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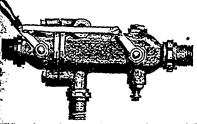
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W. P. Nolan, provision merchant, Winnipeg, has assigned in trust.

John Labby, hotel-keeper, Port Arthur, has sold out to G. M. Francis.

W. F. Smith, of the Li-Quor Tea Company, Winnipeg, has sold out his business to Ede & Christie.

THE Portage la Prairie paper mill is to resume work again this summer, and will be running before May 1.

THE council of the Winnipeg Board of Trade meet this afternoon to make arrangements for the quarterly meeting of the board, which takes place on Tuesday next.

THE American Plumbing Company, of Win nipeg, has been dissolved. Robert Muir retires, and the business will be carried on by Neil McDonald and D. R. McCallum.

News from all over the province goes to show that seeding operations have commenced in every municipality on high-lying lands, and before the end of the week will be general all

GEO. H. ROGERS & Co. have purchased the dry goods stock of Thomas Bennie & Co., Win nipeg, and will continue the business.

THE Dominion Land Department have issued an order to all the agents in the Northwest, to the effect that all homesteaders who volunteer for service during the rebellion will have their time of service allowed in fulfilment of their homestead conditions of residence.

THE Caachon Block, Winnipeg, came near being destroyed by fire on Friday last. Considerable damage was done, and among the sufferers are J. Nott, plnmber, and Feilde Haffner & Co., commission merchants, and agents for the Dominion Organ Co.

THE Winnipeg Board of Trade report for 1884, with a statistical record of the city's trade during that year and a sketch of its commercial growth since 1870, has been published in pamphlet form by order of the board. Memhers and other business men can have copies of the same by applying to the secretary.

THE Minnedosa Tribune is responsible for the statement that one John Ralston, & few miles from that town, is about to start a small pottery on his fa.m. Clay to make common pottery is to be found in abundance in the northwestern part of the province; and if Mr. Ralston has struck a particularly good seam, his proposed industry should be a paying undertaking.

D. H. McMillan & Biother, of the City Roller Mills, Winnipeg, have been negotiating for some time for the erection of a roller mili at Qu'Appelle. The arrangements are complete, the machinery is ordered, and the erection of the mill is about to be commenced, with the intention of having it running by next fall. It will have a capacity of 150 barrels in 24 hours.

FROM Portage la Prairie the news comes that al' the grain buyers in that town have stopped purchasing, and at very few other points in the province will any buying operations be carried on during the present month, as the seeding movement and bad roads will almost entirely shut off receipts. There is still a large quan tity of wheat in the hands of farmers, which will be marketed after seeding is over.

C. J. STILWELL has again embarked in journalism, this time at Fort William, which promises to become a daugenous rival of Port Arthur. His new journal is named The Echo, and let us hope that it will always be distinctly heard when the interests of the Northwest are at stake. May Mr. Stilwell have success with his new paper.

THE new time-card of the Fargo & Southern Railway, which went into force on the 1st of this month, shows two through trains a day between Fargo and St. Paul. This company have adopted the new style of sleeping-car, which gives a complete section to each sleeper, and have in many other ways improved Northwestern travel. It is worth the trouble for Manitobans going south to change at Farge and try this new route on to St. Paul or Minneapolie.

W. CLOUGHER, late of the English Restaurant, has opened up a new establishment of a similar character on Main street, near Owen. The place is the most comfortably and elegantly fitted up of its class in the Northwest. It will have a ber, lunch-room, and spacious dining-room, so that anything can be supplied from a fifteen-cent lunch to a first-class dinner. The whole arrangements show that it is meant for a first-class lunch and dining-house, and not for a groggery, as the majority of our licensed restaurants in the past have been. The institution is a good proof of the progress of Winnineg in the right direction.

THERE was considerable excitement on Sunday last over the enforcing of a by-law of the City Council against Sunday labor. The Chief of Police had a number of barbers, hotel bootblacks, electric-light inspectors, newspaper printers, and others arrested, much to the auroyance of such people. It is claimed by supporters of the by-law that the chief has been stretching its provisions; but it is evident that it requires amending. There is some kind of a by-law wanted to keep in order a certain low grade of Hebrew hand-me-downs, whose lawless practices are condemned by none more strongly than by respectable people of their own race, who are among our best citizens. Along with these the refreshment-shanty might be dispensed with on Suudays.

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Business East.

ONTARIO.

John Bennett, notel, Acton, has sold out.

Frank Berry, hotel, Toronto, has sold out.

Rumohr Bros., grocers, Windsor, have sold out.

C. Baxter, hotel, Beeton, has assigned in trust.

John Ovens, Berlin wool, etc., Toronto, is dead.

Barry & Co., grocers, Strathroy, have dissolved.

Mike McGuire, grocer, St. Catharines, is selling out.

J. G. Carter, general agent, Toronto, has sold out.

Arthur Reeves, grocer, Orillia, has assigned in trust.

James Donovan, cigars, Ottawa, has assigned in trust.

Robt. Wi'sou, shoes, Hami'ton, has assigned in trust.

R. Calder, hotel, Embro, has sold out to J. H. Hobbs.

Jno. Craib, dry goods, Clinton, is moving to Brantford.

W. Battel, general store, Lawrence Station, has sold out.

W. H. Danbrook, confectionery, Oakville, has sold out.

J. Hobbs, tinware, Embro, has sold out to J. G. Anderson.

J. Hathaway, shoes, Burford, has sold out to C. F. Gidney.

John McClean, boots and shoes, Hamilton, is selling out.

A. L. Reeves, jr., grocer, Hamilton, is offering to sell out.

Kimmerly & Aiken, general store, Dresden, have assigned.

E. Moran, confectioner, Toronto. Bailiff's sale advertised.

John Struthers, general store, Alma, has assigned in trust.

H. J. Taylor, general store, Bothwell, has been burned out.

O. D. Cowan, wringers, Gananoque, has been burned out.

George Graham, publisher, Trenton, has sold out to J. A. Orc.

Forley & Co., dry goods, Toronto, are ask-

Farley & Co., dry goods, Toronto, are asking an extension.

Kaufman & Wildfang, general store, Elm-wood, have failed.

Thos. Heslop, fruit, etc., Toronto, is in the hands of the bailiff.

Graves Bros., general store, Delhi, have moved to Langton.

A. Westland & Co, general store, Wyoming, have dissolved.

Miss Hutchinson, milliner, Picton, stock being sold by auction.

Walter Brown, hotel'sceper, Alton, has sold out to Mrs. J. Dean.

W. A. Hawkins, general store, Brooklin, has removed to Whitby.

Mrs. Higgins, general store, Allenford, has sold out to R. Syper.

A. York, general store, Baldwin, has sold out to John Sowerby.

Jas. Armstrong, grocer, Dundalk, has sold out to R. G. Phillips.

The Port Elgin Brush Factory, Port Elgin, has been burned out.

Miss S. A. Semple, millinery, Peterboro', has assigned in trust.

George Smith & Co., woolens, Lambton Mills, has assigned in trust.

Baines & Boyle, stoves and tins, Woodstock, have assigned in trust.

R. Campbell, general store, Whithy, has sold out to W. A. Hawkins.

Wm. Simpson, boots and shoes, Toronto, is selling stock off by auction.

Makee & Derbyshire, grist and saw mill, Odessa, have been burned out.

1. T. Richards, general store, Penetanguishene, has been berned out.

Geo. 1). McKay, gents' furnishing, London, stock has been sold by assignee.

J. R. L. Waugh, general store, Chesley, has failed and gone out of business.

Douglas Bros, iron workers, Totonto, have dissolved. Each continues alone.

Mrs. E. Neelin, grocer, Spencerville, is selling off stock and giving up business.

A. D. Freeman, general store, Listowel, stock has been sold to J. M. Schinblim.

Atkinson & Cowan, wringers, corset steels, etc., Gananoque, have been burned out.

Steel & Hutten, general store, Thornbury, have dissolved. J. G. Hutten continues.

Z. Vaniceven & Son, general store, Moscow and Enterprise, closing Enterprise branch.

Hamilton & Haight, herdware, St. Marys, have dissolved. James Hamilton continues.

A. Taylor & Son, grocers and flour and feed, Toronto, have sold out grocery business to — Marmion.

David Smith, general store, Huntsville, has admitted — Culp into partnership. Style Smith & Culp.

John McLeod & Co., dry goods, Woodstock, have dissolved. McLeod retires. Style now J Martin & Co.

Masters & McPhail, picture frames, Toronto have dissolved. A. J. Masters continues as A. J. Masters & Co.

