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## SPECIAL TO OUR READER8.

As the design of THE CANADIAN GROCER is to benefit mutually all interested in the business, we would request all parties ordering goods or making purchases of any description from houses advertising with us to mention in their letter that such advertisement was noticed in THE CANADIAN GROCER.

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## UNDERPAID, ILL-TRAINED CLERKS.

. A large proportion of the business failures of the country is yearly attributed to incompetence. Men undertake to manage before they have learnt to serve. Every year it seems the number of callow fledglings who go forth on therr own untried wings grows larger, and unfitness becomes an increasing cause of commercial breakdown. Why is this? Are the young men of to-day more conceited or more ambitious than were the young men of twenty years ago? Possibly they are. It is no doubt a fact that the farther we get from the time when youths were apprenticed to the trade of shopkeeper, the more unruled become the aspirations of young clerks. In the freer circumstances that surround a young man's entrance into the trade of salesman these days, precocity is apt to find congenial soil, and a bumptious self belief is a more common outcome than it was of the rigorous system whereby the young fellow was indentured, and his father bound for him, to serve his probation. The schooling was usually hard enough but it was thorough, and tended to crush out the foolish over estimate of himself that freedom to leave or stay too often leads the novice to
cherish. We are behind the old countries in the matter of service to-day, simply because we have not so complete a training school for our clerks. We have good clerks, but it is to their own credit and to the credit of their trainers that they are good, and not to the credit of the system.

The fault of our system is that it recognizes a beginner's service as being worth money at the outset. As the learner progresses he expects more pay, and if he does not get it he seeks for it elsewhere. His belief in himself soon comes to outrun the value that is put by his employer on his work, and then the young fellow thinks it a pity that such a high order of ability as his should be given for so meagre pay to the advancement of others. If he can get a hold of any money, and if he cannot he can usually get credit, he will open a store, and after a brief career will take the plungè that a thorough training would have fitted him to avoid. But the training there was no means of forcing him to submit to, as there were no articles binding him, and the modern substitute for bonds, the inducement of a small salary, is mischievous in its effects. It fails to keep the boy in traıning and gives him a sense of independence that will not brook training.

The pay of clerks who are supposed to have got through their training is also a cause of injury to trade. These men do not usually make enough in the service of employers, and they take the first opportunity to set up for themselves. They may possess the business ability to do an independent trade, but in many cases they lack the means, and their failure speedily comes. Better pay when men are through the training stage, and more thorough drilling while they are in it would do much to lower the failure rate every year.

## WHOLESALE SEEDSMEN AND FARMERS.

Complaints having reached us that wholesale seedsmen in this city were quotıng to farmers the same prices as to retail traders, a representative of THE GROCER took the matter in hand for the purpose of verifying or correcting it. He called upon Mr. R. C. Steele, president of the Steele Bros. Co. (Itd.) and asked that gentleman if the complaint was according to fact. Mr. Steele did not deny that it was, but stated that so far as the practice of his house was concerned there was no truth in it. He believed in doing all the business possible, both in the buying and selling of stock, through the country merchant, and had not dealt and would not deal with farmers upon the same basis as with country merchants. The injustice complained of was probably wrongly placed when laid at the door of wholesale seedsmen. If the retail merchants would look into the facts, they might find that most of the quoting and selling to farmers on the usual trade terms, were done by houses that were not jobbers at all, but strictly retail traders. Some of these were working up a trade throughout the country, and their offers and sales might be confused with those of wholesalers. It was not unlikely too that some of these were giving consumers the same terms as were given to dealers.

Other seedsmen called upon stated that the evil no doubt existed, but that it was impossible to remedy it. The Farmers' Institutes were blamed by some of them for getting consumers upon the same terms as retailer. The members of these agricultural bodies did all they could to damage the retailer, and when they could not get from him seeds at wholesale prices they would apply to jobbers, some of whom, sooner than
see their trade go to the United States or into the hands of rivals would fill orders on wholesale terms. Also, farmers not uncommonly would get their stock direct from the retail department of some jobbing establishment, and would represent to the local country merchant that they bought on the same terms as those upon which he bought.

From an examination of the position in which the seed trade is, it seems certain that there is a good deal of business done with the farmers upon the same terms as with retailers. The farmers, growing more and more averse to doing business through the retailer, apply to the jobber. If he answers them with the same quotations as the local merchant, they at once say the jobber and retailer are combined to fleece the farmers. They have recourse to other jobbers, and only the moststaunch supporters of the retailtrade will withstand the veiled or open threat to give one of them the proposed patronage. The fact that other houses will comply, often overcomes the disposition to hold out for consumers' terms. We believe, however, that there are houses which stand by the retail trade, and the retail trade should in turn stand by them.

The country merchant must bestir himself if he wants to do a seed trade. He must canvass for it. He has the catalogue of the bouse whose stock he wishes to sell. Both when the farmer calls on him and when he calls on the farmer must he push business. Also in the buying of seed for his house must he exert himself to make a little money. By making hımself a recognized broker between the farmer and the wholesaler, both for buying and selling stock, he gets himself in the best position to control local trade and keep out itinerants. But as in all kinds of employment these days, he must be a pusher, and go outside for his business. It is the rugged kind who do this that make money.

## MAPLE SYRUP AND SUGAR.

In anticipation of the greatly increased demand for high class and absolutely pure maple syrup, Messrs. Wilkins \& Co., of Adamsville, Que., are making arrangements for a much larger supply than formerly. Among the many reputable makers in the counties of Missisquoi, Brome and Shefford, who contract their whole product with Messrs. Wilkins \& Co., are perhaps a dozen farmers having sugar orchards containing from 1,000 to 4,000 trees each. These counties, adjoining Vermont have long been famous as the chief sugar-producing districts of Canada, and their sugars are furnished with the the most approved modern appliances. The old-fashioned clumsy methods still in vogue in other sections, have long since been superseded there, by covered tin buckets, in which the sap is caught free from rain and other substances which otherwise shange the flavor, and by the substitution of
the evaporating pan for the old cauldron or potash-kettle. The "tapping" season in the Eastern Townships is usually between the 15 th and the 25 th of March.

## LOOKING AHEAD.

In looking over the work of different trade associations on the other side of the line, it is evident that among them are to be found some very live bodies. In several cities of the union are to be found associations which have their central officers, their collectors, their legislative committees and an efficient committee on various other matters. Their offices instead of being an expense are a source of profit, and it is in this respect we think an improvement in Toronto's work might easily be made. Why shouldn't they have an office down town like other progressive associations? We imagine we hear the old cry-it would not pay. We believe it would pay, and the only way to settle the question is to try it. Let us look into the future. An office rented down town, fitted up with show cases of neat and attractive size; said cases rented to manufacturers for the display of therr goods, their handsome show cards neatly framed and glazed, would be self-supporting. Here the executive committee could hold their meetings, instead of running from one place to another. Here the secretary could be on duty certain hours each day, to answer enquiries. Here, if necessary, the secretary could also have the price lists for the goods displayed, and in the event of a collectirg agency being run, the secretary could receive monies for the members. If it pays in other associations to have these things, it would pay in Toronto. It would not be necessary for the secretary to take orders for goods. He could give prices and refer the intending customer to the house handling the goods. A clerk's register could be kept where clerks and counter hands could register their wants when out of employment, and grocers wanting hands could also register in the same manner. This alone would be a boon to trade, since a certain amount of protection would be afforded against dishonest clerks. A clerk when he went to register, would give a copy of his references and he would be brought to understand that his record would be looked at. We believe that there is a large sphere of usefulness in this direction. The association in Toronto has done good work in the past, and this down town office would be an enormous stride in the right direction. Merchants coming in from the country would seek out the office and obtain much needed information, and they could use it to conduct their correspondence. The expenses of such an office would not be heavy, and would be met by rents from the show cases and other sources of income. The Secretary's saiary would be an important item, but the usefulness of that officer would be greatly increased. There would be enough work to occupy his whole time and it would be a paying institution. Why
not have it done?

## BANKRUPT STOCKS.

The method of the Sarnia Grocers' Association settles the question as to the disposal of bankrupt stocks in country towns, but it remains to be seen whether the same work can be successfully done in large cities. We are afraid that in a city like Toronto or Hamilton the number of these stocks thrown upon the market would militate against its success. That a tremendous amount of injury is done is without doubt a fact, and, more, it is being done every day. A storekeeper fails. It may be what we term an honest failure, brought about by sickness and misfortune, or it may have occurred through reckless trading. It matters not. The man possibly seeks a compromise or he may be thoroughly disheartened and wash his hands of the whole business. The assignee has the stock to dispose of. Along comes the bankrupt stock man, scans the stock sheets and offers 30 to 40 cents in the dollar. He seldom goes higher. The assignee accepts the offer, and our pirate at once looks around him for an empty store, pays about two days' rent for the same, moves the stock in, arranges it in small lots around the shelves, and then calls in an auctioneer. The goods are sold at whatever they will bring, the lots are put up, not to suit storekeepers who might gather to prevent a wholesale slaughtering of their trade, but to suit consumers, two cans of this, four bottles of that, and so on. Wherever this blue bottle fly descends he causes a most lamentable state of affairs. The consumer does not always get a bargain however, for he always has a lot of shelf worn goods that he manages to work off and which no one cares to have. Now we are of the opinion that there is a very nice little source of revenue to be obtained from this which should go into the city treasury. It is a work for the Association to handle. If these men must bring a stock in a neighborhood other than where the failure occurred the transient trader should pay a good round figure for the privilege of moving the stock and for the injury he does to the business men of that neighborhood. Grocers have quite enough to contend against without being obliged to put their hands in their pockets and witness the procession of their customers going to purchase goods from a bankrupt stock and very often with the cash that should be in the grocers hands for goods supplied to the self same customers. There is a very sore spot here and it should not be lost sight of. We would suggest that, at the next meeting of the Toronto Retail Grocers' Association this subject be taken up for dis cussion in order to see if some practicable solution cannot be reached.

The Chicago Grocer says: A large number of Alaska salmon canneries will combine in a few weeks for the purpose of reducing the expense of operating their canneries, and for mutual protection the coming season. They hope to be in a position to lessen the tendency to disastrous competition, which in years past has raised havoc with the industry, and in time will endeavor to get to a point where they can pool the entire product of all the canneries.

