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## TRADE WITH THE WEST INDIES.

Aour readers are aware, Canada is desirous of securing a greater share of business with the West Indies. Efforts have frequently been made to develop this trade, but the success which has attended these attempts has not been as satisfactory as they deserved.
The C.P.R., with a desire to increase this trade, sent its commercial agent, Mr. J. H. VanZile, to investigate the possibilities of extending trade in the desired direction. Mr. VanZile visited the various islands, and the result is a 24 -page report.
In the report the point is raised that as as the freight rates are the same to St. John as to New York or Portland, and the steamship rates the same from St. John to the West Indies as from these United States ports, Canadian merchants should have a much better share of this trade. The C.P.R. is to be commended for the energy it has shown in thus seeking to extend Canadian trade.
The following are extracts from the report :

St. thomas.
St. Thomas, a Danish island, has a population of about 12,000 , who import the larger portion of their goods from New York. This island does not export anyhing excepting bay rum, which is distilled ere, and sold at $\$ 3.50$ (gold) in cases of 12 quart bottles; 20,000 barrels American - Hour and 3,000 barrels cornmeal, the latter costing $\$ 1.80$ per barrel of 196 lbs ., were onsumed last year. The impression exists hat Canadian cornmeal is not ground as fine as that imported from the United States, and on that account United States meal is preferred.
Oats are received mostly from Prince Edward Island on consignment, prices based on New York quotations. Yellow corn is shipped in bags of 112 lbs.; white
oats in bags of 160 lbs .; split peas in barrels of 2 so lbs. Freight from New York at the following rates: Oats, 40 c . per bag; corn, 2oc.; peas, 6oc. Very little hay or straw is imported.
The butter used on this island is mostly from Halifax ; oleomargarine comes from New York. Pork, from 3,000 to 3,500 barrels, is imported from New York at a cost of from $\$ 7$ to $\$ 9$ per barrel of 200 lbs .; $20,600 \mathrm{lbs}$. lard, in barrels of 200 lbs ., tierces of 300 lbs ., and tins of 25 lbs ; also about 4,000 bushels of black and red-eyed peas, all of which are imported from New York. There are about 10,000 lbs. Canadian butter used on this island yearly; it is well liked, and no doubt the amount can be increased. About $4,00036-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes of common soap, purchased in Liverpool at from $31 / 2$ to 4 c . per lb., are used annually.

Danish butter is sold there in $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. tins at 50 c ., $2-\mathrm{lb}$. tins $90 \mathrm{c} ., 28-\mathrm{lb}$. tins at 35 c . per lb .; American butter in 5 and $25-\mathrm{lb}$. tins at 14c. per lb. delivered at St. Thomas; Halifax butter, imported in tubs of 25 lbs . each, costs, landed at St. Thomas, $17 \frac{1 / 2}{} \mathrm{c}$., and is sold for 20 c . per lb .; it is considered a better butter than American, but will not last as long on account of the latter being put up in better packages.

The American lard, in $5-\mathrm{lb}$. tins, costs at St. Thomas 37 c ., and in $25-\mathrm{lb}$. tins 6 c . per lb. This lard costs them net in New York $\$ 5.10$ per ioo lbs. in $25-\mathrm{lb}$. tins and $\$ 6$. 10 per 100 lbs . in $5-\mathrm{lb}$. tins.

Biscuits, Harris', New York, "Pilot' and "Navy," in barrels averaging 75 lbs., at $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2$ per barrel. All canned goods are imported from England, except corned beef, which is put up in Chicago. "Ferris'" New York hams sell from 16 to 18c. per lb. Cheese, a very small amount used, but there should be a market for Canadian cheese put up in 7 or $8-\mathrm{lb}$. pack-
ages, which would retail at from 20 to 22 c . per lb.
Carriages, not more than 6 or 8 per year imported, and mostly second-hand. Hardware, from $\$ 1,500$ to $\$ 2,500$ worth imported from the United States each year. Furniture, a small quantity, very inferior white pine, imported from New York. Boots and shoes, about 10,000 pairs imported per year from the United States, mostly a cheap, inferior quality.
The business on this island is done mostly by actual sale to merchants, they paying for their goods in drafts of 30 to 60 days.

Coal, ice and vegetables are free of customs duty. All other goods are subject to duty of 3 per cent. on the declared value at place of puirchase.

## bermuda.

The conditions of trade with this island are as follows, the importations, as shown, being taken from the Blue Book issued by the Government for the year 1896 :

|  | Imports from the United States | Imports from Canada. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Agricultural Implements. | $4{ }_{4} \mathrm{pkgs}$ | nil |
| Alcohol.... ........... | 293 gals | nil |
| Bran. | 21,596 pkgs | nil |
| Bread. | 4,002 bibls | 6 bbls |
| Building material | 2,79t pkgs | 50 pkgs |
| Butter | 119 tons | 13 tons |
| Box material.. | 50,478 feet | 286,000 feet |
| Boats | 6 | nil |
| Bicycle supplies. ... .. | 41 pkg s | nil |
| Books | 98 pkg | 30 pkgs |
| Buibs | 1 pkg | nil |
| Bicycies | 863 | 15 |
| Cake | 18 pkg , | nil |
| Candles... ................ | 279 boxs | nil |
| Carriages | 48 | 14 |
| Cheese | 40 tons | 14 tons |
| Clothing | $11 . \mathrm{pkgs}$ | 20 pkgs |
| Coffee and Cocoa........ | 19 tons | nil |
| Corks... | 10. pkgs | nil |
| Corn | ${ }_{4} 1,184$ bushs | nil |
| Confectionerv | 839 pkgs | 9 pkgs |
| Cotton goods:..... ...... | ${ }_{56 \mathrm{t}} \mathrm{pkgs}$ | 12 pkgs |
| Carriage material | 116 pkgs | nil |
| Cigars........ | 289.575 | 150 in No |
| Cigarettes | 14 cwt | 1 cwt |
| Coals .... .... .. . .... | 5,686 tons | nil |
| Cordials | 12 gals | nil |
| Drugs. | 1,374 pkgs | 151 pkgs |

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|  | Imports from the United States. | Impor s from Canada. |  | Imports fiom the U. S. | Imports from Canada. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Earthenware | 679 pkgs | 3 pkgs | Sugar ... .......... .... | 130 tons | 28 tons |
| Eectric gonds | 83 pkgs | nil | Seed | 112 pkgs | nil |
| Fggs. | 538 pkgs | 49 pkgs | Sheep ... ......... | 2,441 head | 107 head |
| Fertilizer | $14,5 \mathrm{C} 7 \mathrm{lls}$ | nil | Ship Chandlery | 70 pkgs | 13 phgs |
| Fish, preserved | 942 pkgs | 3,414 pkgs | So pp and Starch ........ | 4,546 pkgs | $82 . \mathrm{pkgs}$ |
| Fancy qoods ........ | 370 pkgs | 7 pkgs | Stationery | ${ }_{3} 6 \mathrm{r}$ pkgs | \% pkgs |
| Flour | 20,886 bbls | 29 lbls | Straw goods .......... | 1,158 pkgs | nil |
| Fruit, fresh | 3,543 pkgs | 260 pkgs | Sawdust | 43 pkgs | nil |
| Fruit, dried | 2,304 pkgs | 112 pkgs | Spars | 150 | Q० |
| Fruit, canned | 6,236 pkgs | 123 pkgs | Silk goods.... ........ | 2 pkgs | nil |
| Furniture . . . . . . . . . . . | 1,534 pkgs | 490 pkg s | Straw | 1,116 bales | nil |
| Firewood | 12 coids | 23 cords | Sculpture ........... ... | 3 pkgs | 27 pkgs |
| Fireworks ......... .... | 19 pkgs | nil | Tea | 23 tons | 4 cwt |
| Feed ....... ... ...... | nil | 3,270 bushs | Tinware | 292 pkgs | nil |
| Glassware .... ......... | 579 pkgs | nil | Tobacco | 14 tons | 2 tons |
| Groceries | 7,602 pkgs | 183 pkgs | Vegetables ....... .... | 2,643 pkgs | 1,681 pkgs |
| Gunpowder ..... ...... | 198 lbls | nil | W oodenware | 275 pkgs | 121 pkgs |
| Gasolene ... .... ...... | 64 r gals | nil | Woolen goods | 6 pkgs | nil |
|  | 127 pkgs | nil | Whiskey .... ......... | 972 gals | 985 gals |
| Hay........ ......... | $8,88 \mathrm{c}$ bdls | $8,638 \mathrm{bdls}$ | Wine ...... | 82 pkgs | It pligs |
| Hardware ........... | 2,238 pkgs | 25 pkgs |  |  |  |
| Horses | 69 | 23 |  | United States. | Canada. |
|  | 3,124 tons | nil | Arrowroot . | I ton | nil |
| Jewelry and Plated-ware | 194 pkg | 8 pkgs | Beets ................ | ${ }_{4} 64$ crates | nil |
| Lard | $271 / 2$ tons | 10 cwt | Bulbs | 13,658 pkgs | 574 pkgs |
| Leather manufactures | t,oit ll lb | 320 lls | Barrels, empty | 2,719 | nil |
| Lumber ............... 1 | 1,250,000 feet | 39,953 feet | Bottles, empty | nil | 184 doz |
| Laths | 50 pkgs | 1,670 pkgs | Casks, empty |  |  |
| Malt Liquo | 2 hhds | ${ }^{11}$ hhds | Cedar........ | 4 pkgs | nil |
| , | d 1,281 doz | and 37 doz | Fruit, fresh ... | 12 pkgs | 5 pkgs |
| Metal manufactures | 781 pkgs | nil | Furniture | 48 pkgs | 103 pkgs |
| Machinery .. .. ...... | 280 pkgs | 1 pkg | Flowers, cut | 4,951 pkgs | 15 pkgs |
| Matches | 36 phgs | 293 pkgs | Groceries .. | 37 pkgs | $5+\mathrm{pkgs}$ |
| Meal. | 3,923 bbls | 71 bbls | Hides.. | f,031 | 303 |
| Musical Instruments.... | . 72 pkes | 5 pkgs | Iron, old | nil | 100 tons |
| Mineral Waters | 133 bbls | nil | Marine Specimens .... | $9$ | nil |
| Moss | 9 bbls | nil | Metal, old | nil | 7 ton |
| Molasses . ... ........ | 1,438 gals | 121 gals | Onions .. | 313,229 crates | 6,100 crates |
| Meats, chilled. | 36 tons | nil | Potatoes | 21,610 bbls | 74 bbls |
| Marble .... | nil | 12 pkgs | Plants | 127 pkgs | nil |
| Naphtha . . . . . . | 5,443 gals | nil | Piano | nil | , |
| Natural History Specimens $\qquad$ | 4 pkgs | nil | Skins. Spirits | I,737 | nil |
| Oats ........ ...... | 73,276 bushs | 36,644 bushs | Tallow | 26 casks 84 bbls | nil |
| Oil, kerosene | 220,045 gals | nil | Tomatoes | ${ }_{3} 8$ bxs | for bxs |
| Oils, paints | 292 pkg s | 47 pkgs | Vegetables | 11,441 ${ }^{\text {pkgs }}$ | ${ }^{2}+\mathrm{pkgs}$ |
| Oleomargarine .... ... | 15 tons | nil | Wine.. | 21 pkgs | nil |
| Oxen and Cows ........ | 1,755 | 16 | Whalebone | nil | ton |
| Perfumery | 93 pkgs | nil | Whale Oil | nil | 6 puns |
| Paper | 1.037 lls | nil |  |  |  |
| Potatoes . . . . . . . . . | 5.883 bols | 9.360 bbls | The reader will | from the | ove that |
| Poultry .............. | ${ }^{132} \mathbf{~ p h g s ~}$ | $92{ }^{2} \mathrm{pkgs}$ | but a small prop | tion is fro | Canada, |
| Provisions | 335 tons | 1 ton | compared with that | from the U | States. |
| Pigs ..... | 13 pkgs | 7 pkgs |  |  |  |
| Photogords.. | 84 phgs | nil | There were only 29 | bbls. flour fr | Canada |
| Phosphate Rock | 25 tons | nil | in the year 1896 , as | against 20 | ,886 bbls. |
| Preserves . ... | 89 pkas | ${ }_{\text {nil }}$ | from the United Stat | es ; other | ods in pro- |
| Peas and Beans ..... | 1,082 Lbls | 5 bbls |  |  |  |
| Plants .... .......... | 70 pkgs | nil | portion. |  |  |
| Paintings, Engravings... | 6 pkgs | nil |  |  |  |
| Rice ..... .... ....... | 6 tons | nil | $\pi$ The cost of good | aries acco | ng to the |
| Rape | 379 pkgs | nil | condition of the mar | ket, and is | verned by |
| Rope | nil | 12 plgs | New York quotati | ons. Deale | on this |
| Rum | 12 gals 847 bbls | nil | island purchase dire | ct, and are |  |
| Salt | 847 bbls | nil | island purchase dire | $c t$, and are | ntinually |


#### Abstract

getting quotations from manufacturers in all parts of the world. Very few goods are shipped there on consignment. Bermuda admits all Canadian goods, except tobacco, wines and spirits, at 5 per cent. ad valorem.

The rate on flour from New York is practically $40 c$. per barrel. Corn is shipped in two-bushel bags; oats $96-\mathrm{lb}$. bags; split peas in barrels; hay in pressed bundles of from 100 to 120 lbs. each. There are also shipped to this island a large number of beef cattle for supplying the military post ; they are shipped in lots from 20 to 30 head per month and slaughtered there. This contract is awarded yearly, and generally to a resident butcher, who purchases the cattle delivered at Bermuda. to be slaughtered by him there. A contract in also awarded for supplying the military post with bread, and the baker filling this contract uses about 400 barrels per month.


## ST. CROIX.

St. Croix, a Danish Island, has a population of about 20,000 . Of this number 10 per cent. only are white.

There are $20,000 \mathrm{bbls}$. flour used on this island per year ; the price is based on New York quotations ; the freight is $50 c$. per bbl. Goods for this island are principally imported from New York, with the exception of about 500 bags of oats from Canada, and a small quantiiy of butter, which compares very favorably with Danish butter, They import about 200,000 lbs. butter, 10 per cent. of which being high grade, and the balance mostly oleomargarine imported from New York at a cost of from 7 to $8 c$. per pound in that city. Groceries, dry goods and hardware are all imported from New York. Very little demand for furniture, as it is mostly manufactured there.
Import duties average about $121 / 2$ per cent. on the value of the goods landed on the island.

The exports from the island are about 12,000 tons sugar and 1,000 puncheons mo-

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lasses. Rum is also manufactured, but they have very little demand for it. White rum is sold at $22 c$. (proof) wine gallon.
The two principal towns on this island are Frederiksted and Christiansted, they being about 15 miles apart, on opposite sides of the island. At the former place (leeward side) vessels of any draft can enter the harbor ; but at the latter place only sailing vessels of light draft can be used.

## St. kitts.

The British Island of St. Kitts has a population of 32,000 . It does very little business with Canada, except in butter and cheese. Of the former, $7,363 \mathrm{lbs}$. was imported in 1895 from Canada, compared with 5.664 lbs. from the United States, and 7993 lbs . from the United Kingdom ; and of chee ie, $5,13 \mathrm{I}$ lbs. from Cąnada, compared with $21,633 \mathrm{lb}$ s.from the United States, and 616 lbs . from the United Kingdom.
Flour, corn and oats, amounting last year to 24,273 bbls., 18,956 bush., and 51,762 lbs., respectively, were imported from the United States ; the majority of the sugar estates import their oats direct from England. The brands of flour used are principally " Knickerbocker," " St. Lawrence,"
" West India Belle," and "Foaming Sea." Freisht rate from $2 ;$ to 50 . per bbl. Corn - in two-bushel bags costs $7+$ c. per bag on the island. Holmes \& Coutts' New York biscuit is used principally, at a cost of from $\$ 1.95$ to $\$ 2$ per barrel in New York. Very few canned goods are used.
Of hams about io tons are consumed; the "D adem" brand, costing in New York about $9^{1 / 2} \mathrm{C}$. per 1 b . These hams are sugarcured, with and without covers. Of cornmeal, quite a large quantity is used, costing $\$ 2.6 j$ per bbl. of 196 lbs., delivered. Groceries and dry goods are all imported from England and New York. Furniture, very little imported. Boots and shoes, about half the quantity used is imported from Canada.

