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# The Welch Plant at St. Catharines will supply your demand

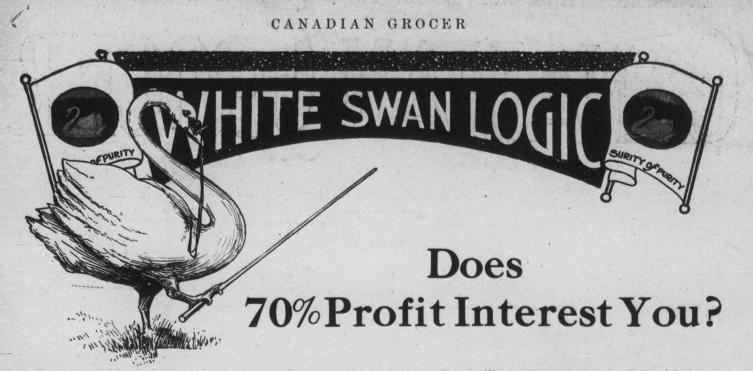
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Every package of WHITE SWAN Yeast cakes is now plainly marked with an **EXPIRY DATE**, after which the Yeast should not be sold or used, as it has become too old. All Yeast deteriorates with age, and you know how careful a baker must be never to use old Yeast. This Expiry Date means that every time you sell a package of **WHITE SWAN** Yeast cakes you know whether it is good or not. It also means that the consumer can tell whether it is all right or all wrong.

That Expiry Date tells her exactly how long the Yeast is good for. Without the Expiry Date she might THINK it was fresh, because she may have just got it from you but she doesn't know how long you had it, and you don't know how long the Jobber had it, and the Jobber doesn't know how long the manufacturer had it.

We are all in business for the money we can make, and you know how much good it has done your trade every time you have introduced a new line that pleased your customers by giving entire satisfaction—as WHITE SWAN Yeast cakes always do—a line that brings you in a Nett profit of  $70 \frac{\circ}{c}$ .

WHITE SWAN Yeast cakes are listed at \$1.20 per case of 3 dozen 5e. packages, with a special quantity discount to retailers, reducing the cost to less than \$1.06 per case. We do not ask you to buy a large quantity all at once. You can keep your money in the Bank—purchase from your Jobber as you need it—save up your due bills, which are contained in every case, and when you have 10 sign and send to us, and we will see that you are supplied with 1 case absolutely free of charge. Save up 22, and we will redeem for 3 cases free. This means, Mr. Dealer, that every time you pay out \$1.00 for WHITE SWAN Yeast cakes you get in return an actual profit of 70 cents. Doesn't that make it worth your while to handle WHITE SWAN?

Also packed in small cartons containing 1 dozen 5c packages for trial orders at 45c. We will gladly mail a carton, all charges paid, to start you in on this co-operative plan.

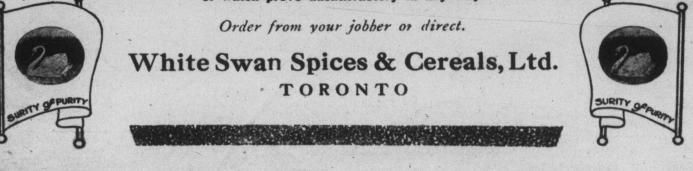
We absolutely guarantee WHITE SWAN Yeast cakes, and in every case there is a warranty protecting you against stale goods, because we could not afford to have bad Yeast on the market, and you could not afford to hurt your trade by selling anything but absolutely fresh stock. Remember, we are not asking you to purchase a quantity—but we are giving you just the same price as though you purchased 25 cases outright.

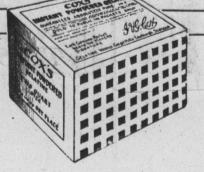
This special bonus is absolutely irrespective of the regular discount to which Jobbers are entitled, and applies to goods whether purchased through the Jobber or direct. Every full-sized case of three dozen packages contains a due bill, and there are no strings attached to the proposition.

This **Expiry Date** is something new and you can understand that there is still in the market a certain quantity of perfectly good Yeast not bearing the date. It will only be a short time, however, before this will adjust itself.

Now, Mr. Business Man, we are supplying you with the best Yeast cakes on the market—we are looking after your interests as regards profits—we are protecting not only you, but your customers, against stale goods, and the possibility of failure in baking—believing that you will join with us, in pushing the sale of WHITE SWAN Yeast cakes.

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True

Vanilla

Consequently only a trifling amount is required to flavor a cake or pudding.

Surely these are points of vital concern to your customers? Surely these are points that will help you win customer satisfaction and large and continued sales? If you want to make sure Shirriff's is the best extract for your customers and your sales, just send for your free bottle and let your wife try this famous flavor on her next cooking. You could let it rest safely with her opinion, couldn't you? Write for your bottle to-day.

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in all its natural goodness and delicious flavor is all you get in

# E.D.S. Jams and Jellies

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When you recommend Borden's "Reindeer" or "Eagle" Brands for infants' feeding you have the assurance that three generations of eminent physicians are with you in pronouncing it the safest and most natural substitute for mother's milk. But what's safe for the baby is good enough for all. That's why Borden Milk Products have stood the severest tests for over fifty-seven years, and acknowledged the continent over as the "Leaders of Quality."

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### Borden Milk Co., Limited "Leaders of Quality" MONTREAL

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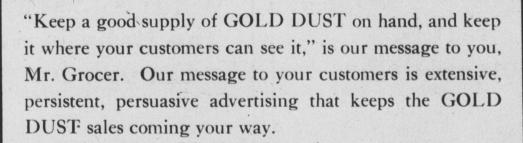
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The enthusiasm of housewives for the better flavor and nutritious goodness of

# Simcoe Baked Beans

is your surest guarantee of heavy and continuous sales. In winter months especially they comprise the mainstay of most households for nourishing, appetizing meals. For better profits, feature them NOW in your windows and on your counters.

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All this in pursuance of the new idea-to increase business by pleasing the public.

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Are you selling this new product that makes the most delicious meringue, icing and filling?

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And handling "Snow-Mellow" leaves you a generous margin of profit.

Get a line on this Winter party trade and push "Snow-Mellow."

The W. T. Ott Co., Inc. 32-34 Front St. West TORONTO 54 J.

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Sugar. You have been advised that after January 1st, 1915, no article labelled "'Maple'' can be sold unless it is absolutely pure. You have no doubt cleared your shelves of all compounds. Start the year right and Be Safe by stocking

### Pride of Canada

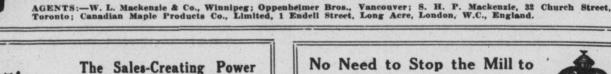
Get in touch with us. Let us quote you.





Maple Syrup and Sugar. We guarantee and stand behind every ounce of Pride of Canada. The Chief Analyst has always pronounced it Genuine.

Maple Tree Producers' Assoc., Limited, Wellington St., Montreal



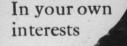
### of Bee Brand Jelly Powders

is something you cannot overlook with impunity. No grocer ever stocked or pushed Bee Brand Jelly Powders without unusually good re-

turns, and surely you can equal or even exceed the results hundreds of other grocers have easily accomplished? Get these irresistibly pleasing desserts on display in your store—NOW.

FORBES & NADEAU, Montreal, Que.





# by 'Camp'

It will introduce many new customers, and put money in your pocket. Trade is always good with 'Camp.'

# Consistently popular - be-

cause consistently.excellent. Makers : R. Paterson & Sons, Ltd. Coffee Specialists, Glasgow.

# **GOOD FLOUR**

Indifferent kinds

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#### MAKES GOOD BREAD

Choose the best, invest in the best, sell no other kind but the best, and you are sure that your flour sales will improve every day to eventually control the trade in your district, because no discriminative buyer will bother with the inferior, no matter how much cheaper he can obtain it, even at his very door.

Anchor Brand Flour is not an experiment, nor the results of a day—nearly 20 years' experience in Manitoba Hard Wheat products were necessary to attain the high standard that to-day is admittedly the supreme "par excellence." Try it.

# Leitch Brothers' Flour Mills LIMITED Manitoba

# RESOLVE

to make 1915 bring its full share of tobacco profits by featuring

### ROYAL CROWN

the new, black chewing plug that has taken Canadian tobacco users by storm. Every sale of Royal Crown or any of the Rock City Lines is of permanent advantage to your business. Feature them—NOW.

The Rock City Tobacco Co.

# Continental Grocery Bags

Let the fame of the name be your guide in buying.

REPUTATION is not always "a bubble" sometimes it is a very beneficial thing— As witness the reputation (DOMINION WIDE), of the

### **Continental Grocery Bags**

Here are bags whose PRESENT PERFEC-TION is the cumulative result of constant effort and perfect methods in manufacture. Let this well-won fame decide your choice of Bags, and you will "close the avenue of future regrets."

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Branches: MONTREAL and TORONTO Agencies throughout Canada



# PERSISTENCY IN ADVERTISING

One stroke of a bell in a thick fog does not give any lasting impression of its location, but when followed by repeated strokes at regular intervals the densestfog or the darkestnight can not long conceal its whereabouts. Likewise a single insertion of an advertisement—as compared with regular and systematic advertising—is in its effect not unlike a sound which, heard but faintly once, is lost in space and soon forgot.—*Printing Art.* 



OME manufacturers in their eagerness to reach the consumer shoot over or under the retailer's head or try to shoot through him. The retailer is getting tired of being shot up. Work with him and for him and note the difference.

# MADE IN CANADA CLARK'S Peanut Butter

in ¼, ½, and 1 sizes, also in 24 lb. pails.



The 24 lb. pails are money-makers for you, Mr. Grocer.

Keep in your refrigerator and it will cut solid like dairy butter.

It contains the nourishing and appetizing qualities of dairy butter and preserves or meat and makes delicious sandwiches.

Guaranteed to contain the finest peanuts only and to be absolutely pure.

> GET PRICES FROM YOUR JOBBER OR WRITE US.

W. CLARK, LIMITED, - MONTREAL





Chief Office:-1 Wharf Road

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# Readers Of The Grocer, Let Us Know Your Wants

You have noticed our Letter Box service. Every week we hear from dealers who desire names and addresses of firms manufacturing some particular article.

This service may be beneficial to you. If you are in the market for any article you do not know where to get, our services will be cheerfully given.

The Canadian Grocer is in position to secure information on new lines in the grocery trade, and of novelties occasionally asked for in the grocery store.

Don't hesitate to write us. As a subscriber of The Grocer you are entitled to this service.

# The Canadian Grocer

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### Tell every customer this-

"Here is your chance to do something practical for your friends at the Front. It means a lot to the men in the trenches. They will enjoy the change from service rations —and the nourishment and warmth in Pascall's Chocolates and Candies will be worth having now that winter is upon us."

### Tell them that—and you will get the order

Forward it to our agents and the parcel will be sent from England, and charged to your account. If the suggested lines are not in stock, send immediately for samples, so that your customers can see what they are giving.

# FOR CANADIANS IN THE FIGHTING LINE

Messrs. James Pascall, Ltd., the Manufacturers, have made special arrangements to send direct to Canadians serving at the Front, special parcels of Candies, on which they will pay the postage without any extra charge. The following are suitable for posting, and handy for the pocket.

### SPECIAL TWO DOLLAR PARCEL CONTAINS:

Expeditionary Rations, Tin: 50 cents. Vanille Chocolate, 1 lb. Solid Block: 75 cents.

Milk Chocolate, 1/2 lb. Solid Block: 40 cents.

Acid Drops: (in Tin) 25 cents.

Pine Lozenges: (in Tin) 15 cents.

Or Selection to value.

Ask to see them at the store.

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### SPECIAL FIVE DOLLAR PARCEL CONTAINS:

- Expeditionary Rations: 2 tins 50 cents each.
- Milk Chocolate, 1 lb. Solid Block: 75 cents.
- Vanille Chocolate, 2 Blocks: 75 cents each. Acid Drops, 2 Tins: 25 cents each.
- Peppermints (special), 2 Tins: 25 cents each.
- Creme de Menthe, 2 Tins: 25 cents each.
- Pine Lozenges, 3 Tins: 15 cents each.

Pascall's pay the postage

LONDON, ENGLAND



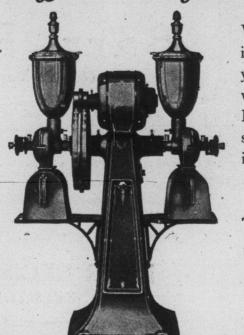
# Manufacturers' Agents and Brokers' Directory

The Canadian market is over three thousand miles long and extends from the peach belt to the Arctic Ocean. Manufacturers and merchants can not hope to cover this market satisfactorily or get the best out of their Canadian opportunities without the assistance of local agents. The following firms in all parts of Canada are prepared to act as agents for good lines. The service department of the Canadian Grocer is at the disposal of firms wanting agents or of agents wanting agencies.



# Will 1915 Still See You Losing Coffee Profits?

The past year has been one of unsurpassed gain in coffee sales to many Canadian Grocers. Bigger sales, more frequent sales, continued sales. Sales that have meant completely satisfied customers by giving them better coffee, richer coffee, coffee ground to their own particular tastes by the HOBART ELECTRIC COFFEE MILL'.



Will 1915 still see you losing coffee profits, or will you get HOBART advantages in your store— NOW? Start 1915 right by sending to-day for interesting illustrated catalogue.

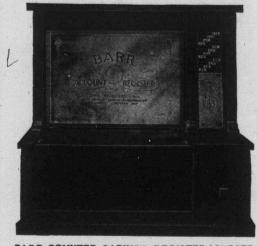
### The Hobart Mfg. Co. 105 CHURCH ST., TORONTO

Ryan Bros. 110 St. James St., Winnipeg. Agents for Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Northern Ontario.

WHEN trade begins to boom it will be exceedingly difficult to jump in, overtake and pass the man who continued, even in times of depression, to paddle his advertising canoe.

It will require a high power campaign and lots of anxiety to do it. Even at that the persistent advertiser may beat the other fellow to it.

# Will you save or waste in 1915?



BARR COUNTER CABINET REGISTER, CLOSED

#### SPECIAL NOTICE.

The Barr Register is a bona fide Canadian invention fully protected by valid patents. There never have been any legal proceedings against above patents, notwithstanding all competitors' talk to the contrary. We make this announcement as we understand that some merchants have been imposed upon and induced to buy other account registers through such talk. Signed, BARR REGISTERS, LIMITED. We don't mean that you waste actual money—but most grocers, hampered by the old-time system of credit account books, certainly do waste hundreds of hours of valuable time in the course of a year, and then do not get perfect results. Let us tell you about the

# Barr Register

### The Time Saver-The Customer Saver-The Money Saver

Be open-minded on this point-there is a modern, quick, safe, economical way of handling your credit accounts, and the BARR has it.

Be open-minded on this point—don't let any salesman hurrah you into a quick sale until you have investigated the BARR Account Register. We don't claim that no other register has good points, but we do claim that the BARR takes care of more accounts in smaller space than any other, and that it has several other exclusive, valuable features that have only to be seen to be appreciated.

Be open-minded on this point—that you have more to gain than we have by an investigation of the BARR Account Register, yet it costs you absolutely not one cent, nor any obligation whatever, to get posted on its good points. We want to mail you illustrated literature—please send us your name.

### BARR REGISTERS, LIMITED TRENTON, ONTARIO

Great Britain: 5 Arundel St., Strand, London; factory at Birmingham

# Sixty Christmas Days

have come and gone since Canadians began to use and appreciate



It was then the ONLY sugar refined in Canada-it is still the favorite.

In 1854 we installed the first equipment in Canada for refining Sugar. In 1913 we began to operate the first Machines turning out the now popular 2 and 5-lb. Cartons of Extra Granulated. But our leadership has extended beyond mechanical features. It rests chiefly on accumulated experience and a fixed determination to make Redpath Sugar **always best**—worthy of the full confidence of Dealers and Users.





The President of the Bank of Montreal says :

# Be Confident—It's An Asset

We take this occasion to thank our merchant friends for the good fellowship extended to our salesmen and the good-will shown to the company during 1914. May the New Year bring you 365 days of happiness and a full measure of prosperity, is our wish. We, ourselves, expect a successful 1915. And so do other leading business houses and financial institutions. As Mr. H. V. Meredith, President of the Bank of Montreal, remarked in his annual address a few days ago: "There is, moreover, an *undiminished confidence* in the future which is *an asset* of no little importance."

# **RED ROSE TEA**

"is good tea"

### T. H. ESTABROOKS CO., Limited

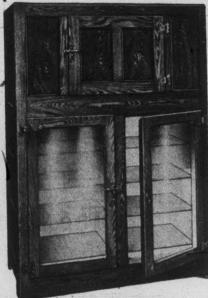
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### Unexcelled Advantages

There are so many unexcelled advantages about the Eureka Refrigerator, including its system of dry, cold air circulation and scientific construction, that the sooner you set procrastination aside and investigate the sooner you'll add better profits to your account. There's a



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## Children Thrive Best on Robinson's "Patent" Barley

And mothers know this too. Maternal pridedemands the best, demands the most nourishing and healthful, de-

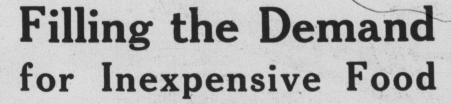
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mands Robinson's "Patent" Barley. A first order w ll enable you to see just what this demand really is in your locality.

ORDER FROM YOUR WHOLESALER TO-DAY. Agents for Canada MAGOR, SON & CO., LIMITED 403 ST. PAUL ST., MONTREAL 30 CHURCH ST., TORONTO



The public to-day is buving more wisely than ever before. There is no demand for cheap foods. But there is a demand for inexpensive foods.

The grocer who meets this demand by encouraging the use of foods like

# CROWN BRAND CORN SYRUP

-that go far and cost little, will make many satisfied customers of a class that it pays to cultivate.

The Canadian Starch Co., Limited

Manufacturers of the Famous Edwardsburg Brands Montreal Cardinal Brantford Fort William

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# Why Retailers Fail-A Traveler's Story

Cites Particular Instances Showing One of the Great Causes— The New Man in Business, He Claims, Should Confine His Purchases to a Few Firms—Too Many Creditors Tend to Hurry Collapse if He Gets Behind—Careful Bookkeeping Necessary.

Written for Canadian Grocer by Frank Grandin.

W E were standing in the doorway of a hotel in a good-sized Canadian town the other day— John Warren, a commercial traveler, and myself—when just across the street up went a red flag in the doorway of general merchant, and on the windows were pasted flaring posters to the effect that "this entire stock of goods must be sold by the 30th of the month," etc., etc.

"Another poor fellow gone," Warren laconically observed.

I mentally pictured the feelings that would be mine were I to find myself in the same position. Here was a merchant who had gone into business with the brightest of hopes for the future. He had a large family to support, as I afterwards learned, and only one of the boys old enough to help the father in the store. At the time I had been on the road a few years but the ups and downs of the trade had not come to me as they had to my friend standing beside me in the doorway. For thirty-five years he had carried his sample-case and had been in practically every city, town and village in the Dominion. knew this. Here was an opportunity for which I had been looking. My experience in the ways of the world required broadening and I resolved to extract what I could from my elder brother.

After picturing mentally the plight of the merchant who had not made good, and the sort of Christmas he would undoubtedly spend, I asked: "What do you suppose was the trouble?"

### Buying From Too Many Sources.

"Suppose?" he replied, taking the cigar out of his mouth and moving back into an easy chair in front of the window; "I KNOW what the trouble has been. I have been a few years on the road and

With this issue Canadian Grocer begins a series of articles on "Why Retailers Fail," by Frank Grandin. This series, while it will deal particularly with actual instances of failures and their causes, will be constructive in character and therefore of the greatest advantage to men who are keen on building up their business. Buying from too many sources and inadequate bookkeeping are considered in this article. The next of the series will appear in the near future. —The Editor.

have always kept an eye open for the shortcomings of the men upon whom I call. This man Aikens (that wasn't his real name, but we'll call him Aikens), opened up in the business two years ago. He bought out a fellow by the name of Brown who had never made much more than an ordinary living—at least I mean to say he took over the lease and fixtures only, as Brown had disposed of practically all his stock prior to his dropping out of the business.

