinary lots and yellows at $37 / \mathrm{c}$. upward. Granulated is $1 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . dearer in New York and raw cane sugars are i-i6e. per lb. dearer there. Since Wednesday and up to the time of writing beet root sugars have advanced $41 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. in London and cane 3 d. per cwt.

NUTS.
Nuts of all descriptions are quiet and devoid of special feature.

## rice and tapioca.

The rice market continues to gather in strength. Locally, the price of imported Japan is quoted higher at 6 to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb ., and all grades of rice are scarce. "B" grade of domestic milled rice is practically unobtainable at the moment. Tapioca is still firmly held, and to-day's local wholesale prices are lower than freshly imported stock could be laid down at.

## COFFEE.

The market for Brazilian coffees has ruled weak up to within the last day or two, since when a steadier tone has characterized it. The steadier feeling had its origin in the primary markets. Locally, there is a good demand for Rico coffees at unchanged prices.

## SPICES.

The spice market continues to rule steady with ginger and cassia firm. Locally, the market is quiet.

## TEAS.

Another lot of Japan teas was shipped to the United States market this week. Locally, the tea trade continues to steadily improve, both representatives of shipping houses and wholesalers reporting a rather better business. At the same time, however, there is yet no great stir.

FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS.
Currants-The feature in this market is an advance of $1 s$. per cwt. in prices at Patras. This is according to a cableadvice received in Toronto this week. There have been a few transaction for importations during the week. Stocks are not heavy on the spot, and the demand for shipment out of town is good.
Valencia Raisins-Selected raisins are scarce and wanted on spot. During the past week or two enquiries have been numerous and there have been a good many sales. Prices are unchanged, although a firmer feeling obtains.
California Raisins - In consequence of the scarcity of Valencia raisins a little more attention is being paid to 3 and 4crown raisins of California growth.

Prunes-California prunes, in the smaller sizes, are scarce in the outside markets. Locally, the demand is steady for California prunes, although the volume of business is not large.
Figs-Advices from Turkey state that the
coming crop is likely to be small. This appears to have imparted a firmer tone to the outside markets.

California Evaporated Fruits-The market is quiet for apricots and peaches, with prices steady.

## GREEN FRUITS.

The rainy and cold weather last week kept the demand for fruits rather dull, but this week there has been a brisk movement in lemons, oranges, and bananas. Tomatoes and strawberries are now arriving in large quantities, and the demand is picking up considerably. Pineapples are moving freely. Owing to the war, very small quantities of pineapples are expected on the market here this season.

## BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Butter - Dairy butter, especially large rolls, is arriving in liberal quantities, the receipts, in fact, being rather in excess of the demand, which is active. Both large rolls and pound prints have declined 2 c . per lb. A large quantity of creamery butter has been made this spring, nearly all the factories in Western Ontario having supplied themselves with creamery appurtenances, and have made butter instead of cheese. A decided increase in the exportation of butter to Great Britain is looked for this year. A decline of ic. for tubs, and 2c. for pounds is noted this week.
Cheese - The tone of the market is decidedly firm. Recent cables from Great Britain state that the stocks held there are much lighter than had been thought, and that the demand is active. The local demand is brisk, with an advance of $1 / 4$ to $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . noted, the selling price now being $81 / 2$ to $83 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. per lb .

COUNTRY PRODUCE.
EGGS - Receipts are moderate, and, as the demand has been active, an advance of $1 / 2$ to ic, per dozen is noted, the prevailing price this week being roc., though some houses ask $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. more.
Potatoes - The market has steadied somewhat, and an advance of 3 to 5 c . per bag in carload lots is noted, the price quoted this week being 53 to 55 C per bag. Lots on the market are selling freely at 60 to 65 c . per bag.

Dried Apples - The market is dull, with prices about $31 / 2$ to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for choice lots. Some good stock is offered as low as $21 / 2$ to 3 c . per lb.
Evaporated Apples-The demand is moderate, and stocks light. Prices remain steady at $91 / 2$ to 10 .

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Beans-There is a quiet trade being done, with prices easy at 75 to $80 c$. for prime, and 80 to $9 \circ c$. for hand-picked
Honey - Business is quiet, with prices steady and unchanged.
Maple Syrup-Trade has been fair, with prices firm and unaltered.
Vegetables-The demand for rhubarb, lettuce and radishes continues good. Asparagus, spinach and green peas are quoted this week. Rhubarb has declined 10 to 15 c ., radishes Ioc., onions 5 c. and cucumbers 25 c . We quote: Rhubarb, 40 to 60 c . per per doz. bunches; onions, 5 c . doz. bunches; lettuce, 20 to 40 c . doz. bunches; radishes, 40 tol 60 c . doz. bunches; cabbage, 40 to 60 c . doz.; red cabbage, 75 c . to $\$ 1$ per doz. parsley, 15 to 20 . doz. bunches ; cucumbers, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.75$ per doz.; watercress, 20c. per doz. bunches; gardencress, 20 to 30c. per doz. bunches; spinach, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$ per bunch; asparagus, $\$ 1.25$ per doz.; green peas, $\$ 1.25$ per bush.
phovisions.
A good, steady trade is reported in all kinds of smoked meats. Earrel pork is moving well, lard is selling freely, and the demand for long clear bacon is active. Prices throughout are firm and unchanged. GRAIN, FO $O$, BKEANFANT FOOH. Grain-There has been a jump of 14 c . in red winter wheat and 17 c . in both white
winter and and goose wheat. Quotations on cars outside are as follows: Wheat, red winter, $\$ 1.04$ to $\$ 1.05$; white winter, $\$ 1.01$ to $\$ 1.03$; goose, 93 to 94 c . The offerings during the past week on the street market have been moderate, with prices as follows: White wheat, 99 to $\$ 1.03$; red wheat, $\$ 1.03$ to $\$ 1.03 \frac{1}{2}$; goose wheat, 96 to 98 c .; barley,
 peas, 62 to $631 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. No. I hard Manitoba wheat has advanced 18 c ., now being quoted at $\$ 1.28$, Sarnia freight.

Flour-In sympathy with the advance in wheat, a rise of 60 to 80 c . per bbl. is noted in all grades. We quote: Manitoba patents, $\$ 5.90$ to $\$ 6$; Manitoba strong bakers', $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 5.60$; Ontario patents, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 5.50$; straight roller, $\$ 4.80$ to $\$ 4.90$, Toronto freights.

Breakfast Foods-Business is moderate. Standard oatmeal and rolled oats have advanced 21 c .; rolled wheat, 25 c .; split peas, 25 c .; and pot barley, 50 c . Wequote: Standard oatmeal and rolled oats, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4$. io in bags and $\$ 4.00$ in bbls.; rolled wheat, $\$ 3.00$ in $100-\mathrm{lb}$. bbls.; cornmeal, $\$ 2.50$; split peas, $\$ 3.75$; pot barley, $\$ 3.75$.
FISII AND OIBTERS.

Salmon trout and whitefish are coming forward freely and are in good demand. Salt fish are in poor demand. We quote: Oysters,
$\$ 1.25$ per gal.; fresh salmon trout, 7c.; fresh whitefish, 7c.; steak trout, 7 c .; tresh steak cod, 6 to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. perlb.; pickerel, 6 c . per 1 lb : fresh pike, $5^{1 / 2} \mathrm{c}$. per lb .; fresh perch, $5^{1 / 2 \mathrm{c} \text {. }}$ perlb.; fresh herring, $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb .; Labrador herring, $\$ 5.50$ per bbl. and $\$ 3$ per half-bbl.; split herring, $\$ 5$ per bil. and $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3$ per half-bbl.; boneless codfish, $31 / 2$ to 5 c . per lb ; pure cod, $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. per lb.; fresh water herring (heads off), $\$ 2.50$ per keg ; ciscoes, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.30$; haddies, $51 / 2$ to 6 c . per lb .; fre-h haddock, 5 c . per lb.