The following is a statement of the principal goods imported and duties levied on same :

Flour, per bbl
Oatmeal, per bibl.

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$\$ 12$ Cornmeal, per bbl
, per 100 lbs
Hams and bacon, per $100 \mathrm{lbs} \ldots .$. Butter, per 100 lbs . Cheese, per 100 lbs Bread and biscuits, common, per bbl Grain-oats, per bushel Peas, beans and barley, per bushel. Salt beef, per 100 lbs Fish, dried or smoked goods admitted free.
Animals, alive, to include sheep, hogs, poultry and all suckling animals.

Books; eggs; fish, fresh or on ice ; fruits; salt ; furniture in use.
The principal exports of this island are sugar, molasses and rum.

## antigua.

This isiand is a B itish colony, with a population of about 36.03 . The annual import of wheat flour for the year 1876 was 16.303 bbls.; rye flour, 66 bbls.: cornmeal, $7.0+6$ bbls.; corn, 29.696 bushels, all of which was imported from the United States. The flour principally used there is the "St. Lawrence," " Kni kerbocker" and " White Light " brands. There were 1,304 bushels oats imported from Canada, 59 bushels from the United States, and 830 bushels peas and beans; of this 370 bu,hels were from Canada. There were 571,200 lbs. pork imported from the United States, and 78,6כo lbs. from Canada. Cheese, 11,470 lbs. imported from United States, and 4,412 lbs. from Canada. Butter, $6,808 \mathrm{lbs}$. from the United States, 31,$78 ;$ lbs. from the United Kingdom, and 2,802 lbs. from Canada.

There were imported to this island from the United States $4,438 \mathrm{lbs}$. lard, 40,130 lbs. beef, $11,318 \mathrm{lbs}$. hams and bacon; also from the United Kingdon, 6,094 lbs. of hams and bacon, and 5,828 lbs. tea.

The cornmeal for this island should be well kiln dried, and put up in barrels of 196 lbs. net. Oats are imported in two-bushel bags of 112 lbs .

The principal biscuits imported are the " Bordeaux " brand, costing \$2. Io per bbl.
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in New York; also about 600 half-barrels butter crackers, and from 300 to 400 boxes of fancy crackers, such as lemon and sugar the latter are principally imported from England.

Of condensed milk about 200 dozen $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. tins are used. A market for a first-class article may be found there at $\$ 1$. Io per doz. Of canned meats, Armour's manufacture is principally used, and about $40,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. of all kinds consumed. Corned beef is put up in square pound tins; roast beef in circular I-pound tins. Cheese, " Randall's Young America " and "Gloucester" brands, in 7 and 30 -pound packages, costing on an average about 14c. per pound in New York. No demand for carriages on this island. Groceries and dry goods are mostly imported from Fingland. Grey, blue and brown duck is imported from Canada at from 6 to 1oc. per yard. The English duck at $6 c$. is not quite equal to Canadian.
There should be a limited market for Canadian oil and paints on account of freight rates being less than from England, where they are now purchased. Boots and shoes are mostly imported from the United States; the kind used cost from goc. to $\$ 1.30$ per pair ; only a small quantity of a better quality used. Canned salmon, from 400 to 500 dozen one-pound tins are used. Columbia River "Republic" brand, purchased in New York at $\$ 1.50$ per dozen, "Arichor" at \$1.25.
The following is a statement of the principal goods imported, and duties levied on same:
Flour, per bbl........................ $\$ 1$ 20.
Oatmeal.
Cornmeal
Ham and bacon, per 100 libs.
Lard and its compounds, per 100 lbs . Butter, per 100 lbs .
Cheese,
Bread and biscuits, common, per bbl. of 200 lbs
Grain, oats, per bushel
Peas, beans, and barley ......................
Salt beaf, per 100 lbs .
Fish, dried or smoked, per ......
Cattle, each
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## DOMinica.

This island is a British colony with a population of about 27,000 . The imports for the year 1896 were 6,471 bbls. flour, mostly of the New York brands "St. Lawrence" and "Knickerbocker" ; 827 bushels corn, and 434 bushels oats, all from the United States. Hay and straw are not imported. 227 bbls. biscuits, "Pilot" and "Bordeaux" brands, from the United States ; 1,475 lbs. canned fruits were imported from the United Kingdom. Hams, $6,68 \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{lbs}$., half from the United States and half from the United Kingdom; and 126 bbls. corn meal from the United States. Cheese $3,594 \mathrm{lbs}$., butter $33,782 \mathrm{lbs}$., lard 5, 152 lbs., all imported from the United States. Groceries and hardware, about $\$ 6,000$ worth are imported from the United Kingdom and United States. Paints and paint oils are imported from the United Kingdom ; 2,579 gallons of kerosene and 2,299 gallons of cotton seed oil were imported from the United States. Medicines and drugs, to the value of about $\$ 2,000$; also, boots and shoes to the value of about $\$ 7,500$, from the United Kingdom.

The exports from this island for the year 1896 were 616 tons of "Muscovado sugar, and 229 tons "Crystalized " sugar 7, 100 bunches of bananas, 4,036 bbls. limes, 2,850 bbls. oranges, 100,925 cocoanuts, 50,367 gallons concentrated lime juice, and 107,344 gallons raw lime juice. 434 gallons of bay oils, 27 gallons of orange oils, 1,942 gallons of lime oils, and cocoa $993,456 \mathrm{lbs}$
The following is a statement of the principal goods imported, and duties levied on same
Flour, per bbl.
$\$ 146$
Cornmeal $\qquad$ $\$ 146$
Hams and bacon, per ioo lbs .
200 Lard and its compounds, per ioo lbs. Butter, per 100 lbs.

120

## Cheese,

240
Bread, pilot or navy, crackers and soda biscuit, per bbl., not exceeding 100 lbs

200

72
Grain, oats, per bushel
Peas, beans, and barley, per busbel Salt beef, per 100 lbs .
Fish, dried or smoked, per 100 lbs .
goods admitted free.
Books ; eggs ; fish, fresh or on ice ; fruits ; salt ; furniture in use.

## st. lucia.

Is an English colony with a population of 46,671 . This island is the principal coaling
station for the English navy in the West Indies, and is very strongly fortified and a large number of English troops are stationed here.
14, OI I bbls. flour were imported in the year 1896, the principal brand is "Prize Winner," manufactured by Hecker, Jones, Jewel Milling Co., of New York ; and 2,907 bushels corn, principally from the United States; 58 I bushels oats imported from Canada, and 3,003 bushels peas and about 100 tons of pressed hay from the United States.

Of biscuits, $6,979 \mathrm{lb}$., fancy, from England; $666 \mathrm{lbs} .$, fancy, from the United States; 725 bbls. common biscuits from the United States.
Smoked hams, 18,437 lbs., principally "Mount Vernon " brand used, weight from 8 to 10 ibs. each ; $11,435 \mathrm{lbs}$. of these hams were imported from the United States, the remainder from the United Kingdom.

Cheese and lard are imported from the United States; butter from France and the United Kingdom. A few packages of Canadian butter have been imported, put up in tubs of 50 lbs ., and the butter from France in from 1 to 2 pound tins. The amount of cheese, lard and butter imported was, cheese 24,822 , butter 22,650 , lard $65,254 \mathrm{lbs}$.

Only one carriage imported during the year ; very few used.

GROCERS! Do you know that the sale of ENAMELINE in America is more than Double that of any other Stove Polish on earth? Do you know that the sale of

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in Europe is more than the entire output of any other brand of Stove Polish in America? Such is A FACT: Why? Because Consumers and the Trade demand ENAMELINE.

Groceries, dry goods and hardware imported principally from the United Kingdom. Furniture to the value of $\$ 1,156$ was imported principally from the United Kingdom, and consisted chiefly of bent wood furniture.

Drugs to the value of $\$ 3,608$ were imported principally from the United Kingdom.

Boots and shoes valued at from $\$ 1$ to $\$ 2$ per pair retail, principally imported from the United States; a small quantity from France and Canada.
The exports from the island consisted of the following :

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\text { ' Muscovado " sugar, } 493 \text { tons ; }
$$ "Usine" sugar, 3,055 tons; molasses, 105,000 gallons; rum, 1,280 gallons.

The following is a statement of the principal goods imported, and duties levied on same :
Flour, per bbl.
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Cornmeal. 55 I-5
Lard and its compounds, per lb . $\begin{aligned} & \text { 3 } \\ & \text { I-2 }\end{aligned}$ 43 -5 Cheese $23 \cdot 10$
Oats, per bushel 9 I-5
Peas and beans, per bushel. ${ }_{38}{ }^{1-5}$
Cattle, each.
Riscuits and breaded, per ib, per bbl...

55 1-5
Biscuits and bread, fancy, per 100 lbs.
102.5

Fish, salted and dried, per ioo lbs. .
Pork, salted and pickled, per 1 b .
55 I-5
Salt, coarse, per bbl.
3
20
20
$7-10$
Salt, table, per 100 lbs
70 7 -10
GOODS ADMITTED FREE.
Eggs ; fish, fresh or on ice ; fruits and egetables, fresh.

> (Continued next week.)

## RETAILERS ELECT OFFICERS.

The annual meeting of the Retail Merchants' Association, of Toronto, was held on Tuesday evening, in Shaftesbury Hall. The election of officers resulted as follows : President, Mr. W. B. Rogers, the Chas. Rogers Sons Co., furniture, Yonge street ; ist vice-president, Mr. Wm. Dineen, hatters and furriers, Yonge street ; 2nd vice-president, Mr. George Boxall, hardware, Yonge street; treasurer, Mr. Henry Davis, Berlin
wools, Yonge street; secretary, Mr. E. M. Trowern, of B. \& H. B. Kent, jewellers, Yonge street.
Secretary Trowern urged upon the memers the necessity of looking to the interests of retail merchants first and foremost in casting their ballots for members of the coming Legislature, and to vote only for those who supported their bill, now before the House.

- Rossland and Kaslo have been made ports of entry.


## TRADE CHAT.

THE Dresden correspondent of The Chatham Banner writes: "During the past season 14,870 live hogs have been weighed on the town scales and shipped from this place. This means that local buyers have paid about $\$ 120,000$ into the hands of farmers in this vicinity. This covers only a portion of the number of hogs shipped, as our buyers buy a large percentage of their stock in lots without weighing. The 14,870 taken at the average weight means that $2,602,250$ pounds of pig has been weighed. The shipments of dressed hogs have also been exceptionally large."
The Ethel cheese factory made 117,755 pounds of cheese in 1897, and sold it for $\$ 10,047.25$.
Thieves recently broke into the Weston Trading Store, Weston, Ont., and stole a quantity of canned goods, etc.

The Newmarket Advertiser gives figures showing the shipments from that station for the week to be 20 cars, and to that station 17 cars.
J. \& R. Robson, millers, Brantford, have acquired the Draper Roller Mills, and intend to keep them running day and night for some time at least.

There has been quite a demand for Manitoba flour in the Old Country, and the Lake of the Woods Milling Co. are shipping a large quantity to Ireland.
At a meeting of railroad officials in Brantford, last week, it was decided to strictly enforce the rule charging merchants and others for delay in unloading freight from cars.
The Government will place some 95,000 ,000 whitefish in Lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron, and St. Clair next summer. The eggs are now being hatched in the Sandwich Hatchery.
The proprietor of a small grocery store in Kingston is said to have the following words attached to crape on the front door: "On account of the death of my father, go to the back door to do business.'
The action of the Dingley tariff has caused a crisis in the orange and lemon trade in the southern provinces of Italy and in Sicily. In many places prices are so low that the fruit does not pay for the picking.
There is in the north of England a very good demand for Canadian creamery butter, and in Manchester choicest qualities have brought from $211 / 2$ to $223 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. wholesale, thus exceeding the Australian prices.
The latest shipment of cheese from the Warkworth cheese factory, together with the steamer and all other accompanying freight, has gone to the bottom of the ocean. The shipment consisted of over four hundred cheese and was insured for eleven cents per pound. The patrons will possibly realize
more money out of the shipment than had it reached its destination. - Express, Colborne.

The shortage of the harvest in AustriaHungary is much greater than has been anticipated. Advices from good quarters indicate that it will be necessary to import $20,000,000$ pounds of food supplies.

The receipts of the Newmarket Dairy Association, for 1897, were $\$ 16,000.73$; the total quantity of cheese made was 186 ,252 lbs., valued at $\$ 15,742.50$. The assets of the association are $\$ 3,189.39$, and the liabilities $\$ 6_{50}$.

The Ontario Game Wardens think that Klondyke supply merchants are inducing settlers to kill deer for the sake of their hides, to sell to miners. The Deputy Warden at North Bay has seized a number of deer skins and deer horns.
E. J. Madden, of Newburgh, is dead, aged fifty years. He had been engaged in cheese manufacturing, and also as a cheese buyer, in Kingston, Napanee, Belleville and Peterboro' districts for about twenty years. He owned a factory at Newburgh, also one at Camden East.

The merchants of Windsor have been making a protest against the practice of allowing smallwares to come in without payment of customs duty. People go across to Detroit for a day's shopping. and the evasion is an easy matter. The Customs officers at that point have been given orders to let nothing pass without payment of duty.
There is a Klondyke awaiting development here in the Eastern Townships. It is the export butter business. Several large creameries, established at central and convenient points, would yield hundreds of thousands annually and leave the soil as rich as ever. Now is the time for men of enterprise to join hands with farmers and push the matter.-Examiner, Sherbrooke.

## GROCERS FOR ALDERMEN.

The following are those in the grocery trade that were nominated Thursday, Jan. 20, for aldermen of Montreal :
Centre Ward - Hormidas Laporte, of Laporte, Martin \& Co., wholesale grocers, for seat No. I; elected by acclamation.
St. Gabriel Ward-Louis A. Jacques for seat No. I; elected by acclamation. Richard Turner, for seat No. 2 ; elected by acclamation.
St Lawrence Ward-John Scanlan, for seat No. 2. Mr. Scanlan's committee and canvassers have not been idle ; their report is favorable. The chairman of the committee stated, in conversation with a representative of The Canadian Grocer, that if two thirds of those who promised to support Mr. Scanlan kept their word on election day he would be elected.

##  and to keep business lively we offer:-- <br> 50 Chests Ceylon Pekoe, fine style and draw, at 15 c . <br> - 6 Cases, 12 oz., Choice Eleme Figs, quality good, in case lots, 320 boxes, at $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. box. Less quantity, 7c. box. <br> 8 Cases Keiller's Dundee Marmalade, each 4 doz., 1 -lb. pots, at $\$ 1.50$ doz. <br> H. P. Eckardt \& Co. <br> Wholesale Grocers <br> 

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## GRATIFYING TRADE RETURNS.

CANADA'S foreign trade for the fiscal half year ending Dec. $3^{I}$ last is of a most gratifying character, and is another proof that the financial and commercial condition of the country is becoming much more satisfactory.

One of the most pleasing features is in regard to the exports, the products of the country. These aggregated $\$ 89,790,407$. against $\$ 69,89 \mathrm{I}, 422$ the same period 1896 , an increase of over 28 per cent. And one of the striking features in regard to this increase is that it is shared in by every branch of trade, except that which is classified under "Produce of the fisheries " and "Miscellaneous." This is shown by the following table
exports, the produce of canada.

$\overline{\$ 89,790,407} \overline{\$ 99,891,422}$
It will be noticed from the above table the increase is $\$ 2,388,009$ in produce of the mine, $\$ 697,186$ in produce of the forest, $\$ 5,835,723$ in animals and their products, $\$ 10,584,940$ in agricultural products, and $\$ 584.732$ in manufactures. The increas
of over 96 per cent. in agricultural products is little short of phenomenal. All Canada's industries are evidently in a fairly healthy condition.

Exports alone are not, however, indicative of a country's prosperity. The United States, for instance, during the time of its severest depression, largely increased its exports. The nature of the imports must also be taken into account in order that a proper estimation may be arrived at. Canada, in this particular, is not found wanting.

The total imports for the six months were $\$ 59,968,813$, against $\$ 53,624,067$ the same time last year. The increase in dutiable goods was 7.3 per cent., and in free goods about 18 per cent., while the increase in the duty paid was $\$ 462,576$, about $43 / 4$ per cent. The percentage of duty paid on the dutiable goods imported, was 29.22 in 1897, and 30.27 in 1896 , a difference of 1.05 per cent.