"He started in with a capital of \$5,-000. The first thing he did was to get a line of credit from a wholesale grocery house for \$1,000; another \$2,000 from a dry goods firm, a thousand from a boot and shoe manufacturer and so on until he had puchased \$10,000 worth of stock which was secured on a \$5,000 capital. Our house happened to be one of the firms that sold him and for a year after I called on him every time I came to town. Then one day our credit man asked me to be a little careful as his accounts were not being met with sufficient promptness. From then on I kept my eyes open and soon saw care would have to be exercised. He used to buy from every traveler almost who came

along as I learned from the boys as we talked over business among ourselves.

### Too Many After Money.

"That man now owes his creditors some \$10,000, and the direct cause of his failure was that they were all crowding him for their money. Had he confined his purchasing to the few houses that promised him credit in the first place and who were in duty bound to take care of him, he might have been in business to-day—in fact I am pretty sure he would have been.

"It usually happens in cases of that kind that when the smaller creditors, to whom a merchant owes a hundred or two hundred dollars, find him in somewhat straightened circumstances, they sue him for their money and this precipitates the collapse. On the other hand, had that dealer confined his business to four or five good creditors who would lend him their assistance instead of splitting up among thirty or forty, the big houses with their united efforts would likely have carried him through. I attribute his failure to buying from too many sources when he wasn't in a financial position to do so-creditors all got after him at once and he completely lost heart."

While my friend was relighting his eigar. I observed the merchant himself walk past his old store and look in with most forlorn features. The poor man had been honest enough but apparently he had overlooked a very important feature in merchandising and lost out.

### Sold His House and Lost Equity.

Warren resumed: "I know of a somewhat similar case which occurred not long ago in my territory. The merchant started up with \$600 capital—which was his equity in a home he disposed of to

### get the wherewithal. He has a wife and four small children. The stock he began "on was bought from two of the wholesalers of the district and was paid for out of the \$600. Six months later when he went under there was a list of no less than 40 creditors-he owed our house some \$15 or \$20 and I saw the list two weeks ago. His total liabilities had been run up in the six months to \$1,521. But probably the chief trouble with this man was that he lost himself hopelessly in his bookkeeping. The liquidators have his books and in one where he kept his cash transactions, there was no repord of moneys paid out between July 3 until the middle of August, the time of the actual failure. He even didn't keep any account of the majority of his credit sales and the money was uncollectable.

"The assets of the man were but \$400, which meant a loss of \$1,100 to his creditors and he himself was minus the \$600 he began with—the stock I should have said was sold at 50 cents on the dollar.

### Careful Bookkeeping Necessary.

"As a prominent accountant remarked to me the other day, no merchant should start in business without a knowledge of bookkeeping; or if he does, it would pay him to get some smart young fellow to check up the books every night or two. Failure is bound to overtake a man who is as lax about his books as that because he never knows where he is at. I always claim, and have stated so in confidential chats with merchants with whom I have come in contact all over Canada, that if a retailer does not know what it is costing him to do business. what his invoice costs are and whether he is making a net margin of profit on them he is doomed to certain failure sooner or later."

Warren had story after story to tell of the pitfalls that beset the path of the unwary in the retail business. In my next article I shall present further actual cases of why merchants fail—instances that demonstrate that men who would attain any marked degree of success must think deeply on what they do.

### WRONG ADDRESS GIVEN.

Through a clerical error in the composing room in the advertisement of Hugh Walker & Son in last week's issue, the address of this company was made to read "Hamilton" and "North Bay," instead of "Guelph" and "North Bay." Hugh Walker & Son have been engaged in the wholesale fruit business in Guelph for many years, and no doubt readers recognized this error in the address.

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### An Unbiased Record of Stock

Manager of Montreal Store Takes No Part in Stock-Taking So That Work Will Be Done Strictly on Business Principles—Stock Divided Into Eight Sections—Another Dealer Employs Commercial Traveler.

THERE is no set time for taking an inventory, but the majority of merchants choose the beginning of the vear, the first of February, being a favorite date. This is probably due to the fact that, especially in Quebec Province, the early part of January, or the last day of December, is a busy period. The first of the month is suitable, because it is then that the monthly statements are sent out, which facilitates the calculation of one of the business assets.

Preparations can be made by getting accounts owing by customers ready during the days preceding the event, so that this item will be easily handled. The actual stocktaking should be done on one day, if possible, and should be handled in a business-like manner. Many retailers employ a commercial traveler, who understands the stock, to do the work for them, paying him from ten to fifteen dollars. This has its advantage in that the work is performed in an unbiased manner, and further, the traveler is familiar with prices.

In the grocery department of a Montreal store, visited by the writer, the manager takes no active part in the taking of stock. By leaving it to others, he claims he is able to hand into the office an honest record, whereas by taking it himself, he would have a good opportunity to water stock or detract from its value.

#### Eight Divisions Made.

The department is divided into eight sections, numbered one, two, three, and so on, one man being responsible for the inventory of each section. The divisions are :- tea and coffee, provisions, biscuits, canned goods, bottle goods, package goods, bulk goods, and washing goods. These divisions are maintained throughout the year, so that when an invoice comes into the office, the manager goes over it, and assigns each item to its division. For instance, 50 cases of soap would be marked No. 8, and this is charged up to Jones, or whoever is in charge of No. 8 division. Thus, at the end of each season (inventories are taken three times a year), it is easy to say what profit has been made in each division, and make interesting comparisons.

On the night when the inventory is taken, each man is provided with two helpers. one to count, and the other to check, the manager of the section recording it in his book. 'Before commence-

ing, a slip of paper is placed in every shelf, drawer, and case, and when everything has been counted, the man in charge draws a blue pencil across the paper, indicating that this stock has been taken.

### Selling Price of Goods Taken.

Everything is put down at selling price, and when counting has been completed, the figures are sent to the office, where by means of invoices, the extension is made. The stock book is then returned to the manager, who makes considerable use of it for reference purposes.

Many of the methods outlined above would not be practicable in smaller stores, but the method in the main is the same as is employed by the majority of stores. The only safe way is to count and weigh everything, leaving nothing to guesswork,

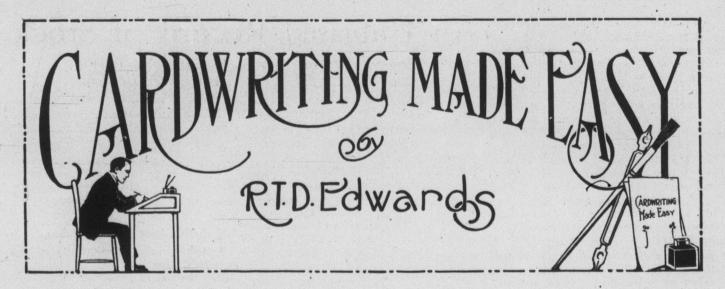
The Outremont Grocery Co., Outremont, Que., take their stock on the first day in February. The store is divided into two parts, a commercial traveler being employed, who is assisted by the clerks, only one of whom calls out to the traveler, the rest being employed counting. In the case of affected goods, most of these are returnable; if not; then a reasonable price is recoreded. Duplicates of the extension are made, for supplying the bank, when such is requested.

### Fixtures and Book Debts.

Many firms use an ordinary book or foolscap paper, numbering the pages, using separate pages for stock fixtures, etc. The Outremont Grocery Co. allows a depreciation of about ten per cent. on fixtures, machinery, utensils, etc. Book debts are put down at their full value.

### NO MORE PHOSPHORUS MATCHES.

Ottawa, Dec. 31.—No phosphorus matches will be manufactured in Canada after the end of the present year. On the 1st of January the white phosphorus act, designed to prohibit the manufacture, importation and sale of matches made with white phosphorus, will become operative, with the exception of the clause dealing with the sale. The clause prohibiting the sale is not effective till January 1, 1916. The act was passed at the last session of the Dominion Parliament. Officers of the Labor Department will attend to its enforcement.



N many occasions young men have come to me to find out how long it would take them to master cardwriting. They have invariably been surprised to learn that it could not be picked up in a few weeks. In fact some of them have said to me that they knew it would only be a matter of obtaining the proper tools for them as they had always been handy at drawing. In all such cases, when put to the test, they found that whatever skill they had had was not the only qualification required. To become a successful cardwriter it is necessary not only to study the subject from the rudiments up, but also to practice very carefully and thoroughly.

### All Need Instruction.

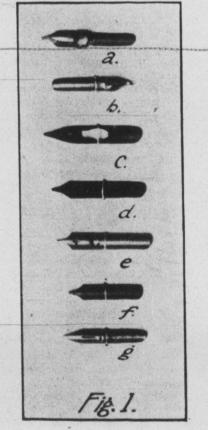
My experience would lead me to believe that to become a proficient card writer it is necessary to receive instructions. Few good card writers have "merely picked it up." In all cases or in nearly all, men who have made a success of this branch of retail merchandising, have either taken a course or had the advantage of an apprenticeship under a proficient card writer. My advice, therefore, to anyone who is desirous to taking up cardwriting, no matter how much experience they may have had or how skilful at drawing they may be, is to follow this course. I am starting at the very first, giving suggestions and information which may appear as elementary to many readers; but as the articles progress we will take up every possible branch of the card writing work. Readers should follow the instructions given thoroughly. I have known some to read articles on cardwriting and then proceed to do the very opposite. To such as this we can hold out no prospect of improvement from following this series of articles.

I would also like to impress the fact that practice is nine-tenths of the battle. Be sure, however, that your efforts are in the right direction. Remember that

one step in the wrong direction is worse than standing still.

### As a Side-line at First

I desire to make it clear at the start that those who follow these articles with an idea of becoming proficient at card writing should not do so with the idea that in time they would be able to devote themselves exclusively to this work. Card writing has become to a great extent a science and, to do nothing but



Types of Nibs.

write cards either in a shop or a large store, a man must have many years of experience. My advice to beginners is to look upon card writing as a side line

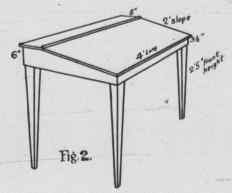
to window trimming, advertising, or the selling end of the retail trade. By so doing you not only increase your experience but also improve your chances of advancement.

Card writing has developed to an almost unbelievable extent in the past few vears. To-day every live merchant in Canada knows the importance of the price ticket. Even in the smallest towns and villages they are used. Many of the cards used to-day are extremely crude. Frequently they are made with a box-marking brush, a blue crayon, or a rubber stamp. Nevertheless, the fact that they are used shows that the demand is there, and that the clerk who desires to make himself as valuable as possible and to bring himself as close to 100 per cent. efficiency, should acquire some skill in the writing of price and show cards.

The excuse need no longer be put forward that it costs too much to learn. All that the beginner needs is the necessary material. By following these articles he will then be in a position to acquire sufficient skill to prepare creditable cards for the store in which he is employed.

### The First Start.

I am starting this course on a different basis than any other series that I have ever seen. It is my experience that the beginner wants to see actual results and, if he is forced to practice exercises too long, he is liable to lose heart and quit altogether. With this in mind I start the student off with outline pen work. Practice with the pen in school days has left everyone more or less proficient with its use and it, therefore comes more natural than the brush, which to the beginner is much harder to control. The surest and easiest way to make a start at actual card writing is to letter price tickets. Accordingly, we will direct our attention for this lesson on pen outline Roman figures. This may seem rather



Best kind of table to work on.

too rudimentary for many of our readers, but I desire again to emphasize the fact that the man who desires to become thoroughly proficient must start at the very beginning and master each phase no matter how simple. It is my experience that to acquire the fullest degree of skill at making figures, it is necessary for a beginner to practise at least a full month. It will take a good part of his spare time at that. The next step will be to master the alphabets and these will follow in due course.

### Tools Needed for This Lesson.

You will require in the first place a large ball-pointed pen nib with ink retainer attached. If this cannot be secured a real blunt stub pen will serve the purpose. No. 3 or  $3\frac{1}{2}$  round writing pens are also suitable for this class of work. Fig. 1 shows illustrations of various nibs. If your stationer cannot

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secure these for you they can be obtained by writing to the Editor of this paper. Nib A is a No. 3 round writing pen with brass ink retainer attached. The retainer regulates the flow of ink. Nib B is ball-pointed, camel back retainer. Nib C has ink retainer underneath. Nibs D, E, F and G are all stub pointed pens and are good for this work. Any stationer should have these in stock.

Pen holders should always be round and thick. Small handles cramp the fingers. Other tools needed for this work will be a good straight ruler, not less than eighteen inches in length, and a compass that can be used for either pen or pencil. The best ink for the work is a good black carbon (not waterproof). This ink can be secured at any retail stationer's, art supply stores, etc.

Fig. 2 gives a good idea of the best kind of table to work upon. The dimensions given make a table large enough for anyone, no matter what work you may have. Always work on a slanting top table, as a flat top will tire the wrist very quickly. The six-inch margin shown at the back is for placing pots of paint, tools, etc. When sitting the edge of the table should come just below the pit of the stomach. This gives the arm room for a free swing without resting it too heavily upon the table. Always sit erect when working. The importance of maintaining a proper position while working is greater than the beginner will imagine.

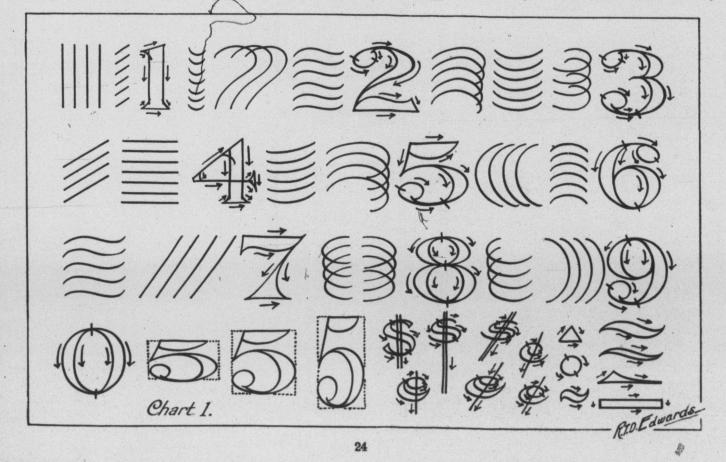


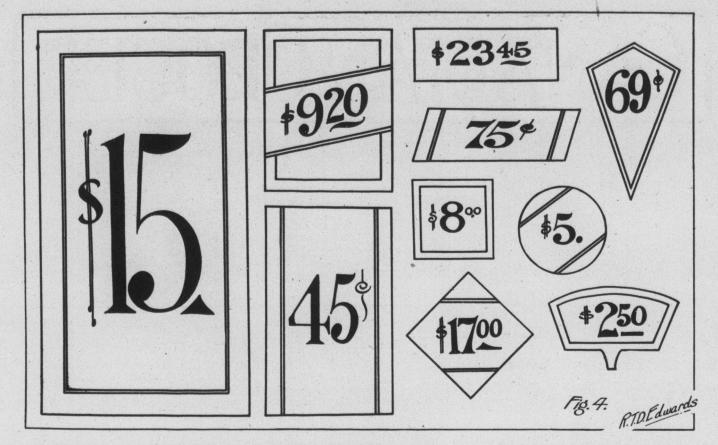
Position of card on desk.

Fig. 3 gives an idea of the position the card should occupy on a desk while being written. If it is placed parallel with the edge of the desk, the wrist will become tired quickly as this gives it an unnatural twist.

Before starting practice see that everything is ready. The cardboard should be ruled out. The ink should be contained in a vessel that is free of access and at your right hand; the table should be placed so that the light falls over your left shoulder. All pens should be close at hand.

Study the chart thoroughly before starting. Preceding each figure you will notice a few exercise strokes which are in the make-up of the figure. These should be practiced thoroughly and perfected before attempting the finished work. The arrows indicate the direction in which to draw the strokes. Always work from left to right and from the top to the bottom. Be sure to carry





enough ink on the pen, so that the entire stroke can be made without a second dipping.

Fig. 1 is mostly composed of straight lines. Watch that both the upright lines are the same distance apart all the way up. Figs. 2 and 3 are almost entirely composed of curves. These take a great deal of practice in order to get them balanced up evenly. Fig. 4 is about the hardest figure to make for beginners and should be watched carefully. Care should be taken not to get the centre cross-line too low. Note the top of Fig. 5 does not project as far to the right as the lower part. This is another figure which needs great care as it is the most used of all. The six and nine are composed of the same amount of strokes. All being curves, they need a great amount of practice. The 7, like the 4, is quite hard for beginners to balance up. Practice well the two exercises preceding it. Note that the top of the 8, while the same shape, is not so large.

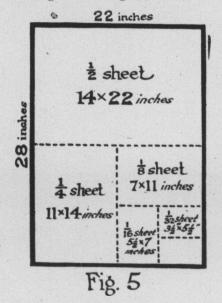
If at any time you have difficulty in balancing a figure up properly, draw a square lightly with a pencil and place the figure inside as shown at the bottom of the chart. The three fives explains well the way out of this difficulty.

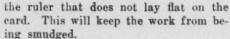
The dollar and cent marks should be practised just as thoroughly as any of the figures.

### Collection of Cards and Price Tickets.

The collection of cards and price tickets in Fig. 4 give a fair indication of what you should be expected to accomplish if you thoroughly master the lesson. You will note that every figure is in use along with the various styles of dollar and cent marks. The collection of small price tickets is easy for you to make, being simply cut out of plain white cardboard and ruled out with the same pen that is used to make the figures.

Many other designs and rulings can be used to make very attractive tickets. In making these rulings use the side of





For filling in this pen outline work, any brush will do that you may have. A cheap camel-hair brush will serve<sup>7</sup> the purpose. I do not want you to get the good sable writers until we come to brush work, as the success of the work depends to a great degree on the proper care of the brushes.

The question of cardboard naturally arises as soon as card-writing is taken up, so this must necessarily be gone into at once. White board is the main color and this must be of a smooth coated finish. 6, 8 and 10-ply are the most popular weights, but many just use the 8-ply for all sizes of tickets. If you have frames in which to put the cards, the thinnest board will serve and be somewhat cheaper. This board can be bought wholesale in Canada from 41% cents per sheet upwards, but a great deal depends on what quantities you buy and from whom it is procured.

This board is made for printing and lithographing use and comes in a regulation size of 22 x 28 inches. This cuts up economically into the sizes shown in Fig. 5. For ordinary store use the  $\frac{1}{4}$  and  $\frac{1}{8}$  sheet sizes are most popular;  $\frac{1}{2}$  sizes should be used sparingly. The smaller sizes make neat price cards.

A. J. Hicks, general merchant, Aldersyde, Alta., sustained a fire loss recently. He operated also the post office at that place.



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### **Profit by Past Experience**

S we cross the threshold that separates the old from the new year, it becomes incumbent upon each of us that we look back over the past twelvemonth and recall the mistakes that have led us along costly paths and that have not been conducive to the best success of the business. We are exhorted by philosophers and others to forget the past and remember the present; but yet is it not the past with all its experiences, its joys and its sorrows, its work and worry, its trials and tribulations that have made us what we are? Then must it be taken into our deep consideration, so that as many of the difficulties and worries may be side-stepped or surmounted more readily in the future.

The time has come for the drawing up of the inventory and the striking off of the annual statement. Let no one shirk this work for it is an undisputed fact that the absence of a knowledge of the progress of the business has caused a host of failures, if not the greatest number. The annual statement if carefully and honestly prepared will do much to enlighten the merchant on the mistakes of the year that has just gone by. An hour or two spent at recalling the difficulties and the causes of losses during the twelvemonth will, too, be time well occupied.

The man who falls into the same error twice is losing the valuable lessons taught in the hard school  $\tilde{n}_{i}$ of experience. He is not a keen business man.

### Causes of Failure.

HY do so many retailers fail? That is a question that every dealer should ask himself and particularly the new man in the trade who has yet to win his spurs. Isn't it a fact that if retailers knew the various causes of failure-and applied the knowledge to their business-the number of them would be greatly reduced? When one comes to think of it isn't a knowledge of the obstacles that waylay the retailer in his seeking after wealth just as important as the successful methods of men who have traveled the retail road to success?

It was with these thoughts in mind that Canadian Grocer was led to present a series of articles on the

subject of why retailers fail. The first of that series appears on another page of this issue and will be followed up in future issues. The man who has furnished the actual incidents described, is one who speaks with a long experience and a wide knowledge of the retail world. The impression is not to be conveyed in this series that all merchants fail who follow the paths of the men whose methods will be described, but rather that if they do not follow them they will have better chances of success.

We commend these articles of Mr. Grandin to your closest attention.

