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-A brancin of the Ontario Bank will shorlly be opened at ITweed, Ont.
-Tue real estate sales in this city recorded last month amounted to $\$ 1$ 086,451.

- Hamicron, Ont, is seeking governmental aid to the amount of $\$ 200,000$ in improving the harbor and the Burlington canal.
-Fnox the vicinity of London, Ont,; most encouraging reports of the fall wheat crop are lieard. Prospects at present are for an extra yield.
-Anvices from Buenos Ayres state that the wheat harvest has begun. It is estl. mated that over $1,500,000$ tons will be avallable for export.
-Tne last Canada "Gazette" contains an official notice that in future $\$ 5,000$ of the annual output of each mining claim will be exempt from royalty.
-Fon the first time in some years there Is a scarcity In Toronto of moderate sized houses, and more sales of real estate than in any year since the boom collapsed,
-A Queen Anne farthing, dated 1713, was sold at Christie's, London, recently for $\$ 140$, which is the value of 47,380 of the same coin now carrent. So much for the value put on rarity.
- A Cinatilam, Ont., concern in the trading stamp line has "folded its tent." The recent action of the Grocers" Association in deciding against allgift gchemes after May 1st doubtless had its effect.
-Penny-in the-slot gas meters ubed in Derby, England, in 1808 were a success. Nine-and-a-half million cubio feet of gas were sold that way. For one cent 12 to 14 cubic feet are supplied through these meters.
-At a meating of the Board of Ontario Matual Life Assurance Company held at Waterloo, Ont., on the 14th instant, the Hon. F. W. Borden and the Gon. J. T. Garrow were elected directors to fill exist. ing vacancies.

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-A setthement at 75 cents in the dollar has been secured by E. Pelletler, general dealer, St. Romuald, Que, previously reported as in dificultios.
-Blight Bros., stationery, Toronto, Ont., reported some weeks ago as laving assigned; are now endeavoring to compromise. Liabilities are $\$ 5,300$; assets $\$ 3,800$.
-Tinkmis likellhood of a considerable advance in window shades owing to the advanced cost of the raw products. Prices Lave materially advanced in the U.S. marketo,
-The stock of Thomas Pethick, London, Ont., consisting of clothing, cloth, and men's furnishings was purchased by E.J. Pethick at 45 cents in the dollar. The total valuation was $\$ 8,800$.
-Colounkd border handkerchlefs, in men's goods, are again coming inte the market, after an absence of some years. The styles conform to the patterns shown in the new coloured shirting designe.
-a Canadian banker, who has recently visited Florida, saya that he would not give a good farm in Canada for a Iarge section of that State across which travellers pass on ronte to the well. known resortë-in Florida,
-Trim Grand Trunk Railway has just turned out a monster locomotive maro at its Point St. Charles shops. It has ten wheels and is capable of hauling 60 loaded passenger cars, which is doublo the power of ordinary engines.
-Tins fruit district between Lamilton, Ont., and Nlagara Falls gives promise of an excellent gield this season. Frait trees are shown to be two to three weeks late in budding ont, but no harm from the late severe winter is shown.
-Linimitties of $\$ 1,500$ are shown againgt the estate of 0 . Lepage, crockery and fancy goods, Montraal, after an experience of about three years. Assets $\$ 700$. Some assistance was given him by his father on commencing. The estate will be wound up.
-Tms Lindsay, Ont., Town Councll will consider the feasi. bility of meeting the proposition of a joint stock company who propose to establish live stock yar.s in the town, provided $\$ 10$,000 be giveu, also a freesite of five acres and exemption from taxes for ton years.
-For transformation scenes Montreal "beats the band"-but what that means we are not aware. Last week our main streats were covered.over a foot thick with ice. On Monday all of it had gone, dust was blowing about, and the noise of watering carts was heard in the land.
-A depotation in the interests of Canadian grown tobaceo has sought the Minister of Internal Revenue with the object of securing assistance in finding a market for this product. Specialists in Sweden, Denmark and Germany have reported very favorably on the Canadian leaf.
-The appointment of Mr. James Thom, formerly of the Ham. burg American Line, as manager for Messrs. Furness, Withy \& Co., at this port, meets with the general approval of shipping men. Furness, Withy \& Co., in the new arrangement, will act as agents for the Hamburg steamers.
-Figures relating to the Irish flax-crop show that whereas it produced 34,000 tons in 1851 when' they were only- 390,000 spindles at work, and probably somewhat under 100 power-looms, the crop was returned at, 20,000 tons in 1800 when there were 827,000 spindies and 20,500 power-looms.
-The market prices of the securities of all the Crown colonies of Great Britain have advanced from 1 to 3 points since January, on a report that the Imperial Government was about to guarantee their debts. This is not the case, but the bome authorities have a scheme in hand to enable the Crown colonies to borrow on more favorable terms,
-Tme steamer "Stella," sunk near the Channel Islands, is proved to have been golng at great speed in a fog in order to beat a rival. Captain Lecky in his work on Navigation problems, declares that nothing can excuse high speed being kept up in a fog. He ridicules the idea of dead reckoning being rellable to keep a vessel in a safe position.
-Tres scarcity of good investments paying an acceptable rate of interest, has induced several promlnent English insurance companies to join in flotilag a real estate company in London with capital of $\$ 2,000,000$. We have every confldence in the good judgment of the managers of the companies interested bat hope their example will nat be followed in Canada.

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#### Abstract

-In our issue of the 14th inst. the name of Mr. N. Jalbert. harness, Windsor Mills, Que, was given as being in financial diffculties. The name ghould have been Pierre Jalbert. We are pleased to state that Mr. N. Jalbert of the same place has been conducting a successful business from the outset, and is in no way connscted with Plerre Jalbert who has since assigned. -A reannt letter from Kingaton, Ont. saya: "This city has now four elevators-the M. T. Company's capacity, 800,000 bushels; Kingston Elevator \& Transit Company, 550,000 bushels; Richardson's, 250,000 bushels, and Donoghue's, 80,000 bushels. Twenty million bushels of grain were handied here last season. The Frontenac mill has a capacity of 500 barrels of flour per day," -Tre spring freshets, accompanied by heavy rains have swollen the Canadian streams much beyond the usual extent. At-Guelph, Brantford and Galt, Ont., the highest mark for many years has been shown. The damage will in some places be quite extensive as damb, bridges, etc., have been washed away, gtreets and cellars inundated and many factories compelled to shat down. -THE acreage of wheat thoughout Manitoba according to recent reporta from Winnipeg, shows an increase of 20 per cent . over that sown a year ago. Oats show a like increase. The Wheat prospect is generally favorable. The Ogilvy Milling Company are calling for tenders for a twolve hundred horse power engine which will be required in their expected output of three thousand barrels of flour daily. - Tres National Sheep Breeders' Association of England ia anxious to have communications from sheep breeders In Canada as to the pedigree of their flocks, containing also suggestions or information that may be of interest to breeders generally. In June, $1900_{1}$ a Conference of representatives of this industry will be held at York. The secratary's address is, Fitzalan House, Arundel St., Strand, London, W.C. We hope Canada will be represented in this movement which is intended to improve the breed of sheep, which could be done in this country to pery great advantage.


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-Adyices from Windsor, Ont., state that Sandwich is to have the largest wine manufacturing establighment in Canada. A new company with a capital stock of $\$ 200,000$ is being formed to take over and enlarge the wine-making business of E. Girardot \& Co. Application for a charter has been made to the Ontario Government, and as soon as the incorporation is complete work on the extension of the plant will be begun.
-Tue remarkable productiveness of the land in Great Britain is shown by an oflicial reture of the crops in 1898, which gives the following statistics per acre, as quoted by the London Economist :Wheat, 34.74 bushels; barley, 85.75 ; oats, 40.76 ; beans, 31.07 ; peas, 27.62. Potatoes, 6.26 tons; turnips, 12.04 tons; mangolds; 17.65 tons. Hay from 20.24 to 33.65 cwts , and hops, 7.17 cwts . The yield last year waq above the average.
-The Montreal Novelty Company, doing business at Montreal and Louisville, Que, has assigned. Jas. R. Cote is said to be the only partner, and has been conducting the business under the above title since Dec. '97. He was previously in partnership with J. B. Lalime. An expectation of a bonus from Louisville did not, however, mature owing to the concern not boing a joint stock company, A are last Dacember did considerable damage.
*-Tue production of coll in England last year was 147,811,478 tons; in Scotland, 30,287,205 tons; in Wales, 23,808,506 tons; and in Ireland, 120,965 tons; a total of 202,042,243 tons, as against 202,118,106 tons in 1897. The production of iron ore was 7,001,* 016 tons; of fire-clay, 2,783,120 tons. The number of parsons em. ployed under the Coal Kines Regulation Act was 708,894, of whioh there were 503,010 in England, 92,022 in Scotland, 109,081 sin Wales and 681 in Ireland.

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#### Abstract

-A Haminion, Ont., despatch states that the directors of the Mamilton Blast Furnace Company and the Ontarlo Rolling Mills have sanctioned the steps taken for the amalgamation of these two concerns. The new company will be capitalized at $\$ 2,000$,000, and will take over the smelting works, rolling mills and forge works. A steel plant will be established at once, and the new concern will tarn out pig iron, steel billats, iron and steel bare, angle iron and steel. The number of employees will be largely increased. -Tare Dominion Cutton Mills Co. held its annual maeting on 13th inst. The profits for past year were stated to have been $\$ 435,888$. The goods sold amounted to $\$ 2,825,000$. The company had earoed 10 per cent and paid a 0 per cent dividend on a capital of $\$ 3,000,000$, with faterest on bonds. The mills of the company were being re-fitted with the most modern machinery, and the prospects were regarded very hopefully. The Hon. I. 0. Villenouve, who had retired from the Board owing to failing


 health, was replac ed by Hon. L. J. Forget.-Tink combination plumber and retail merchant seldom succeeds. He who is accustomed from early life to handling only the crude metals of his trade is scarcely the person fitted to engage in or direct the affairs of a mercantile business, which requires all the experienced skill and quick perception of the trained mind to bring to a successful issue. Yet occasionally we see this beling tried, but as a rule the profits are in the shape of chilling remembrances. M. Vezina, a Quebec plumber concluded some years ago to add groceries to his trade, but not finding it successfal closed out again about a year ago. Complications arose, however, and his assignment is now the result.
-Tıe business experience of J. F.Therien, general merchant, St. Gregoire, Que., which is spread over twenty-five years, certainly shows its share of the shipwrecks endured by the average mariner. He was originally at itt. Wenceslas. In '76 he be came involved and obtained a settlement, removing to St. Gregoire in '84. In ' 88 he again got stranded and settled at 05 cents in the dollar in 12 months. In 35 debte once more 8 g gregated too muoh for his capital, and this time he was let off at 70 cents in the dollar payable in $3,6,9$ and 12 months. He is now in the same fix and asks his indulgent creditore to throw off 40 per cent of their claims to enable him to pay the balance in 3,6 and 9 months.
Bay of Qunte Notes-The Deseronto eawmill will start on Monday for the season-The Car Works at Deseronto, are building a construction car for the Hamilton Bridge Company-The ice bridge at Deseronto opposite the ship-yard commenced to go out on Wednesday moruing about 100 colock and by early in the afternoon the Bay was clear of loe-The building on Main Street Deseronto, recently occupied as the Post-oltice has been renou vated and furnished in magaificent shape, and is now occupied by A. G. Hamilton, the Deseronto agent of the Slater Shoe Com-pany- -W. F. Floming who bas been running a general store business at Shannonville for some yeare past, has moved into the Malloy bakery at that place-The stenmer "Ella Ross" will make her first regular trlp on Wednesday next, leaving Deser: onto at $7.30 \mathrm{a} . \mathrm{m}$, for Belleville and Traiton-The steamer "Des. eronto" starts her regular trips ou Saturday, leaving Deseronto at 7 a.m. and $2.25 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
-Whetrifr the United States will adopt their own system of weights and measures in Cuba, Porto Rico, and the Philippines remains to be seen, but with the growing population expected to be formed in a large degree from U. S. inhabltants it is more than likely the American system will come into use. In their new possessions the metric system is in force. "It would be a" great pity," says a New York journal, "if the simple method of reckoning thus provided should be changed for the cumbrous mode of calculating which is so unfortunate a heritage from our British forefathers. Far from making our new possessions conform to the methods in force in this country, we should take a leaf out of their book by spreading throughout our home territory the system acquired from Spain, that country having in this. instance been ahead of the United States."
-Tre following table estimates the home consumption of Wheat during the harvest year 1893.9, contranted with 1807.8 and 1895.6:-

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## GROCERY NOTES

Following in the wake of the U.S. augar refiners who have recently-been out-doing one another in their efforts at placing their respective products in various sized packages of one to ten lbs. before the bugy retailers, comes an announcement from some quarters in the West that package augars do more harm that good. St. Paul and Minneapolis Grocers' Associations are discussing the feasibility of boycotting them. This has Ied to discussions in many trade papers as to whether the package sugar is really a benefit. We venture to say that with few exceptions retail dealers will hail with pleasure any such move, In large stores serious loss is often encountered in the giving of overweight by some careless or now assistant, whose thoughts are liable to be some distance away from his duties. Often the scales are unknowingly placed wrong and in the weighing out of a barrel of sugar a direct loss is sustained, and sometimes never known in the hurried and various daties attached to the busy store. Another point is shown in the reliel afforded the averaging retailer from the possibility of censure for short weight : a suspicion which will continue to live under existing conditions.

