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## THE CLERK WHO MAKES FRIENDS.

By William H. Maher, in Saturday Post.

THE young man who is making his way through the world, depending upon his energy, industry and intelligence to lift him higher, must not neglect to cultivate the study of mankind. No matter how efficient he may be in other qualities, if he is not a judge of men he is doomed to failure.

A man must possess the faculty of winning the confidence of other men and of making them his friends if he would be successful in any walk of life. This faculty, or gift, is born with some. They touch a sympathetic chord in every one they meet, are given a hearing when more worthy men are turned away, and succeed along their chosen lines when men of immensely greater ability plod along at the foot.
If we say they possess tact, we only half express it. Tact is saying and doing the right thing at the right time to the right person. Tact prevents blunders that would make enemies, but does not necessarily make friends. Tact is the form, but the feeling lies deeper down. To make friends, tact must be present, but the heart only can tie the knot of friendship.
The strength of youth is its unlimited hopefulness. success is just around the corner; in a few years, at most, she will be overtaken; then come ease and luxury! The great majority of those in the race never catch a glimpse of her robes, and the ones who lag farthest in the rear are those whose manners were so unsympathetic or forbiddins that men who could and would have helped them refrained, perhaps, at the critical moment, from saying the word or doing the thing that would have advanced them.
the saving grace of tagt.
1 am at this moment interested in a man who is out of work, and who is struggling bravely to find a position. When he is not near me I study how I can help him, and I canvass friends who may need a man, and who would give my recommendation some weight. But when he comes to see me he has not talked five minutes before I begin to think that I wouldn't want him near me all the time; and, feeling so, I wonder if it is right that I should commend him to others. He has no tact. He does not permit me to get half way through a sentence before he interrupts me to agree with me, while he proceeds to finish my sentence in
an entirely different way from what I had intended. I conclude that it is not worth while to go back and finish in the way I started out to do, so let it go as he left it, but I do not volunteer any further remarks. When he goes away I still wish, as much as ever, that he was at work, but I am hoping that he will find a place without my having to make a special recommendation.
the value of interest in others.
If he finds that, on the whole, he does make friends of those with whom he comes in contact, so that they seem to take a kindly interest in him, he may well rejoice, for he has a basis upon which to build toward better results. His danger will be in thinking that he is naturally so shrewd and magnetic that he need give the matter no further study, but may safely trust to these powers to carry him through any and every thing that will come in his course.

A young man in whom I am interested was told by his employers to make his preparations for a trip over a certain railroad as a salesman. He had been working in the office and had never sold a bill of goods in his life. He had been expecting to be appointed a house salesman, and while there would have had experienced men to refer to, if it were necessary, so that he could not have made a serious blunder. But to go out of the city and be obliged to depend entirely upon his own knowledge and judgment-that seemed a tremendous risk, both for himself and his house. But he started on his journey.

When he finished the trip he told me: "I studied it out like this: no man will buy of a man if he dislikes him; as a stranger he will have no interest in him, one way or the ether; he must approach the merchant so as not to arouse any aversion, and then do his best to create some little interest in himself. I worked on that plan. I appeared to be interested in every merchant and clerk whom I met. I had to work long and hard many times-in fact, most of the time-to get beneath the crust of their indifference, but eventually I succeeded in getting them to do a little talking about themselves. I showed such interest in this that by and bye they wanted to know a little something about me. We grew friendly, and I succeeded in working up a good trade."
sincerty and courtesy always tell.
One of the most successful men I meet first learned that he might be a good salesman by an incident that happened on the cars between Albany and Buffalo. The seats

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in his car were pretty well taken, so he offered half of his to a gentieman who came in late. The two engaged in conversation, and it came about naturally that the youth told of what he had been working at, and where, and that he was going to a western city on a rather slim chance of bettering his position. As the older man neared his station he gave the youth his card, saying: "This is my address; I have a factory there. I like your grit and the way you talk; if you don't find the place you are looking for, drop me a line and l'll make a place for you in my office.'

The young man secured a place, and one day told his employer of this incident. The latter said: "That is the kind of work that makes a man a successful salesman; I have been wondering if you wouldn't do well on the road, and I think you may try it." He made a profitable trip, and was a noted salesman until he was compelled to leave the road and take up the management of the house.

How could he do this? His heart was in his voice and touched the right chord in the hearts of his listeners
the vital natuke of friendship.
I recall another young man who was visiting in a city for a few days, and was taken by his host to call upon the head of a wholesale house, that he might see how business was done in that busy place. The young man and the merchant talked together for an hour, and the latter drew from the youth the story of his life thus far and his aspirations for the future. That evening the merchant called upon the host, and as he took his leave particularly requested the young man to call upon him in the morning He then said:

Some remarks you made yesterday kept repeating themselves to me after you went away. I think you are possessed of the spirit that succeeds. I want a man in my oflice; if you wish to take hold you may.

The offer was promptly accepted, and neither man ever had cause to regret it.

As any man studies his relations with other men, and analyzes the position in which he holds those whom he meets in either a social or business way, he must confess that he divides these into two classes: those who attract and those who repel him. There is a small percentage to whom he is indifferent, but the great majority are in the two classes I have named.

If he were free to follow his first inclinations he would avoid one class the moment he detected the coldness between them, and would seek his associates and friends entirely from the ranks of those toward whom he was attracted. Experience proves that to do this would be a grievous mistake, and in the due course of business he must not draw a line between men and men, but must endeavor by every means at his command to hold as customers all
men, regardless of any antipathy he may have conceived against them.

A man who intends to succeed must have friends. These are not to be bought or borrowed ready made; they must be evolved out of the men and women whom he meets, both in social life and in business

How shall he do this?
I know of no better rule than that given in Proverbs "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly" THE CHILL OF AN INDIFFERENT BEARING.
A manufacturer told me recently: "The personal equation enters far more into the success of a salesman than was the case thirty years ago, when I was on the road. Our men must make their customers their friends, or they fail to build up a paying trade."

Go into a large store where the clerks employed number among the hundreds; watch one after another as you pasis their counters, and observe their attitude to their customers. While all are intent upon making a sale, for thereby hangs their continuance in their places, nine out of ten have no interest whatever in the buyers. Their manner to the customer is as cold as an icicle; and though they put on what they think will pass as an air of interest, this is so palpably artificial that the customer is never deceived by it.

The tenth clerk approaches his customer with an air of kindly anticipation, shows a decided interest in the goods called for, is probably a little more desirous of exactly matching what is wanted, or in finding an exact fit than is the buyer, and seems so sincerely desirous of pleasing and so thankful for the purchase that the customer remembers him, and not only seeks him again, perhaps even at some ittle discomfort, but is not stingy with a word of praise where it will do the clerk some good.

## THE DOLT WHO NEVER GETS ON

By far the larger portion of mankind can think only of themselves; the I, with them, is so extremely large that they spend most of their thought and time in efforts to impress the rest of the world with a proper sense of their fancied importance. A person belonging to this class can never forget himself long enough to take an interest in his auditor. He not only lacks tact, but he is wanting in common shrewdness.

The interest that makes friends must be both kindly and honest. The clerk and salesman must forget himself; must think only of the one purpose, to make the person his friend. This is not accomplished by fawning upon men, nor by echoing their opinions, but by an intelligent acquaintance with human nature that pushes one's self into the background and sees and brings out the best in others. He must follow out the injunction laid down for keeping friends and "show himself friendly." All other rules may easily be condensed into that.

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## Japans, Young Hysons, Indians and Ceylons.

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## Wholesale ${ }_{2}$ Grocers.

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## CANADIAN PROVISIONS IN ENGLAND.

The grocers' journal, London, England, of January 27, says : "Statistics just received in Bristol respecting the trade carried on between England and Canada are interesting. During 1899 Canadian farmers had the satisfaction of selling as much cheese as in the previous year, and realized the highest prices obtainable for several years. London, with 748 , olo boxes, remains the largest purchaser Bristol, with 487.576 boxes, and Liverpool, with 426,364 boxes, being respectively second and third. Glasgow comes next with 70,013 boxes; Newcastie, 39.749 boxes: Cardiff, 33,464 boxes ; Leith, 32,633 boxes; Manchester, 39,213 boxes ; Belfast, 12,565 boxes; Aberdeen, 6,112 boxes. The Bristol figures were slightly higher than those of 1898,1896 and 1895 , but below those of 1897 and 1894. The expoit of butter from Canada increased no less than 50 per cent., while the improvement in the returns to the producer was nearly 25 per cent. Bristol continued to be at the top of the list of cus. tomers with 158,210 packages, against II8, 219 packages in 1898 , and 116,397 packages in 1897.
" Liverpool last season took second place from London with 105, 864 packages, against

48,857 in 1898 , and 35.765 packages in 1897. In 1894 the packages to Liverpool only numbered 2,252 . The London figures were 105,135, against 80,910 in 1898, and 53.684 in 1897, Glasgow came fourth with 43,847 packages, against 18,317 in 1898 , and 16.821 in 1897 . Manchester was fifth with 29,242 packages, against 8,860 packages in 1898 , and 13 in 1897 . The total packages brought into the United Kingdom from Carada numbered 451,050 , against 278.922 in 1898 . In 1894 the number was only 32,065 . The great increase in this department is attributed to the cold storage facilities on the steamers trading between Canada and British ports. Most of the shipments of flour during the year were sent to London, Glasgow being second, Liverpool third, and Bristol fourth. Thē figures were: London, 544544 sacks; Glasgow, 308,812 sacks, against 164,070 sacks in 1898; Liverpool, 299359 sacks, against 261.473 sacks in 1898 ; Bristol, 122,548 sacks, against 72,285 sacks in 1898 .

Last year 194,752 boxes of eggs were brought over to the United Kingdom from Canada, Liverpool receiving 94.049 boxes, as against 104, 859 in 1898; Glasgow, 70 , 944 boxes, as against 80,550 in 1898 ; Bristol, 22,501, as against 11,395 in 1898 . Last year London only received 1,560 boxes, as against 17.537 in 1898 . The

Liverpool market was last year the destination for the largest aggregate quantity of canned goods, meats and lard, Bristol, London and Glasgow following. Liverpool received 85,416 boxes of lard, as against 103.275 in 1898 ; Bristol, 28.297 boxes, as against 29.176 in 1898 ; London, 5.952 , as against 17,775 in 1898 , and Glasgow, 10,129 boxes, as against 4.788 in 1898 .

## PRAISE FOR CANADIAN GRAPES.

The following is from Chambers' Journal: " Grapes of fine quality have hitherto been 'forbidden fruit' to the Briton of limited income, whose acquaintance with them is derived solely from what he sees in the shop windows marked at a price far beyond his means. Perhaps he would occasionally buy the hard green grapes which, packed in sawdust, come in barrels from Spain ; but they are so unlike the product of our hothouses that they may be regarded as very much inferior fruit. Recently, however, some magnificent grapes have been imported from Canada, and we are promised in the near future an abundant supply from that country. The grapes are excellent both in appearance and in quality, and they will be sold at a price within the reach of all. It need hardly be said that their transport to this country is rendered possible by storage in refrigerating chambers on board ship.


Labrabor Herring No. 1 Split Herring Scaled Herring Boneless Fish Quail on Toast Pure Cod

# THE DAVIDSON \& HAY, LIMITED <br> TORONTO. 

36 YONGE STREET,


TRADING STAMPS IN ST. THOMAS.
Editor Canadian Grocer, -We have a grocer's association in this city, and about one year ago all the members signed an agreement not to handle trading stamps. The Trading Stamp Co. succeeded in getting one grocer, who is not a member of our association, to handle them. All the other city grocers refused to have anything to do with them, and I think it would only have been a matter of a few months time when the Trading Stamp Co. would have left the city. But now two grocers, who are members of the association, because they were losing trade (not because of the trading stamps, but from other causes), got chickenhearted, and have broken faith with the association and have signed a contract to handle trading stamps for three months on trial. I am very much surprised at this. Surely they could not have been readers of your valuable journal, for you have said so much against trading stamps, and also given the experience of so many who have
tried them as trade-winners and found them a failure, which $I$ am sure will be the experience of these two grocers.

Subscriber.
St. Thomas, February 8.

## SALMON IN THE UNITED STATES and Canada.

The San Francisco Trade Journal says : "The different Alaskan salmon canning companies are getting ready for the coming season's campaign. There will be at least two new companies to go into the business up there, but their pack will not be large, even with good runs of fish. On the Columbia river, the same number of canneries will be run this year as in 1899, but what the pack will be, no one can at this writing, or even in March, make a fair guess. The opinion prevails that Columbia river canners will pack more ovals and flats than usual, particularly if cold-storage men force prices for fish too high. Ovals and flats bring better prices, proportionately. On Puget Sound there will be about three new canneries in operation this year, while some of the older will be enlarged. The Fraser river canners seem to have at least come to a working agreement. It is understood that forty six canners signed the agreement. The compact
involves the price of salmon and the size of the pack. A committee will be chosen to set the price on salmon for the season. After the fishermen's price has been regulated the canners will be bound, each one by the deposit of a $\$ 1,000$ certified check not to offer more than the set price for fish. Should any canner put up a larger pack than has been assigned to him, his surplus must be divided among all the other canners."

## MERCHANT AND NEWSPAPERMAN

Mr. John F. James, general merchant and publisher of The Review, Bridgeburg, Ont., was in Toronto on Thursday and Friday, of last week, attending the meeting of the Canadıan Press Association. After attending his duties as a newspaperman he put in a few hours attending to matters appertaining to his general store.
Mr. James has recently purchased a nice building site in Bridgeburg, and purposes erecting thereon a new store, $20 \times 80$ feet. It will be three storeys with basement, and will be built of blue flint stone. An elevator in the rear will be among the modern appurtenances which the store will possess. The whole of the building will be devoted to business purposes. Building operations have already begun, and the new store will be ready for occupancy next fall.


