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the month of March Scotch pig iron fell 8/9, coals 6d, Chili copper nearly £2 stg.; Straits tin £13 per ton; wool, nearly £2 per package ; coffee about £17; wheat about 1/3; other articles were stationary and there was no advance worth noting in anything.

WE understand that an addition is to be made to the list of our manufactures by the formation of a Company called the Tolley Manufacturing Company, for the production of elastics used for gusseting in boots and shoes. The promoters of the concern, the capital of which is \$200,000, are now makers of these goods on a large scale in Nottingham, England, for the Canadian trade.

An extension of three years was lately given to Mr. D. McCallum, brewer, who has been over twenty years in business in the city of Quebec. He was unable to meet the early payments of it however, and has been obliged to assign, owing \$55,000. His assets were estimated at \$78,000, but being largely in real estate and plant could not be effectually handled.

AT THE annual meeting of the London, Ont.. Board of Trade officers were elected for the ensuing year :-- President, Mr. Thos. Thompson ; Vice-President, Mr. H. D. Long; Secretary, Mr. Thos. Churcher. Council-Messrs. C. P. Smith, G. S. Birrell, W. B. Heath, James Wright, C. B. Hunt, G. D. Sutherland, John Beattie, George Moorhead, George Pritchard, Thos. Pearson, J. R. Minhinnick and Andrew McCormick.

THERE is a combination of saw mill employees in St. John, N.B., which has of late become aggressive in the direction of increased wages and other demands. Some three hun-

of King & Son and insisted that it should be closed unless its operatives joined the Union. Their demand was refused and they presently dispersed, but the police authorities have been urged to detail a force to protect the saw mills.

SOME exemplary punishment ought to be visited on the crimps and rowdies who infest our seaboard cities and seek to impose upon sailors a sort of mob-law. In Quebec, two summers ago, three men went on board a Yarmouth ship lying in the harbour and tried to entice a sailor to desert. The sailor refused and was shot dead. No trace had been found of his murderers till last week, when a man nearly answering the description of one was found as a stowaway on an ocean steamer at Halifax and at once arrested.

Mr. M. MORRISON, flour dealer of Kingston, writes us in reference to his failure reported some weeks ago in these columns. It appears he has settled with his creditors at 50c on the dollar in cash and 25c on time without security. He asserts that he has not taken advantage of the circumstance that certain of his real estate stood in his wife's name but that he will be compelled to mortgage it in order to pay the composition; and that he had no intention of depriving his creditors of their rights in placing his property in its present position.

THE IMPORTS of Great Britain for the guarter ended March 31st were £92,374,097 and the exports £57,802,084, showing as much as £35,-000,000 of an adverse balance. There was a falling off in the exportation of the precious metals during the same time. The explanation of this large balance of trade is to be found in the great indebtedness of the whole world to England for loans and interest on loans, to the | Hamilton ; N. W. Moore, St. Thomas; H.

tries, and to the payment for carriage over the seas of the trade of the world, which is for the most part in the hands of English ship-owners.

RECENT advices from Yarmouth, N.S., are not very promising as to the condition of the shipping interests there. Business is very dull in the town and vicinity, ship freights being lower. Vessel stock is therefore we may suppose depreciated somewhat and a damper temporarily thrown upon building. One important concern there whose shipping investment is heavy and operations widespread, are in some embarrassment, and will require time on their indebtedness which amounts to a quarter million of dollars. Since the above was in type it is reported that the concern has failed.

IT IS TOO early yet to know anything of the course of the wool market for the coming season. Woollen goods are still much depressed in the States, and were it not for the smallness of stocks prices would not be maintained, which are 2 to 3c per lb. higher than the current rate at this time last year. A small lot of 1,000 lbs. Canada combing sold on the spot in Boston a few days ago at 65c currency, and the stock there is held at that price, though only about 6oc. is offered. 120,000 lbs. to arrive from Canada, have been sold at a gold price in bond equal to about $62\frac{1}{2}$ per 1b. currency there.

A LIST of assignments in the Province of Ontario from the 11th to the 26th April is as follows :- John Ross, Preston ; Andrew Robb, Woodstock; Daniel McLaren Toronto; D. Horan, jr. Prescott; G. A. Clarke, Pt. Dalhousie; D. Potter, Clinton; W. H. Frazer. Toronto ; D. C. Hickey, Kingston ; Alex. Foster,

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Williams, Metcalfe; Crozier & Campbell, Toronto; J. L. C. More, Almonte; John W. Grems, Brighton; C. J. Newton, Pembioke; T. Armstrong, Berlin. In the Province of Quebec the following assignments were made within the same period :-G. Decary, Montreal; P. E. D. Hayes, West Shefford ; S. Labrecque, Lanoraie; P. Paquette, Montreal; Thomas Gill, Montreal; Julia Cutler, Montreal; Wm. Hoff, Tp. Compton; A. B. Duval, Three Rivers; P. Blondin, Three Rivers; James Kyle, Montreal; David Murray, Montreal; L. Daggett, Lacolle ; Wm. Chasse, Quebec ; D.

IMPORTS of dry goods at Montreal for the month of March were, according to the Herald :

Fraser, Matapedia.

1873. 1874. **\$**453,388 Woollens.....\$365,967 572,682 Cottons...... 505,614 119,290 Silks and velvets..... 91,455 \$1,145,360 Total.....\$963,036

Increase.....\$182,324

IN THE spring circular of a Toronto importing firm-Messrs. John Macdonald & Co.-we find an admirable condensation of the arguments against the practice of dating goods forward; a modern innovation introduced into the wholesale dry goods business which promises to work much mischief. The circular says this practice " leads to merchants buying goods before they need them; to their buying larger quantities than their trade

demands; to their opening more business accounts than they would otherwise do; to their selling goods on credit which they might otherwise sell for cash ; it leads to large re-orders by the importer; it leads to excessive production by the manufacturer; it leads to a surfeit of goods in the market ; it leads to the forcing and sacrificing of goods by the holders ; it leads to the loss of the season's profit alike to buyer and seller; it benefits those only who buy goods when they want them, and who cannot see the advantage of buying printed muslins in January, or winter goods in July. When the Trade generally adopt the rule to date no goods forward (which they most assuredly will) there will be fewer goods imported; fewer goods wanted; dent.

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fewer goods sold on credit by country merchants; fewer goods sacrificed; fewer failures; a greater number of satisfactory balance sheets ; a greater number of "successful me chants," for by wholesale and retail men alike there will be more money made."

ST. STEPHEN'S BANK .-- The annual meeting of the stockholders of the St. Stephen's Bank was held last Friday. The following gentlemen were elected directors for the ensuing year: F. H. Todd, S. H. Hitching, H. F. Eaton, Z. Chapman, C. F. Todd, G. S. Grimmer, Jas. G. Boardman, Esquires. At a subsequent meeting of the directors F. H. Todd was elected Presi-



DISTRICTS.

We have recently had the opportunity of reading a large number of letters, written mostly by business men in various parts of Ontario, in answer to special enquiries as to the position of trade in their respective localities, and especially with reference to the results of the winter's business. The accounts vary very much, as they naturally would, and sometimes bear a gloomy or a bright shade, according to the peculiar type of the writer's mind. Taking them in the aggregate, we find certain leading facts about which there is enough concurrent testimony to establish them beyond reasonable doubt. If, for instance, we take the north-western counties of Simcoe, Grey, Bruce and Huron, we find that a largely increased trade has been done along the new lines of railway. The opening which many of those new localities were supposed to afford for establishing a business has caused an unnecessary multiplication of stores. Stocks in such localities appear to have been somewhat in excess, especially of woollens. This seems to be due not only to the over-sanguine calculations of traders, but partly to the mild character of the winter, both in the beginning and the closing months, and the consequent bad roads. Under such circumstances, produce is held back; and from this again

outstanding indebtedness.

Looking next at the western counties of Lambton, Kent, Essex, Elgin and Middlesex, it appears that trade has suffered from the open character of the winter, but especially from the depression of the oil industry. The small villages generally complain. It appears pretty clear from these letters that there is a general tendency in trade to forsake the small villages for the towns. This is an invariable result wherever railways are opened. Some accumulation of heavy goods is noticeable in all these districts, the demand for them having been quite over-estimated.

In the central counties of Brant, Oxford, Halton, Wellington, Peel, &c., a more cheerful story is told. It is evident that the cash system is coming more into favor among the traders in these districts. They are nearer the wholesale centres, and therefore visit the markets often, buy less, pay more promptly, and carry less stock over; business is therefore kept in better shape and more satisfactory to all concerned.

From the southern counties of Lincoln. Welland, Norfolk and Haldimand, the reports are not flattering. In Norfolk county there is an increase of outstandings and a general complaint of the smallness of cash sales. In the other counties named there are more heavy goods left over than usual, and an unsatisfactory season's trade is given as the general result.

Several counties east of Toronto, including Ontario, Northumberland and Durham, Peterboro', Victoria, &c., have more heavy goods than usual. At manufacturing points, such as Oshawa, less than the usual activity is reported, owing to the substitution latterly of American goods for the homemade. The towns generally in these counties are not suffering from depression. though auction sales of bankrupt stocks have done much damage in some localities. In the lumbering districts the trade generally has been disappointing.

THE PRESIDENT'S VETO OF THE INFLATION BILL.

The trite saying that peace has victories as well as war, has received an illustration in the firmness with which President Grant has resisted the efforts made to issue more irredeemable currency. His veto of the bill passed for that purpose will, we think. redound as much to his honor as the forcing of the Mississippi or the taking of Richmond. He was always celebrated for silence and firmness, and this is another position. Money which has been retained follows, as of course, a tardiness in the illustration of those qualities, so necessary by banks and capitalists will be more

payment of accounts, and an increase of to a ruler and a statesman. The message containing the refusal to sanction the measure is a model of brevity and sound argument, and the following extract contains the pith of all that has been or can be said against further inflation :--

> "The theory, in my belief, is a departure from the true principles of finance, national interest, national obligation to creditors, Congressional promises, party pledges on the part of both political parties, and of the personal views and promises made by me in every annual message sent to Congress, and in each inaugural address. "In my annual address to Congress in

December, 1869, the following passages appear: 'Among the evils growing out of the rebellion and not yet referred to is that of an irredeemable currency. It is an evil which, I hope, will receive your most earnest attention. It is a duty, and one of the highest duties of the Government, to secure to the citizen a medium of exchange of fixed, unvarying value. This implies a return to a specie basis, and no substitute for it can be devised. It should be commenced now, and reached at the earliest practicable moment consistent with a fair regard to the interest of the debtor class. Immediate resumption, if practicable, would not be desirable. It would compel the debtor class to pay beyond their contracts the premium on gold at the date of their purchase, and would bring bankruptcy and ruin to thousands. Fluctuations, however, in the paper value of the measure of all values—gold—is detrimental to the inter-est of trade. It makes the man of business an involuntary gambler, for in all sales where future payment is to be made, both parties speculate as to what will be the value of the currency to be paid and re-ceived. I earnestly recommend to you, then, such legislation as will insure a gradual return to specie payments, and put an immediate stop to fluctuations in the value of currency.' I still adhere to the views then expressed."

The decision has given universal satisfaction in the eastern centres of finance and commerce, and New York and Boston are relieved of apprehensions that have been troubling them ever since the introduction of the bill.

The bearing of the decision upon ourselves will, of course, be only indirect; but it will not be remote. We are too closely bound up with the United States, in commercial matters, for that. Several of our banks, moreover, have offices in New York, and their operations there are on a very large scale; large enough to have a powerful influence in Wall Street, and to affect the money market here. It is a somewhat complicated question, as all must admit, but, in our judgment, Canada will be affected somewhat as follows :--

The money markets of New York and New England will assume a more settled

business, therefore, may be expected to be more free and more active.

The articles we export, which will be affected by this state of things, will be lumber and wool. The grain business must go on as usual, come what will, but lumber and wool are both dependent on the condition of the manufacturing interests. In the large woollen mills of New England, everything depends on the general tone being one of hopefulness, or the reverse. If things are uncertain and doubtful, manufacturers order timidly and with hesitation. They hold back their orders; they buy as little as they possibly can; and this more particularly with us than with their own wool districts, for our transactions are, of course, on a gold basis. The same remarks apply even more forcibly to lumber, which is a heavy article, dealt in on long credit, yet requiring long cash outlays for freight and duties, and cannot move off freely unless the financial atmosphere is settled.