The following is a list of the imports of dutiable goods, of direct interest to the grocery trade, for the half-year periods of 1897 and 1896 respectively
dUtiable imports.

| Ale, b | 72,0 | 084 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 149,096 |  |
| Fish and products | 199.990 | 197,965 |
| Fruits and nuts, dried | 810,185 | 07,505 |
| Oranges and lemons. |  |  |
| All other fru | 268,1 | ,6 |
| Pickles and sauce | 72,1 | 67,297 |
| Provisions, lard, meats, etc | 619,123 | 310,259 |
| Butter and cheese | 29,757 | 22,010 |
| Seeds and root | 105, | 94. |
| Soap. | 127,054 | 120,937 |
| Spices |  |  |
|  | 465,678 | 461,533 |
| Wines, non-sparkling and sparkling | 216,285 |  |
| Sugar | 1,738,894 | 3,547,270 |
| Molasses and syru | 309,075 | 416,358 |
| Tobaccos and cig | 90,675 | 133,494 |
|  | $11+444$ |  |

The increases of 1897 , compared with 1896, are as follows: Rice, $\$ 83,714$; fish, $\$ 2,025$; fruits and nuts, dried, $\$ 202,680$; oranges and lemons, $\$ 19,102$; other fruit, $\$ 39,507$; pickles, $\$ 14,849$; provisions, $\$ 308,964$; butter and cheese, $\$ 7,747$; seeds and roots, $\$ 11,691$; soap, $\$ 6,117$; spices, $\$ 22,028$; spirits, $\$ 4,145$; vegetables, $\$ 96$,503. The decreases are : Sugar, $\$ 1,808,376$; molasses and syrup, $\$ 107,282$; wines, $\$ 3.579$.

The large decrease in the importation of sugar is rather a surprise in view of the fact that during the last few months large quantities of German, Dutch, and Austrian granulated sugars, have been coming into this market. But it must be remembered
that a year ago refiners largely anticipated their wants in raw sugar, in view of an early session of Parliament and a possible increase in the duty, while only one out of the three refineries in the Maritime Provinces have been running on full time for some months. It is probable that in these facts are to be found the explanation for the decreased sugar imports. Our figures, it should be noted, include both raw and refined sugars.
The free imports during the tirst half of the fiscal year of 1897 , ending with December 31, were $\$ 25,618,788$, against $\$ 21,634$, 396 in 1896. The imports appertaining to the grocery and allied trades for these two periods were

| FREE imports. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Broom corn | 1897. | - ${ }^{1896 .}$ |
| Coffee | 988 | s $\begin{array}{r}\text { 273, } \\ 2\end{array}$ |
| Fish and their products.... $432,937 \quad 373,496$ |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| nas, etc. | 215.834 | 185,240 |
| Grease for soap making | 68,932 | 39,804 |
|  |  | 235,137 |
| Tea | 1,511,161 | 1,906,317 |
| Tobacco le | 16,989 | 860,878 |
| Hides and ski | 1,563,278 | 1,136,566 |
| orn | 2, $633,45^{2}$ |  |

A decrease in the importation of tea during the half-year from July to December last was only to be expected. In the first place, the trade imported large quantities early in the year, in anticipation of a duty being put on for revenue purposes, and, while a market was subsequently found in the United States for a good deal of this, yet the effects of this buying are still in evidence, although only to a slight extent indeed. Then, another factor was the attention which was being paid to the United States markets by tea shippers, who were anxious to get their goods into that country before the new inspection law went into operation, while the quantities sent to Canada were, in consequence, smaller than usual. The enormous quantity of free corn brought in is one of the features of the above table.

## VANCOUVER'S FOREIGN TRADE.

During the calendar year, 1897, there were collected, at the Vancouver Customs House, duties to the extent of $\$ 462,037.74$; inland revenue to the extent of $\$ 185,032.89$ and $\$ 2,375.53$ in other revenue, making a total revenue of $\$ 649,445$. i6. In February, the smallest amount, $\$ 43.066 .30$, was collected, but the next month, March, brought up the average with the largest total of the year, $\$ 83,609.54$. The imports for the year were valued at $\$ 2,378,372$ and the exports at $\$ 1,285,320$.

## BIG PURCHASE OF TOMATOES.

THERE is a good deal of speculation in tomatoes. One house has secured about 30,000 cases, but, as it is known to be furnishing supplies for British Columbia and the Yukon, it is more than likely that the bulk of its purchases will go west.
This firm has paid as high as $\$ 1.10$, f.o.b. Ontario points, to packers and jobbers.
The top price was paid for 3,000 cases of a well-known and popular brand.
The buyer of the Alaska Commercial $C_{o}$. is on his way east, and sellers are expected to receive heavy orders.

## FINEST GREEN TEAS SCARCE.

A scarcity of the finest grades of China green teas, as well as of the low grade descriptions, is being experienced on this market.

Indirectly the cause of this is the rush of last summer to get teas of all descriptions into the United States before the new tea inspection law went into operation; also before the threatened duty was placed upon this commodity.
On account of this, fewer green teas of the finest grades were brought into Canada, and now that there is a demand for them not enough is on the market to supply requirements.
So urgent has been the demand that some of these finest teas have been brought on from New York during the past week or two, notwithstanding the 10 per cent. duty, which has added a couple of cents per pound to the price in some instances.

## A MATTER OF "BARGAINS."

Devious are the ways of the retailers of " batryains." Often it is a matter of wonder to even shrewd, progressive merchants to see their neighbors offering for sale some staple article at a lower than wholesale price. In some cases a sale of this kind would be a legitimate "snap," where the retailer goes in to lose money for the advertising thus derived. But, as a rule, the honesty of the bargain is questionable.
There is so much of imitation and counterfeit nowadays that there cannot be too close a scrutiny of any goods thus sold. There have been cases, too, of scales being so arranged that the cream has been taken from the "snap" by poor weight. Recently
a grocer was arrested for giving such short weight on a so-called bargain in sugar that from $11 / 4$ to 2 lbs . less than advertised were given with each $\$ 1$ worth.
Many dealers hesitate to question the honesty of their competitors in a matter of this kind, yet cases of such dishonesty are not so rare but that a dealer who finds any of his customers are attracted by such a sale is justified in warning such customers to make comparison regarding the value of the goods offered, and to make sure of getting the full weight advertised. Above all things, an honest dealer should never try to match at his own game a competitor for trade who is tricky or unscrupulous. Honesty is the best policy.

## LOOKING FOR CANADIAN BACON.

During the last week a representative of a large importing firm in Liverpool has been in Toronto endeavoring to make arrangements with local packers to supply them with smuked meats, etc.

This firm imports about 1 ,oco boxes of over 400 lbs ., or about 200 tons, of these meats weekly from United States firms, but they are anxious to place this order with Canadian packers, because of the excellent quality of their product.
This is another proof of the favor with which Canadian pea-fed pork is received in Great Britain.
It behooves Canadian dealers, and especially breeders, to see that the quality of our pork is still further improved rather than allowed to deteriorate.

## THE EGG MARKET.

The present indications are that holdings of eggs will, at the present rate of consumption, last but a short time. After that, the sale will have to depend on current receipts, and, as, so far, these receipts have been light, dealers predict that a scarcity of eggs is inevitable.

Though the price of eggs will probably go up, it would be poor policy on the part of shippers to hold stocks for a rise, as not only is there danger of deteriorating, but better results are, as a rule, obtained by taking good prices when they are to be had. And the price for strictly fresh laid is good now.

## THE INSOLVENCY LAW QUESTION

THE question of an insolvency law for Canada has been so freely ventilated that no new plea or argument is possible.
Every business man recognizes that the present condition of affairs is shameful, yet only the few are bestirring themselves to * have our laws amended. The truth is, ou standard of commercial morality is far below that which prevails in Great Britain.

Here, gentlemen who settle at 25 to 40 c . on the dollar are often recognized as possessing genuine business ability, while the man who pays up and acts honorably is considered a poor, weak-spirited creature, quite out of place amongst up-to-date business men.

In Great Britain the foolish old prejudice in favor of honesty still exists, and men are compelled, not only by law, but by public opinion, to be upright.

In the counting-house of Keen, Robinson \& Co., London, the great mustard manufacturers, there hang framed letters, telling each its own story of business failure, result ing from causes impossible to prevent, and yielded to only when no other course was open. The insolvents were honorably discharged, and embarked in business again.

The second venture was a greater success than the first, and the business was placed on a paying basis. With the very first available funds, every penny of their former indebtedness was paid off. These are not isolated cases; they are common, everyday occurrences.
No wonder British and Canadian business men do not see eye to eye.
It may be foolish, and quite out of keeping with modern American methods, which we are copying in Canada, but if we cultivated a belief in and high regard for greater honesty in business, there would be less need for insolvency legislation. Some kind of legislation of this character would be an aid in developing better business principles in Canada.

## BRANTFORD BOARD OF TRADE.

At the annual meeting of the Brantford Board of Trade, held on Tuesday night, the following officers were êected for the year : President-Harry Cockshutt,
Vice-President-T. H. Preston.
Secretary-Treasurer-Geo. Hately.

## ANOTHER ERROR REGARDING CANADA.

ONE of the brightest trade papers in the United Kingdom is Commerce, published in London. Judging from the ocharacter of its articles it has a good grasp of matters, financial and commercial, in Great Britain, and in the European, Asiatic and African countries; but it has, like many other journals in the Motherland, a great deal to learn in regard to Canada.

In a recent issue the journal in question had an article in reference to the action of the Ontario Government in stipulating that after May ist, next, when existing licenses must be renewed, all logs cut in the province must be cut into lumber in the province, and in that article it, among other things, said :
The Dominion Government propose to compel imerican owners of Ontario timber forests to saw the logs obtained from them within the province. This will hit the Michigan lumbermen very hard indeed, and the policy of Dingley will scarcely commend itself in their eyes in the future. Possibly the strictly correct thing for Canada to do shly the strictly correct thing for Canada to do
would be to start saw mills of their own which would be to start saw mills of their own which
should "lick Creation," but a young country is impatient of new methods, and such mills could not be put up to-morrow or the day after.

In this extract, Commerce exhibits its ignorance of Canadian affairs in a two-fold sense

The Dominion Government, in the first place, had no more to do with the regulations which stipulate that the logs shall be sawn before being taken out of the province of Ontario than had the editor of Commerce himself. The regulations were devised by, and will be enforced by, the Government of the province of Ontario.

The Dominion Government might, if it is so disposed, put an export duty on logs, but it has nothing to do with the regulations appertaining to Ontario's timber lands. The Government of the province of Ontario has, on the other hand, no power to place an - export duty on logs, but it can create whatsoever regulations it sees fit in regard to the imber lands within its territory.
With regard to the suggestion that " possibly the strictly correct thing for Canada to do would be to start saw mills of their own," Commerce again exhibits its ignorance.
By the word "Canada" we presume our contemporary means Ontario, for the regulations, of course, only apply to that pro-
vince. But, whatever it means, the suggestion is an empty one: We have saw mills, and a number of them. It is true that, owing to the mill men in the United States being able to tow logs with such facility from Canadian forests across Lakes Huron and Michigan to their own mills, a number of saw mills in Ontario are idle, but that does not follow that we have none.
We might state, for the further information of our contemporary, that some of the mills in operation in Ontario, and other parts of Canada, are enormous concerns, and large quantities of their product yearly find their way both into Great Britain and the United States. Last year, nearly $\$ 25,000$,000 was taken by these two countries together.
We have gone to greater length in regard to this matter than we intended, but the mistakes, which are so commonly made by the British press, are most irritating; because they are, as a rule, entirely inexcusable.
British newspaper men are as intelligent and as capable as any under the sun, but in matters appertaining to Canada they presume too much and trouble themselves too little in ascertaining the facts upon which they are writing.

## CREDIT AND CASH PRICES.

Merchants who sell goods on credit at a cash price will ultimately fail to make the revenue and expenditure ends of their business meet.
Wherever there is a credit business there must be losses: There are losses from bad debts and losses on interest account.

Losses from these sources, when they are not provided for in the price of the goods sold, are the canker worms which have eaten the heart out of what appeared to be many a prosperous business.

The wide-awake merchant endeavors by legitimate means to lessen the first cost of his goods: He studies the markets; he saves his discounts ; he sells for cash ; and if perchance he has to do a little credit he adds a slight percentage to the selling price of the article which is so sold.
Business is business; and it is only by hewing to the line of strict business methods that a merchant can hope to compete successfully with the departmental stores and his up-to-date confreres.

## PROPOSED SUGAR AGREEMENT.

THE proposed Dominion agreement to govern the sale of sugar is still hanging fire. It is now over a month and a half since the proposition was first drawn up, and was submitted to the trade in different sections of the country. This delay is rather lengthy, for it seems reasonable to expect that a business man would not take all this time to make up his mind.
Many of the firms who were anxious to see the reform put in force are so disappointed at the hitch that has arisen, that they have threatened, from time to time, to throw up the whole matter and issue instructions to their representatives to accept orders for sugar, irrespective of any arrangements that might be made.

After some persuasion they consented to delay their action, but this week some of the leading houses in Montreal have given out an ultimatum that if after a certain datewhich is said to be the end of the present month-no decision has been arrived at, they will instruct their travelers to go ahead on the old freelance policy.

It is not unnatural that they should teel disgusted, but, at the same time, it will be a matter of general and extreme regret if the proposed reform, which every right thinking trader would like to see introduced, falls through.

The chief stumbling blocks are a house in Montreal, and one in Kingston, who have so far declined to adopt the proposed arrangement. The houses in Quebec city also have taken the same stand, but if the two firms already mentioned could be induced to fall into line, the wholesale trade elsewhere is prepared to go through with the arrangement, whether the traders in the latter city agree or not, because it believes they are too far east, to seriously interfere with business west of Three Rivers or Sorel.
It is to be hoped that the two reluctant traders may, even at the last moment, be induced to agree, and the proposition given a fair trial if nothing else.

Following is the very latest news item from Klondyke: "A grocer was recently lynched for adulterating sugar with gold dust." This beats Joaquin Miller's remark, "I'm sick of seeing so much gold."

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"Nova Scotia," in half-barrels.

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Wholesale Grocers

## HINTS TO BUYERS.

This department has become so popular that many more notices than there is space for are received every week. In future only important items of information will be inserted. Contributors are requested to send news only, not puffs of goods they handle, or the arrival of standard goods that everyone has in stock, or that they are offering goods at close figures, or that they have had an unusually large sale this season.

AN exceedingly fine range of Japans, retailing at 25,30 and 35 c ., which could not be replaced to-day under 2 to 3 c. higher, are selling freely with the Eby, Blain Co., Limited.
H. P. Eckardt \& Co, have 'Log Cabin' succotash in flat tins.
The Wm. Ryan Co., Limited, have a large number of orders for barrel pork and long, clear bacon.
H. P. Eckardt \& Co. are selling an imported, pure castile soap in bars at a low price.

Choice Ceylon and Indian teas, about 18 c ., are now in store with Lucas, Steele \& Bristol in half-chests.
Buyers of figs can get their wants supplied from a stock of Comadras, in taps, held by H. P. Eckardt \& Co.
In evaporated apples and white beans, Lucas, Steele \& Bristol are offering what they report are splendid values.

The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, are offering a particularly good value this week in a choice Barbadoes molasses.

Van Camps' celebrated tomato soup and catsup, pork and beans, macaroni and cheese, in store with George Foster \& Sons.
The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, report large sales the past three weeks of their 'Diamond" syrup, in half-barrels and pails.

The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, report a good demand for California fruits, more particularly in apricots and cheaper grades of prunes.

- We are offering syrups in half-barrels, cheap," say Lucas, Steele \& Bristol ; " also our 'Bargain' and 'Tiger' brands of molasses."
A fresh shipment of Singapore pearl tapioca is now on the way for the Eby, Blain Co., Limited. Arrival expected in a - week or two.

Seven hundred mats of choice figs are just to hand with Lucas, Steele \& Bristol ; also a full assortment of California prunes, apricots, peaches, etc.
The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, quote close prices on codfish, whole and blocks, and Labrador and No. 1 split herring in barrels and half-barrels.
D. Gunn, Bros. \& Co.'s local and shipping orders for butter have been large this
week, which fact enables them to return good prices for all shipments.
The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, are quoting Sultana raisins, from their large stock, at close prices as to grade.

