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- All communications, enclosures or remitances for this journal may be addressed simply: JOURNAL OF COMMERCE, Montreal; for further particulars see advertisement on lower righthand corner of next to last page.

- The construction of a straight and direct line of railway from Hamilton to Guelph, for the purpose of evading the present very circuitous route, is said to be under consideration.

-Angell, the fugitive Secretary of the Pullman Palace Car Company, has been arrested in Lisbon. The \$80,000 which he stole were found deposited in his name in the Bank of Portugal.

- At the meeting of the shareholders of the Ontario Bank held at Toronto last Tuesday, Hon. W. P. Howland was elected President, and Colonel C. S. Gzowski, Vice-President.

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- E. Mechan, a liquor and coal dealer, of St. John's, Nfld., who has hitherto been fairly rated in the agency books, is insolvent. He shows liabilities close on to \$12,000, while his assets are said to amount to little or nothing.
- The unsecured compromise at 40 cents in the dollar in the matter of G. R. Fabre, carringe hardware merchant of this city, has been paid by the assignees during the present week, the whole amounting to \$67,451.
- Referring to the paragraph in our issue of last week anent the Scottish Commercial Ins. Co. we are credibly informed that that company had no connection whatever with the city of Glasgow Bank.
- The Mayor of Toronto has received a requisition, signed by prominent citizens, asking thata public meeting be called for the purpose of discussing what could be done in the way of establishing iron works in the city. The meeting will be held this evening.
- -The Gold Medal and the Grand Prize were awarded at the recent Exposition, Paris, to Wm. Barbour & Sons, of Lisburn, Ireland, for the superior excellence of their linen threads. The article is well known to the trade in
- N. McNeil, of St. Paschal, Que., a former bank clerk, who has been keeping store two or three years, is in trouble, and offers his creditors 25 cents on the dollar. His liabilities are not definitely stated, but are in the vicinity of \$4,000 or \$5, 00.
- -A special agent who was sent by the United States to South America last December to enquire into the condition of the commercial and postal affrirs of South American States, reports an immense trade open to the United States on

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- The offer of 50 cents on the dollar made by Mrs. Forrestal, storckeeper, of Antigonish, whose embarrassment we have noticed in previous issues, has not been accepted, and an attachment at the instance of Messrs. Gnacdinger, Son & Co., of this city, has been issued.
- Archibald Holmes, a preminent livery stable keeper, of Charlottetown, P. E. I., is insolvent, and has left his general creditors pretty badly. His liabilities are large, and his available assets very small, a bill of sale for \$2,400 covering about all there is. It is reported Holmes has left the country.
- Hamilton boasts of an enterprise for the manufacture of preserve-jar tops, oil-can screwtops, oilers and spun zinc of every description. These goods were formerly imported from the United States, but the Hamilton manufacturer is now able to undersell the Americans 50 per
- -Wm. Coxall, an apparent'y prosperous grocer of Colborne, Ont., is offering 75 cents on the dollar. He came here four or five years ago from Kingston, had made a good many friends and had seemingly worked up a healthy trade. The causes for his present action have not transpired.
- A rule nisi has been obtained in Toronto to prosecute the publisher of the New Dominion for libel regarding the Manager of the G. W. R., that paper having insinuated that some such person as Mr. Broughton was making use of his position to obtain commissions on certain supply contracts.
- The statistics compiled by the Paris police show that since May only a few more than 250,-000 foreigners have entered the city. Of these 58,000 were English and about 13,000 Americans. The general impression was that a far larger

number of Americans had visited the gay capital. - A meeting of creditors in the matter of P. Rooney was held on the 27th inst., but no de-

- finite action was taken towards the acceptance of the offer of 40 cents referred to in our last number. The meeting was adjourned until the 3rd prox., and in the meantime enquiry is to be made into the validity of the separation de biens obtained by his wife about a year ago.
- The Cincinnati Commercial has caused its commercial reporters to make a careful tour of inquiry, and on more than a page gives a detailed result which shows a general increase of business, full force employed on full time, and general cheerfulness and confidence. Profits are small but collections prompt. Better times are budding.
- -F. X. Grenier, a Quebec grocer, is endeavoring to compromise his liabilities at 25 cents on the dollar. He has heretofore enjoyed a general good standing, though slow in payments at times, and his offer is not satisfactory to the majority of his creditors, A committee has been appointed to examine into his affairs before completing any arrangement.
- -It is understood that the Equitable Life and the Boston life companies will pay the Dwight insurance chim without demur. But some of the other companies think they have good grounds of defence, and will stand a suit first. The amount in the Equitable was \$40,000. The total amount on Mr. Dwight's life was over \$250,000, on which he had paid premiums for only the first quarter, or about \$2,200.
- The editor of a Western paper presented a bill for eight years' back subscription. The old farmer was first amazed, then indignant. He put on his spectacles, scrutinized the bill, and after assuring himself that it was genuine, he exclaimed: "I've been supportin' this yere paper for nigh unto eight years, and I never had no such thing as that flung at me before. I'll

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stop supportin' it." He not only withdrew his valuable support, but failed to pay the bill. It was the find that previous statements of the liabilities of Hill, Mitchell & Co., manufacturers of cordials, &c., have been generally over rated. The schedule, as prepared by the assignce, shows that the indebtedness only reaches to \$5,200 in round numbers, of which \$400 is secured, and \$830 privileged. It is stated that an offer will be made for the estate by a former employee, who purposes, if successful in his offer being accepted, continuing the business.

The McKillop-Sprague Commercial Agency of New York has at length succumbed to the pressure brought about by the Tappan troubles in connection with the Boston Belting Co., already referred to. The recent efforts on the part of the able manager of the Montreal office to organize a Canadian company on the basis of its connection in this country have not been successful, and the business will likely be discontinued towards the beginning of the new year. The Company is advertising for tenders for the business.

Rufus C. Wry, a merchant of some fifteen to twenty years standing at Jolicure, N.B., has been attached. He has been in uncertain shape for several months past, having executed a trust deed for benefit of his creditors in Sept. Inst. Subsequently he made an offer of 50 cents on the dollar, but there is apparently no solution of his troubles but insolvency.

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— The Duke of Sutherland in an unlucky hour subscribed for four shares of the Glasgow Bank. He thought it was a reliable concern. Now that it has failed he finds those four shares under the unlimited liability charter of the bank will cost him, so it is said, about \$5,000,000. His loss will excite sympathy and regret, for he has never frittered away his enormous income, which was about \$600,000 a year, in selfish pleasures. He has of late years expended large sums on railroads and other works, which will now probably be brought to a standstill. He is said to be an excellent practical mechanic and railroad engineer.

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- The hotel business has been suffering also from over competition. In Montreal the St. Lawrence Hall, the Ottawa and the Canada Hotel, were forced to succumb; the first as well as the Montreal House (the proprietor of which had not failed, however) being closed altogether. In Toronto the Hammond House, which has within a few years unsuccessfully tried various names, "The Mansion," the "Windsor," &c., has also given way. The present insolvent, Mr. Hammond, had only been in business six weeks, during which time he contracted debts amounting to over \$8,000, while most of the effects are either covered by chattel mortgage or Ind only been lent to the bankrupt. The privileged claims amount to \$1,101. A creditor at the meeting last Monday said he would move for the insolvent's discharge, as he considered that a man who could come into the city a stranger, and in six weeks get \$8,000 into debt, deserved his freedom.

-The firm referred to last week as having obtained consignments under false pretences appears to have its counterpart in Boston. The Committee on Prices of the Produce Exchange have had their attention directed to circulars that were being sent out all over the country quoting a higher range of prices than could be really obtained, in order to induce shipments. One of the circulars, for instance, quoted Turkeys 16 to 18 cents, when the market price was 11 to 12 cents; Chickens 16 to 17 cents, market price 10 to 11 cents; Ducks 15 to 17 cents, market price 9 to 11 cents; Geese 12 to 13 cents, market price 5 to 8 cents. The responsible dealers in Boston have long contended against sharpers, who induce people in the country to forward consignments on which they make no return.

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BITTER EXPERIENCE.-During the last month or two, readers of Canadian newspapers were brought face to face daily and weekly with certain advertisements which, although not solely intended to make the Earl of Beaconsfield better known to fame in Canada, have been the means of making the owners of the journals in which the advertisements appeared regret that such a glorious title had so little effect in promoting the sale of the article of merchandise which bore it, and to the use of which presumably was to be attributed the prolonged vitality of that astute statesman. The Duke of Wellington is scarcely better known as the hero of the Peninsula and Waterloo than by the boots that bear his name, while Lord Brougham moves down to posterity in a carringe; and it was doubtless expected that the memory of the Earl of Beaconsfield would in like manner be preserved by the "Bitters" to which it is presumed he had given his noble name. "Little dogs start the hare, but great ones catch him," and this has almost invariably been the case with bitters and patent medicines. The original promoter spends thousands in order to get the article introduced to the public, and fails just in time for somebody else to step in and begin to make a fortune. The originators of the "Beaconsfield Bitters," however, had not thousands to spend, and their credit with the Press did not last long enough to allow the growth of a demand for the mixture, especially in times like the present when men's stomachs are treated with more consideration,

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and when "sherry and bitters" and "cocktails" have not become such a general necessity as appetizers. The "Beaconsfield Bitters" were supposed to be manufactured in Scotland, but some incredulous people have mildly questioned their ever having paid ocean freightage: However this may be, or whether the suspension of the Glasgow Bank had aught to do with it, both having come to a stop simultaneously, certain it is that the offices occupied by the Canadian branch of the firm in Montreal are ready to be let to a readier class of tenant; and those who had taken to the "bitters," as well as the newspapers who printed the advertisements, seek in vain from Messrs. J. & R. Dulgleish & Co. for a supply of the articles they respectively require.