## TORONTO GROCERS DANCE AND FEAST.

N past years the annual entertainments of the Toronto Retail Grocers' Association have been so enjoyable and so successful that the function has come to be considered the event of the season in Toronto grocery circles, both wholesale and retail.
That the "ball and supper," the 15 th annual entertainment of the association, which was held on Wednesday evening in the Temple building, was a crowning success, that it surpassed all previous entertainments, was enthusiastically agreed to by all present.
Whether it was due to the superior attractiveness of the Temple building assembly rooms, or whether it was due to the association's unbroken record of firstclass entertainments, the attendance at the ball this year was the largest and most thoroughly representative of the grocery trade of Toronto, wholesale, traveling, brokerage and retail, that has graced any festivity given by any branch of the trade in late years.

Among the many present the following were noticed by The Canadian Grocer Messrs. T. Kinnear and E. Bolton, of T. Kinnear \& Co.; Henry $\cdot$ Wright, of The A. F. MacLaren Co., Limited; J. A. Gunn and T. Kemp, of D. Gunn Bros. \& Co.; John J. Fee ; J. F. Howitt, of P. McIntosh \& Son; F. W. Humphrey and W. A. Mitchell, of F. W. Humphrey \& Co.; John Edmonds, J. A. Norris, J. T. Choate, D. Fleming, James Mortimer and Thomas Holman, of The Christie, Brown Co., Limited; Geo. McWilliam, Frank Everist, Frank Thorpe, W. Stringer and Samuel McGiffin, of McWilliam \& Everist ; Chas. Dawson, of The Dawson Commission Co., Limited; W Lumbers and F. Stewart, of James Lumbers \& Co.; P. Eby, H. Hardie and T. S. Grant, of The Eby, Blain Co., Limited ; Tyrel Burns and W. Burwick, of John Sloan \& Co.; Capt. Adams, Charles Shields and C. Newman, of The Davidson \& Hay, Limited; W. Collins and Fred. Rupert, of M. McLaughlin \& Co. ; John F. McLaren, of The Ogilvie Milling Co. ; F. J. Blackburn and S. Mackenzie, of H. P. Eckardt \& Co. ; F. F. Stuart and Frank Britton, of The Imperial Extract Co. ; Chas. H. Collins and S. A. McNeil, of G. F. \& J. Galt ; Frank Marmion, of P. C. Larkin \& Co. ; A. H. Canning and A. Davison, of A. H. Canning \& Co. ; J. A. Taylor, of The Monsoon Tea Co.; A. G. Donahue, of Joseph Tetley \& Co. ; J. Litster and Frank Gallow, of The Pure Gold Manufacturing Co., Limited; Wm. Anderson, of The

Wilson, Lytle, Badgerow Co., Limited ; S. S. Richardson, of T. A. Lytle \& Co. ; J. C. Adams ; F. Morley ; W. Ince, jr. ; F. Hays and Robt. Maxwell, of Perkins, Ince \& Co.; F. P. Baxter, of The G.T.R.; Thomas Collins, of John Taylor \& Co. ; A. M. Piper, of Todhunter Mitchell \& Co.; James A. Watson, of The Toronto Coffee and Spice Co., Limited ; J. E. Willows, of The Queen City Oll Co. ; Hebert E. Smith, of The John Cowan Co., Lımited ; J. W. Maybee and John C. Pearson, of Lumsden Bros. ; E. Robinson and C. S. Fairbairn, of The Robinson Manufacturing Co. ; J. W. Jackson, of The Robert Watson Co. ; M. P. Ryan, of The Wm. Ryan Co., Limited; A. A. Simonski ; Harry A. Ash ; Chas. Kimpton, W. J. and Edward Oake, of Clemes Bros.

While the list shows that the grocery trade of the city was well represented, an observer from the gallery of the assembly hall would have speedily come to the conclusion that, in the ladies, the beauty, not alone of the grocery trade, but of the city, was present to grace the scene and incidentally make glad the hearts of many young grocers and travelers.

But there were some old, and a few young, veterans who were too tired, or too lazy or too awkward to dance. These were not without their meed of enjoyment, however, for tables had been bountifully strewn about the passageways, and here, amidst the curling clouds of smoke and the pleasant banter of old acquaintances, battles at cards were lost and won.
But the centre of attraction until midnight was the assembly room, where with light step and merry mien the dancers created a kaleidoscope of grace and beauty
By mianight the first part of the programme was completed, and the company made their way to the Temple Cafe, where the following menu was served

MENU.


The Temple Cafe is furnished almost as elaborately and as near to perfection as possible ; the service was as satisfactory, and the viands as edible as the menu was generous. It was, therefore, but natural,
that a hearty and enjoyable supper shou'd be partaken, and that the dancers should return to the assembly hall refreshed and invigorated. Herr, for another three hours, the orchestra set a cheery, lively time, which the dancers proved themselves ready and able to respond to until that grand old air, God Save the Queen, brought to a close the most successful "At Home" the Toronto Retail Grocers' Association have ever given.

## THE MISBRANDING OF CORN.

The American Grocer says that the cornpackers of Maine have under consideration some plan to prevent the misbranding of canned corn, and adds: " The putting up of Southern and Western corn under a Maine label is a growing evil that ought to be stopped: In fact, the old custom of misbranding various sorts of canned goods is widespread and one difficult to justify. In the case of Maine corn, it is particularly exasperating, as it tends to rob the packers of that State of a reputation that is the result of half a century of honest work in putting up an article which is grown to greater perfection in New England than anywhere else on the continent. If fine Western corn is equal or superior to Maine corn, then the Western packers discredit their respective States by labeling Western corn as the product of Maine. Misbranding is often a petty fraud, and we are glad to note that many packers absolutely refuse to put up their product under false labels, no matter whether the article has been sold for 'buyers' labels or not.'

## IT PAID TO BE CHEERFUL.

A manufacturer of Kensington tells this true tale: "Fifteen years ago I was very rich, but ten years ago there came a time when it seemed that I'd surely fail. One day when a smash appeared a certainty I walked down Chestnut street towards the wool warehouses, blue, blue as indigo, but I braced up and put on a cheertul air. Just then a man I knew came in and said : 'Say, Bill, what makes you always look so cheerful? Don't you ever have any trouble at all?' 'Oh, yes,' said I, jollying a little; ' but to look blue doesn't do any good, etc.' ' Well,' this fellow said, ' I'll tell you what I'm going to do. I've got $\$ 25,000$ lying idle, and I'm going to get you to invest it for me. You're so well off, so lucky in business always, and so blamed cheerful, I'm sure nothing ever fails with you, and I want you to invest this money any way you please, and I won't even ask you how you did invest it.' Well, I took this man's money. It was just the amount my tottering business needed. A year later times and prices were vastly better, and I paid the $\$ 25.000$ back with interest at-what do you think ?-9 per cent." -Philadelphia Record.

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## TIN CANS AND BOXES.

THE chief use of tinplates is in the manufacture of cans, boxes and other packages. It is surprising how many articles of commerce are packed in tinplate packages. Groceries, proprietary articles, tobacco, cigars, calcium carbide, typewriter ribbons, blackıng-in fact, it would require a column to enumerate all the articles which are being put in tinplate packages. The kind of wood used in cigar boxes is growing scarcer and scarcer, and even the best is by no means so well suited for the purpose as tinplate. Such groceries as coffee, tea, spices and many others are best packed in tin.
Tinplate boxes are, by special process, made from pieces of tinplate which have been first lithographed with beautiful designs in colors, so that the attractive package makes a ready seller, and the housewife frequently buys a tin box of tea or coffee in order to get the box. Proprietary medicines are being packed more and more in tin. A handsomely decorated tin box helps the sale of such an article wonderfully, and in every case the substitution of a tin box for a paper or wooden package has resulted in greatly increased sales. The cost is very small.
Thus, one can buy a dozen 2 -grain quinine pills neatly put up in a tin box with sliding cover and having an even dozen little depressions in the bottom, one for each pill, for a nickel. The outside carries a design. To make such a box, including waste, requires only about $51 / 2$ square inches of tinplate. Twenty-six boxes may be made from one square foot, and as such small boxes are made from tinplate much thinner than the ordinary gauge the cost of the tin in such a box, including waste, is less than I-13c.

The manufacture of boxes and cans from tinplate has been made wonderfully economical by the invention of machinery to do all the work. There is practically no labor involved but tending the machines. In a can factory the sheets are fed into machines,
and from that point the material is not touched by human hands until the finished can has been produced and tested for leaks. Where the canning establishment makes its own cans it is the practice with a number of products to do the cooking or "processing" right in the can, and in any case the cans are made, tested, filled, sealed and labeled without being touched by a hand. There are can factories which will turn out 1,000 ,ooo or more of the regular sizes of cans in a day, and, of course, it will be seen that the cost must be very small.
The most common size of can used for fruit and vegetables is the No. 2, or $2-\mathrm{lb}$. can. It is about $31 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. in diameter and $41 / 2 \mathrm{in}$. high. Including the waste, which in ordinary cans can be reduceed to from 3 to 5 per cent., it takes only about $1 / 2$ square foot of tinplate to make a No. 2 can, the cost being thus, at the present market price of tinplate, about ic. The cans are sold complete at from $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.90$ per 100 , allowing the can manufacturer only a fraction of a cent for his solder, fuel, wear and tear on machines, handling and the loss from occasionally defective ones.

Standard I-lb. cans cost only from $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.35$ per 100 . The lowest price on record for tinplate was made in the summer of 1898 , when the price touched $\$ 2.60$ a box. At that time the quantity of tinplate required to make a No. 2 can cost only $51 / 2$ mills. The advance since then has amounted to $41 / 2$ mills per can, or 45 c . per 100 cans. Even when imported tinplate was used exclusively in the United States and prices were considerably higher than they are now, the tinplate required for a No. 2 can cost only about $11 / 4$ cents.

Canned corn is now quoted wholesale at from 60 to 70 c . a doz. for the $2 \cdot \mathrm{lb}$. size. Canned tomatoes are still cheaper, so that the cost of the tinplate in a can of corn or tomatoes is only from a fifth to a sixth of the wholesale price of the article, or from an eghth to a tenth of the retail price. In the case of the more expensive articles, such as
peas, peaches, fish and meat, the cost of the tinplate sinks to almost infinitesimal pro-portions.-Pittsburgh Despatch.

## "MONSOON" IN MID-AIR.

A crowd stood at the corner of Yonge and Queen streets, Toronto, about noon on Wednesday, gazing at a sheet of white cotton several feet square, on which was printed in large letters: "Drink Monsoon Tea,' said sheet seemingly being kept in midair by some mysterious means. But, by andbye, the spectators discovered a large kite away to the northeast, and then it dawned on them that the sheet of cotton with its device had been run up the kite string until it hung immediately over Yonge street. The secret of it all was that Mr. Ross, the manager of The Monsoon Tea Co., discovering a boy flying the kite, immediately got him to run the sheet up the string. The idea was not a bad one.

## RETAIL MERCHANTS OF PETERBORO'

A branch of the Retail Merchants' Asso. ciation of Canada, was organized in Peterboro' on February 12, with the following officers :
President-Robert Fair.
First Vice-President-Jas. Connal.
Second Vice-President-Jas, Lynch.
Secretary-W. A. Cressman
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Treasurer-Alex. Gibson.

## A PRIZE FOR GOOD WORK.

Last year G. F. \& J. Galt (The Blue Ribbon Tea Co.), offered a prize of $\$ 300$ to the taveler who should do the best year's work of their staff. When the books for the year were made up at the first of this month, and the work of the various representatives accounted it was found that Chas. H. Collins, the Toronto city representative, had won the honors and the money.
As "Charlie" is a popular traveler with the retail trade, as well as with his fellowtravelers, who, at their last annual meeting, elected him president of the Toronto City Travelers' Association, he is receiving congratulations from a great host of friends.


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## CANNED TOMATO SITUATION.

INCREASED interest in canned tomatoes has been created in Toronto this week owing to the sale of a large lot on British Columbian account at prices reported to be a good deal above present market values.

During the past week several lots of tomatoes have been offered, and, when the sale in question was announced, some of the sellers advanced their views 5 c . per dozen to goc., but this was not generally done, for tomatoes in lots can still be obtained by the wholesale trade at 85 c . There have, in fact, been sales at that figure. Nor have the wholesalers made any change in their figures to the retail trade, 90 to 95 c . per dozen still being the ruling quotation.

As to the future of the market, The Canadian Grocer is of the same opinion as it has been for some time, and that is that holders of tomatoes at present prices have not much need for alarm.

It is no uncommon thing about this time of the year, when quietness is somewhat protracted, for holders to make some effort to lighten their stocks, particularly when, as at present, they can offer them at a figure which promises not only to be attractive, but to yield them, at the same time, a
fairly good profit. We see the retailers doing the same thing, for they are freely advertising tomatoes, peas and even corn at 7 c . per tin.
When, however, the demand improves, as it in all probability will shortly, we may confidently look for firm prices in the neighborhood of to-day's figures.
From what The Canadian Grocer can gather, it is likely that tomatoes for next season's delivery will open at about 85 c . per dozen. It is certain that a great deal more will be asked than a year ago, for there has been since then a marked appreciation in the value of practically everything entering into the manufacture of canned goods. Packing boxes and tin are about 100 per cent. higher. Nails and solder are much dearer, and the farmers are demanding higher prices for tomatoes.

In the face of these conditions, it is evident that the predominating feature of the canned tomato situation is bullish rather than bearish.

