MONETARY & COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY EVENING.

On the London Stock Exchange to-day, Consols remained unaltered. Railway shares were firm at the commencement, and left off better, there being an advance of 1 in Metropolitans, ½ in North Staffordshires, ¼ in Caledonians, and ¼ in Great Eastern. On the other hand, North-Eastern were a shade lower. Foreign stocks closed good, though not at their best, Spanish New suffering an exceptional decline of ¼. Banks were dull, but Ottomans had a steady appearance. In the department of Mines, Don Pedros were quoted at 3¼ 3½ and United Mexicans at 3¾ 4½ premium. As for Miscellaneous stocks, there was a dedline of ¼ in Maintenance and ¼ in Five-Twenties.

After official hours, Consols were unchanged, and quoted at 92¾ 93¾.

The *Times* says, the money due from the Canadian Government for the Hudson's Bay purchase has been deposited, but not paid. Payment to the Company is delayed in consequence of the Red River disturbances. The project of the Ministers of the Argentine Republic for the emission of six million dollars in consolidated public stock, to cover the expenses of the Paraguayan war, caused Argentine securities to fall from 70 to 55. The scheme has been consequently given up. With regard to the Paraguayan war, the Allies are stated to have decided to give up the chase of Lopez, as he can no longer cause them any uneasiness. The chief objects of the war, such as the free navigation of the rivers, have been fully gained and secured.

The *Daily News* says the Peru, from Alexandria, has arrived with £540,000 in Australian gold, of which a considerable portion is expected to be taken to the Bank during the next few days, owing to an improvement in the Paris Exchange.

The stoppage is announced of a respectable native firm at Alexandria, owing, it is said, to losses in the cotton and corn trades. The liabilities are reported at £50,000.

NEW YORK, Monday.—Gold closed at 123. The highest quotation during the day was 123¾; the lowest, 122¾. Sterling exchange on London, 108¾; 5-20 United States bonds (1862), 115¾; do. (1865), 113¾; do., (1867), 115¾; 10-40, 108¾; Illinois, 134; Eries, 27¾. Cotton—middling upland, 29¾. Petroleum—standard white, 32¾. Flour—extra state, 5.25 to 5.85. Corn—old mixed, 1.11.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN FUNDS

(From the Official List.)

Consols Money	93⅛ 92½	N. Eastern—Leeds	78 79
Consols Account	92½ 92½	Do. Consols	115½ 114½
Exchequer Bills	64 60	North Staffordshire	64 60
New 3 per Cents.	92 92½	South Eastern	76½ 77
Consols for Account	92 92½	Mexican	3¾ 4½
Reduced	91 91½	Do. Passive, new	2½ 2½
Ditto, New	86½ 87½	Do. Consols	16½ 16½
Ditto, Long	87½ 88½	Do. Deferred	15½ 16
Ditto, Annuities	86½ 86½	Dutch Dollars	
Ditto, Indian	93 93	Luxembourgs	12½ 12½
Ditto, Bills	1½ 1½	Erie	26½ 26½
Ditto, Exchequer	1½ 1½	Illinois	134 130
Ditto, Bonds	1½ 1½	Greek	
Ditto, Consols	92½ 92½	Turkish Consolidated	44 44½
Ditto, Long Annuity	8 8	U.S. 5-20 Bonds	
Ditto, Long Annuities	19 19½	Do. Anglo-American	19½ 19½
Ditto, Bills	1½ 1½	Do. Telegraph	26½ 27
Ditto, Exchequer	1½ 1½	Do. Maintenance	24½ 25
Ditto, Bonds	1½ 1½	French Consols	
Ditto, Consols	92½ 92½	Do. Foncier	92 92
Ditto, Long Annuity	8 8	Do. Mobilier	54½ 54½
Ditto, Long Annuities	19½ 19½		

LIVERPOOL.

Great Eastern	37½	Metropolitan	74
Lancash. and Yorkshire	126½	North Stafford	65
Brighton	46	North Eastern	79½
North Western	121½	S. W. Canada	19 5-16
Sheffield	64½		

MANCHESTER.

Caledonian	72½	Brighton	46½
Erie	26½	North Western	121½
Great Eastern	37½	Metropolitan	74½
G. W. Canada	19½	Midland	119½
Illinois	130	U. S. 5-20's	74
Lancash. & Yorkshire	126½		

GLASGOW.

Caledonian	72½	U. S. 5-20's	74½
Do. for Acc., Sept. 28	72½	Great Eastern	37½
E.Ill. & G. Junct. pref.	64½	Brighton	46½
Do. Ordinary	64	Metropolitan	74½
G. W. Canada	19 7-16	Mid and Ill.	119½
Union Bank of Scotland	277		

DUNDEE TRADE REPORT.

