

ers. For extra entries in cotton, Messrs. Parks & Son, of St. John, N.B., receive a bronze medal. The excellence of taste of the display by these gentlemen here and elsewhere is widely known, and has been often commended. They take all the prizes in sections 1 to 5, of class 17 part 2. The Hudon Cotton Co. for bags, cotton flannels and plain sheetings; the Montreal Cotton Co. in bleached sheetings; the Stormont Cotton Co. in ducks, tickings and apron checks; Parks & Son in fancy wove shirtings, are awarded premiums.

An attractive feature in that part of the Main Building is the display of Clark & Co.'s M. E. Q. spool cotton, by Walter Wilson & Co., which the judges call deserving of the highest award, and a diploma for the magnificent display. The handsome golden frame and tasteful arch formed of spools of cotton and silks of varied hue, is one of the prettiest things in the building, and the well known character of Messrs. Clark's manufactures, commends it to visitors. The judges in textile fabrics were Messrs. Wm Lee, of Quebec, J. Y. Gilmour, James Stephenson, L. O. Franchere, J. D. Anderson and L. S. Olivier. They recommend a diploma for fine display of Canadian tweeds, which was unfortunately too late for competition, exhibited by Elliott, Sherriff & Co. of Almonte, Ont. The judges cannot speak too highly of this exhibit. A diploma is recommended for a fine display of silk half hose and stockings of Canadian manufacture from Buck & Son. Also a diploma to Turnbull & Co. for their enterprise in introducing an entirely new style in the manufacture of stockings, comprising double knees; as also for tiques and ribbed hose. A diploma is recommended to the Montreal Cotton Co., for their corset jeans, shoe drills, cheese cloths and wigwags; to John Penman, Paris, for display of Canadian plush; Sorel Wadding Co., a diploma for wadding and batting. The judges cannot speak too highly of the silk exhibit of Messrs. Corriveau & Co. and would recommend in addition to the gold medal awarded a diploma for superiority and excellence of manufacture as also dyeing of silks.

OTHER MANUFACTURES.

Implements and horse power machinery for field use is shown in great variety, and a number of the harvesting and other machines were in operation, being worked by farm or portable engines on the grounds. The largest number of exhibits is made by Gibb, Cossit & Bros., Montreal; Frost & Wood, Smith's Falls, Ont.; A Harrison & Co., Stratford, Ont.; Wm. Evans, Montreal, The Globe Works Co., London East, Ont., &c. The patent waggon-springs of Warnock & Co., Galt, obtain a diploma, and the substantial excellence of the unpainted waggon shown by them secured first prize. Some New Haven, Conn. buggies, were on exhibition, but the well-tried products of Lariviere, Ritchot & Ledoux in this line carried off the most of the awards. The File and Spring Co. takes gold medal for best and largest assortment of railroad and carriage springs, and special diploma for concave springs.

Messrs Robin & Sadler attract attention by their arrangement of belting and other leather products, and especially by their mammoth driving belts. They take a number of prizes. The Gibson Leather Co., of Gibson, New Brunswick, send a most creditable display of patent, enamelled, harness, split, grain, carriage and saddle leather, and carry off seven first prizes, which no one who knows the character of their goods will be disposed to grudge them. P. Jacobi, of Toronto, comes off with the highest prize in calfskin, satin finish, and J. H. Mooney, who makes a fine show of linings of his own turn out, that for waxed calf. Montreal, Berlin, Danville, Que., appear amongst places whose residents take premiums.

Sec. 25. Boot and shoe counters, Cote Counter Company, Montreal, 1st prize and highly com-

mended for diploma. Boot and Shoe Stiffeners, Dominion Leather Board Co., 2nd prize. In leather board, Cote Counter Co., Montreal, 1st prize, Dominion Leather Board Co., 3rd prize.

H. R. Ives & Co's iron pavillion was most striking and had several men working on it. It contains several specimens of iron fencing and railing, and is a handsome affair. This firm secures 8 first and 3 second prizes and a diploma for an ornamental kiosk.

The old, reliable Cook's Friend Baking Powder is again heard from, being ensconced in the transept of the Main Building, with the modest assurance which comports well with its genuine qualities. We are glad to observe so many entries of canned goods of Canadian preparation, fruits, vegetables and meats; the industry is a growing and important one. The North American Chemical Co's salt is also deserving of attention. Christie, Brown & Co., are recommended a diploma for their exhibit of bisenits.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, September 21, 1881.