Merchants who cannot keep their tempers are scarcely in a position to keep their customers.

## A TELEGRAPH LINE TO DAWSON.

ARECENT issue of The Vancouver Daily Province contains an interview with Mr. J. B. Charleson, who is superintending the construction of an allCanadian telegraph line from Ashcroft to Atlin, British Columbia. Ashcroft, it might be mentioned, is on the main line of the C.P.R. while Atlin is in the comparatively recently-discovered mining country in the far northern part of British Columbia. At present, the nearest telegraph station is Nanaimo, 1,000 miles away.

The route taken, according to Mr . Charleson will be through Quesnelle and Hazelton, by way of Telegraph Creek, to Atlin. As a line already connects Atlin with Dawson City, the latter place will be in telegraphic communication with practically the whole of the Dominion, when the Ashcroft-Atlin line is completed, and that is expected about May i next.
When the line is completed, it will undoubtedly be appreciated by business men at both ends.

## CHEESE ADVANCES.

LAST WEEK, reference was made to the peculiar tactics that had been adopted in the cheese market.
That these moncuvres were purely speculative, with an idea of "rigging" the market, the course of values since amply testifies.
Inquiry for cheese from Britain has steadily increased, and it will take very little more demand to exhaust what small stock there is remaining in Montreal and Canada generally.
Since last week, cable limits have been advanced materially, and the range of values for export business in Montreal is fully $1 / 4$ to $3 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . higher than it was.
Colored cheese, of which there are only two lots remaining for sale in Montreal, is at a decided premium, and we know that bids of $121 / 4$ to $123 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. have been refused, the holders being confident that they will get more money.

In a word, it now seems clear that the relatively low price and dullness through which the market dragged in January, was due to the actions of two holders on this side, who played into the hands of the shorts in Great Britain by feeding them with cheese at their own prices, when, if they had only held out, they could have got more money.

## NEXI SEASON'S JAPANS.

Although the time when shipments will be made is some months distant, the trade is reminded that the season for new crop Japan teas is approaching, standards for next season's teas being this week submitted to the wholesale trade in Toronto by representatives of some of the shipping houses.

As far as can be gathered, prices on the finer teas are a little lower than they were last year, while on the medium and the lower grades they are a little higher.

No transactions are yet reported.

## AUSTRALIAN BUTTER IN ENGLAND

A glance at the imports of Australian butter into Great Britain in January and February, during a series of years, makes it clear what an extraordinary part this Australian butter has played in the British market during the present winter.


## TRYING TO MAKE BEET SUGAR IN CANADA.

|T has been demonstrated again and again beyond all peradventure that sugar beets of high saccharine quality can be produced in Canada.

During the last few years several experiments have been made in different parts of Ontario with sugar beet culture, and the analysis has, in every instance, as far as we can remember, shown, on the whole, a higher percentage of sugar than in Europe, while the yield was apparently everything that could be desired. In Quebec and in British Columbia encouraging results have also been obtained.

And the efforts of nature have been sup. plemented by the munificence of Parliament in the shape of bounties.
During the session of 1891 , the payment of a bounty of $\$ 1$ per 100 lb ., and, in addition thereto, $3^{1 / 3} \mathrm{c}$. per 100 lb . for each degree or fraction thereof over 70 degrees was authorized. The term of this bonus was to be from July i, 1891, to July i, 1893. But the following year the time limitation was extended to June 30,1895 . And in 1895 the operation of the Act was further extended, being made terminable July, 1897, but the bounty per 100 lb . on sugar testing 70 degrees and under was reduced from $\$ 1$ to 75 c . There was no subsequent extension of the Act, and it expired by limitation July 1, 1897.

Within the last ten years or fifteen years two beet sugar factories have been operated in the Province of Quebec, one being at Farnham and the other at Berthier.
In 1892 the amount paid out in bounties under the Act was $\$ 25,767$; in 1893 it was $\$ 20,568$; in 1894 it was $\$ 7,765$. But, in spite of natural advantages and Parliamentary bentficence, both refineries have for some years been closed down, and the machinery of the Farnham factory has since been removed to New York State, where it is turning out beet root sugar at a profit.

Two or three years ago an effort was made to start a beet sugar factory at Owen Sound. For a time it looked as if the effort would be successful, for excellent results were obtained from the analysis of beets grown in the district, but the scheme was ultimately abandoned and the scene of the agitation was transferred to Wiarton, 20 miles from Owen Sound, where it is an
issue which appears to be becoming more and more alive. A company has been organized, and stock to the amount of $\$ 30,000$ has been subscribed. A Mr. Hahn, of New York, has written that, when the local stock sheet reaches $\$ 60,000$, a large block of foreign capital will be invested in the concern.

According to the prospectus of the company, it is proposed to erect a factory and equip it with a plant capable of working 250 tons of beets every 24 hours. The cost is computed as follows: Building, $\$ 2,000$; machinery, freight and setting machinery, $\$ 103,000$; laboratory, electric light plant, repair shop, dock and railway switch, $\$ 18,000$.
An effort is now being made to induce Parliament to again offer a bonus for the production of beet sugar. With this end in view a deputation waited on the Hon. Sidney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture, a few days ago, and asked for a bounty of sc. per lb., and since then Dr. Sproule has given notice of his intention to introduce a resolution in the House calling upon the Government to stimulate the beet sugar industry by granting a bonus for the next ten years on all sugar produced from beets.
The beet sugar industry in Canada, like the pig iron industry, appears to be slow to take root. But, as the latter has now reached a stage of development which has apparently placed its permanence beyond doubt, it is to be hoped that we shall soon be able to say the same regarding the former.

The world's consumption of sugar is steadily increasing, but this increase is supplied by the beet product, as the production of cane is decreasing rather than increasing. At the same time, however, it should not be forgotten that there are authorities who hold that, with improved facilities, greater results will be obtained from cane sugar manufacture.

The following, compiled from a recent issue of Willett \& Gray's Sugar Trade Journal, gives the world's production of sugar (beet and cane) during the past four years :


The increase of about 162 , per cent. in the estimated production of beet sugar in the United States is striking ; and, although we do not produce a pound of beet sugar. the experience of the United States is somewhat encouraging to those who are endeavoring to establish the industry in Canada.

## TEA EXPORTS FROM SHANGHAI.

EXPORTS of tea from Shanghai, China, from the beginning of last season up to the middle of January were, on the whole, of a favorable nature.

The quantity of black tea exported to Great Britain exceeded that of last year by over $2,000,000 \mathrm{lb}$., the figures being 10 ,265,573 and $8,061,722$ respectively. In green teas, however, the quantity was about $900,000 \mathrm{lb}$. less, the exports in the seasons of 1899 and 1898 being $3,261,909$ and $4,161,493$ respectively. The total quantity of tea which went to Great Britain was 13,$527,482 \mathrm{lb}$., or $1,304,267$ more than last year.

To the United States and Canada the increase was still greater, being in excess of that of last sear by $4.430,597 \mathrm{lb}$. Contrary to what is the experience in the shipments to Great Britain, the exports to the United States are relatively much larger in green than in black teas, there being last year 5.775 .042 lb . of black tea sent to the latter country and $14.596,054 \mathrm{lb}$. of green tea, a total all told of $20,371,096 \mathrm{lb}$. The quantity of black and green tea shipped to the United States and Canada during the previous year was $4,441,267$ and $11,499,232 \mathrm{lb}$. respectively.
The total quantity of tea exported to Batoum was $4,67 \mathrm{I}, 863 \mathrm{lb}$., against $4,909.368$ in 1898 . There was a decrease of 319,679 lb. in green, and an increase of 82,174 in black tea.

To Odessa, $25,026,292 \mathrm{lb}$. were shipped, against $22,772734 \mathrm{lb}$. the preceding year, an increase of $2,253.558$.

Taken altogether there was an increase of $5.873,358 \mathrm{lb}$. in the exports of black tea from Shanghai during the past season and a net increase of 1977.561 lb in green teas. There was a decrease in the exports of green teas to all countries except to Canada and the United States, and these two countries together took $3,095,822 \mathrm{lb}$. more than in the preceding year.

## AN OBSTACLE TO BRITISH-CANADIAN TRADE.

THE introduction of a Dominion insolvency bill has again devolved upon a private member of the House. And, as upon all previous occasions when this has been done, it will, in some way or other, again be shelved.
An insolvency law is something which successive Administrations have known to be a necessity. But not one of them have been courageous enough, during the last twenty years, to place such a law on the statute books.
One or two Administrations have had the courage to introduce and carry a bill through a few stages and then drop it. But the present Administration has not done even that. It may be that it has not less courage than its predecessors, for it may believe that it is cowardly to turn back after putting one's hand to the plough.

But, while the question as to the relative courage of the different Administrations in this particular may be an open one, the responsibility upon the present one is unquestionably greater. And certainly more is to be expected from it.

The Laurier Administration, by giving a tariff preference to British products, did more for the extension of trade between Canada and the Motherland than any previous legislation by any previous Administration ever did. This cannot be denied by any fairminded man. And it is this that makes its responsibility for efficient insolvency laws greater than that of its predecessors in office, and warrants one in expecting more from it.

Until the preferential tariff came into existence the burden of the cry for a Dominion insolvency law was purely on Canadian account ; for the protection of merchants in one Province doing business in another.

But now, while the necessity of legislating in the interests of the merchants of Canada is none the less, the necessity of legislating in the interests of the merchants of Great Britain, who are selling, or intend selling, goods in this country, has become greater.
We have, therefore, the spectacle of the Government being importuned for an insolvency law by business men in both Canada and Great Britain.
And as long as it fails to comply with
these importunings just so long is it allow ing an obstacle to remain in the way of the expansion of both inter-Provincial and interImperial trade.

## EARLY CLOSING IN TORONTO.

The early-closing movement, which has for the past six weeks attracted so much attention from the retail grocers and butchers of Toronto, seems to be nearing a satisfactory solution

At the meeting of the legislative committee of the city council on Tuesday afternoon, a deputation from the Toronto Retail Grocers' Association was heard. D. J. Kelly, the spokesman of the deputation, told the committee that the association had, at its meeting the previous night, unanimously decided to compromise by agreeing to have the bylaw amended to make 8 p.m. the hour of closing the year around.

After a short discussion, the legislative committee decided to recommend the by-law as proposed. It is likely the council will accept the committee's recommendation.

## TIDY AND UNTIDY PARCELS.

An untidy parcel is an evidence of one or two things : It means that he who made it up is either careless, or a novice.

It is most important that the goods which a merchant sells shall be reliable, but it is only a degree or so less important that they shall be properly wrapped up, particularly when the purchaser carries them away.
To certain people it may not be a matter of any moment whatever as to whether a parcel is tidy or untidy, but to others it is. And it is always well to be on the safe side.

## PRICES OF CANADIAN AND UNITED STATES PROVISIONS.

The past ten days have witnessed a strong upward tendency in all pork-products. The British market, which has been ruling low all winter, is again manifesting decided strength.
Canadian hogs are, in consequence, enhanced in value, dressed hogs being fully 50 to 75 per 100 lb . higher than a week ago. The price is now $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 5.75$.

The advance in hogs has forced up the price of provisions. Hams, rolls, backs and
breakfast bacon are all $1 / 4$ to $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . dearer.

Even at these prices the relative position of Canadian and United States provisions is unique. Instead of the United States product being so much cheaper than the Canadian that it has been able to largely enter the Canadian market in face of a specific duty of $2 c$. per 1 b ., it is now fully ic. per lb . higher in price than the Canadian. The principal result of this condition will be to give the provision trade of British Columbia and the Northwest Territories to the packers of Eastern Canada.

## A RETAILER'S COMPLIMENT.

The value of a compliment depends largely on the circumstances and the character of the speaker. Therefore, The Canadian Grocer was highly honored by an incident which occurred at the meeting of the Retail Grocers' Association on Monday evening.

Shortly before the meeting adjourned, W. H. Marmion, ex-president of the association, directed attention to the article printed on pages 5 and 6 of last week's issue of The Grocer. "That article," declared Mr. Marmion, " should be read by every merchant doing business in Canada. I would strongly advise all our members to read it carefully.'
As Mr. Marmion is a conservative critic, and a successful business man, the compliment is all the more appreciated.

## FREIGHT RATES ON CHEESE FROM MONTREAL.

Said a Liverpool shipper: " Montreal cheese is being shipped by rail through New York to Liverpool at a trifle less rate than I can ship cheese from New York by the same steamer. Also, that through rates on provisions from the West to Liverpool through New York are 2s. 6d. per ton less than the same shipments can be made to New York on local rates and then reshipped to Liverpool over the same railroads and steamships, which often makes the through rates actually less than from New York. The White Star Line, however, has agreed to remove the 2 s . 6 d . differential in favor of mail boats by taking its through freight from the West with that off, the company having the option of taking it by slow freight boats." -New York Journal.

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## ONTARIO MARKETS.

February 15, 1900. groceries.

ALTHOUGH the wholesale trade can scarcely be said to be active, there is evidently an improvement in business since last week. There is some little improvement in the demand for canned vegetables, but the volume of business does not yet amount to very much. There has been a little increased interest in canned tomatoes on account of a reported large sale on British Columbian account, at prices considerably above the present market value. No alteration, however, has taken place in local prices, and what business is being done is at last week's figures. There is a moderate demand for canned salmon at steady prices. Coffees are still in good demand with prices firm. Sugar is one of the quietest lines in the wholesale grocery trade at the moment, but prices rule steady, in sympathy with an outside firm market. There is a little more doing in syrups and molasses. Spices are firm with business quiet. The firmness noted last week in rice and tapioca still obtains. In nuts, the most interesting feature at the moment is the strength of filberts, which are advised to be high. Teas are quiet, but, on the whole, steady as to price. The representatives of some shipping houses are, this week, submitting standaras for next season's Japan tea. In foreign dried fruits, business is, on the whole, quiet with prices steady and unchanged.