Rutherford, Marshall \& Co. report a good trade in all kinds of produce, but that the great bulk of butter now offered lacks quality. Good butter is in demand.
The Davidson \& Hay, Limited, direct buyers' attention to their offerings in Japan teas, all grades. They are also quoting low on Japan dust, just arrived.
Laporte, Martin \& Cie are offering genuine Labrador herrings at reasonable prices. This herring had disappeared from the Canadian market during the last three or four years.
The Eby, Blain Co., Limited, offer late fall caught trout and whitefish at low prices, f.o.b. Midland, and, as stock is moving rapidly, intending buyers will do well to take note.
.- We are oftering bargains in fish of all kinds for Lenten time," say Laporte, Martin \& Cie. "The fish has been bought at the right price, and our clients can have the benefit of it."

Clemes Bros. have just received from California a new brand of navels, the "Heap Good," which they state to be the best selected stock they have seen on the market this season.
George Foster \& Sons have just received a consignment of "Magnolia" Ceylon tea in chests and caddies. This is a high grade of excellent style and cup quality. Samples may be had on application.

The Dawson Commission Co., Limited, have a car of fancy Senora oranges on the market this week. They have also received a car of fresh sea herring which arrived in excellent condition.

George Foster \& Sons report being able te offer exceptional values in molasses. Dealers whose stocks are low will do well to get their quotations, as there is a strong advance in this line in the primary markets.

## SILLY HONEY STORIES.

The silly stories, seen from time to time in the papers, about artificial combs being filted with glucose and deftly sealed over with a hot iron, have not the slightest foundation in fact. For years there has been a standing offer, by one whose financial responsibility is unquestioned, of $\$ 1,000$ for a single pound of comb honey made without the intervention of bees. The offer remains untaken, and will probably always remain so, for the highest art of man can never compass such delicate workmanship as the skill of the bee accomplishes.-Bee Culture,

## LATE ADVERTISEMENTS.

The following itens arrived too late for insertion in the regular advertising space. Reading notices inserted in this column at sc. per word.
Few housekeepers in Europe or America but have heard of, and know, enameline.
Calitornia prunes and evaporated fruits are constantly on the move with the Eby, Blain Co., Limited.
D. Gunn, Bros. \& Co. report the demand for the "Maple Leaf" brand of smoked backs to be constantly increasing.
The "Golden Leaf" Japan teas, handled by George Foster \& Sons, are having a large sale and are making permanent customers for the firm, wherever placed.
W. H. Gillard \& Co. report a gratifying increase in the sales of their "Diamond" and "Special Label" baking powders during the past year, and the trade is advised that the firm's facilities for putting out the most effective and purest powder, at the least possible price, are greater than ever.

## SALES OF DATES IN NEW YORK.

At the auction sale in New York, on Monday, the bulk of the offerings of Persian dates were withdrawn, it is reported, less than 400 cases being sold at $33 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for Hallowees, $33 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. for Khadrawees and $23 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for Sairs. The Tunis dates sold at $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., but only about 25 per cent. of the quantity offered was disposed of. Of the Persian dates, the purchases at auction, as reported, were 200 boxes of Hallowees, 170 boxes of Khadrawees and 20 boxes of Sairs.

## THE HALIFAX BOARD OF TRADE.

The annual meeting of the Halifax Board of Trade was held on the 18 th inst. Mr. Geo. Mitchell, M.P.P., was elected president and W. A. Black and J. E. DeWolf, vice-presidents. Council also elected.
A vote of thanks was with great unanimity passed to the retiring president, Mr. G. J. Troop ; everybody seemed in accord with the view of the great services he had rendered in that capacity. It was suggested, and will probably be acted on, that a special meeting will be called to discuss important matters dealt with in the annual report, among which were: The tariff, the West India trade, extension of trade in agricultural products, fire protection on Waterside, Provincial Exhibition, the Queen's Jubilee, visitors, Maritime Board of Trade, fast line service, Halifax and Guysboro Railway, sugar tariff, cable communication with the West Indies, marine insurance, steamships, proposed legislation with respect to insolvency, etc., cold storage, winter port. It was a very satisfactory meeting, in point of attendarce and interest manifested.

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## ONTARIO MARKETS.

## Toronto, Jan. 27, 1898. GROCERIES.

「HE wholesale trade is still quiet. It is, of course, usually so at this time of the year, but, as business was so unusually bisk the first week or two of the new year, some disappointment is being expressed because it has not been maintained. However, so far, the month's trade is more satisfactory than it was a year ago. Profits are much better, and the volume of business is larger. Nothing new has developed in canned goods, but prices are still firm, particularly on tomatoes. Pepper and cloves are dearer in the primary and terminal markets. Locally, the sugar market is quiet and unchanged ; the outside markets have been irregular. The tea market is gradually assuming more activity, and prices are ruling steady. Currants are firm and in rather good demand. Other kinds of foreign dried fruits are quiet and featureless.

Canned goods.
There is not much doing in canned goods, but there is no change in the situation. Prices for tomatoes are firm at qdotafiots. but the high figures fying hate. tof the time being at least, cbeved consumption. Canned salmon io mgeting with a fajr demand for this tye of the yfar." We qupte as follows : fromatges, $\$ 1.2)^{2} \$ 5$. 54 ; corn, So to 8y. peaf, 90.0 ? 4 . or ordinary; sifted


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select, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1$. Io ; extra sifted, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.40$; beans, 60 to 95 c .; peaches, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.40$ for 3 's, $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 1.75$ for 2 's; raspberries, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.80$; strawberries, $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 170$, according to brand and quality; blackberries, $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 1.70$; cherries, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2.25$; apples, 3 's, 80 to 95 c .; gallons, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.40$; salmon, "Horseshoe," $\$ 1.25$ in 5 -case lots and $\$ 1.30$ in less quantities; other red salmon, $\$ 1.20$ upwards, according to quality and brand ; cohoes, 95 c. to $\$ 1$; canned mackerel, $\$ 1.20$ to $\$ 1.30$; lobsters, $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.70$ for tall tins; $1 / 2-\mathrm{lb}$. flats, $\$ 1.65$ to $\$ 1.70$; Canadian canned beef, I's, $\$ 1.35$ to $\$ 1.40$; 2 's, $\$ 2.35$ to $\$ 2.50 ; 6$ 's, $\$ 7.75$ to $\$ 8.25$; 14 's, $\$ 15$ to $\$ 16$; Canadian kippered herrings, $\$ 4.50$ per case.

## COFFEE.

The local demand continues fairly good for Brazilian descriptions of coffee. Advices received from the European markets in regard to Brazilian coffees were of a discouraging nature, and this had a depressing effect on the New York market. The cause of the unsatisfactory feeling is the reported large crop of the Santos description. East India coffees rule firm. Jobbers quote green in bags: Rio, 8 to $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., according to grade; East Indian, 27 to 30 c .; Santos, 12 to 18c.; Java, 30 to 33 c.; Mocha, $271 / 2$ to 30 c .; Maracaibo, 13 to 17 c .; Jamaica, 16 to $\mathbf{2 2 c}$.

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transactions small. We quote : Dark 23 to 25 c.; medium, 28 to 35 c .; bright, 32 to 42 c . ; corn syrup, 3 to $3 \frac{1 / 4}{\mathrm{c}}$. per lb.

## molasses.

Very little doing locally. Advices from New Orleans report the market there steady, with the demand fair. We quote as follows: New Orleans, bbls., 23 to 35 c .; ditto. half-bbls., 25 to 37 c .; ditto, fancy, 50 to 55 c . in bbls. and half-bbls.; Barbadoes, 3 I to 35 c .; half-bbls., 33 to 35 c .

## sugar.

The past week has witnessed a great deal of fluctuation in the outside markets, and local buyers have, in consequence, been extremely chary of entering the market in its unsettled condition. Business has, therefore, been restricted. Since our last report, the English market has declined 2 $1 / 4$ to 3 d . in best sugar, and $3 / 4$ to 2 d . in cane, while in New York, on Monday, refined sugars were reduced $1 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. per lb ., in order to adjust prices on a parity with those of raw sugar. The London market was steadier on Monday, but Tuesaay's cables again noted an easier turn. The local market is unchanged. We quote wholesale price, subject to a discount of i per cent., io days: Granulated (Redpath, St.Lawrence, Acadia), 4 ¹2 c .; ditto, Dutch, in bags, $43 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. ; ditto, German of Canadian make, in bbls., 4 3-16c.; ditto, imported, in bags, 4 3-16c.; yellows, $33 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. upwards.

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## nUTS.

The situation is much as before. Jordan shelled almonds are reported from New York rather easier. We quote: Brazil nuts, $121 / 2$ to 14 c . ; Valencia shelled almonds, 23 to 25 c. : Tarragona almonds, 9 to 1 Ic.; peanuts, io to 12 c . for roasted and 8 to IOc . for green ; cocoanuts, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$ per sack; Grenoble walnuts, $111 / 2$ to 12 c .; Marbot walnuts, $9^{1 / 2}$ to 11 c .; Bordeaux walnuts, 8 to 9 c. : Sicily filberts, $9^{1 / 2}$ c. for sacks and IO $1 / 2$ to IIc. for small lots; Naples filberts, IIC.; pecans, 12 to $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

## RICE, TAPIoca, Sago.

Trade continues steady, with Japan rice being firmly held in the outside markets. We quote as follows: Standard "B," broken lots, $3 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. ; I to 5 sacks, $33 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., and 5 sacks and over, 3/8/8. per ib.; Japan, 5c.; Patna, 43/4 to $53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; tapioca, $3^{1 / 4}$ to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; sago, $31 / 2$ to $41 / 2 c$.

## spices.

Pepper has advanced another $1 / 4$ to $3 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . in the London market, where spot goods are quoted lower than shipments to arrive. Advices from London report a strong demand for cloves at gradually siiffening prices owing to unfavorable reports from Zanzibar. We quote : Pure Singapore black pepper, ground, 14 c in kegs, pails and
boxes, and 15 c . in $5-\mathrm{lb}$. cans; ditto, whole, 12c. per lb.; pure white pepper, ground, 24 to 26 c . in kegs, pails and boxes, and 20 to 22 C . in $5-\mathrm{lb}$. cans ; ditto, whole, 20 to 22 c ., according to quality; pure Jamaica ginger, 25 c.; cloves, 15 to 20c.; pure mixed spice, 25 to 30 c .; cream of tartar, French, 25 c .; ditto, best, 28 to 30 c . per lb .; allspice, 16 c .; cassia, 25 c . per lb . for ground and 40 c . for Saigon.

## teas.

While the tea market is still quiet, it is gradually improving, an improved demand for low grade Indian and Ceyion teas having developed during the week. Young Hysons are wanted, but they cannot be obtained, and we know of one shipping firm which has instructed its agent here to withdraw all offers, better prices being expected later. There have, however, been a few transactions in Young Hyson teas. Japans seem to be going forward a little more freely. Low grade Japans are firm and scarce. It is estimated that the quantity of Japan tea on the Canadian market is only about 10 per cent. of what is usually held here in first hands at this time of the year. There are not many Indian and Ceylon teas held on spot, but the few which are held are lower in price than they could be laid down to-day. Ruling wholesale prices on the Toronto
market are : Young Hyson, 18 to 21c. for low grades, 24 to 27 c . for mediums, and 30 to 45 c . for high grades; China Congous, 14 to 18 c . for mediums, and 25 to 55 c . for high grades ; Japans. 15 to 20c. for mediums, 28 to 35 c . for high grades; Indias and Ceylons, 18 to 22c. for mediums, and 30 to 65 c . for high grades.

FOREIGN DRIED FRUITS.
Currants-The market is still strong. Canadian buyers are again entering the market, realizing that the present basis is likely to be maintained. Local wholesalers are still experiencing a good demand. We quote: Provincials, $53 / 4$ to 6 c .; Filiatras, $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. in bbls; $63 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. in half-bbls and $61 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.in cases. Patras, $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. in bbls.; $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. in half-bbls. and $67 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. in cases. Vostizzas, $71 / 2$ to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. in cases.

Valencia Raisins-Quiet. We quote as follows: New goods-Off-stalk, $41 / 2$ to $43 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; fine off-stalk, 5 to $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; selected, 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; layers, $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to 7 c .
California Raisins-Advices from the Coast state that the market is firm on prime stock, with offers limited, but prices are unsettled on rain-damaged stock. We quote : 3 -crown, $7 \frac{1 / 4}{}$ to $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. per lb . ; 4 -crown, $81 / 4$ to $81 / 2$ c. per lb.; i-lb. cartoons, 20 c .; $21 / 4-\mathrm{lb}$. cartoons, 35 c .

Dates-Quiet, at $51 / 2$ to $53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for Hallowees and $51 / 2$. for Kadrowees.

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Prunes-There have been some offerings, from eastern points, of second-quality California prunes, but the finest qualities for shipment f.o.b. Coast are held firmer Locally, the demand for prunes is light. We quote: "Sphinx" at $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to 7 c . ; B, $7^{1 / 2} \mathrm{c}$. ; A, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; California prunes, 40 to 50 's, ioto $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; 50 to 60 s, 8 to $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; 60 to $70^{\circ}$ s, $7 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$ to 8 c .; 70 to $80^{\prime}$ s, 7 to $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; 80 to $90^{\circ} \mathrm{s}, 61 / 2$ to 7 c .; 90 to 100 's, 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. Silver prunes (fancy), $131 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; egg plums, $91 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; golden plums, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; French prunes, 180's, 5 c .
California Evaporated Fruits-The demand is light. We quote: Apricots, 9 to $9^{1 / 2}$ c. perlb. in $50-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, $91 / 2$ to 16 c . in 25 lb . boxes, and 13 to 14 c . in $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. cartoon boxes; Peaches, $9^{1 / 2}$ to $12 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. in $25-\mathrm{lb}$. boxes, and 13 c . per lb . in $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. cartoons. GREEN FRUITS.
The market continues to show the quietness usual at this time of year. The principal feature during the last few weeks has been an advance in Valencias, the price of which has risen to 7 s . on the Liverpool market during the last three weeks. They have advanced 25 to 50 c . on spot during the last week, and are likely to go still higher. California navels have declined 25 c . Mail advices, however, report free buying at primary markets. Winter pears are off the market in barrels and have advanced 25 c . per basket. Senora oranges are quoted at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.25$ per box. We quote: Almeria grapes, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 7.50$ per keg; lemons, Messina, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.25$ a box ; cocoanuts, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$ a sack and 60 c . per doz.; oranges, Valencia, 420 's, ordinary, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.50 ; 420^{\prime}$ s, large, $\$ 6.50$ to $\$ 7 ; 714$ 's, large, $\$ 7$ to $\$ 7.50$ per case ; California navels, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.75$ per crate ; Tangarines, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2$; bananas, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 2$; Cape Cod cranberries, $\$ 8$ to $\$ 8.50$ per bbl., and $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3$ per box ; Jersey cranberries, $\$ 8$ to $\$ 9$ per bbl.; Canadian cranberries, $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6$ per bbl., and $\$ 2.50$ per box; Canadian apples. $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3.50$ per barrel and 40 to $50 c$. per basket; Canadian onions, red or yellow, in $80-\mathrm{lb}$. bags, 65 to 75 c .; pickling onions, 75 c . per basket; celery, 25 to 50 c . a dozen ; winter pears, 60 to 75 c .per basket ; grape fruit, $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6$ per box.

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pated. We quote : Fresh-laid, 20 to 22c.; held, fresh and cold-stored, 16 to 18 c .; pickled, 13 to 14 c .
Potatoes-There is a fair local demand, with prices unchanged. We quote : Carload lots at 60 c ., and small lots on the market at 65 to 7 oc .

Dried Apples-(Quality offering is showing quite a range, some lots having been bought as low as 3 c . per lb . Choice stock is worth about 4 to $4 \frac{1}{2}$ c. f.o.b., although 5 c. is being asked in some instances.

Evaporated Apples - We hear of a medium-sized round lot being turned over at about 9 c. Toronto. The jobbing price is still 8 to 9 c. in an ordinary way, however.
Beans-There have been a few transactions, but trade is, on the whole, quiet. A round lot of prime changed hands at figures slightly under quotations. We quote 8oc., in 5 and 10 bag lots, with hand-picked at about 85 c .
Honey - There is little doing, with prices unchanged. We quote : Clover honey, 7 to $7 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$.; light color, in $60-\mathrm{lb}$. tins, 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; 5 and io-lb. tins, 7 to $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; buckwheat 3 to 4 c.; comb, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.75$ per dozen.
Poultry - There is an active demand for fresh killed stock, the receipts of which are light. Chickens are in special demand, with an advance of 5 to $10 c$. in price. We quote: Geese, 6 to 7 c . per lb.; chickens, dressed, 40 to 65 c .; ducks, 50 to 70 c .; turkeys, $9^{1 / 2}$ to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for fresh killed, bright stock.