HIDES, SKINS AND wOOL.
Hides-There is no change, the mar continuing steady at last week's figw We quote: No. $1,71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; No. 2, $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; 3. $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; cured, 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

Calfskins-The market is weak prices unaltered. We quote: No. veal, 8 lbs . and up, 9 c . per lb .; No. 7c.; Dekins, from 30 to 35 c. ; culls, 15 to $20 c$.
Sheepskins-Trade is quiet. We qua at $\$ 1.15$ to $\$ 1.35$.
Wool-There is a free offering of washed at IIC. per lb.

## seems.

The trade in timothy and clover seed dwindled down to jobbing trade and pri are unchanged. Red clover is quoted
$\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$; alsike all the way from $\$ 2$ to $\$ 4.50$, on account of difference in quality. Timothy is quoted at $\$ 1.50$, with extra choice to fancy lots selling as high as $\$ 2$. Hungarian, millet and ensilage corn are in good demand, but owing to the large number of varieties it is useless to quote prices, which are, however, moderate.

## PETROLEUM.

A fair business is being transacted. Canadian oil has declined $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; Pratt's astral, ic. per gallon. We quote in i to io-bbl. lots, imperial gallon, Toronto, as follows: Canadian, $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; Sarnia water white, 15 c . ; American water white, $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; Pratt's astral, 16 c . in bulk.

## SALT.

Trade is active, with prices firm and unchanged. We quote: Carload lots, $\$ 1.05$ per bbl., and 65 c . per sack; less than carload lots, $\$ 1$. Io per bbl., and 700 . per sack. At the wells we quote: F.O.B., barrels, 75 c .; sacks, 45 c .

MARKET NOTES.
Potatoes have advanced 3 to 5 c . per bag.
Cheese is firm, and has advanced $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb .

All refined sugars are $1-16 \mathrm{c}$. per pound dearer.

Eggs are $1 / 2$ to ic. per dozen dearer than a week ago.
Stocks of Valencia raisins in Denia are almost exhausted.

Pratt's astral oil has declined ic., and Canadian oil $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per gallon.
Japan rice is quoted higher, at 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. per lb., and rice of all kinds is scarce and firm.
A cable to Watt \& Scott notes an advance of is. per cwt. in the price of currants in Patras.

Red winter wheat has advanced 14 c .; white winter wheat and goose wheat, 17 c . per bushel.

Manitoba patents and Manitoba strong bakers' flours have advanced 60 c . per bbl.; Ontario patents, 75 c . per bbl.; straight roller, 8oc. per bbl.

Standard oatmeal and rolled oats have advanced 20c.; rolled wheat, 25 c .; split peas, 25 c .; pot barley, 50 c .

Dairy butter, in both large rolls and pounds, has declined 2 c . per lb .; creamery tubs are ic., and creamery pounds 2 c cheaper than a week ago.

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## QUEBEC MARKETS.

Montreal, April 28, 1898. GROCERIEs.

TRADE in groceries has moved along quietly during the week, no particular department exhibting any activity in the matter of new business, though there has been some rush in forwarding orders that were held back for the opening of water navigation. Aside from an advance in yellow sugar of 1-16c., there has been no important alteration in staple lines, except in dried and evaporated apples, which are higher, as stocks here are almost exhausted. Some jobbers are also asking an advance for Barbadoes molasses, but the guild price has not been changed as yet. Canned goods are generally held steady, and the same can be said of all lines of dried fruits. United States buyers have again been purchasers in the local tea market, but it has no effect on the home demand. Green fruit is quiet, as a rule, pending the coming auction sales, while flour has made a sharp advance.

## sugar.

Continued strength in the raw article abroad and the recent sharp advance in New York in all grades of refined has had its influence on the local sugar market. On Monday the sentiment materialized in an advance in yellows at the refineries of $\mathrm{I}-16 \mathrm{c}$. per lk., these grades now being firmly held at $3 \% 8$ tow 1 1 16 c., while granulated is unchanged, but firm in tone at $43 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. The demand from jobbers, however, continues conservative, and retailers also are only operating in a hand-to-mouth way. In New York, raw is held higher, fair refining at 3 11-16c. and centrifugal, 96 test, 4 3-16c., while refined is strong. On Monday, beet in London advanced $3 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. and was active at the rise, April being quoted at 95. $5 \frac{1 / 4}{} \mathrm{~d}$. , and May, $9 \mathrm{~s} .51 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. Cane was firm, with a rising'tendency, but prices were unchanged, Java, i is. 6d., and fair refining, ros.

## SYRUPS.

There has been no alteration in this market. Stocks are light, but demand is very limited.
molasses.
In consequence of the stronger advices from Barbadoes and the impossibility of

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obtaining firm offers from there, prices on spot have an unsettled tendency and there is a disposition to ask more money. In fact, though the guild price for the district is still 25 c . for puncheons, jobbers here have refused to accept that price, demanding an advance of ic. per gallon not only for single puncheons, but for car lots also, their price for both being 26c. Altogether, as noted specially elsewhere, the molasses market appears to be in a very strong position at the moment.

## CANNED GOODS.

Business in canned goods has been very quiet, but it is generally admitted that if demand did spring up jobbers here are not in a very good position to meet it, for their stocks are pretty low. This is especially the case in staple lines of vegetables, notably tomatoes, and none are now obtainable here under $\$ 1.20$. Corn also is firm, and the same applies to peas. There has been no news received here yet in regard to B.C. salmon.

## teas.

The tea market has been quiet, the chief feature of the week being the shipment of some 1,300 packages of tea to the United States. These comprised ping sueys at a range of 14 to 17 c ., blacks at 12 to 16 c ., and 100 packages or so of Japans at 16 c . Locally, jobbers continue indifferent, the only sale from first hands in this connection being some 300 blacks at a range of 12 to 14c. to a Quebec wholesale house.

## SPICES.

There is no change in the local market, but advices from abroad continue strong on all sorts. Demand here from second hands is of a limited kind.

## coffee.

The coffee market has been unsettled, and while New York has exhibited considerable strength during the past few days there
has been no response on spot, prices rulin unchanged.

## RICE.

This staple maintains its firm disposition, while demand has been of a fairly brisk character. Sales of Japan at the mills are noted at $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.50$, and standard $B$. $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.25$.

## DRIED FRUIT.

There are some shipments of currants on the first direct steamers for western houses, but Montreal jobbers appear to have plenty of stock to carry them along as they do not operate at all in this connection. Values remain steady.
With the outbreak of hostilities between Spain and the United States, jobbers here have better expectations in regard to their stocks of Valencia raisins. None of them are carrying heavy lines, but they have suf ficient to carry them along.
California raisins are steady. Aside from what little the jobbers may have, there is no 3 -crown fruit offering here. In other goods prices are firm.
California prunes are scarce, in fact almost exhausted, and commission men do not expect any further offers from the Coast until next season's crop. French and Australian prunes are steady, and supplies in jobbers' hands here are light.
Figs and dates rule steady.
Evaporated apricots continue very strong on the Coast at recent advances, and it is not unlikely that prices may go still higher in view of the light stocks. Evaporated peaches are easy, with, however, very light supplies here to draw from. Pears also are in small supply.