## CANNED GOODS

The most interesting feature in regard to canned goods is the reported sale of a large round lot of canned tomatoes for shipment to British Columbia, at a price several cents above either the wholesale or retail price. This temporarily stiffened the prices which holders were asking, but they have subsequently got down to the figures which existed before this report was given currency, and we know of several lots of tomatoes being offered at 85 c . per doz, in round lots to the
wholesale trade, and of at least one transaction at that figure. Wholesalers are this week, if anything, experiencing a little better demand for tomatoes, but the buyers only want an odd case or so, and the volume of business is still small. The ruling quotation to the retail trade is still 90 to 95 c . per doz. There are a few cases of corn going out at $\$ 1$ to $\$ \mathrm{I}$. Io. Peas range from 75 c . up and only an odd case or so of these is going out. A slightly improved demand is also to be noted for canned fruits. As the Lenten season approaches the demand for canned salmon shows some slight improvement, and prices rule steady and unchanged. A fair demand is reported for sardines, and, as noted elsewhere, the tendency in this line is upward. A little movement is to be reported in canned beans at firm prices.

## COFFEES.

The outside market continues to gather strength, and green Rio coffee has sold, during the past week, in New York, up to $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. per lb. Locally, 9 c . represents

the lowest price for green Rio coffee, and the demand at that figure is good. A further advance of $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . has been made in the price of package coffees in New York, making a total appreciation of Ic . per lb. within the last io days.

## sugars.

The outside markets have ruled strong during the past week, there having been advances on both cane and beet sugar. Cane advanced 3d. on Saturday last. In New York, the market has ruled steady to firm on both raw and refined sugars. Locally, the sugar trade is quiet ; in fact, sugar appears to be the quietest line in the wholesale grocery trade at the moment. One refinery expressed the opinion that the demand for sugar is smaller than it has been for many months. Prices are the same as they were a week ago.

SYRUPS AND MOLASSES.
A little better demand is reported for syrups, both sugar and corn, but the volume of business is not large. A slightly better trade is also reported in molasses, at firm and unchanged prices.
spices.
Business, locally, continues quiet, with prices steady to firm.
rice and tapioca.
A good demand is reported for rice, with prices firm and locally unchanged. Further shipments of tapioca have arrived, but the market, in sympathy with that outside, is still firm. The ruling quotation for tapioca is $4 \frac{3}{4}$ to 5 c . per lb .
nuts.
The only feature of interest is the receipt of advices stating that filberts are very high for importation, costing to day between $91 / 2$ to Ioc . per lb.

## teas.

The market for Indian and Ceylon teas is reported to be steadier since the recent decline. Mail advices to hand from Colombo, Ceylon, under date of January io, stated that at the auction sale that day about $2,000,000$ lb . were offered, while prices were firm all around. The lower grade teas, it was said, showed an advance of about $1 / /$ to $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb., while it was expected that later on the quality of teas would fall off very much, and that good grades would be scarce. On the local market this week standards for next season's Japan teas are being submitted to the wholesale trade, but no business, as far as we can learn, has been transacted. The prices asked are rather lower than last year on the finer grades, and higher on the medium and low grades. During the past week there has been a little more inquiry for the finer grades of Japan tea at from 20 to 24c. per lb., and some business has taken place. These teas are scarce on this market. The wholesale houses report a fair sorting-up trade in fine Ceylon and Indians, and also in Young Hysons.

FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS.
Currants-There has been little inquiry for currants for importation and wholesalers report a fair demand for this time of the year at steady and unchanged prices.

Valencia Raisins-There is a fair movement for the season at firm and unchanged prices. Selected raisins are still scarce and quoted at all the way from 7 to 8 c . per lb .

Prunes - There are a few Californian prunes selling for importation, and although locally business is still quiet, the demand is a little more active than it was a week ago. Californian prunes in the smaller sizes are still scarce.

Californian Evaporated Fruits There have been some further shipments of Californian dried peaches during the past

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week and wholesalers report a little business being done in bags at $101 / 2$ to 1 Ic. GREEN FRUITS.
There is an excellent demand for oranges, but buyers show a decided preference for large sizes. This has resulted in a drop of 25 c . in the price of Valencia 714 's, and in the smaller sizes of navels. Otherwise the feeling is firm. There is a better movement of lemons, though the feeling is rather easier no change has yet been made. Bananas are not offering as freely as they have been, and prices are stiff at $\$ 1.75$ to \$2.25. Cranberries are moving quietly at $\$ 7$ to $\$ 8$ per bbl. and $\$ 2.25$ per case. There are no first-class Almeria grapes now held bylwholesalers, the few on the market being held by large retailers, who consider $\$ 10$ to $\$ 11$ per bbl. the value of the stock. There is a good movement of winter apples at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$ for fancy red spies, and $\$ 2$ to $\$ 3$ for rooking varieties.

COUNTRY PRODUCE
Eggs - The receipts of new laid eggs have increased sufficiently to allow a drop f 3 c. in quotations. For guaranteed newlaid 18 to 20c. is now quoted. There is an increased delivery of held stock, which has fallen in price to 13 to 15 c . Pickled stock is being well cleaned up. It is firm at 15 to $16 c$
Potatoes-There has been some improvement in the demand. Prices are nominally unchanged at 38 to 42 c . per bag on track and 45 to 55 c . for small lots out of store.
Beans-The market keeps firm, and quotations are more uniform. We quote $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.75$ for hand-picked, and $\$ 1.45$ to $\$ 1.55$ for prime.

Dried and Evaporated Apples-The conditions, as reported last week, are likely to hold for some time. There is a good local demand for evaporated apples at $73 / 4$ to 8c. Dried apples are quiet, with prices steady at $53 / 4$ to 6 c . per lb .
Poultry - A few lots of really choice turkeys are coming in. These sell readily
at $101 / 2$ to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . Frozen stock is in light demand. Chickens are selling freely. We quote as follows: Turkeys, bright, fresh-killed, io to iIc. ; frozen stock, 7 to 9 c . ; chickens, 40 to 70 C ., and ducks, 40 to 60 c .

Honey - Clover comb is slightly easier a drop of Ioc. bringing the price to $\$ 130$ to $\$ 2$ per doz. Strained is unchanged at 9 to $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for clover, and 6 to 7 c . for buck wheat.

Vegetables - A good business is being done. Rhubarb is 25 c., radishes 15 to 200 . and cabbage. cauliflower and onions $10 c$. cheaper. Lettuce has advanced 10 , We quote as follows: Rhubarb, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$ per doz. bunches; green onions. 15 to 25 c . per doz.; radishes, 40 to 60 c . per doz. bunches; spinach, 40 to 50 C . per bush.; lettuce, 30 to 50 c . per doz ; cab bage, 50 to 75 c . per doz.; red cabbage, 50 to 75 c . per doz.; cauliflowers, 60 to 8 oc. per doz. ; celery, 75 c . to $\$ \mathrm{I}$ per doz ; parsley, 15 to $20 c$. per doz. ; onions, 40 to $50 c$. per bush. ; green beans, 30 to $50 c$. per basket ; squash, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.50$ per doz.; vegetable marrow, 40 to 50 c . per doz. BUTTER AND CHEESE.
BUTTER-The offerings of dairy rolls and prints and of all creamery butter are increasing, yet the demand keeps so large that prices are well maintained. We quote: Dairy, large rolls, 19 to 2 Ic.; prints, 19 to 20c.; tubs, 19 to 20 .; creamery, tubs and boxes, $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; prints and squares, 23 to 24 c .
Cheese - The British market has stiff ened, and as stocks here are moderate, prices have been raised locally $1 / 2 c$., the quotation now being $121 / 2$ to 13 c .

## FISH AND OYSTERS.

The volume of business is large, considering the number of warm days that have interfered with the demand lately. Prices are unchanged throughout. We quote as follows: Trout, 7c. ; whitefish, 8c. ; perch, 5 c .; blue pike. 4c.; yellow pickerel, $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; herrings, $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; steak cod,

6 c . ; haddock, 5 c .; white halibut, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; high-color salmon, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; red snappers, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; Spanish mackerel, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; frozen herring (large) per 100, $\$ 1.60$; ciscoes, per Ioo, $\$ 1$; bloaters (St. John). per 100, \$1 Yarmouth), extra mild and large, $\$ 2.20$ to $\$ 2.25$; salt herrings, splits, $\$ 325$ per half-bbl.; boneless fish, 5 to 6 c .; pure cod, $61 / 2$ to $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; shredded cod, $\$ 1.80$ per box oysters, Baltimore selects, $\$ 4.80$; Baltimore standards, $\$ 3.75$; Norfolk standards, $\$ 3.30$ per pail.

GRAIN, FLOUR, BREAKFAST FOODS.
Grain - The strength of the wheat market is well maintained, and the quotations at outside points, 65 c . for both white and red are unaltered. The street market is active, with prices firm. We quote: Wheat, white and red, $701 / 2$ to $711 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; goose, 7 Ic . peas, 60 to 63 c .; oats, 30 to 3 IC .; barley, $431 / 2$ to 44 c . ; rye, 53 to 54 c . No. I hard Manitoba wheat is firm at 78 c .

Flour-The demand keeps active, with firm tendency. We quote: Manitoba patents, $\$ 3.80$; Mantoba strong bakers', $\$ 3.55$; Ontario patents, $\$ 3.55$ to $\$ 3.65$; straight roller, $\$ 3.35$, Toronto freights.

Breakfast Foods - The export and home demands are both brisk, and prices keep steady. We quote as follows : Standard oatmeal and rolled oats, $\$ 3.40$ in bags and $\$ 3.50$ in bbls.; rolled wheat, $\$ 2.50$ in $100-\mathrm{lb}$. bbls.; cornmeal, $\$ 2.50$; split peas, $\$ 4$; pot barley, $\$ 4$.
PROVISIONS AND DRESSED HOGS.
The strengthening tone of the British market has resulted in an advance of 50 to 75 c . in the price of dressed hogs, which are now quoted at $\$ 550$ to $\$ 6$ per 100 lb . This has greatly stiffened the price of provisions. Hams and breakfast bacon are quoted at II to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., an advance of $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Rolls and shoulder hams are $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. dearer. Rolls are selling at $81 / 4$ to $81 / 2$ c., and shoulder hams at 8 to $81 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Other lines are firm though unchanged.

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Skins-Conditions are unchanged. We quote: No. I veal, $8-\mathrm{lb}$. and up, ifc. per lb.; No. 2, 9 c .; dekins, from 40 to 45 c .; culls, 20 to 25 c . Sheep and lambskins are selling at $\$ 1$. Io to $\$ 1.15$.
Wool-Prices are easy, yet there is no likelihood of there being any material change for some time. We quote : Combing fleece, and clothing wool, at 19 to 200 . and unwashed at 12 c .

## SEEDS.

The keen competition of buyers for fancy red clover suitable for export has so inflaenced prices that $\$ 6$ can be easily secured for fancy grain of large grain and pure color. There is no advance in ordinary red clover, which is quoted all the way from $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.75$. Some occasional lots of alsike have been bought at $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 6.50$ at outside points. Much of the timothy offering is so full of noxious weed seeds that it is unmerchandisable. For good stock, sellers could get $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$ aboard cars outside for good to choice machine-threshed, and $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2$ for bright, unhulled, flailthreshed seed.

## MARKET NOTES

Cheese is $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. higher, the quotation now being $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb .
New-laid egg are quoted 18 to 20c., a decline of 3 c. per doz.
Filberts would cost $91 / 2$ to $10 c$. per lb . to import at to-day's prices.

Small sized navel and Valencia 714's oranges are 25 c . per box cheaper.
Breakfast bacon and hams are $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and rolls and shoulder hams $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. higher.
Standards for next season's Japan teas are being submitted to the wholesale trade.

## QUEBEC MARKETS

Montreal, February 15, 1900. GROCERIES.

THE weather this week has been simply terrible, a steady downpour of rain, and the fact has seriously interfered with the country roads, and, consequently, with the movement of groceries from the wholesale houses. As a rule, values generally are steady. Sugar shows no change, because fear of American competition has contracted the influence of a strong market for raw sugar. Syrups have been unchanged at the decline, and first offers on Barbadoes molasses from the Islands are 2 c . above last spring's. Canned goods and dried fruits have shown little change, except that

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evaporated apples are easy. Firmness is general in rice, spices and coffees, while teas have ruled dull. Green fruits were featureless, and dairy produce is pointing upwards, advances being noted both in butter and cheese.
sugar.
The strength in raw sugar has not materially affected the feeling on refined here, for the very good reason that local refiners are still meeting competition from American refiners. Values, however, are very firm, the fear of the foreign refined alone preventing their advance. Granulated is quoted at $\$ 4.50$, and yellows at $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 4.35$, as to quality. Raw sugar was unchanged in London, beet being firm at ios. $11 / 2 \mathrm{~d}$. for February, and 1os. $3 / 4 \mathrm{~d}$. for March. Cane was firm and upward in tendency in the same market. At New York also raw was strong.

syrups.

These have been about steady at the recent decline. Demand continues slow and prices unchanged at $1 \frac{1 / 2}{}$ to 2 c . per lb ., as to quality at the refinery.