## PROVISIONS

There is nothing new in the situation. Prices continue firm for anything sold now. Dealers will not quote present prices for two weeks or a month hence. Lard is the strong artucle on the list, with prices firm and upward tendency, , We quote
Dry Salted Meats-Long clear bacon, $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for carload lots, and 8 c . per lb . for ton lots and cases.

Smoked Meats-Breakfast bacon, $111 / 2$ to 12 c .; rolls, $8 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; hams, large, $91 / 2$ to 10 c .; medium, $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; small, IIc.; shoulder hams, $81 / 2$ to 9 c.; backs, $101 / 2$ to $111 / 2$ c.; with ic. less for all meats ott of pickle.
Lard-Pure Canadian, tierces, $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$; tubs, 7 c .; pails, 7 1/4c.
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## BUTTER AND CHEESE.

Butter-Receipts of dairy butter consist principally of large rolls. Pound prints are coming forward freely. The demand is good for all kinds, especially large rolls. Creamery continues firm, with receipts of prints being readily sold on arrival, tubs, however, not being in special demand. Many dealers complain that much of the dairy butter offered has not a good flavor. We quote as follows: Dairy, large rolls, 14 to $15 \mathrm{C} . ;$ pound prints, 14 to 15 c .; tubs, best grade, 15 to 16 c .; second grade, 13 to 14 c .; low grade, 11 to 12 c .; creamery, early make, tubs, 17 to 18 c .; late make, tubs, 18 to 19 c .; prints, 20 to 2 Ic .

Cheese-The local demand is active and steady, with prices firm, at 9 to $9 \frac{1 / 4}{4}$ c., according to make.
GRAIN, FLOUR, BREAKFAST FOODS.
Grain - Peas are the feature of the market at present. The price has steadily advanced, till now they are selling at 12 c . more than they were three weeks ago. Wheat is firm, with Chicago market touching the dollar mark. An advance of $3 c$. is noted in No. I hard. We quote the street market as follows : Wheat, red, 88 to 8 gc .; white, -87 to 90 c .; goose, 78 to $78 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$ c.; peas, 56 to 57 c .; rye, 46 to 47 c .; barley, 32 to 34 c .; oats, $281 / 2$ to 29 c., Toronto treights. No. I hard wheat is quoted at $\$ 1.04$, Toronto freights.

Flour - There has been an advance of IO to 15 c . in sympathy with advance in wheat. We quote: Manitoba patents, $\$ 5.5^{\circ}$; Manitoba strong bakers', $\$ 5$; Ontario patents, $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 4.85$; straight roller, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.20$, Toronto freights.
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active. Prices are unchanged. We quote Standard oatmeal and rolled oats, $\$ 3.50$ in bags and $\$ 3.60$ in bbls.; rolled wheat, $\$ 2.70$ in 100 -lb. bbls.; cornmeal, $\$ 2.35$ split peas, $\$ 3.50$; pot barley, $\$ 3$.

HIDES, SKINS AND WOOL.
Hides-A moderate business is being done, with prices firm, an advance of 50 c . per cwt. being noted. We quote for both cowhides and steerhides: No. I, $\$ 9.50$; No. 2, \$8.50; No. 3, \$7.50.
Calfskins - We quote as follows: No. I veal, 8 lbs . and up, i2c. per lb.; No. 2, Ioc.; Dekins, from 30 to 35 c .; culls, 15 to $20 c$.

Sheepskins-The price continues to advance. There has been an aggregate of $30 c$. in last seven weeks. We now quote at $\$ 1.15$ to $\$ 1.25$.
Wool-There is a steady demand for pulled wools, the price quoted remaining at $201 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. for fleeces and tub-washed.

FISH AND OYSTERS.
The demand for all lines continues satisfactory. Steak trout is now on the market. We quote: Oysters, $\$ 1.25$ per gal.; fresh trout, 7 to $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb.; steak trout, 7 c .; fresh steak cod, 6 to $6 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. per lb.; pickerel, 6 c . perlb.; pike, $31 / 2$ to 4 c. per lb.; perch, 3 c. per lb.; fresh herring, $3^{1 / 2} \mathrm{c}$. per lb .; Labrador herring, $\$ 5.75$ to $\$ 6$ per bbl. and $\$ 3.25$ per half-bbl.; split herring, $\$ 5$ per bbl. and $\$ 2.50$ per half-bbl.; sea herring, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 1.35$ per 100; boneless fish, $31 / 2$ to 4 c . perlb ; pure cod, $61 / 2$ to $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. per lb .; fresh water herring (heads off), $\$ 2.50$ per keg; ciscoes, 75 c . to $\$ 1$; Manitoba frozen whitefish, $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb.; smelts, No. 2, 4c.; No. 1, 6c.; extras, Ioc.; flounders, 5 c . per lb .. haddies, $51 / 2$ to 6 c . per lb .; fresh haddock, 5 c . per lb .; pan frozen haddock, small, 4c.; large, 5 c . per lb .
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ties of northern seed are ranging at about $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 4$ and Western Ontario at $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$. A good many samples have been shown so mixed with weeds that they are hardly merchandiseable, and are not worth more than $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.50$ per bushel. Alsike is offered in a limited way. The price is $\$ 5$ for extra choice to fancy and $\$ 2$ for low grade. Timothy is unchanged, with small offerings.

## PETROLEUM.

The new oil, Sarnia water white, is now quoted, the price being 15 c . Business is active in all lines. We quote as follows in I to 10 bbl. lots, imperial gallon, Toronto: Canadian, 14c.; Sarnia water white, 15 c .; American water white, $171 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; Pratt's astral, 17 c . in bulk.

## SALT.

Business is good with prices unchanged. We quote : Carload lots, $\$ 1.05$ per bbl., and 65 c . per sack ; less than carload lots, $\$ 1$. 10 per bbl., and $70 c$. per sack. At the wells we quote: F.O.B.. barrels, 75 c .; sacks, $50 c$.

## MARKET NOTES.

Chickens have aduanced 5 to loc. per pair.

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Flour is to to 15 c . per bbl. dearer this week.
Steak trout is now on the market at 7 c . per lb.
Valencia oranges have advanced 25 to $50 c$. in price.
Pepper is $1 / 4$ to $3 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. per lb . dearer in the primary market.

Hides have advanced soc. per cwt. Sheepskins are ioc. dearer.

## QUEBEC MARKETS

Montreal, Jan. 27, 1898. Groceries.

THE grocery market has been dull and uninteresting in the main during the past week, as the actual movement in nearly every department is confined to a mere hand-to-mouth business. In fact, some of the largest jobbers complain that business is quieter, even for January, than it has been for a number of years, and are at a loss to explain it, considering the fact that the general conditions appear to be healthy enough. Values, as a rule, are steady, but
retailers are entirely oblivious of the fact. Refiners state that they can't entice any orders out of jobbers for either sugar or syrups. Molasses is firm and the arrivals from the Maritime Provinces have been light, and have had little effect on the local situation. Spices and coffees are steady, and there is a firmer disposition noticeable on low-grade teas of all descriptions, with some large transactions for first hands. The firm disposition of canned goods is fully maintained, but the fact does not induce any demand from retailers. Dried fruit, nuts, fish, and produce of all sorts are generally steady.

## sugar.

Business in refined sugar here has been extremely quiet during the past week. Refiners report that despite the decline it is impossible to induce jobbers to operate, and the latter assert that retailers are equally dilatory. As a result the actual movement is of the merest hand-to-mouth character. Values, as a rule, are unchanged and we quote: Standard granulated, 4 5-16c.; Canadıan German granuiated, 4c.; Austrian and German granulated, $315-16 \mathrm{c}$. in bags, and domestic yellows, $31 / 2$ to 4 c ., the outside price being for extra bright stock.

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hands, and prices are steady, as last quoted, at 2 to $2 \frac{1}{2}$ c.

## molasses.

This market continues quite firm, and, while the change has not been of a very appreciable kind, there has been more trade passing both in a wholesale and in a jobbing way. Efforts to bring any supplies from the Maritime Provinces have not been successful, for only a few small lots have arrived from that quarter, and the quality of some of them has caused complaint. In a jobbing way prices are unchanged for Barbadoes as follows: puncheons, 28c.; barrels, $301 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; and half-barrels, $311 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per gallon; car lots ic. less. Porto Rico is in slow demand around 26 to 27 c ., according to quality.

## Rice.

There is a quiet, steady trade in rice and prices ars unchanged. We quote: Imported Japan, $47 / 8$ to 5 c.; standard B rice $\$ 3.40$ to $\$ 3.50$; ditto, grade $S, \$ 3.30$ to $\$ 3.40$; Patna, $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 5$; choice Burmah, $\$ 4$; and ditto Java, $\$ 4.25$.
spices.
There is only a very moderate demand for spices, but values rule quite steady Black pepper, 9 to 15 c ; ; pure white, 15 to 20c.; pure Jamaica ginger, 25 c . cloves, 15 to 20 c .; pure mixed spice, 25 to 30c.; cream of tartar, 25 to 27 c .; do. best, 30 c .; allspice, 14 c .; and nutmegs, 50 to 90 c .

## COFFEE.

Very little actual trade is doing in coffee, the only movement being some small lots of Maracaibo between wholesalers, from 11 to 12 c . We quote: Maracaibo, 12 to 15 c .; Santos, $11 \frac{1 / 2}{2}$., and Rio io to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., while Java and Mocha are held around 30 .

## teas.

There has been more doing in low-grade Japans, China greens and blacks, quite a large quantity of stock having changed hands at various prices. The general tone of the market is steady, as evidenced in the
refusal of one or two holders to part with teas for 12 c . that only cost them $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. some time ago. They believe that jobbers will want more of these low-grade goods shortly, and are confident of higher prices later on, on all descriptions of goods of this class. Retailers are only operating very sparingly, according to jobbers. We quote: Young Hysons, 18 c . for low grades, 24 to 28 c . for mediums and 30 to 40 c . for good to finest ; China Congous, 10 to 17 c . for mediums and 25 to 55 c . for high grades; Japans, 13 to ${ }_{17} \mathrm{c}$. for mediums and 28 c . for higher grades; Indians and Ceylons, 17 to 20c. for mediums and 35 to 65 c . for higher grades.

## CANNED GOODS.

The firm disposition of canned goods is strongly maintained, especially on corn and tomatoes, while apples are also strongly held. Retailers, however, still continue backward buyers, but holders expect an improvement in this respect in the course of a few weeks. We quote: Tomatoes, $\$ 1$. Io to $\$ 1.25$; corn, goc. to $\$ 1$; peas, 90 c . to $\$ 1.15$; peaches, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.90$ for 2 's; raspberries, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.90$; strawberries, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 2$, according to brand and quality; cherries, $\$ 2.30$; apples, gallons, $\$ 2.60$ to $\$ 2.75 ; 3$-lb.do., \$1.10 to $\$ 1.20$; pumpkins, 75 to 85 c .; ' salmon, "Horseshoe," $\$ 1.25$; "Clover Leaf," $\$ 1.25$; Lowe Inlet, $\$ 1.20$, in tall tins; canned mackerel, $\$ 1.25$; Canadian canned beet, I's, $\$ 1.20$ to $\$ 1.25 ; 2$ 's, $\$ 2.15$ to $\$ 2.30$; lobsters, $\$ 11$ per case ; French sardines, $\$ 10.25$ to $\$ 11$ for extra brands ; ordinary brands, $\$ 8$ to $\$ 9$; Canadian brands, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$.

## DRIED FRUIT.

The currant market continues firm outside with an advancing tendency, and it would necessitate pretty high prices to lay down any fresh supplies here. There is no change, however, in spot prices, the actual movement being light. We quote : Fine Vostizzas, half-cases, $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; Patras, halfcases, $6 \frac{1}{4} \mathrm{c}$.; choice Fillatra, do., 6 c .; fine do., half-cases, $5 / \mathrm{sc}$.; Filiatra, halfcases, $53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; do. half-bbls., $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; do.,
bbls., $53 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.; fine Provincials, half-cases, 5 58c.
There is little doing in Valencia raisıns, and prices are steady. We quote: Offstalk, $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$. ; fine do., $43 / 4$ to 5 c .; selected, $53 / 4$ to 6 c ., and 4 -crown layers, 6 to $6 \frac{3}{4} \mathrm{c}$.
California raisins continue quiet, while prices are steady at 6 to $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for 2 crown; $7 \frac{1 / 4}{4}$ to $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. for 3 -crown, and $83 / 4$ for 4 -crown fruit.

There is no change in Sultanas on spot, prices ranging from $83 / 4$ to $9 c$., while loose Spanish muscatels are quoted at 6 to 7 c .
There is a fair business in prunes, both in European and Californian, but, if anything, the former are having the preference. We quote: Austrian, $61 / 2$ to 7 c .; French, $4^{1 / 2}$ to $5 \frac{1 / 2}{}$ c., and Californias, $71 / 2$ to $10 c$., as to grade.
Figs are quiet and steady. We quote Eleme, io lbs., io to itc.; case lots, gc.; 12-oz. boxes, $71 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; 14 -oz. boxes, 9 c .; 25 bag lots, $3 \frac{1 / 4}{4}$ c., and bags, $3^{1 / 2}$ to 4 c .

Dates are dull but steady at $51 / 2$ to 6 c.

## nuts.

There is nothing to report, business ruling quiet. We quote : Grenoble walnuts, $101 / 2$ to IIC.; Marbots, 9 to $91 / 2 \mathrm{C}$.; Tarragona almonds, $81 / 2$ to $10 c$.; shelled almonds, 20 to 22 c ., and shelled walnuts, 16 to 18 c .; Sicily filberts, 7 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and pecans, 9 to Ioc .

## FISH.

The fresh fish trade is quiet, and the curtailing of the season for the observance of Lent by the Roman Catholic religious authorities no doubt accounts for the quiet demand now experienced. In most cases the market is overstocked, and it will take fully a month of trade to dispose of the stock on hand. Haddock and cod are selling at $21 / 2$ to $3 c$., steak cod at $31 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and herrings at $\$ 1.40$ for good and $\$ 1.20$ for medium, while tommy cods range from $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.20$.

The only change in pickled fish has been an advance of 25 c . per bbl. in the price of white fish. We quote : Green cod, No. I,

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The feature in smoked fish has been the scarcity of Yarmouth and Bay bloaters and priceshave advanced to to 25 c . per box to $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.25$. Haddies continue to sell at $51 / 2$ to 6 c . per lb., and smoked herrings at Io to IIc. per box.
The demand for preserved fish is slow, and prices are unchanged. Dressed cod fish are selling at $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.50$ per case of roo lbs.; dried cod, at $\$ 3.50$ per cwt.; boneless cod fish, at $41 / 2$ to 5 c . per lb ., and boneless fish, 5 c . per lb .
dried and evaporated apples.
Continue quiet, but very firm, at $61 / 2$ to 7 c. for dried, and evaporated, $91 / 2$ to $10 c$.

## apples.

Cables on apples from Liverpool this week have been rather easier, quoting 2 s . decline, but it is believed that this is only temporary, and is caused by the recent very heavy arrivals ex Carthagenian on the 28th at Liverpool, and Grecian on the ist at Glasgow. On spot, prices are as firm as ever.

## green fruit

The green fruit market has had another quiet week. Oranges continue in fair demand, Valencias being held firm in sympathy with the advance. Lemons and other lines are precisely the same. We quote as follows: Lemons, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 3$; Jamaica oranges, $\$ 5.50$ to $\$ 6$; California, $\$ 3.50$ to $\$ 4$; Valencia, $\$ 4$ Almeria grapes. $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6.50$; Cape Cod cranberries, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8.50$, and Nova Scotia, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8.50$.

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EgGS-The demand for eggs to day in small lots was somewhat better and a fair trade was done. The tone of the market was about steady, and prices show no fur-

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POULTRY-The poultry market continues quiet, the demand being chiefly for small lots of fresh killed stock, of which receipts are small and prices show no actual change. We quote: Turkeys, $81 / 2$ to $91 / 2$ c.; chickens, 5 to 8 c .; ducks, 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and geese, 5 to 6 c . per lb .
Beans-The demand for beans is slow and the market is quiet at 80 to $90 c$. for primes, and at 95 c . to $\$ 1$ for choice handpicked per bushel.
Honey-Business in honey is slow. We quote as follows: White clover, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; dark clover comb, 10 to $101 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., and dark at 7 to 8 c .