A London Ietter on the cheese and butter situation, bearing date the 7th instant says: The cheese market remains firm with business of a holiday character and prices are well maintained. Canadian and New Zealand, it may be noted, are both 139 per owt. higher than in the corresponding week of last year. Present prices for Canadian and American are : Can., ohoicest, 58 to 54 s ; finest, 49 to 51 s . Am., choicest, 51 s to 52 s ; finest, 48 to 49 s . Same date last year, Can. choicest, 40 to 41s; finest, 37 to 39s; Am. choicest, 38 to 303 ; finest, 30 to 88 s . The weather all over the United Kingdom and the butter exporting countries of Europe contiunes mild, but there is a decided want of rain, and though showers have fallen during the last day or two pastures cannot grow fast or become good without a considerable increased ralnfall. Prices for choicest are : Danigh and Swedish, 110 to L13s; Victorian, 96 to 100s; New South Wales, 968 to 100 s ; South Australian 96 to 98 s .

A letter received from a leading Columbia river salmon packer dated April 7th says: "There is every indication that prices heretofore mentioned (on 1899 pack of Columbia River salmon) as boing the probable opening figures, namely, 㑊. 25 for tails, $\$ 1.40$ for flats and 80 c for halfs, will prevall. There is a strong probability of raw fish starting at 5e, and as long as it remains at such a figare the market for the canned product will not fall below the figures mentioned above, and even at those prices the packers would not come outas well as the's did last year at $\$ 1.05$ for tails. Five cents per pound for salmon means that the best grade of chinook will cost 23 to $2 \overline{\mathrm{c}} \mathrm{c}$ per dozen more than last year."

Reports from Los Angelos state that navel oranges are about exhausted.

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The proposed formation of a manufacturing and trading company, with the principal establishment at Honfleur, Que., on the Peribonca River, comes in a late report from Quebec. Among the articles to be manufactured are starch, and varlous lines of woodenware ; also buying and shipping produce and conducting branch stores throughout the Lake St. John district.

Complaint is heard among handlers of maple syrup that the quality of syrup coming in from some sections of the Townships is very poor. It soon sours
Mail advices from San Francisco report an easier market for lima beans, owing to the fairly good crop prospects.
Pineapples aresaid to be a rather heavy crop this season and values will hence rule iow.

- A New form of joint stock company has been invented. Earl Warvick and the Countess have become the property of a joint stock company, or rather their life interests in the family estates, which they have handed over to a company for a "cash down" consideration. They hold part of the stack, Ir ruth makes fun of this and asks, if the stockholders will take turn and turn about to vote in the House of Lords? Truth also suggests that on visiting cards the amount of the person's property ought to be stated. Thus a card would read; Arthur Pendenais : $\$ 00,000$, or, so much annual income. By this system Truth considers that every one could be graded socially on a definite and recognised principle, and such mistakes avoided as paying respect to frivolities like culture, high character, \& © ., in the absence of the solid worth of money!
-Trie "Grgpesia" has reached a Newfonndland port being towed there by a sealing steamer after being locked up in an icefield for six weeks. The resoue was timely as the vessel's provisions were within a fow days of exhaustion. We much regret this disaster to the first vessel on the new route to Paspeblac as, apart from the loss to the promoters and suffering to the crew and passengers on the "Gaspesia," the incident has created prejudice against the Canadian route. No similar disaster ever happened to a vessel bound for Hallfax, St. John, or this port.
-A fIRE at Halffax, N.S., on the 10th inst., destroyed tho stock of Wm. Crowe, fancy goods dealer; W: H. Cabot, dry goode, and Angus Taylor, hats and caps. The total loss is between $\$ 50,000$ and $\$ 60,000$.


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Montreal, Friday, April 21st, 1899.

IMPOR'TS FROM GREAT BRITALN AND THE UNITED STATES IN 1895 AND 1888.
The table below gives the respective amounts of the imports into Canada from Great Britain and the United States in the fiszal years 1890 and 1898 . . The statistics cover the bulk of the articles imported which are of the nature of manufactures, those not included being such products as coal, grains, tea, coffee, provisions, ice., which we import from Great Britain only on a nominal scale and for which there is practically no market in Canada for those of British origin.
It is very much to be regretted that the official returns of the 'Trade and Navigation are arranged on a different system of classification year by year. This renders the work of comparing the imports of one year with another, not ouly exceedingly laborious, but, to a large extent unsatisfactory, so far as exactitude of comparison is concerned: The returns, of 1898 are presented in an exceptionally diflicult form. For instance, the articles coming under the general classification of "drugs, dyes, chemicals and medicines," are divided into 52 sections. Cotton goods are divided into 38 sections $\check{r}$ fish into 47 sections; fruit into 32 sections. Manufac. tures of iron and steel are given under 128 different classifications, and manufactures of wool are divided into 30 sections. To get at the results necessary for making a comparison with other years involves an enormous amount of very tedious work. It is like the task of taking an army of 50,000 ..soldiers who are all mixed up, and picking them out by their uniforms to

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be grouped into their several military divisions by regi--ments. It has been ciaimed that the amended tariff simplified the old one, and did away with the confusion arising from so many sub-divisions. If, however, the tariff is to be judged by the elaborate tables issued of imports in 1898, as compared with those in earlier years, the changes made have been made by the introduction of very much more numerous and far more elaborate sub-divisions. Before being published the statisties of the Trade and Navigation Department should be overhauled in the Statistical Department, where they could be systematised and grouped in tables which would present the figures in a more intelligible and readable form.

Looking down the table below, it is only too evident that the American imports all along the line siuce 1895 have been increasing more extensively and generally than those from Great Britain. We are, however, satisfied that this is chiefly attributable to the comparative neglect of the Canadian market by British mamnfacturers and merchants, in contrast with the energetic caltivation of the markets of the Dominion by American manufacturers and merchants.
It will be useless for Cauada to have given Great Britain a preferential tariff concession, unless British producers study and take advantage of the opportunities such preference affords for enlarging their trade with this country. They have been granted a reduction of 25 per cent on all the duties imposed by Canada on imported goods, that is, a British manufacturer or merchant can put his goods in this market at 25 . per cent less duty than is charged on goods which are not of British origin. We are satisfied that this advantage has not been fully realized by the exporters of Great Britain. By some indeed it has never been thoroughly understood. Trade is always apt to get into grooves, and British mannfacturers are especially prone to follow each other along beaten tracks, when, by striking out into new ones, they could secure business which is being harvested by those who are more enterprising. If British manufacturers would put themselves and their goods more in evidence in Canada; if as we say on. this side; they would hang out their "shingles" more prominently and so seek to attract the observation of buyers, they could largely expaud their trade with Canada.
A country like this, which is one of the largest and most generous buyers of foreigngoods in the world, in proportion to its population, and which has prospects of development exceeding in promise those of any other country, bas existing and coming markets which are surely worth more assiduous cultivation by British pro-

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ducers. There is an immense advantage in an expand--ing market like that of Canada, acquired by those who have foresight and enterprise enough to get an early foothold. Trade, like a tree, needs to be planted early to get that grip of the soil which is necessary for growth into such strength as ensures permanence. Those who are waiting for the Cauadian market to be larger before they seek a stand in it, are making a grave mistake. When they decide to plant their tree in our soil, they may fiud the ground so occopied that it will be iimpossible to find such an opening as they desire. We therefore urge British manufacturers and merchants who are postponing their efforts to acquire Cauadian business, to take a leaf ont of Uncle Sam's book, who, by not despising the day of small things is acquiring an advantageous position for enjoying the day of Canada's expansion.

Canada bas done far more than her duty in giving 25 per cent preferential duty in favour of British goods. The promise of this was received in Great Britain with enthusiasw, but something more is wanted to secure trade than mere verbal appreciation. When the fabled waggoner was stuck in a rut, it would have been no help to him had Jupiter put planks for his wheels to run over and so get release, unless the waggoner had jumped on the velicle and made lis horses put out all their strength in pulling the wheels on to the planks laid by Jupiter..: The manufacturers and merchauts of Great Britain have had their course made easier in securing Canadian trade, but to obtain it they will have to put themselves and their goods before the buyers of Canada with energy and a determination to "get there" in competition with rivals. The Springfield "Republican," after publishing the statistics given in our last issue, remarks upon them :
"It is hardly to be denied that, with" our Dingley enactment, we have provoked extreme retaliatory measures which the Laurier ministry will doubtiess be fored to impose. At the same time we have placed effectual obstacles in the way, of closer and more amicable relations with the Dominion. As an agency for arousing the ill-will of nations and disturbing the peace of the world, theré is nothing much more effective than the tariff policies of the United States, Germany, Russia and France."
The following table gives the amount of the imports of the bulk of manufactures sent from Great Britain and the United States in 1895 and 1898 , with the increase or decrease of each item. In 1895 there was no preferential tariff in force, in 1898 it had been force for nearly a year.

