

BOOTS AND SHOES.—There is a little sorting up trade doing, but not much more can be expected until opening of the fall trade. Travelers are now pretty generally out with fall samples, but few orders have yet been taken.

CATTLE.—The arrivals of live stock at Point St. Charles last week consisted of six carloads of cattle for Montreal market, and thirty-six carloads of cattle for shipment to Great Britain; there were 604 hogs from Chicago for city butchers, 600 sheep from Western Ontario, shipped to Britain, and 72 horses, which also were shipped to Great Britain. The arrivals on Monday were ten carloads of cattle, seven for shipment to Britain, 111 hogs and 72 horses. There has lately been quite a scarcity of good cattle on this market, and prices have advanced considerably; even inferior cattle are dearer than they have been for a long time. The subs made at the St. Gabriel market were at from 4½c to 5½c per lb.

DRY GOODS.—Remittances, we are pleased to hear, show an improvement. The City retail trade is reported fairly well engaged, a good many strangers in the city having contributed towards making things feel more cheerful in this line. The wholesale people are beginning to think of the Fall trade. Most of the travelers have returned from the sorting trip, and those out with samples of winter goods are not taking many orders. Extreme caution on the part of the retailers in the West is noted this season as being greater than ever. They say, and their argument is unanswerable, that, although the growing crops look splendid and should they be safely harvested they will want the goods, yet if any serious failure should occur in getting them in they will not require any more goods and will therefore wait and see.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—We have nothing fresh or particularly encouraging to report respecting business in this line. It has continued very quiet through the week, and prices are without change and unusual, except Bleaching Powder which is lower.

FLOUR AND GRAIN.—There has been a good demand throughout the week for fresh ground Spring Wheat Flour. Fall Wheat Flour is comparatively neglected, and prices have fallen off ten per cent per barrel. *Wheat*—Canada No. 2 Spring has sold at 97½c, and No. 1 at \$1 to \$1.01. Offerings small and demand light.

Chicago, 11.20 a.m., June 27.—Wheat, 88½c July; 82½c Aug.; receipts, 30,000 bush; shipments, 30,000. Corn, 30½c July; 37c Aug.; receipts, 237,000; shipments, 176,000. Pork, \$9.30 July; \$9.42½ Aug. Lard, \$6.85 July; \$6.95 to \$6.97½ Aug. Hogs, receipts, 27,000; prospects lower.

Milwaukee, June 27.—Wheat, 92½c July; 83½c Aug.; receipts, 47,000; shipments, 20,000.

Liverpool Press Report.—Flour, 22s to 24s. Red Wheat, 8s 7d to 9s 3d; Red Winter, 9s 8d to 10s; White, 10s 5d; Club, 10s to 10s 6d. Corn, 22s 6d to 22s 9d. Peas, 34s 6d. Pork, 43s. Lard, 36s. Cheese, 45s. Consols, 95 9-16.

New York, June 27.—Wheat, Chicago, \$1 to \$1.01; Milwaukee, \$1.01 to \$1.02. Corn, 43s str. Pork, \$10 July. Lard, \$7.22½ July. Gold in New York, ¾; Exchange, 80.

FURS AND SKINS.—We quote: Rats, Spring, 13c to 16c; Rats, Winter, 10c to 13c; Rats, Fall, 13c to 16c; Fox, \$1.10 to \$1.20; Lynx, \$1.25 to \$1.50; Martin, 75c to \$1.00; Otter, \$3.00 to \$5.00; Mink, Dark Prime, \$1.00 to \$1.50; Mink, Pale 25c to 50c; Beaver, Winter, clean Pelt, per lb., \$1.25 to \$1.60; Beaver, Fall, clean Pelt per lb., \$1.00 to \$1.25; Bear, large prime, 80c to 88; Bear, small, 84 to 85; Cub, 82 to 84.

HARDWARE.—We have no change to note in values since last week. The wholesale houses report a few sorting-up orders received, but general tone very dull, as is usual at this time of year, with few travellers out; orders coming in slowly, and no country buyers in the city. No sales pig iron reported in yard, and no fresh arrivals to note.

LEATHER.—No change from last week's report first class upper is in demand, but there is no stock in the market. Jobbing houses only seeking common stock has discouraged tanners to produce a prime article.

OILS.—Business is confined to small country orders, and prices are steady but nominal. Straw Seal Seal Oil is being pretty freely offered at from 40c to 42c for complete lots. This will have a tendency to weaken S. R. Seal later on, as, apart from the odour, the Tinged or Straw Oil is as good a lubricant as the finer qualities of seal oils. In other oils there is very little doing. *Naval Stores* are quiet and slightly easier. *Paints.*—Without change.