BUSINESS CHANGES.

The following are the more important business changes of the past week :-

Dissolutions :- Leckie, Matthews & Co., general merchants, Montreal; Spry & Eaton, pork dealers, Halifax, N.S.; Ascher & Co., importers, Montreal; Laird & Henderson, mill, Sault Ste Marie.

Offer to comprom'se :- Wm. Coxall, general store, Colborne, at 75 cents; W. A. Heaton, harness, Thorold, at 25 cents; F. X. Grenier, groceries, Quebec, at 25 cents; N. McNeil, general store, St. Paschal, at 25 cents; and Mrs. Forrestal, dry goods, Antigonish, N.S.

Selling or sold out :- R. H. Brick, groceries, Hamilton; and Warren Durkee, harness, Otterville.

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Commencing or recently commenced business :- Ascher, Laurie & Co., importers, Montreal; Watson & Ross, groceries, Woodstock, Ont.; Robert Lanaway, groceries, Hamilton; and D. Comfort & Co., paper bags and stationery, Hamilton.

W. H. Wheeler, baker, London; and Geo. Bremner, druggist, Pakenham, advertise their -business for sale. G. Carpenter, tobaccos, Hamilton; and J. A. Dart, fruit and confectionery, Woodstock, are giving up business.

ASSIGNMENTS .- ONTARIO.

M. Andrews, Yorkville.
Chas. G. Walker, Toronto.
John Robinson, miller, Fergus.
Geo Maynard, milliner, Listowell.
Jno. W. Ortwine, Berlin.
Jno. Robinson, Ferguson.
Wm. Coxall, Colborne.
E. Hammond, Port Dover.
Rees & Hayen. St. Catharines. Rees & Haven, St. Catharines. Wm. Hill, Cornwall.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

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Alexander Braid, Toronto.
H. Merrill, machinist, Ottawa.
Robert Crawford, Guelph.
Wm. Mills, London.
F. McLenman, Walkerton.
Jno. Barton, undertaker, Ottawa.
Aggar Ethantiak. St. Thomas. Aaron Kilpatrick, St. Thomas. Park & Malone, Owen Sound. R. Smith, Welland. Jno. Miller, Goderich. Jas. Wilson, Goderich. Wm. A. Heaton, Thorold, Geo. C. Barwell, Brantford, F. M. Postlewaite, Toronto. F. M. Postlewatte, Toronto Jos. Gearing, Toronto. S. Maynard, Windsor. Geo. Hood, Guelph. Daniel Stewart, Aylmer. Chas. W. Ingram, Picton.

Déry, St. Laurent & Co., Quebec. Jas. Malony & Co., dry goods, Quebec. G. Thérien, Windsor Mills. E. A. Tambs, Sherbrooke. S. Bedard, jewellery, Quebec. Boyer & Sené, boots and shoes, St. John. 8. Eady, Hatly. Wm. H. Watson, Sherbrooke. Geo. G. Bryant, contractor, Sherbrooke.

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Leal Brothers & Co., Madeira, Madeira

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pagnes.

Pingnes, Louis Renouf, Epernay, Champagnes, Cuzol & Fils & Co., Bordeaux, Fruits & c. Pinet, Castillon & Co., Cognac, Bran-

A. Houtman & Co., Schiedam, Gins. R. Thorne & Sons, Greenock, Whiskies. Wm. Hay, Fairman & Co., Glasgow,

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THE COMMERCIAL OUTLOOK.

Although it is not possible to write in an encouraging tone of our commercial prospects, yet we may fairly point out that after all there is less cause for gloom in a country situated as ours is, than there is either in England or the United States. The causes of the prevailing depression have been so repeatedly stated, and are so obvious, that we can hardly believe in the existence of any great ignorance on the subject. A period of extraordinary inflation in the prices of all kinds of goods, but especially of iron and steel, was followed by one of stagnation, and, as a consequence, by a shrinkage in the value of every kind of property, real and personal, including all kinds of stocks. The fact that Canada has been engaged but to a limited extent in manufactures has been rather fortunate than otherwise, as the effect of the depression has been much more severely felt by the manufacturing than by the agricultural class.

In a recent discussion on a paper read by Mr. Mundella, M.P., before the London Statistical Society, it was stated that since 1873 the wages in the English iron market had fallen 62½ per cent. Probably in no

branch of trade has there been greater depression, but we are constantly hearing of reductions of wages, and it is believed that they have been unparalleled in the last three years. And yet the speakers generally did not despond as to the future. They were of opinion that there were far more men out of employment in America than in England, and that more failures were occurring in Belgium, France and other countries in Europe. On the whole it seemed to be the opinion of gentlemen peculiarly well qualified to arrive at a correct opinion that, in view of the general depression throughout the world, the position of England was a singularly sound one, and that the country was passing through the present depression with infinitely less suffering than other countries.

We do not believe that there has been anything at all approaching to the reduction in wages in Canada that there has been in England or in the United States, and we cannot doubt that there is really less suffering than there would have been had our manufactures been more extended. In estimating the falling off in trade by comparing the exports of 1872 with those of 1877, it must be borne in mind that there has been a great reduction in values. The decline in the values of the total exports from the United Kingdom from 1873 to 1877 was from £223,000,000 to \$198,000,000, or 11 per cent., which certainly appears a very moderate allowance for depreciation in price. The exports to Canada during the first nine months of 1873 were £6,916,771, and in the corresponding period of 1877 £5,874,643, or a reduction of rather more than 15 per cent. If allowance be made for shrinkage in the value of goods, it will not appear that the importations have very seriously fallen off in quantity.

There is we think reasonable ground for hope that the year on which we shall soon enter will be marked by a revival of business conducted on sounder principles, and with that economy and prudence which are much needed in every occupation. The resumption of specie payments in the United States .cannot but have a good effect, unless Congress should commit some new blunder. There is we venture to hope little danger of any new schemes of railways either in the United States or Canada. The destruction of capital by improvident railway enterprises has been enormous. It is computed that 30,000 miles of railway have been built in the United States beyond the requirements of the country, and 84 companies, with railways of 7,721 miles, and which cost \$416,984,000, were sold under foreclosure in 1876-77

and 100 more roads, with an aggregate mileage of some 12,000 miles, and representing some \$500,000,000, were soon to be sold, and many of them, no doubt, have been before this. We in Canada are far from being free from blame regarding railway extension, and this mania for building railroads has been a principal cause of the inflation and subsequent depression. It may be hoped that there are not many under the delusion that it is possible for the Government, by the adontion of any fiscal policy, to restore prosperity. Their proposals when made ought to receive impartial consideration, and they may be able by wise legislation to remove some well-founded causes of complaint, but the evils caused by overproduction and unprofitable employment of capital can only be remedied by the exercise of greater caution and economy, and after the lapse of time.

OUR DISCLOSURES.

The condition of trade and the proposed early changes in the tariff render the discussion of customs affairs more than ordinarily serious at the present time. It is needful, therefore, that all who venture to criticize the fiscal system of the country should weigh their words and allegations. When we began to make known the results of our inquiry into official documents, we stated that our investigation had been instituted with a view of exposing certain anomalies in the importation of various classes of goods into the Dominion at the different ports of entry. Several of these anomalies we have already placed before our readers, many more will be made known from time to time, but we shall not deviate from our position of merely exposing differences in valuation, the causes of which we must leave to others to determine. Whether these discrepancies are the consequence of lack of method in the appraisement, or of too much confidence in the invoices on the part of custom house officers, or whether they are the results of a systematic undervaluation on the part of importers, it is not our duty to pronounce. We merely state facts based upon official figures, and the accuracy of our disclosures has thus far remained undisputed.

Reviewing briefly the articles of trade hitherto treated of in these anomalies, and which have undoubtedly astonished our readers no less than ourselves, according as fresh discoveries were made,—the low values given, or the difference in valuation at the various ports of entry,—we may be able to show how exact and careful we have been in our statements, substan-

tiating them in every instance by official proofs.