| Dutiable Imports. | 1805. | 1808. | Increase or decrease in 1808. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Malt liquors. .... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ B. | \$102,08 | \$699,112 | dec. | \$8,574 |
| " | 28,073 | 80,494 | inc | 10,521 |
| Baking powder. G.B. | 667 | 154 | dec. | $618{ }^{\prime}$ |
| , | 17,018 | 108,408 | inc. | 86,455 |
| Belts, all kinds. G.B. | 0,832 | 19,185 | inc. | 9,358 |
| U.S. | 16,650 | 48,196 | inc. | 31,540 |
| Blacking \& inks. G.B. | 28,688 | 16,275 | dec. | 12,363 |
| " U. S. | 81,308 | 87,830 | inc. | 6,462 |
| Printed goods... G.B. | 218,025 | 183,005 | dec. | 30,020 |
| U.S. | 409,681 | 568,948 | inc. | 67,367 |
| Boot \&c. laces... G.B. | 25,423 | 45,183 | inc. | 10,760 |
| U.S. | 5,478 | 7,364 | inc. | 1,801 |
| Braces.......... G.B. | 25,657 | 25,731 | ino | 74 |
| U.S. | 44,077 | 31,920 | dec. | 12,157 |
| Breadstuff,\&c.. G.B. | 84,846 | 7,970 | dec. | 26,876 |
| U.S. | 25,210 | 41,207 | ta | 16,051 |
| Brooms \& brushes G. B. | 11.518 | 10,457 | inc | 7,039 |
| U.S. | 27,067 | 49,623 | inc | 21,056 |
| Buttons......... G.B. | 42,575 | 28,030 | dec. | 13,645 |
| U.S. | 41,433 | 40,982 | inc | 8,049 |
| Candles......... G.B. | 18,386 | 8,978 | dec. | 4,418 |
| U.S. | 19,396 | 78,171 | inc. | 68,775 |
| Carpets, rugs, etc G. B. | 90,160 | 44.855 | dec. | 45,305* |
| " ${ }^{\text {a }}$ (S. | 38,106 | 10,242 | dec. | 27,864 |
| Carriageg...... . G.B. | 100,880 | 2,589 | dec. | 107,301 |
| " $\ldots .$. ... U.S. | 661,262 | 351,275 | dec. | 209,987 |
| Clocks, \&c..... G.B. | 5,629 | 6,904 | inc. | 1,275 |
| U.S. | 81,420 | 130,042 | inc. | 48,622 |
| Collars \& cuffs.. G.B. | 37,465 | 41,704 | inc. | 4,289 |
| " .. U.S. | 11,471 | 8,803 | dec. | 2,608 |
| Combs......... G.B. | 28,223 | 41,308 | inc. | 13,088 |
| " .......... U.S. | 26,901 | 20,377 | dec. | 6,524 |
| Cordage......... G.B. | 20,345 | 22,449 | dec. | 6,806 |
| "....... U.S. | 100,696 | 100,084 | dec. | 632 |
| Cotton goods.... G.B. | 3,004,080 | 3,056,365 | dec. | 37,716 |
|  | 008,905 | 1,280,261 | inc. | 380,206 |
| Curtaing \& laces. G.B. | 655,068 | 730,806 | inc. | 81,138 |
| " . U.S. | 179,112 | 93,418 | doc. | 85,094 |
| Drugs, \&c...... G.B. | 230,339 | 306,578 | inc. | 70,230 |
| " ..... U.S. | 432,639 | 767,747 | inc. | 330,108 |
| Earthenware and chlna.......... G.B. | 388,476 | 483,311 | inc. | 94,835 |
| Earthenware and china......... U.S. | 47,042 | 70,747 | inc. | 20,705 |
| Electric Goods. G.B. | 26,124 | 7,738 | dec. | 18,386 |
| U.S. | 349,634 | 411,027 | inc. | 61,303 |
| Embrolderies and braids . . . . . . . . G,B. | 274,012 | 193,974 | dec. | 80,638 |
| Jmbroideries and braids. | 08,571 | 97,819 | inc. | 28,948 |
| Flax Goods..... GiB. | 1,251;287- | 1,30t:309 | inc. ${ }^{-}$ | 50,112 |
| U.S. | 1,55,825 | 62,214 | inc. | 6,389 |
| Furs ... ..... G.B. | 361,002 | 206,032 | dec. | 104,070 |
| U.S. | 51,876 | 66,806 | lnc. | 4,830 |
| Glass Goods.... G.B. | 232,200 | 231,007 | dec. | 1,383 |
| " $\ldots$ U, U.S. | 432,493 | 304,028 | dec. | 37,565 |
| Gloves and mitta G.B. | 264,006 | 104,572 | dec. | 70,334 |
| " U.S. | 18,496 | 27,883 | inc. | 9,38\% |
| Rubber goods, \&c G.B. | 180,732 | 128,603 | dec. | 61,129 |
| " U.S. | 202,318 | 250,131 | inc. | 50,813 |
| Hata, caps, bonnets. ... ...... G.B. | 830,132 | 781,943 | dec | 107,180 |
| Hats, caps, bonnets...... .... U.S. | 332,260 | 651,459 | nc. | 810,183 |
| Jowellery, plate, all kinds...... G.B. | 90,854 | 79,017 | dec. | 19,98\% |
| Jowellery, plato, all kinds. U.S. | 434,144 | 485,328 | inc. | 51,184 |
| Brass and copper <br> goods......... G.B. | 44,571 | 40,678 | dec | 3,808 |
| Brass and copper goods ......... U.S. | 321,839 | 374,388 | inc. | 52,520 |
| Iron and steol |  |  |  |  |
| *Foods . ....... G.B. | 2,283,150 | 1,872,450 | dec. | 362,709 |
| Iron and steol goods ....... U.S. | 5,067,180 | 622,896 | c. |  |
| Tin goods...... G.B. | 6,889 | 8,4077 | inc. | 2,628 |
| . | 35,644 | 67,062 | inc. | 32,318 |
| Musical instr'ts. G.B. | 11.628 | 7,095 | dec. | 4,533 |
| U.S. | 210,858 | 287,364 | inc. | 17,506 |
| Oilcloth . . . . . . G.B. | 162,945 | 107,012 | dec. | 55,933 |
| " ....... U.S. | 30,899 | 3,904 | dec. | -26,995 |
| P.O. packages.. G.B. | 224,501 | 75,311 | dec. | 149,280 |
| " .. U.S. | 634,068 | 300̄, 584 | dec. | 329,434 |
| Paper goods.... G.B. | 286,316 | 380,768 | inc. | 193,042 |
| U.S. | 620,606 | 881,603 | inc. | 381,057 |
| silk and dress goods......... G.B. | 1,729,960 | 1,005,700 | dec. | 64,200 |
| Sulk and dress |  |  |  |  |
| goode ........ U.S. | 84,035 | 108,600 | inc. | 114,505 |
| Sosp, spices, \& starch........ G.B. | 202,002 | 213,175 | inc. | 10.273 |
| Sorp, spices is starch....... U.S. | 111,934 | 288,949 | inc. |  |
| Umbrellas, \&\%... G.J3. | 184,009 | 107,012 | dec. |  |
| " .. U.S. | 3,010 | 3,904 | dec. |  |
| Varnish \& painta G.B. | 221,100 | 280,915 | inc. | 0,725 |



## THE HARBOUR ELEVATORS.

The position in which the question of increased elevator accommodation in the port of Montreal rests, is not creditable to the spirit of enterprise supposed to be embodied in the business men connected with the grain and shipping interest centering in it, nor to the push and energy that might be expected from those who control the management of the harbour generally.
The season of navigation will soon open, and before it closes the St. Lawrence canals will be deepened and available for the large vessels drawing $\ddagger 14$ feet of water, such as now pass through the Welland canal. That event will, in a large measure, revolutionize the grain trade, if our ${ }^{4}$ own ${ }^{3}$ people will take advantage of the splendid opportunity that will offer to ensure the benefits from it. To meet the changed conditions that will arise when these larger vessels arrive necessitates the erection of elevators into which they can discharge their cargoes should the ocean vessels chartered to receive them not be on hand to meet them. It will not pay those large vessels to lie idle in port. Hitherto they have discharged their cargoes into elevators in ports at the lower end of Lake Ontario without losing any time. The smaller craft that bring the grain from those places to Montreal can be so timed that, generally speaking, a direct connection can be made with the ocean vessel when it is ready to receive cargo.
It has been well understood for some time, that preparations must be made to meet the changed conditions that in the course of trade must arise. This was foreseen by the last Government, when the enlargement of the canals was undertaken, and the present Government have not failed to impress the fact on all concerned, that the business interests of the country require that more and better facilities than now exist should be provided at Montreal to meet the increased trade of the immediate future. The Harbour Board say something should be done. All the trade organisations say the same emphatically. The shipping interest and the grain men urge the necessity for these storage elevators, and yet, strange to say, so far as cau be seen at present, we are no nearer the object sought for than we were months ago when the tall and unseemly wrangle as to who should build and control the elevators commenced.

When all are agreed on the main point, there should be no difficulty in uniting ou the means to secure it. The cost of one good sized elevator is not beyond the measure of private enterprise. We find men from other places offering to do all that is required in that way without public aid, because of the profit they see in it.

Had the past generation of Montreal's business men, who built ap the port to its present eminence, been obliged to face the conditions now arising, it would have required only a few days to organise and find a way of building it and keeping the control of the elevator in the city. The wealth is here and we are loath to believe that the public spirit: of the past has departed from Montreal. The business men of the present day should be equal to the occasion, and keep up the character of the city for enterprise and progress that it has had for so many years.

The two great railways each has an elēvator already. What is urgently required is one or more for waterborne grain. Without prejudice to the advantages of other sites, the one that has been so frequently mentioned of late, being between the lower basin and the Windmill Point wharf, seems to be one on which all could unite to begin with. The elevator there could take in grain on the canal side, and spout it into vessels of any size at the Windmill Point wharf. It is not at all likely that general cargo ships will often leave their regular berths to load at the elevators-simply because in the handling of general cargo- it is, and always will be, cheaper to lighter the grain. The elevator then would not absolutely require the large wharf frontage that has been talked of, nor would it interfere with any vehicular or railway traffic that exists or may exist in the future.

These, however, are details that may well be left to the parties who may be interested, as well as all proper conditions and restrictions that may be fixed upon by the harbour authorities. . The important matter at the present time is to bring about some feasible method of obtaining united action, and so cause a cessation of the uselesss bickering which can never secure the accomplishment of any great object such as is aimed at in the enlargement of trade on the St. Lawrence route.

## THE ALLEGED DECADENCE OF FRANCE.

Whether France is in a decadent condition or otherwise, has been a subject of controversy between two prominent journals in the States. The question has been also discussed in Great Britain, and rather assumed than debated by some publications on the continent of Europe.

There are many now living who remember that a distinguished member of the provisional government established in France; after the revolution of 1848, issued a pamphlet entitled, "The decadence of England," in which M. Ledru Rollin proved to the satisfaction of her enemies that the old country was in a very "parlous state," was indeed passing away as a great nation. There is not a country existing which has not been shown by ingenious critics to be decadent, or drifting towards ruin. The role of Cassandra, is one quite popular amongst a certain class of pessimists, whocry Woe! Woe ! "as naturally as pigs squeak," as Sir Hudibras is said to have spoken Greek. Even Canada we have read of as on the road to the "demnition bow-wows," to use Mr. Mantilinis' elegant phrase. A statesman who was in attendance on George IV, once leard that "Adonis of 50," as Leigh Hunt styled his Majesty and was imprisoned for the compliment, say, with tears in his eyes, " 0 ! my poor country, what is to become of my poor country?" But the weeping King at the time was not as sober as monarchs ought to be. As to Turkey, we have known 'it time and time again declared ready for dismemberment, but Turkey seems to be the Mother Hubbard's dog of nations, while its coffin is being ordered it breaks out into laughter and suarls. While then we admit the possibility of a nation decaying, we have heard lamentations over too many that are to-day abounding in prosperity to feel at all inclined to "weep with those who weep". over calamities threatening the downfall of any great civilised power.
The chief evidence adduced to support the theory of France being on the decline is, the small or non-
increase of her population, which, it is alleged, is leaving France behind in the race of international competition and lowering her rank amongst European poivers. This theory assumes that a nation achieves a a place in the race of international competition, and is ranked amongst the powers relatively; to its population. This is manifestly not so, for, were it the case, Russia would stand first amongst Enropean powers as having the largest population, double indeed the next largest, and two and a half times that of Great Britain. If extent of population is a test of a nation's progress, to what a marvelleus height of prosperity China must have reached with its 300 millions ! Even Japan, in this respect, is ahead of England.
France has been so desolated by wars this century, there is no wonder at the heart of the people being stricken with dismay at the terrible domestic suffering contingent upou her military system. It will take France a long period yet to recover the effect of the Napoleonic, wholesale human sacrifices on the altar of Mars. By the Napoleonic wars over $1,700,000$ men were killed off. By the loss of Alsace and Loraine France was deprived of nearly two millions of population. Both these tremendous facts were ignored by those who have been using the population question as proof of the decadence of France. They have described the smaller increase of the French in comparison with some other countries as a modern phenomenon. But, whatever the cause, the growth of population in France for two centuries has been remarkably slow. From 1800 to 1820 the increase was from $29,107,000$ to 30 ,491,000 , only $1,384,000$ in 15 years. The natives of America in regard to increase of population, are following in the footsteps of the French. But for immigration and immigrants, the United States, in the judgnent of some writers, would have ceased to make any advance in this respect. The Bostonians regard three children as quite a large family.
Other statistical facts adduced to show the decadence of France are very poor evidence. It is stated, for instance, that the yield of wine in 1873 was 283 gallons per aere and in 1894, 200 gallons. That is no sign of national decadence, it simply shows that in 1894 the wine crop was not equal to that of 1873 . The wine crop of France is subject to very wide variations, between that of 1807 and 1869, for instance, there was a difference of 31 million hectolitres, which equalled over 50 per cent. Another fact, which is made much of, is that in 1873 the exports and imports of France were $\$ 1 ; 485,000,000$ and in $1894, \$ 1,385,000,000$. Suppose we put a similar test to the States. In 1895 the exports and imports of the States were considerably less than in 1884. Did that decline indicate any national decay in 1895? Comparisons of single pears are most misleading. In 1862, for instance, the exports and imports of the United States were $\$ 368,000,000$, whereas in 1857 they were, $\$ 627,306,000$, 3 falling off in five years of $\$ 258,306,000$, or foety per cent. Was that a proof of national decadence in the United States? If not, why should a decline in the foreign trade of France in a selected perivd be regarded as proof of her decay? The average exports and imports of France from 1860-69 compared with $1855-00$ show an increase of over fifty per cent, ithere was not much decay there at any rate. But by picking out the statistics of selected years for comparison any country could be shown to be going down hill. The exports and imports, of France
in the year which is putin as evidence of decay; were as large in proportion as those of the United States last' yenr.