## GREEN FRUIT.

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## FLOUR, GRAIN, ETC.

The boom in cereals south of the line and the advance at interior points in Canada has naturally been reflected by a firmer feeling in the grain market on spot, and it is expected that the war will drive a lot of trade to this port. For instance, the insurance rate now asked from United States ports is $\mathrm{I}^{1 / 2}$ per cent. on total loss, whereas it is only $1 / 4$ per cent. from here. The effect of this is obvious as the former rate is almost prohibitory. Trade in Manitoba wheat was active, and sales of some round lots of No. I hard were made at prices ranging from $\$ 1.12$ to $\$ 1.20$, a 10,000 bushel lot being placed at the latter figure, and holders at the close were asking $\$ 1.23$ to $\$ 1.25$ afloat Fort William, May, which shows an advance of 11 to 13 c. per bushel, since Saturday. Ontario red wheat was firmly held at $\$ 1$ per bushel, and, in fact, it was stated that millers were prepared to pay almost any figure to secure the stock. There was a brisk demand for oats, and some large lines changed hands at 37 c . afloat, May, and at $36 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. store. Peas sold at $68 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. afloat, May, and at 68c. store. We quote: No. 2 white oats, $34 \frac{1}{2}$ c., ex store; 37 c . afloat, May delivery ; peas, 68 c . ex store ; buckwheat, 52 to 53 c. ex store.
There has been a sharp advance in flour, both for Manitoba and Ontario brands, the latter being 40 to 45 c . up, and the former 35 c . There has been considerable enquiry from foreign buyers for Manitoba grades, but, owing to the scarcity of ocean freight for May and June shipment, millers cannot make further sales. The local demand is active, and orders from the Lower Provinces and country generally came forward freely at the advance. A sale of 10,000 bags of straight roller was made at $\$ 2.35$. Extras
sold at $\$ 2.20$ to $\$ 2.25$. We quote as follows: Winter wheat patents, $\$ 5.25$; straight rollers, $\$ 4.85$ to $\$ 5$; bags, $\$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.40$; Manitoba patents, $\$ 5.90$; and strong bakers', $\$ 5.50$.

There was no change in feed, the market being quiet and steady. We quote as follows: Ontario winter wheat bran, $\$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14.50$; shorts, $\$ 16$ per ton in bulk; Manitoba bran, $\$ 14$, and shorts, $\$ 16$ per ton, including bags.

The demand for meal was slow, owing to the fact that buyers have ample supplies on hand. Prices for rolled oats are firm at $\$ 3.90$ per bbl. and $\$ 1.90$ per bag.

A fairly active business was done in hay, and prices are maintained at $\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 11$ for No. 1 , and at $\$ 8$ to $\$ 9$ for No. 2 per ton, in car lots.

Cheese furnished no change, and, until new goods are on the market, the position is a waiting one. If the recent improvement is maintained, however, and there is nothing in the tenor of advices to indicate the contrary, the spring opening on new season's make wilt be much better than was expected three or four weeks ago, when the product was in the "doldrums" around 7c. In fact, reports from the country state that it has already had the effect of induc ing factories that had intended to run butter-making well on into May to tur their attention to cheese.
The better feeling noted in butter yeste day is maintained, and there were pu chases late yesterday and this morning, account of exporters, at 16 to $16 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$., a. the market, as a whole, rules steady at to 17 c . The change in the cheese marke, if it continues, is certain to have an infl ence on butter, as it will invariably tend curtail the make of the latter.

## montreal notes.

Refiners advanced the price of yell sugar 1-16c. per lb. on Monday, and ti market is firm.

The Matthews, the first direct steam with green fruit, arrived in port on Tuesd.
emons, and 4,000 Messina, 280 Palermo and 3,500 packages Sorrento oranges. These will be auctioned on Tuesday next, and, until this is done, the orange and lemon market is a purely nominal one. ess. Fremona is also expected to arrive in port with another large cargo towards the end of this week. Another point in the market is the large receipts of bananas, but prices hold steady at $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.75$ for No. I, and $50 c$. to $\$ 1$ for No. 2. Pineapples are firm at 8 to 15 c . each.
apples.
The market is unchanged at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 5$ per bbl., as to grade

DRIED Apples.
There has been a firmer feeling in both dried and evaporated apples, and receivers are asking a material advance for straight lots. For round lots of dried 4 c . has been refused, and $9 c$. has been bid for evaporated, without resulting in a purchase. This is an advance of 2 to $21 / 2$ c. Stocks of both descriptions in retailers' and jobbers' hands are very light.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.
Eggs-A steadier feeling has ruled in the egg market during the week, and the declining tendency of the past three weeks appears to be checked for the time being. A fair range to day is 9 to $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
Beans-There was no change in beans, sales being slow at 70 to 75 c . for primes, and at 85 to goc. for choice hand-picked per bushel.

Honey-The market for honey was dull, and prices show no change. We quote: White clover comb, II to I2c.; dark, 8 to loc.; white strained, 6 to 7 c ., and dark, 4 to 5 c .
Maple Products-A fair trade was done in maple products, and values are unchanged. Syrup in wcod is selling at $43 / 4$ to 5 c . per lb ., and in tins at 45 to 50 c ., as to size. Sugar moves freely at 6 to $6 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$. per lb.

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morning of this week. Her cargo will be put up at auction next Tuesday.

Some jobbers here are asking ic. advance on Barbadoes molasses, though the guild price is yet unchanged.

Over 1,200 packages of ping sueys black and Japan teas were taken out of first hands here this week by United States buyers.
The price of flour is now 35c. higher on Manitoba grades, and 40 to 45 c . on Ontario than it was eight days ago, and is pointing still higher.

## NEW BRUNSWICK MARKETS.

Office of The Canadian Grocer, St. John, N.B., April 25, 1898.

THE week has shown but a fair business. There are those who fear a quiet summer, chiefly because of the dull lumber market both in England and the United States. In St. John, and all through New Brunswick, our people depend very much on this line of business. There are, in our city, a large number of lumber mills owned by Americans, sawing American lumber cut on the upper St. John, which is admitted free into the United States. This, as a rule, is quite a steady business, but this spring there is little demand, and it is
feared the war will not improve matters. Just how the war will effect us is not known, but at present little advantage is to be seen. Owners of deep water vessels feel good, as freights rule high. Coasters find it dull. Our people desire that success should lie with the Americans, at least in the end.
OIL-There is quite a large business in both paint and lubricating oil, but in burning oil it is rather quiet. Cod oil is scarce and high.
SALT-Liverpool coarse continues to grow in value with the light demand for lumber for the English market and the advance in ocean freight rates. There is, however, a fair stock still here, and some to arrive. The demand is not at the present such as to cause our dealers to make much change in their prices. There is at this season a rather improved demand for factory-filled. In Canadian, the market is better supplied than last week. There is a good movement, particularly in cheese and butter salt. We quote : Liverpool coarse, 45 to 48 c .; English factory-filled, goc. to $\$ 1$; Canadian fine, $\$ 1$ per bag; cheese and butter salt, bulk, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.60$ per bbl.; $5-\mathrm{lb}$. bags, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.25$ per bbl.; io-lb. bags, $\$ 2.85$ to $\$ 3$ per bbl.; 20-lb. wood boxes, 20c. each; $10-\mathrm{lb}$. wood boxes, 12 c . each; cartons, $\$ 2$ per case
of 2 doz.; English bottled salt, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.30$.