TUESDAY.

The general tone of the market continues very quiet, and some departments are still much depressed, and without any immediate prospect of improvement.

FLAX, TOW, AND CODILLA.—The prospect of cheap goods from Riga next spring has a depressing effect on the market for goods on the spot, and consumers will only buy to supply their immediate wants, as they are afraid to hold stocks of high-priced goods in the present untoward state of the trade, and in the face of a falling market. The transactions reported are therefore neither numerous nor of large extent. Nothing yet doing in Archangel nor St Petersburg. Flax arriving freely at Riga, and a moderate business doing. To-day about 164 tons Flax, Tow, &c, were put up to auction here, and about a third of the quantity sold. Details as follows:—

	Tons Offered.	Tons Sold. Price per Ton.
FLAX—		
St Petersburg Saletsky 9 head,	11	none
Do. Gorelitz	9½	none
Do. Pskoff	20	none
Riga DW,	12½	none
Do. D,	9½	none
Do. PD,	8	none
Do. L,	5½	none
Do. PLD,	9½	none
Do. SD,	6½	none
Do. P-D,	5½	none
Do. W,	5½	none
Do. PW,	17	17½ £38 10
Do. HPW,	10½	4 38 0
Kathoman o. l.	9½	29 10 £39 5
Reval OD,	11½	11½ 35 0
Do. D,	11½	11 41 10
Pernau OD,	16	16 40 0
Do. D,	4½	4½ 44 0
TOW—		
Hooked Archangel,	5	5 24 10
Do. do. ruffing,	1½	none
CODILLA—		
Archangel,	10	none
	191	66

Terms—Net cash, and no tare allowed.

JUTE.—The quantity offered at public sale in London to-morrow is 5100 bales, and 900 in Liverpool on Thursday. The demand and price remain without much change there. Here the inquiry is limited, and prices are not by any means strong.

YARNS.—Flax Line continues very depressed, and sales are effected with considerable difficulty, and only by giving way somewhat in prices. Tows do not improve in demand, and prices are barely supported. Jute Yarns remain in steady request at former rates.

LINENS.—There is no life in the market, the orders coming in being barely sufficient to take off the production, and as a rule prices are unremunerative.

JUTE FABRICS.—There is still a fair amount of business doing in various classes of goods, and prices have undergone little or no change for the last few weeks. The production is quite equal to the consumption, which keeps prices low, and the complaint is general that no fair return for capital and labour can be got out of the trade.

Messrs Geo. Armitstead & Co. in their weekly market report, dated Dundee, Dec. 7, 1869, say:—

There is little change to notice in the state of our trade, and business still continues rather in languid state, although there has lately been rather more doing in some departments.

The demand for the spot continues to be confined to the supply of the immediate wants of those consumers who have shipments of the fresh goods at their way; and, as arrivals are now fairly looked for, the business doing is altogether of a retail nature, at about previous prices. Two vessels from Riga and one from Pernau have arrived during the week; their cargoes consist chiefly of old flax.

The advices from abroad indicate rather easier prices. At Archangel, contract business has not yet commenced, the prices required being still considerably beyond the ideas of parties on this side. Meantime, buyers are in no hurry to operate, fully expecting that prices will recede in proportion to other kinds. At St Petersburg the weather has become mild again. There is nothing doing in flax goods; in the Stanislu districts prices are still supported, but orders are being solicited at moderate prices. Advices from Continental dealers are still keeping back, and for immediate delivery full prices are paid; for winter delivery there are sellers at SRo. 42 for D. A Persian some business for spring has lately been doing at about former prices. Generally buyers nor sellers are as yet keen for business—both preferring to wait until supplies come forward more liberally. At Riga supplies of flax still continue abundant, but spot goods are scarce at SRo. 43 for K. 35 HD. A contract for winter delivery there are buyers at SRo. 40 for K. 35 HD. 38 W, and 33 D. In hemp nothing doing. By telegraph from Riga to-day flax in demand, at SRo. 42 K., other marks in proportion, for immediate shipment—40 on contract. Weather mild. Exchange 2¾.

CORN MARKETS.

BRECHIN, TUESDAY.—Market quiet; best barley 6d to 1s per qr dearer than this day week; oats dull unless for fine lots.

Wheat, 60lb.,	- -	28s 0d	41s 6d
Barley, 54 ,,	- -	25s 0d	28s 0d
Do., Chevalier,	- -	27s 0d	31s 0d
Oats, 40 ,,	- -	18s 0d	21s 6d
Beans and peas,	- -	28s 0d	—s 0d
Flour, per sack of 280lbs.,	-	23s 0d	—s 0d
Oatmeal, 140 ,,	- -	15s 0d	16s 0d

CUPAR, TUESDAY.—Supply of barley good, and of oats and wheat small.