Another piece of evidence is the alleged decline in the amount of discounts in Prance between 1880 and 1898. The evidence for this is very doubtful. But if accepted, it is not conclusive, as it may be a proof of there having been such an increase in the cash resources of the French as to lessen their discount requirements. The French are probably the most thrifty people in Burope. The traders of that country stand in very high credit, largely because they are exceedingly cautious in entering into time obligations, which they avoid whenever possible. This may restrain enterprise, but it is no proof of national decadence for a people to pay cash whenever they can. Another evidence of France's decadence is her national debt. This is doubtless very large, but the moncy due to the French State is money lent to the State by the Prench people. The Republic of France is not the debtor of foreign nations as is the Republic of the United States. The difference is a vital one, for the debt of France does not drain the resources of the people in paying foreign indebtedness. If the financial and commercial strength of a nation is to be judged by its national debt then Turkey is the strongest country in Europe-enormously ahead of Great Britain-for Turkey's debt is the smallest in Europe.
The record of Frace in art, literature, science, commerce, has been so glorious as to be a pride to humanity. The decay of such a nation would be a disaster to mankind.

> "Ill fares tho land, to hastening ills a prey, Where woalth accumulates and men decsy."

France is in no such danger. Despite her failings, we regard that country as still so full of mational virility as to give promise of a future as splendid as her past.

## MARINE UNDERWRITERS.

A joint meeting was held on 14th inst. between the Corn Dxchange Association, the representatives of the shipping interests and the Marine Underwriters' Association. The object of the meeting was to consider the recentincrease of marine insurance rates to this port. A very bitter feeling has been caused by this increase, when those to the United States have been advanced only slightly. The discrimination against this port is considered unjustifiable, it is certainly likely to have an injurious effect upou Canadian trade generally and and Montreal in particular. The marine underwriters who were present, attirmed that the matter had been taken out of their hands by English companies, whose action had been taken on acconnt of the heavy losses on the St. Lawrence route. Mr. E. L. Bond having been recontly in Jugland in regard to this matter, reported that nothing short of great improvements to the St. Lawrence route in lighting, buoying, and sigualling would induce the English marine underwriters to consider a reduction of the present rates. A depatation was appoiuted to wait upon the Government, in order to pressf or such measures being taken as woald remove the existing prejudice against this port. At this juncture when our cauals are being deepened to facilitate the passage of heavier iuland cargoes to Montreal, and when the movement is so hopeful for making this a.
national port, it is most unfortunate for anything to have arisen to counteract the development of oceautraffic.

- The English Lloyds have advanced rates very heavily also, upon the American lake vessels by which they claim to have lost considerably in recent years. An advance also has been made on lake insurance by the marine underwriters on this side. In this class of business Lloyds are likely to meet with such competition from home companies and agencies as will give them the whole business on this side. It was thought that the loss of the "Castilian" had caused insurance rates to be advanced. This is not the case as the advance was decided upou before that disaster, and the "Cas-" tilian" was not on a Canadiari route when wrecked, as she sailed from an Americań port.


## THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.

The 17th anuual meeting of the above bank was held at Oshawa on the 12 th inst. under the presidency of Mr. John Cowan. The net profits of past year were $\$ 84,407$, which exceeds 8.87 per cent on the paid up capital. This is a satisfactory result, though probably. notequal to what vas anticipated at the beginning of the year. The two half-yearly dividends of 3 per cent each absorbed $\$ 27,022$, Ieaving $\$ 7,385$ to be added to credit of profit and loss, the balance of which $\$ 14,976$ is carried forward. If feasible we would advise the capital being rounded up to say, $\$ 390,000$, as a broken amount of even one bank disturbs the even look of the total in the bank statement and causes extra trouble to those who base periodic calculations on the amount of the individual bank's capital which is not a round sum. We note an increase in circulation, in deposits, in securities, in assets readily convertible, and discounts over last year, so that the past year has been one of development in extent of business done by the Western Bank, in capacity to increase business and in strength. The low rates procurable for money sufficiently account for a slight decrease in the ratio of profits. The statement in full and report will be found on a later page.

## ONTARIO WHEAT PROSPECTS.

Although the crop of winter wheat is not as important a part of the total yield as it once was, it forms a very valuable section of the wheat harvest. At this season there is always more or less anxiety as to its condition, as the disappearance of snow from the fields enables a judgment to be formed as to the condition and prospects of the crop. The past winter has been unusually hard upon wheat in an extensive area. Snow has fallen at such wide intervals and so unusually late in the season that thaws have taken place followed by frosts, by which the snow blanket which shelters the early blades, has been converted into an ice sheet which is liable to be destructive to whatever it covers. The better prices ruling the last two years have encouraged farmers in Ontario to increase the area devoted to wheat. The official report of the Provincial Government gives $1,048,000$ acres as the extent of the fallwheat fields in Ontario, which is over 9 per cent larger than in previous year. This year a larger extent of land is devoted to fall wheat, probably 30 or more per cent more than in 1897.

The money at stake in the crops of wheat now growing in:Ontario is not less than from 10 to 18 millions of dollars, allowing for very moderate prices ruling when the grain has to be marketed. . The area devoted to fall wheat is estimated to be about $1 \frac{1}{4}$ millions of acres. Last seasou the yield was reported as 24 bushels per acre, but the prospect of this being again realised is not encouraging. Reports of the condition of wheat are unusually at variauce; the weather having been so irregular that in counties adjacent to each other the crops show wide contrasts in their condition Judging by advices from different parts of Ontario, we should say that the crop of fall wheat will probably yield less than that of last year; although the area sown was considerably larger. The favourable change which has taken place in the weather in the last fortaight will be helpful in restoring the crops to a better condition, though, of course, the "winter killed" will have to be abandoned. Happily there is time to utilise the land where frosts have been fatal, for later crops.

## AN AMERICAN CURRENCY DIFFICULTY.

Our friends to the South are just now having a lesson about currency, forced upon their attontion by certain existing conditions, which they have obstinately refused to listen to when presented by the arguments of experience and of common sense. American banks are allowed to issue notes in proportion to the amount of government bonds which they hold. The notes are thus protected by the amount due by the Government to the bank issuing them. If a bank desires to still further extend its circulation when up to the limit fixed by its holdings of bonds, it has to purchase more bonds. This is a very clumsy and at times an unprofitable operation, as the revenue from the investment in bonds is too small to comjonsate for having so much capital locked up. When the bond market is favourable, the banks naturally sell out to secure the profit between the price at which they bought them and the curient market price. This has been done since January last during which period the national banks have put over 10 millions of dollars on the market, and propor. tionately lessened their power to circulate notes. This has been profitable to the banks, but it has been inconvenient to the country. While business transactions have been increased from 40 to 50 per cent, the circulation has only been . enlarged about 3 to 4 per cent, with a consequent scarcity of currency which has been a restriction upon and grave inconvenience to trade. In Canada the circulation acts automatically in response to the demand for current money. When currency is demanded by the public, it flows nut according to the demand, when it is not any longer needed it flows back, the supply being regulated by the demand, not by any artficial law about the amount of bonds held, as in the States. Prosperous times in America naturally raise the price of bonds; and banks consequently take advantage of the rise to realise on their holdings, although thereby their circulation limit is thus lowered. So we get this absurd condition ; when currency in the States is mest in demand, owing to prosperous times, its outfow is liable to be more restricted than in times when it is least required for business purposes. To base the note issues of banks upon the amount due to them by the Government, which debt is represented by bonds, is the most irrational currency system ever designad by perverse ingenuity. Yet Americans cling to it whan its folly and injurious effects are being constantly esposed and continually experienced by traders. The New York Journal of Cominercesays : The vast transactions now going on and the volume of business that must come in the antumn, must impress every observer with a sense of the imperative need of a larger volume of paper currency and of some moans of expand-
ing the aggregate supply of circulation in response to the requirements of comperce, whether these be temporary orm permanent." Yet while this "imperative need," of largei note issue is pressing upon the counity, the United States still clings fatuously to a banking system which seens to have been designed to prevent the supply of circulation expanding "in response to the requirements of commerce." We fear it is only the obstinacy of national pride which prevents the States adopting the Canadian system.

## THE SAMOAN TROÚBLE.

Beyond the natural interest attaching to Imperial attairs, there is nothing in the trouble which has arisen in Samoa to affert Canadians. It is well though to expand our horizon beyond the boundaries of Canada, which, wide as it is geographically, is very narrow in other respects. : The Samoan islands, 9 in number, lie south of Japan to the west of the northern coast of Australia. Their population is about 40,000 , who are nominally Christians, but their civilisation has not been so far advanced as to exterpate some barbarous customs, though most of the Samoans can read, and write owing to the zealous efforts of English missionaries. They are plysically a fine race, and, though polygamy is practised, the women of Samos regarded, socially, as the equals of men. Though neither discovered nor civilised by Germans, the bulk of the trade is done with German merchants on the plantation of one of whoin the recent conflict. took place, in which:an English and an American Lieutenant were killed, by reason of which friction arose between England and Garmany. A natural question is, what, in such a locality, is there to bring the war-ships of three great powers into a Samoap harbour? The trade is too insignificant to quarrel over, but, there are in the islands some of the finost harbours in the Panific, especially that of Pango-Pango, or Pago-Pago, which is in the direct line between Sau Franciseo, British Columbia and Australia. At Apia, where all the foreign consuls reside, is another noble harbour, the place itself being a mere village dominated by German interests in the local trade in dried cocoanuts and in the cotton plantatious. In 1875 a monarichy was establishod, a German being the king's chief official. The recent trouble arose and more is probable, over the election of a new king. The story is a very tedious one, considering indeed the local conditions, it is a case of "Much ado about nothing." As the local harbours of Samoa have great value as coaling stations, as well as for strategic purposes in view of their proximity to China and Japan, it is important that the fleets stationed in, or which visit the South Pacific, should have those harbours kept open; their crews free from molestation; and the white population assured of safety. The war-ships of England, Garmany and the United States, are there simply in the interests of law and order; the political question, of which so much is being said, is ontirely a subsidiary one. To those nations it is a matter of absolute indifference who is king of Samoan islands so long as the inhabitants keep quiet, if they won't do this without, they will be made to do it-by force. The Americans having the Philippines,. and Great Britain Australia near at hand, they need only free harbours at Samoa. Germany needs thom more, and may be plotting to aequire a protectorate over the islands, but before this is accomplished Great Britain and the States. will have to bo consulted or reckoned with.

THE OLDEST SUNDAY NEWSPAPER.
Quite a storm has been raised in. England over an announcement that a paper was about to be issugd each Sunday. The proposal has been denounced all over the old countiy; as an innovation on established usage, and a new form of violating the day of rest. The British Colonial printer and Stationer in a recent issue, shows that a Sunday nevspaper is no novelty in London. Ever since 1791 the Olserver has been published every Sunday morning Its histor $\gamma$ is a bighly in-
teresting record of British newspaper enterprise. It shows that early this century news was collected and published with as great energy, and issued as promptly as it is now by Anerican papers, which sneer at the slowness of English journals and under far greater dificulties as well as greater cost. In 1821, the Observer, in ordar to get a "scoop". on all its contemporaries of the daily press, issued a special Sunday edition containing the details of the coronation of George iv, the stamps on which edition alone cost $\$ 10,000$. When the Rush murder trial was going on at Norwich, the reporter for the Ollserter was instructed, if a verdict was given on Saturday night, to engage a special train and bring the news up to London, there being no telegraph in those days. When the Fronch surrendered at Sedan, this paper was the first to publish the news, as it did also an account of the outbreak of the Commune at Paris. When a favourable turn took place in the illness of tho Prince of Wales, the first paper to publish the bulletin was the Somedey Observer, and the sale of it was enormous, indeed unprecedented. The murder of Lord Prederick Cavendish in Phonis Park, was first announced in that paper, as were other bistoric incidents. It was really a Sunday paper as work upon it was continued all Saturday night up to Sunday morning. The price of the Observer up to far into this century was fivepence, but occasionally was tenpence, and in 1842 was raised to sixpence, then it was threepence, then fourpence at which price it remained until 1895. The conductors from the first recognised that it was proper to keep the Sunday edition free from party animosities, or matter likely to arouse bitter feelings. After a career of 108 years the paper continues to prosper, as it deserves, for it has a high position for the ability of its editorials, its freedom from parsonalities, and the ontire absence of objectionable matter in its columns. We should decidedly prefor that no papers were issued on Sunday, but if all of them were as clean as the first ever published, the objection to them would be moderated.