Struthers & Powell, general store, Brussels, have dissolved. A. S. Struthers retires, and J. M. Struthers takes his place.

Kenner & Whitaker, books, Bowmanville, have dissolved. Whitaker retires. New firm formed under style Kenner & 'o.

Harris, Campbell & Co., fainture, Ottawa, have dissolved. L. Deacon retires. Business contined by remaining partners under style of Harris & Campbell.

QUEBEC.

Eli Lavoie, hairdresser, Montreal, is dead. Alex. Rough, confectionery, Montreal, is lead.

Nap. Fortin, grocer, Quebec, has assigned in trust.

Julien & Genest, grocers, Quebec. Damaged by fire.

M. Trester, fancy goods, Montreal, is giving up business.
J. A. Charland, distiller, Montreal, has as-

signed in trust.
P. H. Desjardins & Co., jewelers, Montreal, have dissolved.

W. J. Clarke, fancy goods, Montreal, has as signed in trust.

Mrs. C. V. Beausejour, milliner, Joliette, is out of business.

C. A. Blodgett, groceries, livery, etc., Comansville, is away.

Narcisse Parent, grocer, Joliette, has sold out to Louis Vigneux.

Joseph Monarque, furniture, Montreal, Bailiff's sale advertised.

Alderic Corbeil, dry goods, St. Jerome, has sold out to — Guilmette.

D. Poliquin & Co., boot and shoes, Montreal Dennis Poliquin is dead.

Sorgius Archambault, general store, St. Theodosio, nas assigned in trust.

Davidson & Horan, dry goods, Quebec. Nigian Davidson of the firm is dead.

Leach, Rowes & Bell, wholesale fruits, Moztreal, have dissolved. Leach retires.

Eugene Bernier, general store, St. Simor, Rimouski County, has assigned in trust.

Leblanc & Desaulniers, wholesale fruit, Mottreal. Stock partially damaged by water.

P. P. Martin & Co., wholesale dry good, Montreal. Stock alightly damaged by smoke Senecal, Cadieux & Co., wholesale liquon

Senecal, Cadieux & Co., wholesale liquon and fireworks, Montreal. Partially burned out.

R. S. Oliver & Co., flour, Montreal. Rott W. Oliver has ceased doing business under this style.

A. Cloghorn, preserved meats, St. Henri, Jacques Cartier County. Offering to compromise.

Laroque & Bourque, boots and shoes and dy goods, St. Jerome and St. Johns, about dissolving.

McPherson & Alexander, produce, etc., Mostreal, Quebec, Lancaster and Brockville, have dissolved.

Clement dit F. Proulx & Clement dit f Proulx, general store, St. Genevieve, Jacque County, have dissolved.

NOVA SCOTIA.

James McGuire, general store, Caledonia, la assigned.

R. H. Gardiner, general store, Brookly, asking an extension.

A. J. Reid, general store, Middle Musquoisboit, has sold out to Daniel Reid.

Union Furniture & Merchandise Co., Bus River. Burned out and asking extension.

Geo. Pattison, Linware, etc., Windsor, by admitted C. W. Knowles as partner. Style Pattison & Knowles.

Morrison, Hale & Shattuck, general stor, Isaac's Harbor, have dissolved. Business on tinued by Geo. H. Shattuck and Win. Norison, under style of Shattuck & Morrison.

NEW BRUNSWICK

John McDorald, dry goods, Fredericton, in assigned in trust.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

L. Kickham & Co., general store, Souris Lawrence Kickham of this firm is dead.

Sinclair, Minto & Stewart, general stor, Summerside, have dissolved. Sinclair & Sterart continue.

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EFFECT OF THE REBELLION ON TRADE AND IMMIGRATION.

When the first news of half-breed outbreak in Saskatchewan reached this city, among the many evil effects it was expected to produce, was that of effectually crushing trade all over the Northwest during the present season. Other scares have become much less powerful upon peoples minds during the past week and with others the fear of trade being paralized for any greet length of time is gradually fading away. People who have been arriving from the east and the south during the past week have been struck with the unconcerned manner in which people here are moving around about their every day affairs, while away in the eastern provinces and in the United States excitement is at a high pitch over the outbreak. This is accounted for by the fact, that here we comprehend better the extent of the trouble, and are satisfied as to the manner of settling it, while we are able to judge more accurately of the truth or falsehood of the rumors which are flying around, and, like a snowball rolling down a hill, gathering strength as they travel. In the same manner as we comprehend more thoroughly the nature of the outbreak, and begin to define the limits within which it is circumscribed, its probable injury to trade grows less in our eyes. While the half-breed rebellion may and doubtless does extend over quite a stretch of country, that country is but sparsely settled, and in trade importance certainly not great. While, therefore, this circumstance may add greatly to the difficulties of quelling the insurrection it greatly lessens the injury done to trade and industrial affairs at present, and less the a month hence, when forces enough have gone to the front to quiet any fears of Indian or half breed risings outside of the Saskatchewan district trade affairs will resume their usual course.

The effect that the outbreak will have upon immigration to this country is mouned over by some people, and here again there is little or no reason for fear. The immigration to the western portion of this continent during the coming summer does not promise to be very heavy, for the simple reason that the depressed

state of agriculture all over the world during the past year is not likely to attract many new settlers to countries which are wholly dependent upon agriculture. Of the immigrants coming to the Northwest during this season, not one in fifty will be scared away by the rebellion; and if we are to judge by former outbreaks they seem to stimulate the settlement of a new country. Winnipeg was only an unknown village until the rebellion of 1869 brought it into notice, and stimulated emigration to this province. real settlement of Minnesota only commenced in earnest, until after the massacre of Custer and his men by the Sioux under Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. It is just possible that the Riel rebellion in Saskatchewan will be the introduction to a stream of immigration to the Northwest such as has never been seen yet. Manitobans there is this hope, namely that settlers will in future be more likely to select lands within the province, and where closer settlement precludes all idea of Indian risings, in preference to rushing hundreds of miles beyond it, and settling on inferior land, without the school and other privileges to be found in Manitoba, and in places where the Indian is in excess of the white population.

RAILWAY DISALLOWANCE.

It has been the favorite argument of the supporters of the present Dominion Government of late, that once the C.P.R. is completed to the Pacific Coast railway disallowance in Manitoba shall cease, and the monopoly of the C.P.R. will be at an end. This has been used as a kind of a soothing syrup by the irresponsible supporters of Sir John, to be applied to opponents, who are pliable enough to swallow it, or to be taken by themselves, when they happen to be affected with a fit of provincial rights. That there have been many inducements held out, to lull the gushing Conservatives into such a belief must be admitted. In his famous appeal for aid to the C.P.R. company over a year ago Sir Charles Tupper gave assurances, that the monopoly provisions would not be insisted upon after the completion of the main line of the company, while even the prominent officers of the company have been hinting of late, that it would be well for them to waive their monopoly privileges at an early date, in order that the progress of the Northwest and the profit of their own line may be

With all these indications be advanced. fore them it is not to be wondered at that the gushing supporters of the present Ottawa Government, who live in the Northwest, should be lulled into the le lief, that railway liberties were about to be conceded to the prairie province : for it must be borne in mind, that there are many men here with fixed Conservative views, who cling to old party ties, but who would welcome as a great deliver ance from their present anomalous posi tion, the news of a complete change, not only in the railway, but in every other policy connected with Northwestern at fairs, of the Government now in power. It is truly astonishing how many men thus cling with one hand to old party ties, and with the other to the hope, that their political leaders will yet adop; 1 policy giving Manitoba at least some of her rights.

The hope held by such people as we have alluded to above, should certainly be dispelled now by the treatment given in the Dominion Parliament to the Por tage la Prairie and Lake of the Woods railway charter. This proposed railway may or may not be one urgently needed in this province. With that question we have nothing to do. If it was one est necessary, it would have all the less charge of ever causing any interference with the C.P.R. monopoly, and instead of being rapidly built, would become so mod dead stock on the hands of the charter pedlars. If it was a very necessary last the wants of the Northwest should do tate its being allowed. Take it free either point, it is a test of the Government, if they intend to hold on still to their disallowance policy, and it be shown that they are determined to day tenaciously to the same.