## EBY, BLAIN \& CO. BUY OUT FRANK SMITH \& CO.

Messrs. Eby, Blain \& Co., wholesale grocers, Toronto, have bought from Frank Smith \& Co., the premises in which the latter firm has for many years done business, on the south east comer of Front and Scott streets in this city. Possession is to be given on the first of June, not only of the premises, but of the stock of groceries that shall be unsold in them at that time, which the sale has been made to include. The purchase is a strictly cash affair.
Frank Smith \& Co. have been in the wholesale grocery business here since the year 1867, the firm having moved from London in that year and opened on FrontSt, east of Church street. A few years afterwards they built the warehouse which has just changed hands, and which is perhaps the best stand for a wholesale grocery in the country. In the days when liquors were part of the usual stock in a retail grocery trade, the business done by Frank Smith \& Co. was immense. At no time did that firm do a small trade. The head of the house, the Hon. Frank Smith, having been a worker all his days, and now being connected with so many institutions and engaged in so many fields of activity, has concluded to withdraw from trade, and the sale noted above has consequently been made.
Messrs. Eby, Blain \& Co. have done business under the present style and in their present stand for the past eleven years. Durng the last five or six years of this period their trade has been over $\$ 1,000,000$ a year. Their business has in fact outgrown their premises. In their new quarters across Scott street they will have more room. The warehouse of Frank Smith \& Co. extends from Front street to the Esplanade, and is 50 feet wide. It encloses two and a half times the space of the present warehouse of Eby, Blain \& Co., and has more than twice the floor area. It is a very substantial building, and has five shipping doors, to which one more will be added by the incoming firm. With the addition to their present trade of that transferred with the good-will of Frank Smith \& Co., Eby, Blain \& Co. should do a huge business in their new quarters. They do not go in till the first of June, as by that time the present stocks of both houses will be pretty well run off, and as Eby, Blain \& Co.'s lease does not expire till the fall, they have no motive for going out before that except their own convenience.

The American Grocer has sloughed its old coat and appears in vernal comeliness, fresh from the touch of virgin type. Its outfit of new type is not its only becoming improvement. It begins in last number a series of cuts from the interiors of model retail stores. This picturesque way of developing the study of stock-keeping and store-appointing is a very valuable as well as ornamental feature of our able contemporary.

## A NEW BISCUIT AND CONFECTIONERY CO.

The stock and plant of William Hessin, the insolvent biscuit and confectionery manufacturer, was purchased by Mr. A. M. Smith, of Smith \& Keighley, at io cents on the dollar, who in turn sold it to a company composed of H. C. Fortier, Chas. Peter and G. W. Booth, which will be known as the Toronto Biscuit and Contectionery Co. They are now engaged in refitting the machinery and making what other improvements are necessary to the carrying on of this large business.

## PETERBORO' NOTES.

Mr. G. D. Mitchell, Peterboro', is one of the oldest and most prosperous grocers in that town.
There is not a grocery store in Toronto or Montreal that can show better taste in the display of goods than that of T. W. Robinson, Peterboro'.
Mr. W. J. Morrow, Peterboro', is a successful groceryman. He thinks the new manufacturing interests with the continued success of the old ones are bound to boom Peterboro'.
John Denoon, Peterboro', keeps the choicest cuts of Canadian beef, lamb, veal, and pork that can be had for money, and the citizens of Peterboro' know it and govern themselves accordingly.
Mr. M. C. Collins, Peterboro', cuts all the corners of his expense account, and after two years' business holds his own notwithstanding the hard times. Mrs. Collins declares they cannot do without The Grocer.
Mr. J. Potvin, Peterboro', keeps no delivery rigs, and still sells more loaves of bread each day than any other baker in the town. Mr. Potvin is a very careful man about giving credit in either his bakery or grocery business.

Messrs. Brown Bros., Peteriooro', are gradually working into a jobbing trade, and they propose to forestall the prospective demand for separating the grocery business from the liquor trade, and will in a short tume make them distinctly a separate business.
Mr. Thos. Brady, Peterboro', has put in a stock of first-class groceries in connection with his flour and feed business. Mr. Brady is an experienced miller. He was with Messrs. McLaughlin \& Moore, Toropto, for five years. He has secured a large patronage in Peterboro'.

Mr. Alex. Elliott, Peterboro', welcomes The Canadian Grocer representative each year as they roll around, and always has a good word for this paper. It is appreciated as coming from a representative and practical grocery man. Mr. Elliott is one who gives his support to any undertaking that will lead to a grocers' association, as he thinks it is much needed in Peterboro' and that it will do good to all.

## ASSOCIATION DOINGS.

## nOTES.

At a recent meeting of the Manchester and Salford Grocers' Association, the question of that body appointing an analyst of its own to test goods bought by the members was discussed.
The United Retail Grocers' Association of Brooklyn has appointed a chemist for the purpose of detecting fraudulent adulterations.
The National Grocer, the Merchants' Review and other trade papers in the United States are urging the formation of a national association.
an employment bureau for clerks.
The New York Retail Grocers' Union has a clerks' department, which is managed in accordance with the following rules :

1st. Every clerk who applies to the office of the Retail Grocers' Union for a position, shall give his full namé age, place of birth and former occupation.
2d. He shall pay the sum of 25 cents to the agent, the sum shall be used for making inquiries about his character and former behavior.

3d. The agent shall then send an enquiry slip to his former employer or employers, and only after sald slip has been properly answered and returned to the agent, shall the applicant be entitled to a position from this office, but if the slip should not be returned, the agent may use his own discretion.

4th. Every clerk shall serve the full time he has engaged himself to a boss grocer. In case he fails to do so or fails to commence his duties at the time he has agreed upon, he shall for all time be debarred from this office. This rule shall not apply if the employer asks for any work of the clerk which is detrimental to his conscience and character.

5th. Every grocer who wishes to engage a clerk from the office of this Union may apply by letter or in person.

6th. Any member of this Union who fails to answer and return the inquiry stips within three days, shall not be entitled to any help from the office of this Union for one year.

7th. Every member of this Union shall have the right and privilege to examine all books and inquiry slips containing any information of the clerk he wants to engage, but to do this he must call personally.

8th. Grocers who are not members of this Union shall under no circumstances be permitted to engage clerks from this office.

There is a suggestion in the action of about 130 of New York's first-class tailors, who have brought together the worthless accounts on their books, chiefly run up by young swells who buy with no intention of ever paying. This association of merchant tailors will put about $\$ 5,000$ of these hopeless debts up at auction on the Real Estate Exchange one of these days. This formidable way of solving the bad debt evil must be discouraging to the class upon which the exposure falls.


## COMBINE GOODS DEFINED.

## The Editor Canadian Grocer.

SIR,-" That all goods are under combination, when the manufacturer refuses to sell to retailers in quantities, at the same prices and discounts, as to any other parties."
The above is the decision of the executive committee of the Toronto Retail Grocers' Association upon the list and additions thereto, as sent out by the Montreal Association. If ratified by the general meeting in March, this decision will be the test as to whether a line of merchandise is under combination or not. It will be seen that this is far more sweeping than any general talk. It at once plunges to the root of the matter, and while the combine people say there are only three or four articles under its regulation, this test will prove that a very great number of articles are under combination in one way or another. The Association had been trying for a long time to find out what goods are under agreement, and tried in vain, for the simple reason that the members had no rule to guide them. They expect to now be able to determine the question, ano as one line after another is examined they will pronounce upon it and send word to the other associations in the country. That the as sociations in the other cities and towns will support this action, they do not doubt. Upon the principle given, associations throughout the country can act for themselves. The Toronto men are anxious that they should join with them first, so that each association could be represented at its meetings whenever anything of importance was to be discussed. I believe in this centralization idea There is nothing to be afraid of in it and secretaries throughout the country should not hesitate to bring the matter forward at their meetings and report to Toronto as soon as practicable.

Yours, etc., Retailer.

## To Grocers !

There are three articles which the consuming public have decided are the best of their kind in ${ }_{f}$ the market, and it will pay every grocer to keep them in stock. They are

The " Horseshoe" brand of canned fruits and vegetables.
Packed by Bowlby Bros. \& Co., of Waterford, Ont.
"Cairns" Home-made marmalade, jams and jellies.

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Packed by Ed. Wadhams, Ladner's Landing,
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Every package of the above brands guaranteed as to quality and weight.
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17 Common St., MONTREAL.

## TORONTO GROCERS' ASSOCIATION,

## The Editor of The Grocer.

SIR,-I have no connection with the Sunlight Soap Co., or with the city retail grocery trade, but I hope you will allow an onlooker to make a few remarks on the action of the Retail Grocers' Association as reported in your last issue. The traveller of the Sunlight Soap Co. went beyond his authority in selling Messrs. Caldwell \& Hodgins 25 cases of soap, inasmuch as he gave a 5 per cent. discount in 30 days-a discount it would appear, that the Sunlight Soap Co. do not give even to the wholesale trade. Now, I would like to know why the Sunlight Soap Co. should relinquish control of their own business and allow their travelling clerk, bookkeeper, or anyone else to make sales on terms contrary to their instructions, or what right Mr. Hodgins has to assume control of business and dictate the terms on which sales should be made? Will Mr. Hodgins allow any of the consumers who buy from him to assume control of his business ? I rather think that Messrs. Hodgins, Gıbson, Saunders, Mills, and Britton have seen the day when, as small dealers, they clamed that they should receive a discount on a small quantity of goods. But now that they are large dealers they wish to drive the small dealers, who form three-fourths of the trade, to the wall by obtaining for themselves a discount that the smaller dealers cannot obtain. And these are the men who wiped the tears from their eyes because of the Grocery Combine: They are worse than the men they condemn, for they are not only a combire but a boycott, and evince a most arrogant spirit in informing the Sunlight Soap Co. that unless they concede their request that they will withdraw their trade.
Yours, ONLOOKER.

## HOW TO START A CREAMERY.

At the suggestion of The Canadian Grocer, Prof. Robertson, Domunion Dairy Commissioner, has prepared a bulletin giving full instructions and detalls for the erection, equipment and management of cheese factories and creameries. In a letter to this paper he says, "The movement for the establishment of experimental dairy stations will doubtless result in a very great improvement in the quality of the butter in Canada, and relieve the country merchants from the unpleasant and unprofitable business of handling summer made butter at a time of year when it can hardly fail to bring loss and dissatisfaction."

## PETERBORO' ASSOCIATION AND ITS SECRETARY.

The fallure of M. R. Kidd, Peterboro', brought mistortune to the Grocers' Association of that town, he being the Secretary of the Association. The Association started under very favorable circumstances. Mr. Thackray, of the Toronto Association was asked to come and came to Peterboro', upon the suggestion of Mr. Kidd, to organise the Association. At the meeting a resolution was passed to pay Mr. Thackray's expenses, and several of the members paid in their dues, or two dollars,for that purpose, raising
altogether eighteen dollars, but what was the surprise of the president, Mr. Ferguson, a few days ago to receive a letter from Mr. Thackray stating that he had $n \rightarrow t$ as yet received the expense money promised him. The president immediately requested Secretary Kidd to hand over the money belonging to the Association, and received a very curt reply, and an itemized account as follows :
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00 Jan. 18, notifying members.......... \$ $2 \infty$ June 24 , 200
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The membership numbered about twenty grocers, nearly all being centrally located, so the expense of notifying members would seem to be out of all reason, besides the president informed the writer that Mr. Kidd offered to do the work for nothing, and the grocers feel their position keenly with regard to Mr. Thackray, and feel that the secretary should have settled with Mr. Thackray for the honor of the members if he felt no twinge of honor for hımself. Leading grocerymen did not hesitate to condemn the action of Kidd in appropriating so much of the money for his own services (or imaginary services) without paying Mr. Thackray's expenses to Peterboro'.

Robert W. Rolston, who formerly carried on a grocery business in the northern part of London, Ont., has returned after about ten years' absence, spent in Manitoba and various parts of Ontario. He will resume business in London.