As regards locomotives, we said that \$5,298 as the average value of the thirtythree engines imported into the country was preposterous, and we established the fact by showing that the average value of locomotives exported from the United States was double the price put upon them here. In our last number we referred to a remark surmising that probably the locomotives were shipped in parts, that none were entered in a complete state. That objection was not refuted because it has no value. Had the locomotives been entered in disconnected parts, as frames, cranks, axles, connecting rods, tires, etc., the duty should have been only 10 per cent., instead of 171. That they were entered in a complete state and ready for use is a fact known to any one who, in the summer of 1877, saw two of them. The C. B. DeBoucherville and The Curé Labelle on the track of the Grand Trunk Railway along the quays of this city, on their way to the station of Hochelaga. The objection, therefore, falls to the ground.

Our second article pointed out that while American molasses was entered into the Province of Ontario at an average of 28 cents per gallon, 700,000 gallons from the same place of production were passed through the customs in the Province of Quebec at an average of 16 cents, while according to the best authority, the average value of American molasses during the year under review was 26 cents per gallon.

The importation of shawls into the Dominion was the next subject of our enquiry. That English shawls had a value in Ontario double of what they were entered at in the Province of Quebec, and that American shawls were estimated in the Province of Ontario at half the value they had in Quebec, seems to us an anomaly for which no explanation has been attempted.

Our last disclosure, that on silks, satins and velvets, is too fresh in the memory of our readers to require our going into details. A difference of SSc. in the average value of English silks between two Provinces, one of 50c. in the average value of American silks, the importation of silks from France being the cheapest of all, while German silks from Elberfeld, Crefeld and Barmen (wrongly printed Bremen in our last number) were more than double in value, are the most salient points made as to these costly fabrics.

Our disclosures have attracted much attention and caused considerable comment in the United States. Certain journals have come to the conclusion that, if

under such a moderate tariff as that now in force, losses of revenue have been so great, were they to continue in the same proportion under a higher one, no benefit could be derived from the change. Others say it is not so much a higher tariff that Canada requires as the strict enforcement of the one existing, which, had it been firmly and wisely applied, would have provided for the country an adequate revenue, instead of the deficiency we complain of, for the last two years.

One fact is certain, undervaluation must have occurred in many importations; it has been extended even to articles on the free list, as, for instance, in Cream of Tartar in crystals, entered at 21c. per lb., Cocoa nut oil and Palm oil at 45c. per lb.; and though it seems that undervaluation of articles on the free list is perfectly harmless, it has the evil effect of deceiving the country as to the real amount of the balance of trade against us, unfortunately and constantly a heavy one. If not thoroughly denounced and exposed, this system of undervaluation may induce the framers of the new tariff to accept as correct figures that are not based upon real facts, and consequently to enact measures that may have to be reconsidered after a brief experiment, and we need scarcely refer to the mischief which would be caused to the country by a too frequent change of tariff.

THE PAPER TRADE POLICY.

Impatient for the arrival of the good times which are to follow the establishment of the "National Policy," four gentlemen interested in the paper business met in solemn conclave at one of the Windsor Hotel parlors a week or two since and inaugurated a policy of their own which, although it may probably confer some benefit upon the paper manufac. turers of Canada, and possibly upon their employees, is not likely to prove very acceptable to the various newspapers of the Dominion, or the still greater number of men dependent upon them for their daily bread. Now, although there have been one or two paper manufacturers who were obliged to retire from the business arena, the firms chiefly instrumental in bringing about the present change are all doing extremely well, and were far better able to continue the late prices than the majority of their customers are to bear the increase; indeed the agreement to raise prices received its primary impetus at the said meeting from an acrimonious discussion between two wealthy manufacturers, one of whom accused the other of sending instructions to his manager to undersell him half a cent, per lb. on common "news," which the other denied, and from threats on the one hand to spend half a million of money, and on the other hand one or two millions in order to ruin each other, which unfortunately for the newspaper men were not carried out. Paper at four cents per lb. is consequently out of the question at least for another year or two. The short-hand writer who occupied a neighboring parlor, says that towards the "wee sma' hours" the voices of the two leading members of the symposium gradually assumed a more mellow tone, according as more harmonious feelings were restored, and he found it impossible to learn the conclusions arrived at that evening. At all events when the parties met next day they seemed quite convinced that seven cents per lb was cheap enough for "news" paper, and fixed upon an agreement, signed there and then, that for the term of two years from date they would not sell a ream for less than that ligure. Some few of our contemporaries who had asked for tenders, expecting to get a reduction from the recent low rates of 61 and 61 cents, were surprised to receive answers all round on the basis of 7 cents, the smaller dealers having been led to sign the agreement also. One daily paper whose annual purchases amount to \$20,000 or \$25,000 expected to have the price reduced to 53 cents; a western newspaper who had already received offers from the manufacturers at 61 cents, was surprised, after allowing two or three to withdraw their bids, to learn that the makers who had agreed to supply them "as low as any" could not be persuaded to sell them at less than 7 cents per lb., notwithstanding its alleged advocacy of the National Policy. Another western paper was fortunate in getting a contract shortly before the symposium was held. at a price and on terms which, in order to spare the feelings of our various friends, we must withhold. The whole affair was managed with a degree of secrecy and despatch which surprised even those who had had an inkling of what was to come, and reflects credit upon the promoters of the scheme, who have certainly given an example of what can be done by a few leading clever men to restore prosperity to a drooping industry when they agree to discontinue the suicidal policy of "beggar my neighbor." Some of the newspapers, disappointed in the "tenders," have already written to other countries for prices, and boast their ability to break the combination.

-Thursday being Thanksgiving Day in the United States, we are without our usual telegraphic despatches. We give those of Wednesday.

INVOICES.

It is a strange fact that too often men who. in private life, and business intercourse, exhibit characters so sincere and upright that they cannot be tempted aside by any prospect of wealth or other advantage, act upon entirely different principles when, instead of dealing with their fellowmen, they have to do with that impersonal being called the State. It seems as if the impersonality of the State debars it from the right of being dealt with uprightly. Of all debts, men are least willing to pay taxes. Everywhere they think they get their money's worth, except for these, and their reluctance is still greater when they have to comply with the fiscal laws of the country. Indeed, it has gone so far that open resistance has been offered, and smuggling has been and is vet, in certain countries, a regular branch of business.

In countries advanced in civilization smuggling is a thing of the past: prohibitions to sustain monopolies do not exist any longer; goods, whatever may be their place of growth or production, are admitted, if not free, at least under a comparatively low duty; and the only evidence required as to their value is the invoice of the seller and the word of honor of the importer endorsing the invoice as correct. What implicit faith in man's word! Yet, this man who swears conscientiously that the invoice he presents to the custom house is the only one in his possession, and represents the true value of his goods, feels, perhaps, that his competitor in business has passed his own importation under a false invoice, securing already an advantage over him; he may fear that, between his neighbor's dullness of conscience and bankrupt stocks thrown on the market, his so well selected importation brings him a heavy loss, perhaps ruin, instead of the fair profit his experience of the trade and his careful and honest dealings ought to secure him. A new, home-made invoice might have changed his fears of loss into certainty of gain; a few altered figures might have done it; to wrong the State is injury to none, so many do it and thrive after all. Who would certify that every one has resisted the temptation?

The struggle between conscience and interest is everyday life, and it is not only within the precincts of a custom house that the encounter alone takes place but nowhere is the antagonism more strikingly exhibited; on one hand the impersonality of the sufferer, on the other the immediate results to be gained are so many odds in favor of interest that

the issue of the struggle may too often be easily foretold. Under these circumstances has not the State a moral duty to perform? If the temptation is strong, is it not in the power of the State to make it less imperative? Could not advalorem duties be changed into specific duties? In many cases this could be done, and in those cases, in which the substitution could not take place, a gradation in the scale of duties might perhaps make fraud less alluring, in reducing the profit to be expected from a false declaration.

Take wine for instance: If wine costs not over forty eight cents the duty is thirty six cents per imperial gallon, if it costs above forty eight cents, the duty is seventy-two cents. Had the tariff been framed for the encouragement of fraudulent entries it could not have been better arranged. A wine merchant sends abroad an order for ordinary wine, part of his order is bought within his limits, but for the balance his agent, owing to a sudden and short rise, pays say \$2 more per cask. The first purchase comes within the thirtysix cent duty, the second one, in no way better in quality, costs fifty cents per gallon, and has to pay seventy two cents per gallon. The difference in duty on the last purchase is more than the whole profit to be made on the shipment. We cannot presume to say what the importer is to do. We know that custom house officers are generally good judges of wine, and yet we challenge any one of them, however fastidious may be his palate, to tell the difference between wine costing 200 francs per eask and wine costing 220 francs. So no detection, in case fraud were attempted. is to be apprehended from appraisement. Had a gradual scale of duties been established, such temptation to fraud would not have been offered.