## THE SPRLNG FRUIT SALES.

The annual fruit sales to be held upon the arrival of the fruit steawors from the Mediterranean next month, will, from all appearances, depend largely for their success upon the attondance of American buyers. Although fruit men have been grantod the boon of cheap reilway fares from Canadian points, there are circumstances in the present state of the market for oranges and lemons--and particularly the for-mor-which will erfualize this advantage, so far as it is a factor representing a reduction in the cost of parcels.

For some montlas now prices in the principal U.S. markets have been far above those in Canada, and at the moment the former market is generally 20 per cent higher than this. In Now York fancy navels are solling from $\$ 3.65$ to $\$ 4.10$, as against a range of $\$ 3.30$ to $\$ 3.50$ here. And in this comparison as well, the market across the line is active under limited stocks, whilst in Montreal, oranges are on the whole a slow sale, and supplies, if not heavy, are certainly ample to meet a hoavier domand than exists.

There are about 42,000 boses of Messina oranges on the fruit boats coming here, and under ordinary conditions, some rare bargains would be picked up. But the outlook for large buying on U.S. account would indicate that prices will rule at least as high as last year.
The American people, in one of those bursts of extraordinary domand for lururies, which sets in whenever the masses aro "flush" of money due to good waǵgs, are buying oranges as though for the festive senson, and there is little doubt that to meet this consumption, there will be brisk bidding by U.S. dealers whon the fruit auctions begin.

Last yoar the average price obtained for Messina oranges was around $\$ 2$ a box, and at this figure U.S. buyers can pay the duty of 75 cents a box, and soll at a fair profit as the market now stands across the line.
In some quarters it is hinted that an effort will be'made to depress values by holding off from making bids, and of en-
gineering a glut ; but this is not a prospective happening it would be safe to wager upon. The fruit sales shortly to be held, point to an unusually keen cumpetition on the part of our neiginbours from the South, the effect of which will be, rather to tone up the local market for oranges and lemons, than the reverse, and in this event, Canadian buyers will be obliged to pay full rates, or do without the fruit.

PROFITABLE MAIL-ORDER GROCERY SCHEME.
A circular recently sent out by a Chicago concern purporting to be in the manufacturing line will be read with interest by many whose knowledge of how a mail order business is sometimes worked up "out West" has not been drawn from actual experience. This concern apparently expects to derive its trade chiefly from the rural districts whose inhabitants often imagine that anything purchased direct from a large city house must of necessity be a bargain. We add a third column of figures to the copy of the circular here given, to show the wholesale cost of these goods in grades carried by Chicago retail stores. This firm may senda better grade, but as no distinguiṣhing names are given we leave it open for conjecture :
We want to know you. We want you to know us. Therefore we make this offer.
FREE. -This No. 1136 heavy quadruple silver-plated tea pot -hand engraved-full size-correct pattern- 83 . inches high. Retail price ${ }^{5} 5.00$-absolutely free with the following grocery order at wholesale price.

OUR GR:AT GROCERY offer !

|  | Usual <br> Retail <br> Price. | Our Cash with order Wtolesale Price, | Actual wholemale price. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 40 lbs . Best Granalated Sugar | \$2.40 | \$1.60 | \$2.00 |
| 6 lbs. Best Laundry Starch... | . 48 | . 36 | . 14 |
| 10 lbs . Mocha and Java Coffee. . | 8.50 | 2.50 | . 70 |
| 2 lbs Rice. | . 20 | . 14 | . 09 |
| 2 bottles Root Bear Extract (each bottle makes 5 gallons.... | . 30 | . 22 | . 12 |
| 1 bottle Cherry Phosphate..... | . 45 | . 30 | .081/2 |
| 1 lb Sweet Chocolate. | . 40 | . 30 | . 20 |
| 10 bars Laundry Soap. | . 50 | . 40 | . 20 |
| 1 Scrub Brush. | . 15 | . 09 | .031/2 |
| 1 pigg. Corn Staroh. . . . . . . . . . | . 10 | . 07 | . 08 泿 |
| 12 bars Toilet Soap............ | 1.20 | . 65 | . 24 |
| 1/2 lb. Ginger, ground.......... | . 25 | . 21 | . 08 |
| 1 Ib . Shredded Cocoanut. | . 40 | . 84 | . 11 |
| 1. pkg. Stove Polish.. | . 10 | . 06 | . 04 |
| 1 pkg . Pepper, ground........ | . 40 | . 31 | $1 \mathrm{lb} . .05$ |
| 1 bottle Machine Oil. | . 10 | . 07 | . $021 / 2$ |
| 1/2 lb. Cinnamon, ground....... | . 25 | . 20 | . 08 |
| 1 botile Lemon Extract, 4 oz... | . 60 | . 45 | $\therefore .05$ |
| 1 bottle of Vanilla Extract, 4 oz . | . 60 | . 45 | . 08 |
| 1 ball Bluing, will'make 1 gal.. | . 15 | . 11 | . 08 |
| $2^{\prime}$ Clothes Lines. | . 30 | . 28 | . 11 |
| 10 dozen Clothes Pins: | . 50 | . 32 | . 07 |
| 1-bar Scourene Soap.......... | . 05 | :08 | . 08 |
| 1 box Blacking . . . . . . . . . . . . . | . 10 | :02 | . 03 |
| 1 dozen Lamp Wicks, No. 2.... | . 15 | . 08 | . 02 |
| 1 Ib. Baking Powder........... | . 50 | . 34 | . 05 |
| 1/2 lb. Mustard, ground........ | :25 | . 20 | . 07 |
| /4 lb. Whole Nutmegg. ........ | . 40 | . 34 | . 09 |
| Total....................... | \$14.78 | $\$ 10.50$ | \$4.88 |
| Tea Pot.................. | 5.00 | $\because$. | 1.75 |
| . . . . | \$19.78 |  | \$6.58 |

Special Offer. For a limited time only we will include with every order at above wholesale prices, the heavy quadruple plated Tea Pot, described and illiustrated above, without-extra. charge. This offer goöd only when full eash payment is redeived with order. Remember, we pay all lreight charges to your nearest railway depot,
When above grocery outft is ordersd with any goods of our manufacture, seleoted from our illustrated sheets or oatalogues; you may deduct 60 oents from the price.

Rẹint by Postal or Express Money Order or by Bank Draft to $\therefore . . . . \therefore$ Dept. G., Chicago.
The list was gotten up with appaiently slight regard for sither wholesale or retail prices, but was, neverthaless, decidedly in favor of the firm as regards doing a safe business. The idea of putting sugar below cost as a tempting and convincing proof in a combination assortment is not of recent origin.

Offers such as the following are occasionally advertised by Chicago retailers and sometimes evori adoptel by the grocery department of large establishments, but while they serve to attract a shaire of attention, and prove in some instances a winner, there are many who hold aloof from these methods believing that the veil is too thin end that the deal borders on a "catch."
big dollar bargaiay sale.
For one day only. Brown, Peterson \& Co. will deliver to the following list of staple qroceries, each article fully guaranteed, for one dollar:

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\begin{aligned}
& 1 \text { Loaf bread................................................... 1c } \\
& 5 \text { lbs. Granulated sugar.................................. 5c } \\
& 1 \text { Peck best potatoes. }
\end{aligned}
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$\$ 1.00$

The wholesale cost of the above worald be 70c, giving a decidedly satisfactory profil to the merchant, yot no article in the list being of such questionable testing quality as to solicit censure from the receiver. An explanation of the apparontly great sacrifice generally accompanies these offers, such as: just opening up business; enlarging the store; wanting to introduce tea and coffee department, otc. Occasionally a list similar to the above is advertised bat instead of the first three items there is given a sack of the best brand of flour ( 241 lbs.) for 1 cent, What can the consumer infer from such a list of prices? He knows the flour is worth fifty cents or over and being offered it for one centlooks pretty tempting. -The other staple goods are each guaranteed to be thoroughly satisfactory, so there the mystery eads so far as he is concerned. He believes the advertisement to have been gotten up in good faith an I slowing a loss to the merchant. Consequently he is satisfied with his dollar purchase.

## SUGGESTIONA TO RETAILERS.

It ls a sabjeot which is likely to remain undeclded, which is the better polioy to pursue in answer to a caller's request to bo shown an article which is carried in varlous qualities. A sales. man of twenty years' experience was heard to remark that, abide from the opinion to be gained from the customer's appearance it was best to show a good grade fristo Another merohan. of many years' experience claimed it wde safer to show the low est grade and immodiately follow íp witil something decidedly better. The contention of the high-prloed merchant, however, was that in fully one-hale such instances the oustomer would have selected the better grade in which there was fair profit had not the really cheap been shown, and as ifferior goods are always more or less deceptive on first appearance, the purchaser of such goods was likely to avoid that store afterwards owing to having recelved an unsatisfactory article, at any prico; besides advertising it as a store that carried trashy goods.
If there happons to be a web or two of goods on the shelf that somehow has never caught a castomer's fancy and parsists in eventaily turning into a firture merely to fill space, take them out and place tinem in as showy a manaer as possible in the most consplcuous place on the display department. Mark them down to nearly cost or even below cost with a bright tag and notice how soon they will begin to turn jato cash. Should they still Insist on remaining, ofer the store asiatants 20 a yard preminm for solling them and watch them diseppear:

One of the latest original ideas in retall advertlsing is shown by a St, Louls, Mo., shoe house. A card in the show window reads: "A pair of $\$ 3.00$ shoes given awtay with 80 shines." The conditions are printed on the back of a card folder apon which thirty ghines are marked off and read, "we charge you ten cente for each shine and this will apply as purchase money on a pair of $\$ 3.00, \$ 3.50$ or $\$ 1.00$ shoes. Shoes may be had at any time upon the payment of the balance of any unused coupons." The dealer figures that only fitty per cent of the people who begin will complete the entire uumber of thirty shines, thus the bootblaoke will be pald and excellent advertising be given the store at very Iittle cost.

With the advent of spring weather every artiole in.use throughout theistore should be brightened, or improved in sp. pearance wherever possible, or if shopworn, replaced by new and improved requirements. The constant attention to trade, and the conthmous hours of daty in the average grocery or general store too often prevents a little time being given to improving appearances in general. Whatever detracts from the now and enticing appearance of the stock should not be allowed place. To begin the season with new and bright delivery baskets or boxes; papered receptacles for in or outdoor display, and new window and shop signs will greatly assist the efforts so necessary forincreased Spring trade.

## A NEW USE OF ACETYIENE.

On the continent of Earope it is becoming common to use acetylene as an enrichment of oil gas to extent of 25 per cent by. which a brilliant and cheap illuminant is obtained. It is stated on scientific authority that the mixture is free from any danger of explosion. On the railways in Prassia this mixture is used to a large extent with most satisfactory results. It is expected that 10,000 tons of carbide will be used this year for this purpose. Experiments have been conducted before official's of the British Home Office, which resulted in authority being granted to use oll gas mixed with 20 per cent of acetylene under a pressure of 150 poands to the square lach. The effect of mixing 20 per cent of acetylene with oil gas was tested in a large number of railway carciage lamps, which showed that the illuminating power was increased over 110 per cent. Further experiments showed that a gas can be made with an illuminating power of 12 candles at a cost of 20 centsiper 1,000 feet which could be distributed and burned in the same way as coal gas, and be oven safer, An eminent chemist has declared that with cheapened carbide a gas will be made for distribution which will be more attractive and very much cheáper than that now in ordinary use.

## INCENTIVES TO BURGLARY.

Prior to the days of the so-called barglar proof safes, the protection of money was secured as it is to-day by the carefal accountant who deposited his daily receipts in the bank. Against the extra security claimed for the modern aafe, however, should be reckoned the increased skill and enlarged facilities of the modern burglar, who frequently proves that he has been keepIng thoroughly in pace with the genius who seeks to build against hif encroachments. Whether the full amount of cash reported to have been stolen was actually in the safe is sometimes open to doubt. But the conclusion that it was makes the case of the owner more liable to censure.

Why sums of two hundred to a thousand dollars or over should be allowed to remain in the keeping of a retall dealer in grocerles, liquors; stc., When banks are located at most every street corner, is unknown save to the owner, Such sums are not needed In the ordinary routine of business, and the lessons of the past week in this city and Toronto may go far toward proving the same at an expense equivalont to the amount involved.