## PROVISIONS.

There is an improved demand for pork and lard and a fair trade done at steady prices. Smoked meats were quiet and unchanged We quote: Canadian pork, $\$ 15$ to $\$ 66$ per barrel; pure Canadian lard in pails, at 7 to $7 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$., and compound refined at 5 to $5 \frac{1 / 4}{} \mathrm{c}$. pert lb .; hams, $101 / 2$ to 12 c .; bacon, 10 to 12c. per lb.

## DRESVED HOG:

There was a steadier tone to the market for dressed hogs this week owing to an improved demand and smaller receipts. In a jobbing way a fair trade was done at $\$ 6.60$ to $\$ 6.75$ for light, and at $\$ 6.40$ to $\$ 6.50$ for heavy per 100 lbs .
salt.
Quiet and steady: Coarse Liverpool, in $165-\mathrm{lb}$. bags, 38 to 45 c ., and Trepani, $\$ 1.10$ per bag of 215 lbs .

Flour and meal.
There was a firmer feeling in the flour market for Ontario grades, and holders generally were asking a slight advance over present quotations, but no actual change was reported. In Manitoba grades a very fair business was done on local account and a. few orders were also received from the Maritime Provinces and Quebec for small lots. We quote as follows: Winter
wheat, patents, $\$ 4.60$ to $\$ 4.85$; straight rollers, $\$ 4.25$ to $\$ 4.30$; bags, $\$ 2.05$ to $\$ 2.10$; best Manitoba strong bakers', $\$ 4.90$; second do., $\$ 4.50$, and low grades, $\$ 2.70$; Hungarian patents, $\$ 5.3$.
A firmer feeling prevailed in the meal market, in sympathy with oats, and an advance in prices is anticipated daily. The demand, as yet, does not show much improvement, and business is still quiet. We quote : Rolled oats, $\$ 3.40$ per barrel, 10 \$1.65 per bag; standard meal, $\$ 3.25$ per barrel, and $\$ 1.57^{1 / 2}$ per bag.
There continues to be an active demand for feed, and, as supplies are light, the tone of the market is very firm, with prices tending upward. We quote: Ontario bran, $\$ 12$; shorts, $\$ 13$ per ton in bulk. Manitoba bran, $\$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14$, and shorts, $\$ 15$ to $\$ 16$ per ton, including bags.

## GRAIN.

The steady improvement in prices at American wheat centres during the past few days, and the strong advices from abroad created quite a demand for grain this week here, and an active business was done, especially at shipping points along the lines. A large line of Manitoba wheat changed hands on Saturday for western account, afloat Fort William at p.t. Ontario red wheat sold for export in fair sized lots, at country points, at 84c., which means 95 to 96 c. store here. Oats were also in good demand and prices advanced $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. per bushel with sales of round lots on the basis of $283 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. store. Buckwheat is firmer at $361 / 2$ to 37 c . and feed barley at 35 c .

## BALED HAY.

Business in hay was slow and the market is quiet with no change in values to note. We quote: No. 1 at $\$ 10.50$ and No. 2 at $\$ 8$ to $\$ 8.50$ per ton in car lots.

## CHEESE.

The cheese market exhibits no improvement, and it does not seem natural to expect that the present quietude can obtain much longer. The season is too far advanced, and if demand does not improve, the
chances are in favor of the buyers; and that sellers will have to meet their views, or else carry their cheese until the opening of the new season. This latter process does not usually pay. Shippers protest that it is impossible to elicit orders over the cable at limits that permit of meeting the present views of holders, and certainly the absence of activity bears them out. Mail advices are the reverse of encouraging. While some may be a bit too bearish for acceptance, their general tenor does not give the idea of radical advance sufficient to warrant holders incurring extra carrying charges, in the hope of recouping themselves later on. In Liverpool on the 15 th demand was set down as quiet, with prices about steady, and the same reports are received from Bristol, Manchester and London. The pronouncedly bearish advices above referred to come from the latter market, and speak confidently of large consignments of Australian cheese during February. It will be shown pretty soon whether the wish is father to the thought, as we are almost into that month now. Values on spot are purely nominal, buyers' extreme views for finest being $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$., whereas holders want $1 / 8$ to $1 / 4 \mathrm{c}$. advance on that price.

BUTTEIS.
If the export outlook for cheese is uncertain, that for butter is unmistakably discouraging, to those who are of a sanguine disposition. In fact, all advices go to show that the home demand will have to be mainiy depended on to absorb our domestic make of winter creamery between now and the new season. Mail advices of ten days ago speak of declines at all the English markets, owing to the large arrivals of continental and other butter. At Manchester, for instance, prices gave way to the extent of 4 s . per cwt .. or over ic. per lb., and it is stated that Australian and New Zealand were pressed for sale at the reduction, while Canadian creameries, in order to be cleared, had to accept an average reduction of 2 s . per cwt ., or about $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. per lb ., the quota-
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tion for them ranging from 98 s to roos., finest Danish offering at roos., and Australian at 94 to 98 s . In London the latter were monopolizing the market, and were likely to do so for some time to come, yet demand could not be induced to keep pace with the arrivals, and under continued pressure values were easing still further. These advices do not hold out much hope of improved export demand, and factorymen, who were in town to-day, did not find thaders very anxious buyers. They made a canvass of several, and found that $181 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. was an extreme price for finest creamery, and that buyers were very particular as to "finest" quality, if they conceded that figure. Western dairy rolls were easy also at 14 c .

## montreal notes.

Poirier \& Ethier, retail grocers of Montreal, have dissolved partnership. The business will be carried on by Paul Ethier.

The expected receipts of Barbadoes molassess from the Maritime Provinces have not materialized, only a few small lots arriving.
Batterbury, Chard \& Jackson, Montreal, have been appointed agents in Canada for the well-known firm of J. P. Pemartin Xerez de la Fronterd.
Herdt \& Co. have commenced as general commission merchants, 13 St . John street,

Montreal. They have taken over the ageney of the Chocolat Menier for the Dominion of Canada.

There have been some fair sized lots of low grade teas moved from first hands, and holders are disposed to hold on, as they believe prices are bound to advance on these descriptions.

## NEW BRUNSWICK MARKETS. Office of The Canadian Grocer,

 St. John, N.B., Jan. 26, 1898.THERE is little of interest to note. A few weeks ago we referred to the bad debts which some of our merchants had made during the past year, which, in some cases, are above the average, though others made very few. It is the Nova Scotia trade that has shown the poorest results. In the city dealers report collections slow. There has been much interest during the week in the new United States law regarding sealskins entering that country. The wives of two of our leading wholesale grocers, who, intending to take a short holiday to the States, and who took every precaution to have proof that their sacques were such as might be allowed entry, were unable to get any satisfaction from the United States officials, and, so, fearing to have their garments confiscated, turned back before reaching the border.

Oil-Such trade as there is, is largely confined to burning oil. Orders are being booked for lubricatind the prospects are for good business. Trere is little change in values. Turpentine and castor oil are both firmer. We quote : Best American burning oil, 18 to 19c.; Canadian water white, $16 \frac{1}{2}$ to $17 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; Canadian prime, 15 to $15 \frac{1 / 2}{} \mathrm{c}$.; cod oil, 22 to 24 c .

Salt - There continue to be free arrivals of coarse salt. Shipments to the different fish centres in Nova Scotia and down the bay are being made, and the wants of the tisherman for the coming season are being supplied. They are buying their salt at low prices. Very little factory-filled is arriving. Prices are easy and light sale. In Canadian salt there is fair sale, largely in wood boxes of 20 and to lb . sizes. We quote : Coarse, 40 to 45 c . ; Liverpool factory-filled, 85 c . to 95 c .; Canadian fine, 90 c . to $\$ 1$ per bag; $5-\mathrm{lb}$. bags in bbls., $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.25$; $10-\mathrm{lb}$. bags, in bbls., $\$ 2.85$ to $\$ 3$; butter and cheese salt, bulk, $\$ 2.50$ per bbl.; 20 lb . wood boxes, 20 c . each; $10-\mathrm{lb}$. wood boxes, i2c. each; cartoons, $\$ 2$ per case of 2 doz.; rock salt, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$ per ton.
Canned Goods-There is a farr movement in vegetables, and holders can sell freely if they cut prices. There are fair stocks here, and the general feeling is that values will be higher, so, as a rule, dealers
are holding goods. Owing to the condition of the market, Canadian canned meats have been freely sold Already prices show quite an advance. Oysters are having better sales, and the outlook is for higher figures. Canned fish are having quite a sale west. A quantity of kippered herring passed through here this week. While salmon are still low, better values are looked for. Lobsters are scarce and high. Fruits, except apples, are low. We quote: Corn, 85 c. to $\$ 1$; peas, $90 c$. to $\$ 1$; tomatoes, $\$ 1.10$ to $\$ 1.25$; gallon apples, $\$ 2.60$ to $\$ 2.75$; corned beef, Canadian, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.60$ : American, $2-\mathrm{lb}$. tins, $\$ 2.65$ to $\$ 2.75$; $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. tins, $\$ 1.45$ to $\$ 1.50$; oysters, 2's, $\$ 2$. 10 to $\$ 2.20$; 1 's, $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 1.50$; peaches, $3^{\prime} \mathrm{s}$, Canadian, $\$ 2.40$ to $\$ 2.60$; 2 's, $\$ 1.50$ to $\$ 1.65$; American, 3 's, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.25$; pineapple, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.50$; fruits in glass, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.25$; salmor $\$ 1.15$ to $\$ 1.20$; ditto, flats, $\$ 1.25$ to $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.60$; haddies, $\$ 1.00$ to $\$ 1.10$ clams, $\$ 4.50$ for 4 doz.; chowder, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.75$ for 2 doz,; scallops, $\$ 5.50$ for 4 doz.; Digby chickens, \$1 per dơz.; kippered herring, \$1.io per doz.

Green Fruit-Apples and oranges are about the only lines moving. Apples, for best stock, are high and scarce. There is a fair quantity of second and third grade fruit, but quality is such that it has little sale. Oranges, Valencias, are higher. There is a good business doing. Californias are quiet; in Floridas, season is about over. Lemons are dull. Only a íew Bananas are moving. Grapes are light stock, and have but fair sale. Cranberries are high. Cape Cod are only ones in the markzt of good quality. We quote Lemons, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$; oranges, Valencia, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 6$ per box; do., California, $\$ 2.75$ to $\$ 3.50$; do., Flerida, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$; do., Dominica, $\$ 3.25$ per bbl.; apples, $\$ 2.00$ to $\$ 4.50$; bananas, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.25$; Malaga grapes, $\$ 6.00$ to $\$ 7$; native bog cranberries, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 5.50$ per bbl.; Cape Cod cranberries, $\$ 9.50$ to $\$ 10$ per bbl. shaddock, $\$ 3$ per bbl. ; grape fruit, $\$ 3$ per bbl.; sour limes, $\$ 1.75$ per box; sweet limes, $\$ 2.50$ per box.
Dried fruit - This is still a quiet line. There is a rather a better enquiry for evapoated apples, but dealers buy in small quantities. Dried are dull. Raisins have light sale. A car of 4 -crown California loose muscatels arrived this week. They were bought at low price. California prunes have already begun to advance. They have been low. A good demand; at better prices, is looked for. Currants are light stock. Onions are quoted higher. Stocks are getting into few hands. Seeded muscatels are rather easier, but, as market in loose is turning higher, there is not likely to be
much change. We quote as follows Valencias, 5 to $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; California L. M., 3-rown, $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to $6 \frac{3}{4}$ c. ; London layers, $\$ 1.40$ to $\$ 1.50$; Imp. cabinets, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.80$; black baskets, $\$ 2.25$ to $\$ 2.30$; Dehesa layers, $\$ 2.50$ to $\$ 2.75$; currants, cases, 6 to $61 / 8 \mathrm{c}$. ; bbls., $53 / 8$ to 558 c .; cartoons, cleaned, $73 / 4$ to 8 c. ; bulk, cleaned, $63 / 4$ to 7 c .; prunes, boxes, $41 / 2$ to 10 c . ; dates, 5 to $5 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.; dried apples, 6 to 7 c .; evaporated apples, $101 / 2$ to 1 Ic.; onions, $\$ 2.20$ to $\$ 2.35$ per bbl. ; cocoanuts, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$ per ioo lbs.; figs, 8 to roc.; Sultana raisins, 9 to roc.; Malaga loose muscatels, 3 -crown, $61 / 2$ to $63 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; 4crown L. M. Californias, $71 / 2$ to $73 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; seeded muscatels, $\mathrm{I}-\mathrm{lb}$. cartoons, 11 to 12 c .; new Valencias, layers, $5 \frac{3 / 4}{4}$ to 6 c .; citron peel, 18 c .; lemon peel, 12 c .; orange peel, 13 c .
Sugar-The presence of second grade granulated tends to keep market easy. The best second grade to be offered here was shown this week by one of the Montreal refineries. Our dealers prefer the standard. In yellow values are held firm. There is only fair business doing. We quote: Granulated, $43 / 8$ to $41 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; yellows, $33 / 8$ to $37 / 8 \mathrm{c}$.; Paris lump, $51 / 2$ to $53 / 4 \mathrm{c}$.; powdered, $51 / 4$ to $51 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.

MOLASSES-Our market is strong, but there is still a fair supply of Porto Rico here. Barbadoes is scarce and advancing. Holders are looking for higher prices all round. Now would seem to be a right tume to buy Porto Rico. We quote: Barbadoes, 25 to 27 c . ; Porto Rico, 27 to 30 c . ; New Orleans, bbls., 28 to $30 c$.; Antigua, 22 to 23c.; St. Croix, 20 to 22 c .
Dairy Produce - In butter, the market is flat. It is difficult to get any good, while the market is full of poor. Cheese is also quiet. While stocks are not large there is little demand. Eggs have a ready sale, even at the high prices asked. Very few are being received. We quote: Dairy butter, 15 to 18 c .; creamery, 18 to 20 c .; prints, 20 to 22 c .; cheese, $91 / 2$ to 10 c .; eggs, 20 to 23 c.

FISH-Trade is rather better. Receipts of frozen herring were larger this week than at any time during this season, so prices, which have been high, are quoted lower. There is a good demand for all that can be got. Frozen cod and haddock move freely with supply and demand about equal. In dry fish prices are firmly held, and rather better business is looked for. There are fair supplies of pickled herring. Grand Manan fish prices are at least no higher. Smoked fish are quiet, except haddies, which find steady demand. We quote as follows: Large cod, $\$ 3.25$ to $\$ 3.50$; medium, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.25$; pollock, $\$ 1.75$ to $\$ 1.85$; pickled herring, $\$ 1.80$ to $\$ 1.90$ per halfbbl. ; smoked, herring $6 \frac{1}{2}$ to $7 c$. Canso, pickled, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.25$ per barrel; boneless fish, $3^{1 / 2}$ to $41 / 2$ c. ; cod, 6 to $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; frozen cod and haddock, 2 to $21 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; herring, 75 c . to $\$ 1$; finnan haddies, 4 to $4 \frac{1}{2} \mathrm{c}$.

Provisions-There continues to be but little doing. At this season packers here, as a rule, are buying freely of Ontario hogs, but this year they cannot get them, except
at too high a price for packing. Mess pork is high, being almost the same price as clear. The latter keeps low in this market. In smoked meats prices are firmly held. Lard shows a further advance this week Fair stocks are held here. Plate beef is firm and prices will go higher. There is limited sale. We quote : Clear pork, $\$ 14.50$ to $\$ 15$; mess, $\$ 14.0$ to $\$ 14.50$; plate beef, $\$ 13.50$ to $\$ 14.50$; hams, 11 to 12 c . ; rolls, $91 / 2$ to 10 c .; pure lard, 8 to $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. ; compound, $61 / 2$ to 7 c .
Flour, Feed and Meal-There is a fair flour business, but prices are easy. At present there is quite a difference between Ontario and Manitoba flour, more, in fact, than for some time past. In feed, prices are high, and it is difficult to get any. Oats are firm with the demand, on account of the lower price for New Brunswick oats, light. Hay is dull. Cornmeal is low, and shows large sale. In barley prices are are higher, and a firmer feeling is expected. Split peas are scarce. In oatmeal, while prices have been shaded some, the outlook is tor higher figures. Beans show a rather better demand at somewhat easier figures. We quote: Manitoba $\$ 5.70$ to $\$ 5.75$ best Ontario, $\$ 5$ to $\$ 5.10$; medium, $\$ 4.75$ to $\$ 4.80$; oatmeal, $\$ 3.70$ to $\$ 3.75$; cornmeal, $\$ 1.90$ to $\$ 2$; middlings, $\$ 17$ to $\$ 18.50$; bran, $\$ 15.00$ to $\$ 16.00$; handpicked beans, $\$ 1$ to $\$ 1.10$; prime, 90 to 95 c . ; barley, $\$ 3.20$ to $\$ 3.25$; round peas, $\$ 1.25$; split peas, $\$ 3.00$ to $\$ 3.25$ : yellow eye beans, $\$ 1.75$.