Wheat, 62 lbs.,	- -	40s 0d	42s 0d
,, 63 ,,	- -	42s 0d	44s 0d
Barley, 54 ,,	- -	26s 0d	28s 0d
,, 55 ,,	- -	28s 0d	32s 0d
,, 56 ,,	- -	30s 0d	34s 0d
Oats, 40 ,,	- -	20s 0d	21s 0d
,, 41 ,,	- -	21s 0d	22s 0d
Beans and Pease, 63 lbs.,	-	36s 0d	37s 0d

NEWCASTLE, TUESDAY.—Wheat trade quiet with only a limited sale at the rates of Saturday; barley unaltered; increased arrivals of oats, and sellers have some difficulty in maintaining the quotations of Saturday; beans and peas in request, and flour in fair request at the prices of Saturday.

HULL, TUESDAY.—We have a small supply of English wheat, for which farmers ask an advance of 1s to 2s per qr, millers being only offering Saturday's rates; for foreign wheat, rates, but in some instances sieady millers gave an advance; beans and oats unaltered, and peas 1s lower.

LIVERPOOL, TUESDAY.—Our wheat acquaintance, and buyers acting reservedly caused prices of wheat to fall 1d to 2d; fine alone maintained Saturday's quotations; barley, 1d lower, 29 6d; other articles quiet and unchanged.

LEEDS, TUESDAY.—There has an improved demand for wheat to-day, at an advance of 1s per qr over last Tuesday's rates; barley as dear, common oats difficult to sell; other articles as last week.

DUBLIN, TUESDAY.—Attendance poor—Irish Wheat in fair request, and prices firmly held for; English wheat in very fully as dear, and grinding difficult to sell at irregular prices; corn and flour without change; Indian meal still keeps a good consumptive demand at the prices of last day.

CORK, TUESDAY.—White wheat, 8s 6d to 13s 1d; red wheat, 7s 6d to 9s 4d; barley, 8s 6d to 9s 3d; black oats, 6s 8d to 7s 6d; white oats, 6s 9d to 6s 7d; red oats, 5s 6d to 6s 6d.

LONDON, MONDAY, Dec. 13.—The supply of English wheat to-day coastwise is moderate, but we have a large arrival from abroad. The trade has lost the little activity it showed last week, and sales this morning were slow, at the currency of last Monday. Flour sells more freely, and at a fully firm price. In barley we have not had enough. Peas are 1s to 2s per qr lower. The very large arrival of oats has again depressed the trade for this article, and we have to quote prices about 1s lower than at the low rates of this day week. Adverse wind has prevented arrivals of carcass meat, which sells dull at fully last week's prices.

CURRENT PRICES OF BRITISH GRAIN AND FLOUR

	Shillings per Quarter		Shillings per Quarter
WHEAT, Essex & Kent,		OATS, Scotch,	23 26
white, old,	45 51	Scotch feed,	- -
Ditto, new,	40 47	Potato,	- -
Ditto, red, old,	43 48	Irish feed,	18 18
Ditto, new,	38 44	Ditto, fine,	19 20
Norfolk, blue, old,	- -	Ditto, Waterford,	19 20
Yorkshire, old,	43 48	Ditto, potato	19 21
Ditto, new,	38 44	BEANS, Mazagan	35 38
BARLEY,	28 30	Ticks,	36 40
Chevalier,	35 43	Harrow,	40 43
Grinding,	25 28	Pigeon,	40 43
Distilling,	32 33	PEASE, wht. bilrs.	36 40
MALT, Essex, Norfolk		Maple,	37 42
and Suffolk,	62 71	Grey, new,	34 35
DITTO, extra,	- -	FLOUR, (per sack of 280)	
Kingston, Ware and		Dble. Ship,	50 55
town made,	62 71	Ditto,	37 41
Ditto, extra,	- -	French, on shore,	37 40
Brown,	48 55	Household,	35 35
RYE,	31 32	Norfolk and Suffolk,	
OATS, English feed,	22 26	Stone,	32 35

FOREIGN GRAIN.

Wheat, Dantzic, mixed,	50s 52s	Rye, extra,	50s 52s
Konigsberg,	47s 48s	extra,	46s 48s
Rostock,	43s 46s	fine,	47s 48s
Silesian, red,	48s 52s	Danish,	43s 44s
Barley, grinding,	24s 25s	distilling,	30s 32s
Oats, Dutch,	22s 24s	Russian,	16s 16s
Beans, Freisland and Holstein,		Spanish,	38s 40s
Peas, feeding,	40s 40s	fine boilers	38s
Indian corn, white,	28s 30s	yellow,	28s
Flour, per sack, French	53s 55s	Spanish,	—s
American,	32s 34s	Canadian and U'hl	23s 24

CORN AVERAGES—Week ending December 4:—

Wheat	48 186 quarters, at	43s	3d
Barley	35,125 ,, ,,	27s	8d
Oats	32,064 ,, ,,	22s	0d

CATTLE MARKETS.