Messrs. McLauchlin \& Smith have shipped 40,000 barrels of apples from Owen Sound during the past season, mostly to the English markets, where prices range from 30s. to 40s. per barrel. The firm intends shipping 2,000 more barrels as soon as cars can be secured.
Mr. Gales' butcher and grocery store, in St. Cunegonde, Montreal, was entered the other night by burglars, who escaped with what goods they could put their hands on, after having broken a large pane of glass and sent a boy inside through the aperture. They were disturbed by somebody on the opposite side of the street and went off, not without visiting two other stores on Quesnel and Delisle streets. One man has been arrested on suspicion of being an accomplice, and the police are on the track of the rest of the gang.

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## THE RENT QUESTION.

Owing to the avarice of landlords in many cities and towns the question of rent has become of great importanre to many merchants. When a desirable location has been secured for a store and a profitable trade built upwhich latter has been perceived by the watchful eye of the landlord before anyone eise has observed the circumstance-and the storekeeper is congratulating humself that at last his prospects of acquiring a competency, if not wealth, are assured, down comes the house-owner with a demand for more rent, the increase sometimes being out of all proportion to the growth of the dealer's business. In places where a real estate "boom" is being skilfully worked, landlords are even more grasping and storekeepers more heavily burdened, but in the absence of such an artificial stimulant of real estate values, buildings suitable for stores, and located upon desirable business thoroughfares, are in many cities and towns rented at figures that form a very serious item of a merchant's necessary expenditures. To such a pitch has this evil grown that too many retail storekeepers becor.e literally slaves of their landlords, who are the only persons to reap decent returns from businesses which require heavy capital and great skill to conduct them, to say nothing of the cares and anxieties of the proprietors.
While a desirable location is of great assistance in building up a lucrative retail business, and while the merchant may therefore be warranted in paying a stiff sum for rent, yet a sudden and big increase thereof may jeopard his pros ${ }_{i}$ ects or cause him to remove to a cheaper store to escape the intolerable exactions which arouse his anger, even though he may be in fear as to the consequences to his trade. Provided he does not move far away from his former store, there is no reason why an enterprising inerchant of good reputation should thus lose any custom worth grumbling over. Of course if the removal is to a different quarter of the city or town it will be good-by, so far as the majority of the old customers are concerned. It is this fear of loss of trade that helps the landlords in their exactions of enormous rents. In some cities certain business streets have become one-sided, as it were, in regard to their suitabil.ty for stores; at least, stores on one side of these streets will bring much higher rents than those on the other side, because the tide of pedestrian traffic flows on one side more strongly than on the other. In consequence,the apparently more eligible side of these thoroughfares becomes crowded with stores, the rents of which continually mount upwards, the tenants being afraid to move to the cheaper side of their streets because of an apprehension that their business will suffer. It is the man more than the location who is at fault if trade slakcens materially in consequence of a removal to a short distance, such as across the
street or a block or two away. We have seen one enterprising retail merchant who had grown tired of paying a rent out of proportion to his profits, remove his business to what may be termed the "wrong" side of a business thoroughfare, and we have seen the foot traffic drawn after him, and as a result the rents of the stores on both sides of the street have been equalized on a more reasonable basis. We also have seen merchants remove several blocks away from original locations and lose no trade to speak of. If the retailer is able and enterprising he needn't be a slave to the landlords, for what the men just mentioned have accomplished can be done by other merchants of nerve and brains.-Merchants' Review.

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## "BULLS"AND "BEARS"

A "bull" is a fellow who believes in everything, and a "bear" is a chap who believes in nothing. The former will devoutly take stock in the wildest flights of fancy, while the latter discredits the existence of his veryself. As a rule, we must say we prefer the mind of the "bull" if we must choose between them, for we have but little patience with the croaker, and the man who delights in the tota! destruction of values. "Give it to her !" yowled a blatant, loud-mouthed fellow in the pit the other day. "She can never get low enough for me. If I could get the stuff for nothing, I should try to make you pay me for taking tt." "Wow :' shrieked a rampant "bull" a few days later, " up she goes! This is just a starter. A dollar and a quarter for wheat will be low in a few days." The trouble with both of these factions is that they never know what an extreme is ; they will never admit the existence of a limit at either end of their respective lines. The figure they set is an ignis fatuus which recedes as it is approached. Given dollar wheat, the "bull" yearns for and believes in an ultimate price of one and a quarter; put the price down to 50 cents, and the "bear" hungers for a further decline.
"The literary genius is credited with inspiration, the artist with a golden gift not vouchsafed to ordinary men, the musician with talent, but to my mind the man of ability excels all," said L D. Kingsland, St. Louis, to Stoves and Hardware Reporter. "Abılity is a word applicable to every-day life. It fits the man of business, and the business man who knows how to please the public and secure patronage is bound to succeed, where inspiration and talent fail. The man of ability is always wide-awake. He utilizes every minute of business hours, and what the genius would term trivial details are not ignored. He knows the condition of his stock, is up with the markets, supervises the preparation of his advertising matter, and recognizes the fact that to keep abreast of the times he must be posted on what the world is doing, and above all else know what is going on in the line of business in which he is engaged. The business man of ability possesses all the gifts accorded to the brilliant stars that flash across the firmament and disappear as quickly as they came. He has genius, talent, and all the golden gifts summed up in one word-ability."
" I believe that worry will kill any man much quicker than would disease, especially if the victim is of a nervous temperament," remarked a business man to a contemporary, "Active, impetuous, go-ahead business men die at a much earlier age than the phlegmatic plodder who takes life as it comes, attends to business and pushes his affairs while he never permits his affairs to push him. This subject is usually regarded as a gloomy one, but nothing morbid has caused me to broach
it. I frequently profit by reading the ideas of others, and when I think I have an idea by which others may proftt, I feel like expressing it. My motto is to never worry -when you can avoid it. A little advice is a good thing, too much is a bore, therefore I believe in listening to what is proffered and in using just so much as I think will profit me. I find that it reduces the amount of worry allotted to the average mortal, and would advise the careworn business man who tries to follow the advice of a dozen different people-with widely divergent ideas, and grows grey in the attempt, to abandon the effort and follow the course dictated by his own judgment. By so doing he will find less to worry over and will add many years to his life."
"It is a very risky thing nowadays for a mail agent to interfere with the lock on the mail pouches in his care," said Assistant \$ostmaster Gayler to a World reporter, as he handled a burnished copper lock which lay upon his desk. "This lock makes it practically impossible for any interference to go undiscovered. Examine this lock, and you will see that each time you turn the key, the register moves up one number. I lock it on the number 1,234 . Now you unlock it. See, the number is now 1,235 . And you cannot get it back to the first number, do what you may. All our locks begin at i and stop at 9,999 , giving them a life-service of thirty-three years. When the last number is reached the lock will not work any more unless it is sent back to the factory and 'upset'. This fact was unknown to the route agent who ran between Altoon t and Harrisburg in 1881, when the lock was first adopted by the government. He had no difficulty in procuring a key to open the lock, and figured that he could manage to go through the contents of his pouch, and by the use of a turning lathe, which he took in the car with him, he could soon send the numbers flying till he would get back to the number charged against him on leaving the postoffice at Harrisburg. . It was mail lock No. 102, registered out on No. 23. After going through the contents of the pouch and getting a good swag he placed his lock in the lathe and commenced to turn. It didn't take long to make 9,000 revolutions on the lathe, but when the lock refused to go past 9,999 the fellow got frightened, and throwing his booty down on the floor of the car, he jumped off and took to the woods. This was a warning to others, and we scarcely ever hear of any. attempts to tackle this lock. It is the best kind of a protection against so-called honest fellows who don't mind stealing a few hundied if they risk nothing-fellows who are in positions of trust. It simply keeps watch, and if one of the men acts dishonestly, it just tells on him. That's all. But it tells every time and can't be bribed."

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## TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, March 5, 1891. GROCERIES.
The election is now over, and the amount of energy it absorbed may be expected to be given back to trade. The last week of the campaign was undoubtedly the dullest. Trade seemed to stand still to look on at the political struggle. The buying of goods ought consequently to be an unusually marked feature of the March trade. Wants may be put off, but they cannot be annihilated. If the country trade has been light the past four or five weeks, it must be the heavier in the coming weeks. The time for improvement independently of disturbing causes is also now at hand. Even if the February trade had been as good as it ought to be, a better trade would be looked for in March, as that month ushers in the season of more unreserved demand and of greater activity in the country. The stagnating effects of the can:paign have not caused any over-eagerness for business on the part of wholesalers, such as would lead them to stimulate trade by cutting. Prices have been stable throughout.

## CANNED GOODS.

The present week makes almost a gap in the canned goods trade, one to which the market was moving by easy stages ever since the country became more interested in politics than in business. The demand for canned goods has been almost entırely local, the stock moving into the country being too little to make an exception for. The aloofness of buyers is not a continuation of that skepticism as to ultimate values that held back trade so long, but is purely the result of the present diversion of public attention. There is nothing new to say of the market or its outlook. The features that have been prominent for some time, viz., firmness and limited stock, are as distinct as ever. Salmon is stiffening since the importation to Liverpool of 65,000 cases from Vancouver a short time ago.

## COFFEES.

The stock of Rios is running low. The labor difficulties at the seat of production have caused an advance in Rio of $1 / 2$ to Ic . per lb. This market is about bare of fine Rios, and is low in any sort. There is no change in local quotations, and the choicer coffees of fall growth are very scarce.

## DRIED FRUIT.

For the conditicn of this market, the present week's trade cannot be regarded as very responsible, as there was no buying to strengthen prices, and there was no yieldıng because of little buying. Outside influences have had all to do with any changes there have been, and these have not been of much moment. In England the price of currants has gone up fully is., thereby redressing the decline that took place some time ago. This has strengthened prices in New York, and has made them firmer though unchanged in
quotation here. In all other lines there is a maintenance of prices. Prunes are nearly out.

## nUTS.

None are moving. Stocks are fairly full. RICE AND SPICES.
Rice is not in special request, but it is in limited supply. The scarcity of high grade stock is not felt so much on account of the absence of a good demand. Spices are not in any position to call for special comment.

## SUGAR.

The retailers throughout the country buy sugar as if they constantly took thought for the morrow, so far at least as the chance for downward change in prices is concerned. They buy a greater proportion of their stock in quantities under 15 barrels than they did some time ago, in the expectation therefore of lower prices before long. These may come under the impulse of the United States change. If that be followed by a reduction in our duty on raw it may also be attended by a raising of the duty on refined. The prices of granulated have not changed during the week, though there was an advance in New York on Monday of $1 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. Yellows are firm and higher here, the lowest grade quoting now at $53 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.

## SYRUPS AND MOLASSES.

The stiffer prices of butter have mended the trade in syrups, though the general dulness prevents this line of goods getting the full benefit of the improved butter market. Molasses is unchanged.