## St. John notes.

Dearborn \& Co. this week landed a car of 4 -crown loose muscatels and seeded California raisins.

The Government is richer by $\$ 150$ because of the arrival of three Coreans by the steamer Taymouth Castle.
Bowman \& Angevine this week rereived a shipment of "Royal Paragon" cheese. These goods are taking well.

The largest shipment of apples to leave Halifax this year went forward to London by the steamer St. John City. There were 8,ooo barrels.

It is said a steamer will be put on this summer between St. John and Halifax. This will be a great convenience for St. John merchants doing business along the south shore of Nova Scotia.
The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Charlottetown Board of Trade: Horace Haszard, president; W. D. Aitkens, vice-president ; E. T. Higgs, secretary-treasurer
Bund \& Peters are landing the first car of California evaporated fruits and prunes to come to any one dealer in this market. The shipment also contains the first evaporated fruits and prunes to come here.
New Brunswick is becoming quite a centre for the bottling of aerated mineral waters. The Sussex Mineral Spring Co. are making arrangements to ship some of their product to the upper provinces during the coming season.


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## MANITOBA MARKETS.

Winnipeg, Jan. 24, 1898.

AMONG the festivities announced for next month is the annual concert, supper and ball of the City Travelers' Association, which will be held at the Manitoba hotel on February 15th. This association is composed exclusively of the city travelers, and has only been organized about four years. It has now a membership of 44. All their efforts at social entertainment have been successful, so that the coming ball is looked forward to with the pleasant assurance of a good time.
Thompson, Codville \& Co. announce for sale by auction (to the trade only), the stock recently purchased by them at the sale of the estate of the Turner, Mackeand Co. The sale will take place at the old warehouse of Turner, Mackeand on the 7 th of February, and subsequent days until the stock is sold. This sale has, no doubt, been arranged to suit the large num ber of country merchants who will be in town about that time attending the bonspiel. By the way, the great theatre attraction for that week will be " 1492 "
The Klondyke fever grows apace, and every day adds to the parties going from this city or passing through it en route to the "golden north." Some are buying their outfits in Winnipeg, but the majority get them nearest the bounds of civilization. Many Americans, coming in to go by the Edmonton route, find on reaching Edmonton that supplies brought with them are not what they really need, and have to sell or exchange them at great loss. In the matter of food and clothing, it is held by many, who ought to know, that they can be bought to the best advantage here, as there are those here wbo know what is serviceable, and the choice is larger than in the small places further west and north. It is quite amusing to see the number of dog trains that turn up in the city. It seems like 1882 again to see them trotting up Main street.
The importation of corn to supply the shortage of oats continues, but not to such an extent as would appear from some of our contemporaries. Grain dealers find there is too little in it to be very keen on handling it. At the same time there has been quite a. market for American corn in Manitoba this year.

The wheat situation is unchanged. Deliveries are nil, but price remains stiff and appears likely to do so. Millers are kicking at present, as they claim they cannot compete for markets east or west, owing to the fact that they have had to pay a much higher price for their wheat than millers in the coast states west or the millers in Ontario.

In prices generatly there have been no
changes for the week. Markets are quiet, but in most cases steady.

Butter-The last lot of creamery butter held in the province was closed out at the factory holding last week; the price was $191 / 4 \mathrm{c}$., point of shipment, and the lot amounted to some $21,000 \mathrm{lbs}$. Sufficient dairy is coming to satisfy present requirements. No stocks are held through the country, and all that is coming is fresh made winter butter. Dealers are paying $151 / 2$ to 16 c . for rolls, and 16 c . for fairly good tub.

EgGS-Owing to the mild weather of the past three weeks, the egg market is weaken ing. Jobbers are paying 16 c . and selling at 17 to 18 c ., according to quality.
Poultry-There is very little doing in this line. Prices are: Turkeys, $121 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. geese, IIc.; ducks, Ioc., and chickens, 9c.
Cured Meats-Market firm, with no change in prices. Hams, smoked, 12c. bellies, ditto, 12c.; backs, ditto, IO $1 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. shoulders, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; spiced rolls, $81 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; Ameri can hams, smoked, $111 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Dry salt ineatsLong clear bacon, 8c.; short clear, American, $7 \frac{1 / 2}{}$ c.; square cut shoulders, 8 c .; bone less, 8 c .; backs, 9 c .
LaRD-Pure, 20-lb. pails, $\$ 1.60 ; 50-\mathrm{lb}$ ditto, $\$ 4$

Fish - Market quiet, with prices unchanged. Finnan haddies, $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$.; cod, in bundles, 6 c . ; $25-\mathrm{lb}$. B. \& S boxes, $61 / 2 \mathrm{c}$. Labrador herrings, half-barrels, $\$ 3.35$ oysters, extra selects, $\$ 2.10$ to $\$ 2.20$ per gallon; standards, $\$ 2$ to $\$ 2.10$.

Green Fruit - This market is practically at a standstill. No new lines are coming just now. and prices remain unchanged. Some very heavy stocks of Canadian apples are carried in this market ; in fact, stocks in all staple lines are pretty full, and this precludes much possibility of change for the next three or four weeks, when the changes occasioned by reduced freight rates will begin to be apparent. Mexican oranges, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.50$; California navels, $\$ 4.50$; bananas, $\$ 3$ to $\$ 3.50$ per bunch ; California lemons, $\$ 4.50$ to $\$ 5$ per box ; apples, Ontarios, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.75$ per bbl.; southern, $\$ 4$ to $\$ 4.25$; Cape Cod cranberries, $\$ 7.50$ to $\$ 8$; sweet potatoes, $\$ 5.25$ per bbl.

Canned Goods - Tomatoes have ad vanced to $\$ 2.50$ per case by some houses, but advance is not yet reported as general, though no doubt it will be, before this goes to press. Other lines of canned goods and fruits remain unchanged, but there is more indication of a move in the canned fruit line, though orders are principally sorting orders.

Evaporated Fruits-Remain without change, and this applies also to dried fruits, coffee, tea and tobacco.

## TO THE YUKON BY STEAM SLEIGH.

A party of nine from Chicago, Yukon bound, arrived on last train. The names of the members of the party are : J. A. Harling, W. N. Sherman, H. Freeman, H Groath, D. Burns, T. Hartigan, H. Miller F. Terrel and Dr. J. B. Howe. An inter esting feature of their outfit will be a steam sleigh which they intend to use to transport themselves and their supplies from here to the Yukon, going by way of the frozen
waterways wherever practicable. The machinery for the sleigh is now on the way having been shipped from Chicago on the 8th. The motive power of the sleigh will be furnished by an engine which revolves a heavy iron drum attached to the underpart of the first bob. The drum alone weighs 373 pounds and is provided with spikes to catch on the ice and snow. They state that on the level ground and a good road the machine will travel 15 miles an hour, so even if delayed on rough places on the river, they calculate to make up the lost time on reaching level ice such as Great Slave Lake and the Mackenzie River should offer. The contrivance is similar to those used in Michigan lumber camps, where they draw heavy loads, and are found very satisfactory. The projectors of the enterprise have rented Duplessis' blacksmith shop and are busy making special runners of heavy material on which the machinery is to be placed on its arrival. The members of the party are practical men and are hopeful for the success of their project.-Bulletin, Edmonton.

## CANNED GOODS MEN IN SESSION.

QUITE a number of canned goods packers were to be noticed around the Walker House, Toronto, on Wednesday and Thursday last. The occasion was the annual meeting of the Canadian Packers' Association. The attendance was fair, and the president, Mr. W. A. Ferguson, of Delhi, was in the chair.

Those present were: David McCaulay, of Miller \& Co., Trenton ; Wellington Boulter, of W. Boulter \& Sons, Picton; A. C. Miller, Picton ; James Anning, Belleville ; W. M. Miller and W. Matthews, Lakeport ; J. E. Flynn, St. Catharines ; W. A. Ferguson, Delhi; D. Marshall, Aylmer; W. P. Innes, Simcoe; W. C. Breckenridge (secretary), Hamilton.

President Ferguson, in his annual report, commented upon the favorable condition of the canned goods trade for the past season. Also as to the favorable condition of the association. He said the past year ended most favorably to those who carried stocks of canned goods, and that the prospects were favorable for all the goods now in holders' hands, as they certainly would be consumed before the new goods could come upon the market in competition with them. This, he said, wasin strong contrast to the position of canned goods in former years, when large stocks were usually carried over with the result of prices being depressed. Another favorable feature was that those wholesale dealers who had the nerve to place orders in the early part of the season, were now reaping handsome profits. Proceeding, he referred to the rumors of new canning factories being started up in various sections of the country,

and stated that if one-tenth of those which contemplated starting did so, there would be such an over-production that the result would be injurious to trade, and defeat what is now the prospect of a good season. He suggested that the Executive Committee take this matter in hand, and point out to those who contemplate starting these new canning factories the risk they ran. The practice of some canners of offering futures, before they had begun to pack, was referred to and condemned in the strongest terms.
The report was received.
The action of the wholesale grocers and others in the maritime provinces regarding the desirability of having the date on which canned goods were packed on the label of the tin, came up for consideration, and the Executive Committee was instructed to oppose all legislation in this direction. It was pointed out that a can full of water was heavier than a can full of fruit or vegetables, and that, therefore, the weight of the can was no indication as to whether there was a sufficient quantity of fruit or vegetables in the same.
Some of the members present claimed that they had not been fairly dealt with by some of the companies, which guarantee canners from loss through injury received by employes, and it was decided that the
association would hereafter support any of its members in an action against any of those companies which attempted to break faith.

The matter of curtailing the pack for the coming season was taken up and discussed. It was, however, decided to delay the matter until something more definite was known in regard to the starting up of new factories, for it was felt that if these proposed new factories came into existence, the members of the association should have a free hand and be allowed to pack up to the full capacity of their factories, as it would be a short-sighted policy on their part to curtail the pack, and thus leave a field open for the advantage of any new factories which may start up.
These officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. A. Ferguson, Delhi, president; vice-president, W. I. Matthews, Lakeport ; secretary -treasurer, W. C. Breckenridge, Hamilton. Executive Committee-W. B. Innes, Simcoe; H. J. Matthews; W. Coulter, Picton; A. C. Millar, Picton ; D. Marshall, Aylmer. Auditors-Wm. Millar, Port Hope; W. H. Matthews, Clinton.

## WHAT WILL YOUR BUSINESS <br> YIELD?

Just what you put into it and look for. If energy, hard work, push, intelligence, per-
severance and economy are put into the business you are sure to take out the inevitable reward of such action, viz.: Money, popular favor, and the satisfaction of having won success.

Generally we get out of life what we look for. If we seek the best things we find them, whether exiled on an island or located in a great city. If we crave the association of honorable men we will, if honorable ourselves, have that, just as certainly as the man of low tastes finds his companions in the dog pits, saloons and gambling hells.

Like begets like. The fundamental law of biology is that "like begets like," and that law is also the foundation of success in business.
" Who drives fat oxen should himself be fat," said famous Sam Johnson, and the same principle applies to everyday affairs. The grocer's patronage will be just what he . resolves it shall be. He will not sell fine goods unless he is a lover thereof. His credits will be what he makes them, and much akin to his own credit. His service to others will be of the sort he demands for himself. He will get out of his occupation just what he works and looks for. If your desire is for the best results, put the best there is in you inco your business.-American Grocer.

## POSSIBILITIES IN SPARE MOMENTS.

THE present time is the raw material out of which we make whatever we will. Do not brood over the past, or dream of the future, but seize the instant and get your lesson from the hour. The man is yet unborn who rightly measures and fully realizes the value of an hour. As Fenelon says, God never tries but one moment at a time, and does not give a second until he withdraws the first.

Lord Brougham could not bear to lose a moment, yet he was so systematic that he always seemed to have more leisure than many who did not accomplish a tithe of what he did. He achieved distinction in politics, law, science and literature.
Doctor Johnson wrote " Rasselas " in the evenings of a single week, to meet the expenses of his mother's funeral.
The wise Cato said that he regretted only three things in life-telling his wife a secret, going once by sea when he could have gone by land, and passing one day without doing anything.
Lincoln studied law during his spare hours while surveying, and learned the common branches unaided while tending store. Mrs. Somerville learned botany and astronomy and wrote books while her neighbors were gossiping and idling. At eighty she published " Molecular and Microscopical Science. '
The worst of a lost hour is not so much in the wasted time as in the wasted power. Idleness rusts the nerves and makes the muscles creak. Work has system, laziness has none. President Quincy never went to bed until he had laid his plans for the next day.
Dalton's industry was the passion of his life. He made and recorded over 200,000 meteorological observations. He seldom lost a moment.

In factories for making cloth a single broken thread ruins a whole web; it is traced back to the girl who made the blunder, and the loss is deducted from her wages. But who shall pay for the broken threads in life's great web? We cannot throw back and forth an empty shuttle : threads of some kind follow every movement as we weave the web of our fate. It may be a shoddy thread or wasted hours or lost opportunities that will mar the fabric and mortify the workman forever ; or it may be a golden thread which will add to its beauty and lustre. We cannot stop the shuttle or pull out the unfortunate thread which stretches across the fabric, a perpetual witness of our folly.

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## SETTLES DOWN IN VANCOUVER.

Mr. J. D. Roberts, than whom there is probably no better known knight of the gripsack on the road, is now in the city, and his friends will be glad to learn that he will make Vancouver his permanent home, and will bring his family here shortly. Mr. Roberts has been appointed agent for British Columbia for "Blue Ribbon" tea, of which popular brand Messrs. G. F. \& J. G. Galt, the well-known wholesale grocers, of Winnipeg, are the proprietors. In order to introduce this tea into Vancouver, Mr. Roberts has hit upon a novel scheme. He has rented a store in the Arcade, which he is fitting up in an elegant manner, and in a few days cups of this delicious beverage will be served free to callers. "Blue Ribbon" is a good name for the beverage that cheers and does not inebriate, and those who have used it say that its quality is of the very best. -News-Advertiser, Vancouver.

## KLONDYKE NOTES.

The Peninsular Mining and Development Co., which has been organized at Windsor, proposes to send eighteen men into the Yukon country, the start to be made on February 15, under Major Johnson, of Leamington.
The Woodstock Sentinel-Review says that a party of Woodstock men is organizing to go to the Klondyke. If arrangements can be satisfactorily made they will not wait for spring.
The Pilot Mound Sentinel says: "No one fully realizes the immensity of Canada's resources till he studies the many and diverse Canadian towns which are beyond all doubt the best starting point of a road to the Klondyke gold fields.


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## TRADE WITH ENGLAND.

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URING the deliverance of an exhaustive address at the annual meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade, on Tuesday, the retiring president, Mr. Edward Gurney, had this to say in regard to Canada's trade with the Mother Country :

It is gratifying to note that by the concurrence of a good crop and advanced prices the assets of all classes of traders, either in money or merchandise, have been sensibly increased in value, which, as it affects the whole country and every interest, is in its effect similar to the addition of that amount of capital to the resources of the country, well spread throughout its length and breadth. In the general business arousement we have come to recognize that all we need is to bridge the Atlantic ; and we have done it. Look at the tonnage of the last year, and compare it with that of the preceding years, and if you want to enjoy a spell of intoxication, such as a bird feels when introduced into a jar of oxygen, just have an hour with, say Mr. F. B. Girdlestone, and hear him talk of the future of Canada as a shipper to the English markets; and we are not confined to this outlook to the east-we may look for trade to the west, to the south, and to the Oriental nations. We are, in a word, able to see that England is not any further from us than we are from her; that if we are true to ourselves in supplying to her the article which we sell, that if we go to her with a good equivalent, and not as a poor, begging, country cousin, we may expect a preference, such a preference as she may give without loss to herself. Unlike our friends to the south, she will glory in our achievements, in our enterprise, and in our triumphs, if we grow big enough to overrun her markets and practically monopolize them with the product of our farms, etc., we shall stir no jealous instinct there, and provoke no legislation to exclude us from her markets when once acquired, as has been the case when we have established trade in the United States.