The duty on packages will furnish another example. This duty, so onerous to the trade, has cost to the revenue more than it has produced. To charge on packages of no value to the receiver a duty equal to the one levied on the goods they have contained; to charge seventeen per cent. duty on packages of merchandise subject to specific duty, is intolerable to the trade, and the sum of \$52,781.09 collected from packages has caused a very large loss not only to the revenue but to mercantile morality also; many invoices have arrived accompanied by blank bill heads to be used as the case might require, facilitating a course of action-which were totally unknown, had not this duty on packages been estab-

Our aim in this article is not to raise a sensational cry on the decline of mercan-

tile honor—other countries than Canada were better subjects for such disquisition—our purpose is to suggest to the framers of the new tariff that it is the moral duty of the Government to lessen the causes of conflict between conscience and interest in the direction we have pointed out.

THE SILVER NUISANCE.

There seems reason to apprehend that United States silver dollars may again be introduced into Canada to an extent sufficient to create inconvenience. We cannot too earnestly recommend our merchants, brokers and bankers to make a determined resistance to any new attempt to subject us to such a nuisance. The danger at present is not to be apprehended from the introduction of small coins but from the silver dollars which are being coined in considerable quantities, but which, in all probability, will fail to obtain currency in the United States. Already a paper warfare is being vigorously carried on between the advocates of a bi metallic currency, and the defenders of the Na tional banks in the city of New York. which have with great unanimity resolved to co-operate with the Government in resuming specie payments in gold. The ignorance and stupidity displayed by a considerable portion of the press of the United States would be deemed incredible had we not ocular demonstration of its existence. It seems to be believed that Congress actually has the power to make a nominal amount of silver coin equal in value to the same nominal amount in gold, although it is notorious that the market value of the one is some 8 per cent. greater than that of the other. Persons who would at once perceive the absurdity of permitting a debtor to have the privilege of paying his creditor either 20 barrels of flour or 20 tons of coal or 1,000 lbs. of refined sugar seem unable to comprehend that there can be any objection to a law under which every debtor can tender to his creditor gold or silver at his option. The paper currency of the United States is something like 700 millions of dollars, and it has been within I per cent. of being at par with gold for several weeks. The gold reserve in possession of the treasury is ample to enable it to resume specie payments, and fortunately there is no very large amount of legal tender silver. Under these circumstances the National banks in New York have concurred in the only arrangement calculated to place the currency on a sound basis. It is proposed to receive silver on special deposit, the depositors receiving the same coin when required, while gold and notes will be paid out

at par in all ordinary transactions. Such an arrangement does not meet the approbation of the advocates of silver, who insist that silver should be placed on the same basis as gold, notwithstanding the difference in value. It is impossible to make any forecast of the action of Congress, but, judging from the past, it may be feared that a resort will be had to the unlimited coinage of silver, the practical effect of which would be to debase the National currency, and to drive all the hoards of gold out of the country. We can comprehend the policy, however insane it may be, of those who, in order to make money abundant and cheap, advocate the issue of inconvertible greenbacks, but we own that we have never been able to realize the object of those who, being in favor of the resumption of specie payments, deem it to be in the interest of the Nation that the legal tender coins should be debased. The bulk of the currency of the United States will continue to be paper, and, if that paper is to be convertible into specie on demand, a certain quantity of coin must be kept for redemption purposes. Let the amount required be assumed at, say, 150 millions of dollars, and we would ask what real difference it makes whether that 150 millions be kept in gold or in silver or in coins of both metals? The paper is already at par with gold, so that the change to a silver standard will simply cause a change in the value of all commodities and in labor of every kind. The European nations, and notably France, which have adhered to the bi-metallic system, by agreeing among themselves not to coin silver while it continnes depreciated as at present, have virtually adopted a gold standard. And this is the time when an ignorant and fanatical population in the West, duped by the interested proprietors of silver mines, is endeavoring to debase the standard of value to the injury of the masses of the people. It is some consolation to find that the Government of the United States and the National Banks in the commercial Capital are perfectly sound in their views, and determined that the resumption of specie payments shall take place in gold, and that silver shall be used only as a subsidiary coin. Whatever may be the result in the United States, Canada should repudiate American silver of all kinds as an unmitigated nuisance.

THE FISHERY QUESTION.

The United States has kept faith, and, as Lord Dufferin predicted during his visit to Montreal, "has paid in gold like a gentleman." It must not be forgotten that our claim was fifteen millions of dol-

lars, and that it was supported by evidence of a very satisfactory character. As the United States have made a protest against the present award being considered a correct measure of value, it may be well to remind our neighbors that we should, if forced to a settlement on a money basis, be disposed to contend again for our just claims, and to remind them further that we should be perfectly satisfied to retain our fisheries and not to barter our rights for money. They are the parties who desire the privilege, and they have evinced no disposition to negotiate on the basis of reciprocal commercial advantages. The period during which the present arrangements will remain in force will soon pass away, and it is time that both parties should consider what policy should be adopted when the Washington Treaty shall have terminated. It may be as well to take time by the fore-

THE BANK STATEMENTS.

The statement of the condition of the banks in Ontario and Quebec on the 31st of October will be found on another page. Compared with the preceding month, it does not present important changes, yet it is of much interest, as it reflects the policy followed by our banks soon after the failure of the Bank of the City of Glasgow and the numerous disasters it brought on. Useless to say that the policy was one of curtailment. We find that, compared with the statement of the 30th of September, the liabilities of the banks have decreased \$1,407,473 and the assets \$1,781,566. They did not try to fortify themselves against the consequences of the state of affairs in England, as their specie reserve was not increased but, on the contrary, their circulation was enlarged; they decreased their liabilities in the United Kingdom, reduced their line of discount, collected a small amount of their overdue notes, and inaugurated what in political parlance is known as the policy of laisser faire.

The circulation during the month increased \$563,000, and was on November 1st \$20,492,117, against \$22,018,658 at the same date last year. Never since 1870 has the circulation been so low at this season. In our number of the 25th of October we said that the amount of money required to move the crop would not be so large as previously, prices being so low, as there was a difference of fully twenty-fivecents per bushel compared with the quotations of last year. From August 1st to November 1st, the three months in which the crop is marketed, the circulation has increased \$3,964,091 against

\$5,531,998 in 1877. Thus this year \$1,500,000 less has been required for the moving of the crop than the year before, though the crop has been larger. We do not need to point out the consequences to the general trade of the country of such unprecedentedly low prices for produce. Viewing the position of the farmers, receiving one million and a half less for their crops, much improvement in the retail trade can hardly be expected, and wholesale merchants will have to exercise due caution in their dealings with distributing houses.

The Dominion Government deposits during October have decreased \$250,000, and those of the Provincial Governments have also decreased \$670,000. Last month we had to notice an increase of 362,000 in public deposits, this month the public deposits have decreased \$540,-000. This decrease in public deposits cannot be easily explained, as the month of October usually gives quite a different experience. The amount due to agents in the United States increased \$95,000, very likely for purchases of exchange, while their indebtedness, doubtless for barley sold in the States, decreased \$200,000. The liabilities in the United Kingdom show a reduction of \$357,000.

The amount of specie has increased in a very small proportion, \$118,000; the notes of the Dominion have increased also in circulation, \$102,000. But the most important feature of the statement is the decrease of \$763,700 in notes and cheques on other banks, and of \$264,600 in balances due from other banks in Canada, against an increase of \$1.374,000 in notes and cheques on other banks and of \$103,000 in balances due from other banks in Canada in the month of September. This decrease, and the withdrawal of \$540,000 of public deposits during the month, indicate a stagnation in business more serious than was generally anticipated. The other changes in the statement will appear in the following table:

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| Premises | 5,119,000 | 5,171,774 | 5,874,177 |
| Sundries | 1,468,000 | 1,266,642 | 1,530,415 |
| Dunancs | 1,100,000 | 4,200,042 | 1,000,410 |

This statement is, as we said, an indication of a policy of curtailment. The decrease of activity shown in the reduction of exchange between the banks, the decrease of confidence in business exhibited by the reduction of public deposits, lead us to believe that the revival of trade in Canada is not yet at hand, although the gradual restoration of confidence must soon begin to make itself felt.

THE QUESTION OF THE DAY.

We can scarcely be surprised that writers who find themselves utterly powerless in argument should resort to other means to assail their opponents. In an article in the Montreal Gazette, headed "The Autocrat of Quebec," this journal is designated "Our Rouge Contemporary," and, 'much more a political than a commercial newspaper." To the latter charge we shall reply, as we did on a former occasion, that we cannot admit that a commercial newspaper is precluded from discussing such momentous questions as that which involved a change of Government in the Province of Quebec, and which, moreover, originated in measures of a strictly commercial character, and specially interesting to the inhabitants of the cities of Montreal and Quebec. As to topics of discussion in our columns the Gazette will, we hope, pardon us if we take the London Economist as our guide. As to being a "Rouge," we would remind the Gazette that it is not many weeks since he designated us as a "Tory," and one of the worst type, for maintaining the very same principle that he has lately discovered to be the characteristic of a Rouge. We have been under what we must suppose to have been the delusion of imagining that Rouge was synonymous with ultra-Radical, and in England, at all events, attacks on the prerogative of the Crown, on the Queen as favorable to personal Government, and as desiring to be an "autocrat" have emanated from Radicals like "Verax," who has even given broad hints as to a possible change of dynasty, or rather we should imagine the substitution of a republic. On the other hand, the defence of the Sovereign and of her prerogatives has been undertaken by the literary organs of the Conservative party. And while we admit, and with deep regret, that the great majority of the Conservatives of Quebec have abandoned their cherished principles, in obedience to the dictates of revenge, and in order to subserve party objects, it is some satisfaction to us to know that our views are shared by many of the best and wisest among them, and notably by those who are removed from the political arena.