## teas.

The prices are firm and the general position of the tea market is unchanged. There was a very large quantity of tea sold in the last fortnight in February. The demand is still better for tea than forany other commodity. The business done in Indian teas has been very good, and will probably remain so until after the elections. In London the Indian tea market has developed increased firmness, and the demand for tea under is. has been as active as at any time during the past few weeks. The advance, however, has not been confined to these grades, as the better descriptions, especially whole leaf teas, have shown a decidedly firmer tendency. For the lower kinds, the buying to a moderate extent has no doubt been of a speculative character, but the principat reason for the upward movement is the strong statistical position, as shown in the returns of the past month, coupled with a largely increased consumption. If the exports from Calcutta do not exceed those of last season, which appears probable, and providing the consumption for the next few months is only equal to that during the same period in 1890, the stock will be much smaller than for some years past. The probability of an easier market, therefore, appears remote, until additional supplies arrive from India; on the other hand, should there be any undue inflation of present prices, there will no doubt ultimately, and probably before long, be a 1 eturn to present values. Ceylon teas are still largely in demand, at the lately established high prices. Good tea 1s, however, still to be obtained at is. per pound, and as long as this quotation lasts grocers should have no difficulty in supplying superior quality at a good rate of profit. The season is no doubt still before us, but it should be borne in mind that the stock of Indian tea is diminishing while that of fine Congou is almost extinguished; thus the main supplies from now until midsummer must come from Ceylon
growths. The quality of the latest imports shows an improvement, pointing to the likelihood of a satisfactory season in this respect.

PETROLEUM.
There is no change in prices, and trade is but fairly good.

## DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.

Trade is steady at quotations of a week ago.

## BUTTER AND CHEESE.

The lack of good butter is lifting up the price of medium to the level of that for choice, and medium itself is a scarce commodity. On some days a lot of good medium will bring first class prices in default of prime butter being on the market to get them. The lowness of stock may be partly attributable to election excitement, and mostly to absolute scarcity. Low grades are not so plentiful as they have been, but they are as poor as ever, a small lot having teen sold the other day at 3 c . This is exceptional, however, and there is little to be got below 5 c . The prices are: 17 to 18 c . for choice dairy tubs, 14 to 15 c . for medium, 5 to 9c. for low grades, 171019 c . for pound rolls, and 14 to 17 c . for large rolls, crocks and pails.
Cheese is firm at $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. to 1 Ic. for good Septembers, but trade in it is for the moment dull.

## COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Apples-The demand seems to stop at $\$ 4$, and though quotations run as high as $\$ 5$ for fine Spies and Kings, such quotations do not represent the market. Under the weight of them stock does not move, though the best is far from plentiful. A very good demand is going for apples at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$. Culls are selling at $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.75$.

Beans-Are lower for common and higher for choice hand-picked, the former quoting at $\$ 1.30$, and the latter at $\$ 1.65$.

Dried Apples-For sun-dried apples there is a better market than there has been for some time. They nowbring 8 to $8 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$.

Evaporated Apples-Are in lower request than sun dried, and are weaker, I3c. being the utmost paid for round lots. At that price 500 boxes were offered in vain, though the sample was good. Dealers find it hard to get I4c. by the case.

EgGS-Are firmer at 16 c ., hardly any stock being purchasable below that. If the mild weather of last week had continued the position would have been greatly weakened. Cold weather has mended it, and Lenten consumption has also been beneficial to prices.

Hay-Arrives freely and the market does not improve, good timothy not bringing more than $\$ 8.50$ on track. Cattle hay is not in much request at $\$ 6.50$.

Hides-There is nothing new to say. Green are $5 \mathrm{I}-2 \mathrm{c}$., and cured 6 c .

HoNEY-Still goes at 6 to Ioc.for strained and 14 to 16 c . for stock in the comb.

Hops-Are moving into use at 35 to 40 c . for new.

Oats-Have advanced to 48 and 49 c ., as receipts have fallen off.

Onions-Continue firm though the demand is not especially active. The sustaining prop is evidently the great scarcity which pushes up prices rather in view of the future than on account of the present demand. Whites are $\$ 3.50$, reds $\$ 3$.

Potatoes-The average price paid is 85 c . though for fine stock 90 is got in car lots. In broken lots goc. is paid for stock not
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## MARKETS-Continued

strictly first-class. Out of store lots are \$I to $\$ 1.05$. The cold weather made prices firmer.
Seeds-Are dull and left alone. Timothy is $\$ 1.10$ to $\$ 1.65$, red clover $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.75$, good alsike $\$ 7$ to $\$ 8$.

SKINS-Are coming in slowly at $\$ \mathrm{I}$ to \$1.40.

Straw- The demand is falling off, and the price keeps at $\$ 6.50$ for oat.

Tallow-Sells at 2 c . for rough, and $51 / 2$ to 6 c . for refined.

Wool-ls not wanted and is offering hardly at all, at $20 c$.

## FISH

The fresh fish market has the same strong tone it had a week ago. Stock is scarce, and in lines it was out of there have been no renewals. Whitefish is in very limited supply. The week's trade has mace big inroads also upon the stock of salmon trout. In dried, pickled and smoked fish there is also good trade, but the price of Finnan haddie has come down because of freer supplies, which the stormy weather stood in the way of some time ago. They now quote at $71 / 2$ to 8c. In
fresh seafish there is still a good business done. The quotations in our Prices Current show prices in ail but Finnan haddie to be unchanged.

GREEN FRUIT
The trade in green fruit has become very quiet, dealers stating that they never experienced so bad a season as that of the past four or five weeks. Florida oranges are stiffer at $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$, New York market having advanced even beyond this, quotations from there on Monday showing $\$ 5$ the lowest price. The frost has done injury to the stock and reduced it, so that prices advance. Valencia oranges are plentiful at $\$ 4.50$. California navels are now in and very choice they are, selling at $\$ 5.50$. Riverside seedlings are $\$ 3.50$ in sizes of 112 to 150 per case, and $\$ 4$ in sizes of 176 to 226 per case. The genuine Riverside is often confused with the more northern oranges of California, but ought not to be classed with them as they are worth $50 c$. more. Lemons are on the way up, and the prices are now firm at $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$. Bananas are $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2$ for ordinary; $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.50$ for No. 2, and $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$ for extra selected. Pineapples are $\$ 3.50$ for choice, and $\$ 4.50$ for extra fancy.

> CRANBERRIES.

Cape Cod are $\$ 4.50$ per bushel, or $\$ 13$ per barrel, and are in small compass.

## PROVISIONS.

The market can get no worse, now that the elections are over, as it had become forsaken by buyers during this last week of excitement. No hogs were bought except by one packing concern, and the supply was consequently not particularly large. What may prevent the immediate improvement of the market is the coming in of a large quantity next week. Products are not in strong request.
Bacon-Long clear is $71 / 2$ to 8 c ., bellies are 10 to IIc., backs are 10 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and rolls are 9 to $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

Dressed Hogs-Are $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5$.
Hams-Are il to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.
LARD-Is 9 c . in tubs and $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. in pails.
Mess Pork-Is $\$ 15$ to $\$ 16$ for Canadian mess and short cut respectively, and \$14.50 for U. S. heavy mess.

## SALT.

Business has got into small proportions, the present stage of the trade stranding it between seasons. A very light movement has taken place in barrels at $\$ 1.40$, and in sacks at 72 C . Land salt will be in stock now very soon.

DRY GOODS.
The trade is no doubt on the eve of improvement, as the demand is now ripe, and the attention of the country is no longer fixed on party strife. The trade of the week has been but fairly satisfactory.

RAW FURS.
Raw furs are quiet and unchanged. They quote at the following prices:-Beaver, per lb., $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$; bear, per skin, $\$ 10$ to $\$ 25$; cub, per skin, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 12$; fisher $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 5$;
fox, red, 81 to $\$ 1.25$; fox, cross, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 5$; lynx \$1.50to \$2.50; martin, 75 to 90c.; mink, dark, 75 c . to $\$ \mathrm{I} .25$; Muskrat, fall, 12 c . ; winter, 15 c . ; otter, $\$ 8$ to $\$ 13$; racoon, 25 to 8 oc . skunk, 25 to $\$ 1.25$

## MONTREAL

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Montreal, March 5, 1891. GROCERIES.
In a general sense there is little change to note in the position of the market, as business has been restricted on account of the close approach of the elections, but although it has acted as a bar to trade in one way, the same fact, taken with the very firm position of some particular lines, has induced considerable buying by jobbers who had allowed their stocks to run down too low and were afraid of being caught when the movement actually does commence without any stock. The particular lines of groceries which have met with enquiry from jobbers in this connection comprise coffee, spices, raw sugar, and dried fruit. The position of the three former lines is a very strong one on outside markets, substantial advances being advised and this no doubt has been a great incentive towards renewing supplies Nor are stocks of them in first handshere heavy, so this has added to the firmness. A feature in this connection has been the enquiry for Muscovado sugar by large dealers who have been unable to fill their wants, as there is none here; in fact the only large sale of sugar that we have to note was a round parcel of centrifugals, 96 per cent., which constituted the bulk of the supply in first hands and was turned over at 6c., a sufficient indication in itself of the firmness of raw sugar. The supply of dried fruit in first hands is also limited, and the movement of several good-sized lots west of raisins and currants will further reduce stocks here. As we have said, however, business out of second hands is small and will likely remain so unt) jobbers know exactly where they are. The 4th of March and its accom panying settlements is also another factor of the situation in this connection.

SUGAR, SYRUPS, ETC
The strength of the sugar market is fully maintained under the advancing tendency of raw stock that is noted on most outside markets. Business, however, has been small recently owing to the election excitement, but as soon as it has subsided it is quite likely that a good movement will ensue, as stocks in the country are admitted to be very

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light. Prices for wholesale lots are unchanged, granulated being still quoted at $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and no yellows are offering under $51 / 8 \mathrm{c}$., while business in bright stock has been done as high as 6 c . However, although refiners are not doing much, there has been some demand fur raw stock, induced no doubt by the firm feeling elsewhere. Quite a few enquiries have been received recently for muscovado, but they cannot be filled, as there is none here. The only parcel of 96 per cent. centrifugals in first hands was closed out the other day at $6 c$., which is a good indication of the firmness.
There has been more demand for syrups recently, a fair movement transpiring at $3^{1 / 4}$ to 4 c.
Molasses have been moving quietly in a jobbing way. Reports regarding stocks here are conflicting. One dealer claimed that there were not over 1,500 puncheons of Barbadoes in first hands, but this is disputed. We quote 33 to $331 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for large lots and 34 to 35 c . for smaller quantities.

## teas.

The tea market continues strong, while low grade Japans as usual attract most attention. Further business in them is noted, a round lot changing hands the other day at 15 to 17 c ., which further reduces the small stocks in first hands, while 18 to 20 C . has been made for smaller quantities. Blacks are also strong, and although there is little movement, no anxiety is felt by holders, as shipments from New York to London continue and all there is here will be wanted.

## COFFEE.

In a wholesale way, this article has come in for some little attention during the week. Jobbers were not disposed to act, but exceptionally small stocks and an advance of $1 / 2$ a cent induced some little trading out of first hands, the most recent sale in this connection being a round lot of 250 bags Rio at the advance mentioned.

## SPICES.

There has been some purchasing of fresh supplies by jobbers, in this line also induced by the advancing tendency of outsicie markets and some fair sized lots of pepper and ginger have passed out of first hands at $1 / 2 c$. and Ic. advanced respectively. In a general way however there is little doing.