## CANADIAN SECURITIES TO BE TAXED IN ENGLAND.

In order to increase the Britibh revanue the Government pro. poses to subject all foreign securities negotlated in England to a stamp daty. It has been decided that all bonds and other securties issued in Canada and sold in Great Britain will be liable to thls now tax. Some years ago a similar proposal was made by Mr. Gogchen, when Chancellor of the Exchequer, but Sir Charles Tupper, who was then High' Commisioner, succeeded In having the securities of the colonies exempted.. It is hoped that Lord Strathcona will be equally successful, bat, as the need of more revenue ls mach greater to-day than when this tax wai frbt proposed, he may not have the luck of his prédecesior.

## BUSINESS DIFFICULTIES.

The liabilities of Wm. Cooke, shoe dealer, New Glasgow, N.S, whose failure was referred to in last week's iasue, are $\$ 14,100$; aseets $\$ 8,183$. Tho Montreal ereditors are:-George D. Ross \& Co., \$200; Murion Patterbon, \$824; J. \& T. Bell, \$084; George T. Slater \& Sons, $\$ 234 ;$ L. H. Packard \& Co, $\$ 62$; Thompson Shoe Co., $\$ 302$; J. © T. Pellerin \& Sons, $\$ 802$,
The assignee is in possession of the jewellery, business of Sophia IPitzsimmons, St. Catharines, Ont. Her husband, T.' H. IItzslumons, who has been managing the business lately failed some years ago. A chattel mortgage was given in ' 06 , and from under this dopressing load the business has been latterly striving to free itsell but without success.
With liabilities of $\$ 8,000$ and assets of some $\$ 300$, L. Girard $\&$ Co.; plumbers, Montrual, ofler to pay 20 cents in the dollar cash to get clear. 'lhe present firm datee from Dec. '05. Girard was formerly of Bloum; Girard \& Collard who came to flanacial grief at St. LLouis de Mile Kind in Nov. ${ }^{3} \mathrm{Ob}$.
Origiually in the grocery trade, which did not prove a success, 1. Marols, stationery and lancy goods dealer of some 18 years standing, at Queboc, has been forced to assign. The latter business was supposed to be ip a prosperons way but some legal chaims of late proved it otherwise.
Succeeding to the grocery business of her brother, Best Feir, who failed at Cohourg, Ont., in Nov. '97, Mess E. J. Feir is now incapable of meeting her demands. She was the largest creditor at the time of her brocher's failure, ho being manager of the business for her since then.
N. Gienier, hotel, Grand More, Que., has assigued. Ho has boen at his prosont location only since last wiater. He formerly kopt lotel at Louisvile, subseguently operating a saw mill at St. Alexis des Montes.-Gus Lund, saloon, Rovelstoke, Que., has assigned.

With some assistance rendered him by his parents, F. A. Blouin began agoneral business in a small way at St. Marie de In Beauce, Que., in the summer ol' '0s; but without tho nitature judgment that accompanies more experienced dealers he has assigned.
As a culmination of legal procoeding laterly lustituted against him, Mathow Donovan, general dealer in a small way at Osceola, Ont., has assignod. Ho Vogan in his present location in April, '0S, bolig proviously in Cache Bay, also at Nattawa, Ont.
The assignment of John N. Laird, general merchant, Foxboro, Ont., is asnomeed. Ife bogran in the spring of ' 88 , succoeding E. W. Ashley. Me ljecame embarrassod in May ' 04 obtaining a settlement it 40 cents in the dollar.
R. M. Jallautyno, tailor, Atwood, Ont., has assigned. In A pril, '03, ho grot beyoud his measure and eventaally settled at 60 cents in the dollar on liablities of about $\$ 4,000$. In Oct. ' '08 he claimod a liberal surplas.
-Oun Cornwall correspondentwrites: The population of the town of Comwall has increased 000 over last year, and to all appearances is bound to increase more rupldy in the future as the Canada Colourod Cotton Company are soon to increase the capaoity of thoir plamt,-Operations on the N, Y, and Ottawa Bridge will commence about lst May. The company are doing an increasing business in both passengers and freight.-The Street Railway are placing new cars on tho different routes and when in operation a much botter sorvice will be given to the public.'Tho Montreal \& Cornwall Navigation Company's Heet are being thoroughly overhauled, and will be ready for the seasom as soon us tho whter is ull in the canals.- 'lheir now steaner "Filgate" has been fitted out with a tine saloon with rooms for a limited number, besidos the machinery and hold having been put in first-clase shapo. She will ply on the Valleytield liue in place of the "Garnet."- Ithe cheese factorles will be in full operation 1st Mlay. A good outlook is shown so far for a successful semson.-I'he Cornwall Cheose Botrd will hold their annual meoting Aprll $2 s_{i l h}$.
-Ime'British Court of Appenl has docided that a workman who was killed in an attempt to stop his employer's runaway horse, ho not being its driver, was not acting so far outside his dutles as to ronder his accident insurance policy invalid. The same Court decided that a ladder used by a workman in doing work outside a bullding is not "scaffolding."
-The St. Henti, Que, fown council has decided in favor of granting a lonus of $\$ 35,000$ to Tooke Bros.: shirt manufacturers of Montreal; 600 hands are to be employed.
-Lachner, Que., will givo a bonus of $\$ 10,000$ to the ${ }^{4}$. Silver Shoe:Company or Montrea, for the location of their plant there.
-On the ath May Her Majesty whl attain her 8oth year:

## Meetings; Reports, etc.

THE WESTERN BANK OF CANADA.
The seventeenth annual meeting of the shareholders of the Western Bank of Cazuda was held at the head office of the bank Oshawa, Ont, on Wednesday, April 12th, 1889.
The following shareholders wers present :-John Cowan, LAsq., W. F. Allen, Esqi, Thos. Paterson, Esq., Dr. McIntosh, Thos. Conant, Esq., J. A. Gibson, Esq., Thos. Miller, Esq., John MeLaughlin, Esq., Kichard Foster, Esq., Richard Souch, Esq., Robert Swan, Esq., C. W. Scott, Esq., W. F. Cowan, Isq., and T. H. McMillan, Esq
The President, John Cowan, Esq., occupied the chair, and Mr. I. H. McMillan acted as secretary to the meeting. HETYOTT.
The directors have pleasure in submitting the seventeenth annual report for the year ending 28th February, 1809.
The earnings of the bank have been reasonably satisfactory. The net profits of the year have amounted to $\$ 34,407.87$, or about nine per cent upon the average paid up capital of the bank, which added to the balance carried forward from the previous year of $\$ 7,591.41$ amonnts to $\$ 41,753.01$.
From this sum two half-yearly dividends of 31/2 per cent each have been paid absorbing $\$ 27,022.75$, leaving a balance of $\$ 14$, 976.53, which has been carried forward to the credit of Profit and Loss Account.
The Deposits of the bank have increased $\$ 134,444$ and the circulation $\$ 35,445$ over the previous year. The losses of the year have been of an average nature.

Two new branches of the bank have been opened during the year, one at Pickering and the other at Tavistock, Ont. The agencies of the bank, when last inspected, wers found in a'satis factory condition.

Oshawa, 12th of April, 1809.
Jomn Cowan, Prebident.

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Statement of Profits for the year ending 28th of February, 1800: Balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account on the 28 th of Pebruary, 1898.
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Moved by the president, and seconded by the vice-president, that the report as read be adopted, printed and circulated among the shareholders-Carried.
Mr, McLaughlia, seconded by MIr. Foster, moved, that the thanks of the shareholders are due and are hereby tendered to the president, vice-president and directors, of the Bank for the manner in which they have conducted the affairs of the Bank during the past year-Carried
Mr. Paterson, seconded by Mr. Conant, moved, that the thanks of the shareholders be given to the cashier and other. officers of the bank for their attention to the interests of the Bank-Carried.
Mr. Conant, seconded hy Mr. Swan, moved, that this meeting do now proceed to eloct, by ballot seven directors to fill the place of those retiring, and that Messrs. C. W. Scott and-John Mc Laughlin bo scrutineers for said election, and that the poll re.
main open for one hour to recelve the votes of the shareholdera, but that bhould five minutes elapse at any time without a vote having been taken the poll shail be declared closed, and that the scrutineers be paid $\$ 4$ eacli for their services-Carrled.
The serutineers roported the following seven gentlemen as having received the unanimous vote of the shareholders;, viz.:John Cowan, Esq., R. S. Hamlin, Tisq., W. F. Cowna, Esq., Dr. MoIatosh, W. F, Allen, Esq., T. Paterson, Esq, and J. A. Gibson, Esq., who ware duly elected diractors for the ensuing year. $\Lambda$ vote of thanks was then tendered to the chairman for his able conduct in the chair, and the meeting then adjourned.
At a subsequent meeting of the new Board, John Cowan, Esq., was unanimously elected president, and R. S. Hamlin, Esq.; vice-president.

## BUSINESS CHANGES.

Ontanio-W. O. Otto, groceries, Carleton Place, commenced business; Wm. Thompson, general store, Elgiu, cammenced business; Chase \& Ca., waollen mill, Paisley, dissolved ; Wm. Thompson, tailor, Phillipsville, moved to Elgin; Wm. Knapton, general store, B irr, sold out to Freeman Talbot; R. Nichols, general store, Mélbourne, succeeded by Nosworthy \& McGougan; John Gay, general store, Big Springs, succeeded by J, Bell; John Metcalfe, groceries, Blyth, retiring. from business; C. J. Nortworthy, general store, Orwell, sold out; D. K. Millard, general store, Springfield, advertises busiuess for sale; J. A. King, hardware, Chatham, style now King, Cunningham \& Drew; H: Klie, groceries, Harrow, ont of business; John Farmer, general store, Lake Talon, succeeded by T. Cahill, Jr.; Alex. Grant, Bhoes, Teeswater, giving up business; Homuth \& Bowles, general store, Wingham, dissolvod, style now Homuth \& Son.
Querec-W. E. O'Brien \& Co., grain, 太c., Dunham, new copartnership; J. J. Sournis, goneral store, Joliette, commenced business; S. Armstrong, general store, Radford, sold out; W. 'Lheoret, saloon, Montreal, will commence business May ist; Union Clothing Mfg. Co., Montreal, new co-partnership; L. A. 'Irempe, groceries and hardware, Vallegfield, will commence business May 1at; N. Gagnier, saloon, Maisonneuve, commencing business; N. Mercier, men's furnishings, Montreal, commencing business; Pregent \& Gagnon, general store, Montreal; commencing business; Glackmeyer \&Frere, Importesr, Quebec, commencing business; C. Charest, liotel, St. Johns, commencing business; J. A: Pinault, general store, commenced business; Mrs. L. P. Bishop, general store, Bishops Crossiag, commenced business; M. Daignault, general store, Chambly Basia, commenced business; Tison \& Grignon, publishers, St. Jerome, commenced business; H. A. Green \& Co., traders, Montreal, new co-partnership.
MAN. \& N.W.T.-J. Kochler, general store, Altona, sold out; F.S. Moule, general store, Dunrea, giving up business; Allaire. \& Co., general store and lumber, Somerset, dissolved; W. IR. Robingon, hotel, Emerson, sold out; R. C. Robertson, blacksmith, Pllot Mound, out of business; Jerrard \& Lewis, printers, Winnipeg, dissolved; J. P. Sbannon \& Co., hardware, Glenboro, suoceeded by C. Armitage.
Britisin Coldmbia-Greonwood Canning Co. Ltd., Elburne, incorporated; Mrs. C. B. Masters, drygoods, ©c., Wellington \& Nanaimo, 'olosing out business at Wellington; Clarke \& Jardine druge, \&ct; Ashcroft, dissolved, style now Clarke \& Co.

NLY BRONBWICK-J. A. A. A. Marchand Co. general store, Edmunston, sold out to F. Michaud; Thos. White, confectionery, St. Johit' succeoded by White Bros.
Nớa Scoma-Dunlop Bros. \& Co., general store, \&e., Amherst, sold out to G. R. Smith; MoGilliviay \& McGillivray, general store, Ahtigonish, aucceéded by.McGllivay \& MćIntosh; D. Johnston \& Co., geieral store, \&e., Westville, Daniel Johnston, ouly partner away.