## MOLASSES.

Trading in this staple is slow for large lots, as buyers show no disposition to operate at the figures that are being asked. Fiftypuncheon lots of Barbadoes were offered at 41c. this week without any buyers. Small quantities are still held at 43 c ., and Porto Rico at 40 to 4 IC ., with Antigua at 35 c . Some import orders have been forwarded to Barbadoes by local buyers with limits at 14c. for the new crop. If the market opens at this figure it will be an advance of 2 c . per gal. over the opening price of 1899 , but the impression in some quarters here is that it will not open any higher than last year, as the prospects now are for a fair average crop on account of the favorable weather of late, which has improved the condition of the canes considerably. Besides the orders that have gone, some large credits have been sent.

## Canned goods.

Trading has been quiet in all lines of canned goods since last report, but the undertone is firm. Corn, in round lots, is quoted at $\$ 1.05$ to $\$ 1.10$; tomatoes, $90 c$., and I-gallon apples, $\$ 2.10$, business being noted in all three at the figures named.

## DRIED FRUITS.

The Valencia raisin market has not furnished anything special this week. We quote: 7 to $7 \frac{1 / 4}{} \mathrm{c}$. for off-stalk ; 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for fine, and selected and layers, $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. advance on these prices.

Currants, generally, are firm in tone. We quote: $4^{1 / 2} \mathrm{c}$. for bbls. ; 458 cc . for halfbbls.; $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for half cases, and $47 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. for quarter-cases.

There is no change in prunes, and prices are firm on Californian at 6 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., as to grade, and $6 c$. for Bosnias.
There is a quiet trade in dates at $51 / 4$ to $53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Malaga figs are uncbanged at $41 / 2$ to $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. per lb.
Evaporated apples rule easy, and prices show a decline of $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb ., choice stock now being quoted at 7 to $7 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$. Some stock off in color is offering at $61 / 2$ to $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., at which figures holders find it difficult to place.

## RICE.

The market is firm, though demand is quiet. Prices are held strongly at $\$ 3.30$ to $\$ 3.40$.

## spices.

There is no special change in this market. A fair trade is noted in a jobbing way. We quote: Nutmegs, 35 to 60 c . per lb., as to size; mace, 45 to 50 c . per lb ., as to quality, and pimento, $83 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.

## COFFEES.

Coffee is firm in sympathy with further bullish advices from abroad. In 25 bag lots up we quote: Maracaibo, $9^{1 / 2}$ to 14 c .; Mocha, $17 \frac{1 / 2}{}$ to 200 .; Rio, 8 to 14c., and Mexicans, $101 / 2$ to 15 c .

## TEAS.

The market continues very quiet for Japans, blacks and greens. Some medium Japans have sold at $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and good medium at 14 c . In green teas the inside figure at which supplies are obtainable is II $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., which is the price of lowest grade gunpowders.

## FISH.

This market has remained featureless with no change in prices. We quote as follows : No. I Nova Scotian herring, $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.50$ per bbl. ; $\$ 2.75$ per half.bbl. ; Labrador salmon, $\$ 13$ per bbl. : B.C. salmon, $\$ 13$; No. 2 mackerel, $\$ 15.50$; No. I green cod, $\$ 5$; No 2 green cod, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4$; No. I green haddock, $\$ 3.85$ to $\$ 4$. Dried codfish $\$ 4.75$ per 112 lb .; dressed or skinless cod, $\$ 4.50$ and boneless codfish, $5 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$ to 6 c . per lb .; haddies, 6 c . per lb.; bloaters, goc. to $\$ 1$ per box ; smoked herring, medium, i2c.; Lock Fyne herring, $\$ 1.05$ per keg. Fresh fish-Haddock and cod, 3 to $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; steak cod, 4 c . ; white fish $7 \mathrm{t} / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; dore and pickerel, 6 c . ; pike, $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; salmon, roc.; halibut, roc.; fresh herrings, $\$ 1.60$ to $\$ 1.75$ per $100 ;$ smelts, 5 to 6 c . per lb ., and tommycods, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.50$ per bbl.

## GREEN FRUITA.

The green fruit market has been extremely quiet. Apples have shown no change, but the feeling is rather better at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$ for No. I, with No. $2 \$ 2$ to $\$ 2.25$. The stock of Almeria grapes here is very light, and prices are firm at $\$ 7$ to $\$ 9$ per keg. The situation in oranges is about as previously reported, namely, demand good, with ample stocks in hand to fill all immediate require-
ments of the trade. We quote prices as follows : Valencias, 420 's, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$; 714 's, $\$ 5.50$; Californian navels, $\$ 2.85$ to $\$ 3.50$, and budded, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.50$; Jamaicas, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$ per bol. Lemons continue to be in limited demand at unchanged prices, namely, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.75$ per box. Cranberries still continue scarce, but there is only a very limited demand for them at $\$ 8$ to $\$ 10$ per bbl. Californian celery is in fair demand at $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6$ per crate.

## COUNTRY PRUDUCE.

EGGS-The demand to day was good for small lots; in consequence, trade was fairly active, and the tone of the market steady. Strictly fresh sold at 22 to 24 c .; held fresh at 16 to 18 c .; Montreal limed at 15 to 16 c .; western limed at 14 to $141 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and culls at IO to 12c. per doz.
Poultry-There was nothing new to note in poultry. The demand is chiefly for freshkilled stock, of which the offerings continue small and and prices firm. We quote as follows: Turkeys, good to choice, $91 / 2$ to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; common, 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; chickens, choice, 8 to 9 c .; common, $51 / 2$ to 6 c .; ducks, 7 to 8 c ., and fowls, 5 to 6 c . per lb .

Beans-Beans are quiet, but prices rule firm. Choice hand picked pea beans are held at $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.85$, and choice primes at $\$ 1.70$ to $\$ 1.75$.

Maple Product-The demand for maple product is slow, and the market is dull. Choice syrup is quoted at 70 to 75 c . per wine measure, and large tins at 95 c . to $\$ 1$; pure sugar at $101 / 2$ to IIC.; common at 8 to ioc. per lb.
Honey-In honey there is nothing new to note, as sales are slow. White clover, in comb, is quoted at 13 to 14 c . ; white extracted, in large tins, at $9 c$.; in small tins, at $91 / 2$ to roc., and buckwheat extracted at 7 to 8 c .

Potatoes-The tone of the market for potatoes is steady, with a fair jobbing trade doing. We quote: Car lots on track, $421 / 2$ to 45 c . per bag, and small quantities at 5 to Ioc. per bag advance, according to the size of the lot.

Ashes--The demand for ashes is limited, but the tone of the market rules firm. We quote: First pots, $\$ 4.70$ to $\$ 4.75$; seconds, $\$ 4.40$ to $\$ 445$, and pearls, $\$ 5.50$ per 100 lb .

Dressed Hogs-The demand was good, in spite of the mild weather, and, as the offerings are none too large, prices are maintained at $\$ 5.80$ to $\$ 6$ for light, and $\$ 5.25$ to $\$ 5.50$ for heavy, per 100 lb .

## PROVIBIONS.

A fair trade was done in most lines, there being a good demand for small lots to fill actual wants. We quote as follows : Canadian short cut mess pork, $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15$; short cut back, $\$ 14$ to $\$ 14.50$, and heavy long cut mess, $\$ 14$ to $\$ 14.50$ per barrel. Pure Canadian lard in pails, $71 / 2$ to 8 c . per lb .; and compound refined, $6 / / 4$ to $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . Hams io to 12c., and bacon II to i2c. per lb.

## FLOUR AND GRAIN.

FLOUR-There was an improved demand for Manitoba grades of flour to-day, and a fair amount of business was done in a jobbing way. The tone is steady and prices unchanged. We quote: Winter patents, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.75$; straight rollers, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.35$; in bags, $\$ 1.55$ to $\$ 1.60$; Manitoba

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## CHEESE AND BUTTER.

Cheeee-The market was firm, and, as noted yesterday, with rapidly diminishing stocks, sellers are disposed to hold out for a fraction or so more before they will negotiate. We quote eastern white, $113 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. ; western do., $117 / 8 \mathrm{c}$., and colored, $121 / 8$ to $121 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.

Butter-The demand for local account is steady, and prices are firmly held under small supplies. We quote flinest creamery, 22 to $221 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; medium to good, 21 to $211 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and western dairy, 19 to $191 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

## montreal notes.

Cheese and butter both show an advancing tendency.
The firm feeling in all kinds of coffee continues and prices may go higher.

Despite a remarkably strong raw market, refined sugar here remains stationary.

The stock of Almeria grapes on the market is nearly exhausted and none seem to be on the way here.

First quotations on Barbadoes molasses from the Islands quote 14 c ., which is 2 c . above the opening quotation last year.


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## patents, $\$ 3.80$ to $\$ 4$, and strong bakers', $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 3.65$.

Grain-The feeling on spot was steady, and prices show no material change. For May delivery afloat, holders are asking 33c. for oats. 73 c . for peas, 75 c . for Ontario spring wheat, and 62 c . for rye. Spot prices ex store are 3 Ic . for oats, $68 \frac{1}{2}$ to 6 gc . for peas, and 53 c . for buckwheat. Oats at points west of Toronto are selling at $261 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and east at $271 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Peas, $611 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. west and $621 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. east.
Oatmeal-The demand for rolled oats in small lots was fair, and sales were made at $\$ 340$ per bbl., and $\$ 1.65$ per bag.

Feed-An active trade is reported in feed, and millers, in some cases, state that they are largely oversold. In consequence, prices are firmly held. We quote as follows: Manitoba bran, in bags, $\$ 15.50$ to $\$ 16$; shorts, $\$ 17$; mouille, $\$ 18$ to $\$ 24$; Ontario bran in bulk. $\$ 16$ to $\$ 16.50$, and shorts, $\$ 18$ per ton

HAY-There was no material change in the situation of the market for baled hay. The demand on spot is slow at present, and, with increased offerings, the tone of the market continues easy. We quote: No. I, $\$ 950$ to $\$ 10$; No. $2, \$ 8.50$ to $\$ 9$, and clover, $\$ 7$ to $\$ 7.50$ per ton, in carload lots.

NEW BRUNSWICK MARKETS.
Office of The Canadian Grocer,
St. John, N.B., February 15 , 1900 .

THERE is no particular stir in business as yet. Deafers, in taking stock, find themselves well supplied in nearly all lines. Almost all feel well satisfied with the results of the past year's business. Values in almost every case have favored the dealer. Sugar and flour, two of the heaviest items, have, however, inciined to be dull. In some lines stocks here are light, particularly in cheese and molasses. In teas, values are rather easier. Dealers are light buyers, having large stocks well assorted. Spices are active, pepper, ginger and cloves being particularly strong and tending higher. Cream of tartar shows little change, but tends firmer.

Orls-Retailers seem well pleased with the new method of the oil company to supply them from tank wagons rather than by barrels, the more so as many now use the patent tanks. It rather lessens the cost to them. There is a good general demand. In lubricating oils demand is active. Lum-

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ber mills are the big buyers, and the com ing season is expected to be a busy one Prices tend higher. Paint oils hold their high values on improved sales. Cod oil is quiet.

SALT-Sales in Liverpool coarse salt continue to be but quiet. Values are, however, well maintained. Holders are not inclined to cut values, as to replace stocks higher prices will have to be paid. This state of the market pushes the season of active business to later on in the year. In fine salt there is no change, but season of improved demand is drawing near. We quote Liverpool coarse, 50 to 55C. English factory - filled, 95 c . to $\$ \mathrm{I}$; Canadian fine, $\$ 1$ per bag; cheese and butter salt, Julk, $\$ 2.50$ per bbl.; $5-\mathrm{lb}$. bags, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.25$ per bbl.; io-lb. bags, $\$ 2.85$ to $\$ 3$ per bbl.: $20-\mathrm{lb}$. wood boxes, 20 to 22 c . each ; IO-lb. wood boxes, 12 to 14c. each cartons, $\$ 2$ per case of 2 doz.; English bottled salt, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.30$ per doz.; mineral rock salt 60 c . per 100 lb .

Canned GOODS-There is but a fair business. Vegetables are firmly held. Dealers are open to buy tomatoes if they are offered at right figures. In corn, there is a fair supply. Peas are also ample for demand, but bring full figures. Salmon has been offered from the Coast at rather easier figures, but our market is well supplied. There is a fair movement. Peaches are tending firmer, and some dealers are open to buy. This is the one fruit that sells freely here, except gallon apples. The latter are in good supply. Oysters are high, the 8 oz . tin largely taking the place of the IO oz.; the small-sized tins are little sold.

Bloaters are easy. Dealers are inclined to push sales. Meats continue to move up ward.
Green Fruits - Business is not very heavy. The large end of the sales continues to be in Valencia oranges, prices of which keep low with stock now turning out very nice. There are Messinas and Californians offered at quite low figures, but sale is limited. Jamaicas are about done. In lemons the low figures are still quoted; sales are but fair Cranberries are now about confined to the Cape Cod berry, and for best stock there has been quite an advance in price. Grapes are moving, but in a small way with much of the stock only fair. In apples, stocks are ample for the rather limited sale. Best stock is held firm, but, as usual, at this season there is considerable of soft and small stock to be moved.

Dried Fruits-Californian prunes have the most attention. There is an improved sale. In medium sizes, quite full stocks are held, but, in $90 \cdot 100$ size, which are the best sellers, stock is light and supplies very difficult to get. No $50 \cdot \mathrm{lb}$. boxes have been imported this season. In evaporated peaches, some nice stock is offered, and there is an improved sale. Apricots have some demand, but the price is too high. Loose muscatels are scarce, but, in Valencia raisins, there are ample stocks. In seeded raisins, the price tends higher, as the ic. rebate, which has been allowed by the Californian association on these goods for export, has been discontinued. Currants are easy and a fair sale. The market continues to be supplied from New York with cleaned stock. In onions, values have
disappointed holders. There is a fair, steady sale. Evaporated apples are rather firmer. Fair stocks are held. Dried apples are scarce and not needed. In cocoanuts, the market has been quite bare, but a car of direct importation from Jamaica arrived this week.