Two years ago the principal argument used in favor of railway monopoly ws the right thus conceded to the CPR company, and while there were in the and other provinces loud mouthed dent gogues, who proposed to sweep away the monopoly, and completely ignore at claims of the company, the bulk of the thinking people here ond elsewhere he no such extreme ideas, but asked for in abolition in a manner that would allow just settlement of all existing rights. It might well be expected that now, when even the C. P. R. Company are in the mood to make concessions, the Gorer ment would also be prepared to do the

same. But the treatment of the Portage and Lake of the Woods railway bill in committee shows that it is not for protection to the C. P. R. Company, that railway monopoly is to be enforced in the future. The remarks of members and supporters of the present Government were to the effect, that as a matter of trade policy outside of the interests of the milway company, monopoly must be maintained. Trade between the Northwest and the whole eastern world must pass through eastern Canada, no matter how much Northwestern interests may Any independence of suffer thereby. trade feeling in this country must be crushed out, and every inch of progress and development here made subscriient to eastern interests. Our exports and imports must pass through the hands of eastern men, and they be allowed to levy "Backsheesh" upon them. Every outlet that would allow Manitoba and the Northwest to move in the direction of trade independence must be carefully barred, for here is the richest preserve in which to practice the extortions of the east, and all outsiders who seek a footing here must be held as poachers.

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It is astonishing how the political enthusiast will look to party for relief from grievances which can never be relieved from such a source, and we have in the Northwest many who would like to persuade us, that with a Reform Government in power the grievances of Manitoba would soon disappear. Such a hope is as delusive as that of the gushing Conservative of the Northwest already referred to, as no relief can be looked for from a party whose aid in a Dominion election can be purchased, as it was before by a tariff which is one of the worst burdens Manitoba has to bear. terests are Northwestern, while those of Ontario, Quebec and the Maritime provinces are eastern; and the two must ever be diametrically opposite. secured for Manitoba from any Ottawa Government must be dragged therefrom. There is but one course open to the people of Manitoba, and that is in unity of action in regard to all dealings with Ottawa, and a complete disregard of all the ties which bind old political arties. Manitoba's respresentatives must go to Ottawa and be not merely Manitoban's first, but Manitobans only. Every tie of party must be torn asunder when the rights of the province demand it, and even patriotism viewed in its modern interpretation of enlightened self interest. Until Manitoba has attended the funeral of both Grit and Tory, and the sole political party here is that of provincial rights, attempts to get justice from Ottawa are futile. Let the new party be that of every Manitoban, and the two old ones only political relics of a past age, suited only to oppress a new country like the heritage we possess.

SUNDAY TRADING.

The question of winat business callings should be allowed to be carried on on Sunday without interference from the representatives of the law, is one which has caused considerable trouble and a great amount of acrimonious discussion in most of the cities of this continent; and as each town grows to be a centre of any magnitude, it is sure to have the battle to fight. In this respect Winnipeg is no exception; and the attempt last Sunday to put in force a city by-law prohibiting Sunday labor has brought us face to face with the difficulty, if such we may call it, in its worst form.

A question like this no doubt appears to many people one outside of the limits of a trade journal to discuss, and which should be left to theologians and moralists to settle, but to accept such a view would be to admit that trade and morality have no connection, and for the credit of the former we earnestly protest against the acceptance of any such doctrine. Trade may be kept separate from theology, and carried on without its aid; but its proper conduct is inseparable from morality, and it must find its way into illegitimate channels if not guided by sound moral principles. On grounds of morality and trade combined we are therefore forced to discuss this vexed question.

It has been customary to decide the question of the limits of Sunday labor and trading in accordance with the views of the community in which the question is being discussed; and with people who lay claim to being Christians, it is astonishing what an amount of elasticity of belief there is about what should be included within the scope of works of necessity. If we take this test of the question, there can be no doubt as to what would be the verdict of the people of Winnipeg. It might not be up to the extreme of strict puritanical prejudices; but it would

certainly be dead against the unchecked liberty for trading and labor of every kind on Sunday, and in favor of preserving as far as possible one day in seven as a day of rest, if only as a means of promoting the health, and happiness of mankind

But when this question is left to the decision of a community, and that decision favors Sunday observance by abstaining from labor, there are those who cry out about interference with personal liberty- a cry which has a wonderful effect upon the minds of unthinking people. But it is very hollow after all, and is just the same cry as was raised in England against the factory acts, which prevented heartless parents from making young slaves of their children of tender years, and greedy employers from taking advantage of their heartlessness. other echo of the cry has been heard in every country where compulsory education has been enforced, and parents are not suffered the liberty of allowing their children to grow up in savage-like ignorance. The whole cry is a fraud with a sentimental mask drawn over it.

But to throw aside all claims moral and social, let us view this question purely as one of a trade, to be decided upon accepted principles of the same. A nation's first care should be to build up its commerce, and what is binding upon a nation is binding upon a city, and in the question of prohibiting Sunday trade lies that of protection to legitimate traders. If we look over the city of Winnipeg and separate those who are anxious to engage in Sunday trading from those who are not, there will be no doubt as to who are entitled to our protection and consideration. On the side of Sunday trading we will find little outside of the tag-rag and bobtail of society, who are doing little or nothing for the city's progress, and who pay scarcely a cent of its taxation, the exception to the latter rule being the lower grade of our hotels and groggeries. Against Sunday trading we will find nearly every respectable merchant in the city, and ninety-five per cent of its taxpaying force. Which of these should be protected? It is needless to ask; and the man who closes up his place of business on Sunday must be protected in so doing from the opponent who would offer unfair competition by keeping open and selling when the other was closed.

A city by-law having been found wanting is no proof that there should be any relaxation in the efforts of our City Council to prohibit unnecessary Sunday labor. A new one can be famed which will better meet the city's warts, and which will prove a protection to many of our respectable business men against unprinciple! competitors.

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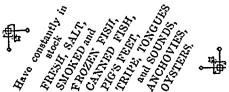
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WINNIPEG MONEY MARKET.

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Although the month of April was entered apon during the post week, and there was the qual stir in connection with commercial monetary affairs with which a month opens, no marked features seem to have been developed. Saturday was the 4th, but the aggregate of paper felling due was too small to cause any fatter at the banks, and the day was altogether an uninteresting one. As was expected, the volume of discounts has materially increased since the month opened, quite a share of the tarly spring purchases having gone into paper from April 1. Banks have had no trouble in attending to this demand, but state that they feel morey anything but plentiful at present. Outside of houses with regular lines of discount there is considerable demand for small lorns, and this the banks do not attempt to meet just now. Rates of discount are un changed, being : Firet-class paper, 8 per cent; ordinany, 9 to 10; and promiscuous and onename, 10 to 12. In loans on real estate mortgage business has been flat during the week. The trouble out west has put a damper on the call for loans on farm property in western points, and the business in the older-settled districts has been in small loans and very scattered, making lots of work for agents. There is still a good business expected in farm loans during the remainder of spring, and improvement is looked for as soon as seeding commences and farmers begin to see their actual wants. The loans called for in the city have been few in number and light in amounts, altaugi quite a business could be done in doubtful loans, which companies now refuse, but would have taken readily in boom days.

WIL JIPEG WHOLESALE TRADE.

There can be no doubt but the wholesale trade has suffered during the past week from the rumors of rebellion in the west, and the basiness which should now be coming in from the far northwestern points has not come in, and in a few instances neavy orders previously given have been cancelled or stopped till further orders. This, however, has only extended to some lines of lusiness, while others have suffered nothing only from the unsettled feeling which the conflicting rumors of rebellion and absurd stories of Indian risings created. On the other hand some houses have been called upon for military supplies to an extent which has more than made up for the business lost by the excitement. These houses are the exception, however, as most have felt the evil effects of the rebellion scare. But to divest this, and it will be found that quite a healthy feeling has been making progress. In districts not interested the business done has been quite liberal, and most people are of the opinion that the country is entering upon a prosperous summer for trade. Once the scene of trouble is properly located and circumscribed it will be found that matters have been improving. There is quite a chare of activity in season goods lines, but others dependant upon building and contracting the state of trade has not been so satisfactory, owing probably to the

in. Lines of every day consumption have been most favored by the military supply demand, and have consequently least reason for complaints. Collections on the whole have been reasonably free, and the report regarding them fairly satisfactory. Saturday was the 4th, but the quantity of trade paper falling was too small to cause any stir in the wholesale trade. Altogether the week, while it has been a disturbed one, has been far from a quict one among city wholesalers.

AGRICULTURAL MACHINERY.

The demand for spring machine y and especially for seeders has been quite active during the week, and quite a quantity have gone out of the city. As the s-ason advances it improves, and the volume of spring sales is likely to be materially increased during the next ten days or so. Collections are reported still slow, but not more so, than was looked for at this time.

BOOTS AND SHOES,

The first rush of the spiring demand is over in this trade, but there is still a jogging business being done, although the activity of last mouth is gone. As soon as a week or so of fine weather is experienced over the province a lively sorting trade is looked for. The spring opening trade has certainly been very satisfactory, but the quantity of paper falling due has been very light.