DUNDEE, TUESDAY.—There was a large supply of stock at market this day, which changed hands at 10 to 10½ d per stone; sheep brought from 6½ to 8½d per lb, and pigs 6½ to 7s 6d per stone; lambs, —s to —s each; milch cows, £16 to £18.

NEWCASTLE, TUESDAY.—Supply of stock small. Trade good. Best beef, 9½d per lb; ordinary do. 9d; best mutton, 9d to 9½d per lb; lamb, —d to —d per lb. Beasts, 1432; sheep and lambs, 7000; pigs, 400. Prime cattle, —. The Christmas market will be held on 21st December.

LONDON, MONDAY, Dec. 6.—The cattle trade was rather quiet to-day, and the supply of both English and foreign stock had a drooping tendency. Supplies were rather larger, and, as compared with those of the year, there was a marked improvement in the quality of a small section of the beasts and sheep exhibited; nevertheless, the general condition of the stock was far from equal to the average of years. This is the m ro to be surprised at as the season is generally acknowledged to have been a favourable one. Prime feeding stuffs have been both abundant and cheap. The Scotch contingent was somewhat less than last week, but every country was well represented at this morning's market, about 240 very excellent animals having been exhibited, which were readily purchased at fully

	Per 8 lbs. to sink the offal.		
	s. d.	s. d.	
Inferior beasts,	3 2 to 3 8	Southdown ds.,	5 0 5 10
Second ds.,	3 4 3 8	Inferior do.,	4 0 4 8
Prime oxen,	4 8 5 4	Small do.,	5 4 6 2
Do. Scotch,	5 6 5 8	Large pigs,	4 4 4 8
Inferior sheep,	4 8 5 0	Small do.,	5 6 6 0
Second do.,	5 4 5 6	Sucklingcalves,	0 0 0 0
Coarsecrossedds.,	5 8 6 0	Store pigs,	0 0 0 0

METROPOLITAN MEAT MARKET, MONDAY, Dec. 6. Full average supplies of stock from Scotland, but only moderate at about late rates. The imports into London last week consisted of 378 packages and 29 bags from Hamburg; 37 carcases, 20 packages, 27 parcels from Hartlepool; and 300 packages from Rotterdam.

Per 8 lbs. by the carcass.

	s. d.	s. d.		s. d.	s. d.
Inferior Beef,	3 4	4 0	Inferior Mutton,	4 8	5 0
Middling do.,	3 8	5 10	Middling do.,	5 2	5 4
Prime large do.,	4 4	4 6	Prime do.,	5 4	5 6
Prime small do.,	4 10	5 0	Veal,	4 8	5 4
Large Pork,	4 4	5 0	Small Pork,	5 0	5 4

PRODUCE MARKETS.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR MARKET—TUESDAY.—Official Circular—Trade dull, and prices in some cases rather lower.

LONDON, TUESDAY.—Sugar—Market steady and business fair at the full rates of Friday; refined not much wanted, still rather lower; Dutch Crystals, Havana, Manila and plantation Ceylon brought a small advance. Tea not much in request, but supply previous worth. Rice—Business small, and current rates for superior sort. Tallow—Sev PYC 47s 3d on spot.

ON THE CLYDE, TUESDAY.—Tallow, 47s 0d to 47s 3d on the spot; linseed oil, 28s 9d London, and 28s 6d Hull on spot; Metals inactive; Glasgow pig iron, 47s 1d to 47s 2d, and Bars at £14 0s cash; Chili bar copper sold at £96 10s for common bars.

COAL MARKET, TUESDAY.—Firsts, 12s; seconds, 10s; thirds, 09s; fourths, 10s6; fifths, 08s; sixths, 02s. Hill coal—Firsts, 13s; seconds, 10s; thirds, 11s. Nut fitkins in market.

PROVISION MARKET.

LONDON, MONDAY, Dec. 6.—The arrivals last week from Ireland were 1500 firkins butter, 2770 bags and 1000 bags from foreign ports; 21,877 packages butter, and 1430 bales bacon. A fresh butter bill's c no alteration in sales or demand, holders not pressing sales, expecting the cold weather will cause inquiry. Foreign sold better; best Dutch advanced 1s to 12s. The bacon trade ruled very flat, and prices generally declined 2s to 3s per cwt. The dealer purchasing freely, as they are in want.