There is another aspect of the question which has a very practical interest for us. The uncertainty of the future has caused capitalists to hold their money in New York at command rather than invest it. Money, therefore, has been for some time so abundant, that only a very low rate could be obtained for it. As a natural consequence, banks have transferred large amounts of money to Canada, where it is being temporarily employed at present. But with a settled condition of things, the value of money may be expected to rise in New York, the effect of which will be that our surplus funds will be drained off.

This is not at all improbable, and men of business would do well to be cautious about entering into engagements based on the present plentifulness of money here being continued.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Any one who will take the trouble to read the reports of this Company from time to time, as they are issued, will be struck with the variety and multiplicity of difficulties experienced in attempting successfully to work a great railway such as the Grand Trunk. While the company was enabled to save a nice round sum during the last six months, in the way of a reduced percentage of expense, the adverse circumstance of the panic in the United States completely changed the calculations made in advance as to the results of the half year. By the dullness in freights, the rates were forced down to an almost ruinous point, tation runs considerable risk of serious flour being carried from Chicago to Liver- | damage therefrom. There is a heavy draw-

readily available for business enterprises; pool for \$1.40 per barrel, or for the rate usually quoted between Chicago and Boston. It appears, too, that the change of gauge involves an expenditure of \$5,000,000; then the line is being relaid with steel rails at the rate of 260 to 280 miles per annum. The strain upon the Company's resources is, therefore, a most serious one. Still, so long as the per centage of expenses is being reduced, and the traffic increases with the same rapidity as in the past, there can be no doubt of the Company's future. A step attended with some peril to the Company's interests, has been taken in terminating the management of Mr. Brydges. Should an equally capable man, and one who understands Canada as well, be found as his successor, no harm can result. If the rumor be true, that a gentleman associated with the management of an English railway, is to take the reins and the fortunes of the Grand Trunk into his hands, we confess to some anxiety as to the consequences. Managing a railway in Canada is a different matter from managing one in England; the circumstances are so different that we are quite clear that no one not familiar with this country and our people, ought to have control of the Grand Trunk.

We believe that no serious obstacle will be imposed to the passage of the Bill now before the Dominion Parliament, the chief object of which is understood to be the authorization of a further issue of stock, amounting to £8,000,000, which may be placed on the market from time to time mostly for the redemption of existing securities which mature. After a time, the conversion of these securities into the new stock will have the effect of simplifying the capital account, so that when a Grand Trunk security is offered in the market, it will be seen just what is meant ; and as Mr. Potter suggested, the larger the amount of this uniform stock, the better will be its position in the market. The conversion will, it is expected, take place in the course of seven or eight years.

BANKING REVIEW.

The very general and hopeful anticipations of an early spring have not been realized. April has been a succession of severe frosts and unusually dry weather. Experience has, however, shown that a late spring is better for the crops than an early one. There is a certainty of frosts, more or less severe, at various intervals up to the latter part of spring, diminishing, of course, in intensity and continuance as summer approaches, and premature vege-

back, however, in a late spring, in the crowding it makes in farm work, for which here, in the most favorable seasons, the time is too short. It is believed that the fall wheat is not materially injured. The spring wheat and barley are the preponderating crops in our harvest, and there is ample time yet, if warm weather sets in soon, for a good seed time for these cereals.

The English market for grain, alwasy fickle, has been, on the whole, firmer than expected, owing, in part, to the interception of cargoes on the way, to meet the demand from the continent. The weather in England from now to harvest is, however, the chief element in determining prices from day to day. A day of such weather as the growing crops are needing, be it sun or rain, sends down the price of grain.

Shipments are proceeding across Lake Ontario at good prices, dealers realizing a small profit on the winter's purchases. There is also a fair margin of profit on flour as well. Stocks of grain generally are maintaining their value, and we have good ground to hope that all may be cleared out at a profit.

The St. Lawrence Canals must now be open in a few days. Ships are arriving in the St. Lawrence, and all departments of navigation will soon be in full swing.

The protracted frost and absence of those warm breaks in the temperature which are often known in April, are keeping back logs and timber on the streams in the northern woods, which are yet frozen. If the cold weather lasts into May, doubtless much timber and a large number of logs will remain in the lumbering districts till next season. However severely this may press on individuals, it is really desirable in the general interests of the trade, as nothing but diminished production can be looked for to restore this interest to steadiness and prosperity. Heavy stocks of pine are held at Quebec, sales being very slow and hard to effect; but for oak and elm the demand is better, and what has been manufactured will probably be cleared off. In the United States sawed lumber is likely to be dull : but better to be so until a sounder condition is reached, than for activity to be forced by the artificial stimulus of an inflated currency, which could only give temporary life, without any real strength.

The last official return of the Banks of Ontario and Quebec is as follows:

I Capital authorized Capital paid up		Mar. 31, '74 \$63,066,666 54,268,940
Lia	bilities.	
Circulation	\$25,668,950	\$25,028,268
Government deposits.	. 10,078,915	10,451,359
Public deposits on de mand	. 29,621,79 2	29,765,759

P'blic deposits at notice 24,526,408 Due other banks in Ca-	24,371,962
nada 2,179,279 Due banks not in Ca-	1,995,159
nada	7,408,068
Sundries 155,528	36,923
Total \$99,721,118	\$99,077,498
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Assets.	
Specie \$6.557,664	\$5,988,903
Provincial notes 8,719,805	8,520,357
Notes and cheques of	
other banks 4,267,339	4,282,935
Due from other banks in	
Canada 2,209,369	2,460,255
Due from banks not in	
Canada 9,911,687	8,844,403
Available Assets\$31,865,259	\$30,196,853
Government stock 1,174,428	1,174.428
Loans to Government 109,329	37,813
Loans to Corporations 3,097,946	2,989,276
Discounts 122,807.493	124,740,400
Real estate 491,818	482,603
Bank premises 2,292,753	2,302,744
Other assets 1,469,901	1,295,872
Total\$163,303,927	163,119,989

We have ventured to make a change in the figures from the Gazette column, in the amount of specie held in March, which the auditor has signed for as \$15,988,903, the little error of ten millions having escaped attention.

The statement of Government circulation and specie is as below. The details will be found of particular interest, as showing the amount of actual circulation in the hands of the public; nearly the whole of the larger notes being in the hands of the banks.

Fractionals	166.943
One and two dollars	3,891,417
Fives, tens and twenties	535,700
Fiftys and one hundreds	
\$500 and\$ 1,000	7,273.500

\$12,217,760

There is held to meet this liability : Specie.....\$3,430,270 Deposits in the banks..... 1,692,230

\$5,122,500

The Government holds its own debentures for the balance. This would be what bankers call a very strong statement, were the whole \$12,200,000 in bona fide circula tion; for, in that case, it would be impossible for any large amount to be presented for redemption at once. But of this sum of \$12,200,000, no less than \$8,500,000 is in the hands of the banks. Now, the banks, by law, are bound to have one-third of their cash reserves in this form. Their total cash is \$14,500,000—one-third is \$4,800,000 -which is all they are bound to keep. They have, therefore, \$3,700,000, which they could present for redemption; and as gold is recognised in transactions with New York and England, it is simply a matter of business in Canada to get gold from the during the past year, butter having decreased

don from the Bank of England. This is the peculiarity of the position of the Government, and it is the weak point in the system of Government issues. The Government, in fact, ought to hold in gold the amount represented by its bank deposits, and let those deposits be used as a reserve against liabilities on Savings Banks accounts. These liabilities amount to nearly \$4,000,000, and against them the Government appears to hold no reserve at all.

INSURANCE IN PARLIAMENT.

That august and weighty body, Her Majesty's faithful Commons of Canada, have had under consideration the insurance question. It was brought up by a motion of Mr. Cameron, who strongly advocated the appointment of an Insurance Inspector. harmonious in one point-that something ought to be done. This conclusion has been arrived at several times before in previous sessions during six years past; once or twice that "something" took the form of a resolution or even of a bill; and there the matter ended. On this occasion, however, the subject was illuminated by the opinions of the great luminaries of the House. Sir John Macdonald would have the companies organize themselves into an association, after the manner of a stock exchange, which would determine the relative standing of companies. This suggestion has the sole merit of novelty. Hon. Edward Blake recommended the Government to assume the functions of a life insurance company. Hon. A. Mackenzie, who seems to have got beyond such crudities as the foregoing, was satisfied that the mere deposit of \$50,000 was as good as nothing by way of security. He regarded it as "the " duty of the Government to devise some " means to obtain greater security for in-" surers, without doing injury to the com-" panies, and interfering as little as possible " with existing rights."

This is well said, but we fear the subject is in as much fog as ever. It has had its annual airing, and therefore we may expect it to rest, till disturbed by the recurrence of another session.

THE TRADE IN DAIRY PRODUCTS.

No single feature in the trade of the Dominion is more satisfactory to contemplate than the marked and striking change which has occurred in respect to the products of the dairy. There has been a decided increase in the production and export of cheese Government for export, just as it is in Lon- somewhat owing to the fact that cheese has,

in a measure, taken its place. We have no idea that the production of these articles will be stationery, but we look for a continuous increase, substantial if not rapid. To show our total exports of cheese and butter during the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1873, we reproduce from the official returns the following figures in contrast with those for the preceding year :---Chases

	cheese.		
Pounds exported Value do	\$1,849,284	1872-73. 19,483,211 \$2,280,412 tter.	
Pounds exported Value do	1871-72. 19,068,448 \$3,612,679	1872–73. 15,208,633 \$2,808,979	

The share that each of the Provinces contributed to these totals will be interesting,

Quebec Ontario Nova Scotia New Brunswick	2,459,301 726,137	Cheese. lbs. 15,589,794 3,875,960 16,597 860
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Total 15,208,633 19,483,211 In the returns Quebec is credited with the great bulk of these products, the explanation of which is that while that Province has a large and most important dairy industry, centering in the Eastern Townships, she not only gets credit for her own production, but that of Ontario also.

Next let us see who are the purchasers of these articles. This information we have gleaned with some care from the official figures. They are as follows :-- '

	Butter.	Cheese.
	1871-72.	1872-73.
	lbs.	lbs.
Great Britain		18,787,525
United States		619,853
B. N. A. Provinces.	1,031,010	8,194
British W. Indies	162,915	8,259
Spanish W. Indies	55,860	6,318
French W. Indies		324
Danish W. Indies	101,916	•••••
St. Domingo	9,060	•••••
St. Pierre	62,989	792

It appears therefore that Great Britain takes nearly the whole of our cheese and three-fifths of our butter. A nice trade in this latter article was done with the West Indies which we doubt not is capable of very large extension in that direction.

MONEY.-Everything is still very quiet; but some movement in exchange may be expected as soon as shipments of produce begin. At present the supply of exchange is small, rates ranging in Montreal at 1 below the New York rates, which have been put up rather abruptly by the demand for remittances to meet coupons payable in

May. Gold drafts are scarce, the ruling rates being three-eighths premium. It is rumored that several speculators in New York stocks, residing in Montreal, were sold out last week, by which considerable loss was sustained.

PUFFING-ITS RESPONSIBILITIES .- Certain advertising agents in Paris and a syndicate of brokers rather unexpectedly found themselves together involved in a rather expensive difficulty in connection with a collapsed American railway project. It was a proposed Trans-Continental Railway through the State of Texas to the Pacific. Through the failure of the parties in the United States the land grant of the State of Texas was forfeited, and the prospects of the enterprise ruined. The Syndicate of "Agents de Change" were proceeded against by the bondholders on the ground that they had not exercised due caution nor made proper enquiry and had not observed the law of 1858 which requires the assent of the Ministers of Finance and Commerce before foreign securities can be admitted to the official price current, and provides also that no bonds of foreign companies can be negociated in France unless the whole of the share capital has been paid up. The Syndicate was accordingly condemned to pay 15 per cent. of the losses up to the time when the insolvency of the company became notorious. The advertising agency had contracted for 200,000 francs to insert in fifty-one journals, letters, and articles as disguised puffs of the undertaking. Respecting them it was held that communications, however false or exaggerated, when inserted in the usual place of advertisements cannot be a cause of responsibility, as their external form and the place they occupy indicate their character, from which they could deceive no one ; but the case was different with reference to those articles inserted in the part of the journals reserved for news, the tendency of these being to impose on the public and blind their vigilance. The advertising agents were therefore adjudged to pay one per cent. of the losses which might be proved by the holders of the bonds in question.