### **Foodstuff Exports Increase**

N so far as nine food tuff lines are concerned, the Canadian exports to Great Britain during the month of November last were more than nineteen million and a half dollars in excess of the corres-ponding month of 1913. That represents a lot of money and indicates the increasingly healthy con-dition of the foodstuff export trade. From the figures below it will be seen that wheat has been one of the chief items in the increase and evidently it must be in great demand on the other side of the Atlantic. Here are the figures:

A.	Nov., 1914.	Nov., 1913.
"Wheat	£12,277,637	£ 7,892,480
Wheatmeal, flour .	1,633,867	2,065,612
Oats	621,493	716,168
Barley	580,354	805,501
Bacon	1,061,764	811,108
Hams	196,350	313,512
Cheese	3,653,624	3,801,752
Canned salmon	1,024,975	750,337
Canned lobsters	325,165	303,295
Totals	£21,365,229	£17,459,765
Balance in favor Nov	£ 3,905,464	

In a number of the lines it will be observed that exports declined, but these declines were more than made up by the advances in wheat, bacon, canned salmon and canned lobsters.

### **Retailers' Interest in Elections**

EFORE another issue goes to press municipal candidates in many communities will either have attained their hearts' desire or have fallen before the victorious ones. In many districts it has been observed that the merchants have taken a prominent part in the municipal elections. This is as it should be, for who stands to lose more than the retail merchants, if shallow-minded men are put in charge of the affairs of the city, town or village? It is the duty, therefore, of the merchants to see that those candidates are supported who can be depended upon to look at matters that arise for discussion on broad business lines. It is a lamentable fact that too many councilmen or aldermen are stampeded into following courses designed to catch the popular ear regardless of general harm they cause to the community as a whole.

In Toronto this season the Retail Merchants' Association took a firm stand in regard to municipal candidates. Circulars were issued and sent to the trade, and without naming particular candidates that in the opinion of the Association should be left at home, there was outlined a general view of the situation, asking the electors among the retailers to consider rather the effects upon the city as a whole should the causes espoused by certain unnamed candidates be allowed to get a footing. The circular hit pretty hard along these lines, and without doubt made a strong impression on the trade.

During municipal elections the retail trade should always be in the limelight. Retailers usually represent the biggest portion of the taxes and in such an event they should undoubtedly have the strongest representations in the municipal government.

### Insuring Against War. —

A CONSIDERABLE amount of insurance is being placed on the east coast of Canada in order to cover risks from war. It is said that in Halifax policies totaling a million dollars have been placed. The action on the part of Easterners should not cause undue alarm in Canada. The insurance is being placed because it recognized that attacks from stray German ships although not probable may possibly occur. A bobardment would result in destruction that ordinary fire insurance policies do not cover and in view of the possibility, several business houses have deemed it advisable to cover the risk.

In the policies being issued the covering clause protecting against risk of bombardment reads as follows:—

"This policy is to cover the risk of loss of or damage to the property hereby insured directly caused by War, Civil War, Revolutions, Rebellions, Military or Usurped Power, including the risk of fire or explosion directly or indirectly caused by any of the foregoing.

"No claim to attach hereto for delay, deterioration and—or loss of market or for confiscation or destruction by the Government of the country in which the property is situated.

"Only to pay hereon if not recoverable under any other Policy of Insurance."

The rate at present is one quarter of one per cent. for three months and one half of one per cent. for

twelve months. The rate quoted in St. John was one per cent. for twelve months.

### Liability of Newspapers

AILY and trade newspapers quite frequently receive letters in which grave charges are made against certain persons or firms. In some instances the writer wishes them published over an assumed signature. The impression appears to prevail in some quarters that a newspaper can escape the responsibility for publishing statements that may be libelous by disavowing them, or by compelling the writer to sign the letter with his own name. This is a great mistake. The publication of a libel is an offence no matter by whom it may be actually written, and a newspaper is liable in damages to the person libeled and all connected with its publication may be fined or imprisoned or both. All editors know that their refusal to print certain letters may be construed as a desire to shield some person or per-It has, unhappily come about that a great sons. many persons think every newspaper is influenced by unworthy motives, when they refrain from doing what they are requested to do; but when a newspaper editor or publisher finds himself haled before a court of justice and put to great cost and inconvenience, if not to heavy punishment, he will derive mighty little consolation from the fact that he has proved himself not afraid to speak out.

### **Editorial Notes**

LET optimism predominate.

IT IS nearly time the brakes were taken off.

A HAPPY New Year to all our readers.

THE clouds are beginning to roll away.

THE man who profits by the mistakes of the past is on the right road to success.

. . .

NO MERCHANT who is true to himself can sell a \$5 article for two-ninety-five. There is something wrong somewhere.

THERE ARE many causes of failure—the series of articles dealing with actual instances and beginning this week will be found valuable reading for everybody.

WHEN the war is over it will be found that the men who kept a bold front, who advertised as usual and who maintained their reputation for honesty and quality, will be the men to first feel the beating of the pulse of good times.

"IT IS unfortunate," says The Credit Mens' Journal referring to the failure of the National Railway Association, "that consumers allow themselves to be induced to subscribe to such ventures. For every one that has made a success in this country there are three that have been absolute failures, and in the vast majority of cases the creditors, as well as the small shareholders, are heavy sufferers."

# The Business Outlook for the New Year

Record for 15 Years Back — The Process of Expansion and Contraction — A Good Index of Conditions — Continuance of Present Policy Will Result in Easy Money at Close of the War.

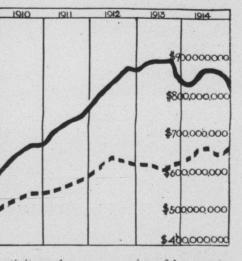
By John Appleton, Editor Financial Post.

Experience over a long period of years tells us that expansion in business advances money rates and the yield on securities. Banks are anxious to get all the benefit possible from advanced rates and the depositors also wish to gain some advantage. As a result the chief resources of the banks, namely, savings deposits tend to expand unduly. There comes an end to such a process of course and it sometimes happens that that end is a panic. The result is a great reduction in loans and ultimately an increase in savings deposits. When this process of reconstruction is complete money is plentiful and the assets throughout the country have been reduced to as liquid form as is possible. Only then can bankers or business men look forward to normal business conditions.

on the part of those profiting by production and who are consuming less than they produce or are spending less than they are receiving—in other words, living well within their means.

There is every indication that money for non-speculative commercial purposes in Canada will be available in large quantities during 1915. A year ago the Financial Post pointed out that there could be no very definite improvement in business conditions in Canada until the beginning of 1915 for the reason that the banks had not at that time reduced their assets to a sufficiently liquid form to justify loan expansion.

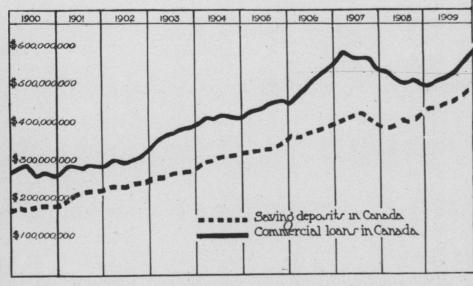
The ratio of savings deposits to commercial loans is in our opinion the best index of business conditions that is available. A diagram brought up to date in coupled with the higher prices that prevailed as a result of the European struggle, Canadian business would have remained on a normal basis and liquidation would not have been so severe. In the spring the outlook from a crop standpoint was very cheering but later drought destroyed hopes of an approximately normal yield. So bright were the farmers' prospects after seeding was done as to raise hopes of more general business ac-



tivity and some expansion of loans actually took place. As soon as it was realized that the crop at best would be a light one, and the action of the money markets began to show signs of disturbance in European diplomatic circles contraction followed. Loans were decreased and deposits remained stationary for a time until the close of the year they showed a tendency to increase.

So long as war prevails it will be very difficult for business men to foresee what the course of business during the year will be. In our opinion, given normal crop conditions, business will remain dull but not to the same extent as during the later months of the year just closing. Our deposits will increase and in consequence the banks will be able to expand their loans. With uncertainty in the air they will not do this at the expense of their liquid position. They will not be content, nor is it desirable that they should be, unless they have approximately 25 cents in their till or vault for every dollar they owe to the public. We are in the position, and it is a relatively favorable one, of having resources of our own for taking

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It may be said without hesitation that at the present time the banks have reduced their assets generally to a liquid form and on the other hand depositors are returning to the banks with their money. Should the war end this spring it is very probable that the banks will be found to have plenty of money for commercial purposes of a legitimate character even though the loan market in Europe remains fairly stiff for some time. The war has done one good thing at least. It has accelerated the process of liquidation and at least so far it has not forced the depositor to withdraw savings for purposes of consumption. At any rate the withdrawals for the latter purpose are more than offset by the increased saving

this issue shows the variations in savings deposits and commercial loans since the beginning of the century. In periods of over-extension the two lines draw gradually apart until finally the process is overdone and the lines draw together under the process of liquidation and easing money rates. The Post believed a year ago that by the beginning of 1915 the reconstruction would be complete and money rates would be easy enough to justify a resumption of business on more active lines.

The war has, of course, made a very serious difference in the general business outlook. Another factor was the disappointing crop in the Western provinces. If the latter had been normal,

# Situation in Saskatchewan Bearing on Credits

War Legislation of Saskatchewan Government — Complicated Situation From the Standpoint of Wholesaler and Retailer.

Written for Canadian Grocer by Henry Lewis.

A TATIME like the present, any action which seems likely to undermine credits is exceedingly serious. Some rather misunderstood legislation recently enacted by the provincial government of Saskatchewan, has, it is feared, a tendency to so upset trade equibrium. As a result, retailers and wholesalers alike are considerably disturbed.

As has been indicated this enactment of the government, is rather less clearly understood than is the usual government measure—befogged as it customarily is with legal terms. It appears, however, that the government has itself to thank for a good deal of this misunderstanding. It also appears that while measures so far put into effect have only a limited bearing upon the retail and wholesale hardware, grocery, and dry goods men, the government has yet reserved unto itself rights, which, if enforced, will have a very decided bearing upon all doing business in this province.

### War Legislation Saskatchewan.

"Protecting Volunteers or Reservists Only. No action for cancellation of agreements of sale of land, bond, mortgage, lien or other encumbrance affecting land to be taken until six months' have expired for the date of the Proclamation, which was the 21st of October.

"Protecting All Classes. No action for cancellation of any contract or agreement for the sale of land shall be taken by a vendor except in a court of competent jurisdiction, but same can be determined by mutual agreement between the parties. (This took effect from the 1st of October.)

"On the 19th of November it was proclaimed that no personal property belonging to a debtor by virtue of a conditional sale, lien agreement or hire receipt shall during a period of six months' from that date be seized or sold under a chattel mortgage or bill of sale intended to operate as a mortgage or under such conditional sale, lien agreement or hire receipt until the consent of the sheriff of the judicial district had been obtained; all seizures under the above must be made by the sheriff or his nominee; the sheriff shall be allowed discretionary powers to deal with the seizure in a manner to pre-

vent hardship and his decision shall be absolute.

"This applies to seizures made prior to the proclamation where the goods have not been sold.

"It is now an offence for any other party than the sheriff or his nominee to make such seizure, the penalty being a fine or imprisonment."

### A Broad Hint.

This legislation, somewhat difficult as it is to understand, really has apparently little bearing for the retail and wholesale dealers. It treats largely of conditional sales, and so principally affects machinery companies, and to a certain extent flour concerns. The cause for uneasiness to the retailer and the wholesaler, therefore, is not what is written, but what the government very clearly indicates may be written. At the present time, in short, men doing business in Saskatchewan are under the surveillance of the government. An indication of this probably can best be given by quoting herewith a letter received by a Western wholesale house from the Department of Agriculture at Regina :--

Regina Sask., Dec. 15, '14. Dear Sir,-Mr. -- has sent us copies of correspondence with your Company extending over the past two years. You are doubtless aware that the crop in the district was practically a failure. On this account customers who usually pay promptly when the harvest is over have been unable this year to meet their obligations. Mr. --'s statement shows a good surplus and he has been building up a good business and would no doubt put your account in good shape this fall if the crop had been normal.

As, no doubt, you are aware the Government of Saskatchewan have lately passed an act to give protection to the farmers against harsh treatment from their creditors. We find also that it is necessary to give protection to merchants who are endeavoring to exercise leniency with their customers and while of course the Act was not framed with the intention of intervening between wholesale and retail houses it is so framed that it can be extended at any time to cover all business transactions or any individual case. We however, feel satisfied that is only necessary to place the matter before the wholesale creditors in order to get right treatment for the merchants who

are at the present time unable through stress of circumstances to help themselves.

> Signed (F. H. Auld), Secretary.

### Wholesalers and Retailers Anxious.

Notice, in this letter, the statement that the government has an act so framed that "it can be extended at any time to cover all business transactions." It is no little wonder the wholesalers are nervous? But it appears that the wholesalers have only cause for fear because there is in the first place great ground for fear on the part of the retailers.

Notice the first sentence of this letter from the department of agriculture. Mr. has sent the government correspondence from the wholesale house. This indicates pretty clearly, that, as in other cases, the government has first received word from a farmer, that, Mr. is pressing for collection, which the farmer claims to be unable to make. The agricultural department then writes the dealer, suggesting that he cease his efforts to make collection. The dealer then writes the government stating that it is up to them to make the wholesaler cease pressing for their collection. Hence comes the letter from the government to the wholesaler.

As far as can be learned, there is not at the present time anything actually in the act which prevents a retailer from pressing for collections. If a merchant, say in Maple Creek, feels that John Doe, farmer, should make payment of the account which he has been running for the past year, he can issue a writ against John Doe. John Doe, however, can write the government complaining of his crop, and so the whole matter can be stopped bu such letters as the one quoted above.

There is another point in this letter from the department of agriculture—and it should be stated here that this letter is not a single instance of the government's action, several such have been received by wholesale dealers, and from what can be learned a number of retailers have received similar missives. It is stated that Mr. ——'s statement shows a good business. It is of course a question here as to who should be the judge of this. The thoughtful retailer will realize the necessity of a careful estimate of stability. It is the competition from men on the verge of bankruptcy which is mostly feared by dealers. In very many cases it is these men who inaugurate the price shattering sales.

### How It Would Affect Business.

In this connection perhaps may be properly instanced legal proceedings now under way in Alberta. A certain merchant in that province now stands committed for trial upon a charge of issuing a false statement with the object of thus securing greater credit. He is shortly to be tried before the supreme court. He recently made an assignment, and it was following this that information was received which lead the Canadian Credit Men's Trust Association of Calgary to take proceedings.

What will be the result of this case, is as yet uncertain. But leaving this for the time, and supposing that some dealer had got an extension of credit by means of issuing a false statement, it will be readily seen that thus he would have staved off bankruptcy, and would in this way, have prolonged competition for the other local dealers—would have prolonged what almost certainly would be the meanest kind of competition.

- Such examples and possible examples as this, indicate very clearly that it is to the dealer's interest to have the question of surplus which a report may show, very clearly understood, and carefully investigated. It is a question if wholesalers or retailers either will be prepared to take the decision of the department of agriculture of the Saskatchewan government as to the reliability of any individual or firm.

#### Privilege Given the Farmer.

This briefly then is the situation as it stands at present. Exclusive of the machinery lines, it looks from the Act as if a dealer may take what steps he thinks best to secure payment of his account. The farmer, however, can appeal to the government, and the government may then suggest that the retailer cease to press for collection, and may also suggest that the wholesaler also cease to press the retailer for collection. With both suggestions, of course, the government indicates that if there is failure to comply, there is vested in the government power to compel such compliance.

It is an exceedingly interesting state of affairs. It is a state of affairs which will have a tendency to make wholesaler and retailer alike take steps towards putting their business, in future, as far as possible, on a cash basis. But while the cash basis may be the wish of many business men, it is yet somewhat doubtful if such forcing measures toward this end, as those now being practised are in the interest of the whole community.

Seemingly the government does not want to come out and pass a moratorium for the reason that this would certainly hurt the province's credit abroad. Ret

they do appear desirous of taking unto themselves powers which will produce some of the results which would be secured by a moratorium. So far it does not seem that any great harm has resulted from this ace-up-thesleeve policy of the Government. Nevertheless, it is a subject of vital interest to all dealing in this great Western province. It is a subject which retailers, wholesalers, brokers, and manufacturers alike, may well study.

# New Maple Sugar Regulations

Exact Wording Taken From Amendment to The Adulteration Act—Syrup and Sugar Cannot Be Sold as "Maple" After January 1 Unless They Are Pure—Same Applies to Honey.

In view of the receipt of a number of letters from readers in reference to the new maple regulations, Canadian Grocer, feels that the presentation of the exact wording of the regulations from the Amendment to the Adulteration Act, assented to on the 12th of June last, will be be of particular interest to everyone. These regulations appear herewith :--

"No person shall manufacture for sale, keep for sale, or offer or expose for sale, as maple sugar any sugar which is not pure maple sugar, nor as maple syrup any syrup which is not pure maple syrup, and any maple sugar or maple syrup which is not up to the standard prescribed by the Sixth Schedule of this Act or, if such standard is changed by the Governor-in-Council, to such standard as the Governor-in-council may from time to time prescribe, shall be deemed to be adulterated within the meaning of this Act.

"The word "maple" shall not be used either alone or in combination with any other word or words on the label or other mark, illustration or device on a package containing any article of food or on any article of food itself, which is or which resembles maple sugar or maple syrup, and no package containing any article of food itself, which is not pure maple sugar or pure maple syrup, shall be labelled or marked in such a manner as is likely to make persons believe, it is maple sugar or maple syrup which is not pure maple sugar or pure maple syrup, and any article of food labelled or marked in violation of this subsection shall be deemed to be adulter-

ated within the meaning of this Act. "The word "honey" shall not be used either alone or in combination with any other word or words on the label or other mark, illustration or device on any package containing any article of food which is or which resembles honey and which is not pure honey made by bees, and no package containing any article of food which is not pure honey shall be labelled or marked in such a manner as is likely to make persons believe it is pure honey, and any article of food labelled or marked in violation of this section shall be deemed to be adulterated within the meaning of this Act.

"The provisions of this section shall not apply to any syrup or compound manufactured and sold for medical purposes only.

"This Act shall come into force on the first day of January, 1915."

Some of our readers have been under the impression that the new regulations do not come into effect, so far as the retail sale of maple products are concerned, until the 1st of January, 1916. It will be seen however, from the last paragraph of the above Act, that this is not the case. When this paragraph is taken in conjunction with the first it will be noted that no person shall keep for sale, as well as manufacture for sale, maple sugar or maple syrup, any sugar or syrup which is not pure. The question has also arisen, as to whether the retailer would be liable if he sold his compound syrup and sugar after January 1, providing he did not use the word "maple" on the label, or sell it as "maple" sugar or syrup in any way.

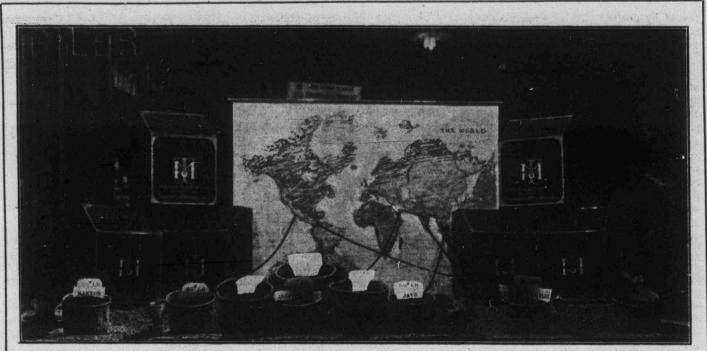
Our interpretation of the Act, is that the goods could be sold so long as they were not sold as "Maple" products, either pure or compound.

The same applies to honey. After Jan. 1, no honey, unless it is absolutely pure, can be sold under the name of "honey," either pure or compound.

### SHOULD HAVE BEEN "PREMIUM."

In the advertisement of the Swift Canadian Company, Toronto, which appeared on the outside back cover of last week's issue, there was a typographical error in the name of the brand of this company.

"Premier" hams and bacon should have read "Premium" hams and bacon. This brand name "Premium" is, of course, familiar to the Canadian trade, and our readers will no doubt already have read the advertisement aright.



AN ORIGINAL COFFEE WINDOW TRIM-Ribbons run from the various samples of coffee to the points on the map of the world from which those samples came.