BOROUGH AND SPITALFIELDS.

LONDON, MONDAY, Dec. 6.—These markets have been moderately supplied with potatoes. The trade has been quiet, at unchanged prices. The imports into London last week consisted of 1100 bags from Brussels, 135; tons 3726 bags from Havre, 1 Fleet sweep, 27 bags from Rotterdam, 1 dam, 13 bags 474 sacks from Dunkirk, 2 barrels from Jersey, 4 sacks from Hamburg, and 15 bags from Amsterdam.

English Shaws	45s to 55s	per ton.
,, Regents	70s to 100s	,,
Scotch Reds	70s to 75s	,,
Scotch Regents	80s to 100s	,,
French	60s to 70s	,,

COTTON MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, TUESDAY.—Market closed quiet. Sales, 8000 bales, on speculation and for export 1000. Uplands, American, 9½ to 12½; Orleans, 11½ to 12; Nos. Bras, 12; Sea Island, 12 to 18½; Egyptian, 12 to 22½; Pernambuco, 12 to 18½; Maceio, 12 to 17½; Peru, 12; Sea Island, 18 to 22½; Egyptian, 12 to 22½; Smyrna, 7½ to 10½. Imports, 5081 bales.

MANCHESTER, TUESDAY.—Prices are nominally unchanged. Friday last, but one market was quiet to-day that a slight concession would have to be made by buyers determined to do business.

WOOL SALES.

The sales are progressing steadily, and prices are unaltered.

PIG-IRON MARKET.

GLASGOW, TUESDAY.—Sellers, 56s 4½d; buyers, 56s 1½d cash—easier.

PIG-IRON SHIPMENTS (FROM ALL SCOTCH PORTS)

For the week ending December 4, 1869.

This year,	- -	14,444 tons.
Last year,	- -	10,024 ,,
Decrease,		620
Total since 25th December, 1868,		607,797
Total same period in 1867-8,		546,114
Increase,		61,644

The original Zarlina of "Don Giovanni," Mme. Godeasa, has just died at Milan, at the age of 100 years. She had quarrelled with the Pasta, and the direction of Mozart himself.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS AT DUNDEE.

December 7.—*Hurl Grey's Dock*—Carlow (s), M'Kechnie, Sunderland, coals; Ve per (s), Mudie, Sunderland, coals; Mary Littlejohn, Dow, Sunderland, coals. *Timpendean Dock*—Freia, Henricksen, Cronstadt, linseed; Dragon, Ring, Christiania, battens; Commodore, Park, Quebec, deals. *King William's Dock*—Charity, Alexander, Pernau, flax.

DEPARTURES FROM DUNDEE.

December 7.—Murton (s), Green, Sunderland, light; Pladda (s), Simpson, Newcastle, goods.

MARITIME EXTRACTS.

Timour, left Bombay for Dundee, Oct 24
Riversdale, do do do
Wild Rose, Sanderson, left Calcutta for Dundee, Nov 4
Duncan, Findlay, do do Nov 6
Hugenemont, do London, do
Indian Merchant, do Dundee, Nov 2
Ganges, Kennell, do Rangoon, Nov 3
Meridian, Cocolane, do London, do
Lord of the Isles, Craigie, do do do
Linda, at Venice from New York, Oct 24
Rob Roy, left Rio Grande for Falmouth, Oct 24
Prince of Wales, left Chittagong for Ceylon, Nov 1
Tom & Henry, left Bombay for Dundee, Nov 1
Betty, Cable, at Gothenburg from Arhuus, Nov 30
Hindoo, left Calcutta for St Helena, Nov 22
Lily, do Port Said, do
Lady Aberdour, passed Dardanelles for Galatz, Nov 17
Star of Hope, at London from Lourenzo, 6th inst.
Margaret, do Arbroath, do
Noah, do Dundee, do
Southern Empire, at Liverpool from Callao, do
Hope, at Leith from Dantzic, do
Grace Home, at Leith from Ancham 4th inst
Iona, passed Dordt for Schiedam, 3d inst
Clyde Castle, passed Gibraltar for Philadelphia, 24 inst
North Star, at Copenhagen from Burntisland, do
Hannie, at Leith from Christiansund, do
Jehu, at Messina from Gigenti, 25th ult
Mr R. Napier, at Gravesend by telegraph
Try Again, left Patras for England, 27th ult
Constance, at Dunkirk loading at Rio Janeiro for Cape of Good Hope, 4th ult
Catharine, do do Mobile, 4th ult
Hawthorn, do Buenos Ayres—arrived, Oct 23
British India, at Bombay from Liverpool, 5th ult
Dalcross, left Calcutta for Dundee, 4th ult
City of Amoy, do Glasgow, 10th ult
Empress of India, left do for Calcutta, 11th ult
Hindoo, at Calcutta from Dundee, 2d ult
James Shepherd, at Hong Kong, 24 ult—by telegraph
Zara Grey, at Liverpool from Calcutta, 4th inst
Royalist, left Aden for Cuba, 21 inst
Lady Water, left Bristol for West Coast of Africa, 4th inst
Britannia, at Falmouth from Galatz, 5th inst
Market Scott, left Bombay for Dundee, 5th inst
Cassia, left Liverpool for Otago N.Z., 4th inst
Jane Cunningham, at Liverpool from Calcutta, 4th inst
Ho Heung, left Cadiz for Rio Grande, 29th ult.
Lord Rollo, at Shields from Constantz, 4th inst
Triad, do do do