STAMPING BILLS AND NOTES .- A case of some interest to the mercantile community has recently been decided in the Supreme Court of New Brunswick. It will be remembered that, under certain circumstances, if a note is not properly stamped when made, a subsequent party thereto or any holder without becoming a party may affix double duty and so render the note valid. In the case in question it was held that an attorney to whom a note is sent for collection had no authority to affix double duty though he was holder for the purpose of collection-that no person can affix stamps unless he has a beneficial interest in the note. It was also held in two cases in that Province, (Reynolds v. Vaughan and Kennedy v. Adams,) in accordance with the opinion expressed in a previous issue of the Monetary

Times, that neither the payee of a promissory note nor the drawer of a bill of exchange were "subsequent" parties, within the meaning of the statute. Consequently neither of these parties can affix double duty if the note is not sufficiently ssamped when made.

HALIFAX HARBOR .- At the quarterly meeting of the Halifax Yacht Club a series of strong resolutions were, on motion of Mr. A. W. Scott, adopted urging upon the Dominion Government the necessity of putting a stop to the practice of casting rubbish and ballast into the harbor and dock-dredgings, destroying the anchorage and gradually filling the harbor up. It was deemed advisable as affecting Imperial interests that the attention of the Vice-Admiral commanding the station should also be called to the subject.

STATE OF TRADE IN THE UNITED STATES .-A not very bright picture is drawn of the condition of the importing trade in the United States by the American Railway Fournal, in the following brief extract :--

"Complaint is made by the merchants that trade is dull; sales have fallen short of former years; competition is keen, and profits smaller than usual; the spring season is already half gone, and it is called a very poor trade. There have been no conspicuous failures so far ; but it is hardwork to keep going. There must be failure among our merchants, or else improvement in trade. Stores are "to let" by hundreds, and offices by thousands. Even Broadway, which is usually packed to repletion, has many vacant spaces to let. Dullness reigns, both in the haun's of trade and in the real estate markets. Rents are lower, and the returns from city landed property will be light, at the same time that taxes are high. * the five hundred millions of imported articles brought in, New York charges (and endeavors to collect) a thousand millions to the rest of the country; and this is thriving trade. Trade indeed may thrive at that rate; but whenever the goods are pushed upon the country faster than the earning power of the people can pay for them, then the country is the worse for the brisk trade. This is what has happened during the last ten years. The number of firms and persons engaged in splitting up and distributing these goods has multiplied; the ranks of manual labor have been largely drawn upon to assist in this wholesale and retail peddling of merchandize of various sorts. The country swarmed with drummers and agents with sample bags, urging the dealers to buy more. If cash sales could be made all right, but the goods must be shouldered upon somebody else, even if mere paper promises were taken as pay. The business was overdone. The country had over-bought. We have now the reaction and it is a healthy one, besides being inevitable."

ERIE AND HURON RAILWAY .-- This road is projected to begin at the Rond Eau Harbor, from whence its course will be by Blenheim and Chatham to Dresden, with a branch to Wallaceburg; thence to Oil Springs and by Petrolia to Port Errol, on Lake Huron, giving a total length of 70 miles. The financial scheme is based on a bonus of \$155,000, which gives \$3,700 per mile ; the Government grant will be \$2,000 per mile, or \$84,000, or it may be 300 per mile, equal to \$126 000. The total cost per \$15,000 per mile.

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GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

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	The following is the report of the for the half-year ending December 318 The gross receipts upon the whole undertaking, including the Buffalo and Champlain lines have been	(, 1073 .
	The ordinary working expenses (being at the rate of 65.77 per cent, against 64.95 of the corresponding half of last year)£697,929 The renewals. &c., of the	
	permanent way and works in the half year debited to revenue 165,177	863,106
	Leaving an available balance earned	
l	in the half-year of	£198.091
	Deduct loss on American currency	24,593
l		£173,498
l	To this sum of £173,498 has to be	
	added the balance from the net re- venve account of last half-year of	1,610
	Making a total balance of From this, however, has to be de- ducted the amount of postal milit-	£175,108
	ary revenue due for the half-year to the postal bondholders of	16,117
	Leaving a balance of	£158,991
	Applicable for the following payment	$f_{10,007}$
	Interest on hired cars Interest &c., paid on lands	2,217
	Interest on mortgage to Bank of	
	Upper Canada Interest on temporary loans, bankers' balances, promissory notes, Europ-	4,424
	ean exchange, &c	1,155
.	ean exchange, &c Interest on British American Land	
	Company's debentures Interest on Montreal Seminary de-	617
	hentures	616
	Interest on Island Pond debentures Half-yearly instalment on Portland	2,700
1	sinking fund	2,568
	Atlantic and St. Lawrence lease (in	48.615
	full) Detroit line lease (in full)	11,250
	Montreal & Champlain bond interest	12.081
	Buffalo and Lake Huron rent	32,500
	ist equipment bond interest	15,000
	and equipment bond interest	15,000
Ē	Balance carried forward	241

£158,991

Of the sum of £200,000 appropriated out of the proceeds of the new issue of ordinary stock towards the payment of dividends, the sum of £80,454 was reserved in trust to meet the dividend on the first preference stock, payable on 1st March, which has been paid.

Comparing this half-year with the correspond-ing period of 1872, the gross receipts show an increase of £94,518, or 9.77 per cent. There was an increase in the passenger receipts of $f_{22,890}$, or 6.45 per cent, and in the freight receipts of $f_{71,685}$ or 11.73 per cent. The total number of passengers carried was 1,073,204 against 984,525; and the quantity of freight was 836,012 against 797.935 tons. The average receipt per passenger was 6s 4d against 6s 6d., and per ton of freight 16s 3d against 15s 4d. The increase in the freight department of 38.077 tons and £71,685 receipts shows an average of 438. 4d per ton against the general average of mile, without rolling stock, is estimated at 16s. 3d. per ton, established conclusively that the increase in this branch of business has been

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following is the usual comparative	statemer	nt:
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	Aver	ag	e per		Avera	ge
Passenger	s. pas	se	nger.	Freight.	perto	n.
Half-year. Nos.		s.	d.	Tons.	6.	d.
1873, Dec. 1,073,2	204	6	4	836,012	16	3
" June7бт,7		6	9	772,572		3 8
1872, Dec984,	525	6	6	797'935	15	4
" June733,7	748	6	5	737,361	16	3
1871, Dec961,	432	6	I	789,231	15	5
" June764,	376	6	0	656,092	15	5
1870, Dec937,	897	5	11	691,301	14	ō
" June700,	334	6	5	612,959	14	6
1869, Dec892,		б	3	611,809	15	7
" June655,8	350	6	9	520,881	ıĞ	Ó
1868, Dec 804,8	815	6	9	557,157	16	3
" Juneб19,:		б	8	505,987	16	ī
1867, Dec794,	213	6	10	527,227	14	4
" June623,	227	6	8	489,647		τ
1866, Dec 792,	487	7	2	523,685	15	5
" June 638,		7	0	497,292	15	4
1865, Dec784.	346	7	2	523,830	15	5
" June596,		6	3	477,837	ıõ	11
1864, Dec722,	446	6	6	443.930		I
" June523,2	284	б	0	430,034		3
1863, Dec529,		6	5	372.984	15	ī
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The operation of changing the guage in the middle of the half-year seriously affected the traffic receipts for two weeks, and during the fortnight there was a decrease of about £26,000. The monetary panic which occurred in the United States in September disastrously affected the whole commerce of America. The increase from the completion of the change of gauge to the close of the half-year has been 33,800 tons, and £79,135. Up to the beginning of September the rates for freight were maintained at about the same figures as in 1872, but almost immediately after the panic they fell. The expenses for the half year amounted, including the renewals as charged in the ordinary revenue accounts, to £863,100, or 81.33 per cent of the gross receipts; as against £793,293, o1 82.07 per cent for the corresponding six months of 1872. Excluding the renewals, the ordinary working expenses were 65.77 per cent against 64.95 per cent. There was a total increase of expenditure for the half. year of £69,813-at the rate of 8.80 per cent against an increase of 9.77 per cent in the receipts. This additional expenditure was almost entirely due to the greater amount of work done, the increased cost of fuel and other materials used in the working of the railway, and to the continuation of a higher rate of wages than existed in 1872.

The number of miles of permanent way relaid during the year was 261, of which 230} were laid with steel, showing an increase in the number of miles relaid with steel of 48, as compared with the year 1872, when 236 miles of permanent way were relaid, of which 1821 were laid with steel. The total length of steel rails laid up to 31st December last was 5261 miles. The charges for maintenance and renewals in the past half-year were, for maintenance $\pounds_{74,059}$, and for renewals $\pounds_{297,917}$. In the previous half year these were for maintenance £74,833, and for renewals £77,-055; making a total charge for 1873 of £523,862, of which £13,356 was charged in the June half year to a supplementary account, and £132,739 has been charged in the past half-year to capital account; leaving the charge against the gross revenue for $1873 \pm 377,769$. Of this sum of $\pm 377,769$ charged against revenue for 1873, the cost of more than 17,000 tons of rails, mostly steel, is included. It will be remembered that the act of last session directs that 32,000 tons of steel rails shall be provided out of the new capital to be raised. In 1873 about 8,800 tons of this quantity have been supplied, at the cost of \pounds 132,739, which is charged to capital account in the accounts for the past half-year. This leaves about 23,000 tons still to be provided, which it is proposed to do in 1874 and 1875 in such quanti-

ties, within certain limits, as the actual necessities of the line may require. It is intended in the accounts for 1874 to include all charges in this depastment under the head of maintenance of way, excepting only the cost of the steel rails to be provided and charged to capital in 1874 and 1875. The separate charge under the head of renewals of way will therefore from the end of 1873 be entirely given up. The total train miles run were 3,795,848 against 3,474,208. showing an increase of 321.640 miles. The cost per train mile in the locomotive department was 34.51 cents against 32.14 cents.

The narrow guage engines supplied to replace the broad guage engines on the line west of Montreal are of the most modern and improved, as well as of an uniform pattern, and they are found to have an increased capacity of at least 25 per cent over those which they have replaced. As the whole number of the new engines was only supplied towards the close of the last half year, which has been exceptionally high in respect of the cost of wages, and materials, their effect upon the reduction of expenditure can hardly be estimated ; but although only running for the lesser portion of the half year, the result has been to increase the average loads of freight trains for the half year by 7 per cent. This cannot fail to have an effect upon the expenditure, both in this and the traffic department during the present year, as an increase in the train loads means a proportionately larger business done for the same haulage and handling. During the last year 12 narrow guage engines have been built at the cost of revenue to replace the same number of old engines broken up as against 10 in 1872.

The cost of fuel has been greater than in any previous half year, arising partly from the larger quantity used, but still more to the en-hanced price of coal and wood. The continued rise in the price of wood caused by the greater consumption of it throughout the country, and the gradual clearing away of the forests contiguous to the line, forced upon the company the necessity of looking to coal as a substitute, at any rate in the central district of the line where wood had risen to the highest price, and accordingly the new engines built in connection with the narrowing of the guage have been adapted for burning coal.

A very important proposition has, however, been made, which it is highly probable will be carried out. It is to obtain a supply of coal for the western portion of the line from the Alleghany Valley, about 200 miles from Buffalo by railway, via the International bridge. If this arrangement is carried out, the price paid for a considerable portion of the coal supply would be decreased from 15 to 20 per cent, and as it could be obtained in winter as readily as in summer, the necessity for absorbing capital in the storing so large a quantity as at present, would not exist.

The traffic expenses for the half year amounted to \pounds 224.338 against \pounds 200,423 in 1872, or an increase of \pounds 23,915. In 1874 this department will receive considerable relief from the reductions which have taken place in the cost of labor and materials, and from the greater capacity of the new engines, requiring much less labour in proportion to the quantity of freight hauled, so that it is not unreasonable to anticipate a lower percentage of expenses than in the past year. The most complete results from this cause will, however, not be produced until the gauge of the line east of Montreal has been changed. The item of rent of rolling stock has been increased by a sum about equal to the decrease in the tolls paid to other companies.

providing 150 new engines, 800 new cars, and 2,500 new car trucks, and converting 64 broad guage engines to the 4 feet 81 inch guage, and £132,739 which is the cost of the steel rails charged to the capital for the year 1873. The remaining expenditures consist of various items, the details of which are fully given in the accounts, less a further issue of share capital received from the Atlantic and St. Lawrence Railway in repayment of capital expended on that company's undertaking. The balance of capital unexpended to 31st December last was £720,017, which consists of the calls then remaining to be paid on the recent issue of new ordinary stock, the value of old materials not yet disposed of, and the unsold securities, less the amounts owing by the company in connection with the capital expenditure. The principal portion of this amount is not available until the calls have been paid and the value of the old materials realized. There is also still unissued the balance of $\pounds_{2,500,000}$ out of the authorized issue of 10,000,000 of new ordinary stock, the proceeds of which will be available after the 1st January.