Notwithstanding the Gazette's opinion that it is "arrant nonsense," we reiterate our assertion that "the removal of the Lieutenant-Governor is strictly analogous to a change of dynasty in the Mother Country." It is true that, owing to our being a dependency of a monarchy, provision had necessarily to be made for the removal of the Governor, and we can conceive cases in which it might be necessary to resort to the proceeding provided for by law. We fortunately have the admission of Sir John Macdonald himself that the Lieutenant-Governor "represents the Crown to the same degree as the Governor General." A fundamental maxim of our Constitution is that the occupant of the throne "can do no wrong." Those who believed that William IV. was wrong in dismissing Lord Melbourne, in 1834, were not so stupid as really to believe that the wrong was done by Sir Robert Peel, who was in Italy, and not by the king himself; but, according to our constitutional theory, the responsibility must devolve on the Minister, and not on the irresponsible Sovereign. Let us, for a moment, suppose that a similar case were to arise in Dominion affairs. If Sir John Macdonald were to act precisely as Mr. DeBoucherville did, (and we are firmly convinced that he will do nothing of the kind,) and to be dismissed in consequence, and that his successor, after a dissolution were sustained by even one vote, is there even the most remote probability that there would be any "interference with the Governor General's proceedings, on the part either of the Imperial Parliament or of the Crown? And yet the Governor General of Canada can be superseded at any moment at the discretion of the Crown. The very object, it may be presumed, of making the appointment of Lieutenant-Governor for a term of years, revocable only on cause being assigned, was to place an impediment in the way of such a proceeding as that recommended by the Quebec Conservatives.

servatives. We are taken to task, likewise, by the Gazette for using the term "unconstitutional," and on the ground that the removal of the Lieutenant-Governor for cause is authorized by law. The logical inference, according to the Gazette, is that what is authorized by law "may be an unwise thing to do, may be an inopportune thing to do, but it cannot be an unconstitutional thing to do." Wonders will never cease! Why it was Sir John A. Macdonald himself who labored in his celebrated speech to convince the House that acts strictly legal might be grossly unconstitutional. The object, then, was to prove that however legal Mr. Letellier's dismissal of his ministers may have been it was nevertheless "unconstitutional." The term, though in our judgment wholly inapplicable to the Lieutenant-Governor's conduct, which was in strict accordance with constitutional practice, would be a correct designation of an act of vengeance perpetrated on a functionary who, in accordance with the principles of our Constitution was irresponsible for the act on which it is sought to justify his removal. The Gazette is correct, indeed has hit the nail on the head, when he acknowledges that "under our system "the Lieutenant Governors are appointed " by an authority which is personally inter-"ested in the party controversies of the "Provinces over which they are ap-" pointed to preside." He moreover cites some very sensible remarks made by Mr. Joly in the debate on the confederation resolutions, showing that he foresaw the danger of the Dominion Government and Parliament interfering with the local affairs, in which case he argued "it would become insupportable." It is quite true that the Gazette charges that the Lieutenant Governor was the culprit, and that he perpetrated a coup d'étât to serve the interests of his friends. All this, however, is mere surmise. The very fact that Mr. Letellier's antecedents were well known, and that his political sympathies were different from those of his Ministers, should have induced the latter to take special care that they gave him no just cause of complaint. The Gazette affirms that the dismissal of Mr. De Boucherville was "an act done in obedience to orders for party purposes." We most' certainly shall not imitate the Gazette by applying to him such language as "disgraceful falsehoods," which respect to the position which he still occupies, should have restrained him from using towards the Lieutenant Governor. We, however, affirm that the official correspondence conveys no such idea to our mind, any more than it discloses any instance of departure from truth. In the absence of specific charges we can go 'no further. The Gazette referring to the railway bill, which we pointed out was the real cause of dismissal, curiously enough states that "it was even approved and defended by the writer in the Journal himself." Suppose it was, what bearing has that on the opinion of Lieutenant-Governor Letellier, who states that he considered it "contrary to law and justice." Would it not have been well that the special provisions which were deemed so objectionable, those which constituted the Governor in Council of legal tribunal to decide whether the municipalities were liable, should at least have been discussed, in order that, if possible, some compromise might have been arrived at? It was not a question of "mere caprice," and, moreover, it is a well-known fact that even among the ministerial supporters there were some who were of opinion that the bill might have been improved. As to the bill having passed both Houses, it must be borne in mind that there was gross deception practised on the members, inasmuch as it was introduced by the Ministers as if with the sanction of the Lieutenant-Governor, when in fact he had never been consulted. We have not failed to give our best attention to the article in La Minerve on the same subject as that in the Gazette. It is strange that our contemporary should be unable to comprehend that, with Mr. Mackenzie's views on the constitutional question, his correct course was to refuse to discuss Sir John Macdonald's motion. It was, we venture to affirm, precisely the course that would be taken by the Imperial Government under similar circumstances; indeed it was the course taken by the Whig Ministers in 1849, with the concurrence of Sir Robert Peel, when an attempt was made to bring into discussion Lord Elgin's conduct in giving his assent to the Rebellion Losses Bill. The ground taken was not that the bill was defensible, but that it was a matter for Canada to deal with as it thought fit. But La Minerve maintains that the Province of Quebec did at the elections pronounce against the Joly Administration. How then has that Administration been able to get its money votes, and carry on the government? We shall content ourselves with entering our pro-

test against the name of the Earl of Dufferin being introduced into this discussion as having expressed any opinion whatever on the subject. We know that it has been used on both sides, but with equal impropriety. La Minerve fails to comprehend the meaning of our remarks as to the new Governor General. We had reference not to any chagrin at having to dismiss Mr. Letellier, but to the attack on the prerogative of the Crown which his deprivation of office would involve. It is not an agreeable task to have to sign one's own death warrant, and that is pretty much what those who are pretending to give a hearty welcome to the Marquis of Lorne really want to compel him to

We shall conclude by a few very short extracts 'from high authorities which we commend to the thoughtful consideration of our contemporaries. The favorite authority with Sir John Macdonald and Mr. Chapleau, the late Mr. Bagehot, says: "The Sovereign (Governor) has under a "Constitutional Monarchy such as ours "three rights, the right to be consulted, "the right to encourage, the right to "warn." Mr. Gladstone in his recent essay, "Kin beyond the Sea," gives a lucid definition of the constitutional functions of the Sovereign for the benefit of our neighbors in the United States. He says: "He is entitled on all subjects com-"ing before the Ministry to knowledge "and opportunities of discussion unlim-"ited, save by the iron necessities of "business. Though decisions must ulti-" mately conform to the sense of those "who are to be responsible for them, yet " their business is to inform and persuade "the Sovereign not to overrule him. "Were it possible for him within the "limits of human time and strength to "enter actively into all public transac-"tions, he would be fully entitled to do so." Our own Mr. Todd says: "That in order "to enable a Constitutional Governor "to fulfil intelligently and efficiently "the charge entrusted to him by the "Crown, he is bound to direct, as by his "commission and instructions he is author-"ized to require, that the fullest informa-"tion shall be afforded to him by his "Ministers upon every matter which at "any time shall be submitted for his ap-"proval; and that no policy shall be car-"ried out, or acts of executive authority " performed by his Ministers in the name " of the Crown, unless the same shall have " previously received his sanction.

Lord Grey in his Essay on Parliamentary Government says: "There is a further safe." guard against abuse in its being requi-'site that the Ministers of the Crown

"should obtain its direct sanction for all "their most important measures." Our last extract shall be from a great Conser vative statesman, the late Earl of Derby: "It is the duty of the ministers for the "time being in submitting any proposition "for the assent of Her Majesty to give "satisfactory reasons that such proposi-"tions are called for by public policy and "justified by the public interests." Should Sir John Macdonald submit a proposition for removing Lieutenant-Governor Letellier "the cause" to be assigned must be that His Honor dismissed a Ministry which violated what two Prime Ministers of England and several eminent writers on constitutional law have declared to be his constitutional right. For our own part, fortified by the authorities which we have quoted, we shall not feel either distressed or mortified at being considered by La Minerve and its admirers wholly ignorant of constitutional law. But what is the cause, we would ask, of the pressure which is being brought to bear on Sir John Macdonald? He is bound by his oath to give his best advice to the Representative of the Queen. Are his adherents in Quebec doubtful as to what that advice will be in re Letellier, and do they want to drive him? Or is the pressure to be brought to bear on the Governor-General? There must be some extraordinary reason for what we are almost inclined to designate as an unconstitutional pressure. It is certainly a course of proceeding for which it would be difficult to find a precedent. However, we shall be content to watch events, and to hope that Sir John Macdonald will be astute enough to weather the storm.