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—The market does not present any new or important features since our last. On really choice Eastern Townships and creameries there seems to be some disposition to operate on a basis of 16c to 17c for choice townships and 19½c to 20½c for choice creameries, and we hear of some few purchasers for export at these prices. Medium and common grades have no actual price, and are nominally worth 6c to 7c. There seems to be no disposition to take hold of western dairies or store packed at anything over 10c here. Total shipments for the week, Liverpool, 1,022 pkgs; Glasgow, 860 pkgs. *Cheese.*—The condition of the market during the past week has been quite unsettled, and it has been difficult to make reliable quotations on this account. Shippers at the moment seem to be confining their purchases principally to colored stock, which on account of scarcity has brought 8c to 8½c quite readily; for white, sellers have found some difficulty in obtaining over 7½c. Some dealers seem to think we shall see higher prices, but it is questionable whether the enormous shipments now on the way will not affect the foreign markets. There never was better weather for making or curing cheese, and the recent rains will improve the pasturage. Total shipments for the week, Liverpool, 11,605 bxs.; Gl sgo w, 1,051 bxs.

TOBACCO.—There is a fair demand for all lines of manufactured. Prices remain steady as last quoted. Reports from Virginian leaf markets state that there has been considerable advance in bright manufacturing leaf; if this is maintained, manufactured must advance. Low grades are quoted without change and remain at extremely low prices. *Cigars* are in good demand, both for Domestic and imported Havanas. The former are quoted, duty paid: Clear Seed, \$13 to \$20; Seed and Havana, \$22 to \$45; Clear Havana, \$35 to \$60 per M.

WHOLESALE GROCERY MARKET.—*Sugars:* quite an advance reported from Britain during the week, and considerable sales made. About 4c on Yellows may be noted as advance here. Prices are 7½c to 8½c for low to choice. Granulated is also higher in U. S.; held here 9½c to 9½c. While there is an increased stock in Great Britain above that of last season, yet deliveries have been on an increased scale. *Teas* show little change, with fair enquiry for good ordinary to good Japans at from 26c to 33c. *Molasses and Syrups:* not much business to report on basis of former values. *Rice,* \$4.45 to \$4.65. *Coffees, Chemicals, Spices,* inactive and unchanged. *Fruits, Valentias,* 5½c to 6c; Old Layers are \$1.00 to 1.10; New Fruit not much doing. *Currents* steady for good quality.

IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Railway the Canal and River from 1st January to 27th June, 1877 and 1878:

	1877.	1878.
Ashes.....brls.....	7,405	5,334
Butter.....brls.....	17,809	29,433
Barley.....bush.....	315,036	101,938
Bacon.....boxes.....	140	75
Corn.....bush.....	1,714,085	1,944,208
Cheese.....boxes.....	28,083	34,970
Flour.....brls.....	291,955	317,007
Lard.....brls.....	28,521	12,948
Oats.....bush.....	57,905	62,128
Peas.....bush.....	130,460	462,264
Pork.....brls.....	11,129	9,510
Wheat.....bush.....	654,945	1,235,634

RECEIPTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes.—300 brls. Pot, 35 brls. Pearl.
Butter.—2,417 brls.

Barley.—bush.
Bacon.—boxes.
Corn.—193,081 bush.
Cheese.—6,376 boxes.
Flour.—17,077 brls.
Lard.—30 brls.
Oats.—382 bush.
Peas.—8,901 bush.
Pork.—brls.
Wheat.—88,466 bush.

EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 27th June, 1877 and 1878.

	1877.	1878.
Ashes.....brls.....	6,172	3,771
Butter.....brls.....	22,471	53,955
Barley.....bush.....	270,291	126,192
Bacon.....boxes.....	29,771	4,486
Corn.....bush.....	1,434,120	1,613,042
Cheese.....boxes.....	87,633	85,110
Flour.....brls.....	40,992	125,385
Lard.....brls.....	39,888	10,416
Oats.....bush.....	59,075	441,570
Peas.....bush.....	239,211	597,593
Pork.....brls.....	12,062	4,647
Wheat.....bush.....	393,637	1,881,976

EXPORTS FOR THE WEEK.

Ashes.—634 brls. Pot. 20 brls. Pearl.
Butter.—4,582 brls.
Barley.—0,158 bush.
Bacon.—58 boxes.
Corn.—291,362 bush.
Cheese.—30,544 boxes.
Flour.—11,564 brls.
Lard.—3 brls.
Oats.—28,331 bush.
Peas.—67,435 bush.
Pork.—300 brls.
Wheat.—205,125 bush.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.—Return of traffic for week ending June 22nd, 1878, and the corresponding week, 1877. 1878.—Passengers, Mails and Express Freight, \$58,417; Freight and Live Stock, \$84,489; Total, \$142,906. Corresponding week 1877, \$155,754. Decrease 1878, \$12,848.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.—Traffic receipts for period ending 8th June, 1878.—Passengers, \$1,210.40; Freight, \$13,237.37; Mails and Sundries, \$680.55. Total Receipts for current period 1878, \$18,128.32. Corresponding period 1877, \$18,880.54. Decrease, \$752.22.

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