CLOTHING.

This branch has been very seriously interfered with by the rebellion in Saskatchewan, and quite a number of heavy orders for that territory have been cancelled or delayed for further orders. Outside of that there has been a fair state of activity, and March has been altogether a good month for sales. Collections it would be difficult to report on, the paper falling due being very little.

CROCKERY AND GLASSWARE.

The active demand for staples reported in our last still continues in this trade, and has been supplemented by quite a few calls for fancies. Altogether there is no reason for complaint about sales, and collections are reported quite satisfactory.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

This trade has shared in the demand for mintary stores, and the general business being also fairly active, the cales of the past week have been above the average, and on the whole there has been every reason for satisfaction.

DRY GOODS.

The feeling in this trade has been good during the week, although the uncertain feeling about the state of the troubled district has interfered with business somewhat, and has held back the shipment of some orders. The injury to business, however, has been much less than might have expected, and the moderate activity of the spring's trade keeps steady. From many points west and south orders are coming in freely, and the extreme Northwest is the only district which has been affected. The report from collections is fairly satisfactory, but the quantity of paper falling due this month is light.

FANCY GOODS AND SMALLWARES.

been so satisfactory, owing probably to the A moderate business has been done in this break up of the frost and snow being fairly set line during the week, and business has been

flowing in a steady way, but with no extra activity. With a stretch of milder weather a very great improvement is looked for. There has not been enough of collections falling due on which to lare a report, but no complaints are heard.

FISH.

Shipments of car loads of fresh fish are finished for the season, none having gone out during the week. The weather south is now too warm to admit of shipments by ordinary freight cars, and the season for expressing will not set in until the dullness after lent is over. There has been only a malivate local demand, and this being limited prices have eased off a little. White fish in car lots are offered at 4½c, and in small lots at 5c. Jack fish can be had till to 1¼c in car lots, and sell at 2 to 2½c in mall lots. Oysters are beginning to disappear owing to the season nearing a cose, and stocks now on had are offered at 28 to 30c for Standards, and 35 to 40c for Selects.

FRITT.

There has been a brightening up in this trade dating the past week, and sales, especially in the city, have increased considerably. There have been no changes in prices, and no noveltice in green fruit, but firsh lettuce and indishes from the south have been arriving almost daily by express. Quotations are: Apples, \$5.50 to 6 a bbl; Mesine oranges, \$5.50 tr \$6; California Rive side, \$6 to 6.50 a box; Le nons, \$5 to \$5.50; Alemena grapes, \$5 to 6 a bbl.; Eleme figs in boxes 16 to 20c per lb; Dates, raisins and currants are unchanged in prices and not much in demand.

FUEL

The demand for both wood and coal keeps steadily falling off, and the sales of the past week have very light indeed. Round lots of poplar are offered at \$2.25 on track, and tamarac at \$4 to \$4 50. Coal is unchanged in price. Quotations leing: Anthracite, delivered, \$12; bituminous, \$9 to 10.50; Saskatchewan, \$7.50.

FURNITURE.

The slight activity noted in our 'ast issue still continues, and has held through the past week. The orders coming in still continue to be small, so that the aggregate sales do not reach high figures.

GROCERIES.

This staple trade has been unsettled a little by the disturbed state out west, but the quantity of supplies required for the troops going to the front, has made up somewhat for the loss in sales caused. From all other parts of the country orders have been fairly numerous, and in the city business has improved a little. There has been a few trifling changes in prices of goods but none of any consequence, although teas are still firm and tendency upwards. Quotations are : Sugars, 61 to 7c for yellows granulated, 8 to 84c; Paris lumps, 10c; coffees, Rios 14 to 16c; Mochas, 31 to 34c. Teas. season 1884 5, Moyane gunpowder, 30 to 75c; pan fired Japans, 26 to 50c; basket fired 26 to 40c; Congous, 23 to 80c.

HARDWARE AND METALS.

The business in light and fancy lines has been added to by the demand for fire aim

caused by the rebellion excitement. In heavy goods and metals there has been a quiet feeling however, which may be attributed in a great measure to the slow movement of the spring The following are the quotabreak up. tions: Tin-plates, I.C., 14 x 20, \$6 to 6.25; 20 x 28, \$12 to 12.50; Canada plates, \$3.80 to 4; sheat-iron, 28 G, \$4.75 to 5.25 per 100 lb; iron-pipe, 40 to 50 per cent. cff list prices; ingot-tiu, 25 to 30c per lb; galvanized fron, 28 gauge, 71 to Se per lb, according to quality; bac-iron, \$2.75 to 3.25 per 100 b; cut nails, \$3.50 to 3.75 per keg.

LEATHER AND FINDINGS

There has been a steady and moderate business doing in this line during the week, without any unusal activity. The spring is advancing too slowly to allow of any great rush. Prices remain unchanged and are as follows: Spanish sole, 33c to 35c; slaughter sole, 35c; French calf, first choice, \$1.40 to 1.50; demestic, Soc; B Z calf, \$1 to 1.25; French kip, \$1.00 to 1.10; BZ kip, Soc to 90c; slaughter kip, 65c to 75c; No. 1 wax upper, 50c; grain upper, 55c; harness leather, 33c to 36c for plumb stock; Kuglish oak sole, 65c.

LUMBER.

The spring activity has not yet fairly set in, although dealers are being called upon daily for figures. As yet actual calls have been for smalt lots only, but as spring advances quantities will no doubt increase, and there are several large bills being figured upon, which will give matters a good start as soon as the weather permits of delivery being called for. There is prospect of dealers holding prices up much better, than they did last year.

PAINTS, OILS AND COLORS.

Business has been fairly active in this line during the week, and as the weather grows milder improvement is more marked. changesin prices are reported and quotations are: Linseed oil raw,69c per gal.; boiled,72c. seal oil, steam refined,\$1.10; castor, 15c per lb; lard, 170.1 \$1.20 per gal.; olive, \$1.50 to \$2, according to quality; machine oils, black 250; oleine 450; fine qualities, 55c to \$1. Coal oils, headlight, 27c; water white 33c. Calcined plaster. \$4.00 per bbl.; l'ortland cement, \$6; white lead, genuine, \$8.00; No. 1, \$7.00; No. 2, \$6.50 Window glass, first break, are quoted at \$2.50.

SADDLERY AND HARNESS,

General business has been fairly active during the week, and the demand for saddles, harness and other supplies for the military added has created quite a rush for several days. good steady business is now looked for during the balance of this month. Collections are reported fair to good.

STATIONERY AND PAPER.

Although there has been a jogging tradeduring the week, business has been anything but lively, and there is still great room for improvement. The spring so far has not been equal to past years in aggregate of sales. Collections are reported only fair, in : good compared with sales.

WINES AND SPIRITS

The rebellion excitement has caused a little The rebellion excitement has caused a little There is no demand for car lots, and small stir in this trade but it has been only a little lots have changed hands at 550 Higher figures

heetic flush, which will soon subside. is still almost no demand for foreign wines or spirits, but only for staple domestics. Prices of domestic spirits are as follows: -Gooderham & Wort's, in wood, \$1.55 to 2.25 per gallon; 65 o.p. rectified, in wood, \$2.50; W.F.L. five-year-old, \$2.50 per gallon; cases, quarts, \$7.50; flasks \$4.50.

THE MARKETS.

WINNIPEG.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The movement of grain all over the province keeps steadily falling off, and last week the whole shipments from all points was little, if anything, over a dozen cars. In some points seeding has actually commenced with the farmers; while the spring break up has advanced so far that for a number of days back roads have not been in a condition to admit of much teaming. In the city the receipts have been exceedingly light by rail, and on the street they have been limited to the farmers who live only short distances from the city. The mills have all closed down for repairs, and will not be running again for two or three weeks. Their stocks of wheat are heavy, so that they are in no way anxious about supplies until the seeding operations are over. In oats receipts have been equally light, and barley has scarcely been seen on the market. In provisions the business has 'en above the average, and sales have been materially increased. meats have been a shade higher, while dairy products have been in good demand and firm in price.

WHEAT.

A few car loads have been offered in the city mostly low grades, and have sold slowly at low figures. Pices have been steady, but in some grades are almost nominal. Quotations are: No. 1 hard, 70c; No. 2, was worth 65c; No. 1 regular, 64c; No. 2, 58 to 59c; No. 3, 53 to 54c; rejected 40 to 46c.

OATS.

The filling of supplies for the troops going to the scat of the rebellion caused quite a lively demand early in the week, and prices stiffened up a little. This has subsided a little, but up a little. This has subsided a little, but pinces are still held firm, and with had roads cutting off receipts the advance may be main-tained for a time. Car lots sold at 40c, the lowest sale heard of being 39c.