The foregoing was in type before we received 'Le Canadien of 26th and 27th inst. Much of the argument of our contemporary we have already replied to, but we may notice some new points on another occasion.

THE PACIFIC RAILWAY TERMINUS.

We are sorry to observe that a party controversy is being carried on as to the terminus of the Pacific Railway. There can be no doubt that the most eligible terminus is Esquimault, the harbor of Victoria on Vancouver's Island, but on the other hand, the adoption of that terminus will add very largely to the cost of the road. The Pacific Railway is a gigantic enterprise for the Dominion to undertake, but hopes have been entertained that, if completed in a satisfactory manner, a considerable portion of the trade from China and Japan may be diverted from the Southern route to the Cana-

dian Pacific. The importance of such a harbor as that of Esquimault can hardly be exaggerated, and that was the terminus originally contemplated. It is rumored that an effort will be made to induce the Imperial Government to assist in the construction of the work, with the special object of securing the terminus at Esquimault, and such an appeal would seem at all events to be worth making.

WELCOME.

This is the auspicious day for the arrival in the Commercial Metropolis of the Dominion of our distinguished Governor-General and his illustrious consort, and all classes of our mixed population will join in giving them a hearty welcome. Although there seems to be no lack of enthusiasm, vet it will be difficult for Montreal even to equal Halifax, which has the advantage of a Government House, an Admiralty House, and the residence of the commander of the Forces. Although not a seat of Government, and having neither military nor naval head quarters, we can manifest in a more unpretending way our devoted loyalty to our Sovereign, our attachment to the institutions under which we have the happiness to live, and our confidence in the ruler which has been appointed to represent the Crown in the Dominion, who is connected with the Royal family by marriage with a daughter of our much beloved Queen, and who has, moreover, hereditary claims to the respect and attachment of a free people.

It appears that the new President of the Wabash Railway has decided to extend that road to connect with the Grand Trunk at Detroit Junction, thus forming a through connection with the Grand Trunk Railway to Montreal, and thence to Europed via the Allan Line of steamers. There is no other port where ocean vessels drawing as much as twenty-two feet of water can come so far into the interior, to meet the produce from the West, on its way to the markets to Europe, and the economy of the route has been frequently demonstrated.

- J. Brown & Co., extensive rope manufacturers of Quebec, are in embarrassed circumstances, and have suspended. Their direct liabilities are quoted at \$80,000, and their indirect at \$50,000.

INSURANCE-FIRE RECORD.

Albert Mines, N.B., Nov. 21.—A building owned by the Albert Mining Company, and occupied by G. B. Willett as a store, destroyed.

Loss \$8,500.
Port Dalhousie, Ont., Nov. 21.—A large building occupied as a machine shop, baru, and stable destroyed. Loss \$2,000; no insur-

Garleton, N. B., Nov. 22.—A house owned and occupied by D. G. Davis totally destroyed. Insured for \$3,000 in the Lancashire, and \$1,000 in the Scottish Commercial Ins. Co.

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Port Dalhousie, Ont., Nov. 24.—A building
owned and occupied by Spring Bros. totally
destroyed. Loss \$800; insured for \$100.

St. Martin, N.B., Nov. 19.—The store of D.
Vaughan destroyed. Loss about \$5,000.

Drummondville, Nov. 21.—L. H. Hamel's
house destroyed. Insured for \$600.

Commercial.

MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Nov. 28th, 1878. Business is quiet, as usual at this season with wholesale houses. The retail trade is seriously affected by the continued mildness of the weather, and stocks are not much reduced. Sorting-up orders are consequently light and far between. The passenger steamers to and from Quebec are laid up for the season, but the market boats are still running. The money market is unchanged. Good mercantile paper is discounted at 7 to 8 per cent., and call and short time loans on approved collaterals are made, the former at 6 and the latter at 7 per cent. Sterling Exchange, early in the week, was firm at 84 for round amounts between banks, and 83 to 81 for counter transactions, but the tone of the market has eased meantine, and business is done at \$\frac{1}{2}\$ between banks and \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to \$\frac{1}{2}\$ to customers. Gold drafts are dull at par to 1-10 discount. The Stock Market throughout the week has been weak, irregular and fluctuating.

Asnes .- Receipts are remarkably light, and already a few are held back for inspection in 1879. Early in the week Firts Pots were quiet, but, owing to an advance in Liverpool to 23s. 6d, per cwt., are stronger, and sales have been made at \$3.75, and 4 brls as high as \$3.85; Seconds and Thirds are scarce and nominal. Sales do not exceed 50 brls. Pearls.—25 brls. Firsts sold on p.t. believed at about \$5.50; Seconds, nominal. Receipts since 1st January, 8,258 brls Pots and 1,186 brls Pearls; deliveries, 9,040 brls Pots and 1,622 brls Pearls. Stock in store 1 112 brls Pots and 2.50. store 1,112 brls Pots and 217 brls Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES .- There is a little more animation in business the present week, a fair amount of sorting-up orders coming forward, and a fair, although moderate, demand will likely prevail until after the holidays.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS. - Business during the past week has been quiet, and there are very few transactions to note. Stocks of chemicals remaining on hand are lighter than usual at this season, and there being little inducement to import, holders will obtain full prices when buyers appear. Quinine is likely to remain high for some time, the English Government luving requested tenders from the London makers for 20,000 ounces; and barks continue scarce and high, an advance of 6d to ls per lb. having been paid at recent sales in London. Iodine and iodide potass are also

Day Goods.-Only a few sorting-up orders coming in. The mildness of the season and the bad state of the roads still interfere with the remil business, and stocks in the country are but little broken. The continued rainy weather and slushy tstreets make shopping to city folks anything but a pleasure, and with the exception of preparations for the festivities incidental to the arrival of the new Governor General and his Royal consort, there is little activity among city retailers. We have been requested by our Manitoba and other Western subscribers to give quotations of cottons in this market, which are as follows: Valleyfield bleach'd market, which are as follows: Valley field bleach'd X30 in., 6c; XX33 in., 7c; XXX36 in., 7c; O36 full 3lc; EE36 shrink finish, 8lc; OO36 full, 9c; EEE36 shrink finish, 8lc; OO36 full, 9c; EEE36 shrink finish, 12c. Hochelaga (Grey), G30 in. 6lc; H33 in. 6gc; H1H36 in. 7gc; XX36 (full) 8gc; XXX36 (full) 9lc.—Cornwall (Grey), WD32 in. 6gc; WE35 in. 7gc; WR35 in. 8c; WS35 in. 9c; WA36 in. 8lc; WW36 in. 9lc; Twilled 36 in. 11lc. Lybster (Grey), No. 2, 32 in. 6lc; No. 2, 35 in. 7lc; No. 1, 35 in. 8c; XX36 in (full) 9c; Heavy twilled, 36 in. 10c. Dundas (Grey Sheetings), B. 72 in. 21c; No. 1, 72 in. 24c; No. 1, 72 in. (twilled) 32c. All the foregoing are on the basis of the recent All the foregoing are on the basis of the recent reduced price lists from the manufacturers. There are a few small packages of inferior American grey cottons in the market at 43c; but no respectable dealer would offer them to his customers.

FARMERS' RETAIL MARKET .- The rainy weather of the past week and the bad state of the country roads have prevented many farmers visiting the markets. Oats are in fair supply, at from 70c to 85c per bag; peas, 75c to 85c per bushel; buckwhent, 50c do: beans, \$1.20 to \$1.40 do. Potatoes are slightly dearer, being from 85c to 51 per bag; beets, carrots and Swedish turnips, 80c to 40c per bushel; parsnips and onions, 45c to 50c do. Cabbages are pleu-tiful, and of somewhat better quality than last week, at 15c to 35c per dozen heads; celery, 15c to 30c do. Quebec turnips, \$1.10 per barrel; yellow turnips, 40c per bag. Apples continue plentiful and cheap. Montreal apples have declined of late owing to the cheapness and good quality of much of the fruit brought from Western Ontario. Some of this fruit, which was held lately at \$3 per barrel, are now being was field lately at \$3 per barrel, are now being offered at \$2 per barrel. Western fruit are from \$1 and \$1.50 to \$2 per barrel; cranberries, \$7.50 to \$8 do. Malaga grapes, \$6.50 to \$7.50 per small barrel of 50 lbs. Sweet potatoes, \$5 per barrel. The price asked for dressed hoge is from \$4.50 to \$4.75 per 100 lbs. Poultry was less plentiful than usual, and considerably higher prices were being asked for the better kinds. Turkeys, Sc to 10c per lb ; ducks, 10c to 11c do.; chickens, Sc to 9c do.; geese, ec to 7c do. Eggs were in fair supply at former rates, being 20c per dozen for packed eggs, and 25c to 30s for eggs in basket. Other articles as last

Fisu.-Green Cod is held firmly, and may be quoted at \$4.50 for No. 1; Dry codlish, American in fair supply at \$4.25; Gaspe scarce at \$4.75 to \$5. Herrings remain firm at \$4.50 per brl. of Newfoundland and \$4.75 for No. 1 Montreal inspection. Pickled Salmon is in fair demand but scarce, at \$10.50 to \$11.50 for No. 1, and \$9.50 scarce, at \$10.00 to \$11.50 for No. 1, and \$9.50 for Nos. 2 and 3. Mackerel still in limited quantity. We quote No. 1 at \$8; No. 2, \$5.50 to \$6.50 and \$7; No. 3, \$4.50 to \$5.50. Small fall, \$3. Smoked Herrings, 22½c. to 25c. per box. Finnan Haddies, 6½c. per 1b. Smoked Salmon, 124c. per lb. Bloaters, \$2.10 per box. Canned Salmon, \$2.00 per doz. Lobsters, \$1.40 per doz. Frozen Salmon, 124c. to 13c. per lb. per doz. Frozen Salmon, 121c. to 13c. per lb. Boneless Codish, 6c. to 64c. Boneless Hake,

FLOUR. - The flour market is quiet and steady. Sales are very limited as only the city trade are buying, navigation being about closed. Superior Extra is scarce and firm, and sales are made at an advance of 10c to 15c on last week's quotations. (See prices elsewhere).