SHIPS SPOKEN.

Ellenburgh, ship, steamer, lat 12.25 N, long 23.15 W

Geo. Anderson, Glasgow for Bombay, lat 46.12 N, long 12.30 W, by the ship Tinto, of Glasgow, from Calcutta for Dundee.

SOUND LIST.

December 1.—Palfedium, Mather, Riga, Grangemouth; Ann Cunningham, Riga, London; Margaret of Montrose, Riga, England.

A Quebec telegram of the 20th ult. reports much ice in the upper part of the river St Lawrence.

Lord Clarendon, Gibson, left Liverpool for Otago, 4th inst.

OFF THE START, December 4.—The Ethiopian, from Liverpool for Melbourne.

PADSTOW, December 5.—The Dusty Miller, Paley, disappearing yesterday, has broken her moorings, and gone ashore on the rocks.

GRIMSBY, December 4.—In the roads—Tiara (ship) of Glasgow, Wilkie, from Bombay; Unity of Aberdeen, and German (brig), Herlich, from Hernosand for Dundee.

SCARBOROUGH, December 4.—Put in through stress of weather, the Ocean of Arbroath, Soulas, from Montrose, and sailed 4th for London.

SHIELDS, December 5.—Louisa (schooner), Noble, for Aberdeen; the Ann of Dundee, Lyall, both from Cardiff, from the West, have put in here to-day through stress of weather.

BRANTISLAND, December 4.—In the roads—Grace Home, Rome, from Boston and received orders for Leith; Sea Flower, from Kirkcaldy for Leven; and Thunder, Lyall, and Catherine Petrie, both from Windsor for orders.

CRAVESANDS, December 4.—The Ann, Leith, is seen in along the south shore of the island.

LIVERPOOL, November 23.—The shipping have all cleared out, and no fresh arrivals are now to be expected.

GOODS ENTERED AT THE CUSTOM-HOUSE YESTERDAY.

IMPORTS FOREIGN.

Franz, Benlow, from Lisbon, 9 barrels salted beef; 29 cwt —Quischarth, Pottersen, & Co.

Gertruna Speelman, Seren, from Stettin, 192 pieces oak timber, 79 lds do, 12 pieces fir timber, 9 43-50 loads—John Kirkland & Son

Active, Alexander, from Memel, 625 bobbins flax, 1273 cwt —Baxter Brothers & Co.

IMPORTS COASTWISE.

Vesper (s), Mudie, from Sunderland, 638 tons coals—R. A. Mudie & Son

Carlow (s), M'Kechnie, from Sunderland, 630 tons coals—R. A. Mudie & Son

Marian (s), Green, from Sunderland, 500 tons coals—Duncan, Mitchell, & Co

Cambria (s), Bulk, from London, sundry goods—D. P. & L. Shipping Co

EXPORT COASTWISE.

Eagle (s), Johnston, for Hull, sundry goods—D. P. & L. Shipping Co

GOODS PAID DUTY EX-BONDED WAREHOUSE.

Tea—216 lbs—Watson Brothers & Co
,, 309 ,, C. R. Baxter
,, 120 ,, A. Kerr and Son
,, 311 ,, Geo. Mann & Co
,, 1152 ,, Geo. Christie
,, 1812 ,, D. Mathewson & Son
,, 168 ,, W. Selmond
,, 168 ,, W. Selmond
,, 454 ,, W. Lindsay
,, 459 ,, D. Lyall
,, 518 ,, Rodger & Whyte
,, 1512 ,, Alexander Robertson
Brandy—24 3-10 galls—Geo. C. Moir
,, 29 2-10 ,, Alex. Calder
Rum—69 5-10 ,, Alexander Robertson
,, 122 4-10 ,, Geo. Ll. Allison
Whisky—7 2-10 ,, ,,
,, 22 4-10 ,, Alexander Matthew

GOODS ENTERED IN BONDED WAREHOUSE.

