

## MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET

Akin & Kirkpatrick.  
Cameron & Ross.  
Converse, Colson & Lamb.  
Crawford, James.  
Dehnbolm, George.  
Duggall, John, & Co.  
Folinsgby & Williamson.  
Fuller, Thos., & Co.  
Hill, W. G., & Co.  
Robson, Thomas, & Co.

Kirkwood, Lymington & Co.  
Laidlaw, Middleton & Co.  
Laing, M.  
Leeming, Thomas & Co.  
Morrice, D., & Co.  
Nivin, Wm., & Co.  
Raphael, Thomas W.  
Sauvageau & Co.  
Sinclair, Jack & Co.  
Stewart, W. W.

We have no improvement to note in the general operations of the week. Flour continues to arrive in excess and prices have further declined. Grain has engaged less attention, and few sales of any kind can be noted. Provisions are generally flat and transactions mostly of a retail character. Ashes have been moderately active, and Pots have somewhat improved closing more quiet however as British advices have not sustained general expectations; first Pearls are wanted but inferiors are rather neglected.

**FLOUR**—Receipts though on a somewhat diminished scale have been large for the season and much in excess of expectations, and with no demand to materially affect accumulations prices have suffered a still further decline. The higher grades continuing to be neglected some sales in the course of the week were forced at many shillings below previous recognised figures. Bare Extra has been sold at \$6.00 and the better samples as opportunity has afforded at rates ranging up to \$6.50. Some round parcels of super. are reported to have changed hands but mostly on private terms. The sales transpiring are mostly of single hundreds and broken lots for local use, and the range for old ground and ordinary to fresh and strictly strong and good is \$6.50 to \$6; only a few of the more favorite brands commanding any approach to outside figures. No 2 and Fine are in small supply and the better samples maintain a high relative value. The lower grades are in excess and quite neglected. **BAGS**—Are in full supply and a dragging sale, nothing but really good engaging attention at all; the range at the close is \$3 to \$3.20 with urgent sellers and a tendency to a still further decline.

**OATMEAL**—Is dull, and to effect sales lower rates have to be accepted. There is now little export demand, late British advices being discouraging.

**WHEAT**—A few unimportant sales of U. C. Spring are noted at \$1.20 to \$1.22½ but these rates are now above the views of buyers.

**PEASE**—There are few sales on which to base quotations; prices are weak and tend downward.

**OATS**—Sales during the week have been at somewhat irregular rates varying from 35 to 38; 36 to 38 may however be given as the range, the market showing little animation towards the close.

**PORK, LARD AND CUT MEATS**—Continue in retail demand at unchanged prices. British advices are of dull and drooping markets with forced sales at low prices, which together with a shipment of some 1200 boxes Bacon back to New York had however in a measure reduced the pressure to sell.

**BUTTER**—Some few shipping parcels have changed hands at about 17c. which may be regarded as the market value of good average parcels arriving in good condition. The British markets are dull and declining and offer but little encouragement to operators here who are consequently acting with great caution. All accounts agree that there will be an unusually large stock of Butter to find a market this fall and in the absence of any probable U. S. demand prices on this side must be ruled by the British quotations which require a lower range than at present is current.

**ASHES**—Pots advanced during the early part of the week but close dull and weak, the British market not having gone up as was anticipated. Receipts fall very considerably short of last year's but whether that will have any effect upon prices remains yet to be seen.

**PEARLS**—First sorts are in demand at steady prices. Seconds are dull and not enquired for.

## Asbestos.

A correspondent of an Australian paper, the *Orange Guardian*, writes as follows:

'Some 22 years ago I recognised the asbestos, or amianthus rock, in this district, and since then I have from time to time exposed portions of the stone to atmospheric influence, and the result has always been a perfect change of the stone into asbestos, or into a substance closely resembling the finest staple wool, only something stronger, and, if possible, whiter in appearance. I have sometimes obtained it six inches in length, have combed it out, and found it soft and pliant as any silk. This substance, as no doubt you are aware, is inconsumable by fire. The stone may be brought into the state of asbestos in a very short time. I have been employed sinking a well of late, and some days I got as much of this mineral as would make a suit of

clothes. I can show the stone here in all its stages, from stone itself to the asbestos states. Should asbestos ever come into general use, it will, in some measure no doubt, from its incombustible nature, supersede the evils of crinoline. Besides this great advantage, it will also set aside the vexatious expense and use of soap and water, for all a lady will have to do when she unrobes herself, will be to pitch her articles of apparel into a glowing fire, and when they have become as white as a snowflake she may resume them at her pleasure. Perhaps you may deem some parts of the foregoing rather extravagant; but, nevertheless, I really believe that by proper appliances the amianthus may yet become a source of revenue, and I, therefore, recommend the thing to your attention.'