This grain is about out of the market, and very little more is expected to come forward this season.

FLOUR.

There has been very little local demand dur ing the week outside of that for military stores. A few cars have gone to the cast, the first of the season it be said, and the first since reduced rates came into force. Prices are un-changed, quotations being: Patents, \$2.30; strong bekere', \$2: XXXX, \$1.65; superfine \$1.25.

BRAN AND SHORTS.

There are no shorts at the mills, and inside of a week there will be none in the city. Prices are: Bran, \$11 a ton; shorts, \$13; but these figures are now nominal.

POTATOES.

can be had for well preserved potatoes forset, and in come varieties fancy prices.

EGGS.

The downward run in prices is still going to From 22c the drop has been going on lastwer until 20c was reached for fresh, and even by has been heard of as a quotation.

There is still the steady demand for god qualities, and even a few of the better lots of medium have enanged hands during the una Poor qualities are still abundant and unsikable. Fancy lots sell at 21 to 22c; good at It to 20c, and mediuma 14 to 17c.

MIEESE.

The stock in the city is very low, and the demand is almost nil. Good quality is used.

There has been a fair demand dering & week, stimulated by the call for military and Prices are firm, smoked being quality plies. at 131 for round lots, and 14 to 141c for unit

BACON.

Like other meats the feeling has been fine with a good active demand all week. Price Price have been, dry salt, 97 to 104c; rolls 131 to 143c; breakfast, 132 to 143c.

MESS PORK.

There is none but Chicago packed now h the market, and this has been selling during the week at \$19 to 19.50.

The feeling has been weak, and 20th, pains have sold slowly at \$2.50.

DRESSED HOGS.

The demand for hogs is now confined to te butchers, packers having finished operating for this season. Quotations during the was were \$5 to \$5.25.

MINNEAPOLIS.

For two or three days during the past well there was much excitement among trader, as the market was very erratic; but the feverus soon quieted, and the close was quiet and & most dull. The volume of business was lay the first three days, millers buying que heavily under the belief that there was serthing definite in the rumors; but there vance of 2c was mor aan developments 183 fied, and there was a slow decline until the figures at the opening were reached. The bulls had little to say to-day; but the best were bor tful, and freely predicted that & other month would make the winter wie crop all right, that war had been averted, ax that much lower prices must rule before to end of April.

Following were the highest and lowest was prices by grade on 'change during the wet ending to-day, together with to-day's daz prices and the prices one year ago:

Wł	ca	t.	Hig	hest.		OTEYAL.	C	loting.	Api. Iši
No.								\$2	 ≸
46	2			SI	• •	\$6		80	\$5
				76		74		74	S
4 6	2			71		70		70	

Futures, which opened strong and advant about a cent, closed weak at a decline of zer 3c from the highest point, with May Na! hard at S3jc. Coarse grains were strong 15

higher, Nebrask', corn advancing 2c, and closirg at 37 to 39c; and No. 2. oats going up 1c, closing st 27 to 28c.

MILLSTUFF has been higher and strong, but closed weak, with bulk bran offered at \$10, and shorts at \$10.50 to 11 per ton.

FLOUR.-There was more inquiry at the opening of the week than for some time, and a very satisfactory trade was reported for a few days; but the bullish influences were soon disspated, and the hand-to-mouth policy resumed sway among buyers. The export demand is reported light, domestic trade slow, and the general market inactive; the gh prices are well sustained, and millers refuse concessions.

Ouotations for car or round lots at the mills are as follows: Patents, \$4.50 to 4.80; straights, \$4.20 to 4.50; first bakers', \$3.40 to 3.80; second bakers', \$3 to 3.30; best low grades, \$1.85 to 2.10 in bags; red dog, \$1.40 to 1 60 in bags.

Thu far the water-power has not improved materially, and the mills have not yel exceeded a two-tairds production; but it is now considered only a question of a few days when the output will be considerably augmented. Last week's water-power was comparatively poor, and the mills felt the effects of it quite severely, the output dropping off 20,000 bbls. The output of the week was \$3,100 bbls-averaging 11,871 bbls daily for the seven days-against 102,060 bbls for the preceding week, and 105,431 bbls for the corresponding period in 1884. This week the water started in somewhat beiter, though not very good, and the production will reach nearly 100,000 bbls. Two mills are yet partially operated by steam, but they avail themselves of water-power as much as possible. There is some talk about dissciving the production pool next Monday; but this depends very made time. With warm ter volume of wate inside of a week.

The following v depends very much on how the water is at that time. With warmer weather prevailing, a bet ter volume of water is expected by most millers

The following were the receipts at and shipments from Minneapolis for the weeks ending on the dates given :

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RECEIPTS.

,	SHIPMEN	~ ~	
Millstuff, tons	114	40	24
Flour, buls	385	695	420
Wheat, bush		486,000	385,300
	Mar. 31	Mar, 24	Mar. 17

Mar. 31 Mar. 24 Mar. 17 Wheat, bush 67,300 75,900 74,000 Flour, bbls \$5,791 95,105 93,274 Millstaff, tons ... 2,436 3,008

The wheat in store in Minneapolis elevators, as well as the stock at Sr. Paul and Duluth, is shown in the appended table:

MINNEAPOLIS

•	44444	roms.	
		Mar. 30.	Mar. 23.
	• •	1,242,403	1,259,883
٠.	• •	97,343	98,193
••		1,700,332	1,799,182
••	• •	201,559	241,216
	••	7,932	18,053
		11,872	14,656
••	••	535,562	560,554
	••	3,857,093	3,901,742
	ST. PA	UL.	
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April 1. Mar. 25.

elerators.

bush

Mar. 18.

DULUTII.

In elevators,		Mar. 24.	Mar. 17.
bush Afloat	6,039,700 101,000	5,987,590 101,000	5,887,000

CHICAGO.

The grain market during the past week was decidedly weak compared with that of the previous one, and it is evident that the European war cloud has not thickened enough to give the bullish element ground to work upon. The week developed another tug at prices, and as the advantages and gains were in favor of the bulls the previous week, they went with the bears last one. Although opinion here generally is that an Auglo-Russian war is unavoidable, the belief is insufficient to raise prices. The terrible load of wheat on sight makes it an easy matter for the shorts to cover by delivery, and everybody seems more than usually anxious to avoid a load. In short, the wheat marker is in such a state that it cannot be made to advance in anticipation of war being declared; and the actual declaration of war in Europe would be necessary to cause any material advance. Com and other rough grains are in sympathy with wheat, and fluctuate in accordance. The same weak feeling attended meats; and pork started in with a break on Monday, and continued to decline most of the week. Altogether the markets of the past week had a downward tendency, although the actual fall in prices was small and the fluctuations were coufined within very narrow limits.

On Monday the market opened with prices lower all round than Saturday's closing; and although a little recovery was apparent later in the day, the feeling on the whole was weak. Receipts of wheat were 28 cars, against 42 on Saturday. Closing quotations were:

					Apl.	May
Wheat					\$0.761	\$0.81
Com					373	413
Oats	• •	• •	••		278	314
Pork	••	• •	••	••	11.95	12.03
Lard	••	٠٠,	. •	• •	6.82	6.90

Tuesday's wheat receipts increased to 125 cars, and the augmentation, combined with unfavorable advices from Liverpool, caused a quictness in sales, while in speculative circles matters were exceedingly dull. The day was a heavy one all round, and a decline in all prices took place, the closing showing no inclination to stir upwards. The following were closing figures :

				Δpi.	May
Wireat				 \$7.748	\$0.79
Corn				 37 }	41
Oats_	• •	• •	• •	 271	31,
Pork	• •	• •	• •	 11.65	11.80
Laid				 6.75	6.\$2

The opening on Wednesday showed a general weakness in all grain; but the receipts having dropped to 75 cars, cash stiffened a little, and later on shorts began purchasing to cover last week's deals, and an upward movement set in, when at the close figures all round were a shade higher than at the same time the previous day. Foreign advices were not favorable, 1,120,000 1,145,000 1,145,000 | and the advance secured was due purely to

local speculation. Closing quotations were as follows:

				Apı.	viah
Wheat	t	• •		 \$0.749	\$0.799
Corn				 378	418
Oats	• •	• •	• •	 278	319
Pork	• •	• •	• •	 $11.72\frac{1}{2}$	11.85
Lard		• •		 6.75	6.823

