

Commercial.

The New York Chamber of Commerce passed a resolution at a meeting on the 3rd, endorsing the action of the Committee of Ways and Means in recommending the President to renew negotiations with Great Britain, for the purpose of bringing about a renewal of the Reciprocity Treaty, and securing to citizens of the United States the freedom of the St. Lawrence and of the inshore fisheries of British North America. Gen. Wallbridge made a lengthy speech, and stated the questions between the United States and the Provinces as—First, an interchange of the natural products of the soil, on such reciprocal terms as may be agreed upon. Second, an assimilation of excise duties and of patent and copyright laws. Third, free trade and navigation of the river St. Lawrence and enlargement of its canals. Fourth, freedom of the inshore fisheries of the coast of British America. Fifth, the regulation of transit trade. It is useless to discuss these propositions, as they would not be even taken into serious consideration by the Government or people of this country, being, on their face, one-sided and unfair.

The first shipment of lead from the Frontenac lead mines was forwarded to Montreal recently by J. Carruthers & Co., and consigned to the Canada Lead Company.

The receipts of flour and grain at the five Western Lake ports, since August, 1867, and 1868, were:—

	1868.	1867.
Flour, bbls	4,766,200	3,637,000
Wheat, bush.....	32,633,109	30,400,300
Corn, bush.....	24,728,600	25,826,300
Oats, bush.....	17,140,900	14,551,200
Barley, bush.....	2,624,600	2,756,800

The schooner Magdala was chartered on the 8th June, to carry 10,000 bush. malt to Chicago, the shippers being Messrs. Aldwell & Co., of this city. This is the second shipment made by this firm this year. The freight was 5c. U. S. currency.

Royal Canadian Bank Bills now sell at 95c.

Mr. Rose has announced in the House of Commons that he proposes to take steps to protect the salt and hop growing interests in this country.

The stocks of the following articles in Halifax, on the 1st June, were:—Rum—446 puns., 13 hhd. Sugar—1,736 hhd., 205 tres., 826 bris., 53 bxs. Molasses—3,951 puns., 535 tres., 585 bris. The people of Picton held a meeting the other day about the silver question. Mr. Striker, Reeve, occupied the chair, and Mr. Twigg acted as secretary. A committee was struck to draw up a petition to the Legislature, asking that "Silver be made a legal tender in payment of customs duties at its intrinsic value, in order that it may be shipped out of the country, or in some other way to seek to remove what is felt to be so great an evil." We do not know what the ideas of this meeting may have been about the intrinsic value of silver coin; their remedy is, we fear, no remedy at all.

Toronto Market.

Trade for the past week shows no indication of improvement whatever, in fact their seems to be still greater dullness. The weather has kept cool with abundant showers of rain; the season is unusually late.

PRODUCE.—The slight improvement noted last week has, as we anticipated, been entirely lost, and the market has again become dull and trade stagnant. *Wheat*.—Receipts for the week 35,240 bush. Stock in store on the 7th, 89,450 bush. A lot of 2,000 bush. spring, sold at 96c. f.o.b. and 5,000 bush at 95c.; one or two cars sold at 94 to 95c.; a car of midge proof sold at 95. Fall nominal, the tendency of the market is downward. *Oats*.—Receipts 1,200 bush; stock in store on the

7th, 35,000 bush., the market has declined to 50c for carloads on the track. *Barley*.—Is out of market; there are buyers at 80 to 85c. *Peas*.—No receipts; stock on the 7th, 12,744 bush.; market unsettled, and nominal at 65c. *Corn*.—Sellers at 60c. by the car load. *Rye*.—On the street market is worth 56c.

FLOUR.—Receipts 1,000 bbls. and 1,440 bbls. last week; stock in store on the 7th 10,995 bbls. The market closed dull and 5 to 10c. lower. A lot of 200 bbls. sold at \$4.00. Fancy sold \$4.25 and extra at the same price, f.o.b. *Oatmeal*.—Small lots sell for retail at \$5.75 to \$6. *Cornmeal*.—Remains unchanged at \$3.75 to \$4. *Bran*.—Car lots are worth \$14 per ton.

PROVISIONS.—Business has dwindled down to almost nothing except a small trade with retailers. *Butter*.—Is nominal. *Eggs*.—Were firmer but have since declined and closed at 12 to 12½c. There is nothing doing in cheese except in small lots of old at 15 to 16c. *Bacon*.—Sells at 12 to 13c. *Hams*.—Smoked 12½ to 13½c. *Salt*.—Goderich has also been reduced 15c. and sells freely at the reduction.

HARDWARE.—There is some demand for harvest tools. Bar iron is also quoted firmer.

GROCERIES.—A fair trade reported by some houses but there is no disposition to extend business just at present. Prices are unchanged.

WOOL.—The new crop is now coming forward and sells at 32c.

PETROLEUM.—The market is dull at 22 to 25c. Benzole is in good demand.

FREIGHTS.—Rates remain unchanged; grain to Oswego, by vessel, 3c. U. S. Currency. Grain to Montreal 6c.; flour 20c. Lumber to Oswego \$1.50 per M. U. S. Currency.

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DIVIDEND No. 4.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Four per cent. upon the paid-up capital stock of this institution has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Bank and its Branches on and after FRIDAY, the second day of JULY next.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 30th days of June next, both days inclusive. The Annual General Meeting of the Stockholders will be held at the Banking House in this city, on MONDAY, the 5th day of JULY next. Chair to be taken at twelve o'clock, noon, precisely.

By order of the Board.

R. J. DALLAS, Cashier.

Toronto, May 22nd, 1869.

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Bank of Toronto.

DIVIDEND No. 26.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of Four per cent. for the current half-year, being at the rate of Eight per cent. on the paid up capital of this Bank, has this day been declared, and that the same will be payable at the Bank or its branches on and after

FRIDAY, the 2nd DAY OF JULY NEXT.

The transfer books will be closed from the fifteenth to the thirtieth of June, both days inclusive.

The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Bank on Wednesday, the twenty-first day of July next. The chair to be taken at noon.

By order of the Board.

G. HAGUE, Cashier.

Toronto, May 16th, 1869.

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Quebec Bank.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that a Dividend of 3½ per cent. upon the Capital Stock of this institution has been declared for the current half year, and that the same will be payable at the Banking House, in this city, on and after the FIRST DAY OF JUNE NEXT.

The Transfer Books will be closed from the 14th to the 15th May next, both days inclusive.

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Bank on MONDAY, the SEVENTH day of JUNE next, at ELEVEN o'clock A.M.

By order of the Board,

J. STEVENSON, Cashier.

Quebec, April 28, 1869.

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Royal Canadian Bank.

ALL shareholders in this Bank who are in arrears in their instalments are required to pay the same at the Head Office, or any of its agencies, within Thirty days from this date, otherwise such proceedings will be taken against all defaulters as the Board may deem most advisable. It is hoped that all will pay up promptly, in order that the Bank may resume at an early day.

By order of the Board.

T. WOODSIDE

Cashier.

Toronto, 29th May, 1869.

Niagara District Bank.

DIVIDEND No. 31.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a DIVIDEND OF FOUR PER CENT. on the paid up capital stock of this Institution, has this day been declared for the current half-year; and that the same will be payable at the Bank on and after THURSDAY, the first day of July next.

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By order of the Board,

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