Canned Goods-There is a somewhat further advance in canned meats, though there is little change as yet in local markets. Vegetables, while still ruling high, have shown little change for some time. Oysters, which have a steady sale at this season, are firmer; some packers have already advanced prices. Domestic sardines, particularly oils, are scarce; local demand is light. Lobsters hold their high figures. Salmon keeps low and quite plentiful. In fruits there is a steady sale peaches rule quite low and have the best demand, Canadians being chiefly sold.
Green Fruit-Business is good. In Valencia oranges, prices rule higher. Stock now arriving has to be unpacked. Californias, principally navels, are now preferred by the best trade. Bloods are scarce. Bananas are taking the place of oranges, and now move more freely. Apples show little business for best fruit ; prices are high. A few pineapples are selling. Strawberries have a fair sale, and the quality is good: price shows little change. Rhubarb is high and very little was received this week. few cucumbers are seen. In lemons, the low prices still rule.

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Dried Fruit-There is but limited business. Evaporated apricots show fair business; prices are higher and good stock is getting scarce. Prunes of California growth move more slowly, and dealers sell largely the 25 c . box. Raisins are a fair stock here; while there is no change in price market is easy. Some good California stock is held here ; other grades are quiet. Currants move slowly. In seeded raisins there is a fair sale. Dates are quiet ; of late years demand seems to grow less. Figs and peels are also light sale; prices keep high. Onions, Canadian, are easy in price and are being crated in most cases. Bermudas have a good demand, but stock is light. Egyptian have the chief sale.
Sugar-There has been less interest in this line than in other staples during the week, but toward the close there has been a firmer feeling. Dealers report a good steady sale. Stocks of yellow keep light. In Paris lump our market does not use a large quantity, while in powdered this is a quięt season.
Molasses-This is a line of increasing interest. One dealer at present holds about the whole stock of Porto Rico. This grade has increasing demand in this market; prices are firmer and tend higher. Barbadoes, which this year is of good quality, is also looking upward. The effect of the war on this line is likely to mean higher figures.
Dairy Produce-Butter is moving downward from its somewhat high perch. About enough new is coming in to meet all demands, and quality is quite good. Eggs are dull ; receipts tend to exceed demand, and prices are low and market weak. Cheese is still dull. It is said the English market is better. It is to be hoped it is. It is too bad to have prices so low at this season.
Fish-Everything is quiet. Gaspereaux are still scarce ; not enough to fill the demand for bait. Quite a few are smoked. There is quite a demand for them this way; $\mathrm{a}^{\text { f few }}$ are kippered. If the run continues $a^{\text {r few }}$ are kippered. If the run continues
short alewives will rule higher. Owing to the low prices that have ruled there is upward of one quarter last year's pack still in this market, or about 3,000 barrels. Dry fish are rather lower; pickled dull. Business is somewhat quiet. Smoked herring command full figures, and stocks are light. Halibut are in light supply, and hold their price. We quote : Large cod, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.40$; medium, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.20$; pollock, $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.90$; Grand Manan pickled herring, $\$ 1.85$ to $\$ 1.95$ per half-bbl.; smoked herring, 8 to 9c. per box; Canso, pickled, $\$ 5$ per bbl.; boneless fish, $31 / 2$ to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; cod, 6 to 7 c.; finnan haddies, 4 to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; fresh Gaspereaux, 60 . per 100 ; fresh halibut, 8 to 9 c . per 1 b .
Provisions - The tendency to higher prices in barreled goods fails to make much change in demand, and business is still quiet. Hams and bacon hold their price, and move freely. This business is each year more largely done by the packer direct to the retail trade. The wholesale grocer, where a few years a go he would buy a car, now thinks 25 bbls. a big order. In lard, the price is lower, though packers show quite a range.
Flour, Feed and Meal - This has been the centre of interest during the week. Dealers have been ready buyers, where they could buy at a fair price. Some millers are
now out of the market, having withdrawn quotations till matters are more settled. There are fair stocks here and to arrive. Dealers stand to make more on Manitoba than on Ontario grades, as they were quoted lower respectively, and dealers were given every chance to buy before prices were advanced. In Ontario, buyers had to follow the market up. Oatmeal is higher, and cornmeal is firmer. Beans are rather higher. Buyers are slow to advance offers, but are open to buy at the prices of a few days ago. In barley and peas the high prices hold; the latter are quite scarce. Seeds have now a large sale. In grass seeds prices are rather higher, and clover tends upward. In fact, the market is a very firm one. Feed did not advance with flour; there was no need - it was high and scarce before. Market is firm. We quote as follows : Manitoba flour, $\$ 6$ to $\$ 6.10$; best Ontario, $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.50$; medium, $\$ 4.85$ to $\$ 5$; oatmeal, $\$ 4.15$ to $\$ 4.25$; cornmeal, $\$ 2.10$; middlings, $\$ 20$ to $\$ 22$; bran, $\$ 18$ to $\$ 19$; oats, 38 to 42 c .; handpicked beans, $\$ 1.10$; prime, 95 c . to $\$ 1$; yellow eye beans, $\$ 1.75$; split peas, $\$ 3$,8o to $\$ 3.90$; round, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.40$; pot barley, $\$ 3.80$ to $\$ 3.90$; hay, $\$ 9$ to $\$ 9.50$; timothy seed, American, $\$ 1.70$ to $\$ 2.15$; do., Canaseed, American, $\$ 1.70$ to $\$ 2.15$; do., Cana-
dian, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.40 ;$ mammoth clover, 6 to 7c.; alsike, $73 / 4$ to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

## ST. JOHN NOTES.

Baird \& Peters are landing a cargo of Porto Rico molasses.
Bowman \& Angevine have been appointed agents for Chocolat-Menier for New Brunswick.
. E E. Macmichael have received a shipment of Maconochie's pickles, including some of the lever top.
Geo. S. DeForest \& Sons received this week 50 boxes "Silver Crown" seeded California muscatel raisins.

Mayor Robertson sailed, by the ss. Lake Superior, for England this week. He goes in the interest of St. John.
James T. Logan, soap manufacturer, has effected a compromise with his creditors at 10c. on the dollar. Liabilities about $\$ 16$,ooo, assets about $\$ 3.500$.
Joseph Finley landed a car of California raisins this week, 3 and 4 -crown. They are "Star" and "Crescent" and "Prairie Rose " brands.
A steamer of the Hamburg-American Packet Line is now on the way to Halifax with 1,017 Galician immigrants, the largest number to arrive there by one steamer for years.
The C.P.R. is about to build a large elevator here, with a capacity of about one million bushels. This is found necessary on account of the increase in winter port business. It means an outlay of upwards of $\$ 200,000$.
The steamers are now not only running up the river to Fredericton, but to Woodstock, as freight rates by rail to points above Fredericton are very high. The running of
the steamers is much appreciated. They a only able to run while water keeps high.

Barker Bros., who are well known through this Province, opened a large retail store i. our city this week. It is known as "Th. White Store." Some of the prices quote are as follows: Canned corn, 5 c ; peas, 7 c . tomatoes, $9 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$ c.; standard granulated sugar. 22 lbs. for a dollar.

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OWING to the limited supply on the way and small spot stocks together with the prospect that a war duty may be imposed, the market for tapioca is firmer and tending upward.

It is reqported that about 50 per cent. of the portable pack of tomatoes the coming season in Indiana has already been sold, chiefly to Chicago jobbing houses. The prices paid were, it is understood, 70 to $721 / 2$ c. per dozen for standards. The American Grocer says it is the purpose of the Indiana packers to have an association label for use on high grade goods, and also to sell direct and do away with brokers. These matters, however, are yet to be adjusted at a future meeting.