During 1874 and 1875 about 23,000 tons of steel rails have to be provided at the cost of capital, which, with certain absolutely necessary capital expenditure, will absorb a consider-able portion of the unexpended balance at 31st December last. To meet the wishes of many of the shareholders the directors have agreed to receive payment in full of the remaining calls of new ordinary stock, allowing discount at the rate of 5 per cent per annum. A considerable number of cars still running upon the line are not the property of the company, but are hired from various companies, and it is thought the time has come when an effort should be made to purchase these cars, and eventually to endeavor to consolidate all other charges, including the Buffalo Bridge bonds and stock, ranking before the first preference stock, into a single pre-preference or debenture stock.

The following is a list of the hired cars at the 31st December, 1873, viz :- National Car Com-pany's 500; North American Car Company's, 300; Canada Rolling Stock Company's, 1,000; Canada Railway Equipment Company's, 500; Berlin Falls and Norton Mills Company's, 50; C. S. Clarke's, 40 ; Schwelkopps, 12 ; making a total of 2,402 cars.

The cost payable out of working charges to these rolling stock companies for the above cars and for the rental of certain stations amounts to £40,000 per annum, and, as the mileage run by a large portion of these cars in 1873 was materially reduced by the loss of time involved in break of guage at Stratford, and by the process of conversion itself, the mileage of the same cars running for 1874 will henceforth be larger, and the cost to the railway company will be therefore greater.

The par value of the capital loaned by the The par value of the capital loaned by the rolling stock companies amounts to about $\pounds 400,000$. The whole of this $\pounds 400,000$ can be liquidated at early dates, and if replaced by capital issued at 6 per cent, there would be a saving in working charges to the railway of $\pounds 16,000$ annually. The junction of the Erie Railway with the Buffalo Bridge is expected at an early date in the spring, after the secon is an early date in the spring, after the season is sufficiently mild for grading and completing the connection. The Canada Southern is practically unprovided with rolling stock for its through as well as local traffic, and does not therefore contribute to the tolls of the bridge to anything like the extent which it will do. It is believed that the saving of mileage, time and cost to the Great Western of Canada in exchanging their business with the Erie, at Buffalo, will make it the interest of the Great Western to pass all their Erie business over the International Bridge, instead of the Suspension Bridge as at present.

The latest advices of the foreign tolls taken in connection with the bridge show an average for six weeks of £1,376, or £282, per week, or at the rate of nearly £15,000 a year. With the completion of connection with the Erie, and with a more adequate equipment of the Canada Southern, the foreign tolls over the Buffalo Bridge must be largely augmented ; but even at their present figures there would be, including the Grand Trunk annual contribution, in liquidation of Bridge capital of £5,000, out of working cost. fully £20,000 annually available for dividends, were the bridge capital liquidated by the substitution of 5 per cent debenture stock issued at the low figure of 80, which could either be effected by degrees as the foreign tolls accrue or at once by agreement with the Bridge bond and shareholder.

Taking the above two items of annual saving in the substitution of capital raised at 6 per cent for the present capital invested in the rolling stock agreements and in the International Bridge, there is a total annual sum of £36,000, and to this must be added all additions to the foreign tolls received on the Buffalo Bridge, the whole of which tolls will be released for Grand Trunk revenue purposes.

To effect this object, amongst others, the directors seek to take powers in a bill now be fore the Dominion Parliament for the issue of a perpetual debenture stock at 5 per cent for the voluntary consolidation, liquidation or purchase of the rolling stock and bridge capitals, as well as of all the pre-preferential Grand Trunk capital, bonds, mortgages, liabilities, leased lines and rentals existing over the first preference stock of the company. Such perpetual 5 per cent debenture stock as issued to take the place of each description of pre-preference capital, as and when liquidated or purchased, and to retain all the rights and privileges that attached to such capital. The whole existing pre-preferences over the first preference stock, including the car and bridge capitals, may, it is calculated, in course of time be redeemed by the issue of $\pounds 6,750,000$ of 5 per cent debenture stock at an average of $\pounds 90$ per $\pounds 100$. In the first instance it may be necessary to accept a lower price than f go, but with the payment of cash dividends on the preference stocks, the value of a 5 per cent debenture stock, covering and mortgaging the entire corpus of the undertaking and its rolling stock and equipment, will rapidly appreciate and approach to par as cash dividends are paid on our preference stocks. The directors propose to add to this £6,750,000, £1,250,000, making a total of £8,000,000 5 per cent debenture stock. This £1,250,000 to be available for the general purposes of the com-pany, and for the current year of 1374 not to be issued beyond an amount which shall represent. in the amount of interest payable, the actual annual saving of £36,000 to be realised by the liquidation of the car and bridge capitals. The bill is made subject to the following clause; "This Act shall not take effect unless and until submitted to a special general meeting of the company and accepted by a vote of two-thirds of the persons present or represented by proxy entitled to vote." At the special general meeting to be called under this clause-probably in the month of May-detailed calculations and estimates will be laid before the proprietors in reference to the above, showing the purposes for which further expenditure is required for the current year and for 1875.

Mr. Brydges has telegraphed to the board his resignation of the office of managing director, which the board have accepted with deep re-gret, remembering his long, arduous and de-voted services to the company in times of extraordinary difficulty and danger. For the present, it is not the wish or intention of the board to fill up the vacancies in the direction caused liable therefore for the premiums; but a perusal off by a reduction of \$5,041,000 in the loans. by the death of Mr. Thomas Baring and the of the foregoing facts must satisfy every dis-

resignation of Mr. Brydges. Mr. Albert Creak has signified his intention of seeking election to one of the vacancies, and, as was explained to the proprietors at the meeting in January last, the directors propose, looking at the fact that the greater portion of the expenditure is in Canada, to suggest to the proprietors the advisabili y of filling up the remaining vacancy by the appointment of an additional auditor in Canada, and they accordingly submit the name of Mr. Ramsay, agent for the Standard Life Assurance Company, Montreal, who is duly qualified, and, in the judgment of the directors, in all respects a fitting and responsible candidate for the office. By order, RICHARD POTTER,

President.

Correspondence.

AN INSURANCE CASE.

To the Editor of the Monetary Times.

SIR,-Under this heading, in your issue of the 10th inst., reference is made to a case-The Montreal Assurance Company v. The Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway Company-re-cently tried before the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas in Toronto, which is calculated to convey a very false impression of the facts of that case and the conduct of the parties concerned. We trust, therefore, that in justice to the Railway Company you will give insertion to this explanation.

The Toronto firm to which you refer were under contract with the Railway Company to purchase the iron in question—one of the terms of their contract being that they should cover it by insurance.

In the terms of their contract they did from time to time forward to the Railway Company policies covering the iron, and drew upon the Company for the premiums, which were duly paid; the Railway Company assuming, as they had every right to assume, that the same had been, as the policies expressed, paid to the In-

surance Company. By the fraud of an intermediate party a loss was sustained, and it was clear that one of two innocent parties had to suffer. Was it more reasonable (setting aside for the moment any legal question), that that loss should fall upon the Railway Company, who, dealing at arm's length with their contractors, had, in the usual course of husiness, paid their drafts for the pre-miums on being furnished with the proper vouchers, or upon the Insurance Company, who chose to accept the statement of the insurance agent, that he was authorized on behalf of the Company to make the application, instead of requiring him to show his authority ?

In point of fact he had no such authority, and it would be a most dangerous thing if such a doctrine as is enunciated in your article were to have the sanction of the Courts.

It is highly probable that the agent in question represented himself to the Toronto firm as the agent of the Insurance Company; but the contractors did not pay him the premiums till he produced the policies. In the same way the contractors drew upon the Company, and they paid upon being furnished with the policies. They had no reason to suspect that the facts were different from what they appeared upon the documents, and would have had no right to refuse payment when the contractors had done all that their contract required.

It is quite true that a very ingenious attempt was made to torture the claim made by the Railway upon the Insurance Company into a ratification of the contract, and as making them

passionate mind that the ruling of the Judge was based upon reason and common sense, as it is patent to every lawyer that it was sound in law.

Yours obediently,

THE DEFENDANTS' ATTORNEYS.

Hamilton, 23rd April, 1874.

FINANCE AND BUSINESS IN NEW YORK.

(From our own Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, 27th April, 1874.

The past week has been one of sudden and violent fluctuations. In the stock market prices have not touched so low a level since the panic of last fall, and seldom, if ever, in the history of Wall Street has such depression occurred without producing a panic.

On the publication about ten days ago of the letter of Comptroller Knox, explaining the pro-bable action of the Senate Finance Bill, great alarm was felt in some quarters, and particularly in New York, lest the re-distribution of Bank reserves which the bill enforced should withdraw so large an amount of money from this centre as to create a stringency in the money market. It was then thought that on that ground alone it was incumbent on the President to veto the bill. Contrary to general expectations, the President did veto the bill; but thereupon, as on so many similar occasions, the course of affairs in Wall Street was entirely the reverse of what had been expected.

Instead of a general appreciation of values ensuing, consequent upon the assurance that the natural flow of money would not be inter-fered with, prices fell from 3 to 5 per cent. all round, amid the jubilations of the "bears" and the entire discomfiture of the "bulls." They have since made a considerable recovery, however, and to-day close strong, with a prospect of much higher figures.

It is becoming more apparent every day that the influence of Jay Gould is paramount in the New York stock market. It would now seem that it is not of half so much consequence to consider what the natural influences are which are llkely to affect prices, as it is to discover whether Mr. Gould is "long" or "short" of the market. This was clearly exemplified in the history of the past week, when stocks were depressed from 5 to 10 per cent. by his exertions alone, without one single circumstance in his favor, except it may be the timidity and disorganization of the large holders of securities. Since the panic of last year his power and pres-tige have been greatly increased. He was then probably the only considerable operator who had the hardihood to sell the market "short" in the face of the powerful combinations then existing; and his unprecedented success served him doubly by securing him enormous gains on the one hand, while on the other the members of the various combinations, Vanderbilt alone excepted, seemed to be reduced to the verge of ruin. His operations are now conducted with such boldness, decision, and tenacity of purpose that they rarely, if ever, prove unsuccessful; and the resistance he encounters is now so insignificant that there is little or no check upon his restless and unprincipled ambition. He has thus become a kind of standing menace to the Stock Exchange interests of Wall Street.

Money has been a little more active during the week, caused principally by the changing of loans and the distrust occasioned by so rapid a decline in the value of collaterals. There has been a decline, too, of \$4,352,000 in the deposit line of the New York Banks, which has been setceding week and the corresponding week of last vear:-

Loans Specie Legal tenders Deposits Circulation	234,486,700	April 18th. A \$293,464, 00 23 213,600 55,163 900 238,838 900 20,840,300	\$259,301,900 \$269,301,900 15,989,700 37,690 600 188,220,00 27,737,700	
Proportion of re- serve to liabili- ties Rate of interest on call loans	29 86 p.c.	29.53 p.c. 3 @ 6p.c.	24.85 p.c. 7 @ 1-16 p.c. per day.	

The veto of the Senate Bill by the President had an instantaneous effect on gold, which declined from 14¹/₁ to 11³/₂, these being the ex-tremes of fluctuation during the weak. To-day, influenced by the Exchange market, it took a sudden turn, and ran up from 12 to $13\frac{1}{8}$, closing firm at the latter figure, with the carrying rates I to 3 per cent. per annum.

Foreign Exchange has been more than usu-ally active during the week. The demand from the importers was more considerable than for some time past, and as the supply was not correspondingly increased, prices steadily advanced from 4.86 to 4.88—the last rise of 11 cents taking place to-day. The sight rate, 4.91, is slightly above the shipping point, and if it can be maintained, gold will probably have to be shipped to a considerable amount.