# How Much Coffee Do You Sell Annually?

Consumption Per Capita in Canada is About 2 Pounds—Do You Get Your Share?—Retailer Tells the Story of How He First Realized the Future in Coffee and the Methods He Used to Build Up Sales.

"H OW have I built up my coffee trade?" repeated a retail dealer the other day to a query put to him by Canadian Grocer. "First," he replied, "let me tell you how I came to realize the importance of featuring coffee in the store. Some months ago a coffee salesman was endeavoring to interest me in purchasing more coffee than usual. I baulked, because, as I pointed out, it would be suicidal for me to stock more than I could possibly sell in a given time.

"'But.' he added, 'I know you are only selling so many pounds a month, yet the people of Canada are drinking on the average much more than you are selling to your customers—isn't there an opportunity there for more business?'

"He drew a book from his pocket presenting these figures: In the fiscal year ending March 31, 1911, the importations of coffee into Canada amounted to 11,064,059 pounds. During the year ending March 31, 1913, these figures went up to 15,651,674 pounds, or an increase of 41½ per cent. Then, again, at the end of March of the year 1914 they advanced to more than 17,000,000 pounds. In one year you see the in-

crease was almost a million and a half pounds.

### More Business Available.

"That made me think-here I was with 200 customers, with families averaging four to five possible coffee drinkers, and only selling about 35 pounds per month. With eight million people in Canada the consumption per capita during the last fiscal year was more than two pounds. Yet my 200 families, representing some 800 persons at least, were buying but 35 pounds a month, or 420 pounds in a year, when they should have been consuming at least 1,600 pounds. Somebody, I argued with myself, was getting more than his share of the increased sales in coffee, and I made up my mind to be among the 'somebodys' during the year to come."

Here he paused and, taking Canadian Grocer representative by the arm, led him over to the centre of the store, where stood a handsome piece of furniture—a coffee mill. He dropped in some coffee beans, touched a button, and away went the machine. In a moment the store was permeated with the pleasant aroma of freshly-ground coffee.

"What a pleasant odor," remarked a

customer who was being served at the counter. "How much is the coffee a pound? I believe I'll take some home with me."

The elerk politely answered her question, added a few words about the coffee, and made the sale.

"I only wish I could get all my customers to do their shopping in person," whispered the grocer, "instead of over the phone—I know I could sell them more coffee and a good many other things extra as well.

"That is one of the chief methods," he added, and pointed to the coffee mill, "we have used for increasing our sales. During November we sold 75 pounds, more than doubling our usual The figures of that salesman sales. opened, my eyes to the realization that if I where not selling my customers at the rate of two pounds each per year I was that much behind the times. I recognized that I wasn't giving my customers service from the coffee standpoint, and determined to make an effective change. In the first place, I bought a better coffee and the grinder you see. I also stock a couple of superior brands

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### Sugar Changes of the Past Two Years

The changes in sugar on the Montreal market during 1913 are shown by this chart. The high price was \$4.75, and the low \$4.30.

INETEEN hundred and fourteen will be remembered as a year of unprecedented activity in sugar, in so far as the last generation is concerned. The accompanying charts, showing the ups and downs of the market during the past two years, picture concisely a wide diversity of action. While in 1913 sugar did not go above \$4.75 a hundred, Montreal refined, on the Montreal market, in 1914, the top price reached was 7.05 cents. Had it not been, however, for the interruption of normal conditions by the European conflagration we undoubtedly would have seen a year of exceedingly cheap sugar. As it happened, the past twelvemonth presents a record, showing the lowest and highest sugar in many years. In January last it opened at 4.35 cents, but on the second day of the month drop to 4.25. Again in March it went down to \$4.15, which was probably the lowest price that refined cane sugar ever reached on the Montreal market.

When the war broke out in August sugar was only \$4.45 per hundred. The first few shots fired sent values up 10 cents on the hundred, and then the market ascended with a celerity never before experienced in modern times. From 4.45 cents it never rested until the high mark, 7.05, was attained. That was about the 20th of October, and since then three declines have occurred totalling 75 cents, making the price at the end of the year \$6.30. In 1911 sugar reached the highest point in 22 years, which was \$5.85 on the Montreal market. The present price, minus the war tax of 70 cents imposed by the Government in August, is \$5.60, which is below the 1911 high figure. In the 1914 chart the advances during the war are the top figures in Montreal refined. One of the refineries did not make all the advances at same time as the other.

Just what the future will bring forth in sugar is difficult to say, but from the conditions existing to day, as we see them, it would appear that there is a weaker market in sight for Canada just as soon as the refiners have converted their stocks of high-priced raws into refined. The decline of 25 cents on Monday bears out this contention. What will eventually take place no one can tell. Much depends upon the duration of the war and the course to be adopted by the large European beet growers in 1915. Time alone will tell.

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### 1914 SUGAR CHANGES.

This chart shows the long climb made by sugar from January, 1914, to November, following which came declines. Since this cut was made sugar went down again 25 cents, making the price at the end of the year \$6.30, Montreal refined.

WY THE CALL

# Value of the Dealer's Co-operation

The MacLean Publishing Co., 143 University Avenue, Toronto, Ont.

### Gentlemen:-

We are in receipt of your circular:—"ARE YOUR GOODS HANDLED OR SOLD," also the article headed "IGNORING THE RETAIL MERCHANT."

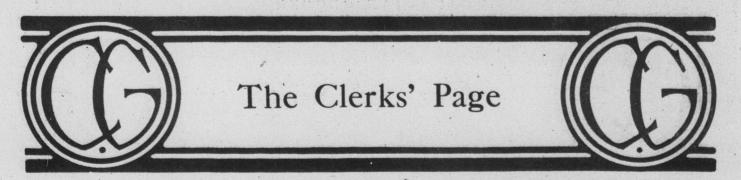
Beg to advise that the experience of the Parsons & Parsons Canadian Co. has been exactly as stated in your statement. We thoroughly agree with the position taken by the National Drug & Chemical Co. that it is necessary to interest the Retail Merchant with your article, providing it is worthy of consideration by the public in general throughout Canada. In fact, we consider that our advertising to the trade has been of far greater value to us than any consumer advertising we have ever done. Believing that when you offer and give the Trade a satisfactory article and stand back of it in every way, you are bound to obtain results.

Wishing your publication greater success for 1915, we are,

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THE PARSONS & PARSONS CANADIAN CO., H. F. Baldwin, Gen. Mgr.

Hamilton, Ontario, Dec. 17th, 1914. HFB | AM.



## THE ENCYCLOPEDIA

## THE MAKING OF BEET SUGAR.

N A RECENT communication to Canadian Grocer from an Ontario reader the question was asked how beet sugar was manufactured. The following has been given on the subject by a Canadian manufacturer :-

"The beets upon arrival, are unloaded to the sheds. The wagon and rail sheds to our factory have a capacity of 10,000 tons; our river sheds hold 1,500 tons. From the sheds the beets are flumed by water into the factory, and on the way, are separated as well as possible from the weeds and all adhering soil. The beets are then raised by a large revolving wheel to the washer, where they are thoroughly cleaned, and are then carried to the automatic scale for weighing, thence are dumped into the slicing machines. The richer the beets are in sugar, the finer they are sliced. The sliced particles are called Cossettes, and are carried along the belt conveyor to the diffusion batteries, where the sugar juice is extracted by the action of warm water. From the batteries, the juice is carried to the measuring tank, and is there tested for specific gravity.

"The residue of the battery is the exhausted beet pulp. This is carried to an adjoining factory and there cut up in small particles, dried, and is sold in 100 lb. bags as a food for cattle, especially adaptable for milch cows.

"The juice from the measuring tank is pumped through re-heaters to the first carbonation, where from 2 per cent. to 3 per cent. of milk of lime is added for clarifying, which is precipitated by means of carbonic acid gas. The lime is burned in the company's own lime kilns. and the escaped gas is drawn off by means of pumps and forced back to the mixture of juice and lime. This mixture is treated with carbonic acid until the filter shows a .1 per cent. solution. The juice is heated to 90 degrees and forced by a pressure pump through filter presses, where it is separated from all precipitated matter, and then runs by its own gravity to the second carbonation station. The contents of the filter press are dumped into a conveyor below, mixed with water and

discharged into a settling basin, where the heavy precipitates sink to the bottom. This by-product is now being dried, and is sold as a carbonate of lime, quite a demand for it being worked up, as it is recommended for sweetening the land.

"In the second carbonation, a small amount of lime is added; carbonic acid gas is forced into the juice until the filtered sample shows .03 per cent. of lime. After this, the juices are heated to a boiling point, and pumped through another filter press station where they are separated from all sediments, the clear juice collected in a special tank and pumped from there to the sulphur station. In the latter, the juice is treated with sulphurous acid obtained by burning rolled sulphur until a sample shows only a trace of free lime in solution. After heating up to boiling point, the juice is filtered for the third time through pravity filters. The clear juice collected goes into the evaporating station, where it is concentrated from a ten per cent. solution to a fifty per cent. one. It is now called "thick juice" and is filtered again and treated with sulphurous acid if found to contain too much free lime.

"The thick juice is stored in special tanks and drawn into the vacuum pan. There it is concentrated until the sugar crystals begin to appear. These crystals, small at first, grow by addition of fresh quantities of thick juice until the contents of the vacuum pan do not allow any fresh addition of juice.

"From the pan the mass, consisting now of sugar crystals and syrup, is discharged into a mixer, where it is kept in motion by a revolving shaft with arms. This is done to prevent hardening of the mass. From the mixer, the charge goes

#### WELL WORTH THE PRICE.

Canadian Grocer: Dear Sirs,-Your paper is well worth the price, and we are pleased to renew for another year. THE TWO BARKERS, New Glasgow, N.S.

A GREAT HELP.

Canadian Grocer: Dear Sirs,-Please pardon delay, due to sickness in my family. It gives me much pleasure to send cheque for Canadian Grocer, which is a great help to me. W. E. McMANN, 104 Major St., Toronto.

into centrifugal machines, and the crystals are separated from the surrounding syrup by centrifugal force. To remove however, all the syrup from the crystals, it is necessary to wash them with sufficient quantity of water. After this operation the sugar is obtained in white crystals which contain yet about 21/2 per cent. of water. This is removed in the granulation stage through which the sugar has to pass by means of steam heating and a big exhaust fan to draw off the moist air. After leaving the granulator, the sugar is ready to be packed in barrels or bags and sent to the market, and is 100 per cent. Dure.

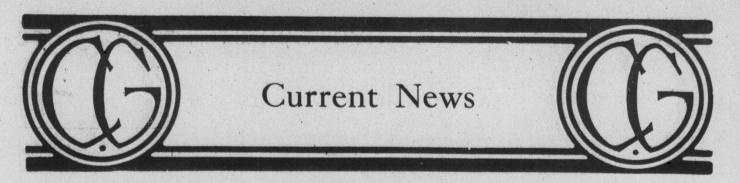
"The syrup separated in the centrifugal machines is concentrated in a special vacuum pan and put into crystallizers which are large iron cylinders with a revolving shaft and arms to keep the mass always in motion. After two or three days in the crystallizers, the contents are discharged into a mixer for the second mass, and thence into special centrifugal machines where the second or brown sugar is separated from the surrounding syrup, now called molasses. This brown sugar is dissolved in hot water or in hot sulphur juice to liquors of about 50 per cent. sugar, then filtered and united with the thick juice obtained in the former operation, and sent to the first vacuum pan to be there boiled into sugar.

"The molasses is run into an additional plant, and by a special process, 90 per cent. of sugar is extracted. The by-product in the form of mother liquor, is sold to fertilizer factories, and if the price of potash is fair, this mother liquor can be burned directly into potash. Potash is a very scarce article since the war, therefore the quantity we are turning out is quite a boon to the fertilizer people of Canada.

"One thousand tons of beets are sliced every 24 hours, and 300 men are employed."

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A news despatch sent out from Raymond, Alta., states that the Knight Sugar Co. of that town has decided to remove its plant to some point in the United States. The reason given is the apathy shown by the farmers of the district to the matter of providing the necessary raw material.



## Quebec and Maritime Provinces.

E. H. Duval has registered in Quebec City as a grocer.

Miles Spencer, grocer, Marysville, N.B., sustained a fire loss recently.

Arrangements are being made to form a branch of the Retail Merchants' Association in Fredericton, N.B. Secretary Cameron, of the New Brunswick body, has been in Fredericton making the preliminary arrangements.

J. Langevin, a Montreal grocer, who keeps a store on St. Lawrence Boulevard, had a visitor during the Christmas trade who produced a revolver while he had his back turned in the act of placing a box on a shelf and demanded that he put up his hands and deliver over his money without delay. The grocer, thus faced, wisely backed up a little and the visitor made a grab for the contents of the cash register, and then made a hasty exit. The hold-up man got away with about ten dollars, but fortunately for Mr. Langevin he overlooked a couple of hundred dollars more which were in a back compartment of the register.

#### Ontario.

Wm. Leith, grocer, Caledonia, Ont., sustained a fire loss recently.

Miss Elizabeth McLachlan and J. R. Harcus, two Orangeville, Ont., grocers, sustained fire losses recently.

J. B. Jardine & Sons, general merchants, Carleton Place, Ont., sustained a fire loss recently-partially insured.

P. L. Campbell, general merchant in Orton, Ont., met with a peculiar and painful accident recently. While feeding his hens he stooped down to stir the feed, when a hen picked him on the sight of one eye, lacerating the eyeball. He is at present confined to the house under the doctor's care.

The soldiers of the Eighteenth Battalion, under quarantine at the Fair Grounds, London, Ont., received a fine Christmas gift from A. M. Smith & Co., wholesale grocers, in the shape of four cases of maple syrup, 25 cases of fomatoes, 12 dozen cases of pickles, 2 cases of grape juice, 4 cases of marmalade and 3 cases of rolled barley.

Peter Couse, an old St. Thomas, Ont., merchant, died recently, aged 94 years. Mr. Couse came to Elgin County from the United States when about 20 years of age, and engaged in farming in Yarmouth Township. Later he went to St. Thomas and engaged in the grocery business with his brother, but for many years had been living retired.

The following officers were elected at a recent meeting of Toronto Camp No. 1 of the Christian Commercial Travelers Association ("The Gideons"):--President, A. F. Hines; vice-president, E. W. Allen; second vice-president, J. E. Chamberlain; secretary, G. P. Duffield; treasurer, S. W. Grant; chaplain, J. Burton; corresponding secretary, A. L. Forde. "The Gideons" have under their charge the placing of a Bible in



At the staff dinner of the Canadian Cereal and Milling Co., Toronto, announced in Inst week's issue. From left to right: H. T. Jamieson, manager and receiver; H. C. Lowrey (Canadian Grocer); T. Tressam, Toronto sales manager; G. W. Lynn, salesman Opposite side, from left to right: Wallace F. Baker, sales-promotion and advertising manager; Jno. Kennedy, assistant sales manager; W. Dunlop, flour salesman; J. Landry, window dresser; G. E. Hodgins, salesman, and J. Snitman, salesman. each bedroom of every hotel in the Dominion, and so far have furnished 18,000 Bibles in this way.

## Western Canada.

Stock of the estate of S. Korman, general merchant, Haskett, Man., has been sold to K. Korman.

The stock of the estate of L. Portigal, grocer and confectioner, Winnipeg, has been sold to Ethel Portigal.

A. & E. Lee have disposed of their general store business at Gwynne, Alta., to Mr. Millar, who takes possession of the store early in the New Year.

F. M. Black treasurer of P. Burns & Co., Limited, Calgary, was the speaker at a joint meeting of the United Commercial Travelers' Association and the Canadian Credit Men's Association on December 29, in Calgary, Alta. His subject was "The Responsibility of the Commercial Traveler and his Relation to the House."

Provincial Secretary F. E. Raymond, of the Saskatchewan Board of the Retail Merchants' Association of Canada, Inc., reports highly gratifying progress in the work of the association throughout the province ,and that the prospects for the coming year are much better than expected. Although many merchants have gone out of business, the membership of the association will show little decrease owing to new members coming in.

The annual meeting of the North-west Commercial Travelers' Association of Canada was held recently in Winnipeg. The financial statement was presented, and was most satisfactory, showing a net increase for the year in assets amounting to \$50,739.30, this in spite of the business depression throughout the year and the consequent decrease in membership. The association is taking rank as one of the strong financial corporations in the West with total assets amounting to \$469,864.68, with valuable investments in the Western provinces. The following officers were elected for the year 1915:-President, Charles Horden; vice-presidents, J. M. Scott, S. C. Burton, representing Saskatchewan; G. S. Kellaway, Alberta; R. W. Clark. British Columbia; treasurer, L. C. McIntyre; secretary, Fred J. C. Cox.

## Sugar Drops Twenty-five Cents; Trade Quiet

Usual Year-end Slump Leaves Market Practically Featureless-Sugar Down Again to Catch What Trade is Going-Seedless and Seeded Raisins Are Up From First of Year-"Too Many Nuts."

## Office of Publication, Dec. 31, 1914.

HE feature of the market this week is the decline of 25 cents per hundred in sugar which was announced by the Montreal refiners on Monday. This makes a total decline of 75 cents since the high point of the market was reached in October and is a natural course following on the cheaper raws that have been so much referred to recently. Apart from the war-tax imposed by the Dominion Gövernment in August, and which added 70 cents per hundred on to the price, sugar to-day is cheaper by 25 cents than the high point reached in 1911 which at that time was the highest price for sugar for 22 years previously. And to-day we are in the midst of a great war. Just what the future is for sugar is difficult to say, but the trade is looking for further declines before the bottom has been reached. After that, the future of the market depends on the length of the war and the attitude of European beet-growers. If, as has been asserted, the German Government is going to demand that grain be produced next season in preference to sugar beets, that is bound to have a big effect. But we shall have to await circumstances.

In the big markets after all, there was a scarcity of Turkeys for the Christmas trade. The farmer from all accounts fooled the big dealers who had anticipated cheap turkeys prior to the great holiday. A few weeks ago turkey could be bought on the wholesale markets at around 14 and 15 cents per pound. It was thought these prices would be maintained and they probably would have been, had the Canadian farmer been content to market his flock in Canada. But apparently United States buyers appeared on the scene in many districts—at least in Ontario—and offered three or four cents more and got the birds. This was one of the chief reasons why there were so few turkeys on the market on Christmas eve and why prices were so high. Another reason undoubtedly was the condition of the roads the week prior to Christmas.

It is significant that this week sees a reduction in the price of new-laid eggs for the first time since the high prices were reached. Both on the Montreal and Toronto markets declines occurred of about five cents. Can it be that the Canadian hen sees the finish of the cold weather and has already commenced her spring work of laying fresh eggs?

Wholesale and retail business is seasonably quiet. This is only natural. Wholesalers are into the annual stock-taking operations, anticipating the oniet period, and retailers will soon be following suit. If it be true, as a prominent financial man said this week, that money is easing up and will be much easier by the end of the war, the future can be looked forward to with much greater confidence.

## QUEBEC MARKETS.

Montreal, December 31.-Christmas has passed. Retail merchants prepared as usual for the rush on luxuries, and it is probable that some were a little surprised at the demand. There may have been exceptions, but the majority of retailers seen in this city expressed satisfaction with the amount of business that came to them. It seemed as though the public suddenly forget to be careful, and came with a rush for the luxuries they had been accustomed to at this festive season.

The wholesale trade seems to have no qualms regarding business in January and February. They argue that the retail trade have been buying exceedingly careful right up to Christmas, and must continue to buy so at least, in order to remain in business, for none are carrying large stocks.

Some disappointment was felt at the non-arrival of new shelled walnuts; at least, of the bulk of these nuts. What will happen now to this market is hard to say. The popular opinion seems to be that nuts will be cheap. The same might apply to dried fruits, but there are several lines which are expected to remain firm, principally currants, dates and Sultanas. The common impression was that a big drop would take place immediately after the holidays. A certain New York bouse thinks differently.

Just now the wholesalers, commission

## Markets in Brief QUEBEC MARKETS.

FLOUR AND CEREALS-Dearer flour talked of. Feeds still active. Rolled oats slow but sure.

- PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS-Dearer storage eggs expected. Shortage in turkeys. Cheese and butter both firm. New laids quoted lower.
- FRUIT AND VEGETABLES-Apples continue firm. Big sales of oranges. Cranberries up a little. Cauliflowers temporarily up. Hothouse tomatoes scarce.