STOCKS.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transac'n in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Average Price, like Date 1880.
Montreal	199	200½	1188	199	199½	153
" x. d.						
Ontario	76½	80	2266	75½	76	86
Consolidated				90½	91½	
People's				114	115	98½
Molson's x. d.	115	52	70	157	160	
Toronto	156½			106	107	
Jac. Cartier				124½	124½	105½
Merchants	124½	125½	244	143	143½	128½
Commerce	143½	143½	665	117½	120	107
Eastern Tps				95½	98	
Union						
Hamilton				140		
Exchange				131½	132	132½
Mon. Tel.	131½	31	475	97	99	60½
Dom. Tel.				56	56½	
Rich. & O'Navx	56½		1251	130	132	117½
City Pass	130	132	150	148	148½	148
Gas	147	148½	1621	46½	50	
R. C. Ins. Co						
Commerce x. d.						
Ml. Tel. Co. x. d.						

OIL MATTERS IN PETROLIA.

PETROLIA, Sept 17th, 1881.

The market for *Grude* is still very firm, with values sustained, although quotations are the same as they were last week, viz: \$1.95 to 2.00. *Refined* oil is very active and firm at 20 cents per gallon. The American market has been greatly excited during the past week, and values have improved there.

—At a meeting of the Massawippi Valley Railway Company, on the 7th inst., the old Board of directors was re-elected, with the addition of Charles W. Pearce, Esq., of Stanstead, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. T. C. Brown, of Boston. At the subsequent meeting of the directors, the following officers were chosen: President, Robert N. Hall, of Sherbrooke; Vice-President, Stephen Foster, Stanstead; Secretary-Treasurer, W. S. Foster, Stanstead.

—A letter from Rock Island, Que., states that out of \$2,294.57, the whole amount collected by the Secretary-Treasurer of that municipality, \$1,509, or over sixty-six per cent. was charged to bridges this year.

—The Quebec Central Railway has completed surveys for the extension of its line to deep water at Levis, and work will shortly be commenced. It is expected the whole will be completed by the first of November next.

—President Dowd, of the Bank of North America, N.Y., treasurer of the fund in aid of the sufferers from the Michigan fires, which have caused so serious a destruction of life and property, acknowledges the receipt of further subscriptions amounting to \$706.21, making a total to date of \$5,023.21.

—The Preston correspondent of the London *Daily News* of 12th inst. says: "Even supposing the employers representing two thirds of the spindles in this district decide to close for a week, it is certain that the stoppage will not be universal." 10,000 out of 13,000 men stopped.

—The loom-weavers at the extensive mills of Hawkins struck, and the firm was obliged to stop 1000 looms and 45,000 spindles. The returns up to Saturday last show that the total number of spindles is 2,100,000, of which 56,000 are stopped.

—A new Orleans paper notes that the British barque J. W. Parker, 1,190 tons, of Annapolis, N.S., Capt. Albert Delap, cleared from that city for Queenstown for orders, with a cargo of 72,314 bushels of wheat, the largest cargo of grain ever carried by a sailing vessel from that port.

—The recent corner in Hannibal and St. Joseph shales has prompted this pathetic couplet by a humorous paragrapher:—

"He who sells what isn't his'n
May chance to find that stocks have risen."

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Sept. 20th, 1881.

Our exhibition, which opened last Wednesday, gives excellent promise of success. Although some of the exhibitors were behind with their work at first, they have since made up for lost time, and everything is now in ship-shape order. The city is crowded with visitors; many persons from the West and elsewhere are taking advantage of the cheap trips to see the various attractions, and at the same time to make a selection of goods. Wholesale houses are, in consequence, kept very busy. The weather had been very warm since the date of our last report, but a heavy rain yesterday morning cooled the air a little, and made it pleasant for our visitors.

ASHES.—*Pots*.—The demand this week has been quite equal to the supply, and most of those offered were taken up at \$5.10, 5.17½ and 5.20. *Pearls* none coming in and no sales have been reported; prices are nominal. Stocks in store are *Pots* 344 brls.; *Pearls*, 92 brls.

BOOTS & SHOES. The most of Fall orders are completed; a fair number of store orders are being booked, and prospects for the assorting trade are very bright. Payments still continue extremely satisfactory; prices are unchanged as under:—*Men's Stoga Boots*, \$2.00 to 2.75; ditto *Kip Boots*, \$2.50 to 3.25; ditto *French Calf*, \$3.25 to 3.75; ditto *Buff Congress*, \$1.75 to 2.40; ditto *Split Brogans*, \$1.00 to 1.10; *Boy's Split Brogans*, 85c. to \$1.00; ditto *Buff and Pebbled Congress*, \$1.35 to 1.60; *Women's Buff and Pebble Balmorals*, \$1.00 to 1.50; ditto *Prunella Congress*, 50c. to \$1.50; ditto *Prunella Balmorals*, 50c. to \$1.50.

CATTLE.—There was a fairly active demand for butchers' cattle at from 2½ to 4¼c. per lb. A few were taken up for shipping at our outside quotation. *Sheep* were in good supply and brought from \$5 to 7 each. *Lambs* of good quality sold from \$3.25 to 4.00 each. *Hogs* in fat condition were sold in fair lots at 7¼c. per lb.