Although the wheat receipts on Thursday dropped to 57 cars, these light figures did not stimulate cash sales. There was a fair demand for futures by the shorts, and notwithstanding the dull and unpropitious European advices prices of grain advanced in all departments, and at the close wheat was firm at about half a cent higher than Wednesday's figures. The quotations at closing were:

					zxpi.	May
Wheat	t				\$0.75}	\$0,801
Corn		• •			371	418
Oats	• •	• •	• •		27 2	313
Pork	• •	• •	• •		11,60	$11.72\frac{1}{3}$
Lard	• •	•	• •	••	6.75	6.823

Friday being "Good Friday" dah the market a holiday feeling and throughout was dull and uninteresting. The receipts of wheat were 82 cars compared with 51 the previous day. In grain the feeling in this market was slightly stronger. Closing quotations were:

				wh.	may.
Wheat	• •			\$0.75}	\$0.803
Corn				373	417
Oats	 	• •	••	28‡	313
Pork	 • •			11.55	12.70
Lard	 • •			$6.72\frac{1}{2}$	$6.77\frac{1}{2}$

On Saturday wheat receipts were 80 cars. Car lots were in good demand but speculation rather quiet. Oats were quieter and easier in price. Corn was firm and slightly higher, while pork stiffened up a little also. Closing quotations were:

				apı.	May.
Wheat	t .	• •		 \$0.76	\$0.803
Com		• •	•	 373	417
Oats				 289	324
Pork		• •		 11.72 }	1L75
Lard	••	• •		 6.75	6.80
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TORONTO. STOCKS.

During the past week the stock market has been weak and most leading stocks have declined somewhat. None have suffered in any marked degree, but there has been a general movement favorable to the bears, and offerings have been much freer than bids. Outside of bank stocks and particularly in loan and land companies there has been almost no buyers and the decline in prices in some instances has been considerable. Altogether the week was a dull one for stocks. The subjoined closing bids on Wednesday, March 25th and April 1st give an indication of the tone of the market.

	•			Mar. 25.	Apr. 1
Montreal				195	1923
Ontario	••			110	—
Molson's	••			-	—
Toronto	• •			182	1803
Merchants'		••	• •	1123	111
Commerce	••	• •		122	119
lasperial		••		124	—
Federal	••			46}	. 45
Dominion	••	••		191	1881
Standard	••	• •		1111	III
Hamilton		••	• •	120	120
Northwest 1	โภะสงไ	• •		38}	. 35

ORAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Since our lest report there has been a livening up in the grain market, and especially iu connection with wheat. Holders and buyers have at last met each other, and the movement during the past week has been the heaviest for nearly two months. Insiness has been stimulated by the hope of an early opening of navigation, and for some weeks to come quite a little activity is looked for. Although prices have stiffened a little under the more active state of affairs no great advance bas taken place, and an effort to raise prices to any material extent would have the effect of damping things. In meats the business done has been moderate, but not sufficient to warrant any advances; while butter has been n.uch in the same state as last reported, choice lots a lling freely and medium and lower grades being little called for.

WHEAT.

Quite a liberal business has been done, and offerings within the regular range of prices have been freely taken. No. 1 spring has sold at 84c, and No. 2 at 82c; No 2 fall has been in good demand at 84c, and No. 3 fairly active at 82c. Goose has been selling from 70 to 73c.

OATS.

All offerings of white have been freely taken and millers want more, while mixed lots have also sold without difficulty. White has sold at 37 to 37½c, and mixed at 36 to 36½c.

BARLEY.

There has been a fair demand for this grain and quite a quantity has changed hands. No. 1 was not too plentiful and sold at 72c. Car lots of No went at 66c; No. 3 extra at 62c, and No. 3 slowly at 57 to 58c.

RYE.

No business doing and no sales of any consequence reported. Price nominal at 59c.

PEAS.

There has been very few sales, and prices are purely nominal ranging from 60 to 61c.

POTATOES.

The demand has been fairly active, and quite a few car lots have sold at 35c.

EGGS

Receipts have been abundant, and prices have steadily declined. Early in the week 16c was paid for round lots, but 15c was soon reached, and latterly quotations of 14c were heard.

BUTTER.

There has been a steady good demand for choice dairy, and all lots offered have been freely taken at 17 to 18c. There has been a limited demand for good mediums but at very low prices 10c being about the general figure. Inferior lots were altogether unsaleable at any price. Receipts from the country have been steadily on the increase.

CHEESE

A few small lots of choice have sold from 12 to 124c, and poorer lots from 10 to 104c. The demand has been light.

PORK.

Has been quiet and steady, with small lots going at \$16, but no active demand existing.

BACON.

Has been inactive and with very little moving. Car lots of long clear have been offered at Sc, and of Cumberland at 74c. Small lots of one and two tons have sold at 4c higher

Hams.

Quite a few sales of small lots are reported, but no car lots. Pickled have been offered at 10c, and smoked have been selling at 111 to

LARD.

Very few sales are reported and a quietness is felt. Tinnets have sold at 10 to 10½c. Therees are offered at 9½c.

POULTRY.

The demand has been in excess of the supply during the week, and prices have been firm. Fowl sold at from 75 to 85c a pair; turkeys, \$1.50 to \$2.50; ducks, 80c to \$1 a pair; geese not to be had, but could be sold at \$1 to \$1.10.

Apples.

There has been a good shipping demand all week, but lots suitable were scarce. Choice lots were wanted at \$2 50 to \$3 a bbl Medium to good sold at \$1 75 to \$2 25.

Commercial Summary. The milder weather has exerted a favorable

influence upon general trade. Special telegrams to Bradstreet's sustain this view, but do not record a material improvement thus far. The shipment of grain and provisions eastward has decreased slightly but the distribution of general merchandise has maintained proportions. The gair in the movement of grain to west and northwest, combined with the late check to the export movement has resulted in maintaining the visible supply at previous high levels, notwithstanding the beavy consumptive demands at home, particularly of Indian corn. At New York, Boston, and Baltimore the sales to interior jobbers and retail merchants have been no heavier than the previous week. Dry goods commission houses report less business than during the first half of March, and jobbers say trade is dull. At Philadelphia there has been a rather better feeling, and a movement on a par with previous weeks; and at Chicago there is said to be some gain. The general industrial situation is no better than that of the week before. Considerable machinery in the Lowed and Lawrence cotton mills was expected to stop running about April 1. Although stocks at the mills are no larger, and in some instances are smaller, prices are no better, and production is therefore without profit. The western Pennsylvania bituminous coal strike, involving 10,000 men, appears no nearer awend, and the Philadelphia and Yonkers carpet-mill operatives, by the aid of trades union contributions, refuse to return to work. It is noteworkny that 1,000 silk-mill operatives at Paterson, N J, struck for and secured an advance of wages. The warlike news from London had an effect on speculative prices in nearly all lines. Trade at the Produce, Cotton, and Stock exchanges for a while became more active, and prices advanced. No. 2 red wheat closed at 911c, as compared with 901c March 20. Indian-corn sympathized to the extent of an advance of he on the week, closing at .04c. War news has had more to do with the advance in wheat during the week than reports of restricted area, damage to the autumn-sown grain, or other causes. Hog products, also, were higher, but to a less degree, showing some reluctance in following prices of cercals. Refined lard closed at \$7.40, against \$7.35 a week previous; and spot mess pork at \$13.25, as compared with \$13.50. Iron continues dull and practically unchanged. Scotch imports are heavier, and receipts of southern

have been, and still are, averaging about 60; 75 tons per week by steamer to New York which leaves sailing vessel receipts out of 40 count. Coal is quiet ; recent sales have been fairly active; prices are low. With the excess tion of territory wools, which are comparative, scarce, most varieties are weak, and page tend lower. The sales foot up to a tair lighte but business drags. Between the continue unsatisfactory state of the goods trade and to reports of a profitable foreign war, cotton in future delivery declined on the week anareas of 20 points; this in spite of decreasing n ceipts. Spot cotton at New York is down to 11 3-16c. Another week of dull trade mug is recorded in nearly every grocery staple, San is lower. Canned goods, particularly tomates have been active in a speculative way. In: products are lower. There were 21242 ures in the United States during the past wei reported to Bradstreet's, as compared with a in the preceding week, and with 162, 176 pi 129 respectively in the corresponding weeker 1884, 1883 and 1882. About 83 per ceat, an those of small traders whose capital was in than \$5,000. Canada had 30, a demus

The Canadian Pacific.