The imports and exports at this port for the week and from the beginning of the year compare as follows with the corresponding periods for the last two years :---

Im	ports.	
1874	1873	1872
Week ending 24th	-10	
April \$ 7,228		\$ 9,573 956
Total, since 1st Jan 138,173,	181 149,863,348	145,702,121
Ea	ports.	
Week ending 21st	Tourist	
April \$ 4,309	253 \$ 6,947,560	\$ 3,810,840
Total, since 1st Jan 83,213,		64, 01,504
Sight rate of stg.		
exchange 4.0	ol 4.86	4 011
exchange	3 17	129
Rate of interest on	50 72	**4

call loans...... 3@5 p.c. 7@1.16 p.c. p d. 6@7 p.c gold It will be seen from the above figures that the exports are larger than they have been before, while the imports are smaller than they were either in 1873 or 1872. At first sight, therefore, it would seem as if the demand for gold for shipment should be less than in the two preceding years; but it must be borne in mind that one of the largest factors in this calculation (the value of American securities annually exported) is almost entirely unknown--any approach to accuracy with regard to it being mere guess work. It is safe to say, however, that the panic of last fall has checked considerably the demand for our securities on the other side, as it has checked their manufacture here; and the price of gold being also lower, we will probably have to ship a great deal more specie during the year than the import and export figures would indicate.

The fluctuations in securities during the week have been most violent among the non-dividend paying or "fancy" stocks. The closing quotations to-day compare as follows with those of Monday of the two last preceding weeks :---

	April 27.	April 20.	April 13.
New York Central	98 }	978	993
Егіе	356	361	37
Lake Shore	76	73	76
Wabash	42	415	45
North Western	466	48 <u>4</u>	54
do preferred	65	642	70 1
Rock Island	95 8	98 8	10:4
Milwaukee & St. Paul	38	39	422
do preferred	572	59	60
Ohio & Massissippi	27	27 8	29]
Union Pacific	31	33	37
C. C. & Ind. Central	2	21	32
Hannibal & St. Joseph Del. Lack, and Western	28	28	32
Western U. Telegraph	175	1054	107
Pacific Mail S. S. Co	727 431	71	77
Atlantic & Pacific pfd		40	47
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CREDIT AND THE "GRANGES."

To the Editor of the Monetary Times. SIR : About ten days ago I saw a communi-

cation signed "Y" from Meaford, and the subject matter was a complaint against the "Granges" a humbug in this country), and the retail by wholesale commercial travellers. His com-plaints, no doubt, are reasonable, and I can sympathize with him to a certain extent. If a commercial traveller treats me that way once, he never will get the chance again. With reference to the Grangers, I will admit that there was a cause for grievance in the Western States, and when the Granges were first formed, the object was to lessen the great profits of the "middleman" in trade. This I do not consider fair as the Government raised the tariff so high that the local manufacturers reaped the whole benefit, and almost every manufacturing company was able to declare large dividends on their capital invested. The Grange then after accomplishing its object, has gradually worked itself into a political machine—just exactly on the same grounds as all the unions of every grade. Now there do not seem to be any combinations between the Retail traders as amongst farmers, mechanics and others. I mean city, town, village and country storekeepers. The wholesale man has every advantage, he knows by consulting the mercantile register, whom he can trust, at all events for a time ; he gets his customers note and gets his money-if he don't et his note paid at once, it is popped into a wyers hands, and costs are made to get him a iving. It is all right as far as that goes, business is business." But what I want to ome at is, that this Grange business is a fraud pon the public, and if the farmers want to buy heir goods at a cheaper rate, let them pay the ash down. I have a great respect for the armer in general, but I am of opinion that as a ass they are a little too much petted. Farhers as a general rule are pretty shrewd, and hany I know would rather lend out their money at 12 per cent. than pay their debts. Talk of unions, why there are unions all the time among farmers. They all know where the highest price is paid for their produce, and where the cheapest salt, plaster and grass seed are to be had; they all tell one another. They have been known to make a ring on cordwood, as has been done in coal oil. The farmer on the whole is not a bad sort of fellow if left to himself, but he is pampered a little too much by politicians during election times. And upon the strength of this position, they often impose upon the poor retail trader, manufacturer, &c., and make him wait for his money 12, 15, 18, and 24 months. The wholesale man may say, you have no business to wait so long, and you ought to sue them, but the retail dealer hesitates, is afraid of offending not only his farmer friend but also his neighbor-the Grange meets and talks the matter over-" the tillers of the soil should not be treated so by any common retail trader or manufacturer." As Unions, Granges, &c., are the order of the day, let all the retail traders enter into a Grange too, by all means they should stand up for their rights. The retail traders, I contend, are a much abused class, and were it not for the system of credit, there would not be so many bankrupticies throughout the country. What right has a retail trader, or manufacturer to trust his goods on credit, when the Whiskey distillers, Brewers, Hotelkeepers, Railways, Steamboats, Stages, Saloons, Theatres, Cabs, &c., all get their money down. The distiller says my terms are "cash," brewers "ditto." Who would ever think of saying to a hotelkeeper, "please charge this to my account ?" or to a ticket clerk, " I will pay you next week," and so of stages, steamboats, saloons, theatres and cabs. Why if credit were given at all the last mentioned places, the block, Front street. The fire spread rapidly to

consumption would be greater, and travel increased to a wonderful extent. There are plenty of people who would scorn to treat their friends in a hotel without the money, but would have no hesitation to go to a store and get credit for a pound of butter. And when I make this assertion, I am convinced that I am backed by every merchant throughout the country.

And the only security for "Y," or any person else to avoid annoyances, grievances, &c., of which he complains. is to "sell for cash only." I have heard farmers say, "oh if you wont give any credit you will do no business." It seems strange to me that they themselves do well. and they never credit, except their money at 8. 10 and 12 per cent. And why not the retail trader do a strictly cash business, as the several classes I have mentioned before. It only requires a little nerve and the thing is done. the storekeepers throughout the country enter into a combina ion at once, and stop credit. It is one of the greatest curses that ever befel a community and ought to be put down.

I see occasionally Mr. Editor, you have some-thing to say on this subject, but I must say you ought to come out stronger, and treat this question as an unmitigated evil. I would like to hear the views of my fellow retailers. COUNTRY STOREKEEPER.

Insurance.

FIRE RECORD.-Montreal, April 22.-At an early hour this morning the house No. 35 Latour street, owned by Mr. Thomas Bell, and occupied by Messrs. Cohen, was discovered to be on fire, which had complete control of the two upper flats when the brigade arrived on the spot. An old lady 70 years of age was suffocated, and although every effort was made to rescue her, life was extinct before her body could be reached. The fire had evidently been burning for a considerable time before the alarm was given. The building was insured in Royal Canadian for \$1,600, while the loss is estimated at about \$500.

Montreal, April 27.-At nine o'clock this evening, the Imperial Straw Works, situated at the corner of St. Paul and St. Peter streets, were discovered to be on fire, which, from the very inflammable nature of the stock, soon spread, and gutted the second and third stories. The damage done is estimated at fully \$20,000, which is covered by insurance. The risks being held by the following offices: North British, \$1,000, on tools and fittings; British America, \$5000, on stock; Provincial, \$4,000, on stock; Royal (of England), \$8,000, on building. Drayton, Ont., April.—The house of Henry

Deeble was destroyed ; insured in the Provincial for \$360.

Ottawa, April 28,-A fire broke out on York street, by which the fish market and nine other buildings on York and Clarence streets were destroyed, involving a loss of at least \$100,000. The new steam engine proved of very little use, her hose bursting every few minutes. While the Chaudiere steam engine was being brought to the ground, one of the horses dropped dead. So far as ascertained, the persons injured are as follows :--Mr. McCann, on building, in the Queen, \$1,600; P. Smith, on building, Queen, \$1,400; J. Gibson, on building, Liverpool and London, \$2,000 ; Mr. Grant, on stock, Liverpool and London, \$300; Sheriff Powell, on building, Lancashire, \$1,000 ; Mr. P. Smith, on building, Mutual, \$2000 ; A. Henry, on building, Ætna, \$3,900 ; Mr. Graham, Royal, \$3,000 ; British American. \$1,000 ; Ætna, \$2,500 ; Mrs. Rajotte, Lancashire, \$1,000; Sheriff Powell, Queen, \$100; total. \$21,900.

Belleville, April 28 .- Fire was discovered in the crockery store of John Coburn, Whiteford's

the upper floors of the building, extending over John Courtenay's fancy store, a portion of the Grand Junction Hotel. The fire was confined to the stores of Messrs. Coburn and Courtenay, the former of which was completely destroyed with the contents. Mr. Courtenay saved part of his goods much damaged, but the store was totally destroyed; total loss about \$10,000. The building was fully insured, and Coburn's stock partially; on Courtenay's stock there was no insurance.

Quebec, April .-A fire broke out in Mr. P. G. Huot's residence in De Salaberry street. The furniture was almost all saved. Mr. Huot is insured on the building in the Isolated Risk for \$4,500, and in the Agricultural Mutual of Watertown for \$1,500.

New Glasgow, N.S., April 20.-A fire which broke out in the tailoring establishment of A. & A. Fraser, spread and destroyed about 50 buildings and burnt out 27 families. Losses and assurances are stated by a local journal thus :-- The amount of insurance an buildings and on stocks is found to be greater than at first supposed. The following list will be found correct: J. R. Smith & Co., dry goods, \$1250 in the North British & Mercantile and \$2250 in the Royal on stock. James McKenzie, general store, \$2000 on stock in Halifax Insurance Co. Wm. Thompson, \$500 on house in the Ætna. W. G. Ross, \$1200 on building in the Ætna. James H. Fraser, \$1200 in the Ætna; \$1000 in the North British & Mercantile on the building. A. C. Thompson, tinware, \$2000 in the Stock of North British & Mercantile. Wm. Chisholm, \$3200 on buildings in the Royal. A. & A. Fraser, tailors, \$2000 on stock in the Provincial. G. M. McIntosh, dry goods, \$2000 on building in the Provincial. Hon. Jas. Fraser, \$800 on building in the Ætna. Jas. Fraser Downie & Sons, general store, \$2,000 on stock in the Im-perial of London. Jas. J. Fraser, \$1400 on the building, in North British & Mercantile. Primitive Church, \$2000, in Halifax Insurance Co., and \$2000 in Presbyterian Insurance scheme. Henry McNeil & Co., boots and shoes, \$2000 in Halifax Insurance Co., and \$2000 in the Acadia, on building. Nute Bros, wooden ware factory, \$1000 on building in Royal. Esson & Co., \$2000, on Glasgow Hotel, in Halifax In-surance Co. Wm. P. McNeil, \$1000 on stock in Royal-stock damaged. Mrs. Merkie, \$1000 on building in Halifax Insurance Co.

Victoria, April 25.—A steam saw mill, the property of A. & T. McCall, was burned. Loss about \$5,000 ; no insurance. Most of the lumber was saved.

Norwood Ont, April.—A fire destroyed the carriage and blacksmith's shop of George Hendron loss about \$1.600; insured for \$300 in the Beaver and Toronto Mutual.

Drayton, April 21.—The residence of Henry Deeble was burned. Insurance about \$360, in the Provincial.

Orono, Ont, April 21.—A disastrous fire in the village of Kirby started in Mr. Thornton's carpenter shop, rapidly comunicating to the adjoining stable and Mr. Langs' dwelling carpenter shop, and stable, consuming them all. The loss is partly covered by insurance in the Beaver and Toronto Mutual.

Windsor, April 20.-The residence of I. Davis, in course of erection, and about completed, was destroyed by fire. Insured for \$3.500; loss about \$5.000.

Molson's Bank will open an agency in Smith's Falls on the 1st May, of which Mr. Thomas, now cashier of the Bank at Brockville, will have charge.

-The annual production of native wines in

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKET.

From our own Reporter. MONTREAL, April 28, 1874.

The uncertainty which prevails as to what, or if any modification will be made on the new Tariff has tended very much to keep back trade of all kinds, and until something has been definitely settled we do not look for much activity, and quotations remain almost nominal in the absence of transactions.

The River is now clear of ice and the "Mosquito" fleet has arrived at the wharves from winter quarters, yesterday they commenced loading flour, and everything points to the usual activity, which takes place at the opening of navigation. The Steamers which have been at Sorel all winter will be up as soon as the Lake is clear of ice.

Weather has been raw and uncomfortable with very little sunshine, on Sunday morning early, snow began to fall, and continued till 6p.m. covering the ground to a depth of 6 or 8 inches, yesterday we had fine clear sunshine, under the influence of which, all the snow has disappeared, and we now look anxiously for some genial spring weather. AsHES-Pots.-Business done this week has

been limited owing to the smallness of imports but the demand has been fair, prices have been very steady, and the market closes at \$6.10 to 6.15; for firsts being the same as our closing quotations of last week; seconds some few small transactions are reported from \$5 30 to 5.40; thirds are nominal none offering. Pearls. We have no sales to report on which to base quotations. A small lot came to the city during the week and was offered at \$8.50, but without finding a purchaser, nothing over \$8.00 being paid for them, a small lot of seconds were placed at \$6.60. The stocks at present in store are Pots 2438 brls; Pearls 296 brls.