## California Prunes.

In its issue of April 16 , The California Fruit Grower says of prunes : "There is a good local demand for all sizes, at unchanged prices. The most attention at present is given to 90's and Ioo's size. A few enquiries are at hand from Europe, for assorted car lots. A Bordeaux house asks for cable on a car, half $50-60$ 's, half 70.80 's, in $50-1 \mathrm{~b}$. boxes, c.i.f., regular terms. The eastern demand is lighi and prices are about as litietofore. Shipments overland from San Jose, for week ending April 9, were $298,810 \mathrm{lb}$., the smallest quantity since the season began. The total overland movement for the season is $54,357,142 \mathrm{lb}$. The outlook for the growing crop continues favorable, and, with rain, now looked for, the harvest will be abundant. Our latest mail advices from France state that the French prune crop will be at least a month later than last season, as the trees were not in blossom on March 25.

## Pineapple Outlook.

Shipments of pineapples have begun from the Florida Keys. The crop, which has matured earlier than usual, promises to be of fine quality. Several shipments are now on the way to New York. If there are no further shipments from Havana, as has been intimated, because of war with Spain, prominent handlers of pines here say there will be no scarcity, as the crops of Florida and the Bahamas promise to be large.

## Canned Salmon Situation

In a recent interview Mr. J. O. Hauthorn, president of the Columbia River Canneries Co., is reported as saying: " From recent advices I have received from the leading brokers in the English market the last year's output of canned salmon from Fraser river, and the Alaska pack, that were floated in 1897, have all been sold, and the foreign
market for canned goods in general is in a very healthy condition, especially the salmon market. I think the domestic market, or the United States market, will readily take all of the choicest packing from the Columbia river at last year's opening prices, which were on the basis of $\$ 1.05$ for talls, $\$ 1.20$ for flats, 5 c . per dozen extra for key goods. I am basing these ideas principally on what our brokers, Delafield, McGovern \& Co., of New York, have said, as well as the opinion of Mr. J. K. Armsby, of the J. K. Armsby Co., of Chicago, with whom I recently conversed on the subject during Mr. Armsby's visit to the Pacific Coast. The above-named firms are the largest handlers of salmon in the United States. There is nothing to indicate at present that any higher prices can be obtained than those above mentioned. The prospects are that raw fish will be about what they were last season. The demand for the cheaper grades of fish packed along the coast and on the Columbia river is being somewhat interfered with by the immense output of cheaper grades of fish that are being packed on Puget Sound, and the indications are for the coming season that less effort on the part of the Columbia river packers will be made to pack such grades of fish, which will really be a benefit to the business.

## Provisions and War.

The unexpected has happened. The trade has expected that war rumors would have more influence on hog products than on grains. The reverse has happened, for provisions have not been affected to the extent that grain has. It is safe to say that provisions will advance in price. Provision prices are not high. If war does come it will undoubtedly be a naval war, in which event there would be an unusually heavy demand for cured meats for the navy. If an army should be sent to Cuba, and it is generally expected that the President will send one to the island to forcibly intervene, there would also be an unusually heavy demand to keep it fed. Therefore the tendency should be, and indeed is, towards higher prices.-National Provisioner.

## Canned Salmon in London.

The improvement in the demand, although interrupted by the holidays, has been resumed during the latter part of this week ; there have been few fluctuations in prices, and the shipments of the 1897 pack of salmon to this country have now arrived, and have either gone into distribution or been warehoused. Although stocks are undoubtedly heavy, they are firmly held. The cer-
tain prospect of a pack on the Fraser riv limited to 75 per cent. of last season almost precludes the possibility of any duction for this particular class of fish, eve should the low prices fail to attract the creased consumption generally anticipate. Alaska fish are still selling at a considera lower rate than packers are asking for 18 pack.-Produce Markets' Review.

Food Products in New South Wales.
It has been stated by the Governme statistican of New South Wales, says Conimerce, that few countries approach that colony in the small proportion of income absorbed in providing food for the peopie and in making this assertion he is amply supported by facts. According to Mulhall, the cost of living, per inhabitant, in the leading European countries, Canada and the United States, ranges from $£ 321 \mathrm{fs}$. 2 d . in the latter country, to $£ 1155 \mathrm{~s} .6 \mathrm{~d}$. in Portugal; the amount for the United Kingdom being $£^{29}$ 14s. 9d., Canada $£ 23$ 2s. 2d., France $£^{2} 3$ 199. 4d., and Germany $£ 20$ 3s. 4 d ; while in New South Wales it is $£ 367 \mathrm{~s}$. Iod., or $£ 3$ irs. 8d. more than in the United States; but, at the same time, the money is more readily earned in New South Wales than in any of the countries mentioned. Again, taking Mulhall as an authority, it would appear that while the actual cost per head of food, solid and liquid, in New South Wales is $£ 1515 \mathrm{~s}$. 4d., as against $£ 144$ 45. 9d. in the United Kingdom, the earnings required in the colony to pay for the food are proportionately less than in other countries; thus, while in the United Kingdom it takes the earnings of 127 days to pay for the annual food supply per head; in France 132 days, in Germany 148 days, in Austria 152 days, in Italy 153 days, and in Portugal 177 days; in New South Wales 100 days suffice. In Canada and the United States the period is less, but theic are circuinstances which turn the scales in are circuinstances which turn the scales
favor of the mother colony of the Australia
The prices of commodities have vanied according to the seasons and other condi tions, but in 1896 the average rates were Bread, $2-\mathrm{lb}$. loaf, 3 d.; fresh beef, per 1 b 3d.; butter, per lb., is.; cheese, per lb 8d.; sugar, per lb., $21 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$.; tea, per lb., Is 6d.; potatoes, per cwt., 5s. 6d.; maize, pe $6 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ potatoes, per cwt., 5 s .6 d .; maize, per
bushel, 2s. 7d. The prices were about the same at the commencement of the presen year. Mutton is the cheapest animal food averaging about 2 d . per lb . Other averag rates comprise bacon, per $\mathrm{lb} ., 71 / 2 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ egg per dozen, 1 s. ; rice, per lb., 2d.; oatmea per lb., 2d.; coffee, per lb., I. 9d.; salt, pe lb., $1 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$.; colonial beer, per gallon, 2 s . lb., $1 / 2 \mathrm{d}$. ; colonial beer, per gailon, 2 l.
soap. per $\mathrm{lb} ., 2 \mathrm{~d} . ;$ starch, per lb., 4 d colonial tobacco, per lb., 4s.; imported $t$. bacco, per lb., 6 s . Of course, many of th articles named can be purchased conside ably cheaper, but the average price w afford some idea of the general cost.