Nothing definite about what is proposed; be done between the Government and & Canadian Pacific Railway Co. has yet 🖘 before the public in an authentic shape. 12 the reason probably is that the negotiate have not yet resulted in a definite concius Meanwhile rumor is busy in attempting to E the veil, and is giving different versions of a affair. That the Government has been with to release its lien on receiving back 7,50% acres of land and \$15,000,000 of the conjugate bonds, scarcely admits of a doubt. To is proposal, it has been said, the Governments fuses to agree. Another \$20,000,000 of lea besides those the Covernment was asked take, would have had to be issued, and ami ing to some accounts the Government n asked to guarantee the bonds. This papi tion contemplated the cancelling of the K 000,000 of issued stocks. It is said this Government has shown a disposition to the on receiving a larger quantity of land with larger amount of bonds.

The Government could afford to kep? lands till they could be disposed of, tell fear they would prove a dangerous peace in its hands; the future Government of Northwest would be sure to make all was demands in respect to them, and the forment would get no peace if it attempted is sist. But for this, there would be no religious to taking back the lands; but us ease stands the objection scenes tatal.

The company's bonds would not be a disable security for the Government to believe the hands of private individuals the interest them might be regularly met, while if the were due to the government, it might all paid, so strong would be the temptational ploy the money otherwise, as in extension betterments.

If the Government must once more and the aid of the company, and it is difficult

how the road can otherwise Le finished, the halv safe way of doing so is to ho'd fast by the lien and increase the amount of the loan. A release of the lien would prove to be practically agit of the loan to the company to which all property in the road would belong; and if the enterprise became profitable the government would have furnished nearly all the capital to build the road and the road when built would he he property of the company. It is quite true that some thing like this was contemplated when the contract with the Syndicate was first made: but this was on the understanding that the amount named in that instrument was to beall that was to be given for a completed and. The conditions of the contract will be fidually altered if the government is to in crease the original subsidy by thirty, forty or fity millions. If this were done, it would not befair that the government should not have a him on the road for the amount of the extra drance over and above that contained in the Enginal contract. The government ought by no means to release the lieu; and if it must take a further advance, it can only do so with fety to the public by retaining an interest in the road which it will be possible to enforce. If the lien were relinquished on the terms proposed or any other, the question would remain thether the company could raise \$15,000,000 onits own bonds; and in case it failed to do o, the next move would be to call on the govframent for a guarantee of the bonds .- Mone. ary Times.

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Deposits of United States Insurance Companies with the Dominion Government.

Much having been said lately of the securities deposited with the Dominion Government by the American insurance companies doing business in Canada, we give them as under from the list issued by the Superintendent of Insurance at Ottawa. We think it likely that the companies will be required to exchange the Insurance securities for Canadian ones, for the Insurance companies in the United States are required to deposit American securities. We would premise that deposits marked (A) are applicable solely to life policies existing March 1, 1878; and those marked (B) to policies a steepent to that date.

The securities of the Etno Fire, of Hart-And (Robert Wood, general agent, Montreal), me \$23,000 municipal accarities, \$77,000 U.S. tends (accepted at \$97,700). Of the Atna Life, of Hartford (W. H. Orr, manager, To-1400), \$100,000 U.S. gold bonds (A), \$600,000 U.S. bonds and \$25,000 debentures, province of Quebec (A). The Agricultural Fire, of Autertown, N.Y. (Joseph Flynn, chief agent, Shoring, Ont.), \$100,000 U.S. honds, 4 per Sent. The Equitable Life (R. W. Gale, manager, Montreal), \$100,000 city of St. Louis ands (A), \$265,000 U.S. bonds (B). The intlord Fire (Robert Wood, general agent, Montreal), \$55,000 U.S. bonds and \$25,420 tak stock, accepted at \$100,000. The Metropolitan Life, of New York (Thomas A. Temple, sereal agent, St. John, N.B.), \$100,000 U.S. and The New York Life (F. W. Campbell,

M.D., attorney, Montreal), \$100,000 U.S. boads. The Phenix Fire and Marine, of Brooklyn, N.Y. (Robert Hampson, general agent, Montreal), \$100,000 U.S. bonds. The Travellers' Life and Accident (Chas. F. Russeil, chief agent, Toronto), \$100,000 U.S. bonds. \$25,000 municipal debentures, \$20,000 Montreal Harbor bonds (accepted at \$140,500), being \$100,000 (A), \$45,000 par (B). The Union Mutual Life, of Maine (Wm. Mulock, agent, Toronto), \$100,000 U.S. 4 per cent. bonds (A), and \$50,000 district of Columbia U.S. bonds, and \$20,000 U.S. bonds (B). The United States Life, of New York (I homas A. Temple, attorney, St. John, N.B.), \$100,000 U.S. bonds. The following companies have ceased to do new business, but keep up their renewals: The Connecticut Mutual Life, of Hartford (Robert Wood, general agent, Montreal), \$100,000 U.S. bonds. The National Lite of the United States (John F. Bell, attorney, Windsor, Out.), \$100,000 U.S. bonds. The Northwestern Mutual Lafe, of Mriwankee (M. W. Mrils, chief agent, Toronto), \$100,000 U.S. bonds. The Phenix Mutual Life, of Hartford (H. D. Sumpson, attorney, Montreal), \$105,000 U.S.

The Wool Market,

Taking the sales as an index of the market, business has been a little more active during the past week. The improvement has been "in spots," however and the market as a whole has continued very quiet. Manufacturers, as a rule are carrying small stocks and are forced to come into the market frequently for such small lots as are required to meet the near wants of the looms. Mills innning on Jersey yarns are very busily employed, and, though working to their full capacity and in many cases late into the night, are enable to keep pace with orders. Low and quarter-blood stap'e wools, which are used for this class of production, are therefore in good demand, but spincers resistany attempt to advance prices. The worsted yarn mills generally are actively engaged on orders, but manufacturers of fabrics are not, as a rule, pushing production, owing to the backward condition of trade in their products. On all sides there is a disposition to confine actual orders, and except for popular lines of worsteds these are not coming forward as freely as could be desired. As a result of this condition of affairs in the manufacturing trade, there is continued conservatism among buyers of the raw staple; and though a fair amount of wool is changing hands in small lines, prices continue low and unsatisfactory to sellers. There is no apparent weakness in perces ondesirable wools, but the margin over first cost is seldom sufficient to cover charges and afford a fair rate of interest to parties who have been carrying them until wanted by consumers. A good deal of the wool now available consists of short and weak staple that had been passed over as unsatisfactory for combing. This is hard to sell, except at concessions, to manufacturers of cassimere and similar woolen goods, as most of the mills now running on those wools are short of orders and there is no immediate prospect of any improvement in their branch of production owing the popular preference for worsteds-

Eggs by the Million.

A report from Washington places the annual sapply of eggs in the United States at 500,000 .. 000 dozen, which, at 16 cents a dozen (tho price at which foreign eggs can be laid down in New York), would be worth \$80,000,000. Official reports say the daily receipts of domestic eggs at New York is 4,000 barrels of 70 dozen each, or 280,000 in all. The receipts of eggs at that port since September 1 last, is 27,948 cases of 50 dozen to a case, or 1,397,400 dozen in all that period. Estimating the period since September at 120 days would make the daily arrival of forcign eggs in the port of New York 10,000 dozen in round numbers, which, added to the daily arrival of domentic eggs, makes the total 290,000 dozen acriving in New York daily. Wholesale produce dealers in New York state that there is no means by which the number of eggs arriving there can be officially ascertained, but they consider themselves a fe in saying the arrivals of domestic eggs in the city is fully half that of the total arrival at New York, say 140,000 a day. What foreign ggs are sold here are landed in New York. No duty is imposed on these eggs. - Commercial News.

Wealth of the Jewish Population of the United States.

The growth of the numbers and wealth of our Jewish population has not attracted the attention it deserves. It is known that some 700,-000 frequent the synagogues, but there are many freethinking Jews, and there must be at least 1,000,000 among our population. They have, as a sect, grown enormously rich. The average wealth of the Jew is fourfold that of our citizens. They are monopolizing the most lucrative occupations of the country. They are bankers, merchants, wholesale dealers. They warm at the exchanges, but rarely make their appearance in any productive employment. A Jewish farmer, mechanic er laborer is as difficult to find as a white blackbird. The signs of the business thms in the commercial cities of the lation contains the cames of more Jews than any other nationality; indeed they monopolize the wholesale trade of several important cities. The Jewish race is a wonderful one, but so far its amazing prosperity in this country does not seem to have excited any anuscal attention. - Demorest's Monthly.

The Silk Outlook.