## STOCK MARKET.

	Closing prices.	Last Week's Prices.
Bank of Montreal, . . . . .	116½	115½
Ontario Bank, . . . . .	101½	101½
Bank of B. N. A., . . . . .	98½	99½
City Bank, . . . . .	100½	99½
Commercial Bank, . . . . .	77½	76½
Bank of Upper Canada, . . . . .	19½	19½
Banque du Peuple, . . . . .	106½	105½
Molson's Bank, . . . . .	112½	112½
Bank of Toronto, . . . . .	103½	103½
Banque Jacques Cartier, . . . . .	105½	104½
Merchants Bank, . . . . .	106½	104½
Union Bank, . . . . .	99½	99½
Gore Bank, . . . . .	99	99
Eastern Townships Bank, . . . . .	95	95
Mechanics Bank, . . . . .	99½	99
Royal Canadian Bank, . . . . .	99	99½
Montreal Telegraph Co., . . . . .	Books closed.	Books closed.
Richelleu Navigation Co., . . . . .	122	122
City Passenger R. B. Co., . . . . .	79	74½
Government Debentures, 5 p. c., . . . . .	94½	94½
Montreal Harbour Bonds, 7 p. c., . . . . .	96	96
Montreal Corporation Bonds, . . . . .	88½	88½

## GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY OF CANADA.

(Including the Receipts of Montreal & Champlain and Buffalo & Lake Huron Railways.)

RETURN OF TRAFFIC, Week ending Aug. 4th, 1886:—  
Passengers.....\$46,828  
Express Freight, Mails and Sundries 4,900  
Freight and Live Stock.....76,368

Total.....\$128,091

Corresponding Week, 1885.....127,067

Increase.....\$1,024

## GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.

TRAFFIC for the week ending 3rd Aug., 1886.

Passengers.....\$30,104 11  
Freight and Live Stock.....\$21,720 34  
Mails and Sundries.....\$2,189 60

\$53,983 95

Corresponding Week of last year.....\$57,874 73

Decrease.....\$3,910 78

## BY JOHN LEEMING &amp; CO.

GENERAL GROCERIES,  
LIQUORS, WINES, TEAS, &c.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 15th August,

AT THE STORES OF

MESSRS. THOMPSON, MURRAY & CO.,

St. Sacrament Street,

WILL BE OFFERED,

A GENERAL ASSORTMENT

OF

FRESH TEAS,

LIQUORS, WINES,

AND

GENERAL GROCERIES.

Particulars of which will be given hereafter.

Sale at ELEVEN o'clock.

JOHN LEEMING & CO.,

1-30

Auctioneers.

JOHN ANDERSON & CO.,

COMMISSION AND SHIPPING MERCHANTS,

MONTREAL AND QUEBEC.

29-3m

FOR KINGSTON, TORONTO, HAMILTON AND

INTERMEDIATE PORTS.

THE Steamer "AVON," MOAT, Master,  
will leave for the above Ports to-morrow, SATURDAY evening, 11th instant

JAQUES, TRACY & CO.

Montreal, 10th August.

17-6m

C. DORWIN & CO.,

BANKERS AND EXCHANGE BROKERS,

46-ly 36 St. Francois Xavier st., Montreal

JOHN B. GOODE,

WHOLESALE IMPORTER

Small Wares, Cutlery, Fancy Goods, &c.,  
No. 57, St. Sulpice Street, Montreal.

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The subscribers are prepared to supply the best Refined Petroleum, in lots to suit purchasers, at the lowest market rates,

ALFRED SAVAGE & SON,

No. 1 Corn Exchange.

August 3, 1886.

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## PRINTING HOUSE.

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They have now FIVE STEAM PRINTING besides other kinds of PRESSES, which enable them to strike off a very large number of impressions with the greatest despatch.

Any orders sent by mail from the country will be promptly attended to, and forwarded by mail or express.

They have the newest styles of type for hand-bills and posters.

They will give particular attention to the printing of LEGAL,

MUNICIPAL,

and ASSESSMENT FORMS,

Guaranteeing at once despatch and correctness.

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THE ONLY ONE OF THE KIND IN CANADA!

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NUMBERED CHEQUE BOOKS,

perforated to tear off the Cheques as required, the sidealips being numbered to correspond with

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PROMISSORY NOTES,

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STEAMBOAT TICKETS,

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&c., &c.

Remittances from the country in duly registered letters will be at our risk.

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