

REPORT

ON THE

TRADE AND COMMERCE

OF 1863.

This Report necessarily consists, to a considerable extent, of particulars of the Produce Trade of Montreal. Statements concerning other departments of Commerce and Manufactures are less specific than was originally purposed, in consequence of there being no record to which reference could be made; and the time required for more extended and particular mention of certain branches was greater than could be given, consistently with a timely issue of the following pages;—they may, therefore, be looked upon chiefly as a starting-point for future labors.

It may be mentioned, that a considerable portion of this Statement was ready for press early in January. The delay that has since occurred was occasioned by some discrepancies in reports of Produce received by Grand Trunk Railway, in course of last year. A careful revision of receipts of Flour, Grain, &c., for 1863, instituted by the Managing Director, showed that the totals were greater than those obtained by adding up the daily returns; in the columns of receipts by that Railway, therefore, the corrected totals are given,—the figures for the different weeks being approximates. Could corrected *weekly* returns have been furnished in time, on labor would have been spared to make the requisite alterations.

It may also be stated, that the total receipts of Produce by Lachine Canal, in this Report, differ slightly from the official figures. The quantities given here by weeks were carefully collated day by day throughout the season.

STORAGE CAPACITY IN MONTREAL.

	WHEAT. Bush.	FLOUR. Brls.		WHEAT. Bush.	FLOUR. Brls.
Ira Gould & Sons	250,000	20,000	T. & D. Brown .....	....	30,000
Grant, Hall & Co.	200,000	15,000	W. W. McClellan .....	....	10,000
J. McDougall	150,000	8,000	William McGibbon ...	....	9,000
Jas. Holiday & Bro.	150,000	120,000	Black & Bonner.....	....	4,000
McDonald & Co.	30,000	20,000	J. McDougall .....	....	4,000
Jas. Harvey	80,000	3,000	Glassford, Jones & Co. .	....	2,000
J. F. McCuaig	40,000	20,000	W. Parkyn, Cote St. Paul	100,000	3,000
Henry Robertson	8,000	1,600	Janes, Oliver & Co. ...	....	28,000
Jacques, Tracy & Co. ...	....	25,000	Hon. J. Young's Stores.	108,000	42,000
D. Murray & Co. ....	....	14,000	Other Stores .....	....	20,000
A. & D. Ferguson .....	....	10,000	Canal Sheds .....	....	27,000
T. M. Bryson .....	....	17,000	Floating Storage	100,000	....
Gillespie & Co. ....	....	12,000			
			TOTALS	1,216,000	464,600