It is important that the present sentiment in favor of Canada exhibited by the British people should be promptly followed up. Boards of Trade should be alive to the necessity of providing, so that as far as practicable Canadian products reaching those markets shall be uniformly excellent. There, as here, a single shipment of inferior goods does infinite harm io the maker ; but in the present situation of affairs, just at the initial point of a large trade development, a shipper of goods, inferior to promise or sample, hurts the whole country. In butter and cheese we have achieved an enviable notoriety. Our name in this connection is a synonym of excellence, in cheese especially; but there is no guarantee to the good manufacturer of these products that his relation to the trade will not be hazarded by the marketing of considerable quantities of inferior goods. I have been informed that certan European countries, our large competitors for that trade, provide inspection of these and similar goods with Government classification.
I am informed that there is a large market for Canadian goods, in canned goods, sauces, etc., of the very best class, and incidental information is coming to us
frequently, of which this is a type, which leads me to believe that Canada needs to have as soon as may be a commercial agency in Great Britain - perhaps more than one commercial office, but certainly one, and preferably in London. It should be non-political in the last degree-this one office should be reserved. I have no disposition to depreciate the present Canadian office in London. It has its functions, social and diplomatic, but it has nothing, and can have nothing in common with this mission, the establishment of which I advocate ; and the attempt to make the one an attachment or subordinate to the other would, I feel sure, make the one ridiculous and the other a failure.

I would earnestly recommend to the incoming Council, and to Boards of Trade generally, that a united effort should be made to bring about a change in the method of collating the Dominion statistical returns.

## ESTIMATED YIELDS OF CEREALS.

In the new Journal of the Board of Agriculture there is interesting information upon the estimated local yields of the cereal crops at last harvest. For England, as a whole, it will be remembered that the estimates pointed to yields per acre of $28.9^{8}$ bushels of wheat, 32.48 bushels of barley, and 40.26 bushels of oats. The highest average yield of wheat is estimated at 3 I .37 bushels per acre over the area comprising the counties of Norfolk, Lincoln, and the East Riding of York, and as these collectively grew 366,713 acres of wheat, or fully one-fifth of the entire English area of the bread cereal, their relatively high estimated yield necessarily has considerable effect in raising the average for the whole country. The next highest loca! estimate is 30.62 bushels for the area embracing the six north-western counties of Cumberland, Westmorland, Lancashire, Cheshire, Derby, and Stafford, none of which are important as wheat growers. In the group of eastern counties lying south of Norfolk and north of the Thames, which includes nearly one-fourth of the wheat acreage, the estimated yield per acre is 28.23 bushels, or 0.65 bushels below the general average. The lowest local yield is estimated at 26.26 bushels for the southwestern group of counties, embracing Somerset, Dorset. Devon, and Cornwall.Commerce, London.

## TORONTO BOARD OF TRADE.

These are the officers elected at the annual meeting of the Toronto Board of Trade, held on Tuesday last

President-Elias Rogers (acclamation).
First Vite-President A. E. Kemp (acclamation).
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Ellis, R. J. Score, C. Goode, P. R. Millen.
H. N. Baird, Stapleton Caldecott. D. R. Wilkie, W Gooderham, Peleg Howland, M. Mc D. Rughlin Jie, W. G.


## DON'T FEAR COMPETITION IN MOLASSES.

Traders who expected large arrivals of Barbadoes molasses from the Maritime Provinces, in Montreal, as a result of light stocks throughout the Province of Quebec, have been disappointed. So far only a carload or so has arrived, and buyers who wanted large quantities have either done without or filled their wants on the Montreal market, and paid the price that sellers asked.
It is asserted by one who has looked into the question of stock, that a buyer would have some difficulty in picking up 250 barrels of Barbadoes th the territory east of Montreal.
In any event, the holders in the metropolis announce their determination to protect their market, and are prepared, in case of necessity, to meet any prices offered from down below. But, from the look of things at present, they do not expect any serious competition from that quarter, and expect tó realize good margins on the Barbadoes they have in hand.
There are, of course, supplies of Porto Rico, but, as has been pointed out before, grocers in Quebec accept these goods with reluctance. They have been educated to a taste for Barbadoes, and are naturally conservative, and, unless prices are abnormally disproportionate, will have nothing else.
Another point worthy of note is that the experience with the receipts of Barbadoes already received from St. John has not been satisfactory. In the case of one small lot, one-fourth of the quantity was out of condition.

## PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. C. P. Law, manager of the Eastern Japan Trading Co., Yokohama, was in Toronto this week. Mr. Wm. Dane is the company's agent in Toronto.
Cecil T. Gordon has been appointed sole agent for Montreal and Ottawa, for Tarrant, Henderson \& Co., teas, Colombo, Ceylon, for direct shipment.
James Dawes, grocer, io8 Hamilton road, London, died on Saturday evening. Deceased was 56 years of age.

## EARLY CLOSING FRUIT MEN.

A number of the wholesale fruit dealers of Toronto have decided to close their places of business at one o'clock on Saturdays during January, February and March. The following firms have so far agreed to do so: Clemes Bros., the Dawson Commission Co., Limited, S. K. Moyer, Husband Bros. \& Co., C. Kimpton, W. H. Smith, White \& Co., H. J. Ash, T. Vance and J. Coutts.

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## PETERBORO' GROCERS ORGANIZE.

ARETAIL grocers' association has been formed in Peterboro', Ont., and a meeting of the association was held on Thursday, 20th inst, some 20 persons being present.

The association, according to The Peter'boro' Review, is not formed to fix a scale of prices, but chiefly to promote good fellowship and a better understanding among the members of the trade. The customers are expected to receive as much benefit from the association as the merchants.
Mr. H. J. Miller, manager for Mr. Geo. Carton, was in the chair, and Mr. Chas. Rishor acted as secretary.

Mr. Miller in opening the meeting stated that he was sorry that there was not a larger attendance as there were important matters to be submitted to the secretary. He hoped that now the association was organized they would all take part and make the meetings -interesting.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by the secretary and approved.

The secretary then read communications from the Retail Grocers' Association in Hamilton and other places, giving copies of their by-laws, and explaining their methods
of benefiting their members, especially in the collection of bad debts.

The aims and objects of the organization were read by the secretary. These are in brief:
To foster a more social feeling among the members of the trade.
To patronize such wholesale houses as do an exclusive wholesale business.

Keeping a list of such persons as are unworthy of credit, for the information of members.
An intelligence bureau where members may be aided in securing reliable help.
Watching all legislation affecting the trade.
To secure, through the municipal legislature, better laws in licensing pedlars, and other matter affecting the trade.
Protection against the adulteration of goods, fictitious labels and false weight and measure.

Shortening the hours of labor.
To recommend the adjustment of all trade disputes by arbitration whenever practicable.

Mr. Allison thought that the regulation of debit and credit would be of great advantage to everybody. The chief object was not to fix prices on goods, but he felt that
something ought to be done to regulate the credit system. He thought that all the grocers should join the association, as it would be the most beneficial of any association to them.
A short discussion took place as to bylaws, committees, days of meeting, etc. It was moved and seconded that Messrs. Henry, Moore and Allison be a committee to draft by-laws for the association, and this carried.

## CHARLOTTETOWN BOARD OF TRADE.

The following are the new officers of the Gharlottetown, P.E.I., Board of Trade President-Horace Haszard (re-elected). Vice - President - W. H. Aitken (reelected).
Secretary-Treasurer - E. T. Higgs (reelected).

Council-D. Farquharson, T. Handrahan, L. L. Beer, George Auld, S.W. Crabbe, Nelson Rattenbury, James Patton and John Newson.
Arbitrators-T. A. McLean, Jamas Paton, John Newson, W. D. McKay, George Auld, F. Perkins, Mark Wright, J. T. Crockett, W. W. Clark, F. H. Beer, H. W. Longworth, R. MacMillan.
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## BUSINESS CHANGES

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PIERRE CLOUTIER, general merchant, Notre Dame du Lac, Que., has compromised at 50 oc . on the dollar.
Chas. R. Brown, grocer, Sydney, N.S. has assigned.
M. L. Landry \& Co., grocers, Montreal, have assigned.
Organ \& Carpenter, grocers, Montreal, have assigned.
G. Gagnon \& Frere, tobacconists, Quebec, have assigned.
Andrew H. Woodworth, grocer, New Germany, N.S., has assigned.
A. J. Boyd, seneral merchant, etc., River Bourgeois, N.S., has assigned.
Wright \& Co., grocers, Minnedosa, Man., are offering 40 C . on the dollar.
Joseph Desautels, grocer, Montreal, has assigned to Bilodeau \& Renaud.
E. D. McQuarrie, general merchant, Black River, N.S., has assigned.
Joseph Desaultels, grocer, Montreal, has assigned to Bilodeau \& Renaud.

The effects of W. N. May, grocer, Port Stanley, Ont., have been seized.
Michel Valentini. fruit dealer, Montreal, has filed a consent of assignment.
Joseph Boyer, general merchant, Montreal, has assigned to A. Desmarteau.
Charles Bazinet. produce dealer, etc, Montreal, has assigned to A. Desmarteau.
John Arthurs, general merchant, Magnetawan, Ont., is offering 50 . on the dollar.
J. B. Richer, dealer in butter and eggs, St. Henri de Montreal, is offering 25 c . on the dollar.
Wm. Sifton, general merchant, Narrow of Lake Manitoba, Man., has assigned to J. E. Hedderley.

Kent \& Turcotte have been appointed curators of Pare \& Frere, general merchants, Granby, Que.

Alexander Cameron, general merchant, Winchester, Ont., has assigned to S. S. Reveler, Winchester, and a meeting of the creditors will be held on Feb. 4. PARTNERSHIPS FORMED AND DISSOLVED. C. Lamoureux \& Co., grocers, Montreal, have dissolved.
Brown \& Noel, cheese manufacturers, Robinson, Que., have dissolved.
P. I. Crevier \& Co., grocers, etc., St. Vincent de Paul, Que., have dissolved.
C. A. Chouillon \& Cie., importers and commission merchants, Montreal, have dissolved.
Dickson \& Murray, grocers, Brandon, Man., have dissolved, John Murray continuing.

George and Alphonse Pouliot have registered as proprietors of the grocery firm G. Pouliot \& Co., Quebec.

Walsh \& Gurd, grain and commission merchants, Tilbury, Ont., have dissolved, Geo. E. Gurd continuing.
Aubin, Croteau \& Co., have registered partnership as cheese manufacturers in St. Foye, Que.
Theodore and Amedee Charbonneau have registered as proprietors of the firm T. Charbonneau \& Co., fish dealers, Montreal.

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## Sales made and pending.

The assets of A . Bergeron, grocer Quebec, have been sold.
George E. Munro, grocer, Victoria, is offering to sell out.
J. J. Virtue, grocer, Toronto, has sold out his stock by auction.
The stock of P. Routhier, grocer, Mont real, has been sold.
The stock of T. J. Carsson, grocer, Rossland, B C., has been sold.

Patrick Sheedy, grocer, etc., Toronto, has sold out to Timothy Morton.

The assets of D. J. Evans, Richmond, Que., are to be sold on the 3 rst inst.

Thos. Cleghorn, grocer, Guelph, has been succeeded by W. C. Pennington.
F. Person, general merchant, Stevensville, Ont., has been succeeded by Robinson \& Co.

The stock of the estate of Mary Alley, grocer, etc., Campbellford, Ont., is to be sold.

The business of the Mills Co., general merchants, Arden, Ont., is advertised for sale.

The assets of E. A. Gauthier \& Co., gen eral merchants, Papineauville, Que., are to be sold.

The assets of H. B. Laflaeur \& Co., general merchants, Steadele, Que., are to be sold.
J. Godbout, general merchant, St. Raphael, Que., has sold out his stock to J. Lavalee, general merchant, St. Charles (Bellechasse), at 56 c . on the dollar.

The stock, etc., of the estate of Mayhew \& Farquharson, Admaston, Ont., is to be sold by auction on Feb. I.
E. Guilbault, hardware dealer, grocer, etc., St. Boniface, Man., has sold his grocery department to L. J. Collin.

Changes.
G. W. Adams, grocer, etc., St. Lambert, has given up business.
H. Leckie is opening up a general store in Fox Warren, Man.
N. R. Morrison has commenced business as produce dealer in Toronto.
The Pipestone, Man., Elevator and Milling Co., has been incorporated.
L. A. Donkin is opening up business as general merchant, Belmont, N.S.
J. Alcide Rivet has registered as proprietor of the business, the Montreal Produce tor of the business, the
Exchange, Montreal.
Exchange, Montreal.
Henrietta Sauvageau has registered as proprietress of the firm C. Sassard \& Co., general merchants, Pont Rouge, Que.
Annie Moley, widow of Richard McShane, has registered as proprietress of the firm, R. McShane, ship chandler, grocer, firm, R. Montreal.

## fires.

N. Chouinards, grocer, Quebec, has been burned out.

DEATHS.
W. Templeton, grocer, Vancouver, is dead.
E. J. Madden, manufacturer of cheese, Newburgh, Ont., is dead.

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## OTTAWA RETAIL MERCHANTS.

THE Retail Merchants' Association of Ottawa met on Thursday evening, 2oth inst., and, although only a few of the members turned up, a number of important civic questions were discussed. Mr. H. H. Lang, vice-president, occupied the chair, and those present were : W. H. Mills, J. A. Ashfield, S. McCleneghan, T. Burns, T. Addison, C. Prevast and J. Watters.

The appointment of Mr. W. H. Mills as secretary was ratified.
The question of the city's appointment of a solicitor was again introduced by Mr. Lang, who said he had spoken to a number of legal men on the matter, and from what could be learned he did not think the business of the city large enough to keep a man constantly employed. It would be found better to have the solicitor spend at least - three hours per day at the city hall.

Several other members spoke on the question, and all appeared to be of the same opinion.
Mr. Stewart McClenaghan brought up the Waterworks Committee's proposition to - add an additional 5 per cent!. to the discount for prompt payment," and thought the association should take some action on it.

Several of the members expressed their
views against the proposition. C. Prevost favored the increase to 25 per cent., but did not see why others should get the benefit.

Mr. McClenaghan did not see why anyone should be allowed a discount for paying what he was obliged to pay, and argued that the present system was a benefit only to the wealthy, and in the end worked against the poorer and smaller taxpayers.

Others thought that the system of charg. ing should be reorganized and that the water rates should be paid according to the assessment, not according to the amount used or the number of people occupying the house. No action was taken.

Mr. McClenaghan thought that something should be done to make the meetings of the association more interesting and suggested a series of lectures. He also thought a supper would be an excellentitem in increasing the interest in the work.

The question of overhanging signs was brought up and discussed at some length. The opinion of those present appeared to be divided on the matter and no vote was taken.

## ADVANCE IN CALIFORNIA PRUNES

Telegrams received last week from their principals in California instructed a commission house here, which is credited with being one of the chief holders of prunes
in this market, to advance prices as no more goods were to be had on the Coast at less than 3c. f.o.b. for Santa Clara fruit, and the stock of northern and southern prunes was closely controlled by speculators. -N.Y. Journal of Commerce.

## TOMATOES IN THE STATES.

The Trade, a Baltimore paper devoted to the canned goods interest, says: "In all of our experience with the canned goods business we have never known the market to be in a similar position to what it is to-day. It is a position also that not only affects present dealings and prices but bears materially upon what will be doneduring the year that is ahead of us. Whether purposely or accidentally, tomatoes have been used during the past two months to create an ever accelerating condition of excitement among sellers and buyers of canned goods, until, at present, the situation can only be described as a maelstrom in which all things are moving around a common centre by a species of natural drift from the force of a current operating outside the whirlpool. The favorable feature of the condition is that this whirlpool does not create a down tending vortex. It should, therefore, properly be more carefully described as a waterspout. Whether like a waterspout it may burst at at any day we cannot tell, but from the very nature of it this would seem impossible,'


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