Produce - Eggs are moving up, but, to command best price stock must be fresh laid. In held and preserved stock, there is a much lower range, but supply is not large. Butter is still in light supply, and price still continues to work up. and for best stock high prices are attained. In cheese, dealers find an almost bare market. In the fall it was impossible to work prices up here equal to those in the west, but the trade find they were somewhat short-sighted. It is to be hoped, for their own interest, the factories will find a better way to market their output.

Sugar - Prices are firmer, but there is little movement. American competition for the time seems to have been withdrawn. English yellow sugar in bags continues to find some sale.

Molasses - Market has been a rather quiet one. There are very light stocks held here, though nearly every grade is repre sented. In cheap New Orleans, local feel ing is easy, the trade asking for the better grade. Syrup is dull.

Fish-The feature of the market is the light supply of fresh fish. This has improved the sale of others. The line that feels it the most, perhaps, is dry cod. Prices in all lines remain with little change, but, except smoked herring, tend firm. These latter have somewhat disappointed holders,

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the American demand having somewhat fallen off. Pickled are very light supply. Haddies are firm. Except smelt, very few frozen fish are being shipped. We quote: Large and medium dry cod, $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 3.80$; small, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.60$; pickled shad, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$, as to quality ; haddies, 5 c . per lb .; smoked herring, 8 to 9 c .; fresh haddock and cod, $21 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; boneless fish, 4 to 5 c . ; pollock, $\$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.45$ per 100 ; pickled herring, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.50$ per half bbl.; bloaters, 6oc.; kippers, $\$ 1.50$; smelts, 5 c ; Shelburne, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 4.75$; frozen herring, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$ per 100 ; frozen cod, $21 / 2$ c.
Provisions - There is a rather better sale for smoked meats, but local curers chiefly supply the demand. Lard, while tending firm, shows quite a range in the price.
Flour, Feed, and Meal - There is nothing new in flour. Values keep low. There is but light local business. In oats and oatmeal, while there is some movement, prices are easy. Cornmeal is now in better supply owing to rather lighter sales. Beans keep high, but move slowly. A fair stock is held here. Yellow eye beans have a ready sale in small quantities at improved prices. Supplies are light. Feed is now in better supply. Hay has but a fair local sale at the higher prices now ruling. We quote : Manitoba flour, $\$ 4.40$ to $\$ 4.60$; best Ontario, $\$ 3.80$ to $\$ 4.00$; medium, $\$ 3.60$ to $\$ 3.75$; oatmeal, $\$ 3.80$ to $\$ 3.90$; cornmeal, $\$ 2.20$ to $\$ 2.25$; middlings, $\$ 21$ to $\$ 22$; oats, 38 to $40 c$; hand-picked beans, $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.85$; prime, $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.70$; yellow eye beans, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.45$; split peas, $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 4.00$; round, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.40$; pot barley, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 3.85$; hay, $\$ 8$ to $\$ 9.50$; timothy seed, American, $\$ 1.50$.

## ST. JOHN NOTES.

C. \& E. MacMichael landed some choice Californian evaporated peaches this week.
Mr. C. H. Peters, of Baird \& Peters, is on a holiday trip to New York, from whence Mr. Jones, of Jones \& Schofield, has just returned.
Sales of domestic canned fish are now very large, the quality having earned recog. nition. John Sealy is one of the larger shippers keeping a full line.

The Maritime Spice and Coffee Co. started business this week with the most modern machinery and best stock in whole goods. They intend to sell chiefly the very highest grade stuff.

## MANITOBA MARKETS.

Winnipeg, February 12, 1900.

BUSINESS among retailers has been somewhat dull, owing, probably, to the cold weather, which has been prevailing all week. Wholesale houses, however, report trade better than usual for the time of year, and all are looking forward to considerable business next week, as some hundreds of country merchants will take advantage of the bonspiel to come into town.

There is not much that is actually new in trade, though some changes are of
interest. Brooms have advanced, and there is every likelihood that they will go still higher. Someone laughingly suggests that it is the near appoach of the bonspiel, when "every mon mun' ha'e a besom, but the chances are that the advance will remain after the knights of the "stane and besom "' have departed
The advance in paper is a serious matter here, as the storks were all light. It is understood that at least two firms have been obliged to place large orders at the advanced figures. Some are wavering in the balance, hating to buy at present figures and dreading to defer purchasing for fear prices will be still higher. The rise in paper is like the "house that Jack built." The paper mills will not make manila because there is more money in news paper ; the increased demand for manila is curtailing the manufacture of wooden and fibre ware, and this, in turn, is curtailing the shipment of syrup, because there is a famine in syrup pails. These are just a few of the things affected by the war creating an extra demand for news paper. It is also anticipated that this same difficulty will increase the price of wood for lead pencils.
The advance in brooms is about io per cent. all around. And clothespins a like amount.
Biscuits have advanced. All sweet lines are up about $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb .

Canned Goods - The situation presents no change except an advance of roc. per case on tomatoes, the quotation being now $\$ 2.30$ to $\$ 2.40$ per case straight. This, it is understood, is the result of an agreement among wholesalers and jobbers, and, as the price is still far below the actual cost of laying them down here at the present time, it is anticipated that a further advance will occur in a few days. Other lines of canned vegetables remain unchanged in price, but are selling a little more freely, owing to the falling off in supply of fresh vegetables, although the consumption is even now considerably under that of former years. Canned meats are still advancing, and the market is remarkably firm. The advances so far amount to about 12 per cent. all around, and further advances are expected during the week.
Dried Fruits-Sultana raisins attract little attention, although the quality is ine and the prices low. Valencias are scarce and high, and all stocks are out of first hands and fine off-stalks cannot be got. Californian raisins are in about the same situation as last week. The samples are not satisfactory and the prices are high.

Currants-Latest advices show prices bigherin Greece, owing to the heavy demand from Germany, but stocks in New York and elsewhere on this side are so heavy that the market has not yet been affected. The price is still in favor of the buyer.
Evaporated and Dried Fruits-There is no change to note, except that dried apples are shading easier. Evaporated apples are without change. Apricots and pitted plums are slow sale, owing to the high price. Apricots are 17 to $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.
Olives--Are out of this market, and as they cannot be brought in during cold weather, lovers of "salted plums" will have to look elsewhere for an appetizer.

Pickles - Pickles in bulk, which have
been absurdly low in this market tor months past, have begun to fall into the procession and move upward, the advance being about roc. per gallon.
Coffee-Green Rio has again advanced about $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per 1 l ., the quotation now being IO $3 / 4$ to IIc. Other lines are without change.
Cereals - There is no change in the rolled oat situation, prices still being $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.70$. Split peas have advanced 5 to Ioc. per sack and are quoted at $\$ 2.50$. Beans are again higher and are now quoted at $\$ 2.10$ to $\$ 2.15$, The high price is not lowering consumption apparently, as these are one of the things that must be had, especially in lumber and mining camps. The tone of the rice market is again higher, although there is no actual advance. Sago, and tapioca are without change.
Cured Meats-Remain the same, but the market is firm in tone and trade is very fair. We quote: Hams, $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; breakfast bacon, $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; backs, IOC.; shoulders, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; dry salt long clear, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; short clear, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

BUTTER-The supply of fresh dairy is increasing slightly, though it is still far below the demand. The expectation is that it will continue to increase slowly as the new cows come in. The quality, on the whole, has been better than in former years. Fresh dairy, well put up, is worth 20c., while separator-made in bricks, papered, is worth 21 to 22 C . No creamery is offering on this market. One or two creameries have operated all winter at country town points, but have found local market for all they could supply.

EgGS-Are coming in a little more freely. Twenty cents is the price paid by dealers for fresh eggs delivered at Winnipeg.
FLDUR-The trade has been pretty steady all week, with no change in price. Patent being $\$ 1.75$, Hungarian $\$ 1.65$, strong bakers' $\$ 1.40$.

Wheat - The market has been miserably slow all week. Deliveries have been even lighter than last week. Dealers appear disgusted with the situation. Holders are not anxious to sell. There is practically no demand, and buyers are very scarce. The price at closing last week was $651 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. During the week it dropped back to $641 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. and advanced again to $651 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., at which figure it closed again to day. There is an active demand for coarse grains at many country points, but, in spite of advanced prices offered, deliveries are slow and small on account of bad roads and absence of snow.

## A GROCER SUICIDES.

James J. Bostwick, wholesale grocery and provision merchant, St. John, N.B., was found dead in his store, North Wharf, at midday Sunday, with a bottle of chloroform at his side. He had been in business on his own account about a year and was formerly a member of the firm of C. M. Bostwick \& Co. and was 53 years of age. His widow, who was a daughter of the late Rev. James Spencer, for many years pastor of the sailors' misslon at St. John, and four chil dren survive. Mr. Bostwick was well off financially, and no reason can be assigned for his rash act, except that he had been for some time affected with insomnia.


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| Green Moc |  |  | 23 | ${ }_{28}$ | 25 | ${ }_{30}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| - Rio |  | 10 | 9 | 12 | 12 | 13 | .... | ...... | Sarnia water white...... | 12 | 13 | ..... |  | 20 | 201/1 | ...... |  |
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| Gautemala |  |  | 22 | ${ }^{25}$ | 24 | 26 | ... | . | Black- |  | TEA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Valencia shelled almonds. | 28 | 30 | 25 | 14 | ${ }_{13}^{22}$ | 25 |  | ..... | Assam Pekoes................... | 20 | 40 | 20 | 40 | 18 | 40 |  |  |
| Tarragona almonds. |  |  |  | ${ }_{13}^{14}$ |  |  |  |  | Pekoe Souchong. .............. | 18 | 25 | 18 | 25 | 17 | 24 |  |  |
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| Peanuts (roasted) ............... | $61 / 2$ | $91 / 2$ | 9 | 10 | 9 | 10 | .... | ..... | Pekoes .......... | ${ }_{1716}$ | 30 40 | 20 17 | ${ }_{85}^{80}$ | ${ }_{17}^{20}$ | ${ }_{35}^{80}$ |  |  |
| Cocoanuts, per sack |  | 308 | 7 | ${ }^{1} 75$ | 350 | 400 |  | ...... | Cbina Greens- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cocoanuts, per ser doz |  |  |  | 60 | 60 | 70 |  |  | Gunpowder-Cases, extra first | $\pm 2$ | 50 | 42 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grenoble walnuts. | 14 | 141/2 |  | 14 | 9 | 12 |  |  | Half-chests, ordinary firsts | 22 | 28 | 22 | 28 |  |  |  |  |
| Marbot wal uts. | 101/2 |  | 101/2 | 11 | 9 | 10 |  |  | Young Hyson-Cases, sifted |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Burdeaux walnuts. |  |  |  | 9 | 9 | 10 | ..... | ...... | extra firsts........... | 42 | 50 | 42 | 50 | ...... | ...... |  |  |
| Sicily filberts. |  | .... |  | 10 | - | 10 | ..... |  | Cases, small leaf, firsts..... | 85 | 40 | 85 | 40 | ...... | ...... |  |  |
| Naples filberts. |  | ...... | 10 | 11 | 10 | 11 | .... | ..... | Halt-chests, ordinary firsts | 22 | 88 | 22 | 88 |  |  |  |  |
| Pecans. Whalnuts. | ...... | ..... | ${ }_{23}^{10}$ | 11 | 12 | 14 | ..... | ...... | Half-chests, seconds......... | 17 | 19 | 17 | 19 | ...... | ..... |  |  |
| Shelled Walnuts. |  |  | 23 | 25 |  |  |  | .... | " thirds.. | 18 | 17 | 18 | 17 | ..... |  |  |  |
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| Bi-carb, standard, 112-lb. keg.. | 225 | 250 | 200 | 225 |  |  | $\ldots$ | ..... | Pingsueys - ${ }^{\text {Young yson- }}$-chests, firsts |  |  |  |  | 80 |  |  |  |
| Sal soda, per bbl....... | 70 | ${ }^{75}$ | 80 | 90 | 85 | $90$ |  |  | 隹 | 16 | 19 |  | 19 |  |  | $\ldots$ | , |
| Sal Soda, per keg. Granulated Sal So......... | 95 | 100 |  | 100 |  |  | ...... | ...... | Half-boxes, firsts............. | 28 | 82 | 28 | 82 | ....... | ....... | ....... |  |
| Granulated sal soda, per lb..... |  | SPI |  |  |  | 㖪 |  | ..... | seconds. | 16 | 19 | 16 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pepper, black, ground, in kegs, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Japan-chests, innest May pickings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| . palls, boxes........ | 18 | 15 |  |  |  |  | ...... | ...... | Choice ..... | 82 | 86 | 82 | 86 | ...... |  | $\ldots$ |  |
| ". in 5-1b. cans.......... | 14 | 17 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 16 |  |  | Finest.......... | ${ }^{28}$ | 30 | 28 | 80 |  |  |  |  |
|  | 11 | 12 |  | 14 | 12 |  |  |  | Fine ........... | 25 | 27 | 25 | 27 | ..... | ...... |  |  |
| Pepper, white, ground, in kegs, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Good Medium.................. | 22 19 | 24 | 22 19 | 24 |  |  |  |  |
| " 4 ¢5-1b. cans .......... | 20 | ${ }_{23}^{28}$ | ${ }_{20}^{18}$ | 26 | 20 | 22 | ..... |  | Good common | 16 | 18 | 16 | 18 |  | ...... | ..... |  |
| " " whole. | 19 | 25 | 19 | 25 | 20 | 22 |  |  | Common | 18 | 15 | 181/4 | 15 | ..... | ...... |  |  |
| Ginger, Jamalca | 19 | 25 | 22 | 25 | 20 | 25 | $\ldots$ | ...... | Nagasaki, \%-chests Pekoe | 16 | 22 | 16 | 22 |  |  |  |  |
| Cure mixed spi | 12 |  | 14 | 85 | 18 | 80 | $\ldots$ | .... | " Oolong. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 14 | 15 | 14 | ${ }_{19}$ | ...... |  |  |  |
| Pure mixed spice. <br> Cassia. | 20 | 40 | 20 | 40 | 16 | 20 | .... | $\ldots$ | " Gifings..... | $71 /$ | 11 | ${ }_{71}{ }^{16}$ | 11 | ...... | ...... |  | ...... |
| Cream tartar, French |  | 25 | 24 | 25 | 20 | 22 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | WOO | ODE | WA | RE |  |  |  |  | Rice-standard B | 830 | 840 |  |  | 825 |  |  |  |
| Palls, No. 1, 2-hoop |  | ...... | ...... |  |  |  |  |  | Japan | ....... | ..... | 51 |  | ${ }_{5}^{5}$ |  | $\ldots$ | ...... |
| " " 8-hoop |  | - |  | 205 | ...... | 205 |  | ...... | Imperial seeta. |  | ...... | $4 \%$ | 51 | 5 |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | 120 | 145 | $\ldots$ | 185 | ..... | ..... | Java, 3xtra..... |  |  |  | 61 | 6 | 7 |  |  |
| "ubs, candy, and covers.......... |  |  | 270 | ${ }^{3} 20$ | ...... | ${ }^{3} 20$ | ...... | ..... | Sago... | 88 | 43 |  | 4* | 8 | 6 |  |  |
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| " 112 |  | ....... | ...... | 800 | ...... | 800 | ..... | ..... | " imp'd, 1-1b, plag. French |  |  | 9 | 10 |  |  |  |  |
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Splendid value, nothing like it for the money anywhere else.
Terms 3 per cent. 30 days or 4 months note.
My stock is all right, all paid for.
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## TRADE IN OTHER COUNTRIES THAN OUR OWN.