Furs.-There is no change worthy of note since our last review. The continued mild weather has a depressing effect upon the retail business. We can make no alterations in business. We can make no alterations in wholesale prices:—Rats, Spring, 13c. to 16c.; Rats, Winter, 10c.; Rats, Fall, 6c. to 8c.; Kitts, 2c. to 3c.; Red Fox, \$1 to \$1.10; Cross Fox, \$2.00 to \$4.00; Silver, \$25 to 40; Lynx, \$1.25 to 1.50; Martin, 75c.; Otter, \$3.00 to \$5.00; Mink, Dark Prime, 75c. to \$1.50; Mink, Pale, 25c. to 50c.; Beaver, Winter, clean Pelt, per lb., \$1.50 to \$1.75; Beaver, Fall, clean Pelt, per lb., \$1 to \$1.25; Bear, large prime, \$5 to \$6; Bear, small, \$3 to \$4; Cub, \$2 to \$3; Fisher, \$5 to \$7; Skunk, 20c. to 50c.; Black, do. 60c. to 75c. to 75c.

GROCERIES .- Sugars after a range of low prices are now reported from U.S. as advanced, and firm. Production of refiners is being diminished. We quote here Yellows 7c to 8½c; Granulated, 9½c to 9½c. Little to note in raw Sugars. Teas—A rare event occurred to-day in a somewhat extensive Ten sale at room of Messrs. D. Torrance & Co. About 1,500 to 2000 packages Greens and Japans sold at on the whole, all things considered, moderately fair prices. There seemed a fair amount of life in prices. There seemed a fair amount of the in the business. No change in ordinary prices. Molasses and Syrups.—Quiet. Rice.—\$4.25 to \$4.45. Coffees.—Little business passing on late basis of prices. Chemicals.—Sal Soda rather higher; Bicarbonate steady. Fruits.—Rather firmer feeling in Valentia; Layers unchanged, but in some demand. Currants.—41c to 6c for fair to choice.

Grain.—There is no movement in this market, and any prices given would be nominal. We note considerable transactions in round lots of Canada Spring at points west on cars for shipment to Liverpool, No. 1 at 86c. No. 2 at 84c. and No. 3 at 80c. per bushel. The receipts of Breadstuffs at the seven principal Atlantic ports continue very large: the following were the receipts from Jan. 1 to Nov. 16, inclusive, for three years:—

1878 1877 1876 Flour, bbls......8,396,670 7,117,562 8,720,146

Wheat, bush......96,316,367 38,525,805 38,044,124 Corn, bush......96,071,417 77,291,491 79,274,031 Oats, bush.......21,722,304 18,433,131 22,262,311 Barley, bush.......5,047,419 4,405,841 5,935,154 Rye, bush........4,523,310 2,255,416 1,222,037

Total.........223,680,817 142,871,684 146,738,157
The visible supply of Whent on November 16th was 18,239,000 bushels. A New York authority, commenting on the present condition of the wheat trade, says:—"Meantime, with a crop amply sufficient for all possible needs of legitimate business, both for home consumption and export demand, the market in this country is being so manipulated that no shipper can calculate even on cable orders two hours ahead."

HARDWARE.—Business is almost over for the season. We make some reductions in quotations which are likely to rule until the new tariff comes into force.

LEATHER. — No improvement in this line. Manufacturers still busy taking stock. The market is well supplied with both sole and black leather.

LIVE STOCK.—There arrived at Point St. Charles during the past week nine car loads of cattle, 190 hogs, and one double-decked carload of sheep, being by far the smallest number during any week of this season. Very few were offered last Monday at the St. Gabriel Market, and only about 120 head at Viger Market. The sales made were at an advance on last week's, so that butchers bought very little in hopes that the supply would be better by Thursday. A pair of cattle were sold at about 37 cpr 1b; also three cattle at \$28 each, and fifteen cattle at \$25 each, or at a little under 3c per lb. Nineteen cattle were sold at an average of \$19 each, and twelve cattle at \$25 each. Hogs are very scarce, being held by one dealer, who is selling them in small lots, at from \$3.25 to \$3.50 per 100 lbs.

Ohs.—The oil market remains unchanged and dull. Naval Stores.—Scarcely any movement to report, and prices are unchanged and nominal. Pants.—Very little doing during the past week. The crop of flax seed has been a short one, both in the Province of Quebec and in Ontario. The ruling price here has been \$1.15 per 60 lbs.

Provisions.—Butter remains very quiet, but we note more doing in poor and medium quality, some orders being filled for the Continental market on a low basis, and from New York the shipments are about 3000 pkgs. weekly for the Continent, nearly all of low grade. A great portion of this Butter is re-worked and naturalised into fresh Continental, and shipped from there to the English market, and no doubt brings good prices, which shows how easily the public are gulled. Fall-made Townships are in good demand, and sell freely on arrival, but the supply is small, and the receipts from this section are likely to be very light for the balance of the season. There is, however, plenty of Butter in all for anything except fresh made. In the States the make of winter Butter will be large, although this Butter lacks body and will not keep long, yet for immediate use it is likely to have the preference over stale and summer-made Butter and the shipments are likely to be large from

New York after the turn of the year. We note sales of selected Townships at 175. to 175c, and 100 packages at 173c; Morrisburgh 16c; and low to medium grade 5c. to 12c.

Cheese .- The demand from all quarters contimes moderate and uncertain, and the market, as a whole, is tame. The public cable having declined to 47s. has evidently had a further depressing effect, and some factorymen and dealers who have been anxiously looking forward to better times have now very reluctantly come to the conclusion that "John Bull" is not very hungry for cheese; but with a continuance of moderate prices, consumption should be large—still it must not be overlooked that, with a continuance of bad times on both sides of the Atlantic, and a large number of the cheese-enters (which are mostly composed of the working classes) still out of employment, it is hardly to be wondered at that we have so often to note a dull and unsatisfactory market, and this fact, on the face of an apparent over production in the make, must necessarily prevent higher prices; and we think that those holders who have acted upon our oft-repeated advice and kept their stocks moving, will now see the force of our arguments. It is evident that the visible stock on both sides of the Atlantic at present time is the largest ever known, and it is a matter of surprise to us that Factorymen and others should be disposed to continue the "holding policy" in the face of an apparent break later on, for, with increased shipments towards spring, it simply means a further break in prices on the other side in order to work off the large ac cumulation, and even then it is very doubtful whether a reduction in price will relieve our markets and keep us clear of stock before the new make appears. We quote present prices of September and October makes, 74c to 84c., while August and earlier made cheese are being offered at 6c. without finding buyers. There is considerable dissatisfaction expressed by a portion of the trade at the Ingersoll market reports regarding the stock of cheese unsold in Western Ontario, which is put down at 5000 boxes, while on the same day as this report is telegraphed the offerings were over 18,000 boxes. Such ed the offerings were over 18,000 boxes. Such reports are misleading, and convey the idea that these reports are got up in the interest of a clique and not in the interest of the cheese trade at large. From a careful estimate we consider that from 50,000 to 75,000 boxes cheese, as the stock unsold in Western Ontario, will not be too large an estimate, and some others put the stock down at considerably above the estimates given. We understand, also, that some of the factories in Belleville section, who sold their entire season's make some time since at 9c to 10c per lb., and which contracts were repudiated a few weeks since by a "prominent" Belleville operator, not on the plea of quality, but, to use the words of this Belleville contractor: "In consequence of the occurrence of events in England over which he had no control,"-these factories have in some cases accepted the reduction in prices rather than lose anything further. The buyer has now arrived at the point when he denies having repudiated his contracts. Such an action cannot be too strongly condemned, for, if parties can manage to shirk their contracts in this manner, the sooner the poor factorymen and the trade generally take steps to prevent its repetition the better for themselves and the trade at large, otherwise this important branch of commerce will have to bear the reproach cast upon Let factorymen stand up for their rights. The excuse given by the Belleville con-tractor is not sufficient to satisfy the trade. At the Utica market, on Monday, 8,000 boxes were sold at an average price of 7½c; leading factories brought 8c. Both this market and that of Little Falls were very dull. At the Inger-soll market, Tuesday, eighteen factories regis-tered 12,505 boxes, and about 6,000 were represented not registered. One factory sold August, September and October make at 74c; four factories were offered 8c for September and October make and refused. It is said that many factories sold during the past week September and October at 8c., and Aug. and Nov. at 9c. This is the last weekly market for the season