## RICE.

There is little to note in the way of business in this article but advices cite a strong market in England and freights are 7s. 6d. to ros. higher than early in the season, so that prices here are expected to go up here. We quote prices the same as yet however. Japan $\$ 4.10$ to $\$ 4.25$; Patna $\$ 5.50$; Standard $\$ 3.90$ and off grades $\$ 3.50$ in car lots.

## FRUIT.

The market shows little change of a general nature, but there has been some movement in dried fruit out of first hands since our last. This, however, was not by any means general, and was simply due to the fact that some jobbers had let their stocks run so low that they became alarmed, hence the purchases we have to mention. In raisins they comprise several good round lots of Valencias which have been placed in the west ; 1,000 box lots at 6 c ., and in more moderate quantities $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. Of course these figures are strictly for round lots, as anything else would mean a higher figure, especially if it is of prime quality. Stocks now in first hands are further reduced so that prices are expected to keep firm. Out of second hands there does not appear to be any improvement in business, Currants, also, have moved out

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of first hands to a considerable extent at $5 \frac{3}{4}$ $57 / 8$, and 6 c . in barrels, half-barrels, and cases ; in fact the demand for them by jobbers has been good. This business aside, however, there has been little doing as consumers are not taking much, while jobbers themselves only bought as above, because they naturally wanted the goods. In green fruit there is little to note, business ruling dull and unimportant with values unchanged. Oranges and lemons are as before.

FISH.
Jobbers having supplied themselves pretty well, are not so disposed towards business as formerly, consequently in a strictly wholesale way there is little to note, in fact there has been nothing doing recently. Stocks in first hands, however, have been reduced to very small proportions and with light arrivals are likely to continue small for some tıme, and prices correspondingly firm. Herring has been pretty well cleared up, and holders will not take less than $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$ for ordinary stock, while some lots are held for $\$ 5$. Cod continues scarce and correspondingly firm. Wholesalers, however, do not expect much new business until jobbers have worked off some of their present stock, as the latter don't desire to have much of a surplus on hand at the expiration of Lent.

## CANNED GOODS

There is no change in the position of this market a fair jobbing demand passing at last weeks figures, tomatoes and peaches being still firm at $\$ 1.20$ to $\$ 1.25$ and $\$ 2.65$ to $\$ 2.80$ respectively.

## provisions.

Provisions have moved along quietly since our last a moderate jobbing trade in smoked meats having to be noted. Canadian short cut, per brl $\$ 15.00$ to $\$ 15.50$; mess pork, western, per brl $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15.50$; shogt cut, western, per brl $\$ 15.50$ to $\$ 16.00$; hams, city
cured, per lb $101 / 2$ to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; hams, canvassed, per 1 b IO $\mathrm{I}-2$ to $11 \mathrm{t} / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; lard, Canadian, in pails $81 / 4$ to $81-2 \mathrm{c}$.; bacon, per pound, 9 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; lard, com., refined, per $1 \mathrm{~b}, 71 / 4$ to $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. DRESSED HOGS.
Since our last the position of dressed hogs has been altered materially by the sale of a very large lot which fully reduces the holdings in first hands by one half. This transaction which comprised 3,000 odd carcasses was at $\$ 5.85$ and has cheered holders considerably. Since it nothing important has transpired and we quote $\$ 5.85$ to $\$ 6.00$ in car lots.

## EGGS.

The egg market which has been on the easy side all along worked of as low as 16 I-2c., but on Monday there was a change for the better, and prices stiffened up again, and now we quote 17 to 18 c . as a range, business having transpired on that basis. BUTTER.
This market has furnished no striking features during the week the position being unchanged except that the stock of finest has been further reduced within the week and holders of under grades are beginning to hope that they will be benefited thereby. Yesterday two car loads of finest creamery were turned over on British Columbia account at 23 to 24c. Under grades have not been dealt in to any extent but for the reason mentioned above, the feeling is a little better on them. Finest creamery 23 to 24 C ; fine creamery 21 to 22 C .; choice dairy 21 to 22 C .; Morrisburg and Brockville 16 to 17 c .; Western dairy 14 to 15 c .; old butter 6 to 8 c .

## CHEESE.

There has been no business since our last report, for the reason that stocks here are almost nil, and what there is is already placed on the other side. Some early makes have been moved, however, on a ioc. basis. Values of finest are nominal. Finest late makes, 10 I-2 to IO 3-4c.; fine stock, 10 to IO $1-4 \mathrm{c}$.; medium grades, $93-4$ to $97 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.; Cable, 53 s .

FLOUR AND GRAIN.
The grain market is quiet the only movement being in car lots but the market is very firm and upward in sympathy with outside markets and we have to advance our quotations all round in consequence. The stocks in store, compared with those of a week ago, show a decrease of 17,445 bushels of wheat, 2,636 bushels of barley, and an increase of 760 bushels of corn, 15,954 bushels of peas and 2,420 bushels of oats. Compared with the corresponding week last year there is an increase of 219,717 bushels of wheat, 42,198 bushels of oats, and a decrease of 10,414 bushels of corn, 211,226 bushels of peas, 32,198 bushels of oats 30,195 bushels of barley, and 14,327 bushels of rye. We quote No 2 hard Manitoba, at \$1.04 to \$1.06: No. 3 do., 94c. to 96 c ; No. 2 Northern, 98 c . to $\$ \mathrm{I}$; feed do.. 62 c ; peas 8 oc. per 66 pounds in store; Manitoba oats, 5 Ic. to 53 c . Upper Canada. do. 53 c . to 54 c . per 34 pounds; corn, 72 c . to 73 c . duty paid; feed barley, 68c; good malting do., 60 c . to 67 c ; rye 65 c . to 68 c .

The flour market rules dull but essentially firm in fact prices are working firmer although we have no actual change to cite. The local demand although moderate is steady and the general feeling is better. The stocks in store show an increase of 3,065 barrels compared with a week ago and a decrease of 9,281 barrels compared with the same week last year. We quote :Patent sprıng $\$ 5.30$ to $\$ 5.50$; patent winter, $\$ 0.00$ to $\$ 0.00$; straight roller, $\$ 4.80$ to $\$ 4.90$; extra, $\$ 4$. 10 to $\$ 4.35$; superfine, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.10$; fine, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 3.50$; city strong bakers', $\$ 0.00$ to $\$ 5.00$; strong bakers', $\$ 0.00$ to $\$ 5.00$.

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ST. JOHN, N. B., MARKETS.
ST. JOHN, N.B., March 3, 1891. GROCERIES.
In general we can report quite an improvement in groceries during the past week. The feeling is that it will continue with increasing activity as the season advances. Flour is moving in larger lots than when last quoted. Meal, feed, and oats are all in better demand. Country produce is be ginning to come in more freely, and prices continue steady in most lines, although there are exceptions that can be noted. The ardest part of the winter being past, trader are now getting ready for the spring trade As the excitement caused by the election passes away, business will settle down to a more steady pace.
Sugar and Molasses-Sugar is at present in steady demand. Yellows are quoted at $51 / 8$ to $55 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.; granulated is moving off at $61 / 4$ to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and prices are firm, buying it strictly for present requirements. Barbadoes molasses is now about the only kind offerıng, and quotations have not changed any to note; demand is quiet and concession might be obtained for large lots.

RICE-The market is firm, and present indications point to a small advance in prices by the opening of navigation, as stocks held are moderate, but are sufficient for the present demand. Prices quoted are slightly below import price. Jobbers are selling fair stock at $3 \mathrm{I}-2$ to 358 c .
TEA-There is no change of importance in the tea market since last week. The quantity imported last month was about an average for medium and choice grades, and a slight increase for low grades owing to the advance in prices recently. The demand is steady but cannot be called very active.

Butter and Cheese-Butter continues in fair supply for the usual quality, but choice stock is scarce, any offering is quickly picked up at good prices, while the other remains or moves off stock at 17 to 18 c . We cannot see that quotations are likely to change in the immediate future. Cheese is steady and large lots are offered at $10 c$. but buyers are not anxious to purchase except in small quantities just what they want for presert needs. $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . is the general jobbing price which is below what they would cost to lay down here now.
EgGS-Are lower, the warm weather a few days ago brought them in in considerable quantities, and the price broke to 20 c . per dozen, but the cold snap since has stopped the moving of them, so prices have firmed up from 2 to 3c. The market is still higher than it should be in comparison with others near by, and a further decline is in order shortly.

Potatoes-Are coming in more freely during the past week, and are being shipped in considerable quantities; quotations are steady at $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2.25$ per barrel.

Flour and Meal-Continue to move at a steady pace and quotations are firm as last reported. The demand is better in these lines than it has been for some time. Some dealers have in store large stocks but others have not, so taking a general view the supply is moderate and not likely to change much for a short time. Oatmeal is quiet and firm.

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## EASTER DISPLAY,

Live enterprising grocers are always cast ing about for some legitimate scheme or plan which will serve to distinguish them in a business way in the eyes of the community as different from their competitors, to the extent of providing as good or better goods at lower or the same prices as their neighbors Not only are they anxious to excel in these respects but they are likewise on the lookout for anything which will attract trade to their store, without at the same time unreasonably increasing their expenses. They take advantage of the changing seasons, special holidays, in fact anything that is timely, to awaken the interest of their customers. We know some grocers who plan for Christmas months ahead, and have all their arrangements perfected when the time for action arrives. Just now these progressive men are considering what they shall do in the way of an Easter display. We would suggest for those who have it the setting apart of a window which during the week preceding Easter shall be arranged to correspond with the ideas associated with that day. We respectfully submit several ideas which can be remodel led and improved upon to suit the tastes of individual grocers.
The floor of the window might be covered with a layer of roasted coffee a couple of inches deep, and in this could be arranged eggs of various colors, forming the words, "Easter, 189r"; the "Easter" in a semicircle, " 1891 " underneath, and between them a star composed of eggs of a different color, say ducks' eggs, which are blue and would be appropriate to the idea of a star. Or the eggs might be arranged in circles, beginning by placing a very large candy egg in the centre, and then round it, first a circle of goose eggs, than a circle of duck eggs, and so on, each circle larger than the other, leaving a space between the circles showing the coffee. This would be sure to attract attention. Or, on the coffee might be arranged the figure of a cross in a slanting position, and close by the side of it a crown. The number of designs which can be arranged on the ceffee is without end, and the lighter color of the eggs in contrast with the coffee would be sure to attract attention. At the back of the window might appropriately be arranged a lot of palms, either the leaves, such as are used for decorating churches, or potted palms which could be hired for the occasion from a florist in the neighborhood. In the corners of the window might be an arrangement of palm leaves with Bermuda Easter lilies or calla lilies here and there in the leaves. The palms and lilies would harmonize with the floral decorations used at Easter time, while the roasted coffee and the eggs would immediately suggest the breakfast Easter morning, which is usually considered an extra occasion.

Another idea would be to fill the window with palms and other evergreens, and also several clusters or bunches of Easter lihes,
or any other flowers available. Close to the glass might be tastefully arranged a number of small baskets of eggs. The basket could be filled with moss or sawdust and the eggs laid in rows on this. For instance, on the orter edge could be arranged a circle of white eggs, then a circle of darker variety, then a circle of blue, and so on, and in the centre a large goose egg.

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## Fortieth Annual Meeting of the Western Assurance Company.