Tea—5 chests—J. Mathewson & Son
4 ,, J. Edwards, jr
Coffee—3 bags—D. Pryde
Brandy—24 3-10 galls—Geo. C. Moir

WIND AND WEATHER REPORT.

DECEMBER 7.

Aberdeen, NE, dull	Leith, NW, dull
Brighton, ENE, dull	Liverpool, E, cloudy
Cardiff, E, cold	London, NNE, cloudy
Dundee, W, damp	Milford Haven, W, cloudy
Dundee, NW, dull	Penzance, ENE, cloudy
Dundee, NW, calm	Portsmouth, ESE, showery
Hartlepool West, NW, dull	Portsmouth, E, misty
Holyhead, E, fine	Ramsgate, E, cloudy
Hull, NE, dull	

DUNDEE SHERIFF COURT.

Campbell or Kenny *v.* Batchelor (—— and Thornton). Appearance entered.

Gordon *v.* Whyte (—— and Paul). Appearance entered.

Hay *v.* Robertson (—— and Thain). Appearance entered.

Tennent, Marshall, & Co. *v.* Robertson & Dryden (Bogsett and Thornton). Minute for defenders lodged.

Mary Melville—Special and general service (Gardner). Petition presented and published.

Robert Porter—Petition for sequestration (Bruce). Petition presented and published.

Russell's Trustees *v.* Thomson (Martin and ——). Warrant for service ordered. Appearance within four days.

James and William Rattray—Sequestration (H. Gibson). Commissioner approved of, and bankrupts discharged on composition of 1d per pound.

Father Hyacinthe is in Connecticut, and ate his pumpkin pie on Thanksgiving Day with a worthy congregational divine at Lichfield. He has visited Yale College, and will hereafter visit Harvard University.

TROOPS FOR IRELAND.—Instructions have been received at Aldershot from the Horse Guards that detachments from the 35th and the 12th Regiments are to hold themselves in readiness for embarkation for Ireland on the 20th inst. Other troops are expected to follow. It may be that these instructions simply arise from the movement of troops from one quarter to another without any intention of Government to increase any of the troops in Ireland.

A STRANGE STORY.—The *Union Herald* tells the following story:—"Two maiden sisters, Polly and Sally Reed, aged eighty-five and eighty-three, who have lived alone in scanty circumstances in Brooklyn, Ontario, 91 miles from Toronto, found by a neighbour on the morning of 12th November, Polly dead on the floor, and Sally lying on the bed in a helpless condition. The latter died on Saturday. They were both terribly mutilated about the head and face. They had often before had frequent quarrels on the most trivial occasions. The weapons used were a pair of tongs and a stick of wood. No inquest was held."

DEVOUREST NUNS.—The *Tablet* learns from a trustworthy source, and upon more than one authority, that certain so-called Ritualist nuns are travelling about the country in Ireland, ostensibly for English Catholic sisters. They call at convents and on private families under the pretence of collecting alms for poor convents in England, and are filling their purses everywhere. They then betake themselves to the best hotels, live for a time on the best of everything, take their baths *a la Anglaise*, feast on the best dinners, and drink the choicest wines. A discriminating English lady suddenly came upon them the other day at one of these, and found the ladies in a state of excitement, which the lady attributed to the effect of a prevalent Protestantism in the United Kingdom, has been that, alike in Great Britain and in Ireland, no Catholic ever dreams of having an opinion different from that of the prevailing party at Rome. On the Continent, however, it is otherwise, and it is possible that such demonstrations as the Orleans pastoral may have the effect of causing the extreme Ultramontanes to hesitate before committing the Church to a doctrine which would represent a revolution in its constitution, and might involve as serious an inroad on its unity as that which the last Council attempted in vain to repel.

So also with the threatened demonstration against Liberalism in politics. It will to all appearance be a great blunder should the Roman Catholic Church, because of the Papacy being bound up, or imagining itself bound up, with the possession of what remains to it of "the Patrimony of St Peter," cut itself off from sources of strength on which it might still rely. We believe that the effect of such a proceeding on the nations of Europe would be insignificant. Political Liberalism is at present a stronger power than that of Rome, and no manifesto from Rome will succeed in retarding its progress. On the other hand, however, such a manifesto might seriously operate against Rome itself, by putting the Papacy out of accord with the sentiment of even Catholic nations.

To avoid doing harm to the Latin Church, this new Council will require to walk warily, but of course many of us must be of opinion that the greater its blunders may be the more likely are its deliberations to result, in ways which it does not intend, in some good result to civil and religious liberty.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE TAY BRIDGE.