FISH AND OYSTERS-

Only one fish day this week. Some frozen lines scarce. Frozen lake fish plentiful. Early Lent will help in 1915.

GENERAL GROCERIES-Sugar drops 25c cwt. Tea market still firm. Split peas still hard to get. Few walnuts arrived for Xmas. Dates and currants remain firm.

ONTARIO MARKETS.

FLOUR AND CEREALS-Much better export trade Good demand for feeds. Brisk demand in cereals. trade

PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS-New laids down

Storage eggs higher. No poultry at all.

FRUITS AND VEGETABLES-

Navels down again. Apples firm; advancing. Cauliflower good seller. Cranberries are higher. FISH AND OYSTERS-

Smelts are scarce. No fish day this week. Oysters move slowly. "Fisherman's luck."

GENERAL GROCERIES-The decline in sugar. A glut of walnuts. Currants firmer. Raisins up for New Year.

agents, and retailers, are taking stock. Some interesting discoveries will probably be made which will guide them in their buying during the coming year.

The feature of this week's market is without doubt the drop of 25c in the price of sugar. Business at this time of the year is quiet, and is not likely to be stimulated by this action on the part of the refiners. The general public will be more interested in the drop than the retailer.

SUGAR .- Montreal refiners have today announced a reduction of 25 points in the price of sugar. The announcement came simultaneously from both companies and is effective in Eastern Canada; there is no change yet announced for Winnipeg. The announce-

ment coming from both of the big concerns at the same time gives no opportunity for speculation as to which is first running short of high cost rawsfor the decline certainly indicates that cheaper raw material is now being ground. Demand is quiet. In fact, it would appear that the decline is likely to kill off rather than stimulate the little interest which was beginning to be revived after several months of unusual quietness. It is usually noticed that a falling market does not stimulate interest unless there is an indication that the bottom has been reached and the present situation does not lead to this belief

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Extra Granulated Sugars- 100 lb. bags 20 lb. bags 2 and 5-lb. carions	 6 30 6 40
Yellow Sugars	 6 15
Extra Ground Sugars— * Barrels 50 lb. boxes 25 lb. boxes	 6 70 6 90 7 10
Powdered Sugars Barrels 50 lb. boxes 25 lb. boxes	 6 50 6 70 6 90
Paris Lumps- 100 lb. boxes 50 lb. boxes 25 lb. boxes Crystal Diamonds-	 $\begin{array}{c} 7 & 05 \\ 7 & 15 \\ 7 & 35 \end{array}$
Barrels 100 lb, boxes 50 lb, boxes 25 lb, boxes Cartons and half cartons Crystal Dominoes, cartons	 7 05 7 15 7 35 7 80
TEA Cable advices from	

state that there is no sign yet of a come down in prices, and no weakening is looked for. London was looking for a decline, but has changed its mind. In Montreal things are very quiet, nobody seeming disposed to buy, and few very anxious to sell.

DRIED FRUITS .--- Quietness ' prevails in this market following the excitement of the three weeks preceding the holidays. Grocers have done fairly well and will, without doubt, have to do considerable buying before long. Nobody bought, as they have done in other years, being content to handle small quantities. It follows that this careful buying will continue after the holidays. While Valencia raisins are cheaper than a week ago, they are still good property and the market is firm. The price is down three shillings per cwt. Few Sultana raisins are available, even now. Wholesalers were asked prohibitive prices before Christmas. They can now be secured by the wholesale trade for 101/2c. which is 21/2c lower than pre-Xmas quotations. Few figs are left in first hands, and should be good to hold: yet reports insist that the consumer is not buying figs. Some of the trade are confidently expecting a drop in dates after the first of the year, yet a large New York firm declare they will be fooled, as the situtaion does not warrant a drop owing to small stocks in New York and London. Dates, they add. are the strongest of anything on the

market, and have been selling well. Currants remain firm and if prices are lower, the decline will not be heavy.

EVAPORATED FRUITS.	Per	Ib.
Apples, beat winter Apricots Nectarines, choice Peaches, choice Pears, choice		0 09 0 15 0 11 0 09% 0 13
DRIED FRUITS.		
Lemon	0 19 0 12½ 0 12½	0 20 0 13 0 13
Currants Amalias, loose Amalias, 1-lb. pkgs. Filiatras, fine, loose, new Filiatras, packages, new	0 08%	0 0734 0 0834 0 0734 0 0834
Dates- Dromedary, package stock, per pkg Fards, choicest Hallowee, loose Hallowee, loose		0 08½ 0 12 0 07½ 0 08½
Figs- 8 crown, 12 lb. boxes, fancy, layer, lb. 7 crown, 12 lb. boxes, fancy, layer, lb. 6 crown, 12 lb. boxes, fancy, layer, lb. 16 oz., glove boxes, box	·····	0 15 0 14% 0 14 0 13
30 to 40, in 25-lb, boxes, faced           40 to 50, in 25-lb, boxes, faced           50 to 60, in 25-lb, boxes, faced           60 to 70, in 25-lb, boxes, faced           70 to 80, in 25-lb, boxes, faced           80 to 90, in 25-lb, boxes, faced           90 to 100, in 25-lb, boxes, faced		0 14 0 13 0 12 0 11½ 0 10½ 0 10 0 09½
Raisins- Malaga table, box of 22 lbs., 3-crown cluster, \$2.60; 5-crown cluster Muscatels, loose, 3 crown, lb Sultana, loose Valencia, new Secilless, 16 oz. Secilless, 12 oz. Secilles, 16 oz. Choice seciled, 16 oz. Prices quoted on all lines of fruits are	0 11% 0 08	0 101/2 0 19 0 10 0 091/2 to be
shaded for quantities, according to the sta	te of	market.

RICE.—The market both here and on imported rice continues firm, with only a moderate amount of business passing.

Rangoon Rices-	Per cwt:
Rangoon "B"	
"C.C."	
India bright	
Polished	
Pearl	
Fancy Rices-	Per cwt.
Imperial Glace	
Sparkle	
Crystal	
Ice drips	
Carolina head	7 85
Prices are per 100 lbs., packed in bag bags (100 lbs.), and guarter-bags (50 l	
100 lbs. for pockets (25 lbs.), and 20c (121/2 lbs.).	
Imported Patna-	Per lh.
Bags, 224 lbs	0 06 0 063
Half bags, 112 lbs	
Quarter hags 56 lbs	0 05% 0 06%

Quarter D	ags, Do	108*	 ******		0 00 %	0 00 %
Velvet head	Carolina		 		0 09%	0 1014
Sago, brown					0.06	0 061/2
Taploca-				Maria A		
Pearl, 1b.			 		0 0514	90.00
Seed. 1b.			 		0 05%	0.06

MOLASSES.—Buyers are still waiting for the opening of season, and little forward business is talked of. There is talk of molasses being offered at low figures for new crop, but it is much too speculative to attempt purchases. Montreal holders are expecting inquiries this month, believing that stocks are running low in the country. Stocks from Barbadoes will be later this year than last.

Barbadoes Molasses-	Prices for Island of Montreal.
Puncheons	
Half barrels For outside territories pr per gallon than for delivery Carload lots of 20 punct	
harrels or half barrels, to "open prices." No discoun	
	bhls., 4c: ¼ bhls 0 014 Ibs

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Pails,	38%	6 ]	1ba., !	\$1.95	: 25	Ibs.		 				1	41
Cases.	2	lb.	tins.	2 1	loz. t	n c	ane	 				2	85
Cases.	5 1	b.	tins.	1 de	oz. ir	1 C8	se	 				3	CM
Casps.	10	16	. tins	. 4	doz.	in	CRAE	 				2	91
Cases.	20	Ib	, tins	. 14	doz.	in	case	 		20		2	82
Manle Syr	TID	-0										137	

Pure. in 15 cml. kers &c per lb., or per gal. 1 0 faple sugar, pure. per lb. 010 01 COFFEE.—There has not been sufficient business passing to give the market any decided trend, and conditions continue about the same as during the month past. Cocoa beans are cheap, and the market continues easy, but this is not expected to affect the price of package goods.

onee moasted-		
Bogotas	0 26	0 30
Jamaica	0 23	0 24
Java	0 30	0 33
Maricaibo	0 22	0 25
Mexican	0 27	0 28
Mocha	0 29	0 31
Rio	0 17	0 20
Santos	0 21	0 22
Chicory, per lb	0 10	0 12
NTTIMO TT A L L 1 A		

NUTS .- Unfortunately for the retailer, shelled walnuts did not arrive in large quantities in time for the Christmas trade. The Grampian, which reached St. John, N.B., on the 19th of December, took considerable time to unload, and by the time this had taken place. and the nuts were on the way, Christmas business had practically passed out. However, some nuts did arrive, and fortunate indeed were those who had them. Certain Montreal importers had not received supplies by the first of the year. and did not expect them until the second week in January. Of course, as soon as the turn of the year arrived. prices on these and other lines of nuts fell considerably. While the wholesaler was charged 47c for the Christmas trade. he can now buy around 30c. As soon as these large supplies of shelled walnuts are nicely settled on this market, really cheap prices can be expected. Walnuts are being offered to-day in France for future delivery at very low rates.

Almonds. Tara	0 18
Grenobles, new 0 1514	0 164
Tarragonas, new 0 1814	-0 1914
Marbots, new 0 14	0 15
Shelled walnuts, new, per lb	0 38
Walnuts, in shell	0 16
Shelled almonds, 28-1b. boxes, per 1b	0 43
Sicily filberts 0 14	0 15
Pecans, large	0 18
Almonds 0 21	0 22
Brazils. new	0 15
Peanuts, No. 1. 124c: No. 2	0 09%
Peanuts, No. 3	0 08%
Canadian chestnuts	0 12

SPICES .- China cassia is very low. Alleppy and Tellicherry peppers are now being offered in direct shipments from India at very moderate prices. However. freight rates are high, owing to the fact that Smyrna steamers have practically been withdrawn from cargo freighting. India to New York. During the past few months, the Food and Drug Department of the United States has been watching the percentage of stems in imported cloves, and have laid down a standard of five per cent., which must not be exceeded. Stems, of course, possess considerable strength, and make little difference in the ground weight.

	5 and 10-Ib.	%-lb. pkgs. dozen.	%-lb. tins.	
Allspice	0 14-0 18	0 60-0 70	0 70-0 80	
Cassia	0 22-0 25	0 72-0 96	0 80-0 90	
Cayenne pepper		1 02-1 15	1 10-1 25	
Cloves	0 35-0 40	1 15-1 30	1 25-1 40	
Cream tartar-50c.				
Ginger, Cochin	0 18-0 23			
Ginger, Jamaica	0 20_0 25	0 90-1 05	0 95-1 10	
Mace	0 85-1 10			
Nutmegs		1 03-1 20	1 10-1 25	
Pepper, black	0 23-0 24	0 80_0 90	0 90-1 00	
Pepper, white	. 0 32-0 33	1 05-1 10	1 1-1 20	
Pastry anice	0 25-0 32	0 85-1 10	0 95-1 15	

	0 90 0 80-0 95
Lower prices for pails, boxes or bali	ers when delivery
can be secured. Cardamon seed, per lb., bulk Carraway-	2 00 2 50
Canadian Dutch	
Cinnamon, Ceylon, lb	0 18 0 22

0 30 DRIED VEGETABLES .- The split

peas which were offered from the West Indies turned out to be of inferior quality, and local firms did not buy. The result is that prices are still around \$4.50, and little business is passing at this figure. Beans are selling at about the same figure. Good 3-lb. pickers can be secured for \$2.40 by the wholesale trade. Nearly all good peas are said to be in now, and it is still hard to secure good boilers, which are very necessary to the Quebec trade. Prices asked-\$2.45 to \$2.50-are high compared with what they were a year ago.

Beans-		
Hand picked, per bushel		2 85
Canadian, white, per bushel		2 65
Yellow, per bushel		3 25
Yellow eyes, per bushel		3 25
Lima, per lb.	0 08	0 081/2
Peas, Imperial green, per bushel		2 50
Peas, white soup, per bushel		3 00
Barley, pot, per abg		3 50
Barley, pearl		4 50

#### **ONTARIO MARKETS.**

Toronto, December 31.-There is little doing in grocery markets generally this week. It is the year-end period, between Christmas with all its rush and bustle, and New Year's with its readiness for new buying and new selling, old stocks having been cleaned out, and general stock taken. Right up to Christmas Eve wholesalers did a fair amount of trade, and although it was undeniably lower than last year it was better than many had expected. Moreover, as one wholesaler put it, it is better that retailers should have bought sparingly if they could only afford so to buy, rather than have spent a lot of money that they could not have paid, and which would have simply meant bad debts for wholesalers.

The outstanding happening of a more or less dull market was, of course, the drop of twenty-five cents in sugar. We said last week, "Sugar men invariably look for lower prices before they go higher." and that is what has happened. It is only two weeks since the last decline of 20 cents occurred. Verily sugar is on the toboggan for the present.

The feeling among the men on the Street with regard to conditions for next year is one of optimism. None of them are anxious to express themselves in exact terms, and indeed prognostications at such a time are foolish, but there is no doubt that when adversity comes it has the effect of spurring the wise men on to meet it and conquer it. Conditions will not help any. It is up to the mannot to circumstances. This is the feeling among wholesalers generally, and if it

is reflected in the retail trade 1915 will be a good year despite the undoubted handicaps at the outset.

The writer heard a distinctly interesting opinion expressed with regard to the decline in orders from the retailer, from a traveler for a wholesale house. He blamed the farmer. The farmer, he charges, does not bother to sell his wheat, and so he runs up a big debt with the retail grocer in the country. The retailer, carrying large credits, is therefore unable to give large orders to the wholesaler. There is doubtless something in it.

SUGAR .- The feature of this market. as indeed of all the markets this week is the decline of 25 cents. Doubtless it was partly a case of catching what business was going and putting out an attractive bait so to do. The quiet movement in sugar and the lower costing raws made the decline feasible at such a time. It was not anticipated by sugar men generally that it would happen just yet. It is only two weeks since the last decline which was 20 cents, and though it was felt that a further drop would happen along soon, it was not thought it would be immediate, because many refiners were working on higher priced raws. However, there ought to be more movement as a result of the drop.

Extra Granulated Sugars, Montreal Refined-per 100 lbs, 100 lb, bags 6 26 20 lb, bags 6 45 10 lb, bags 6 45 10 lb, bags 6 45 10 lb, bags 6 6 55 Nova Scotia refined, 100-lb, bags 6 26 Extra Ground Sugars-

50	lh	boxes	***************************************	6 76
25	ib.	boxes		7 16
		Sugar		. 10

wdered Sugars-Barrels. 50 lb. boxes 25 lb. boxes Crystal Diamonds-

100 lb. bo	xes	 7 11
Paris Lumps- 100 lb. bo	-	

25 lb. h	oxes			7 41
Cartons	(20 to case	e)	 	7 66
Cartons	(50 to case	e)	 **********	8 16
	Dominoes,	cartons	 	8 26
fellow Sug	ars-			

No. 1 ..... Barrels granulated and yellow may be had at 5c per cwt. above bag prices.

TEA .- Local market remains firm all round. There is a much increased demand, and a decline in supply. Russia, for instance, is drinking more tea, and finds herself unable to buy in London. London and Colombo markets were closed this week, and will be closed next Tuesday too, on account of the weekending propensity of many tea merchants. It is said that tea is being bought at Colombo, despite the closed market. The same is said to apply to Calcutta. In view of the stringency at leading distributors centres, it is said that teas will be rushed forward from the primary markets immediately after the first of the year.

DRIED FRUITS .- The rebound from the extra spurt at Christmas is that a quiet week now till after stocktaking

time with the retailers. There is a fairly good demand for currants. Most other fruits are about average. The feature of the market is the advance in seeded and seedless raisins which will take effect from January 1st. It is a quarter of a cent. This is the action of the association in control. The 1913 crop is all disposed of, and that of 1914 was only normal. Christmas trade in most lines was good, though volume was below last year. But brisker business is looked for within a week or two.

Apricots-		
Apples, evaporated, per lb Standard, 25 lb, boxes Choice, 25 lb, boxes	0 06 0 10 0 12	0 06% 0 12 0 14
Candied Peels-		
Lemon Orange Citron	0 13 0 13 0 19	0 14 9 14 0 22
Currants-		
	0 07%	0 38 0 08 0 08%
Vostizzas, choice Cleaned, ½ cent more.		0 10
Dates-	1.1.1.1	
Fards, choicest, 12-lb. boxes Fards, choicest, 60-lb, boxes	0 09%	0 10
Package dates	0 01%	0 09
Hallowees	0 07%	0 08
Prunes-		
30-40s, California, 25 lb. bexes 40-50s, 25 lb. boxes	0 13%	0 14%
50-60s, 25 lb, boxes	6 12	0 12%
60-70s, 80 Ib. boxes	0 10	0 10%
90-90s, 50 lb, boxes	0.00	0 09%
90-100s, 50 lb. boxes	0 07%	0 08
Peaches-		
Standard, 50-lb. boxes	0 07	0 07%
Raisins- Sultana, choice, new	0 10	0 11
Sultana. fancy, new	0 12	0 14
Valencia	0 0814	0 09 0 10%
Seeded, fancy, 1 lb. packets	0 10%	0 10%
Seeded, choice, 12 oz		0 08%
Seedless, 16 oz. packets Seedless, 12 oz. packets	0 11	0 111/2
NUTS.——There is little n		Ine

walnuts and almonds which were delayed so long got to retailers in time for Christmas buying, though it was pretty late, and a number of them had decided to do without them. It is thought there are good supplies left in the hands of the supporters who are not able to handle them very advantageously. Brazils are firmer at prevailing prices, which, it will be remembered, showed a decline last week.

'n	Shell-	Per	
	Almonds, Tarragona	0 17%	0 20
	Brazils, medium, new	0 111%	0 1234
	Brazils, large, washed, new	0 13	0 15
	Chestnuts, peck	1 75	2 00
	Filberts, Sicily, new	0 13	0 14
	Peanuts, Jumbos, roasted	0 12%	0 13%
	Peanuts, hand-picked, roasted	0 10%	0 11
	Peanuts, fancy, roasted	0 09	0 10
		0 17	0 18
	Walnuts, Grenoble	0 15	0 16
	Walnuts, Bordeaux	0 11	0 12
	Walnuts, Marbots	0 13	0 14
3h	elled-		
	Almonds	0 42	0 44
	Filberta		0 35
	Peanuts	0 1014	A 1114
	Pecans	0 56	0 60
		0 48	0.50
	Walnuts	0 90	0 00

... SPICES .- Trade has fallen off as was to be expected after Christmas, because spices are peculiarly a good line for Christmas, and have a really good sale then. Stocks are now pretty low though, and business should pick up after stocktaking. Herbs remain firm at ruling prices.

Spices-	Compound, per lb.	Pure, per lb.
Allspices, ground	0 10	0 15
Allspice, whole		0 21-0 25
Cassia, whole	0 14-0 16	
Casela, ground		0 21-0 26
Cionamon, Batavia		0 34-0 40
Cioves, whole		4 20-0 20

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Cloves, ground	0 18-0 22	0 28-0 35
Cream of tartar	0 25-0 35	0 40
Curry powder		0 35
Ginger, Cochin	0 14-0 17	0 20-0 23
Ginger, Jamaica, ground	0 17-0 20	0 24-0 27
Ginger, Jamaica, whole		0 24-0 27
Ginger, African, ground		0 16
Mace		0 80-1 05
Nutmegs, brown, 64s, 52c;	Star Courses Ser	
80s, 42c; 100s		0 30
Nutmegs, ground, bulk, 45e:		
1 lb. tins		0 50
Pastry spice		0 22-0 25
Peppers, black, ground		0 19-0 22
Peppers, black, whole		0 20-0 22
Peppers, white, ground	0 19-0 24	0 30-0 33
Peppers, white, whole		9 27-0 30
Pickling spice		9 15
Turmeric		0 18-0 20
Turmeric	*********	0 10-0 50

COFFEE .- There is little change. The coffee market is very quiet, and there is not enough business over the year-end to give any character to it. Primary markets remain stationary, and quotations remain the same.

## Coffee

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Standard Old Govt. Java	0 36	0 38
Plantation Ceylon	0 32	0 34
Java	0 35	0 40
Arabian Mocha	0 33	0 36
Guatemala		0 32
Bucramanga	0 30	0 32
Mexican !	0 30	0 32
Maracaibo	0 26	0 29
Jamaica		0 26
Santos	0 21	0 24
Rio	0 18	0 22
hicory		0 14

RICE .- There is no change. Market is exceptionally quiet even for this after-Christmas period, but stocktaking has doubtless a great deal to do with it.