BOOTS AND SHOES .--- A good many small buyers from the country towns round about have been in making purchases, which has prevented an accumulation of stock. We cannot make any change in our late quotations, which we repeat: Men's kip boots \$2.75 to 3.50; we repeat: men's kip boots \$2.75 to \$3.50; do calf, do \$3.00 to 3.75; do do congress, \$2.50 to 3.50; do buff do \$1.75 to 2.25; do split brogans \$1.10 to 1.25; do kip do \$1.40to 1.50; do prunella congress \$1.25 to 2.00; womens heavy boots, goc to \$1.25; do pebbled grain balmorals, \$1.20 to 1.50; do prunella do 75c to \$1.75; misses heavy boots 75c to \$1.00; do pebbled buff balmorals \$1 to 1 20; childs do 6oc to \$1.00; Infants shoes \$3.50 to 10 per doz.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS .- There has been nothing done in this branch of trade beyond the supply of immediate wants. Wholesale transactions have been at a stand still, and not much activity is looked for till the arrival of the spring fleet. Bi carb. on the spot, is very scarce and is still held for \$6; it is freely offered to arrive at \$5.25. Sal soda is a shade easier and has been sold in small lots from 21 to 21c. Soda ash, 21 to 21c. Caustic soda-Nominal; \$4.75 to 5 00. Bleaching powder in light demand and nominal 21 to 3c. Saltpetre steady at \$10 to 10.50. Borax, 20 to 25c for refined. Alum, 21c. Epsom salts, 13 to 2c.

DRY GOODS-Trade has been very quiet, and retail dealers both in town and country, all complain of dull trade, for which the state of the weather is blamed. Very few orders are coming in, and travellers who are out at present find it difficult to push sales. In clothing the trade has been unusually dull for the season.

CATTLE .- Market steady with a good supply.

ply of live hogs has somewhat fallen off. Sheep and Lambs scarce and in demand.

FISH-The only kind of fish at present in the market is Dry Cod, which is selling at \$5.25 to 5 50. Salmon is in light supply, and a little firmer, \$14.50 to 16 being paid. FREIGHTS-We hear of some transactions in

heavy grain per steamship to Liverpool and Glasgow at 8/, and for flour 4/6. Potash 37/6; pearl ash 45/. Butter 47/6; cheese 52/6. FLOUR-Receipts for the past week 17,100 bries Total receipts for the past week 10,100

brls. Total receipts from 1st January to date 148,905 brls., being an increase of 3,877 brls. on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1873. We have had rather a dull week in this trade : very little disposition has been shown to operate largely. The fall in the English market has kept off some buyers expecting a further fall in price. For future delivery very little has been done beyond a round lot of spring extra at \$5.85; our quotations for most grades are under those of last week. To-day market closes more active, and more disposition shown to buy now that the wharves are clear and vessels ready to receive cargo. We quote superior extra \$6.35 to 6.50; extra superfine, \$6.15 to 6.25; spring extra \$5.70 to 5.80; superfine \$5.50 to 5.55; strong baker's flour \$5.80 to 6.10; fine \$4.90 to 5.00; middlings \$4.60; Pollards, nominal, \$4.00; U. C. bags \$2.70 to 2.85; city bags, \$3.00 to 3.02]. Oatmeal, \$5.35 to 5.50, according to grade. Cornmeal, \$3.20 to 3.30.

GRAIN.-Wheat-Receipts for the past week 1,850 bush; total receipts from 1st January to date, 104,677 bush., being a decrease of 8,803 bushels on the receipts for the corresponding period of 1873. We have had a fair amount of transactions with firm prices; towards the close of the market there was a downward tendency. of the market there was a downward tendency. The sales for May delivery were as follows: Upper Canada spring $\$_{1.38}$, 1.35; No 2 Chi-cago $\$_{1.30}$; U. C. white $\$_{1.45}$; treadwell, $\$_{1.43}$. Maixe is steady at 70 to 72 c. Peas, quiet, 77 to 78c. Oats, scarce and firm at 43 to 44c ex store. New Barley, strong, at $\$_{1.10}$ to 1.15; Pot Barley, \$10; Pearl Barley, \$18; Timothy Seed, \$3.00 to 3.15; 11 to 111c per lb.

GROCERIES-Teas-Market very firm, and a fair quantity has changed hands during the week. Hysons and Twankays have been moving at an advance of about 2 to 4c on last week,s quotations, and Japans are also in good demand, holders asking an advance nearly equal to the whole amount of the new duty. Sugar-The uncertainty of what modification may be made in the Tariff has checked business in this article. The only transactions we hear of being in Scotch refined at 7[§] to 9¹/₂c, according to grade. We quote local refined as under: dry crushed to to $I_0 \downarrow_c$; ground table $I_0 \downarrow$ to $I_0 \downarrow_c$; extra ground $I_0 \downarrow_c$; crushed A g_2^2 to $I_0 c$; yellow refined 8 to 91c. Molasses-Stocks are pretty low, and the demand has been light. We hear of some small sales of centrifugal 21 to 22c; Trinidad 30 to 32¹/₂c, and Muscovado at 26 to 32¹/₂c. Fruits—The market is bare of all kinds of fruit, and supplies are anxiously looked for with the spring fleet. The demand has been light, and prices are a shade easier for layer raisins, which are obtainable at \$2.25; Valentias are scarce and held by one hand for $\$_{\frac{1}{2}}$ to $\$_{\frac{1}{2}}$ c. Currants are rather firmer, with sales at 51 to 6c. Filberts in limited supply II to 121c; walnuts 8 to roc; almonds 141 to 16c. Spices—There has been a better enquiry, and market has ruled steady all week, and if anything has been firmer with a tendency to higher prices for some articles. Nutmegs steady at 90c to \$1.00; black pepper 18 to 19c; white pepper 31 to 33c; cassia 20 to 22c; cloves, 45 to 50c; mace, \$1.30 to 1.40. Rice—Owing to the scarcity of this article, the price has advanced to \$5.50, and

We do not alter our last week's quotations, which in the absence of transactions are nominal.

HIDES .--Market firmer, and prices have advanced. The demand at present by tanners is good. We now quote: No. I inspected \$8.50 to 9.00; No 2 ditto \$7.50 to 7.75; No 3 ditto \$6.50 to 6.75; Calfkins 15c per lb.

HARDWARE -Business has been active during the past week, and quite a number of buyers have been in the city, whose united purchases foot up to a respectable amount. Prices remain as last quoted, with the exception of cut nails, which have been reduced to \$4 per keg for 12d and upwards. We quote :- Pig Iron per ton-Gartsherrie \$34.50 to 35.00; Glengarnock, \$32.25 to 32.50; Carnbroe, \$31.-500; Joto 32.; Hematite, \$41.50 to 42. Bar Iron per 100 lbs. Scotch and Staffordshire, \$3.10 to 3.25; best ditto, \$3.25 to 3.50;
Swedes and Norway, \$5.50 to 6.50; Lowmoor and Bowling, \$7 to 7.50. Canada Plates per box—Glamorgan and Budd, \$6.25 to 6.50; Ar-Glamorgan and \$6.25 box-Glamorgan and Budd, \$6.25 to 6.50; Ar-row and Garth, \$6.25 to 6.50; F. and W. Crown, \$6.50 to 6.75; Hatton and Penn., \$6.25 to 6.50; Squares and 14×20 , 25 cextra. *Tin Plates* per box-Charcoal IC, \$10.75 to 11; ditto IX, \$12.50 to 13.00; ditto DC, \$0.75 to 10.; Coke IX, \$8.50 to 9.00. *Tinned sheets* No. 26 Charcoal best 15c; *Galvanized sheets* rolc. *Hoops and Bands* per 100 lbs, \$3.75 to 4.00; Sheets, best brands, \$4.00to 4.25; Boiler plate per 100 lbs, \$4.00 to 4.50; Russia Sheet Iron, per lb, 16c to 17c. *Cut Nails* per 100 lbs, \$0.00 *Pressed Spikes* per 100 lbs, \$5.50 to 6. *Shot*, Canadian, per 100 lbs, \$7 to 7.25; ditto, English, \$7.50. *Lead* per 100 lbs-Pig, \$6.50; Sheets, \$6.50; Bar, \$7.00. *Steel* per lb-Cast, 13 to 14c; Spring per 100 lbs. Steel per lb-Cast, 13 to 14c; Spring per 100 lbs, \$5.50 to 6: best ditto, warranted, \$6 to 6.50; Tire ditto, \$6 to 6.50. Ingot Tin, 28 to 30c; Ingot Copper, \$22.50 to 23. Horse Skees per 100 lbs, \$5.75 to 6. Proved Coil Chain, § in., \$7.25 to Anchors 7 to 8c; Anvils 10 to 12c; Iron 7.50. wire 6 per bdl \$3.00 to3.10; Boiler tubes 2 inch 18c, 21 21c, 21 23c, 3 25c, 32 35c, 4 inch 45c per foot. Window Glass, 4th quality, per 50 feet, to 25 added inches \$2.60; to 40 added inches \$2.80; to 50 added inches \$3.00.

LEATHER .- Business continues to be very quiet. Spanish sole, firm at quoted rates with small stocks on hand. Slaughter sole in better supply with but slight demand. Harness leather has a little more enquiry, but prices are un-changed. Waxed Upper-Prime stock is scarce and wanted. We have no particular change to note in quotations this week:-Hemlock Spanish sole No. 1 B. A. 25 to 26c; ditto No. 2 23 to 24c; Buffalo sole No. 1 22to 23c; ditto No. 2 18 to 20c; Hemlock slaughter 27 to 30c; waxed upper light and medium 34 to 42c; ditto heavy 33 to 38c; grained upper 35 to 42c; splits large 26 to 32c; ditto small 18 to 25c; calfskins 27 to 36 lbs 60 to 75c; ditto 18 to 26 lbs 50 to 65c; sheepskin linings 30 to 42c harness 26 to 30; buffed cow 14 to 17c per ft.; enamelled cow 18 to 19c; patent cow 19 to 20c; pebbled cow 14 to 17c; rough leather 27 to 29.

LIQUORS.-Brandy-Holders of this article are very firm in their views, and are now asking for Hennessey's and Martell's in wood, \$2.60 to 2.80, and for cases \$8.25 to 8.50. Gin-Market bare and held at our quotations, viz., in wood, \$1.80 to 1.90; green cases, \$4.75 to 5.00; red cases, \$8 to 9.00. Highwines move freely in round lots at \$1.671 to 1.721, duty paid. Rye Whiskey, 891 to 92c.

NAVAL STORES .--- Prices have fallen off somewhat from previous quotations, owing to near pproach of open navigation. Sp. Turpentine, dull, at 57¹. Rosins scarce but not much dispoweraging 1200 lbs, at \$60; one car of fat cows, siderable decline in England in both pig and \$7 No. 2; \$5 for No. 1, and \$5.50 to 7.00 for averaging 1200 lbs, at \$54; one car of oxen, manufactured iron, but stocks held here are pale to extra. Pine Tar and Pitch nominal at averaging 1600 lbs, at \$74; and one car of bulls generally very light, and quotations are nomin-

\$5 and 4.75 respectively. Coal Tar and Pitch, \$3.00.

OILS .- The market has been very quiet. In Cod oil only some small sales reported at 58 to 6oc. Raw Linseed steady at 75c, and boiled at 80c, but very little doing. Pale seal, 65 to 67 2c; steam refined seal, 65c; straw seal, 52 to 55c. Olive, steady and unchanged at \$1.05c to \$1.10. Petroleum-The demand for the time being has fallen off considerably, and our quatation of 18c to 19c may be considered as nominal.

PROVISIONS .- Butter-Receipts during the week, 50 kegs ; shipments, none. No wholesale transactions transpiring, the only demand at present being for the supply of the local trade, quotations are about the same as last week. Store packed Western, 25 to 26c; dairy ditto, 29 to 30; Townships' butter, 30c. Cheese -We have neither receipts nor shipments to record this week; demand small, quotations for fine factory are unchanged at 13 to 15c. Pork –Receipts,126 barrels;shipments 51 barrels; market quiet. Inspected mess, \$18.75 to 19.00; "Examined" mess, \$18.50; uninspected mess, \$18; thin mess, \$17.50; extra prime, \$13.50. *Beef*—Prime mess in barrels nominal at \$15.00. *Lard*—Firm at 11c to 111; *Tallow*, in barrels, 7c per lb.