The annual meeting of shareholders of the above company was held at its offices in this city at noon yesterday.
Mr. A. M. Smith, President, occupied the chair and Mr. J. J. Kenny, Managing Director, was appointed to act as secretary to the meeting.
The secretary read the following annual report:
In presenting the Annual Report of the business of the year ending 31st December, 1890, the Directors are pleased to be able to submit to the Shareholders such gratifying evidence of the continued prosperity of the Company as is embraced in the accompanying accounts.
It will be seen from the Revenue Account that there is a profit balance on the trans actions of the year of $\$ 155,125.19$.
A satisfactory increase is shown in the re ceipts from Fire premiums, while in the Marine branch certain lines of business, which have not resulted profitably in the past, have been discontinued and the premium income somewhat reduced.
Two half-yearly dividends at the rate of ten per cent per annum, amounting to $\$ 50,000$, have been declared, and the sum of to bring them to their market value at the close of the year, owhen, owing to the disturbed conditions existiug in monetary circles, almost all classes of securities were more or less depreciated. After providing for these deductions from the year's earnings, $\$ 75,000$ has been carried to the Reserve, making that fund $\$ 900,000$, and $\$ 16,186.39$ remains at the credit of Proflt and Loss Account. The total surplus of the Companywhich these two latter amounts constituteis, therefore, $\$ 916,186.39$, and deducting from this the amount estimated as necessary to reinsure, or run off all existing risks, say $\$ 546,506.64$ a net surplus remains
Statement of Business for the Year End-
ing December 31st, 1890.
revenue account.
Fire Premiums...........81,333,582 70
Marine Premiums.......
Less Re-Absurances...
$2,048,61519$
388,12830
nterest Account
\$1,660,486 89 43,36718 $\overline{\$ 1,703,85407}$
Fire Losses, including an appropria tion for al
$31 \mathrm{st}, 1890$.
Marine Losses, including an appro-
priation for all losses reported priation for all
Dee. $31 \mathrm{st}, 1890$. deneral Expenses, Akents Commis-
sion, ete sion, etc.
Balance to F

Profit and Loss 360,24408 515,38355
155,12519 $\$ 1,203.85407$ PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT:
 Balance.

Balance from last year
Profit for the year..... $\$ 12,28641$
155,125
19 \$167,41160
Capital stock paid LIABilities.
osses under adjustment
$\$ 500,00000$
114,47880
Losses under adjustment..............
Dividend payable 8th January, 1891.
Reserve fund............... 8900,00000
Reserve fund............. 8900,00000
Balance profit and loss.... 16,18639
916,186 39
$\overline{\$ 1,555,66519}$
ASSETS
United States and State B
Dominion of Canada Stock
Loan Company and Bank Stocks
Municipal Debentures
Cash on hand and on deposit
Bills receivable.
Mortgages............
Reassurance losses.
\$459,525 00

Interest due and accrued
4.98950
$\$ 1,555,66519$

## A. M. Smith, $\underset{\text { President. }}{\text { A }}$ <br> J. J. Kenny,

Western Assurance Offices, Managing Director. 9th, 1891.

## AUDITORS' REPORT

To the President and Directors of the Western Assurance Company:
Gentlemen,-We hereby certify that we have audited the books of the Company for the year ending 31st December, 1890, and have examined the vouchers and securities in connection therewith and find the same carefully kept, correct and properly set forth in the above statement,
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { R. R. Cathron, } \\ \text { John M. Martin, F.C.A., }\end{array}\right\}$ Auditors.
Toronto, February 9th, 1891.
In moving the adoption of the report the President suid:
The Annual report and accompanying accounts which you have just heard read, present, I think, so clearly the result of the business of the past year, and so satisfactorily the condition of affairs at the close of the year, that it is scarcely necessary for me in moving the adoption of the Report to do more than congratulate you upon the happy auspices under which we meet at this, the fortieth annual gathering of the Shareholders of the Company. There is one item in the accounts, however, to which it may be well to refer particularly. I allude to the amount written off securities in order to enable us to place them in the Balance Sheet. as has always been our custom, at their maraware that just at that time the You are stocks and bonds generally were much depressed, and the fact that our securities wele affected to such a comparatively slight extent is periaps the best evidence that could be offered as to the character of our investments. Moreover, I think we are safe in regarding this as merely a temporary depreciation and that the former values will be, as indeed some have already been, regained. I may be permitted to say also that, interested as I have been in this company since its organization-for 40 years as a stockholder, for 25 years as a director and for the past eight years as its President-it is with a leeling of pride, which I think is pardonable, that 1 regard the position which the Western occupies to-day among the financial institutions of this cuuntry, and among the insuras it was, at a time when the popular belief existed that indemnity for losses by belief in fact from death or any other calamity which might be covered by aninsurance policy -could be obtained only from the other side of the Atlantic, it had secured at the e..d of its first ten years' struggle for existence dgainst this popular delusion an annual premium income of only some $\$ 60,000$. Tue twentieth annual report shows that it had increased this five-fold, and at the close of its thirtleth year its income exceeded oue million dollars per annnm; and having thoroughly establisued its prestige at home it had extended its field of operations beyond the limits of Canada. It is now entering upon its fifth decade with an income of nearly a million and three-quarters, derived from all the provinces of the Dominion aud from the United States, as well as from some of the British West India Islands; with cash assets of upwards of a million and a half; with a pront balance on its last year's transactions of over $\$ 150,000$; with a corps of tried officers and agents loyal to the Company and its inlast but not least, with an experienced Board of Directors, several of whom, like myself, may claim to be veterans and not likely to be frightened by "fire," even though it may come (as it sometimes does througn conflagrations) in "volleys" rather try ing to the nerves. I think I may say looking at what has been accomplished from small veginnings and looking at our present position-that by continuing the policy which has guided us in the past, of fair and liberal dealings with our insurers and just recognition of the services of our agents, upon whose judgement we have so largely
to depend in the selection of business-we
may confidently look for at least an equal measure of success for the Western in the future to that which it has enjoyed in the past, and, as a consequence, to its being in a position to continue to make satisfactory returns to its shareholders upon their invested capital.
Permit me say before closing my remarks that-under a kind Providence-I feel that we are indebted in no small degrue to the wisdom and untiring energy of our Managfor the high position able staff of assistants occupies in the estimation of the insuring public.
Mr. Georse A. Cox, Vice-President of the Company, in seconding the adoption of the report, said:
The satisfactory nature of the report now submitted for your approval, and the ful explanations of the President in moving its adoption, leave but little for me to say. There is, however, one important item in the statement to which reference has not been made, and that is the very substantial addition of no less than seventy-five thousand dollars to the Reserve Fund. With net earnings for the year equal to thirty-one per cent, of our paid up capital, it wes not unreasonable that the question should arise, It is very satisfactory to know that after fully providing for our reinsurance fund, which takes $\$ 546,506.64$, we have a net surplus over and above our capital and all oilities to the pubic equal to The ourdia position of th
fortioth anniversary fully the Western on its fortieth anniversary fully justites the Presiproud of his long and honorable connection with it; and I shall also indulge a little in the same way. The best standard by which to judge a Company is the relative position it occupies at home, and the Western for many years has stood in the very front rank, its income from fire and marine premiums in Canada exceeding that of any other Company doing business here-English, American or Canadian-and what is still more gratifying, its loss ratio on its Canadian business is considerably below the average of both the home and foreign Fire Insurance Companies making returns to the Dominion Insurance Department
I may also refer to the relative position of the Company on this continent. Of one hundred and sixty Companies reporting to partment only some twenty exceed the partment only some twenty exceed the steadily improving character of the Company's United States business, as shown by pany's diminishing loss ratio, affords good grounds for anticipating that the continued efforts in tbat direction of its representatives in the United States will make an equally favorable record for it there to that which it enjoys at home. It is gratifying to know that notwithstanding some exceptionally trying years the business of that branch shows a fair profit to the Company, and that the year just closed has been one of the most favorable in its experience.
I very heartily concur, Mr. President, in all that you have said as to the obligations wringe ander un hanaging Director who brings to bear upon the business of the Company a thorougn and ever-increasing knowance business in all its details. It is to his ance business in all its details, It is to his pany's interests and to his efficient and wellselected staff that we are largely indebted for the position that we are so proud of today.
On motion of Mr. A. Nairn, seconded by Mr, William Ross, a cordial vote of thanks was passed to the President and Board of Directors for their services and attention to the interests of the Company during the past year.
Messrs. F. J. Stewart and J. K. Niven having been appointed scrutineers, the election of Directors for the ensuing year was proceeded with, which resulted in the unanimous re-election of the old Board, viz: S. C. W. M, Smith, George A. Cox, Hon. George McMurrich, H. N. Baird, W. R. George McMurrich, H
Brock and J. J. Kenny.
At a meeting of the Board of Directors held subsequently, Mr. A. M. Smith was reelected President and Mr. George your advertising in The Canadian GroCER? It goes dire it to the grocery and general store trade. Experienced advertisers have found that a full page advertisement in their trade paper is a hundred per cent. more profitable than the same space divided among a dozen general trade papers. "In union is strength," do you see the point?

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SALES MADE OR PENDING.
Weldon Bros:, grocers, Winnipeg, 'have sold out.
Whaley \& Co., grocers, Brockville, Ont., advertise their business for sale.
W. M. Harvey, dealer in fruits, etc., Hamilton, has sold out to Geo. M. Kent.

The estate of Anderson \& Co. (Charlotte Halford) grocers, Toronto, is advertised for sale by tender.

Frank Smith \& Co., wholesale grocers and wine and liquor merchants, Toronto, have sold out their wines and liquors to Adams \& Burns.

Frank Smith \& Co., wholesale dealers in groceries, wines and liquors, Toronto, have sold out to Eby, Blain \& Co., wholesale grocers, Toronto, possession to be given Ist of June next.
PARTNERSHIPS FORMED AND DISSOLVED.
Megueron \& Belisle, grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.

## FIRES.

J. A. Crooks, grocer, Halifax, is burnt out. Insured.
E. C. Armond, grocer, Arnprior, Ont, is burnt out. Insured.
Gribbin \& Co., general merchants, Parry Sound, Ont, are burnt out.
A. St. Jean, crockery dealer, Montreal, is partially burnt out. Insured.
E. S. Busby, grocer, Owen Sound, Ont., is burnt out. Partially insured.

Bedard \& Hennipen, fruit dealers, Montreal, are partially burnt out. Insured.

Jos. Bourgela, butter dealer, Montreal, had stock damaged by smoke. Not insured.
C. H. Donahy \& Co., fruit dealers, Montreal, suffered loss on stock through effects of smoke and water.

DIFFICULTIES, ASSIGNMENTS, COMPROMISES. F. X. Mantha, grocer, Montreal, has assigned.
E. Brown \& Co., grocers, Montreal, have assigned.
P. Lariviere, general merchant, Ste. Brigide, Que., has assigned.
A. Paul \& Co., general merchants, Sudbury, Ont., have assigned.
N. H. Dubois, general merchant, Acton, Que., is offering to compromise.

Brıggs \& Jackson, general merchants, Stanbridge, E., Que., have assigned.
W. R. Graham, general merchant, Meaford, Ont., has assigned to Walter Curry, Toronto.