Rice-		
Rangoon, per lb. Rangoon, fancy, per lb. Patna, per lb. Japan, per lb. Jayan, per lb. Carolina, per lb.	0 04% 0 06 0 06% 0 08	0 04 0 05 0 073 0 08 0 083 0 10
Sago- Brown, per lb. White, per lb. Taploca-		0 061 0 06
Bullet, double goat Medium pearl Seed pearl Flake	0 06 0 06	0 104 0 T 0 97 0 104

SYRUPS .- Generally, there is nothing to report. As to molasses, speculation is rife as to the Barbadoes new crop. Rumors says that it will be offered high, but as delivery is pretty far ahead any fancy prices seem likely to meet with cold reception.

Syrups-	Per	-
2 lb. tins, 2 dos. in case		1 65
5 lb. tins, 1 dos. in case		3 00
10 lb. tins, 16 dos. in case		2 90
20 Hb. tins, 14 dos. in case		2 85
Barrels, per Ib		0 034
Half barrels, Ib.		0 04
Quarter barrels, Ib		0 047
Pails, 38% Ibs. each		1 95
Pails, 25 lbs. each		1 40
Molasses, per gallon-		
New Orleans, barrels	0 25	0 28
New Orleans, half-barrels	0 28	0 30
West Indies, barrels	0 24	0 26
West Indies, half barrels	0 25	0 25
Barbadoes, fancy, barrels	0 45	0 48
Barbadoes, fancy, half sarrels	0 47	0 51
Maple Syrup-Compound-		
Gallons, 6 to case	4 40	4 80
1/4 gals., 12 to case	4 70	\$ 40
% gals., 24 to case	4 70	6 40
Pints, 24 to case	2 60	3 00
Maple Syrup-Pure-		
6 gallon cans, 1 to case	6 45	6 50
Gallons, 6 to case	6 60	8 00
14 gallons, 12 to case	6 95	7 25
Quarts, 24 to case, in glass	1 00	7 25
Pints, % to case	4 00	6 90
Maple Sugar-		
Pure, per 1b.		0 12
Maple Cream Sugar-		
34 twin bars		1 30
40 and 48 twin bars	3 60	4 85
Maple butter, Ib. tins, dosen		1 90

#### CANNED GOODS.

ONTARIO AND QUEBEC PRICES 1914 PACK.

	Group	4
2's Asparagus tips	12	224
2's Asparagus butts	1	67%
2's Reans, crystal wax	1	66
2's Reans, crystal wax 3's Reans, golden wax, midget 2's Reans, golden wax	1	5
2's Beans, golden wax		95
3's Beans, golden wax	1	3214
Gals, Reans, golden wax	3	774
2's Beans, Lima	1	2214
2's Reans, red kidney	1	
2's Beans, Refuge or Valentine green		
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Beans, Refuge (green) Beans, Refuge, midget Lis, Beans, Rfuge Beets, sliced blood red, Simcoe Beets, whole, blood red, Rosebud Beets, whole, blood red, Simcoe Beets, whole, blood red, Somcoe 25 (7% 00 30 35 40 45 wer Cabba Carrots Cauliflows Corn, Fancy Corn, Fancy Js., Corn on Cob Parsnips Peas, standard, size 4 Peas, standard, size 4 Peas, sweet wrinkles, size 2 Peas, sweet wrinkles, size 1 Js. Peas, Early Junes Js. Sauer Kraut, Simcoe Spinach Spina 77% 95 05 52% 97% 17%  $\begin{array}{c} 0 & 95 \\ 0 & 97\% \\ 1 & 00 \\ 4 & 07\% \\ 4 & 37\% \\ 0 & 42\% \\ 0 & 32\% \\ 0 & 32\% \\ 0 & 32\% \\ 0 & 37\% \\ 1 & 15 \\ 1 & 50 \\ 0 & 97\% \\ 0 &$ 

#### FRUITS.

 Gals. Tomatoes

 3'a Turnips

 FRUITS.

 SRUITS.

 3'a Apples, Standard

 Gala, Apples, Preserved

 Gala, Apples, Preserved

 Gala, Apples, Preserved

 7's Blueberries, standard

 Gala, Blueberries, standard

 Gala, Blueberries, standard

 7's Blk. cherries, preserved

 Gala, Dit, red cherries, L.S.

 7's Cherries, rot, pitted, L.S.

 7's Cherries, white, not ptd, H.S.

 7's Corries, white, not ptd, H.S.

 7's Conselect currants, standard

 Gala, net currants, solid pack

 7's Gooseberries, Rus,

 7's Gooseberries, Rus,

 7's Gooseberries, Standard

 Gala, ce currants, solid pack

 7's Gooseberries, Standard

 7's Lawtonberries, I.S. (proup B)

 7's Peaches, white, Nagara, standard

 7's Lawtonberries, thesy syrup

 7's Peaches, white, heavy syrup

 7's Peaches, white, heavy syrup

 7's Peaches, yellow, heavy syrup

 7's Peaches, yellow, heavy 1 00 2 05 3 00 1 52 1 82 6 57 1 92  $\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \mathbf{P2} \\ \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{F}$ 1 77% 2 02% 2 12% 1 17% 1 62% 3 02% 4 77%  $\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 2 \\ 02'4 \\ 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 52'4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2'4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 2'4 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 92'4 \\ 1 \\ 92'4 \\ 1 \\ 92'4 \\ 2 \\ 00 \\ \end{array}$ h, heavy symp nson, standard heavy symp heavy symp Gage, beavy symp Gage, standard en Gage, standard s. Egg. b. s. Egg. b 1 27% 1 27% 2 77% 1 97% 1 97% 1 45 2 17% ard (group B) \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Gals. Raspberries, black, std.	7 0714
Gals. Raspberries, black, solid pack	9 3236
2's Raspberries, red, H.S.	1 9714
2's Raspberries, red, L.S. (group B)	1 45
2's Raspberries, red, preserved	
Gals. Raspberries, red, std	1 32%
Gals. Raspberries, red, solid pack	9 321/2
2's Rhubarb, preserved	1 57%
2's Rhubarb, preserved	
Gal. Rhubarb, standard	
2's Strawberries, H.S.	
2's Strawberries, preserved	2 321/2
Gals. Strawberries, standard	7 57%
Gals. Strawberries, solid pack	
(Grown B 2140 down lower)	

#### MANITOBA MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Dec. 30 .- The week has naturally been quiet. Up to a few days before Christmas a good demand existed for all the holiday season lines, with the single exception of figs. Since then, however, the demand has fallen off as far as ordering by the retailer is concerned. Selling by the retailer, however, has improved materially; and, taking everything into consideration, the Christmas trade seems to have been satisfactory.

SUGAR .--- Quotations here are still at the old figures, but a decline has occurred in Montreal.

Sugar. Eastern-	in sacks.
bugar, Anavera	IN ORCES.
Sugar, standard granulated	6 70
Extra ground or loing	6 70
Powdered	6 60
Lump, hard	7 15
Montreal yellow	5 80
Sugar, Western Ontario-	
Sacks, per 100 lbs	6 60
Barrels, per cwt	5 55
Halves, 50 lbs., per cwt.	5 80
Bales, 20 lbs., per cwt.	5 65
Powdered, barrels	5 90
Powdered, 50s	5 25
Powdered, 25s	6 55
Icing ,barrels	
Icing, 508	6 60
Icing, 25s	6 60
Toing naile	8 50
Cut loaf, barrels	6 30
Cut loaf, 50s	0 00
Cut loaf, 25s	
Sugar, British Columbia-	
Extra standard granulated	6 60
Bar sugar	6 75
Icing sugar	6 95
Powdered sugar	
H. P. lumps	
Yellow	
	0 50
B. C. Cane Syrups-	
2-lb. tins, 2 doz. to case, per case	3 15
5-lb. tins, 1 doz. to case, per case	3 50
10-lb. tins, 1/2 doz. to case, per case	3 30
20-lb. tins, 3 tins to case, per case (These prices prevail in Winnipeg, Cal	3 25
(These prices prevail in Winnipeg, Cal	gary, Regina,
Moose Jaw and Lethbridge. For Edmonto	n and Saska-
toon they are 5c case higher.)	
Molasses-	Per gal.
Barbadoes	0 53
New Orleans	0 34
Maple Syrups- Imperial quarts, case, 2 doz Imperial ½ gals., 1 doz	Per case.
Imperial quarts, case, 2 doz	5 40
Imperial % gals., 1 doz	6 55
New, pure, ½ gal. case	9 00
New, pure, ½ gal., quarts, case 2 doz.	9 70
New, pure, ½ gal., quarts, case 2 doz. New, pure, quart bottles, case 2 doz.	9 75
DRIED FRUITS No price	e changes

DRIED FRUITS.—No price changes whatever have beep struck here during the week. An upward movement in prunes, evaporated apples and apricots is, however, looked for. All these lines seem to be at their lowest level, and it cannot be long, in the opinion of experts, before an advance is made.

Apples, evaporated, new, 60's Apples, evaporated, new, 25's Apricots, choice, 25's Apricots, choice, 10's Apricots, standard, 25's		0 06% 0 07 0 12 0 13
Apricots, standard, 29's		0 11%
Currants- Dry clean		0.05
Washed		0 0814
1 lb. package 2 lb. package		0 08% 0 17 0 10%
Vostizzas, 1 lb Dates-		
Hallowee, loose, per lb	****	0 07%
Hallowee, 1 lb. pkgs, Fard dates, 12-lb. boxes		0 06%
Peaches-		
Standard, 25-1b. boxes		0 06%
Choice, 25-1b. boxes Choice, 10-1b. boxes		0 06%

C	A	N	A	D	I	A	N	G	R	0	C	E	R

Raisins, Valencias-		
Fine selected Four crown layers	2 35	2 45
Table Raisins-		
F. O. S		2 15
Fine selected, 14s		1 15
Fine selected, 7s		0.60
Vineyard clusters, 5½-lb. boxes Vineyard clusters, 20 1-lb. bunches,	••••	0 85
per box Extra dessert, 20 1-lb. bunches, per	•••••	3 30
box Royal Buckingham, 20 1-1b. bunches,		3 80
per box Royal Buckingham, 22 lbs, bulk, per		4 35
box Imperial Russians, 20 1-lb, bunches,	••••	4 30
per box Excelsior Windsor, 20 1-lb. bunches,	•••• /	5 15
per box Raisins, Sultanas-	•••••	5 55
California bleached	••••	0 11 %
Raisins, Muscatels- 3 crown loose, 50's		0.001
S crown loose 95's	••••	0 08%
3 crown, loose, 25's Choice, seeded, lb Fancy seeded, lb.		0 09%
Fancy seeded. Ib.		0 09%
12-oz. packages, fancy		0 08
12-oz. packages, choice		0 07%
Prunes, in 25-lb, boxes-		
90 to 190		0 074
80 to 90		0 08%
70 to 80		0 08%
60 to 70		0 094
50 to F0		0 09%
40 to 59		0 105
Table Layer Figs-		1.
7-crown, 35-1b. boxes, per 1b		0 154
6-crown, 10-1b. boxes, per lb		0 135
5-crown, 10-lb. boxes, per lb		0 125
4-crown, 10-lb. boxes, per lb		0 113
3-crown, 10-1b. boxes, per ib		0 113
Glove boxes, per doz.		1 70
Cooking figs, taps, about 25 lbs., lb Cooking figs, choice naturals, 28-lb.		0 053
bags, per lb		0 055
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NUTS.—While the ordering of these goods has been very heavy, it has fallen off during the week, and after perhaps a week or two more there will be little or no movement. There is a possibility of an advance in one or two lines, but the demand will be so small that such advance will not be of great importance. Soft shelled almonds (new) 012 012% 013% Filberts (new) 012 012% 013% Filberts (new) 014% 0455 Walnuts, shelled (new) 014% 0455 Walnuts, shelled (new) 012% 012% Roasted peanuts (new), Jumbos 014% Roasted peanuts (new), Jumbos 012% Pecans, choice, polished 017 022

TEAS AND COFFEES.—In tea there is no change. Coffee prices, however, have advanced, Rios and Santos being up 1c. It seems there has been a heavy export demand from Europe, and the rise on the primary market has come as a natural result.

Coffee-	Per	
Rio, No. 5, green		0 14%
Rio, roasted	****	0 17%
Santos, green, No. 4		0 161/2
Santos, roasted	0 22%	0 24
Chicory, per lb	0.01	0 56
Teas		
Japane-		
Choicest basket, fired	0 40	0 80
Choicest, pan fired		0 40
Very fine, pan fired	0 30	0 35
Medium, pan fired		0 25
Common, pan fired		
India and Ceylon- Souchongs	- K -	0 30
Pekoe Souchongs		0 35
Pekoe		0 40
Broken orange and orange	0 40	0 50
China-		
Fine Keelum	0 50	0 60
Good Packlum		0 35
Common moning		0 25
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BEANS.—There is a strong tone to this market, but no further changes have yet been struck. Peas, however, have advanced largely, 98's now being quoted at \$5.60. There is a scarcity of peas in Ontario, and the farmers there who have them are taking advantage of the export demand, and are rushing prices up and up.

Beans-	
Foreign, hand-picked	 3 30
Canadian, hand-picked	 3 40
3-lh. pickets	 2 85
California Lima Beans-	8 08%
Bag lots	
Less than bag lots	 0.05%

 Barley 3 00

 Peat, per sack, 96 lbs.
 4 15

 Peasility
 4 15

 Split peas, sack, 98 lbs.
 5 60

 Whole peas, bushel
 2 50

 Sack, 49's
 2 83

RICE AND TAPIOCA.—The market in rice is considerably easier, a substantial drop in prices having been struck during the week. Still lower prices may be looked for when the new crop is fully on the market. The present seems a time when dealers would do well to keep their stocks low. The new prices are: Bice and Tapice—

 Rice and Tapioca—
 0 05%

 No. 1 Japan, per lb.
 0 04%

 No. 2 Japan, per lb.
 0 04%

 Siam, per lb.
 0 04%

 Patna, per lb.
 0 06%

 Carolina, per lb.
 0 06%

 Sago, pearl, per lb.
 0 06%

 Tapioca, pearl, per lb.
 0 05

## SASKATCHEWAN MARKETS.

Regina, Dec. 30.—Local markets are quiet, following Christmas. Evaporated apples are lower, 50's being quoted at 7¼ cents. A new sugar list went into effect December 28, granulated being \$6.94. Butter and eggs and all kinds of poultry remain unchanged. Merchants enjoyed good Christmas trade throughout eity and district. Flour is quoted at \$3.30.

#### oduce and Provisions-

Produce and Provisions-		
Butter, creamery, per lb		0 31
Butter, dairy, No. 1 Cheese, per lb		0 21
Cheese, per lb.	0 17%	0 18
Eggs, storage, doz		0 28
Lard, 3's, per case		7 80
Lard, 5's, per case		7 75
Lard, 10's, per case		7 70
Lard, 20's, each		2 50
General-		
Beans, Ontario, per bushel	1111	3 40
	0 17	0 17%
Cream of tartar, lb.	****	0 52
Cocoanut. 1b.		0 20%
Evap. apples. 50's		0 0734
Potatoes, N.B., per bush Potatoes, Ontario, per bush		0 95
Potatoes, Untario, per bush		3 55
Rolled nats, bail of 80 lbs		3 30
Flour, 98's Oysters, per gal.	••••	2 50
		4 30
Rice, per ewt. Sugar, standard, gran., per cwt		6 94
		6 40
Sugar, yellow, per cwt. Walnuts, shelled, 54c; almonds		0 53
Canned Goods-		
Apples, gals., case		1 35
Broken beans, 2's		2 65
Beans		2 28
Corn, standard, per 2 dozen		2 28
Peas, standard, per 2 dozen		2 28
Plums, Lombard	2 15	2 26
Peaches		3 21
Strawberries and raspberries		4 05
Tomatoes, standard, per dozen	2 40	2 65
Salmon-	1.11	
Sockeye, 1's, 4 doz. case Sockeye, '4's		9 85
Rockeye, 14's		12 35
Cohoes, 1's		6 00
Humphacks, 1's		4 60
Fruits and Vegetables-		
Apples, per bbl., Ontarlo	4 00	4 25
Cranberries, per bbl		7 90
Grapefruit, per crate		5 50
Sweet potatoes, per crate		4 50
Lemons		5 90
Oranges	3 25	4 00
Dried Fruits-		
Apples, per lb.		0 124
Apples, per lb.		0 074
Currants, per Ib		0 08%

## NEW BRUNSWICK MARKETS. By Wire.

St. John, Dec. 30.—Christmas trade has been quite satisfactory. There was a big demand for all foodstuffs, but dealers are not altogether pleased with collections, as much paper has been given. The stock of turkeys for holidays was good, with prices at 23c to 25c at first, but advancing later to 26c and 27c. There is a fair supply for New Year's market. There are no changes except in Ontario flours, which have ad-

Produce and Provisions— Bacon, breakfast, per lb, Bacon, roll, per lb, Boef, barrel Pork, American clear, per bbl Pork, domestic, per bbl Butter, clairy, per lb, Butter, creamery, per lb. Eggs Lard, compound, per lb. Lard, pure, per lb. Cheese	26 50 3 15 26 00 27 50 0 26 0 29 0 30 0 10% 0 13	0 22 0 17 27 00 3 30 28 00 0 27 0 30 0 31 0 10% 0 13%
Flour and Cereals— Commeal, gran Flour, Manitoba, per bbl. Flour, Manitoba, per bbl. Rolled oats, per bbl. Oatmeal, standard, per bbl.		5 75 1 85 7 55 6 95 7 00 7 70
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables— Lemons, Measina, box Oranges, Val., case Potatoes, bbl	4 00	7 00 5 50 1 35
Sugar- Standard granulated United Empire Bright yellow No. 1 yellow Paris humps	6 70 6 60 6 50 6 20	6 80 6 70 6 60 6 30 7 75
Beans, white, per bush. Beans, yellow eyes, per bush. Canned port and beans, per case Molasses, per gal. Cream of tartar, per lb., bulk. Currants, per lb. Rice per cwt.	2 95 3 15 2 80 0 35 0 38 0 08	3 00 3 20 3 00 0 36 0 41 0 0834 5 00

## MONTREAL GUILD'S OFFICERS.

Montreal, Dec. 31.—The Montreal Wholesale Grocers' Guild has elected the following to hold office during the year 1915. President, N. Gendreau; vicepresident, Albert Hudon; treasurer, J. T. Lalonde; directors, S. J. Carter, Armand Chaput, S. Deschatelets.

The newly elected president, Mr. Gendreau, was chosen as the Guild's nominee for election to the council of the Board of Trade.

The retiring president, Zeph. Hebert, of Hudon, Hebert & Cie., presented the annual report for 1914, which showed that during that year the Guild had been highly successful in its work in the interests of the wholesale grocery trade, a notable success having been scored by the Guild in preventing the railway companies from abrogating the privilege, heretofore enjoyed by shippers, of mixing carloads of dried fruit and groceries when shipping to the North-west.

## CATALOGUES AND BOOKLETS.

A very useful and attractive little pocket diary for 1915 has been issued by J. & J. Colman, Limited, with which is incorporated Keen; Robinson & Co., Limited, London, England. It is called "Colman's Diary and Memorandum Book." In addition to a great deal of information on many topics of general interest, there are blanks for a diary for every day in the year. The book is substantially bound in leather, and is being sent through the company's Canadian agents, Magor, Son & Co., Limited.

## CALENDARS FOR 1915.

"Her Nose Out of Joint," is the subject of an attractive little calendar issued by A. E. Kelly, grocer, at the corner of Florence and Lyon Sts., Ottawa, Ont. The picture illustrating the title is a most engaging one showing a down-cast and dejected little girl who for the time being is superseded by a more recent addition to the family. The young "ruler" of the home is going into ecstacies over the tooting of a horn for his sole benefit while the little girl stands aside with "her nose out of joint" as the saying goes.

The calendar of Libby, packers, Chicago, is of the usual bright, sunshiny character. The picture is that of a rosy complexioned little girl wending her way to the fish pond through meadows dotted with dainty flowers and with a forest in the background. In the lower corners are shown fac-similes of cans of corned beef and asparagus, manufactured by the company. With this larger calendar is a miniature one showing a couple of rosebuds in the richest of hues.