At the time we last adverted to this important subject the subscriptions of parties in Dundee amounted to £20,000. We now learn that they have risen to £25,000. It is exceedingly gratifying to find that the good work has progressed so satisfactorily within so short a time, and all the more so that no special canvass has been prosecuted. The public mind is daily putting greater confidence in the soundness of the scheme and the eligibility of the investment, and the fears suggested by an over-timidity are being rapidly dispelled. But the work of gathering in subscriptions, if it has surmounted one great obstacle, is now met by another scarcely less formidable. Intelligence from the Caledonian Railway are said to be "up and doing." They foresee in the Tay Bridge scheme the precursor of possible loss to the concern in which they themselves have a stake, and they are doing their best to throw difficulties in the way of the former. The influence at their command is being brought to bear against the work of subscription. We are not very much surprised that the friends of the Caledonian Railway should now be putting forth endeavours to counter act a movement which they regard as fraught with ruin to their interests. But we are glad to see that these endeavours are meeting with such scanty success, and that our capitalists have sufficient faith in the Tay Bridge scheme and its prospects to take the counter-arguments of its opponents for what they are worth, and nothing more. We congratulate the Town Council of Dundee, whose Dundee will are long have furnished her fair share of the funds necessary to the completion of the scheme. In the Angus Burghs there is a brisk movement going on in the same direction. Arbroath, Montrose, and Brechin, all have a bestirring themselves, as they have a good right to do, in the furtherance of the scheme. Our own Town Council may take credit to themselves for what will soon be set by the Forfar Council, before which a proposal will shortly be laid that that body should subscribe for shares to the value of £10,000. If the Forfar Town Council is able to supply such a sum, surely that of Dundee may stand good for a much larger. We have not yet heard, however, that a class of gentlemen quite as deeply interested in the success of the scheme as we of Dundee can be have come forward with its assistance. We refer to the Fife coalmasters. They have an immense stake in the success of the enterprise, for the latter will open up such a field of demand for their goods as they have never before enjoyed. These gentlemen have taken a very liberal and well-timed step in coming forward and subscribing handsomely to the scheme.

ANOTHER ACT OF MUNIFICENCE BY F. MOLISON, ESQ.

We have this morning the pleasure of chronicling another act of public munificence on the part of one of our citizens who whose life has been distinguished by a large hearted and at the same time wise liberality. The much-neglected Chairmen of the Dundee Parochial Board, we know full well, loves not to have his charities blazoned abroad, but we cannot, even at the hazard of wounding those feelings of retiring modesty for which Mr Molison is perhaps as remarkable as for his public benefactions, yield the pleasure of doing so to the most recent gift in the cause of humanity and kindness. Such acts as his are unfortunately not so common that the public chronicler can afford to dispense with the duty of setting them abroad that they may serve as an example to others. It is not right to deprive others of a share in such a place that it will lighten the whole house. Our readers may remember that some time ago Mr Molison undertook to defray the whole expense attendant on the construction and fitting up of a building beside the Poorhouse, which was intended to serve as a kind of convalescent hospital for poor people in bad health who had no claim for admission into the Poorhouse. That building was erected and furnished at Mr Molison's sole expense, the cost having amount £730, and he blessed everywhere the poor and help it has proved to many a poor afflicted one of God's creatures. It was originally only one storey in height, and as the accommodation it was able to afford latterly became inadequate to meet the demands upon it, and as the accommodation at the Poorhouse was already heightened so as to cause the hospital to detract injuriously from the *tout ensemble* of the building, it became desirable that the hospital itself should also be enlarged and heightened. No sooner did this necessity become apparent than Mr Molison's ready purse was opened to the extent of £750, and he blessed everywhere the poor and help it has proved to many a poor afflicted one of God's creatures. It was originally only one storey in height, and as the accommodation it was able to afford latterly became inadequate to meet the demands upon it, and as the accommodation at the Poorhouse was already heightened so as to cause the hospital to detract injuriously from the *tout ensemble* of the building, it became desirable that the hospital itself should also be enlarged and heightened. No sooner did this necessity become apparent than Mr Molison's ready purse was opened to the extent of £750, and he blessed by the best of all rights come to regard the hospital as peculiarly under his own protection, and he resolved that the ratepayers should not be called upon to bear the cost of its extension. He had begun the work on a hundred pounds, and he has finished it, paying the large sum of £765 for the luxury. Mr Molison has thus expended in all upwards of £1500 on the hospital. Need we say more? The bare record of the act is its warmest eulogium.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

SKATING PONDS.

SIR,—Seeing that we are likely to have a very severe winter this season, ample scope will be afforded to lovers of that exhilarating pastime skating. I would suggest the desirability of ranging a few ponds, and also of erecting a