Pork.—Packing has been carried on in the West at the usual rapid rate, notwithstanding the low prices. The total packing at the six largest cities during the past week foots up 360,000 hogs, against 190,000 for corresponding time last year. Information from smaller towns indicates but few of these places have as yet begun packing, but some of the larger cities are doing much more active business than same time hast year. The prices quoted elsewhere are not excessive for this market if \$7\$ be taken as the rate for a good article in Chicago, as by the time it could be laid down and sold here there would have to be added the following items per barrel: freight and commission, \$1.25; duty, \$2.074; and inspection, \$1. Business in packed meats is very quiet, and likely to remain so till packing is resumed in January. Apples are still in over supply, and are slow of sale at our quotations. It will be borne in mind that the Canadian barrel is three pecks larger than the American. Advices from Liverpool under date 14th inst., state that arrivals of American and Canadian apples continue without abatement, importations to date amounting to 127,551 brls, against 15,520 brls to same time 137. Sales of parcels externally dry were mostly as follows:—American Apples—Baldwins, 7s to 13s 64; Greenings, 7s 9d to 11s 3d; Russets, 10s 13s. Canadian Apples—Russets, 12s to 17s; Baldwins, 10s 9d to 12s; N. Spy, 10s to 12s 6d; Pippins, 10s 9d; Spitz, 13s 3d; Greenings, 7s 6d to 11s 6d; Fameuse, 8s 9d, and Newtown Pippins, 18s per brl.

Wines and Spirits.—The better class of Brandies are again held at a slight advance, owing to the alleged smallness of the yield in Europe, which, however, is said to be of annually good quality. Owing to concerted action among manufacturers at Cette the cheap and nasty class of goods in ports and sherries are held somewhat higher. Champagnes are in little demand. There is a considerable quantity of vile stuff in the market which finds a slow outlet as an adjunct of the social evil, and doubtless at remunerative prices. In other lines there is no change. Lorne whiskey appears to be in request for obvious reasons.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Toronto, November 27.

Wheat, fall, per bush, 80c to 93c; Wheat, spring, do, 65c to 84c; Barley, do, 60c to 90c; Oats, do, 29c to 32c; Peas, do, 50c to 60c; Rve, do, 52c; Eggs, fresh, per doz, 20c to 25c; Potatoes, per bag, 80c to 90c; Apples, per barrel, 75c to \$1.25; Hay, \$8 to 13.00; Straw, \$7 to 10. Wool, per lb., 21c.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

New Your, Nov. 27.—Flour without change; receipts, 15,000 barrels; sales, 13,000 barrels at \$3.40 to \$3.80 for Superior State and Western. Rye flour steady and unchanged. Wheat, fair business in No. 2 Red; receipts, 303,000 bushels; sales, 112,000 bushels; No. 2 Red, Dec., 99½c to \$1.00. Rye, quiet; Western, 57½c to \$5c; State, 58c to 61c. Corn, quiet and unchanged. Barley, dull. Oats, dull; receipts, 40,000 bushels; sales, 39,000 bushels; 20½c to 30½c for mixed Western and State; 30½c to 30½c for White do. Pork, steady and unchanged. Lard form at \$6.074

40,000 bushels; sales, 39,000 bushels; 20½ to 31c for mixed Western and State; 30½ to 36½ for White do. Pork, steady and unchanged. Lard, firm at \$6.07½.

Cuicago, Nov. 27.—Hogs, receipts, 48,600; light, \$2.75 to \$2.80; mixed packing, \$2.65 to \$2.85; heavy shipping, \$2.80 to \$2.95. Wheat, steady, in fair demand and generally unchanged; No. 2 Red Winter, \$8½ to 88½c; No. 2 Spring, \$3c to 83½c cash, and 83½c for December. Corn, shade higher at 31½c cash for Dec. Oats quiet, firm at 19c bid for cash: 19½c to 20c for Dec. Barley, good demand, closing steady at 98c; Extra No. 3, 49½c to 55c. Pork, a shade higher at \$6.55 cash or Dec. Lard, fairly active and a shade higher; \$5.72½ to \$5.75 for cash or Dec. Bulk meats, firmer; shoulders, \$2.80; clear rib, \$3.95; clear sides, \$4.10. Freights, Corn to Buffalo, 6c asked.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

London, November 27th, 11.30 a.m.—Consols, 96 3-16; 42's, 1063; fives' 1083.

Liverpool, Nov. 27th, 5 p.m.—Flour, 19s to 22s; Red Wheat, 7s 9d to 9s 6d; Red Winter, 8s 10d to 9s 1d; White Winter, 9s 6d to 9s 10d; Club, 9s 10d to 10s 2d; New Corn, 23s 9d to 24s; Barley. 3s 2d; Oats, 2s 6d; Peas, 32s 0d; New Pork, 42s; Lard, 33s; Beef, 67s 6d; New Bacon, 25s 6d to 28s 6d; Tallow, 37s; Cheese, 47s.

IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Railway the Canal and River, from 1st January to 28th November, 1877 and 1878:

| | 1877. | 1878. |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Ashes brls | 13,898 | 9,446 |
| Butterbrls | 106,257 | 114,158 |
| Barleybush | 918,323 | 124,579 |
| Bacon boxes | 176 | 170 |
| Corn bush | 4,644,436 | 5,966,335 |
| Cheeseboxes | 246,950 | 274,440 |
| Flourbrls | 761,351 | 777,067 |
| Lardhrls | 56,022 | 28,146 |
| Oats bush | | 277,684 |
| Oatmeal brls | | 30,679 |
| Peas bush | 344,036 | 661,504 |
| Pork brls | 20,943 | 22,507 |
| Wheatbush | | 6,338,947 |

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes.—71 brls. Pot, — brls. Pearl.
Butter.—3,475 brls.
Barley.—1,200 bush.
Bacon.— boxes.
Corn.—5,600 bush.
Cheese.—10,146 boxes.
Flour.—8,000 brls.
Lard.——brls.
Outs.—388 bush.
Oatmeal.—20 brls.
Peas.—42 bush.
Pork.—75 brls.
Wheat.—400 bush.

EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 28th November, 1877 and 1878.

| | 1877. | 1878. |
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| Ashesbrls | 13,714 | 8,700 |
| Butter brls | 119,662 | 160,944 |
| Barley bush | 1,129,648 | 135,830 |
| Baconboxes | 27,876 | 6,080 |
| Cornbush | 4,156,333 | 5,687,638 |
| Cheeseboxes | 417,436 | 485,343 |
| Cattle | | 16,345 |
| Flourbrls | 291,359 | 352,909 |
| Horses | | 600 |
| Hogs | 350 | 2,312 |
| Lardbrls | 33,739 | 11,454 |
| Lumberfect | 7,186,192 | 8,075,488 |
| Oatmeal brls | 28,994 | 64,870 |
| Oatsbush | 366,735 | 954 235 |
| Peasbush | 1,089,823 | 1,961,291 |
| Porkbrls | 16,485 | 6,914 |
| Sheep | 1,196 | 39,231 |
| Wheatbush | 5,573,474 | 6,099,844 |
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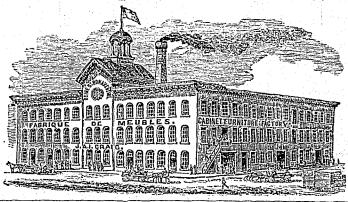


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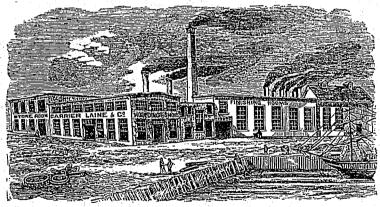
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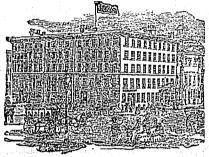
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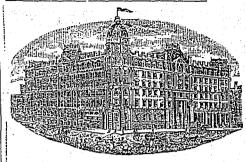
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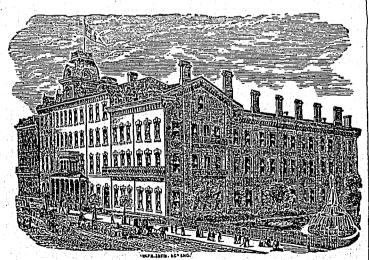
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