An attractive calendar, entitled "June Roses," has been issued this season by Walter S. Bayley, grocery broker, Toronto, and sent out with his compliments. The picture is that of a beautiful woman from a painting in colors, with sepia background. About the shoulders of the woman is a beautiful garland of pink roses, from which the picture takes its title.

## BUSINESS OUTLOOK FOR NEW YEAR.

(Continued from page 28.)

care of our business from day to day. Without external aid we cannot go on building railways and all their incidental equipment in the form of depots and terminals, nor canals, new buildings on the same scale as during the last decade, and other forms of capital outlay. Many of our industries are dependent on this class of work. They have ahead of them a very lean period unless their plant, or their fixed capital, can be adapted to other purposes. Much of it can but in the meantime they will be "slack."

## HOW MUCH COFFEE DO YOU SELL ANNUALLY?

## (Continued from page 31.)

in tins for those customers who like their coffee that way.

"The selling power of suggestion is, too, well exemplified in the use of the coffee machine. At first we simply ground coffee whenever we had a call for it, but that didn't quite satisfy us. As you know the women folk who go down town on their afternoon shopping tours or to the

matinee return home from about three o'clock to five-thirty or so. We figured out that sales of coffee could be readily created by getting these women thinking about it as they called in to make their evening purchases. So we started the mill going with a few beans each afternoon just as the first customer began calling in. This usually opened up the buying and you would be surprised to see the number of sales made during an evening. In the summer time we leave the door ajar so that the aroma is carried out into the air and on many occasions we have observed people who weren't regular customers drop in for coffee only.

"While I have not yet increased my coffee sales up to the mark which would show a consumption of two pounds per capita in a year, I am heading that way and hope to attain it sooner or later. Give a customer a reason or suggestion for buying a particular line and if she has the money she'll get it. That is the principle we are now working on with many varieties of goods and it is certainly producing results."

A question that every Canadian should ask himself to-day is this: "Am I getting my share of the coffee business?" and if it is answered in the negative then, "What steps must I take to get it?"

## The Troublous Turkey

WHAT'S in a name? Nothing, so one William Shakespeare said. But Turkey is a name which is wisest omitted from conversation with poultrymen just now. It is only the week after Christmas, and they remember Christmas. So does a large section of the public.

Three weeks ago turkey was selling in Toronto, wholesale, at 15 cents a pound. There was lots of it. Every farmer for miles around drove in his birds to market, and there was turkey galore. But the abundance, while it was good for the public was bad for the farmer. It appeared to him that there might be such a thing as "too much Turkey." The next week, there were comparatively few birds in the city markets. Prices went up to 18 cents and thereabouts, and the wholesaler chuckled. Year after year the dealer tries to beat the farmer at the turkey-game. Said the dealer to himself, "No turkeys this week. Therefore I may put my price up. And therefore, also, the farmer, who is holding off this week, will have to sell his birds next week, in time for the Christmas demand. And I shall be able to buy them cheap, and make a fair profit." There is no doubt that this was the attitude of the large Ontario dealers in general. A scarcity two weeks before Christmas meant a glut in Christmas week. They were sure of it.

But the farmer is a canny individual. He, too, had been thinking.

Came the day before Christmas. The retailers called up the wholesalers, and said, "What about turkey?"

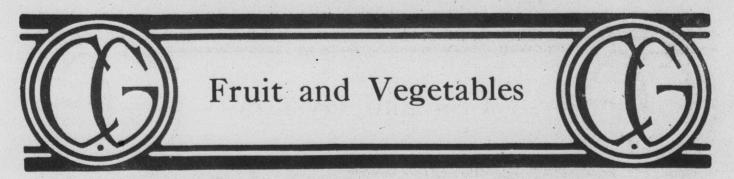
And the dealer said, "We have none."

Christmas Eve, and there were practically no fresh turkeys on the street. Buyers couldn't get them. I know a man who went round the retailers' stores late in the afternoon of Christmas Even, and the only thing he could get was storage stuff, unless he wanted to pay 25 cents and 26 cents a pound for it. Even at that, there was hardly any fresh stuff to be had. By five or six o'clock, the only fresh bird in the Toronto market was a big bird, weighing 281/4 pounds, obviously too big for the average household. Further afield. in the suburbs of the city, 25, 26 and 27 cents was charged, and obtained. The public had to pay it, if it wanted Turkey. And all this on top of the promise, two weeks earlier, of turkey for the consumer at 19 and 20 cents a pound.

There were three reasons for the hold-up. One was that there was not so much killing this year. The second was that the roads were snowed up, some of them to six feet, and the farmers, who had left things to the last minute, couldn't get in to mar-And the third, and most imket. portant, was that the farmers bethought themselves that they could make more by selling their birds to Buffalo and Niagara Falls. American buyers offered them higher prices. City dealers, expecting a slump, refused to bid high, and the farmer got out, made his money, and left his home market short of turkey for Christmas.

And he also caused several dealers and retailers to lose a lot of money. One butcher—in a big way—lost six thousand dollars.

Did we call it The Troublesome Turkey?



## Apples Higher; Spanish Onions are Firmer

Apples. Both in Toronto and Montreal, Made a General Advance California Navels Down in Toronto - Lemons Moving But Slowly - Cranberries Higher - Canadian Onions Down, but Spanish Up-Exceptional Demand for Oranges in East.

## MONTREAL.

FRUIT .- The apple market continues remarkably firm, varieties like Baldwins and Spys bringing as high as \$4 per bbl. There are cheaper grades selling for \$3.25 to \$3.50. With such high prices, the demand falls off, making it unprofitable for small dealers to earry them. Other varieties continue firm. Around Christmas, owing to the unusually good demand for turkeys, the price of cranberries advanced to \$6, and are getting a little scarce, partly owing to the colder weather. During the holidays there has been an exceptionally good demand for oranges. Lemons continue to sell as low as \$2.25, but are not very fancy at that

price.		
Apples-		
Baldwins, No. 1, bbl.		40
Spys, No. 1, bbl.		40
		3 5
		3 5
Fameuse, No. 1, bbl.		. 5 0
		5 0
ATU: 4. All Varieties, 500 loss nor 1	Lownord.	
		2 2
		6 5
Graperruits, Jamaica, case		30
Grapefruits, Jamaica, case Grapes, Malaga, keg	5 00	55
Grapes, Belgium hothouse, lb.	0 75	10
		56.0.20
Messina Verdelli extra fancy, 300 size	2 25	2 7
Malaga, 420 size		5 (
Cal. Navel, 150-176-200-216-250-288.		3 1
		3 1
r 10110a, 110-200-216		2 1
		21
Mexican, 126-150-176-200-212.022		21
		6 (
		0.1
Holly case		

VEGETABLES .- Brussels sprouts are about done, and will come from the States from now on. Cauliflowers are likely to advance to \$2.25 per doz. owing to supplies from New York and California not arriving. However, the price will likely be down to \$1.75 next week. Good cucumbers are worth \$2.75 for fancy, but scraggy stock can be secured for \$1.75 doz. There is little demand this year and prices should be lower before long. Celery, Cal., brought \$5.50 erate around Christmas, but is considerably cheaper now. Leeks are scarcer. Boston head lettuce brings \$1.50-\$1.60 box. Earlier in the week it was cheaper. Parsley is worth \$1 doz. hothouse. Watercress is quoted \$1.25 doz. big

bunches. Price of potatoes remains the same-65c-75c. Sweet potatoes are said to be worth \$2.50 hamper, which is an advance of 25c. Hothouse tomatoes are not coming in well. They are not ripe, and what are on the market are worth 30c lb.

000 10.		
Artichokes, bag		1 25
Beets, bag		0 75
Brussell Sprouts, bunch		1 00
Cabbage, per bbl		1 25
Carrots, bag		0 75
Cauliflower, dozen	1 75	200
	and the second second	2 75
ucumbers, fancy, doz		
Celery, crate	4 75	5 00
Leaks, doz		1 75
Lettuce, head, per box	1 50	1 60
Curly lettuce, rer box		1 25
Onions-		
Spanish, per case		3 75
Spanish, per 1/2 case		2 21
Red. 75-1b. bags		1 50
Parsnips, bag		0 7
Parsley, doz. bunches	0.00	0 7
rarsiey, doz. bunches		
Peppers, green, 3½-qt. basket	****	0 54
Potatoes-		
Montreal, bag	0 65	0 7
Potatoes, sweet, Jersey, hpr		2 5
		3 5
Spinach, American, in bbls	1111	2 0

Turnips, bag Tomatoes, hothouse, lb. Watercress, doz. 1b. ..... 0 30

## TORONTO.

FRUIT .- Once more California navels are down, and may be bought as low as \$2.25. Dealers say that the crop has never been so sweet and so good for Christmas in years; usually it takes until the middle of January for them to get really sweet. Apples are higher generally. Kings and Spys, best grades, are up to \$3.25. Cranberries are at \$7. an advance of 50c. Slowly but surely cranberries are becoming a good deal more popular in Canada. Lemons are firm at prevailing prices. They are comparatively slow in moving until the cold weather sets in once and for all. Then they are bought for hot drinks, and so on. All fruits are moving well. Whatever other lines have experienced, Christmas was a good time for the fruit men. They agree that they did exceedingly well. Apples and oranges were particularly good sellers.

ples-				
Wagner				
Greenin	gs			2 25
Kings				2 25
Raldwin				
Spies .				2 00
Seeks				2 25
Canada				
Snows				
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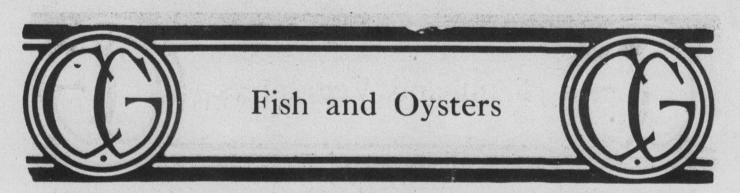
Bananas, per bunch	1 50	2 00
Cocoanuts, sack	4 00	4 50
Cranberries	6 50	7 00
Grapes- Canadian, 6-gt, bkts.	0 16	0 20
Tokays	0 10	2 50
Malaga, barrel	4 50	6 00
Malaga, fancy, barrel	6 00	7 00
Oranges-		
Florida	2 25	2 50
California, late Valencias	4 00	4 50
California navels		3 00
Lemons, Messinas		3 25
Lemons, Messillas	3 75	4 00
Lemons, California		1 25
Limes, per 100	****	1 20
Pears-		
California, box		3 25
Canadian, late varieties	0 25	0 30
Pineapples, Porto Rico, case 10	2 75	3 25
		2 75
Grape fruit	2 50	2 10

VEGETABLES. - Cauliflower from California is going well, and is down a little from last week. \$3 to \$3.25 is price. Fresh supplies are coming in right along now. Potatoes are firmer, and higher prices are talked of among potato men. There is a noticeably better demand this week. Onions are moving freely. Canadians are down a trifle. Spanish are up to \$4 for best grades, and are proving good sellers. Holly is, of course, all done now, and incidentally, there was an overwhelming demand for it at Christmas, right at the last minute. Celery continues in good demand. It is down to \$3.25. Generally, dealers express themselves satisfied with the Christmas trade, though it was behind that of last vear.

Jean.		
Beets, Canadian, bág Cabbage, Canadian, dozen Carrots, bag	0 50 0 35 0 50	0 65 0 40 0 60
Cauliflower, doz Citrons, doz	1 00	1 25 0 45
Silicing, hothouse Medium pickling sizes Celery, California, case Mushrooms, per lb. Water Cress, 11 gt. baaket	1 50 0 35 3 50 0 70	1 75 0 75 0 90 0 50
Onions- Spanish, big crate Can., 75-lb. bags Green peppers, basket	3 50	4 00 1 35 0 75
Potatoes, Delaware Potatoes, Canadian, bag Parsley, basket, 11-qt,	0 80 0 70 0 30	0 85 0 75 0 35
Pumpkins Tomatoes, hothouse, lb. Turnips, bag Sweet potatoes, hamper	0 10 0 17	0 90 0 20 0 40 1 65
Squash, Hubbard, dog. Lettuce, box Parsnips, Canadian, bag	0 65	0 75 2 00 0 70
Persimmons, California, crate Pommegranates, dos. Pommegranates, crate	3 00	2 50

## WINNIPEG.

FRUIT .-- Christmas buying is now, of course, over. This was satisfactory at Continued on page 43.



## Smelts Are Dearer; Trade Generally Quiet

Absence of Any Fish Day This Week Again Hits Trade Hard-Oysters Slow on Account of Fewer Banquets This Year-Smelts and Tomcods Short in Montreal.

## MONTREAL.

FISH .--- Business was quiet this week owing to the fact that there was but one fish day, the holiday falling on a Friday. However, fish dealers are expressing satisfaction with the amount of business done during the close of the year, and it is hoped that an improvement will be shown all round in 1915. Owing to severely cold weather, it is feared that some lines of frozen fish will be short. All kinds of lake fish, according to reports, will be in large quantities. Frozen salmon and halibut will also be in ample supply to fill trade requirements. Lent being early next year, a very active trade is expected in all lines of frozen fish. So far, smelts and tomcods, which are usually in good supply at this time, are short. Trade in lobsters, oysters, and scallops should be good until January 10.

#### TORONTO.

FISH AND OYSTERS .- All general lines are in fair demand. Smelts are much scarcer, though, so far as smaller lines are concerned, there is a decreased demand. Extras are wanted, though. At all times these are better sellers. There is more food on them. They are a favorite with Italians. Halibut is meeting with good demand. Generally fish men seem to have been in bad luck over the holiday. New Year's Day, like Christmas, is a Friday, but Catholics are absolved from fasting, and may eat what they will. Some years when fast day has been a festival, fish day has been observed on Thursday, but even this is not the case this year. It is said that in England fish is so high just now that all fish days have been cut out for an indefinite period, which is, of course, an unwelcome hearing for fish men. Oysters are only fair. Usually there is a good demand just now because of various banquets by associations. High cost of war has precluded many of these

functions this year, and oysters have little sale.

## SMOKED FISH.

Montreal Toron Haddies, per lb. Haddies, 15-lb, and 30-lb, boxes, lb.... Haddies, fillets, per lb. Herring, Ciscoe, per box st. John boaters, 100 in box Yarmouth bloaters, 60 in box Smoked boneless herrings, 10-lb, box... Kippered herrings, selected, 60 in box Smoked balmon, per lb. Smoked halibut FROZEN FISHL-SEA .08-.10 .07 FROZEN FISH-SEA FISH

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ontres! Toronto . .10-.11 .09-.0914 medium, per lb. Halibut, eastern chicken and me-dium, per lb. Mackerel, bloater, per lb. Harddock, medium and large, lb.... Market codfish, per lb. Steak codfish, per lb. Canadian soles, per lb. Blue fish, per lb. Smelts .08-.08% .04%-.00 .04%-.00 .05%-.00 .08 .16-.17 .12

B DRIED AND PREPARED FISH. cofinsh, medium and small, 100 lb., 7 00 hake, medium and large, 100 lb... 6 00 pollock, medium and large, 100 lb. so ed or skinless codfish, 100-lb. case... 7 25 ess codfish, 2-lb. blocks, 20-lb. bzzs, lb. 0 08 nele per lb. Boneless 

 Buncless codfish, 2-lb, blocks, 20-lb, bxs., per lb,
 0 07
 0 07

 Boneless codfish, strips, 20-lb, boxes.
 0 12
 0 10

 Shredded codfish, 12-lb, boxes, 24 cartons,
 a
 box
 1 20
 1 80

 Boneless codfish, in 2-lb, boxes, 24 cartons,
 a
 box
 1 80
 1 80

 Boneless codfish, in 2-lb, and 3-lb, boxes 0 15
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 Bulk C VSTERS, CLAMS, ETC.
 Standard, solid meats, gal.
 1 70
 1 65

 Standard, solid meats, gal.
 1 70
 1 65

 Stendtard, solid meats, gal.
 1 60
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 Best sciolops, imp, gallon
 2 00
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 Best sciolops, imp, gallon
 2 05
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 Sealed, best salect, quart cans, each.
 0 50
 ...

 Sealed, best select, quart cans, each.
 0 60
 ...

 CLAMS, MUSSELS AND SHELL FISH, CRUST
 ACEANS, ETC.
 Cape Ccd shell oysters, per bbl.
 8 00
 ....

8 00 0 40 FRESH FISH.

Montreal Toronto PICKLED FISH.

Salmon,	Labrador,	tierces, 300	1b	20 00	
Salmon,	Labrador.	bbls., 200	1bs	14 00	
Salmon,	Labrador.	half bbls.,	100 Ibs	7 50	
				13 00	14 0
Sea trout	, Baffin's	Bay, bbls.,	200 lb	12 00	
Sea trout	t, Labradou	r, bbls., 200	1b	12 00	

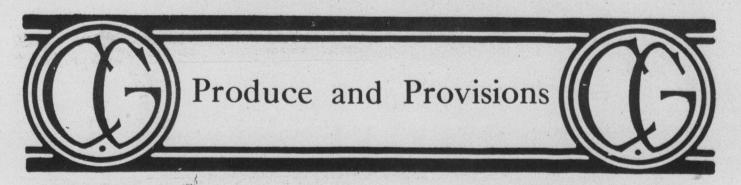
Sea trout, Labrador, Ball DDIS., 200 ID		0 30
Mackerel, N.S., bbls., 200 lb	12 00	
Mackerel, N.S., half bbls., 100 lb		
Mackerel, N.S., pails, 20 lbs		2 00
		6 25
Herrings, Labrador, bbls		
Herrings, 'Labrador, half bbls,	3 00	3 25
Herrings, Nova Scotia, bbls	5 00	6 25
Herrings, Nova Scotia, half bbls		3 40
Lake trout, 100-lb. kegs		
Quebec sardines, bbls		
Quebec sardines, half bbls	3 50	
Tonges and sounds, per lb	0 07%	
Scotch herrings, imported, half bbls		
Holland herrings, imp'ted milkers, hf bbis		
Holland herrings, imp'ted milkers, kegs,	0 85	0 75-1 00
Holland herrings, mixed, half bbls	7 00	1010.00.00
Holland harrings, mined harr	0 77	A 70 0 AF
Holland herrings, mixed, kegs	0 15	0 70-0 95
Lochfyne herrings, box		
Turbot, bbl.	14 00	

Sea trout Laborden half this 000 1

## WINNIPEG.

FISH.-The demand for various lines has continued good. Especially has there been an improvement in the call for oysters, which are being bought largely not only by city dealers, but from those throughout the country. It was feared at first that an arrangement brought about through political negotiations-an arrangement whereby wholesalers sell fish to any coming to their warehouses at wholesale prices-would have a tendency to decrease the demand for fish in retail establishments. This has not proved the case, however. The ordinary consumer does not seem to care for saving a cent a pound, but prefers to get fish through the regular channels, leaving the retailer to deal with the wholesaler. When asked what was the retailers' demand for fish, wholesalers state that it has improved, and that not three consumers have bought fish from them since the decision to sell these consumers at wholesale prices was made. There have been no changes in quotations during the week.

ish-	
New fresh jackfish	 0 03%
Lake Superior herring	 0 031/2
New tulibees	 0 04
Fresh mulletts	 0 03
Fresh whitefish	0 0814
Fresh pickerel	 0 0734
Trout	 0 124
Gold eyes	 . 0 0314
Halibut	 0 12
Frozen haNbut	 0 0916
Salmon	0 18
Frozen salmon	0 11
Fresh cod	0 10
Fresh smelts	0 11
Oysters, per gal.	2 00
Shell ovsters, per cwt,	2 00
Shell oysters, per bbl	17 00
Haddies	0 09
Haddles, fillets	 0 12%
Bloaters, /per box	1 50
Kippers, per box	1 75
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## Firmer Tone to Butter; New Laids Cheaper

Demand is Good for Butter and Prices Are Up-Some Storage is Better Than Fresh Made-Good Export Enquiry for Cheese-New Laids Are Cheaper-Storage Are Dearer, Because of Good Demand, and High Stocks-Virtually No Poultry in the Market.

## MONTREAL.

PROVISIONS. - Prices asked for abattoir fresh-killed stock are the same as last week, but the market is firm, and the demand exceptionally good, owing to seasonable weather. During the holidays trade in all lines of smoked and cured meats has been good, with plentiful supplies to fill requirements. Now that the slack period has opened, it is likely that considerable cutting in prices on the part of packers will take place, signs of which were seen three weeks ago. However, early this week there was no indication of any decline, prices being practically the same as last week.