Louis Tranchemontagne, general merchant, Berthier, Que., is offering to compromise.
W. R Cavana, general merchant, Victoria Road, Ont., has assigned to E. R. C. Clark son, Toronto.

Robt. Mullin, general merchant, Glen Williams, Ont., has assigned to W. L. Grant, Georgetown.

Martel \& Co., general merchants, Farnham, Que., have assigned.

John Couturier, general merchant, Murray Bay, Que., has assigned.

Dufour \& Couturier, general merchants, Murrav Bay, Que., have assigned.

Heney \& Sievewright, grocers, Sherbrooke, Que., have suspended payment.

## TUCKETT \& SONS' NEW FACTORY.

George E. Tuckett \& Son's new factory in Hamilton was formally opened on Saturday afternoon. It is admirably adapted for the purpose for which it was built, and is one of the finest factories in the province The bulding is of brick, with red stone trimmings, four storeys and basement, with two extensions for engine house and bonded warehouse at the west end. It is 200 feet long by 75 feet wide, and the extensions are $40 \times 60$. The factory is substantially built, special pains baving been taken to make it as near fire proof as possible, as well as comfortable and healthy for the employes. Connection is made with the tobacco warehouse on Oxford street by a tunnel 150 feet long, 6 feet 6 inches high and 6 feet wide. The tobacco is brought to the factory on a tramway and carried on an elevator to the top storey, where the first work is done on it. The casing room, which is $200 \times 75$ feet, is a clear
space. There is not a pillar in it. In the rolling room, on the third flat, are work tables for 300 stemmers and rollers. The second storey is used for the drying and packing room, and the first storey for the pressing and shipping room, with the offices at the north end of the building. The offices are finished in black ash. The basement is used for a cutting and packing room. Two elevators at the west end of the building carry employes and material to the upper flats. The stairs are iron with stone landings. There are two fire escapes, one at each end. Peg boards are on each flat, with separate closets for the men and women.

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A easther duster disperses but does not remove tbe dust from the store.
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One thing in particular should be impressed upon clerks-the necessity of carefulattention to small customers.

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S PALED TENDERS marked "For Mounted Solice Clothing Supplies," and addressed to the Honourable the Minister of Railways and Canals,
will be received up to noon on Monday, 9th March, 1891 .
Printed forms of tender containing full informa-
tion as to the articles and quantities required tion as to the articles and quantities required,
may be had on a application to the undersigned. No tender will be received unless made on such printed forms. Patterns of articles may be seen at the office of the undersigned.
Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted Canadian bank chequo for an amount equal to ten per cent. of the total value of the articles tendered for, which will be forfeited if the party decline to enterinto a contract when called contracted for. If the tender be not accepted the cheque will be returned.
No payment will be made to newspapers inNo payment will be made to newspapers in-
serting this advertisement without authority
having been first obtained.

FRED. WHITE,
Comptroller N. W. M. Police.
Otta wa, Feby. 9th, 1891.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \%oa, Homoeopat'c, $1 / 4 \mathrm{~s}$ 's, 8 \& 141 lbs 30 | Mocha. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 32, 35 | rrants, Provincial, bbls... 61/8, 61/4 |  |
| " Pearl Perl 12 \& 18 " ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | Old Government Java......... 30, 33 | "\% | LARD. |
| ". Rock | Rio.................................29, 23 | $\begin{array}{lll}\text { cases } & 7 & 6 \pm \\ \text { bls..... } & 6 \frac{1}{2}, & 65\end{array}$ | 'FAIRBANK's' REFINED COMPOUND. |
| " Bulk, in bxs................ 18 | Plantation Ceylon..................29, 31 | " Filiatras, bis.... ${ }^{4}$ | In Butter Tubs........................ $\begin{aligned} & 0 \\ & \text { Fancy } \\ & 0\end{aligned} 0_{09}^{2}$ |
| JOHN P. MOTT \& Co.'s | Guatamala........................ 24,26 | cases .. 61/2, 6\% <br> atras, bbls....... 63/4, 7 | 3-hoop pails .............. $009009 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| R. S. McIudoe, Agent, Toronto.) <br> Mott's Broma...............per lb \$0 30 | Maracaibo ........................ 24,28 | $\frac{1}{2} \mathrm{bbls}$ $\qquad$ 7, 71 <br> cases. $\qquad$ 71, $7 \%$ | 60 lb . cases of $3 \mathrm{lb} ., 51 \mathrm{~b}$. , and 10 lb , tins, per 1b ...... 010 |
| Mott's Prepaired Cocos...... ${ }^{\text {C }}$ | whole roa | Vostizzas, cases. $71 / 2,81 / 2$ |  |
| Mott's Hommopat'c Cocos(1/4s) 32 |  |  | LIs \& EEIGHLEY's. |
| Mott's Breakfast Cocoa....... ${ }_{45}^{46}$ | ELLIS \& EEIGHLEY's. per lb | (cases)............ 91, 91 | Is \& EEIGHLEY's. |
| Mott's No.1 Chocolate......... 30 |  | case.... 918,9\% | rham, Fine, |
| Mott's Breakfast Chocolate... 28 | Java and Mocha................. 34, 34 | Dates, Persian, boxes, ...... 6\% , 61/2 |  |
| Mott's Caracas Chocolate.... 40 |  | Figs, Elemes, 14 oz ., per box $\quad$ \% 12 | Fine, in 1 lb jars....... 28 |
| Mott's Diamond Chocolate.... 22 | Arabian Mocha .................... ... 37 |  |  |
| Mott's French-Can. Chocolate ${ }^{\text {Mott's }}$ ( ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Santos........................... 28, 28 | Prunes, Bosnia,hhds .......... $73 / 8$ | Superior, in bulk, perlb |
| Mott's Navy or Cooking Choc. ${ }_{30}^{26}$ | English Breakfast............ 16, 24 |  | Fine, 6 |
| Mott's Cocoa Shells.............. 5 | Royal Dandelion in 11 l tins.. ... 26 | Raisins, Valencia, off stalk, $6 \frac{1}{6} 6 \frac{1}{2}$ | COLMAN'S AND KEEN'S |
| Mott's Vanilla Chocolatestick | TODHUNTER, MITCHELL \& CO.'s | Selected................... ${ }^{7 \frac{1}{2}} 8$ | 41 b jars....................... 75 |
| Mott's Vanilla Chocolatestick ${ }^{22}$ | Excelsior Blend.................. . .. 33 | Layers .......................... ${ }^{8} 8$ 818 | In $\mathrm{S}_{\text {S }} \mathrm{F}$. ${ }_{\text {in }}$ |
| Mott's Pure Confec. Chocolate $220-38$ | Our Own 4 Ex................... .... 31 |  | , |
| t's Sweet Confec Choc.21c-30 <br> J. W. COWAN \& co's. |  | Malaga: | . ${ }^{\text {in }}$ in $\frac{1}{1 / 4} \mathrm{lb}$ tins, per lib........ 44 |
|  | a, Sta | London layers ..... ...... $\begin{aligned} & 3 \\ & 0\end{aligned} 0 \begin{array}{lll}3 & 25\end{array}$ |  |
| Hygienic, 1, $\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} 1 \mathrm{lb}$. boxes ........ 70, 75 | Old Government ......... 30, 32 | Imperial cabinets .......... $385{ }^{2} 50$ |  |
| Iceland Moss $1 / 4 \mathrm{lbin} 121 \mathrm{~b}$ boxes 35 | Arabian Mocha................. .... 36 | " ${ }^{\text {a }}$ ( qrs., flat. ..... 100 | NUTS |
| London Pearl, " ${ }^{\text {a }}$, 30 | Santos .......................... ... 28 | Connoisseur clusters ..... 400 4 25 |  |
| Soluble (bulk) $15 \& 30 \mathrm{lb}$ bxs ... 18, 20 |  | Extra dessert \% ...... $475 \quad 500$ | monds, Ivica ............ $14{ }^{\text {per }} 15$ |
| Soluble (tins) 61 lb and $12 \mathrm{lb} . . .{ }^{\text {a }}$, 20 |  | " " qrs. ...... 150 | " Tarragona....... 1617 |
| Cocoa Nibs, any quantity ... 30, 35 | Standard Java in sealed | Roy.. 1 clusters .............. 600650 | Formig |
| Cocoa Shells, any quantity... 05 | 25 and 50 lbs................. 30 | Fancy Vega cartoons ..... ...... 275 | Almonds, Shelled Valencias 34, 36 |
| Cocoa Essence............per doz 140 | Standard Imperial in sealed 32 | Black baskets ............... 4 4 00 |  |
| exican, $1 / 4,1 / 2$ in 10 lb bxs 30 |  | Blue " | Cocoan |
| Queen's Dessert, $40$ | 25 and 50 lbs................. 33 | ". qrs ............ 150160 | Filberts, Sicily.................. ii |
| Vanilla $\quad 4$ | Ground, in tins, 5, 10, 15 and | Fine Dehesas ............... 700 7 25 | Filberts, Oblong .............. 1415 |
| Sweet Caracas un 32 | 25 lbs......................... 20, 30 |  | Peanuts, roasted ............ 13, 13, |
| Chocolate Powder, 15, $30 \mathrm{lb} \mathrm{bxs} \quad 25$ | Say's Parisien, in 1/2 andlb tins 30 | Lemons, Malaga ........... | W " green ............... 111 18 |
| Chocolate Sticks, pergross... 00 |  | Palermos .......... 325450 | Walnuts, Grenoble ........ ${ }_{\text {\% }} 18$ |
| Pure Caracas (plain) $1 / 4,1 / 2 \mathrm{lbs} \mathrm{l}^{40}$ | EXTRACTS |  | Bordeaux ......... 12, 13 |
| Royal Navy (sweet) ${ }^{\text {Ronfectioners', in } 101 \mathrm{~b} \text { cakes }} \quad 30$ |  | Oranges, Jamaicas ............. |  |
| Chocolate Creams, in 31 l bxs 30 | Dalley's Fine Gold, No. 8, per doz. | Valencias ............ ...... 450 | Chilis ................... $12.18{ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| Chocolate Parisien, in 61 lb bxs 30 | ". | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { California navels } & \ldots & 5 & 50 \\ \text { River. seedlings. } & \mathbf{3} 50 & 400\end{array}$ | PICKLES \& SAUCES |
|  | 3 oz...... 200 | DOMESTIC. <br> Apples, Dried, per lb.... 0080084 <br> do Evaporated...... .... 013 | bRYANT, GIBSON \& CO's. TORONTO PICELES. |
|  | er bbl. | GLASSWARE. <br> TAYLOR, SCOTT \& CO. | John Bull, mixed, in bulk Chow Pic'le in b'lk $\quad 80 \quad \begin{aligned} & 60 \\ & 65\end{aligned}$ |
|  | our, Family............ \$4 60485 | per doz | xed \& Chow-Chow pts ed \& Chow-Chow Qts 3 |
| Gibson \& Gibson's. per lb | nitoba Patent.. | Lamp Chimneys, ${ }_{4}$ A................... ${ }_{\text {a }}{ }_{35}$ |  |
| Gibson's Cocoa, 1/48 ...... 030 | " White wheat patent ...... 5540 | 45 | Horse Radish, bottles, perdoz 225 |
|  | Oatmeal, standard, bbis .... 485 |  | sauces. |
|  | $\because$ granulated, " $\quad . . .485$ | What Grain. 00 | n Bull, kegs, pergal....... 8125 |
| Sydney Gibson's Chocolate, 1/4s. | led " | Wheat,Full,No.2, .......... 100102 | pt. bottles, per doz |
|  | Rolled Oats .............. .... 500 | Red Winter, No. 2100102 | (acccrding to quantity) 90e to 100 |
| Gibson's Rock do | Bran, per ton.............. .a... 1700 | " Spring, No.2..... .... 095 | Devonshire Relish, kegs p.gal 175 |
| Dr. Clarke's. do 1/4s. 040 | Cornmeal .................. 350 ¢ 400 | " Man. ${ }^{\text {rard, }}$ No.2.. 106107 | per doz ........................ 125 |