## persian dates in london.

$\square$ABLE advices from L.ondon make the available stock of Persian dates on February 157,000 boxes. In addition to this there are some 51,000 boxes in warehouse telonging to English distributers, which will be used by the home trade. Altogether the situation is considered to be favorable to holders, as the stock of 69,000 boxes in warehouse at this time a year ago proved to be too small for the demand and prices gradually advanced from 16 s . 6 d . on February 1 , to 20s. at the beginning of the summer. The present London quotation is 14s. 6 d .
canned salmon in linerpool.
The demand for salmon to arrive is stll very large, and prices, especially for low grades, are hardening week by week. The most interesting fact about the business is that the majority of the stock has already passed through first hands, although last year's is at all points a large one. Notwithstanding this the available supplies for the United Kingdom are smaller than they have been for some time, and the spot stocks are lower than for several years past. The trade in $1 / 2 \cdot \mathrm{lb}$. continues to grow in spite of prices that bring the cost of the $1 / 2-\mathrm{lb}$ tin retail quite up to the level of the price for ordinary quality $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. tins. At the moment there is a scarcity of good quality $1-\mathrm{lb}$. flat tins ready for delivery and choice lots are held for full prices. - Produce Markets' Review, January 27 .

## tea in new york

The feature of the week was the auction sale held on Wednesday, and the prices realized showed a fairly steady market. The volunde of business transacted has continued very moderate, as the trade generally has been a slow buyer, operating on a strictly hand to mouth basis. Dealers, however, have shown no disposition to force sales, and prices have held steady. The market for invoices has been quiet and unchanged. -The New York Journal of Commerce, February 10.
situation in currants in london.
The market for currants is a little healthier in tone, and a few transactions have taken place at values about on a level with prices ruling immediately before Christmas. A good deal of discussion is now going on respecting the possibility of the duty on curıants being again made 7 s . It will be remembered that when the duty was reduced to 2 s . per cwt. it was then argued that at this rate the returns barely paid for collection, and it was evident that the
principal reason for keeping the article in the class of dutiable goods was that if the occasion arose when it was necessary to raise revenue in this direction the machinery would be ready to hand. The net result of a return to the old duty of 7 s . could only produce from $£ 200,000$ to $£ 300,000$ sterling, and it is to be hoped it would be considered that such an amount would be too small to create a disturbance in trade, which always follows these alterations. As a matter of fact, it would be a most serious thing for the trade if any alteration is made in this direction, and it would be difficult to find any article which is in a worse position to bear such a strain on its resources.- Produce Markets' Review, January 27.

## Price of maryland tomatoes.

Future Maryland tomatoes are offered by some sellers in Baltimore at $571 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. less $11 / 2$ per cent. for 2 lb . standards, and 75 c . less $11 / 2$ per cent. for $3 \cdot \mathrm{lb}$. standards, Baltimore rate of freight. Standard Harford county 3 lb . hand-packed are quoted $771 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. net f.o.b. factory. The Baltimore market was reported very strong with an upward tendency, particularly for spot goods.

## FIRM OUTLOOK FOR SARDINES

In a circular letter from Messrs.Saupiqnet, France, to a New York firm, occurs the following: " The advance in the price of sardines, referred to in our circular letter of October 15, has now been realized. Tin has advanced almost 50 per cent. Solder and other materials have advanced in about the same proportion. Olive oil crop has proved almost a total failure last season, and good olive oil has advanced about 60 per cent. Ocean freights have been advanced considerably. Packing charges have also a dvanced owing to the advance in the price of wood. Owing to the general prosperity in France, higher wages are paid to the workmen, thus increasing the cost of the manufacture. To cap the climax, the result of the sardine fishing this last season has been very discouraging. From the aforesaid, it is evident that the present low prices for sardines cannot possibly be maintained. It is furthermore an absolute fact that contracts for this coming season cannot be made except at considerably advanced prices over those bid last season. If we add that the presence of hundreds of thousands of strangers at the Exposition in Paris will naturally tend to increase the consumption of all French preserves, we are certainly correct in expecting further decided advances in prices of sardines and other French preserves.'

## HINTS TO BUYERS.

Contributors are requested to send news only, not puffs of goods they handle, or the arrival of standard goods that everyone has in stock, or that they are offering goods at close figures, or that they have had an unusually large sale this season.

WH. GILLARD \& CO. have now in the hands of their travelers ${ }^{\text {I }}$ Im-- perial," "Snow" and "Cameo" soaps, all of superior quality and leaving a handsome profit to the retailer.
H. P. Eckardt \& Co. are offering canned peaches at low prices.

A fine range of raisins is yet in stock with W. H. Gillard \& Co.

Choice evaporated apples can be had from H. P. Eckardt \& Co.
T. Kinnear \& Co. have arriving a ship ment of Californian peaches in bags.

A carload of Austrian prunes, "Ostrich " brand, has just arrived for W. H. Gillard \& Co.
H. P. Eckardt \& Co. are offering " Simcoe" and "Schenk's" brands of canned asparagus.

The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, have been appointed selling agents for the Lanhoff Flaking Mills, Detroit.
Twenty-nine thousand pounds is the exact increase, for the first five weeks of this year, over the corresponding weeks of last year, in the sales of "Salada" Ceylon tea.

The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, have still a good supply of No. I fall caught whitefish and salmon trout, but advise early buying for Lenten requirements. They quote at close prices f.o.b. Midland.
Further supplies of Californian evaporated fruits have been received by the Eby, Blain Co., Limited. In this lot are choice peaches, fancy silver prunes, fancy and white apricots, and a shipment of ruby prunes is due to arrive next week.

## WAR TAX ON MATCHES.

The genuineness of the patriotism of the Canadian people is not exemplified alone by the readiness with which the young men of the land responded to the call to arms, but also by the readiness with which the business men of the land have contributed to the National Patriotic Fund.
The E. B. Eddy Co., Limited, are deciding the amount of their contribution in a unique manner. They have voluntarily taxed themselves $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. on every gross of boxes of sulphur matches sold by them from February I till the war shall come to a close. The vast quantity of matches produced by the Eddy Company is likely to make the contribution raised by this tax a substantial one.


## Ogivie's Hungarian Ogivie's Glenora....

All Bakers and Grocers handling this Flour exclusively are making money.

## Superior Quality

Always Good

## BUSINESS CHANGES.

difficulties, ASSIGNMENTS, COMpromises.

J.E. MICHAUD \& CO., general merchants, Laprairie, Man., have assigned to Bilodeau \& Renaud.
J. J A. Robitaille, grocer, Quebec, has assigned.
Theophile St. Laurent, general merchant, Nicolet, Que., has assigned.
Duck \& Hutton, grocers, Windsor, Ont., are offering $50 c$. on the dollar.

Coggins \& Delaney, grocers, Montreal, have assigned to Gagnon \& Caron.
Gray \& Co., general merchants, Duntroon. Ont., have assigned to Richard Lee.
I. Rosenstein, general merchant, Grand River, Que., is offering 35 c ., on the dollar.
A. Tessier, general merchant, St.Casimir, Que., has compromised at 25 c . on the dollar.
J. McNally has been appointed curator of John Bell \& Co., wholesale fruit dealers, Montreal.
A. Ballentine \& Son, general merchants, Neepawa Man., have assigned to C. H. Newton, Winnipeg.
T. H. Mousseau, grocer, Arnprior, Ont., who has sold his stock, is endeavoring to compromise with his creditors.
V. E. Paradis has been appointed curator of G. E. Legare, general merchant, Lyster, Que., whose stock is advertised for sale.
Partnerships Formed and dissolved.
White Bros., grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

Bourdon \& Co. have registered partnership as tobacconists in Montreal.

Lorrain \& Co. have registered partnership as cigar manufacturers in Montreal.
Lindow \& Graham, grocers, Woodstock, N.B., have dissolved. John Graham continues in his own name.

Burnside \& Drummond, general merchants, Bothwell, Ont., have dissolved. Thomas Burnside continues.
McKinnon \& Moffat, bakers, Little Glace Bay, N.S., have registered as partners, and have bought out James Kennedy.

James E. Lewis and Thomas Dougall have registered as partners under the style of Lewis \& Dougall, grocers, Granby, Que.
J. F. Gallagher \& Co., bakers, Montreal, have dissolved, and Annie Maria Egan, wife
of John F. Gallagher, has registered as proprietress.
E. Turner and J. R. McKeown, jr., have registered partnership under the style of Turner \& McKeown, produce dealers, etc., Kaslo, B.C.

Robert Wilson and E. W. Bray have registered partnership as general merchants and commission dealers, under the style of The Builders' Supply Co., Vancouver.

## SALES MADE AND PENDING.

R. Heriot, confectioner, Aylmer, Ont., has sold out.

Elizabeth Walsh, grocer, London, is advertising her business for sale.
Richard Parsons, grocer, London, is advertising his business for sale.

The assets of Wm. Biltcliff, grocer, St. Henri, Que., are offered for sale.
R. J. Whitter, fruit dealer, etc., Halifax, is advertising his business for sale.

The stock of N. Hamel, grocer, Quebec, has been sold at 62 c . on the dollar.

The assets of J. A. Thibault \& Co., provisioners, Montreal, have been sold.
J. P. Clarke, general merchant, Exeter, Ont., is advertising his business for sale.
The stock of A. I. Parker, general merchant, Riviere Beaudette, Que., has been sold.

Joseph A. Berube, general merchant, Lake Megantic, Que., has purchased the stock of E. M. Huot.

The assets of Alex. Blair and of E. Lecombe \& Co., general merchants, Chicoutimi, Que., are to be sold on February 26.

The stock of P. G. McSween \& Co., general merchants, Amherst, N.S., has been sold to Fellmore \& Morris at 6ic. on the dollar.

## changes.

F. E. H. Jeeves, grocer, Victoria, has sold out to J. Goss.
Wm. M. Brown, grocer, Chatham, Ont., is retiring from business.
R. Mellis, general merchant, Kippin, Ont., has sold out to John Balfour.
J. Jackson, grocer. Leamington, Ont., has sold out to Barrington \& Secord.
John Vail \& Co., general merchants, Newbury, Ont., have been succeeded by A. M. Vail.
A. C. Denny, grocer, Woodstock, Ont., has been succeeded by A. M. Smith.
W. G. Shiells, grocer, St. Thomas, Ont., is advertising his retirement from business.

Marie L. Marcoux has registered as proprietress of Narcisse Hamel, grocer, Quebec.
Joseph Finley, wholesale grocer, St. John, N.B., has been succeeded by Hiram F. Finley.

Holland Bros., grocers, etc., Kamloops, B.C., have been succeeded by W. R. Rourke.
Jones \& Son, general merchants, Niagara Falls South, Ont., have been succeeded by M. C. Drew.
C. Hiebert, gristmiller, Holland, Man., has sold out to Thomas Robertson.
C. Ryan \& Co., grocers, fruiterers, etc., Macleod, Man., is giving up business.
Adolphe Huot has registered as proprietor of Louis Huot \& Co., grocers, Quebec.
W. J. Drummond, general merchant, Saturna Island, B.C., has gone out of business.

Mrs. E. Landry has registered as proprietress of J. Landry \& Co., grocers, Montreal.
C. W. Higginson, general merchant, Holland's Mills, Que., is removing to Poltimore, Que.

## fires.

Wm. McWilliam, confectioner, Que., has suffered loss by fire ; insured.
J. Ehman, general merchant, Regina, N.W.T., has been burned out.