Large, per lb.         0 1           Backs         Plain, bone in         0 2           Plain, bone in         0 2           Boncless         2           Peameal         0 2           Bacon         0 2           Breakfast, per lb.         0 18           Roll         0 12	3496
Plain, bone in         0 2           Boneless         2           Peameal         0 2           Bacon-         0 2           Breakfast, per lb.         0 18           Roll         0 1	3496
Peameal         0 2           Bacon         Breakfast, per lb.         0 18         0 1           Boll         0 1         0 1         0 1	9
Bacon-Breakfast, per lb 018 01 Roll	9
Breakfast, per lb 0 18 0 1 Roll	6
Roll 01	6
Roll 01	
Shoulders, bone in 01	ø
Shoulders, boneless 01	614
Cooked Meats-	
Hams, boiled, per lb 02	
Hams, roast, per lb 02	
Shoulders, boiled	
	0
Dry Salt Meats-	-
Long clear bacon, 50-70 lbs 01	
Long clear bacon, 80-100 lbs 01	
Flanks, bone in, not smoked 01	54
Barrelled Pork- Per bbl.	
Heavy short cut mess 27 (	10
Heavy short cut clear 27 0	
Clear fat pork 29 0	
Clear pork	
	10
Lard, Pure-	E.
Tierces, 350 lbs., net 01	
	12%
Boxes, 50 lbs. net 01	123
Pails, wood, 20 lbs., gross 01	123
	12
Cases, 10-1b. tins, 60 in case 01	123
Oases, 3 and 5-1b tins, 60 in case 01	13
Bricks, 1 lb., each 01	133
Lard, Compound-	
	093
	10
	10
	101
	104
Cases, 10-1b. tins, 60 in case 0	
	11
	12
Hogs-	
Dressed, abattoir killed 10 50 11	00

BUTTER .- The market has a very firm tone, but no change has been made in quotations, though this is expected before long. A New York buyer was on this market a week ago buying butter for the New York market, where a scarcity of the finest lines is felt. The firmer feeling here is due to this out-

side demand, as well as to a good local demand. It must also be considered that receipts compared with a year ago are away down.

tone to this market owing to the limited supply available. Consequently some holders are asking higher prices. There is little left for export, and many packers are cleaned up. Higher prices are suggested.

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EGGS .- It is predicted that higher prices are likely to be asked for storage eggs of late, with no stock to speak of to supply the demand. Lower stocks may result in higher prices.

New laids	0 50	0 55
Selects		0 31
No. 1s		0 27
Splits		0 20

HONEY .-- Buckwheat in bulk is in good demand, but the tone of the market is quiet.

	White Clover	
ley-	per lb.	per lh.
Barrels	0 11%	0 0814
Tins, 60 lbs,		0 09
Tins, 30 lbs		0 10
Tins, 5 and 10 lbs		0 10
Comb, 13-14 oz. section		0 14-0 15

POULTRY .- While turkeys in Montreal were not as scarce as in Toronto, the trade here had some difficulty in coping with the good demand which existed around Christmas, and still exists. No trouble was experienced in securing 18c-20c for fancy turkeys owing to the shortage of good quality stuff. There was plenty of ordinary stuff on the market, but the demand was chiefly for fancy. Stock had not begun to come in well early this week, and advances then were not unlikely. Geese sold fairly well, and prices were advanced slightly. -h Birch

5.1	reau oror	C.M.		Laires	Lite
					12-
	Spring	chicken		9-10	12-
			chickens, 5		16-
					18-
	Ducks				14-
	Geese				14-

## TORONTO.

PROVISIONS. - There is nothing new. Market is feeling the Christmas to New Year's slump. There was a fairly good Christmas trade, though it was not up to last year's. Bacons are moving well, and have taken the place in this connection of cooked ham, which had a good Christmas run. Wholesalers hear rumors of cheaper prices all round, but these have still to materialize.

Hams-		
Light, per lb.	0 16	0 16%
Medium, per lb.	0 15%	0 15%
Large, per 1b	0 10	0 1078
Backs, per lb.	0 21	0 22
Boneless, per lb.	0 22	0 23
Pea meal, per lb.	0 23	0 24
Bacon-		
Breakfast, per 1b.	0 17	0 18
Roll, per lb.		0 145
Shoulders, per lb	0 13%	0 14
Pickled meats-lc less than smoked.		
Dry Salt Meata-		
Long clear bacon, light	0 1314	0 14
Cooked Meats-		
Hams, boiled, per lb	0 22	0 23
Hams, roast, per lb.	0 23	0 24
Shoulders, boiled, per lb	0 20	0 21
Shoulders, roast, per lb	0 20	0 21
Barrelled Pork-		* 1010 m
Heavy mess pork, per bbl	25 00	26 00
Short cut, per bbl	27 00	29 00
Lard, Pure-		
Tierces, 400 lbs., per lb	0 11	0 11%
Tubs, 60 lbs.	0 11%	0 11%
Pails		0 12
Tins, 3 and 5 lbs., per lb		0 12%
Bricks, 1 lb., per lb	0 13	0 13%
Lard, Compound-		
Tierces, 400 Ibs., per lb	0 09	0 09%
Tubs, 50 Hbs., per lb.	0 09%	0 09%
Pails, 20 lbs., per lb.	0 091%	0 10%
Hoga-		
F.O.B., live, per cwt.		7 45
Live, fed and watereds per cwt		7 75
Dressed, per owt.	11 00	12 00
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BUTTER .- Market has shown steady improvement, and is decidedly firmer. Some dealers are getting half a cent to a cent more now than they did three weeks ago. General situation is in sellers' favor. Creamery is up a cent to 32c and 33c. Separator prints show same advance to 28c and 29c. There is quite a lot of storage butter around, and some of it is better than the fresh-made. Dealers keep on harping on the wretched quality of the supposedly best butter.

Creamery	prints.	fresh ma	de	0 :	0 32
Separator					
Dairy print		NCO			
The Brown				0	18 0 20
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there is a good firm demand, and export enquiries continue to come in offering at slightly increased prices. Dealers show no disposition to bite, however. A slight advance is looked for shortly. Stocks are light in England, and demand will improve.

Chee 17249 Old, large Old, twins New, large New, twins 0 18 0 18½ 0 17 0 17½ 0 1734

EGGS .- New-laids are beginning to come in now, and price is down to 45c to 50c, a decline of 5c for the week. Storage eggs are firmer, and a trifle higher. There is an increasingly firm demand and stocks are said to be light. Price of storage is gradually getting higher, and that of new-laids getting lower, until the two meet. Business was generally good over the holidays.

Per dozen. 0 45 0 50 0 32 0 33 0 29 0 30 9 25 0 26

POULTRY .- There really seems little use in quoting prices, because as one wholesaler put it, there is no market. "No poultry of any sort," seems to be the general cry. Prices, therefore, show a general advance. Turkey is worth 20e to 22c. Ducklings are up 2c to 3c; so are ducks; so are geese. There is very little live stuff now, anyway, and what there is doesn't appear. The after Christmas slump on prices of turkey so far has not come to anything, but then while prices are high, there are, as we have said, hardly any birds. The loosening up of the weather ought to help some, and incidentally prove whether there is anything in what the farmer pleads as an excuse for not getting his turkeys in at Christmas-the bad roads Presh Stock Live

Fowl	0 08-0 10	0 10-0 12	
Spring chicken, lb,	0 10-0 11	0 12-0 16	
Fancy, crate-fed chicken, 5 lbs.	0 13_0 15	n 16_1 19	
Turkeys, fancy		0 20-0 22	
Turkeys, old Tom	0 13-0 15	0 18-0 20	
Ducklings	0 08-0 12	0 14-0 17	
Ducks	0 12-0 13	n 12-0 1"	
Geese	0 12-0 13	0 15-0 16	

## WINNIPEG.

PRODUCE .--- There has been a steady business during the week, but no movement of importance as regards price has been noted. Pork continues firm, but as yet there has been no changes here, nor is an upward movement immediately expected.

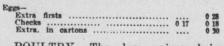
Cured Meats- Hams, per lb. Shoulders, per lb. Bacon, per lb. Long clear, D.S., per lb. Mess pork, bbl.		0 20 0 15 0 25 0 14 23 (0
Lard-		
Tierces		0 11
Tubs, 60s		6 75
Pails, 20s		2 3214
Cases, 5a		7 124
Cases, 38		7 20
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BUTTER.--This market also is firm. The demand continues good, and supplies are somewhat reduced.

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Creamery,	Manitoba		0 30
Dairy		****	0 25
		0 19	0 21

CHEESE .- This market is a little quieter than a week ago, and no changes in price are looked for immediately.

Cheese-New, large ..... New, twins 0 16% EGGS .- Though the exporting from the West has not been very heavy, it has had some effect on the local market, and eggs are considerably firmer. In view of the large supplies to the South, however, changes in price do not seem imminent.



POULTRY .- The low prices being asked have stimulated buying, and it seems now that no great stocks will be carried over. Little stock has come in this week, but owing to the heavier earlier shipment there is a quite sufficient supply on hand.

Fresh Stock— Turkeys, per lb. Ducks, per lb. Chickens, per lb. Geese, per lb.

## FRUIT AND VEGETABLES. Continued from page 42

the last, and the demand from the retailer was generally good, so that there is still a necessity for his re-ordering to keep up his stock for New Year. No price changes were quoted.

Washington Apples, bbls. B. C. box apples Cranberries, bbl. Bananas, lb.	3 75	1 25 4 00 1 50 7 60 0 0434
Grapes-		
Almeria, keg Grape fruit		7 00 3 50
Lemons— California Oranges, California Navels Japanese, box		<b>5 50</b> 3 50 0 60
Pears	2 00	3 00

VEGETABLES .- The Christmas season saw a heavy demand for such lines as lettuce and tomatoes. As far as prices are concerned, the market is quiet.

Celery, California Cabbages, per lb	0	00
Canliflower, per doz		75
Head lettuce, California, per	doz 1	00
Leaf lettuce, doz	0 45 0	50
Onions-		
California, 100-lb. sacks .	1	75
Valencia, per case	4	50
Parsley, per doz. bunches .	0	40
Tomatoes, California, per cas	se 1	00
Honey, comb, per case (24 se	ections) 5	50

## Travelers Give Fine Donation

Ten Thousand Dollars Presented to Patriotic Funds at Annual Meeting — Number of the Association Members on Firing Line—The New Officers.

ORONTO, Dec. 31.-That the commercial travelers are patriotic men is shown by the liberal donation made at their annual meeting here last Saturday to the Patriotic Funds. At that meeting the Commercial Travelers' Association of Canada endorsed three cash contributions, totaling \$10,-000, to Canadian Patriotic Funds. The amount was distributed as follows? Red Cross Association, \$5,000; Belgian Refugees' Fund, \$3,000, and Canadian Patriotic Fund, \$2,000.

The gift to the Red Cross Fund is to be utilized towards placing cots in a large emergency hospital in London, which is being fitted out near the Waterloo Station for the wounded soldiers brought back from the scenes of war. There will be 1,460 cots in this temporary hospital.

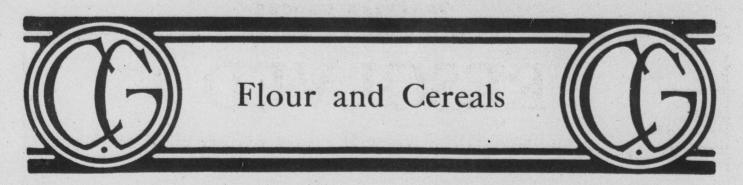
The meeting also sanctioned a resolution instructing the board of directors to keep in good standing for the approaching year all the Canadian travelers who have volunteered for service at the front, and who are members of the mortuary benefit fund. There are forty travelers in the first Canadian contingent at Salisbury Plain, and it is expected that a large number will enlist in the second Canadian contingent. It was also announced that travelers at-

tached to the first contingent had been remembered by the association on Christmas Day, each member getting a leather belt and a handsome cash contribution.

All the reports presented dealing with the general business of the organization for the past year were of a most encouraging character, particularly that of the treasurer, E. Fielding, who announced that a considerable amount of money had been added to the reserve Mr. Fielding pointed out that fund. this had been made possible owing to the very light death rate during the vear. He announced that the permanent reserve fund has passed the \$1,-000,000 mark.

A report was submitted by a committee appointed two years ago to investigate whether or not it would be necessary to revise the by-laws of the mortuary benefit fund. The committee decided that there was no necessity of making any change at the present time.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year :- President, J. G. King (accl.); vice-presidents, Alexander Cook and C. J. Tughill; treasurer, E. Fielding; directors: Kingston, W. H. Graham and John Wright; Montreal, George Dawne; Guelph, G. H. Gemmell; Brockville, George E. Jener.



## Revival in Exports; General Advance Impending

Prices All Round Are Firmer, and Will Go Higher Very Shortly — Ontario Winter Wheat for Export, Particularly to Scottish Ports, is a Feature—Canadian Millers Getting Best of it Just Now—American Ports Glutted.

## MONTREAL.

FLOUR .-- Prices here are said to be too low compared with those in Ontario, and millers declare that the longer retailers wait, the more they will have to Advices all state that pay later on. prices will be higher, but nobody seems disposed to buy, having fairly good stocks. Dealers bought so much in September, believing they would get no flour, whereas it can be bought a dollar cheaper to-day. Brokers here state they cannot bring Ontario flour in here and sell it profitably at prevailing prices. A miller, who last week offered 90 per cents for \$4.90, was early this week asking \$5.10. The strong wheat markets at American and Canadian centres have had a decided improvement in the demand from foreign buyers for spring wheat flour, but scarcity of ocean reight space is holding business back.

Manitoba Wheat Flour- First patents Second patents Strong bakers' Flour in cotton sacks, 10 cents per bi		6 20 6 00
Winter Wheat Flour-	Car lots.	Small lots.
Fancy patents	5 50 2 50 5 70	6 00 2 60
CEREALS This market i		

any remarkable feature, prices being steady with moderate demand. The improvement in the oat market during the past two weeks has had a beneficial effect on the market for rolled oats.

Commeal-	Per 96-lb	. sack
Gold dust	2 20	2 25
Unbolted		
Rolled Oats_	90's in	inte.
Small lots	3 10	
25 bags or more	3 07%	
Rolled oats in cotton sacks, 5 cents	more.	
Oatmeal-fine, standard and granulated, over rolled oats in 90s, in jute.	10 per	cent
Rolled Wheat-	100-1b.	
Small lots		3 50
Hominy, per 98-1b. sack		
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FEEDS.—The tone of this market continues very firm, with a fair demand. However, there is little disposition to buy in car lots, as the dealer considers the price too high. Usually business around New Year is dull, dealers waiting until January to see what develops. Millers state they can afford to wait. Bran brings \$25, shorts \$27, and mid-

dlings \$30. A good trade continues in Moulee, and the market is active and firm. Oats are much dearer in Ontario than in Quebec, where the crop was unusually good.

fill Feeds-	Car	lots,	per	ton
Bran			25	00
Shorts			27	00
Middlings			31	00
Wheat moulee			33	00
Feed flour			40	00
Mixed chop, ton			38	00
Crushed oats, ton			40	00
Barley, pot. 98 lbs.			4	00
Oats, chop, ton			38	00
Barley chop, ton			36	00
Feed oats, cleaned, Manitoba, bus	h		Õ	68

## TORONTO.

FLOUR .- While the general atmosphere of the flour market is that of the usual year-end, prices are a good deal firmer, and advances are looked for at any moment. Indeed, it is hard to say why prices have not already appreciated. Wheat quotations are up, and flour ought to be up 40 cents a barrel, according to millers. However, it may materialize later. Flour men report a very considerable export trade, as a welcome change from the last three or four months, particularly from Scottish ports. This is for Ontario winter wheat chiefly. Flour was quoted a day or two ago at 34/6 net, Glasgow. But the Ontario farmer is slow with his wheat, and there are less and less offerings. Just now British buyers are favoring this market rather than the States, because they will get their stuff sooner and as cheaply from Halifax as the ports over the line

the mic.	Small Car
Manitoba Wheat Flour-	lots. lots. per bbl. per bbl.
First patent Second patent Strong bakers	6 80 6 60 6 30 6 10
Flour in cotton sacks, 10c per b Winter Wheat Flour-	
Fancy patents	per bbl. per bbl.
90 per cent Straight roller	5 10 4 90
CEREALS Market is	5 35 4 95

firmer. Lower provinces record advance of 10 cents in most grain lines, but this is not general so far as Ontario and West are concerned. Prices remain stationary, but here, as in flour

market, an advance is impending, and may be registered at any moment. There is a good steady demand in all lines. Peas, despite their high price, command good trade.

Barley, pearl, 96 lbs	5 00
Buckwheat grits, 98 lbs 5 50	6 90
Corn flour, 98 lbs 2 50	3 00
Cornmeal, yellow, 98 lbs 2 55	2 65
Graham flour, 98 lbs 3 00	3 30
Hominy, granulated, 98 lbs	3 00
Hominy, pearl, 98 lbs	3 00
Oatmeal, staudard, 98 lbs	3 92%
Oatmeal, granulated, 98 lbs	3 92%
Peas, Canadian, boiling, bush 2 90	3 00
Peas, split, 98 lbs	5 00
Rolled oats, 90-1b. bags 3 37%	3 57%
Rolled wheat, 100-1b. bbl 3 75	4 00
Rye flour, 98 lbs.	3 00
Wheatlets, 98 ibs 3 75	4 00
Whole wheat flour, 98 lbs 3 75	4 00

MILL FEEDS.—Prices are very firm and remain good. In bran, shorts and middlings demand is particularly brisk, though there is little doing in oats at present. Reports from East indicate good demand there for feeding lines, and it is said that oats will advance 5 cents a barrel. One or two men are already getting higher prices, though market is not officially higher.

Mill Feeds-	Mixe	d cars,	per	ton
Bran Shorts Middlings Wheat moulee Feed flour, per bag		28 00 30 00	27 29 32 30	00
Oata- No. 3, Ontario, outside points No. 5, C.W., bay ports		0 50		51 60

#### WINNIPEG.

FLOUR AND CEREAL.—A quiet tone to the market is noted. It seems quite likely, however, that this quietness will result in heavy ordering when the new year opens. The demand for rolled oats and all cereals continues large.

Manitoba Wheat Flour-	Per	bbl.
First patents		5 MD
Second patents		
Strong bakers'		\$ 10
Cereals-		
Rolled cats, per 80 lbs		2 80

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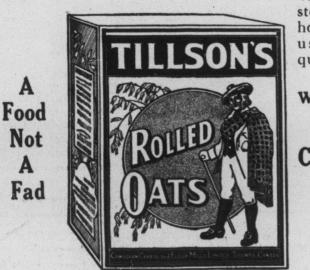
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5c Tins, 4 dos. to	case,
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weight 20 lbs	65
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4-0z.	1.40	1.35
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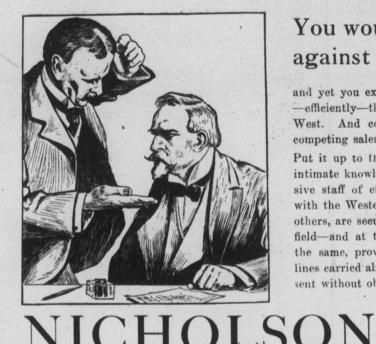
THE COWAN CO., L/TD.

Cocoa-

Cocoa-Perfection, 1-lb. tins, dos... 4 50 Perfection, 34-lb. tins, dos... 2 40 Perfection, 16-lb. tins, dos... 1 25 Perfection, 5-lb. tins, per lb. 0 35 Soluble bulk, No. 1, lb. ... 0 10 Soluble, bulk, No. 2, lb. ... 0 20 Soluble, bulk, No. 2, lb. ... 0 22 Special quotations for Cocoa in barrels, kegs, etc.

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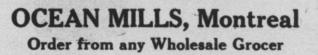
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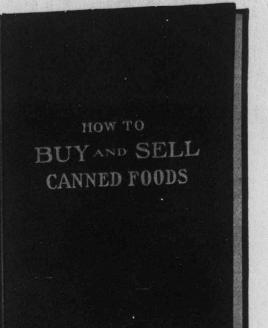
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