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JAmes lewis prescott, the founder of the house of J. L. Prescott \& Co., was born at Epsom, N. H., U. S., March 8, 1828. He descended from sturdy New England stock, with an English ancestry, who landed in the Massachusetts colony at an early colonial period.
The name Prescott is familiar to the readers of American history. Mr. Prescott's ancestor was General William Prescott, who commanded at the battle of Bunker Hill, June 17, 1775.
In 1866, Mr. Prescott moved to North Berwick, Maine, and in 1870 commenced the manufacture of stove polish in a structure only sixteen by eighteen feet in size. He first put on the market the "Universal" brand, which soon became very favorably known in a limited territory, but the superior quality of the products worried his competitors not a little. The total daily output of about five gross was delivered at the railway station in a wheelbarrow. The business was a success from the start and yearly increased until it reached an annual sale of about eighteen thousand gross.
In 1888 , Mr. Prescott retired from business and was succeeded by his son, Mr. A. L. Prescott and Mr. C. O. Littlefield, under the new firm name of J. L. Prescott \& Co. Mr. J. L. Prescott now lives at Battle Creek, Mich., where he is passing his days in peace and quietude, and where he and Mrs. Prescott recently celebrated their golden wedding in the midst of a large circle of relatives and friends.
In 1887, Mr. Amos L. Prescott the present head of the house, conceived the idea that the old fashioned stick-to-it-all-day method of blacking a stọve was a drudgery for housekeepers, that ought to be abolished. He accordingly set about producing the first paste stove polish which ever proved to be a success. It was put on the market as " Enameline, The Modern Stove Polish." A lucky hit, and a product destined to play an important part in the household economy of millions of homes in many lands. It was determined to make Enameline famous through the most vigorous methods of publicity. In a single year more than $\$ 200$,ooo has been appropriated for advertising.
" It soon became evident," says Mr. A. L. Prescott, "that Enameline was to be the world' stove polish and that another location must be selected in one of the great centres of commerce, where adequate facilities for manufacturing and shipping could be provided. This led to the selection of New York city for the new headquarters, and, in the spring of 1896 , an extensive factory constructed after modern plans was put in operation at Passaic, New Jersey, twelve
miles by rail from New York, on the Passaic River, where steamers from the vast water connections about New York, Brooklyn, and Jersey City, enter the docks of the company every day. The five gross per day of 1870 has grown to an output of nearly five carloads per day, and was being distributed to every English speaking country on the globe, as well as in Germany, Scandinavia, Holland, Belgium and South America."

The year 1896 witnessed the largest growth of any in the history of Enameline ; both the Passaic and North Berwick factories were used in conjunction to supply the enormous demands. As the Passaic factory developed, the North Berwick plant was gradually given up, and at the present time, the entire output of Enameline is from the New Jersey factory, and the location as regards skilful labor, plenty of space for


James Lewis Prescott.
growth, and for shipments by water or rail, is most desirable.
In the spring of 1894 , J. L. Prescott \& Co. commenced the introduction of Enameline into foreign countries, and at the present time, they have depots in Liverpool, London, Glasgow, Cape Town, Hamburg, Melbourne, Antwerp, Rotterdam, and Copenhagen.

On July I, 1897, Mr. J. Edward Prescott, the son of Mr. A. L. Prescott, was admitted into partnership, thus being the third generation to be represented in the business. This gentleman has charge of the Passaic factory. Mr. J. Edward Prescott has been especially active in the introduction of the most labor saving machinery, not duplicated in any other stove polish factory in the world.
The total length of all the buildings of the Enameline factory at Passaic, is more than 700 feet, with a capacity of 50 tons per day. No claim is made to running full, but this is more than double the capacity of any other stove polish factory in the world. The buildings are lit with electricity, and are ventilated by hot and cold air machinery.

The company own its own machine sh pps. Over 300 hands are employed at the present time, and they are paid more that the average scale of wages, the firm believing a philanthropy that helps people to help $\mathrm{t} . \mathrm{m}$ selves.
After the plumbago from the East Indies has been landed at the docks of the company, it is first put through a milling piocess, which is a marvel of mechanical ingenuity ; these mills accomplishing, with the work of one man, what formerly employed twenty-five workmen. The company manufacture their own tin boxes, and the enormity of the production can be conceived when it is said that they have twenty-iwo stamping machines, with a capacity each of sixty pieces per minute. About five tons of tin plate are used each day. They also make their own packing cases, and more than $3,000,000$ feet of pine lumber are used annually.

The covers of packing boxes are nailed on by machinery. The labels put on tin boxes are ordered in $100,000,000$ lots.
The sales department is under the supervision of Mr. P. M. Berry, for a number of years connected with J. L. Prescott \& Co., a hearty co-worker in the company's energetic policy of push.
The offices are at $90-92$ West Broadway, New York, where the enormous details of the sales department, the direction of large appropriations for advertising, the supervision of from one to two hundred traveling men in the United States and foreign countries, and contracts for shipping by land and water, are negotiated and directed. All wholesale grocers, housefurnishers, hardware and stove dealers, and 97 per cent of the retailers in these branches of trade handle Enameline.-The Modern Stove Polish.

## COSTA RICAN COFFEE.

Coffee is the great product of Costa Rica, where it was first introduced in 1796, and the article produced in that country is of a superior quality, as is demonstrated by the high prices it has obtained in the markets of Europe, principally in England. The annual exports amount to nearly $40,000,000$ pounds, according to the Bulletin of American Republics. At the Chicago Exposition, there were 75 exhibitors of Costa Rican coffee of whom 55 received awards, a proportion which none of the other countries tha figured in that great exhibition succeede in attaining. Coffee is produced in all hie departments of the Republic of Salva On the uplands, in the interior of Hondu the coffee produced is excellent of qual and, although up to the present time :he production has been limited, the indicat ons all point to a notable increase in the niar future.
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Pickling Vinegar-Selected and Specially Prepared Vegetables and the finest Eastern Spices alone are used in

## GILLARD'S NEW PICKLE

That's why - 5,000 leading hotels in Great Britain use them daily.
12 gold medals have been awarded for their superior quality at the Great Food Expositions held in England. Packed 2 dozen in case; single case lots $\$ 3.40$; 5 case lots $\$ 3.30$.

## GILLARD'S NEW SAUCE

Of World Wide Reputation. Barrel lots of 12 dozen $\$ 1.75$; single dozen lots $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 9 0}$.

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## MANITOBA MARKETS.

## WINNIPEG, April 25, 1808.

EVERYBODY is talking war news and many are the speculations as to rises in price of produce if the war is continued for any length of time. Up to the present the only things that have advanced noticeably are American short clear bacon and corned beef in tins. Wheat is still high, as high as $\$ 1.10$ being paid during the week, but that is due to local millers and not to the war scare.

Among the business changes of the week is the retirement of W. D. Bole from the wholesale drug firm of Martin, Bole, Wynne \& Co., and the formation of the Bole Drug Co., which has applied to the present session of the Local House for incorporation.
In many districts seeding is progressing rapidly to completion, while in some sections of the southern part of the province it is already completed.

Business in the wholesale grocery line is quiet, as is usual at this time of the year, but produce of all kinds is moving freely with prices tending upward in most cases.

The ice is out of the rivers here, the bulk moving out quietly Sunday week. As there was was no weight of snow there has been no rise of water, so that the passage of the ice was a tame affair compared with last year, when we lived for days in expectation of a flood.
Butter - The continued fine warm weather makes the prospects bright for the opening of creameries on May 1. Values will depend largely on the date of shipment, and will be based, for the present, at least, and will be based, for the present, at least,
on eastern markets, where factories are already in full swing. Creamery will probably open here at 18 c . points of shipment. This is considerably higher than last year's figure at the opening, which took place at a later date. Dairy butter is still scarce, but is moving a little more freely than last week. Jobbers are getting 18 c . per lb .

EGGS-This produce has continued scarce and dear in spite of the expectations that prices would fall directly after Easter. No sales have been made, since that date, under 15 c . However, it is not possible that this market can continue and the change, when it comes, will be a sharp drop.