RAW FURS .- Skins are coming in very slowly. Business rules very quiet. We advance quo-tations this week for several descriptions of skins on our list :- Beaver, \$1.75 to 2.25 per 1b; black bear large \$10.00 to 12.00; ditto small \$6 to 8; fisher \$8 to 10.00; silver fox \$25 to 50; cross fox \$5.00; red fox \$1.50 to 1.60; lynx \$2.00; marten, dark Labrador, \$7 to 8; pale marten \$1.50; prime dask mink \$2.50 to 3.50; mink dark 2nds \$1.50 to 2; otter \$9 to 10; winter muskrat 15 to 17; spring muskrat 22 to 25c; racoon 25 to 50c; skunk 20c to 30. SALT.—There are no transactions of any con-

sequence taking place just now, and quotations are nominally the same as last week. Coarse, \$1.15 to 1.30; Fine, \$1.30.

WOOL .- Canadian wool is in light supply; demand small, and only trifting transactions within our range of quotations. There has been some movement in foreign wools, prices for which have appreciated about 1c per lb. Our quotations for Canada wool, which are nominal, are fleece wool, 30 to 32c; pulled wool super, 32 to 34c; ditto No. 1 black and unassorted, 30c.

TORONTO MARKET.

TORONTO, April 29, 1874.

The weather has been cold and backward during the past week, and this has checked retail business very considerably, wholesale trade being also adversely influenced, though not to the same extent. There appears to be still some uncertainty as to the final adjustment of the tariff, many thinking that the Minister of Finance, yielding to the pressure bought to bear upon him, may be induced to make alterations which will alter the values of a good many articles. This is a further reason for slackness of trade, which has been the prevailing feature during the past week.

CATTLE .- Beeves .- The supply of farmers' cattle has not been very large since last report, but the requirements of butchers and shippers have nevertheless been pretty well met, as a number of stall fed cattle have been placed on the market. Prices have been well maintained, and choice well fatted steers sold readily at full figures. First-class are now quoted at \$5 to 5.50 second-class at \$4.25 to 4.50, and third-class at \$3.75 to 4. Among the reported sales are the following :--One car, averaging 1190 lbs, at \$62; two cars, averaging 1400 lbs, at \$75; six cars,

averaging 1600 lbs, at \$70. Sheep .- There have been none in during the week, and prices are nominally unchanged although in sellers' favour. Lambs .- There have been no yearlings in, and quotations are nominal. Spring lambs have not been abundant, and prices are firm at \$4 to 5 for first-class, $\$_3$ for second class, and $\$_2$ to 2.50 for third-class. *Calves.*—The supply of first-class is insufficient to meet the wants of local butchers, but there are plenty of inferior offering. Firstclass are quoted at \$8 to 10, second class \$6 to 7, and third-class at \$3 to 4.

DRUGS .- There has been a fair business done during the past week. Prices are without any change of importance.

FLOUR AND MEAL.-Flour-In store on the 27th inst., 29,296 brls., against 33,376 barrels the previous week, and 28,239 brls. at the cor-responding date of last year. There was a decline in Liverpool in the early part of the week of 6d per barrel, and although this market was not affected to the same extent, prices here have weakened somewhat, and a very limited busi-ness has been done. Values are weak at \$5.70 f.oc. for extra, \$5.30 for spring wheat extra, and \$5.05 to 5.10 for superfine. Oatmeal-There has been much doing, but prices are very firm at from \$5.10 to 5.25. Bran is quoted at \$19 oy the car load with very little offering at present.

GRAIN.—Wheat -In store on the 27th inst., GRAIN.—WREAT.—In store on the 27th Inst., 657,429 bush., against 654,949 bush. the pre-vious week, and 395,070 bush. at the corres-ponding date of last year. In the early part of the week there was a decline in Liverpool of 3d in red wheat, though yesterday this was regained, and of 2d in white. In this market there has been very little movement in any description of wheat. No sales have been reported in spring, which may be quoted at \$1.25 to 1.26 f.o.b. for No. 1. A sale of 10,000 bush. No. 2 fall and No. 1 Treadwell was reported at \$1.35 f.o.b., but it is difficult to find buyers at that figure. Peas-In store on the 27th inst., 98,879 bush., against 96,182 bush. the previous week, and 60,531 bush. at the corresponding date of last year. The market has been steady, but there have been no shipping lots changing hands. Sales of car lots have been at 70 to 72c f.o.b., farmers' loads bringing 70c. Oats—The receipts have been steadily light, and the demand being fair. prices are firmly maintained mand being fair, prices are infinity maintained and have an upward tendency. Recent sales were at 43 to $43\frac{1}{2}$ con the track, holders asking 49c to arrive. Rye—There are b now for all offering at 75c., but there is not uyers much

coming in just now. GROCERIES.—*Coffee.*—Very little doing and prices unchanged. Some choice samples of Java to arrive are held at 35c. Fruit.-Is dull, layer raisins in lots to arrive are now offered at \$3:30, but helders are asking \$2.50 are the but holders are asking \$2.50 to 2.75 in ordinary way. Valentias are firm at 81 to 81c; Currants are quoted at $5\frac{7}{5}$ to $6\frac{1}{5}$ c. Rice.—Good samples are held at \$5,40 to 5.50, with, however, not much business to note. Spices.—Dull and unchanged. Sugar.—The expectation that some change may be made in the tariff as it now stands change may be made in the tariff as it now stands prevents business. Centrifugal box sugars are quoted at $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ c for medium grades. Yeilow refined is obtainable at $8\frac{1}{2}$ to $9\frac{1}{2}$ c. Hard whites are quoted at $10\frac{1}{2}$ to $10\frac{1}{2}$ c. Tea.—Has been in tolerably active demand, the enquiry, however, being chiefly for Young Hysons, of which a good many changed hands at prices ranging from 26 to 77c. Some medium and fine blacks also sold at 424c and 50c. Lapans were no also sold at 42¹/₂c and 59c. Japans were ne-glected. Tobacco—Is quiet; holders would accept a fraction under manufacturer's present list prices.

HARDWARE-There has not been much doing during the past week. There has been a con-siderable decline in England in both pig and

ally unchanged. In tin plates there has been some competition to sell and to secure business holders in some cases have submitted to a considerable reduction from quoted prices. HIDES AND PELTS—Hides—There are not

now a great many coming in and all offering now a great many coming in and an onering are readily taken at quotations. Cured and in-spected are in good demand for No. 1 at un-changed rates. A car of No. 2, however, re-cently sold at 64c. *Calfskins*—Green are in pretty fair supply and in good demand at quota-tions. Usuad back back to move off a card tions. Cured have not begun to move off to any marked extent as yet. Sheepskins-Receipts are limited, and prices are steady at 1.75 to \$2 for average to good skins.

mand, closing firm at 251 to 26c for round lots. Slaughter sole—There are only moderate offer-ings, and with a fair enquiry prices are firm. Upper-Good light stock has been in request, and would sell readily, but inferior is not wanted. Harness is moving off pretty freely, and there is no accumulation of stock. Buff is in improving demand and firmer. Pebble con-tinues to be wanted good stock prelimental tinues to be wanted, good stock selling readily at 16 to 18c. Russetts are in only moderate supply, and meet a steady demand at unchanged quotations.

PROVISIONS .- Butter-In better supply and easier at 25 to 30c for fair to choice, the receipts at present consisting chiefly of large rolls. *Cheese*—New is beginning to arrive and can be bought at 15¹/₂ to 16¹/₂c. *Eggs*—Fresh packed are worth 13¹/₂ to 14c. *Dried Apples* are steady at 10¹/₂ to 10¹/₂c. *Lard*—Firm, but without ac-tual change in price, at 10¹/₂ to 10²/₂c for tierces, and 11c to 11¹/₂ to for tinnets. *Bacon* in fair deand IIC to IIIc for tinnets. Bacon in fair demand, at 8% to gc for Cumberland cut; spiced rolls are selling at 113 to 12c. Hams-Smoked are firm at 11s to 12c, and canvassed at 12s to 13c. Pork-Mess is firmer; quoted at \$18.50 to 19.00.

SEEDS .--- Clover is easier to buy; now quoted at \$9.75 to 10.40 per 100 lbs., according to quantity and quality. *Timothy* is dull, at from \$6.50 to 7.25.

Wool-Is rather dull, but there is no actual change to note in quotations. Pulled combing may be quoted at 31 to 32c, and super at 31c to 34c as to sample.

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF CANADA.-Statement of traffic receipts for week ending April 21st, of traine receipts for week ending April 21st, 1874:—Passengers, \$1,319 15; freight, \$3,-926 39; mail and express, \$192 91; total, \$5,438 45. Week ending April 21st, 1873, \$4,727 14. Total traffic to date, \$65,890 44. Year previous, \$57,135 59. Increase, \$8,754 85.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES BUILDING SOCIETY OF ST. THOMAS .- The third annual report states the cash value of mortgages at \$102,106; the permanent stock at \$76,120, accumulating stock \$10,414; \$3,743 was paid in dividends in 1873; \$52,731 was received from depositors, and \$37,-107 of deposits repaid.

A Mr. Switzer-an American-lately deceased, had insurances on his life to the amount of \$310,000, distributed amongst twenty-one companies.

M. K. JESUP, PATON & CO.,

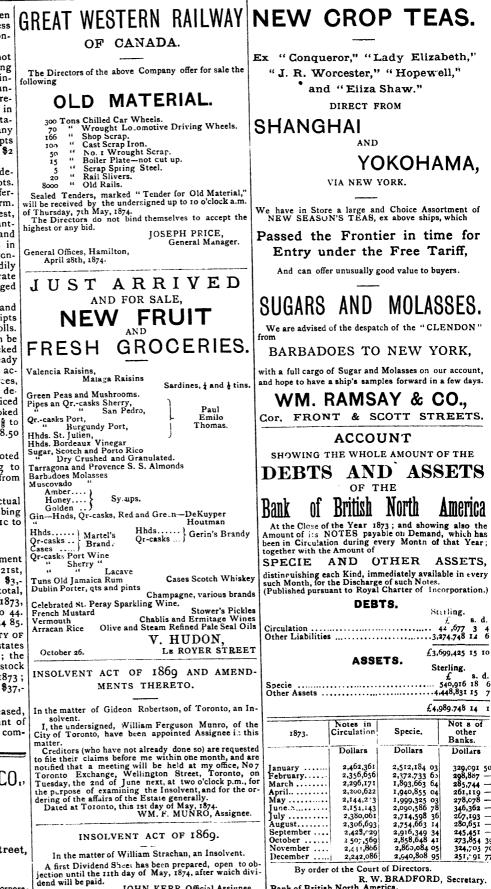
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UNION BUILDING,

No. 52 William Street.

NEW YORK.

The accounts and agency of Banks, Bankers, Corporations, and Private Firms, will receive careful attention.



JOHN KERR, Official Assignee. Toronto, 30th April, 1874.