LEGAL RECORD, HO,

## Weok ended $\Delta$ pril 18, 1809.

The following le a record of transactions and oases In our Canadian courts of law, comprising Writs Issaed and Judgments Rendered for sums of $\$ 300$ and upwards, (Montreal, from $\$ 175$ and upwards), and Chattel Mortgages and Bills of Sale for sams of $\$ 550$ and upwards), as taken from the publio records. It will be understood that the actions or items do not necessarily affect the credit and soundness of the persons or concorns named, as they may have been paid or otherwise settled, and that good de. fences may exist in cases of writs, \&o:

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Montreal-J. Beattie agt Baie des Chaloars Ry, Co., $\boldsymbol{\$}_{5} 5,715$; J. Roy Fils \& Co. agt E. W. Desparols, \$ $\$$ K00; Montraal Loan \& Mortgage Co. agt 12. Guertin, $\$ 280$; E. H. Thureton agt R. E. Hughes et al, \$287; Ogdonsberg Coal \& Towing Co. agt J. Power Jr, $\$ 830$.
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Dudswell-J. P. Gondron et al agt P. A. Lassard, $8339 ;$ C. 5 . Genest et al agt P. A. Lassard, $\$ 789$.
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Montreal-J. Charbouneau agt , . H. Bernard, $\$ 277$; 'T. C. Bulmer agt D. A. Hapart, \$288; Bank of B, N. A, agt W. Lu-
 H. T' Chatifute ag O, Tuhotte, $\$ 200$.

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Montreal-T. Laurence agt Jouis Beandry, wī18; T. Bastion ot al ngt A. Buarbounais, $\$ 180 ; \mathrm{E}$. C. Hamilton agt M. Guectin, Sil,0st ; F. U. Grean of al esql agt M. Guerin, \$1.261; Hon. G. C. V. Buchunan agt Dme. A. E. O'Brien, \$3,500); W. T. Virtue agt Dme. J. A. Pelltier, $\$ 327$; G. B. Burlatd agt J, E. Webster, \$194; W. F. Lighthall agt I. 1. Whitney, $\$ 3,504$.

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Toronto-Chas Camoron \& wife to L. Roinhardt, $\$ 1,000 ; \mathrm{D}$. Fitzgerahi to Cosgrave Brewary Co.. $\$ 1,346$.
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Mitchell-H. James to R. Stewart. .......................... . 926
Ottava-Mrs. E. Rogers to L, C. Mitchell.................... 1,000
Peterboro-Mrs, I. Henery to T. Henerf.... ........... 1,500
Prescott-W. S. Brown to H. N. Brown..................... 700
Raleigh Tp-T. A. Grice to Savyer \& Massej Co.. ....... 700
Rat Portage-J.C. Brady to W. G. Camerou.............. 1,022
Gidney-M. \& ML, Gallivan to F. P. Marshall................ 1,200
Stratford-A. Maelennan to A. E. Pavey \& Co.......... 1,301.
Toronto-Jos. Heighington to J. Stark; \%1,245; I. MleConnell to Supreme Court I.O.F., 98,$458 ;$ Mrs. W. Page to J. J. Puge, $\$ 1,122 ;$ W. Page to J. J. Page, $\$ 1,122 ;$ S. Richman \& wife to M. Gorfinkle, \$850, 11 . Schofield to Lyman Bros. $\& \mathrm{Co} ., \$ 3,083 ; \mathrm{F}$. Tremble to Cosgrave Brew. Co., $\$ 1,586$; F. Tremble to L, Reinhardt, $\$ 1,570$.

April 18.
Almonto-M. Dixon et ux to I, Forgie.................... 1,107
Barton Tp-J. Pratt to H. Kuntz.............................. 2,000
Brantford Tp-F. \& J. Petrie to F. H. Boulton........... 694
Cornwall-J. T. Kirkpatrick et al to Relyea \& Co. ....... 12,076
Innisfil-J. P. \& E. E. Lemon to G. C. Allan............. 550
Maldatone-Mrs. E. Ridsdale to D. Farrell................ 2,060
Port arthur-Northern Butel Co. to Can. Perm. L. \& Sav. Cu., $\$ 55,850$.
St. Cathariues-Jas. Fitzgerald to Security L. \& S. Co. 4,748
Salliloet-Mrs. ${ }^{\prime}$. \& J. Curpenter to C. I. Palmer....... 1,700
Sidney-H. \& W. K. Mabey to P. S. Denyes.............. 1,185
Toronto-R. C. Harlock to A. M. Mitchell, \$600; Win. Magill \& wife to W. J. Thomas, $\$ 790$; W. J. Urquhart to J. G.' Minnie, $\$ 750$.

Chattel Mortgages, Man. N.W.T.
April 18.
Rathwell-A. Forbes.
.... $\$ 12,500$
April 16.
Rosobank-W. B. Read........................................ . . . 1,600
Wlngipeg-m. O. Bricker.................................... 2,572 April 18.
Brandon -Wilaon Bros. ....... 1,000
Ceatiel Mortaageg, N.s.
April 13.
Digby-H. B. Churchill.
...... $\$ 1,300$
Halifax-Casson \& Chisholin......................................... 8,009
Bills of Sate, Pbovince of Ontario.
April 18.
Byng Inlot-Holland \& Emory Lumber Co. to Standard Oil Co., $\$ 0,888$.
Toronto-M. J. Gillard to G. Gillard...................... \$ 589
April 15.
Hamilton-m. M. Lottridge exr. to W. H. Hughes...... 2, 800

Bills of Sale, N.B.
April 18.
St. John-J. F. Danlop.
army, will so seriously onlarge the national expenditures as to affect the prices of $\mathrm{U}: \mathrm{S}$. securities. The lucal stock market has been fluctuating under bull and bear skirmishes in which honors were about even. Paclic was freely sold at an advance which ran up to 893 , an impression prevailing that its course will be upward for some time, but why is not quite clear, Montreal. Street seems to have met with a check, sales going from 382 down to $3281 / 2$. A stock which only realizes 3 por cent; is surely no such great catch: as to justify buying for a rise, bat there are some sangaine enough to predict the continued advance of Montreal Street, and no doubt; they will work hard to have thoir prophetic wisdom confirmed. The movement to secure the practical prohibition of Imports of Canadian lumber fato the States, puts another obstruction in the way of reciprocity and countoracts the progress made by the Joint High Commlission. Call loang stand at 5 per cent.; aud mercantile remain minhorivnd

The following is a comparative table of stocks for w. o. April 20th, supplied by Chas: Meredith \& Co., Stock Brokers, Montreal.

| banks. |  |  |
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| M ${ }^{\text {alsons......... } 41}$ | 109198 | 196 |
| Jacques Cartier .. 23 | 111111 | 100 |
| Merchants ....... 10 | 1801/2 180 | 176 |
| Merchauts Halifax, 15 | $71 / 2 \quad 71 / 2$ |  |
| Eastern Townships 25 | 1571/21571/2 |  |
| Can. Bk. of Com, 13 | 151 150* | 135 |
| Hochelaga....... 15 | 160150 | 160 |

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Brazillan exchange for the wreek ending the 19th, is as follows:


MONTREAL CLEARING HOUSE.
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ing April 20, 1899. Clearings. Balances
\$14,119,019 \$2,016,003
Corresponding
$\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Week of } 1898 \ldots & 12,263,517 & 1,866,658 \\ \text { " } & \text { " } 1897 \ldots & 9,359,845 & 1,218,165 \\ \text { " } & \text { " } 1896 \ldots & .0,417,180 & 1,211,695\end{array}$
MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS
Montrear, April 20th, 1890.
Business in general is beginning to as sume that air of early sammer activity which is characteristic of the departing frost and sumny walks. Dry goods and millinery are both fully in line with the opening season. Retailers are busy, those among them whose tact and push are in keeping with the necessities of the times. Groceries are moving steadily, the feature of the week being a rise of 5 cents per 100 lbs, on all grades of refined sugar. These prices are likely to still give way in the near future for a higher figure, as raws are advanoing and supplies are not generally heavy in second and third hands. There is a better Inquiry for teas under generally light supplies. Molasses shows an advance, and a firm market is at present noticed. Hardware shows much higher prices on manufacturers goods. The opening of navigation will wituess mach added life in export goods while increasing in a larger degres the trade of seaport cities by the employment usually afforded.

Botien.-There has been a better feeling existing in the market owing to an ex. port demand springing up, which has increased sales of finest creamery and caused prices to harden fully 1c lb. Finest
fresh made creamery in boxes brings $17 / 2$ to 18 c , and in tubs 17 to $17 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. The im proved prices for creaíery has forced a better demand for fresh dairy goods, finest townships now selling well at 14 to 16 c . In old butter there is little dolng, and difficulty is experienced in pushing sales even though holders accept lower prices. The market is overstocked with-roll butter of all kinds, the demand - being largely checked by warm weather; prices rule from 11 to 18 c .
Canned Goods,-Corn is easy at 80 to 90 c for round lots; tomatoes are steady at $871 / 2$ to 00 c .' Canned lobsters are expected to rule high again this year, as packers have already. extensive orders for Continental consumption, which invariably means a firm domestic market. Thers is nothing doing in salmon as yat.
Cements, Fire Bricis, Etc.-The maiket here is opening very quiet. Although considerable inquiry is heard there is an absence of transactions as compared with former seasons. The backward spring largely eccounts for this, as some Montreal streets are still under cover of the winter ice. The opening prices for cements and fire bricks will be found on another page.
Cnexse.-The market has been topheavy, the last few days showing a very weak tendency. Holders are more anxious to clear stocks und prices are quoted $1 / 4$ to $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ lower. Finest quality is now offered freely at 11 to $11 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.
Crimmoars, Orls, Etc.-While the same firm tone dominates the market, assisted largely by the continned advance in metals, no actual changes have occurred. Business at the moment is inclined to be quiet pending the opening of navigation, and following the temporary rush of orders after the 1st instant. Linseed oll shows a stronger tendency without, however, producing any change in prices. New York advices say: The position of the linseed oil market continues strong. Seed keeps high in price and is offered sparingly. The demand for oil, on the other hand, continues free and competition between the combined and independent crushers is tomperate. Very little oil if any can be secured at less then 49c here at the moment.
Dried Fruits.-Very little ' 98 fruit is held, and this for the most part, of the kind that will command outside figures until new crop arrives. Crop reports convey the usual speculative gosslp as to the fucure, but these are not, much attended to by the trade at present, for it has been proved many times that drought, caterpillars and phylloxera troubling the vines, at this early date should be taken with a grain of salt.
Flour, Feed and Meal.-A fair local trade has been transpiring in flour, but the opening of navigation is awatted for the introdaction of the season's heavy business. Prices are a shade firmer without quotable change. Feed is in good demand, the late season having fte effect; prices"are frm at last week's quotations. Oatmeal is inclined to dulness but firmer prices rule. Prices are: Winter wheat patents, $\$ 3.75$ to $\$ 4.00$; straight roller, $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.05$. and in bags, $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.75$; Manitoba patents, $\$ 400$ to $\$ 4,10$; strong bakers, $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 3: 80$. Bran, Manitoba, $\$ 16$; do. Ont.; $\$ 16.50$; shorts, $\$ 10.50$ to $\$ 17$; moulle, $\$ 19.00$ to $\$ 20$; oatmeal steady but firmer in tone at $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 3.80$ per bri., and $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.80$ per bag. Baled hay is showing a good domand, and better prices. No. $1, \$ 6.00$ to $\$ 6.50$; No. 2 , extra, $\$ 500$ to $\$ 5.25$; clover and mixed, $\$ 4.00$ to ${ }^{\$ 4,75}$.

Green Frutx, etc, -With the advent of warm weather a better business is being done in a general way; Varieties are in-

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creasing, prices are decreasing toward the summer level, and in anothor week or treo the full summor acrivity is expected. Quntations are: Apples, Northern Spies, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5.00$; Bridxins, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 4.00$; Russets, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 4.00$; Valentia oranges, \$5.50; Flerida's, $\$ 4.75$ to 85.00 case; Califoraia Navels $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.25$; lemons more plentiful at $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 3.00$; a ferw bananas are arriving and are held at 75 c to $\$ 2.00$; Capo (lan crauberries $\$ 0.00$ to $\$ 17.50$ per 100 qt. brl. ; pine apples, 15 c to 30 c each. Fiorida tomatoes, $\$ 8.00$ carrier ; grape fruit, $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 0.50$ per box. Vegetables.-Greon radish 50 to 60c doz. ; lettuce, Canadian, 25 to 40 c doz. ; do. ; Boston, $\$ 1.25$ doz. ; new Havana potatoes per brl. $\$ 8.00$; Catawba grapes, 15 baskets to crate, 13.50 ; Florida celery 5 to 10 dozen in case, $\$ 7.50$. Sweat potaitoea, $\$ 4.50$ brl.; bload oranges, $\$ 3.50$ per 1/2 box ; strawberries (American) 450 box coconnuts $\$ 3.50$ per 100. At the Montreal Frait Auction on Wednesday, two carloads of California oranges, three of apples and one of lemons were sold. In oranges seedlings sold up to $\$ 2.25$; pavels, $\$ 1.50$ to \$2.20, according to quallty. Apples were in gaod demand, and went up to $\$ 3.85$.