Green Fruit-This market is slightly perturbed over war, expecting changes with regard to pines and bananas. As yet no change has occurred and stocks are abundant. The Rublee Fruit Co. received one car of bananas to-day and will have another on Monday. Price of bananas runs from $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3.50$ and quality has rarely been finer. Havana pines, $\$ 6$ per dozen. Strawberries are arriving more freely and sell at $\$ 6$ per case of 24 quarts. Southern pie plant is coming in, and is selling rapidly at $\$ 2.50$, Oranges are stiffening up and an advance of from 5oc. to $\$ 1$ is looked for early next week. The season for navels is drawing to a close. Lemons remain unchanged at $\$ 4$ per case. Green peas and butter beans are arriving in small consignments by express, but there is no general trade in these lines.

Dried Fruits-Apricots are up another $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and appear to be going out of sight;
$111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. are the figures to-day. In other lines, such as evaporated apples, peaches, and pears, there is no change, though all lines remain very firm.
Canned Goods-Situation with regard to canned vegetables remains without change for the week. Canned meats, as already noted, are advancing, canned beef already noted, are advancing, canned beef
being 30 c . higher per case than last week. In other lines of canned meat no actual advance has taken place, but market is very firm, with every prospect that it will advance in sympathy with beef.
Cured Meats-Every line of this product is firm, while in the case of American short clear the advance is very sharp, the price now being $8 \frac{1}{2}$ to $83 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; in fact, there is an advance from $1 / 8$ to $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. on all these gonds.
Coffee-There is quite an excitement in coffee, but no definite price could be obtained.
Rice-Situation has not changed during the week.
Maple Syrup-Is having its usual brisk run at $\$ 1$ to $\$$ I. 10 per gallon.

## THE SITUATION IN TEA.

THERE has been an unusually large movement of tea of various sorts from Canada to the United States since the first of the year. Estimates vary regarding the aggregate quantity, but many brokers consider that 15,000 packages have been sent across the lines by Montreal commission firms alone, not counting what has been done in the west. One firm in the commercial metropolis alone has sent over 10,000 packages, and another 3,000 , which affords a pretty good indication of the movement.
The expectation of a duty on tea in the United States appears to have been the primary cause, but it was not that alone, for there have been other reasons.
The original intention was to market this tea in Canada, and, of course, the outflow means so much less old crop tea to be consumed on this side the line. It is noteworthy, however, that the fact has not induced jobbers or retailers to increase their operations to any extent. They have all along pursued a conservative policy and continue to do so.
It is difficult to say what their position is in regard to supplies, but the opinion among the commission houses seems to be that unless retailers throughout the country are well loaded up, the supply of tea carried in second and third hands in Canada is much lighter than usual.
If this is so the actions of jobbers and retailers do not indicate it, for they act as though they had enough supplies to carry them along until new crop teas arrive. It this was not so, surely they would be freer buyers than they are.

Laporte, Martin \& Cie. are offering fine lines of teas of every grade at very low prices.
Laporte, Martin \& Cie. report large orders of Barbadoes molasses, the price of which is now firmer than ever.

WELL PLEASED WITH THE TRALJe.
Mr. C. S. Bullock, representing J. L. Prescott \& Co., manufacturers of " Enameline," New York, was in Toronto this week, leaving on Thursday for home. Bullock was in the Queen City primarily the purpose of establishing Mr. C. W. Boon as resident traveler in Ontario. Mr. Boon's headquarters will be in Toronto.
"Our business," remarked Mr. Bullo $k$, " is increasing rapidly in Canada. We are well pleased, indeed, with the trade and with the class of people we are getting in contact with as a result of opening up in this market, and we believe it will be better further on," he concluded, with a laugh.

## A VISITOR FROM AUSTRALIA.

Mr. Geo. Shrimpton, agent for Australia for Keen, Robinson \& Co., London, England, manufacturers of the well-known mustard, Oxford blue, etc., was in Montreal last week, doing the city with the Canadian agent, Mr. J. H. Magor. He passed through Victoria, Vancouver and Toronto, en route to New York, whence he sails for England. Mr. Shrimpton was in Canada previously, in 1865 , and he acknowledges that the country has made won drous strides all round

## FROM TRAVELER TO AGENT.

Mr. Wm. Duckworth, who for a number of years was city traveler for the late firm Caverhill, Hughes \& Co., is now the agent in Montreal for the "Pure Gold" jelly "Blue Ribbon" tea, "White Moss, cocoanut and compound extracts. While in the employ of Caverhill, Hughes \& Co, Mr. Duckworth won the respect and esteem of the grocers of the commercial metropolis.

## WHOLESALE GROCER RESIGNS.

At the meeting of council of the Montreal Board of Trade, held on Wednesday, 27 th inst., a letter was read from Mr. W. B. Mathewson, of J. A. Mathewson \& Co., wholesale grocers, resigning his seat there on. The resignation was accepted, and Mr. John Macfarlane, president of the Canada Paper Co., was elected to fill the vacancy thus created.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. C. R. Cherry, who, during the past couple of years, has been representing To hunter. Mitchell \& Co. in eastern Ontari is now representing the same firm Toronto and in the Niagara Peninsula. His territory in the east is taken by Mr. James McKee, who at one time represent the firm in the same territory.
P. Richard's brandies are rapidly takit the lead, say Laporte, Martin \& Cie., wi are just receiving a consignment, part their spring orders.

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## I,075 PACKAGES, CASES AND BULK

We guarantee the quality of our Brandies to be second to none, and prices are such as to give you a fair profit.

## Have you any idea

of the profit you can realize in handling our "P. RICHARD'S" BRANDIES? If not, write for prices and samples. The firm "PHILIPPE RICHARD" has been established over a century, and their products are favorites on European markets. Although having been introduced into Canada but a short time, these Brandies are taking the lead, and are highly esteemed by connoisseurs. The best proof of this is found in the great demand we have for them.

## We Guarantee We can give....

entire satisfaction to all buyers of our Evaporated California Fruits, such as Apricots, Pears, Peaches, Prunes, etc., in ${ }_{2} 5-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes. We offer but the best brands, and our prices are right.

## The same guarantee applies

to our stock of Sardines in $1 / 2$ tins, put up by "Union Sardiniere du St. Laurent." These $S$ dines are prepared in the very best imported Italian Olive Oil, a $\mathbf{d}$ the price is so low as to make it a paying article.
F Our Lowest Price and also Samples given on demand for all goods in our line.

## BUSINESS CHANGES.

difficulties, assignments, compromises.

$A$G. MUNRO, general merchant, Stockton, Man., has assigned to F. G. Crawford.
P. A. Perron, general merchant, Carleton, Que., has assigned.
James McGinnis, grocer and pork dealer, Seaforth, Ont., has assigned.
U. J. Davidson, general merchant, Church Point, N.B., is reported away.
Pitts Bros., general merchants, Three Forks, B.C., are asking extension.
Chas. Hendry, general merchant, etc., Stirton, Ont., has compromised at 6oc. on the dollar.
Lucy A. Crandell, grocer, Toronto, has assigned to Richard Tew, and a meeting of her creditors will be held on the 29th inst.

## partnerships formed and dissolved.

Hungerford \& Cook, grocers, Granby, Que., have dissolved.
Drien \& Letourneux, grocers, St. Henri de Montreal, have dissolved.
McNeil, Vanblarcom \& Co., general merchants, Barton, N.S., have dissolved partnership, J. S. McNeil retiring.
A new co-partnership has been registered between Chas. H. Somers and B. J. Smith, under the style Somers \& Smith, Oxford, N.S.
sales made and pending.
Antoine Leduc, baker, St. Stanislas de Kostka, Que., has sold out.
N. H. Oxford, crockeryware, etc., St. Johns, Nfld.. is selling out by auction.
H. M. Conde, general merchant, Bainsville, Ont.. has sold his stock at 6IC on the dollar.
W. McCausland, grain dealer, Tara, Ont., has sold out and is moving to Regina, N.W.T.

