other articles, the amount of Customs duties collected, although a little larger than last year, is much smaller than during the previous six years, or the average of the past twelve.

While the abnormally low price of wheat has made that cereal unremunerative to farmers, dairy produce has commanded good prices throughout the year. The success of Canadian cheese at the World's Fair, where it came out first in almost every competition, was very gratifying, and it is certain that the exhibit of the natural products of Canada at that exposition enlightened an enormous number of the visitors thereto as to the climate and possibilities of this Dominion. The export of hay to Great Britain has been quite an important business during the year, and that trade appears likely to permanently retain fair proportions. There is encouragement, too, in the circumstance that the export of deals from this port is largely increasing. The export cattle trade has continued to be unfavourably affected by charges of disease among the animals, and the continuance of the British schedule against Canadian and United States cattle renders any improvement unlikely.

The returns of the Harbour Commissioners show an increase in the number of sea-going vessels arriving at this port, the number in 1893, being considerably larger that in any previous year, and the tonnage also being greater than ever before.

ERRATA.

In paragraph on page 2 commencing "The Custom House returns for the Port of Montreal," the words **thirty thousand dollars** and **forty-eight thousand dollars** should be **thirty million dollars** and **forty-eight million dollars,**

1886	703	809,699	28,078,330	40,469,942	8,362,618.94
1885	629	683,854	25,274,898	37,413,250	6,672,971.26
1884	626	649,374	27,145,427	42,366,793	6,772,675.68
1883	660	664,263	27,277,159	43,718,549	7,698,796.12
1882	648	554,692	26,334,312	49,749,461	8,395,654.07
1881	569	931,929	26,561,188	43,546,821	7,672,266.17
1880	710	628,271	30,224,904	37,102,869	5,231,783.80
1879	211	46,156	1,744,772	7,174,108	1,009,256.80