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| Granulated smoking tobacco. | Sea Foam, \% " $\quad$ - ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | YEAST. |  |
| granulated smoking tobacco, Per lb. |  |  |  |
| Uncle Tom, 1-5, 6 lb boxes...... 40 c | Oatmeal, 1 " | Barm yeast in boxes of 2 | Carbolic Acid .................. 050 0 0 O 55 |
| " "t $1-10,6 \mathrm{lb}$ " $\ldots \ldots$. 4 $4^{\prime} \mathrm{c}$ |  |  | Castor Oil ....................... 0.13 0 14 |
| - |  |  | Cream Tartar ................. 0300031 |
| Perlb. | Albert Oatmeal bar, 2 doz. boxes 075 |  | Epsom Salts........... $.0001 \frac{1}{8} 002 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Wig Wag, 1/2, 61 lb boxes $\ldots . . . .$. 35c | boxes............................ 075 | Royal Yeast Cakes, 3 doz 5 c . |  |
| " $1-5,6 \mathrm{lb}$ " $\ldots . \ldots \ldots .{ }^{\text {asc }}$ | gro. | packages in case....percase 100 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 13 & 0 & 14 \\ 0 & 15 & 0 & 17\end{array}$ |
| $1-10,61 \mathrm{~b}$ " $\quad . . . . . . .40 \mathrm{c}$ | Fatherland, $\frac{1}{\text { doz boxes... } 500}$ |  | Gentian ...................... 0 ¢ 010 |
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| Victoria, - - " ... 70c | "t ${ }^{3}$ " " $\ldots .$. " $\ldots 190$ | Desiccated Wheat....... 4 lb \% $\$ 230$ |  |
| High Court, - " " .... 655 | Pails, 2hoops, clear......No. $2 . .8160$ | " Rolled Oats... 4 " 225 | Soda Bicarb, per keg ...... 256 2 75 |
| Jersey Tilly, - " - ... 60c |  | Snow Flake Barley. ...... 4 "/ $2^{40}$ | Sal Soda................... 100 125 |
| Globe Fine Cut, foil, per gruss.. 8900 | Tubs, No.0.................. 950 | Rolled Wheat Flakes.... 4 "/ 225 | Madder ......................... 0 12 12 |
| Solace Fine Cut, " ". ... 600 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}\text { Buckwheat Flour, S. R... } & \text { 4 " } & 200 \\ \text { Prepared Pea Flour...... } & 2 \frac{1}{2} \text { " } & 180\end{array}$ | Madder ......................... 0 12. |
| cigars-s. Davis \& sons, Montreal. | 700 600 | Baravena Milk Food...... 1 " 300 | VINEGAR. |
|  | W. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Patent Prepared Barley 1 " 180 |  |
| Madre E' Hijo, Lord Landsdowne ${ }^{\text {d }} 600$ | Washboards, Grobe Water Witch... ${ }_{\text {W1 }}$ | Patent Prepared Groats 1 "] 150 | 0 |
| " " Panetelas ......... 6000 | Northern Queen. ${ }^{\text {N }}$ ( 25 | Beef and Barley Extracts 6 oz 285 |  |
| Bouquet .......... 6000 | Planet. ......... 170 | Gluten Flour............. 4 oz 280 | XXX, W. W ................................ 0.15 |
| ". Perfectos.......... 8500 | Waverly........... 160 |  | Honey D |
| ./ Longfellow....... 8500 | X X................ 150 | HARDWARE, | Pickling |
| Reina Victoria .... 8000 | " X ................ 130 | A | Malting ................................... 045 |
| . Pins ............. 5500 | " Single Crescent.... 185 | . |  |
| E1 Padre, Reina Victoria : ....... 5500 | Double 4 ... 275 | Cut Nails, from Toronto: | THE BADGEROW FALCONER VINEGAR CO |
| ". Reina Vict., Especial .. 5000 | Jubilee ............. 225 |  |  |
| ". Conchas de Regalia.... 5000 | er case. | 8 dy. and $9 \mathrm{dy} . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .{ }_{2} 85{ }_{2} 90$ | Tarragona $\qquad$ 032 |
| ". Bouquet................ 5500 | Matches, 5 case lots. Single cases | 4 dy , to 7 dy ................. 305310 | Triple ............................. 4.030 |
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| Mungo, Nine ........................ 3500 |  | Horse Nails : | XXX $\quad$ XX |
| Cable, Conchas............. . . . . . . 3000 |  | "C" 50 and 10 per cent. to 60 from | Extra XX .................... ${ }_{\text {XX }}$ |
| Queens | Mops and Handles, comb. 125 |  | X.................................. .6 0 16 |
| igarettes, all | Butter tubs .............., 8160 \$3 20 | From Toronto, per keg .. 360375 | Cider Vinegar................ 016 to 025 |
| Cable ........................... 70.700 | Butter Bowls, crates ast'd 360 | Screws: Wood- | Honey Vinegar........................ 025 |
| E1 Padre . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 110.1500 |  | Flat head iron $77 \frac{1}{2}$ p.c. dis | Eng. Malt Vinegar ......... 050 to 060 |
| Mauricio .............. | 5 gross, per box ..................... 075 | Round " " 72 p.c. dis. | Bottled Malt Vinegar, qts...... \& 00 |
| Ominion cut tobacco works, mon- | 5 grons, per box...............................$~$ <br> 4 <br> 4 <br> gross, <br> 85 | Flat head brass 75 p.c. dis. | Methylated Spirits....... 200 to 225 |
| treal. cigarettes. Per M. |  | Round head brass |  |
| cigarettes. Per M. Athlete \% | CHAs. BGEKH \& SONS.' | 25 in and under ............ 1551 |  |
| Athlete................. ......... 87. | 5 per box | 26 to 40 ........... 160 1 000 |  |
| Puritan ................ ......... 6 6 25 | 5 gross, single and ten box | 41 to 50 ............... 360 000 | Trout ................per plb .... 00 |
| Sultana.............. ............ 575 | lots........................ 075080 | 51 to $60 \quad$........... 390 0 OC | it |
| Derby_........................ .... 400 | Star, 4 doz. in package ..... ..... 085 | 61 to 70 ................. $420 \quad 000$ | ish Columbis salmon |
|  | "\% ...... ..... 125 | ROPE: Manilla ................ 015016 | itish Columbia salmon |
| Sweet Sixtee | tton bags ..... 090 | Sisal....................... 0 11 0 12 | Lake herring...... per $100 \quad 250 \quad 300$ |
| cut tobaccos. per lb | INDURATED FIBRE WARE. | Axes: Per box, $\$ 6$ to $\$ 12$. | Lake herring...... per 100 per lb 005000 |
|  | 支pail, 6 qt................................. 8400 | Hinges: Heavy T and strap ... $0505 \frac{1}{}$ | Pike ................. do ..... 0 041 |
| ld Chum, $\frac{1}{8} 1 \mathrm{bpkg} 5 \mathrm{lb}$ box.... 65 | Star Standard, 12 qt ... .............. 450 | " Screw, hook \& strap. 0338 | Smelts..................... 002907 |
| Old Virgin., 1-10 1bpkg., 10 lbbxs 5 ? | Mikk, $14 \mathrm{qt............................}$. | White Lead : Pure Ass'n guarantee | Pickled and Salt Fish |
| Gold Block, $\frac{1}{8}$ lb pkg, 51 lb boxes 65 | Round bottomed fire puil, 14 qt. 550 | ground in oil. | Labrador herring, p. bbl $575 \begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & 50\end{aligned}$ |
| cigarette | Tubs, No. 1 | 25 lb irons................per ${ }^{\text {lb }}$ 53/3 | Shore herring ..... |
|  |  | No. 1 | Salmon trout, per $1 / 2 \mathrm{bbl} 425 \quad 4$ |
| C. N. $1,1-10,51 \mathrm{l}$, boxes ....... 88 |  |  | Whitefish .... |
| Puritan, $1-10,5 \mathrm{lb}$ boxes......... 180 | Keelers No. 1..................................... 10.100 | No. 3 ..................... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ - ${ }^{\text {4/4 }}$ | Lake herring split " 250800 |
| thlete, perlb................... 110 | $2$ $\qquad$ 900 | Turpentine Selected packages, per | Dried Fish: <br> Codfish, per quintal........ 525 |
| SOA | 3.......................... 800 | LINSEED ÖL: pergal, raw 064065 | 500550 |
|  | " 4 ........................... 700 | Boiled, per gal.......... 067068 | Bonele ss fish........per 1b ...... 004 |
| vory Bar, 1 lb . bars ...... perlb $5 \frac{1}{2}$ | Milk pans ............................. 325 | Castor Oil : Best per 1b... 011012 | Boneless cod ........ " $006 \frac{1}{2} 008 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| Do. 2, 6-16 and 3 lb bars | Wash Basins, flat bottoms........ 275 | Glue : Common, perlb .. 010 |  |
| rimrose, $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{lb}$ bars, wax W ". $4 \frac{1}{4}$ | " round " | GLut. Conmon, perib ... 0 10 |  |
| " ${ }^{\text {cake }}$, wax W perdoz ${ }^{42}$ | Handy dish ........................... 375 | PETROLEUM | Bloaters........... per box ${ }^{1} 100^{2} 150$ |
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| Mayfiower, cake, | DURABLE PAILS AND TUBS | Canadian …...................... 0 15, Qo $_{0} 16$ | Sea Fish: |
| " $13 \mathrm{oz}, 1$ and 2 lb . bars ...... $3 \frac{1}{4}$ | wm. cane \& zons, manufacturing co | Carion Safety............. 0 15t ${ }^{\frac{1}{2}} 018$ | Haddock ..............per lb $005 \frac{1}{4} 006$ |
| aeen's Laundry, per bar........ 5 . | NEWMARKET. | Canadian Water White $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 20 & 022\end{array}$ | Cod.................... 4 ¢ 07608 |
| de of Kitchen, per box........ 275 |  | Amer'n Prime White .. 0238024 | Spring salmon...... \#\% 018090 |
| Sapolio, $\frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} \text { gross boxes ............. } 325}$ | Steel hoops, painted and grain'd 290 | "Water White.. 025000 | Flounders ......-... "1 0050051 |
| per gross, net cash ....... 1200 | Brass hoops, oiled and varnish. 325 | Photogene................ 0287000 | Halibut............ " ...... 020 |

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