Hardware. - The market is setting down to a steadier tono after a perlod of unusual activity. Some advances have been made during the past week, but the greater number of lines whlch had been the most readily influenced by the advance in the raw product have ruled steady. Barb Wire shows an advance for the week to $\$ 3.00$, f.o.b. Montreal; Bar $\operatorname{Iron} \$ 1.70$ in car lots; less quantities $\$ 1.75$; Tire and sleigh shoe steel have gone up and are now worth $\$ 2.40$; apring and machinery steel $\$ 250$. Toe calk has advanced to $\$ 2.80$. Copper rivets 85 per cent. discount.

Hides and Tallow. - The market for hides is quiet with little stock receiving. Prices show no change. Tallow remains steady at $43 / \mathrm{c}$ to $4 / 8 \mathrm{c}$ in barrela; calke, which is, dillicult to quote on its real merits, is offered at $47 / \mathrm{c}$ c to $5 \mathrm{c}^{-2} \mathrm{lb}$.
Leaticer and Smoes.-Under a continaed firmuess in price the market for sole leather has shown-a slight advance this week. As a rule, however, trading is quiet. Shoe manulacturers aro koeping busy, and report trade from distant points as very gatistactory. In the New York leather market, Hemlock showed a decidedly strong tone, much activity being diapleyed in the demand. Union showed a rairly brisk trade and the tone of the market was firm. Cut soles showed a good demand, manufacturers generaily being fairly froe buyers, paying full values.


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Sulaberry of Valteytiold,
April 17th, 1890.


Malle Products.-Syrup is in small supply and selle readily at $51 / 2$ to $01 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. Tins, wine measure, 60 to 65 c ; imperial, 65 to 7 \% c.

Molasses.-The market is somewhat excited. Old stock in tirst hands has been bought up, and with Barbadoes quoting 1c advance at 12 c , the expectations of im porters has been upset. It was believed that a waiting game would bring the markot around to a more favorable basis for buying, but these calculations have been upset. Dnother bull feature is the heavy buying on the part of refiners owing to the scarcity of low grade cane sugars. Recent sales of Barbadoes spot have gone through at $281 / 2 \mathrm{c}$, but none can now be had under 20 c .
Potators.-The demand, as experienced for some time past, holds good and prices continue firm. "Rose" in car lots 60c to Gäc per bag ; "White Stars," 50 c to $5 \overline{\mathrm{j}} \mathrm{c}$. There are several orders in waiting from Westera points, bat not sufficient stock here for accommodation.

Produce. ${ }^{\text {T }}$ Eggs. Recelpts show a heavy increase owing to the warm weather, and with the promise of added production prices have rated weak and show a decided downward tendency. 'i'he ainket opened up the first of the week at 14 to $14 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$, dropping later to $121 / 2$ to 13 c , and at present writing are quoted at $111 / 6$ to 12 c . The markets at all Western points are reported lower, buyers now paylug only 10c.

Provisions.-There is a lack of animation in the local market, transactions being of an indifferent ature and showing little volume. Quotations are: Canadian pork, barrels, $\$ 15.00$ to $\$ 15.00$; lams, 10 c to $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$; bacon, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ to 11 c . Pure lard, pails, 034 to $7 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ c compound refined, 5 o to $5 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ per lb. H'resh lilled hogs, $8 \overline{0} .50$ to $\$ 5.75$; leeld $\$ 5.00$ to $\$ 5.40$.
Rice.-Guild quotations remain unchanged, and there is nothing now to note in demand. Cable advices have continued to report a firm market for Japan rice. Patna also has adyanced and new crop Barmah has been reported offered rather sparingly. We quote : 13 standard $\$ 3.40$ to $\$ 3.50$; Patnas, $\$ 4.12 \frac{1}{2}$ to $\$ 4.75$; Japans, $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 5.00$ : Carolina, $\$ 0.00$ to $\$ 7.00$.

Sugar.-Refiners on Wednesday put up the price on all grades 5 c per 100 lbs ., quotations being now : granulated $\$ 4.00$ to $\$ 4.55$; yellows $\$ 3.90$ to $\$ 4.50$ per cental at, - Cactory. London cables the best market strong ; during the last seven days beets have advanced equal to 0c. The demand is fainly brisk on spot.
'Tess. - A' somewhat unique feature of the tea markot is the enquiry from London, which sounds like sending coals to Newcastle, yet a Toronto firm have madz a shipment of 650 hulf.ehests Indians and Ceylous acrobs the water during the last few days; and MLoutreal lirms could do the same If they had the teas wanced on the other side. This demend from the U. K.
is for common to good common kinds which are and have been for some time past, cheaper here than there. Congous and China greens show similar disparity, and it is possible these sorts as well will find sale in England if buyers here fail to respond to the prices.asked. On the other haud, doubtless encouraged to practice a little of the principle of "glve and take," from the example of London, there has besn quite a few orders cabled for fine teas, -which Mincing Lane is always looked to to supply-and on the whole business in teas is healthier than it has been for a long time. Advices from Loudon state "the feeling is that higher prices will bo seen for all kinds of tee in the near future."
Woot. - Thers is an absence of transactions on the local market, which is not expected to change before the third series of London sales open the 2ad of May. Prices are expected to open at least lo higher for goods wanted here. Canadiau fleece is lower; a 'quantily of the old stock not being removed makes the outlook for the new clip look gloomy at anything like a fair price. This, howaver, does not in any way affect the liner wools which are firm in tone. The "American Wool and Cotton Reporter" says: "The feature of the matket during the pust week has been the sale of a considerable amount of Territory wool for export, which was taken by English parties, who are suppozed to have paid for the samo about 38c clean. There have been free exports of Australian wool also, which had been held here in bond, purclasers paying from 40 to 40 clean. The market certainly presents a remarkable condition of affalte. With a duty of 11c per pound on tine wools we behold the singular spectacle of the domestic product selling at such a low price as to warrant its exportation. The genoral market has been fairly active, the sales for the past week aggregativg nearly 5000,000 pounds. The demand has been chieflr for Tersitories grading tine medium. Prices are stendy and unchanged, but any attempt to secure an ndvance instautly checks' negotiations between buyers and sellers. "The sales of the past week have been made at as low prices as have been seen this year for the same quality of stuff."

## MARKET NOTES.

Eugs.-The necessity to bring American eggs into this market which was an incldent of the egg situation the other week, will not be forgoten in a hurry. Those who haudled this commodity deolare that more attractive stuff on the outside and worse stulf on the inside they never came across. llowever, the experience of these imported eggs has convinced dealers here that our friends to the South know exactly what they are doing in buying largely of the Canadian article, and it has become understandable why the British market has of late given more favor to Canadian eggs. than American, at slightly higher prices for tho lormer.
Tayprian Onrons.-A Liverpool cable of Wednesday to a local importer quoted 5 s f.o, b, or equal to about $\$ 1,05$ per cowt. laid

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down in Montreal. This is about 2 s choapor thau Egyptian onions were offering at this thme last year, when there was a scarcity. There is no unusual movement to bring in supplies, and it is expected the cheapness will make little impression in total quantity brought forward. 'At the quotation named, jobbors will sell at about $\$ 2.50$ per bag.
Pine Arpies.-It is remarked that the quality of the pines being received at the present time, is much ahead of those which came to this market last year, and better quallity and size can now be bought for 17 c , than could then be obtained for 25 c . The Cuban crop is being marketed this season, where, tweive months ago, it could not reach the outside, because of the war.

Apples.-There are still some choice lats of Spies on the local market, for which holders are asking from $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50$ a barrel. As showing the great improvement that has been made in packing; (after earnest, eflorts had been made by the Dept. of Agrionltire, and the trado press as well, to remedy this defect) most of these apples look in better condition at the present time, than was formerly the case as early on in the season as Christmas, This is entirelydue to the better care exercised byporchardists, and, of course a more fntelligent plan of storage in warehouse thanks to the lessons taught by, cold storage.

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## rORONTO WHOLESALE IRADE. (Revleed by I'elegraph).

 Tononto, April 20, 1890.There has been a good trade in wholesale lines this week. The favorable weather has been beneficial to lrygoods, and a large sorting up business is reportod Cottons and woollens aro very firm. There is an improvement in hardware and metals, with orders greatly exceeding those of last year at this time. In groceries basiness' is said to be fair. Leather in good demand and firm. Drugs are selling well. The money market is unchanged, with prime commercial paper discounted at 8 to $01 / 2$ per cent, and call loans 5 per cont. Ster ling exchange firm. Stock market quiet with tone generally firm. Latest sales :Bank of Commerce 100, Ottawa 210, Dominion 271, British Am. Assurance 127 Ont. \& Qu'Appolle 62, C.P.R. 80\% Tele. phone 178. General Electric 154, Twin City, $713 反$, Canada Per, Loan 112 $\not 2$, Crow's Nest Coal 178, Cariboo McKinney, 1375 , War Eagle 3001\%, Dunlop Tire pr. 115.

Butter \&c. - The butter markat is quiet and steady. Choice grades in fair demand, with the best tub quoted at-13 to 14 c , and medium at 10 to 12 c . Large rolls 12 to 14 c , and pound rolls 14 to 1 巨c per lb . Creamery is quoted at 20 to 210 for rolls and at is to 190 for tub.' Egge are easier at $111 / 2$ to 12 c per doz. In case lots. Cheese is firm at 11 to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ per 1 l .

Dressed Hoas-Receipta are a mall and the demand moderate. Prices cantinue to rule steady with choice selections $\$ \mathbf{\$ 5} .15$ to $\$ 5.25$, and heavy $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.10$.

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Flour and Grain - Flour quiet and firm, dealers àsking a littlo more than last week. Straight rollers in wood west are quoted at $\$ 3.05$ to $\$ 3.1 \overline{5}$, and Ontario patents $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.35$. Manitoba patonts $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.15$ and stroug bakers $\$ 3.80$ to $\$ 3.00$. Bran is firm at $\$ 14$ here and shorts $\$ 16$ on track, Oatmeal 20c higher at $\$ 3.80$ in bags and at $\$ 3.90$ in barrels on track. Whoat is firm with offerings limited. Red winter and white are quoted at 68 to 60c north and west, and goose at 07c low freights. No. 1 Manltoba hard is firm at Fic Fort William, and at 840 North Bay. No. 1 Northern 81 c North Bay. Rye firm at 58 c west. Buckwheat ecerce and firm t 50 c west. Oats are higher, with white selling at $321 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ north and weat and at $331 / 2$ on Midland. Peas $0 \pm$ to $6 \overline{5} 0$ at outside points. Corn is firm, with Canadian quoted at. 36 to 370 west and American at $411 / 2$ to 42c on track here. Barley dull, No. 1 being quoted at 41 to 42 c west, and No. 2 at 38c west.

Groceries-Trade is moderately activo, with prices the same as lastwoek, Sugars are firm, with granulated quoted at $\$ 1.58$ to $\$ 4.08$ per $100 \% \mathrm{lbs}$, and yellows at $\$ 4.03$ to $\$ 4.43$. Molasses, West India in barrels;' 32 to 450 . Teas in fair demand and firm. Rio coffee 8 to 12 c , and Java 30 to 32c.


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Handwame-The demand for hardware and metals is good, and prices are firm all round. Cut nails are now $\$ 2.05$ per keg, Toronto, with be rebate. Tacks, bolts, rivets, shovels and spades are higher. The base price for smooth steel wire is bc highor. Pig tin and solder a cent dearer. Barbed wire $\$ 2.75$ I.o.b.

Hides and Skins - The hide market is quict with cured quoted at 83\%. Green unchanged at $8 / 4$ for No. 1, $71 / 40$ for No. 2, and $6 / 4 \mathrm{c}$ for No. 3. Calfsking are steady at 8 to 10 c . Sheepakins aro quoted at 90 to $\$ 1.10$. Tallow rules at 4 to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$ for rendered.
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