The premises of Wm. Smith, general merchant, Point Gatineau, Que., have been destroyed by fire.
Daniel Sullivan, general merchant, etc., Red Bank, N.B., has been burned out ; insurance, $\$ 3,000$.

## deaths.

Ira Bates, of Bates \& Emerick, general merchants, Carman, Man., is dead.

## NEW FIRMS STARTING.

Martineau \& Frere have started as grocers in Montreal.

Edward Nanton is starting as grocer in Windsor, Ont.
Mrs. R. Nass has opened a grocery in Chester, N.S.


NEW BRUNSWICK'S FLOUR MILLS.

SEAKING of the flour production of New Brunswick, it may be news to many of our readers to learn that at the present time there are no less than 12 mills in active operation throughout that Province, with a daily capacity for turning out about 750 barrels per day. The success which has attended these mills has been sufficient to induce the building of several others, which are planned to be erected during 1900 . These, when completed, will place New Brunswick well up in rank as a producer of flour. It is estimated that the weekly production in 1900 will verge closely on the $\mathrm{I}, 000,000 \mathrm{bbl}$. mark.
As an instance of the range of ground which is covered by the existing mills, we may say that Shediac leads with a mill of roo barrels capacity daily, Campbellton, Petit Rocher, Newcastle, Buctouche, Woodstock and Edmunston, are each provided with mills of a capacity of 50 barrels daily. Doaktown, Rogersville, Memramcook, Madawaska and Caraquet each have mills of 35 barrels daily capacity. Moncton and several other localities are getting ready to erect mills to grind from 50 to 75 barrels each day. It must be admitted that this is a highly creditable showing for our sister Province, and one that she may well be proud of. The chief point is to be sure that sufficient home-grown wheat can be obtained to keep these mills running night and day.

The question of securing adequate supplies of wheat from nearby farmers has, we
understand, been thoroughly investigated and settled, and the continued growth of mill building is the best evidence that no uneasiness is felt on this score. One of the most natural queries which our Nova Scotia readers might put to themselves is: What is this Province doing in the way of increasing our flour milling facilities? While the same activity cannot be claimed for this Province, as is being exhibited in our sister Province, the matter is by no means in a quiescent condition. There are rumors that the quancity of flour to be produced in Nova Scotia during 1900 will greatly exceed that of any previous year.
It is well known that the farmers of Prince Edward Island are making preparations to carry on a greater measure of wheat growing than before, and this increased crop will be, it is hoped, largely marketed in Nova Scotia. If a number of proposed milling enterprises which are on foot in this Province are brought to a head, it is certain we shall enjoy a season of activity in this branch of industry which has been long needed. The continuous import of Canadian flours is a somewhat strong commentary upon the progress of our milling industry, but we think the time is not far distant when this reproach shall be to a considerable extent removed.

The New Brunswick Provincial Governmont has done much to foster an increase in the wheat growing area of its own country, and similar steps should be undertaken by the Nova Scotian authorities. It is
a safe assumption that as soon as the necessary supplies of wheat are available, we shall have the facilities for successfully handling them. As an indication of the earnestness which has characterized the efforts to increase flour milling in New Brunswick, it is sufficient to point out that the Premier, as an object lesson last summer, planted some ground in the vicinity of his residence with wheat, and the crop resulting, when ground into flour, has been sufficient to supply the requirements of his household. -Maritime Merchant.

## A TAX ON LIQUOR DRUMMERS.

Besides correcting the glaring mistakes in the liquor license legislation of last session, canceling the bond and special requirements, etc. -which is the chief parpose of its existence - the bill for the amendment of the license law which was brought in yesterday by the AttorneyGeneral suggests a number of new and radical changes in the law.

For example, it contains one section that is designed to protect the Provincial wholesaber against the "drummer" who sells direct to the retail traders; requiring that this class of commercial traveler must, before soliciting or accepting orders, secure a license issuable by the superintendent of police, and costing $\$ 200$ per annum, transfrs from one individual to another representing the same firm being obtainable at any time on payment of a $\$ 5$ fee. -Victoria Colonist, January 25 .

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It is rather difficult at times to keep up with the demand, but we manage to fill orders promptly and to the entire satisfaction of all our customers. Send us your order.

The T. D. MILLAR PARAGON CHEESE CO.,
INGERSOLL, ONTARIO.

## WINNIPEG AND ITS TRADE FOR 1899.

## From Our Own Correspondent

THE most important event of the past week was the 21 st Annual Meeting of the Winnipeg Board of Trade. The coming of age of this strapping infant was marked by a large attendance of the members of the board. The annual report of the council of the board dealing with many important matters and containing much valuable information was presented by the secretary, Mr. C. N. Bell, and taken as read.

The chief interest of the meeting centred in the address of the president, Mr. E. L. Drewry. The president's address is always a matter of interest, but it was felt that as this was the 2 Ist meeting, and as the matter was in such specially capable hands, something extra might be looked for, and the members were not disappointed. The address covered 20 subjects, all dealt with in a masterly manner, the facts and figures given forming a valuable work of reference when the same shall be printed in book form.

It would not be possible for The Canadian Grocer to give the address in full, as it contained some 9,000 or 10,000 words, so your correspondent has taken the liberty of selecting a few of the more important sections, which are given in Mr. Drewry's own words and will prove of interest to every reader of your paper throughout Canada and in Great Britain
winnipeg as a grain-inspecting centre
" The Act to amend the Grain Inspection Act is, in my opinion, one of the most important to this country, and particularly this city, that has received the attention of the Government for some time. Winnipeg, as the doorway through which passes practically the entire product of the vast grain-growing district of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, should, under the new system of inspection, occupy an increased importance in the commercial world. It is well known that the city of Duluth, similarly situated, in respect to its being the place of inspection of all grain exported from a great wheat-producing section, owes its prominence largely to the fact that it is such a place of inspection. Duluth wheat, ' Duluth inspection,' etc., now such common terms, have resulted in making the name of the 'Zenith City' of Minnesota familiar not only to the people of this country, but also in the far-distant foreign markets of the world. Henceforth, the wheat of this country, superior to that produced in, perhaps, any other portion of the globe, will, by inspection at this point, be stamped, as
it were, with the 'Hall Mark' of excellence and of purity, and such inspection will be accepted, in confidence and security, by purchasers the world over. Chief or final inspection at this point will, in addition to centralizing the grain business here, materially facilitate the earlier realization on sales, and, under certain conditions, enable the owners to obtain a better figure than would have been possible under Fort William inspection alone. For instance, where wheat just misses a high grade, and would necessarily be forced to take the next lower one, with the difference, perhaps, of several cents per bushel, the owner of such wheat, if sold for local milling purposes, would, in all probability, realize within a small fraction of the high-grade price. Another point of advantage in Winnipeg inspection is that, in the event of the owner of wheat not being satisfied with grade, he may have the car held out at Fort William and reinspected or dispose of it as he may deem best. Under Fort William inspection, the wheat was invariably unloaded and in store before the owner was advised as to grade.

## THE GROWTH OF WINNIPEG

" To me anything relating to the growth of the Province, and particularly of Winnipeg, is a matter of great interest and I cannot refrain from introducing a few statistics in addition to those already enumerated, although, I am fully aware, that under almost any circumstances, statistics are more or less dry, and something uninteresting. I now mention these simply for the purpose of showing by way of comparison, that we are steadily progressing, and that there exists a perfect basis for our faith in Winnipeg becoming in the early future, a really great and wealthy commercial centre. Let us first glance at our population. A tale many times told, I admit, yet still full of interest. Going back two decades we find, in the year 1880, the population was 6,278 , in 1890 , it had risen to 23,000 , and during the past ten years has practically doubled, a most conservative estimate now placing it at 45,000 , while some authorities place it much higher.
" The assessment, also a matter of interest, being the index of increasing wealth, is mentioned in the board's statis tical report, but refers only to the past two or three years. I wish to carry you some what further into the past. In 1880, Winnipeg's assessment was $\$ 4,008,460$, in $1890, \$ 18,612,410$ and at the present time is $\$ 24,000,000$. This does not include exemptions covering schools, churches, public buildings, parks, etc., which would add
an additional $\$ 5,000,000$ to the foregoing figures.

## pure bred stock.

" The action of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, in its efforts to improve the stock of this country, is certainly worthy of the highest commendation. The company imported from Ontario, last September, 29 pedigreed bulls, which were distributed among farmers in the following districts: Seven in the Mennonite reserve, two east of Winnipeg, one at Gimli, two north of Stonewall, three on the Southwestern branch, two on the Pembina and Souris branches, one on the Manitoba and Northwestern, and the remaining II on the main line of the C.P.R. and Northern Alberta. The company also brought in from Ontario 80 pure-bred boars of the Berkshire, Yorkshire and Tamworth breeds, These were distributed generally through Manitoba and Assiniboia, with the exception of 16 , which were placed between Calgary and Edmonton and one at Prince Albert.
"Our largest financial institutions report business and collections in excess of any previous year since the incorportion. As an evidence of the confidence being shown in the future of the West I might say that last year the land business of the Canadian Pacific Railway, both in sales and collections, was the largest in the history of the company. This, of course, means increased acreage in crops, and in turn increased income to the Province
the grain crop.
" The grain crop of 1899 , it is now admitted, was somewhat overestimated. While this may be true as to quantity, in quality it has rarely if ever been equalled, 88 per cent. of the wheat thus far marketed grading No. I and 2 hard. The amount of wheat inspected at Winnipeg for the last half of 1898 was $4,271,250$ bushels. For the same period of 1899 it amounted to the handsome total of $17,368,410$ bushels. Considerable wheat is still in farmers' hands. It is estimated the total exports of the 1899 crop will probably reach $30,000,000$ bushels. The export movement in oats and barley is, of course, inconsiderable when compared with that of wheat. The Province is now an exporter of oatmeal, which bids fair to become a valuable industry.
"The price of wheat has been somewhat disappointing, not having reached the figure generally anticipated. Nevertheless a very large sum, in the aggregate, has been realized, and distributed among the farmers of the country.

EXPORT OF CATtLE.
" The export of cattle from Manitoba and the Northwest during the year 1899, was

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- The significancy of these figures may be better understood when we remember that as recent as 1888 the first shipment of Manitoba cattle, consisting of some 16 head, was forwarded to Toronto, and, as a novelty, and by way of advertisement, were paraded about the streets of that city labeled Manitoba beef.

> HOGS FOR LOCAL PACKERS.
"It may be said that there has practically been no export movement in horses, sheep and hogs ; in fact, to keep the local packing houses working, they were obliged to bring in both live and dressed hogs, otherwise their plants would be idle. This phase of the farming industry is much to be regretted, in view of the capability of our land to produce unlimited quantities of coarse grains. Local delivery of hogs is said to be slightly improving, although still far below market requirements.
WINNIPEG'S importation of merchandise
" From reliable data, I am enabled to say that the importation of merchandise to Winnipeg houses during the past year was approximately 100,000 tons, or about 400 trainloads of 20 cars each. Truly, a wonderful contrast to the situation of but 20 years ago, when, for six months of the year, the only means of communication or of bringing in supplies was by ordinary road vehicleprincipally the Red river cart-involving a journey of more than 200 miles, over roads at times well nigh impassable.
" Winnipeg bank clearings, considered the trade barometer of the country, have increased with leaps and bounds, having almost doubled within the past five years. The following figures will illustrate the steady annual increase

| 1894 | \$50,540,648 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1895 | 55,873,630 |
| 1896 | 64,046,438 |
| 1897 | 84,436,000 |
| 1898 | 90,674,325 |
| 1899 | 107,786,814 |

" Winnipeg bank clearings are the third largest in the Dominion, being exceeded only by Montreal and Toronto."

## election of officers.

The following officers were elected for the coming year

## President-D. K. Eilliott.

Vice-president-John Galt.
Treasurer-Andrew Strang.
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## WILL OPPOSE SEPARATION.

The Montreal Retail Grocers' Association is determined to fight the Licensed Victuallers' Association on the proposed amendment, by the latter, to the license law, looking to the separation of the sale of liquors from the same store in which groceries are vended. The matter came up at the regular meeting of the Grocers' Association the other night, the president, Mr. N. Lapointe, in the chair.

In reply to a communication from the association, Premier Marchand had written that he would receive an interview from a deputation, provided it took place in Quebec.

Mr. J. P. Dixon spoke briefly on the subject, saying that the association would fight the thing tooth and nail. Grocers did a legitimate trade in selling liquors, and had done so in this Province for many, many years, and they were not going to have the two things separated now, if they could help it.

Mr. Demers spoke in a similar strain, and on the motion of Mr. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Boisvert, it was decided that the question of sending a deputation to Quebec in reference to the proposed amendment to the license law, affecting grocers, be left in the hands of the directors of the association.

A resolution was adopted congratulating Messrs. Raby and Vallieres upon their election as alderman, and the gentlemen in question fittingly acknowledged the same.
Four nominees were admitted members of the association.

## KNEW HER KIND.

It was, says an exchange, at a department store bargain counter for odds and ends. The crush was terrific. Women squeezed and elbowed and shoved to get alongside the counter. Frequently two of them happened to pick up the same bargain at one and the same time, and then they both retained their clutch on it and looked daggers at each other until the stronger of the two won the victory or the bargain was rent into ribbons.
A haughty matron, with an electric seal coat, picked up a box containing three cakes of imported soap for 8 c . at the same moment that an humble-looking little woman in a faded tan coat had fastened her grasp on the box.
" I believe I was the first to take hold of this," said the matron in the electric seal coat freezingly.

The humble-looking little woman held on for a minute, studying her antagonist, then she slowly relaxed her hold on the box.
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