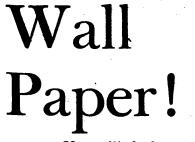
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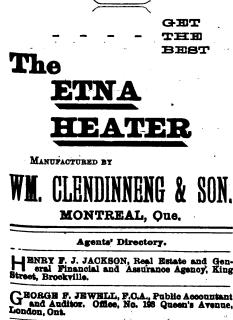
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-The Parrsboro, N. S., Leader says: The deals and scantling shipped from the port of Parrsboro this season made up the handsome total of 40,593,496 superficial feet. The carrying of this lumber employed 39 vessels aggregating 44,426 tons. Mr. George McKean shipped 25,298,105 feet in 27 vessels aggregating 29,103 tons, and 15,495,301 feet were shipped by Mr. W. Maloolm McKay, employing twelve vessels aggregating 16,323 tons. The shipments from the port in 1893 are larger by about eight million feet than in any previous year.

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

Dec. 27th, 1893.

ASHES.—Very little has been doing since last report, and values quoted a week ago will stand to-day. Receipts for the whole week have only been 15 to 20 bris, and the stock of pots in store at date will not much exceed 40 bris, all told.

BOOTS AND SHORS.—Manufacturers in this line of trade continue to report good orders for spring makes of foot-wear, but affairs in the factories are dull, many operatives being away holiday-making.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—The butter market shows a firmness of tone, stocks being light. We guote creamery 23 to 23 to 23 to:; Townships dairy, 21 to 22c.; Western, 19 to 20c. per lb. In cheese there is a quiet but firm market, it being held that stocks will all be wanted before the next season begins. We quote inest Western 11 to 11 to., finest Quebec 10 to to 11c. per lb. Fresh eggs are in active demand at 22c., ordinary stock 17 to 18c., limed 16 to 17c. per dozen.

FURS.—The offerings of raw furs are light, and indeed are yearly growing slimmer in this market. New York houses have been canvassing the Canadian collectors and trappers very actively, with the result that a considerable proportion of the catch is now being diverted to that market. We quote for average prime skins:— Beaver, \$8 to \$4; bear, \$8 to 14; cub, \$8 to 5; fisher, \$2 to 4; red for, 750. to \$1.25; lynx, \$1.50 to \$2.50; marken, 500. to \$1; mink, 750. to \$1.60; musk rat, winter, 12 to 150.; otter \$8 to 12; coon, 25, 50 and 750.; skunk, 25, 50 and 750.

GROCERIES.—A few country orders are coming to hand, but the aggregate of business is quite light, and a good many travellers think it useless to start out till after the turn of the year. In the local jobbing trade we find a lowness of supplies in a good many quarters, and it is calculated that there will be some fair transactions go through after the holiday season is over. The balance of a large lot of 1892 Japan teas, some 1,500 to 1,600 packages, held here for some time on New York account, have been sold since last writing at satisfactory prices it is stated. This is about the only outside block of teas of any size that has been held here. Sugars are just about as they were, granulated being quoted at 4 7-16c. at the refinery, yellows from 3§ to 4c. per lb. Canned vegetables remain very dull, with Western packers reported as generally holding



for better figures. Dried fruits are quiet at former quotations. New Bosnian prunes are expected in course of a week or so.

LEATHER.—Matters are quiet at the shoe factories, and trading in leather is very light. A sale of 15,000 sides of sole leather is reported to a British house since last writing, which will reduce the stock here very considerably. A St. Hyacinthe tanner reports late account sales of splits shipped to England, which show fairly satisfactory prices. Local prices are without change. We quote:—Spanish sole B. A. No. 1, 19 to 22c.; do. No. 2 to B. A., 17 to 190.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 18 to 20c.; No. 2, 16 to 17c.; No. 1, slaughter, 19 to 22c.; No. 2 do., 18 to 190.; American oak sole, 39 to 480.; waxed upper, light and medium, 24 to 260.; ditto, heavy, 20 to 24c., grained, 24 to 260.; do., smail, 12 to 14c.; calf-splits, 27 to 30c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 23 to 27c.; Canadian, 20 to 28c.; colored pebbled cow, 12 to 184c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 400.; harnees, 18 to 25c.; buffed cow, 11 to 18c.; extra heavy buff, 14 to 18c.; glove grain, 10 to 18c.; rongh, 16 to 18c.; russet and bridle. 40 to 50c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—Matters could not well be duller in the metal market, and there is no buying reported of even small lots. Warrants are again oabled at 43s. 10d., with no obange of moment in makers' prices, and local quotations are just as before. It is stated that the Canadian rolling mills are arranging for a longer shut down than usual this winter, probably extending to a period of six weeks. We quote: Coltness pig iron, \$20; Calder, No. 1, \$19.00; Calder, No. 3, \$18.00; Summerlee, \$19.00 to 19.50; Eglinton, \$18.00; Gartsherrie, \$19.00; Langloan, \$20; Carnbroe, \$17.50 to 18; Shotts, none here; Middlesboro, No. 8, none here; Siemens' pig No. 1, \$17.00 to \$17.50; Ferrona, No. 1, \$16.75 to \$17.50; machinery sorap, \$14 to 15; common do., \$8 to \$11; bar iron, \$1.95 for Canadian; car lots, \$1.90; British, \$2.25; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5.25; Canada Plates—Blaina, or Garth, \$2.40; tin plates—Bradley charocal, \$5.25 to 5.50; oharocal. I. C., \$3.50 to 3.75; P.D. Crown, \$4; do. I.X., \$4.75 to 5; ooks vosters, \$8.00; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 42 to 50; Morewood, 6 to 64.0; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6 to 64.0; No. 26, \$2.60 is No. 24, \$2.60 to 3.25; Coke wasters, \$8.00; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 42 to 50; Morewood, 6 to 64.0; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6 to 64.0; so: itinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6 to 64.0; so: itinned sheets iron, \$2.30 to 2.35. Common sheet iron, \$2.60 to 8.00; aheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$4.60 to \$4.75; American do., \$4.60 to \$4.75; sheigh shoe, \$2.40; ordinary brands, 42 to 50.; it is sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, the for the sheet iron \$2.55; coke wasters, \$2.00; ditto, 8-sixteenths inch, \$2.60; common tank iron, \$1.65 to \$1.85; heads, \$8.00 to 3.25; Russian sheet iron, 104 to 110.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$2.80 to 3.00; aheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$4.60 to \$4.75; American do., \$4.60 to \$4.75. Antimony 104 to 120; is high shoe, \$2.40; round machinery steel, \$3; ingot tin, \$0 to \$20; the tin, \$5.25; spelter, \$4.60 to \$4.75; American do., \$4.