The outlook for the coming year will be twofold or three-fold greater than last year. When
the trees now planted begin to be of use, the
annual product should reach a quarter of a
million dollars. The industry is making fair
and healthy progress. In many of the counties of California there are persons who will
make their first experiment next season. From
all we hear it would seem to be easy for almost
any family in any part of the State to succeed
in raising good cocoons. As an illustration of
what can be done take two or three examples:
At San Rafael, in May last three young ladies
made an experiment under the instruction of
the Superintendent of the State Board. The

product was one hundred and twenty ounces of silk worm eggs and nearly one-hundred pounds of cocoons. The work was done in a rented house. A large portion of the food for the worms had to be purchased. But the enterprise netted fully two hundred dollars over all expenses. This is certainly a fair return for the labor bestowed. Had the trees and house been their own the amount for their work would have been doubled.—San Francisco Merchant.

Canned Goods Shares.

The season for canned goods has come again. Not that canned goods are in use all the year around; but as spring approaches the homemade preserves give out and the grocer has to be relied on to fill the aching void. Now there are canned goods and other canned goods. There are cheap goods which are far from cheap in the end; and there are full priced good that can be relied on to bring the purchaser back for others of the same kind. Then there are full measure cans and cans a little smaller. The smaller ones are the cheaper, and so the unthinking ones buy them. But there is a limit to making small cans. Besides, the customers get on to the snap in time and the result is disastrous to the retailer.

Now about poisou in canned goods. There is a good deal of talk about the matter and very little foundation for the talk, at least so far as the cansthemselves are concerned. Bad salmon, bad ment and bad vegetables are not to be restored to wholesoureness by being packed in tin cans. If articles are bad before they are canned, or if they are not properly put up they will make sick rine persons out of every ten who eat them. That is a forgone conclusion. Of course there are canners who are not over careful about packing, and unless a dealer buys by the brand he is apt to get pretty badly left.

The best thing the retailer can do at present is to look out for the brands of goods. If he does not and especially if he takes a lot of goods because it is cheap he will very soon wish that he had given more thought to the metter.—Detroit Commercial.

The North Getting Pig Iron from the South.

Southern iron men have recently succeeded in placing a good deal of pig iron on the northern markets, much to the surprise and alarm of Pennsylvania furnace men, who were compelled finally to reduce their prices to the level of their competitors. A committee was sent south by the northern manufacturers to investigate the iron industry, and a member of that committee, according to the Iron Trade Review, states that the chief advantage in the south is the cheap and inexhaustible ore, which is delivered to the furnaces at from 90c to \$1.124 per ton. Ore is of two kieds, hard and soft. The former has a variable quantity of lime, which makes the furnaces hard to manage so that they will produce a uniform quality of mon. Their iron is chiefly of a low grade, not suitable for mill use. The labor is chiefly colored. The pay of a common labor is 80c

per day, and other labor in proportion; but the difference in wages is more than compensated for by the efficiency of northern labor. A conservative estimate of the cost of a ton of iron, in view of these facts, is from \$12.50 to \$13.50.—Northwestern Miller.

Beet Sugar.

Notwithstanding the manufacture of beet sugar in America has met with only slight success, it has already outstripped cane sugar in the amount produced in the whole world. In the sugar growing countries last year there were produced 2,500,000 tons of beet sugar and 2,085,000 tons of cane sugar. Germany, of all the nations of the world, has done most to advance beet sugar at the expense of cane, the government giving a rebate of about one-half cent per pound on all sugar exported. The aim of this rebate seems for the purpose of driving cane sugars entirely out of production, and then promoting German control of the sugar markets of the world. The number of beet factories in Germany is now 401. The probable consumption of raw beet sugar in the United States for the coming year is estimated at 200,-000 tons, and in four years the imports have increased from 2,000 to nearly 100,000 tons per year. The condition of the cane growers in Cuba and cane-producing countries is deplorable; everywhere the cane stands ready for harvest, but a very large percentage of it will not be marketed. - Gazette.

A Good Buyer.

He is a man of few words, quick to decide; self confident; thoroughly posted as to the quality and character of goods, knows exactly what he wants and how much, keeps his credit high, takes every discount he can get; knows the absorbing power of his trade or section; is not deluded into purchasing undesirable articles, because they are cheap; is courteous, conservative and blessed with common sense.

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Refrigerator Cars.

THE introduction of refrigerator cars on the railroads has opened up a new industry to the south. By means of this system of shipping, fruit is being sent from very remote points, some of them even beyond the Mississippi, to the eastern and northern cities. At present the south is somewhat embarressed for lack of railway facilities, more especially of through lines. As soon as several lines are completed which are now in progress, the fruit-shipping

industry will no doubt gain great headway. The demand for fruits is yet in its infaucy, and it would be impossible to point out the luming which it might reach under clear-sighted and energetic management. The canning industry is also becoming an important one in some arctions of the south. Manufacturers of canning machinery are experiencing a demand for that goods through the southern cities, and there is no doubt that in the early future certain sections of the south will become formidable rich of the canning districts in the northern state—American Mail and Export Journal.

Recent Legal Decisions.

A surety on a note secured by a deed of tres given by the maker may, by paying the new acquire the right in equity to have the deed of trust foreclosed to reimburse him for his only as such surety, according to the decision of the Supreme Court of Missouri, in the case of Taylor vs. Tarr.

Assignments—Benefit of Creditors.—As cording to the decision of the Louisiana of preme Court, in the case of Sachse vs Cines. Bank et al., an assignment of property to third person executed in the state of Louisian without other consideration than a trust in the benefit of creditors is of no effect and a binding on no one within the state.

NEGOTIABLE INTESTMENTS — TRANSFE — AGENCY.—Where the agent of the holder of a overdue negotiable note, in whose hands it is been placed for collection, negotiated them for his own benefit to one who had no attalknowledge of the fact of agency or of theory er's rights, but fancied he was dealing with the owner, the Supreme Court of Missouri has that, the note being overdue at the time is agent so transferred it, the person who tell must, as against the owner, stand in the interpretation of the agent and suffer the loss. For a Phillips, decided February 9.

DISCHARGE IN BANKRUPTCY-NEW PROTES -The case of Bigelow vs Morrie, decidedly the Supreme Cour- of Massachusetts on Fara ary 28, was an action to recover a delt, of defence to which, among which, was a 5 charge in insolvency. The plaintiff relied at new promise contained in letters from the fendant, in one of which he said : "Weil come to Boston I will call and see you. Im right; I will also pay you something or count." The plaintiff had judgment a 2 court below; but this was reversed by i Supreme Coart, for the reason that to promi to pay a sum on account was not energit waive the defence of a discharge in bei runtcy.

INFRINGEMENT OF PATENTS—STREET-BE
The case of Stephenson vs. The Broky
Crosstown Railroad Company, decided the
Supreme Court of the United States of
23rd ult., was a suit for the alleged inferment of three patents upon improvement
what are commonly called "bobtailed" are
horse street-cars. The improvements tells
in the specifications of the patents were, is
the lover and bar enabling the driver to a
the rear door of the car; second, the belief

running along the sides of the car over the windows; and, third, the mirror over the diver's head, to enable him to see the interior of the car without turning around. The court holds that these improvements, so far as they embodied any patentable device, had all been anticipated by other persons before the patents here in controversy were issued, and that such patents were consequently void.

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CONTRACT IN RESTRAINT OF TRADE. - In the mse of Johnson et al. vs. Gwin et al., decided by the Supreme Court of Indiana on February 20, it appeared that the appellees and one Hirschnan purchased the stock and fixtures of a livery-stable from the appellants, the latter at the same time executing a contract under a ferfeiture of \$2,500 not to start in business at such stand while the appellees' leave ran, or while they and Hirschman remained in business. In the suit involving the validity of this contract, the court held that the restraint of trade imposed by the contract was not unreasonable, and was not more extensive than the appellees had a right to require for their protection; that the adequacy of the consideration of the contract could not be inquired into, it being sufficient if there was a valuable consideration. The court said that it was not assential to the validity of the restraint that the lease should be transferred, or that the business should be continued by the purchasers in their leased premises, or that there should be a sale of the good-will. In such a case it was not necessary for the complaint to show any special damages. The amount stipulated stood us a continuing security against the opening of the rival business. It was not a penalty, but constituted liquidated damages .- Bradstreet's.

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3.00 p.m.	Brandon	12.30
11.00	Broadview	2.00 a, x.,
5.25 a.m.	Regina	8.00 p.m.
8.00 **	Moose Jaw	5.30 "
3,40 p.m.	Swift Current	8.35 a.m.
9.40 ***	Maple Creek	1 25 "
2.15 a.m.	Medicine Hat	9.00 p.m.
4.30 p.m.		6,40 a.m.
1.10 a.m. a	rrivo Laggan lea	

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2 00 a. m	Barclay	12.30 a.m.
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