The stock of the estate of John Arthurs, general merchant, Magnetawan, Ont., has been sold.
The assets of the estate of Oct. Lapointe, general merchant, St. Rose du Degele, Que., have been sold.

## changes.

Mrs. A. Dark, general merchant, Komoka, Ont., is giving up business.
F. L. Flewelling, grocer, St. John, N.B., has sold out to James Gault.
D. McAllister, general merchant, Comber, Ont,, has gone out of business.
A. Gauthier has started business as general merchant in Martinville, Que.
M. B. Craig, grocer, Woodstock, N.B., has removed to Perth Centre, N.B.
James Blair is commencing business as grocer, fruit dealer, etc., North Gower, Ont.
F. White, baker and confectioner, Harrow, Ont., has sold out to Frank A. Black.

## A Satisfled Customer...

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## ORANGE MARMALADE Have you tried Upton's Gilt Edge Brand?

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Guin \& Frere, grocers, Montreal, are retiring from business.
W. P. Drake, flour and feed dealer, Fort Erie, Ont., has sold out to H. F. Ferguson \& Co.

Alice M. Storey, general merchant, Warren, Ont., has been succeeded by W. F. Watson.
S. J. McClelland, general merchant, Palgrave, Ont., has sold out to John McClelland.

Verrett, Stewart \& Co., wholesale fish dealers, etc., Quebec, are giving up business.
j. F. Costin, general merchant, Cathcart, Ont., has been succeeded by John E. Stephenson.
The premises of H. Dufour \& Co., general merchants, Murray Bay, Que., have been closed.
E.dward P. Remick has registered as proprietor of Remick \& Son, general merchants, Barnston, Que.
Thos. Cole, general merchant, Glencoe, Ont., has sold out to W. A. McKim, of Dresden, Ont.
Eleanor A. Cannon, wife of N. Tessier, has registered as proprietress of N. Tessier \& Co., grocers, Quebec.
Rose D. Provost, wife of Adolphe Brunet, has registered as proprietress of the firm of Adolphe Brunet \& Co., grocers, Montreal.
Hormidas Monty has registered as proprietor of the firm, Monty Freres, hardware and grocery dealers, Granby, Que.
Pierre Gelinas and Joseph Jackson have registered as proprietors of Gelinas \& Cie., general merchants, St. Alexis des Monts, Que.

Moise E. Brunelle and Joseph Gauvreau have registered as proprietors of Brunelle \& Gauvreau, provision and fruit dealers, etc., Montreal.

## deaths.

Wm. Murry, of A. Haaz \& Co., vinegar mfrs, , Kingston, Ont., is dead.
J. M. Leod, general merchant, Elkhorn, Man., is dead.
Henry Williams, general merchant, Manotick, Ont., is dead.

John Thomson, of Thomson Bros. \& Co., general merchants, Orangeville, Ont., is dead.

## LOW-PRICED TEA.

The extraordinarily low range that tea generally has now got down to makes those who look abroad wonder what is going to be the end of it all. Is it wise to educate the public to lower and lower priced tea? Who reaps the benefit? We venture to say nobody. It cannot be argued that because a tea costs the household is. per pound, instead of is. 3 d. per pound, more cups will be drank, or more spoonfuls put in the pot. No, all we are doing at present is (to use vulgarism) "queering everybody's pitch." Tea is now what may almost be called a disreputably low range of price, and the morale or tone of the trade is certainly not improving. Cutting is the ruin of every decent business; it always has been and always will be. That forcing low-priced tea on the public will not appreciably is crease consumption can be seen in the fall ing off-or, if not exactly falling off, at an rate the standstill-in the deliveries f ( months past ; from which it would almo appear that tea drinking has, for the tin being, at any rate, reached its limit. W cannot but think that some of the tricks an. $1^{1 / \mid l}$ ruses adopted to sell tea are a discredit to time honored business, and are undoubted tending to lower the prestige of the trad. A good tea at a fair price is all that an reasonable person wants. Cutting price cannot tend to a healthy state of things. They spoil the trade, benefit nobody, and are decidedly detrimental to sound bus: ness.-Grocers' Gazette, London, Eng.

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## BEWARE OF PRESERVATIVES.

THE following is a copy of a circular which has recently been issued by the Minister of Agriculture for Ontario In building up the dairy industry of Ontario two things have been taught and urged, namely, purity and high quality of products and economy of production. Whatever set backs this great industry may have met in the past few years can be traced to a neglect of one or the other of these important points. The cheese industry of Ontario is now fairly well established, and the annual production of a large amount of well made, whole-milk cheese of uniform quality has given Canada a controlling influence in the British cheese market. Our creamery industry is now rapidly developing, and it is of vital importance that the strictest attention be paid to the turning out in an economical manner of butter of uniformly high quality, pure and unadulterated. This industry will, if properly conducted, assume very large proportions, since the average consumption of butter is much greater than that of cheese, and the British imports of butter greatly exceed those of cheese. In the British market our butter meets in competition similar goods from Ireland, Denmark, France, the United States, Australia and Argentina. Denmark has attained a chief place by studying the requirements of the market, and now produces nearly all of her creamery export butter from pasteurized milk or cream with the use of special ferments. In some of the countries exporting to Great Britain-Australia in particular-it has become a practice to use some kind of "preservative" in butter-making. Sometimes this is added to butter as a salt ; sometimes it is added to the milk. These preservatives are sold under various names, such names as preservalene, preservatine, preservitas, being favorites. They are nearly all mixtures of boracic acid. The increasing use of these preservatives has alarmed the British consumer, and most radical measures are now proposed to exclude all butter in which traces of these preservatives are found. The British public has become alarmed, the press is actively decussing the matter, and public officials are now on the lookout for butter so adulterated. It must be carefully noted that all butter made from milk or cream to which anything but common salt has been added is adulterated. The butter producers of Ontario must make no mistake. The use of any of these preservatives is dangerous to the dairy interests of this country. Everything possible should be done to discourage the use of such substances, and the press should as far as possible prevent the advertising of hem in this country. Ontario has a reputation for producing pure dairy goods of high quality. That reputation must be maintained, and every person interested in the dairy business of Ontario should assist in preventing these "preservatives" from getting a foothold in this Province. "An ounce of prevention is better than a pound of cure." We have a reputation now for making pure butter and cheese. Help to maintain that reputation. Do no advocate preservatives. Do not advertise preservatives. Do not use preservatives.

A fire broke out in the dry goods store of J. Beaulieu, Etchemin, Que., about two ${ }^{\prime}$ ' clock on April 21, and spread to the adjoining houses, and was only extinguished after six of the best houses in the village were destroyed, including Mrs. Cantin's grocery and E. Bourassa's grocery stores. Several neighboring houses were partly damaged. Loss about $\$ 25,000$. Insurance small. There are no fire appliances in the village.

## The Class Acting

up to the belief that it does "Not Pay" to be noticeably "Unlike" all others, continues to dwindle.


Ceylon Tea ha gained its name and earned its fame, solely through its being noticeably "Unlike" all competitors, inasmuch as it is of incomparable Quality and Deliciousness-captivating and holding in everlasting captivity "all tastes." Don't you think, in view of the wide-spread agitation for the suppression of the notoriously adulterated Teas of China and Japan, that it would be good business policy for you to handle "Salada" Ceylon Tea

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This well known and reliable $\qquad$ the market. Each packet contains a cake of Bird Treat, greatly apprecia
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