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1873.	Notes in Circulation	Specie.	Not s of other Banks.
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January	2,462,361	2,512,184 03	329,091 50
February	2,356,656	2,372,733 63	298,807 -
March	2,296,171	1,893,663 64	285,744 -
April	2,200,622	1,940,855 04	261,119 -
May	2,144,2:3	1,999,325 03	278,078
June	2,154,143	2,090,586 78	346,362
July	2,380,061	2,714,598 36	267,193 -
August		2,754,663 14	280,651 -
September		2,916,349 34	245,451
October		2,858,648 41	273,854 39
November		2,860,084 05	324,705 70
December		2,940,808 95	251, 91 77

R. W. BRADFORD, Secretary. Bank of British North America, London, England, March 24, 1874.

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Insurance.	Insurance.	Insurance.
CANADA	Twenty-eighth Annual Statement	Deposit of \$100,000.00
Life Assurance Company.	Connections Mutual	AT OTTAWA FOR THE BENEFIT OF
This Institution having been	Connecticut Mutual	CANADIAN POLICY-HOLDERS ONLY.
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And its management in the hands of persons of long ex- perience of such business, afford	\$9,861,719 99 \$43,541,381 68	Joseph F. Knapp, President,
Perfect Security	DISBURSED IN 1873. To Policy-Holders: For claims by death and ma-	JOHN R. HEGEMAN, Vice. Pres. R. A. GRANNISS, Sec'y. WM. P. STEWART, Actuary. Maj. B. R. Corwin, Mana- ger for the Dom. Canada.
assurers. These features, as well as the Company's	tured encowments	LtCov. Lemuel Allen Wilmot, D.C.L., Fredericton, New Brunswick,
MODERATE RATES,	holders 3,107,009 43 Lapsed and surren'd policies 784,409 10	RESIDENT DIRECTOR.
ender the Institution one whose advantages are not sur- passed by any othe , and explain the fact that it stands at the head of all the Life Companies in Canada.	\$6,270,474 7 [.] Expenses: Commission to Agents \$572,912 48	THE RESERVE PLANS Of this Co. are the most popular system of Life Insur- ance ever offered, and are rapidly superceding the old
Detailed Reports and Table Rates may be obtained at any of the Company's Offices or Agencies.	Salaries of Officers, Clerks, and all others employed on	practice. THEIR SALIENT POINTS ARE
A. G. RAMSAY,	saiary	Every Policy, whether on ordinary Life rates, or other, a Cash Endowment to the Insurer.
Manager and Secretary.	Printing, Stationery, Adver- tising, Pos'ge, Exch'ge, &c 98,435 51	 The maximum of insurance at the minimum of cost. Definite surrender value specified on the face of the
R. HILLS, Assistant Secretary.	\$752.325 17 Taxes, and Profit and Loss 251.779 61	Policy. 4. The term for which the insurance is to run elected by the assured.
Agent in TorontoE. BRADBURNE,	7,274,579 48 Balance Net Assets, December 31, \$36,266,802 20	5. Grace in payment of premiums of from one to six months, determined by the age of the Policy.
BRITON	Balance Net Assets, December 31, \$36,266,802 20 SCHEDULE OF ASSETS. Loans upon Real Estate, first lien \$21,178,605 33	All the merits of plain Life In urance, Endowment and Investment combined in one contract.
MEDICAL AND GENERAL	Loans upon stocks and bonds	By the sworn returns to the Ins rance Departments the net increase or cecrease of business of each of the Life Companies of the United States for 1873 is exhibited.
Life Association.	Cost of Real Estate owned by the Co'y 1,347,27 83 Cost of United States Registered Bonds 1,630,836 80 Cost of State Bonds	It will be seen that the METR POLITAN occupies the handsome position of FOURTH on the list in ac- tual gain of membership, the three companies exceeding
Capital and Invested Funds, over \$4,000,000	Cost of City Bonds	it being an average of sixteen y ars older !! And of the
Annual Income, over \$1,222,000 00 Goverement Deposit, over 100,000 00	Cost of Railroad Stock	of the country for the year, the MEIROPOLIIAN competing with Forty-seven others, supplied ONE-
Policies payable during lifetime at ordi-	Cash in Company's office	SIXTH. The total new business of the Company, for 1373, ex-
nary life rates,	App: \$36,266,802 20	ceeded the aggre, ate of nineteen other companies, as shown by official returns; and the increase over the corresponding business of the previous year exhibits the
(By application of profits)	Interest accrued and due \$1,108,731 92 Market value of stocks and	METROPOLITAN ahead of all the companies in the
Chief Offices, 429 Strand, London. Head Office for the Dominion:	bonds over cost 263,820 97 Net prems in course of col'n. 9,970 28	This is a flat ering exhibit, and demonstrates that in the management and the Reserve Plans of the Company
12 PLACE D'ARMES, MONTREAL.	Net deferred quarterly and semi-annual premiums 30,898 70 1,413,421 87	it maintains its strong hold on public confidence.
JAS. B. M. CHIPMAN,	Gross assets, Dec. 31, 1873 \$37,680,224 07	STERLING AGENTS WANTED At Every Unoccupied Point.
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Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company.	Surplus, December 31, 1873 \$4 06 ,405 25 Increase of assets during 1873 \$2 744,082 94	Superintendents for Ontario & Quebec. THOS. A. TEMPLE & SON,
AVAILABLE ASSETS \$27,000,000	Katio of expense of management to re- ceipts in 1873	102 Prince William St., ST. JOHN, N. B., Superintendents for the Maritime Province
DIRECTORS IN CANADA.	JAS. GOODWIN, President. JACOB L. GREENE, Secretary.	THE MONETARY TIMES AND TRADE REVIEW—INSURANCE CHRONICLE
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INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Richard Clavton, an Insolvent. 1, the undersigned Lewis Moffatt, of Toronto, have been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors (wao have not already done s) are requested to file their claims before me within one month. LEWIS MOFFATT, Toronto, April 23th, 1874. Assignee.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Margaret Moore, and Thomas Moore-Insolvents

Insolvents. I, the undersigned James Bellingham Boustead, of the City, of Toronto, have been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors are requested to file their craims before me within one month and are hereby notified to meet at my office. No. 16 Adelaide Street East, Toronto, on Saturday the 23rd day of May next at one o'lock, after-noon, for the pu-pose of examining the Insolvents and for the ordering of the affairs of the est te generally. JAMES B. BOUSTEAD, Assignee. Dated at Toronto, this 21st day of April 1874.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

In the matter of Magnus Shewan, an Insolvant. A meeting of Creditors will be held at the office of Kerr & Anderson, 2, Toronto Street, on Saturday the 9th day of May, 1874, at two o'clock P.M., for the purpose of instructing the Assignee as to the disposal of the Don Mount property. JOHN KERR, Toronto cart April 1874 Mount property. Teronto, 21st April, 1874. Assignee.

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Insolvent Act of 1869, and amendments thereto.

In the matter of H. & E. Harrison, an Insolvent. In the matter of H. & E. Harrison, an Insolvent. The Creditors of the Insolvent are notified that a meet-ing will be held at my office, No. 26 Toronto Street, in the City of Toronto, Tuesday the 5th day of May next at two o'clock in the atternoon, for the Public Examination of the Insolvent and the ordering of the Affairs of the Estate generally. W. T. MASON, Assignee. Dated at Toronto, this 18th day of April, 1874.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Sarah Garland, an Insolvent, The Cred tors of the Irsolvent are notified that a meet-ing will be +eld at my office, No. 26 Toronto Street, in the City (f Toronto, on Tuesday the 5th day of May next at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the Public Examina-tion of the Insolvent and the ordering of the Affairs of the Estate generally. W. T. MASON, the Estate generally. Dated at Toronto, this 18th day of April, 1874. Assignee.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

In the County Court of the County of York. The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Plaintiffs, vs. G.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce, Plaintiffs, vs. G. T. Faucher, Defend: nt. Upon reading the Writ of Attachment issued in this cause, the Affidavit of Serv cc thereof, and the return of the Sheriff of the County of York under oath thereon en-dorsed and other affidavits and papers field, and upon the applrcation of the Plaintiffs, I do order that a meet-ing of the Creditors of the said Defendant be held before the Clerk of this honorable Court, at his office, in the Court House, in the City of Toronto, on Wednesday, the Twentieth day of May, A.D. 1874, at ten o'clock in th forenoon, for the purpose of appointing an Assignee to the estate and effects of the above named Defendant, and that due notice thereof be given as required by the said Act.

said Act. Chambers, Toronto, 28th day of April. A.D. 1874. (Signed), G. DUG AN, Judge. Messrs. Morrison, Wells & Gordon, Plaintift's Attorneys.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869 AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of William Moss, an Insolvent. The Insolvent has made an Assignment of his Estate o me, and the Creditors are notifie to meet at my office, No. 26 Toronto Street, in the City of Toronto, on Mon-day, the 1th day of May, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to receive statements of his affairs and to appoint an designee. to receiv Assignee.

W. T. MASON, Interim Assignee. Dated at Toronto, this 25th day of April, A.D. 18, 4.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869, AND AMEND-MENTS THERETO.

In the matter of Daniel McLaren, an Insolvent. I, the undersigned, James Bellingham Boustead, of the City of Toronto, have been appointed Assignee in this matter. Creditors are requested to file their cl ims before me within one month, and are her by notified to meet at my office, No. 16 Adelaide Stree East, Toronto, on Monday, the first day of June next, at two o'clock, afternoon, for the purpose of examining the Insolvent, ard for the ordering of the affairs of the estate generally. JAMES B. BOUSTEAD, Assignce. D.ted at Toronto, this 29th day of April, A. D. 1874.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

In the matter of Morison, Strachan & Co., of Toronto,

In the matter of Astronomic Insolvents. A second Dividend Sh et has been prepared, open to obje tion until the eighteenth day of May next, after which dividends will be paid. Toronto, 30th April, 1874. WM. F. MUNRO, Official Assignee.

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Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.	Wholesale Rates.	Name of Article.
oots and Shoes :	\$ c. \$ c.	Groceries—continued. Dry Crushed	Ģ i. \$ c.	Leather-continued.
Iens' French Calf Boots. "Grain K. Bts, tap Riding Boots. tap "No. 1," "No. 2, " "No. 3, " "Kip Boots, Tap" "Kip Boots, Tap" "Deole" "Felt Cong. MSto G "D. S. Buff Fox Bal "Congs." Buff plain Kip Cob. & bunkums "Split	3 62 @4 00	Extra Ground	0 13 0 14	Spanish Sole, 1st qual middle, wgts. 10
" Grain K. Bts, tap " Riding Boots, tap	0 00 3 85	Teas : Japan common to good .	0 35 0 45	Do. No. 2, Slaughter, heavy
" Stogas, bts, ex. & tap	0 00 3 00	Japan common to good. "fine to choicest	0 50 0 65	Do. light
" " No. 1,	0 00 2 75	Colored, common to fine	0 45 0 75	Harness, best "No. 2
" " No. 3. "	0 00 1 90	Oolong, good to fine	0 45 0 60	Upper heavy
" Kip Boots, Tap	2 45 3 25	Y. Hyson, com. to good. Medium to choice	0 36 0 55	" light Kip skins, Patna
" Felt Cong. M Sto G	0 00 0 00	Gupped common to good. Gupped common to fine Congou & Souchong Oolong, good to fine Y. Hyson, com. to good. Medium to choice Gunpwd com. to med "med. to fue.	0 80 0 87	English
" D. S. Bull FOX Ball	1 75 2 40		0 60 0 75	Hemlock Calf (30 to lbs.), per doz
" Buff plain	1 60 2 15	" fine to finest.	0 80 0 90	Do. light. French Calf
" Split	1 20 1 60	Hyson. Imperial	0 42 0 80	Splits, large, # Ib " small
'No.1 ex Stoga Boots	0 00 2 10	Tobacco-Manufactured: Dark 58 & 105	n 38 0 40	Enamelled Cow, per
" No.2 R ding boots, tap " G. K. boots, tap	0 00 2 80	" " Western Leaf,		Patent Pebble Grain
" Tap Sole Kip boots,	0 00 2 35	[good to fine Bright sorts, gd. to fine.	0 42 0 52	Buff
" Bunkums & Balmor. " Buff & Calf Congs.	1 10 1 60	Bright sorts, gd. to fine. "choice Solace	0 60 0 80	Russetts, light heavy
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" Bunkums & Bals. Vomens' D. S. Calf Batts	I 00 I 30	Hardware. Tin (net cash prices):		Oils. Cod Oil
Split&Bff. Batts	1 00 1 40	Block, 🌮 1b Grain	0 29 0 31	Lard, extra
" Peb & Buff Bal "Buff Cong	0 00 1 60	Copper:	0 32 0 34	" No. 1 " No. 2
" M S Pei Bals	I 20 2 00	Copper: Pig Sheet	0 24 0 26	Lubricating, patent. Duncan-Clark & Co
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" Peb. Buff Bals Turned Cacks	0 90 1 05			salad
		Best, No. 22 Best No. 24 26	0 091 0 091	qt., per case
Drugs.		" 26	0 092 0 10	Seal, pale Spirits Turpentine .
	4	" 28 Horse Nails :	0 104 0 104	Whale, refined
loes Cape	0 14 0 20	Guest's or Griffin's as- sorted sizes		Paints, &c.
lum	0 02 0 03	E. T. or W. assd. sizes	0 10 0 20	White Lead, genuine Oil, # 25 lbs
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Clayed, # gall. Syrups, Standard "Golden	0 45 0 46	IXX " DC " Hides & Skins, 🎔 Ib.:	15 00 15 25	Pork, mess, new
ice		Hides & Skins, P 1b.:	10 00 10 25	Bacon, Canada
pices: Cassia, whole, 🎔 lb	0 22 0 25	Green, No. I	0 00 0 07	"Cumberland smoked
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