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THE TRADE REVIEW.

# MONTREAL, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1865.

THE BOTHWELL OIL WELLS!

ONLY those who have been at Bothwell recently can properly understand the activity in Oil boring in that quarter. The constant stream of speculators, interested shareholders and mere visitors, makes the little village present all the appearances of a fair, every day of the week. Some idea of the number of wells going down may be gathered from the fact that the Great Western Railway has already delivered about 130 steam engines at Bothwell Station! On the Pepper farm alone between forty and fifty wells are in progress. It is calculated that in the Enniskillen & Bothwell regions, from \$2,000,000 to \$2,500,000 have already been spent in lands, labour, machinery, &c. The present produce of all the wells in operation, average about five thousand barrols per month, or sixty thousand per annum. If even twenty-five per cent of the wells now boring prove successful, this quantity must soon be very largely increased. The following are the wells near Bothwell now in operation, and an approximation to the quantity each is yielding daily : The Lester Well; one hundred and twenty-five barrels.

"Pepper " twenty-five

" Wood	"	thirty	"
" Goos	"	twelve	"
" Prince	"	twelve	
" Company	"	six	**
" Reid	"	three	"
" Maple	"	thirty '	••

The "Lick," the "Victoria," and other good wells are undergoing repairs, therefore their returns are not given above, and it is only proper to add that several of the above wells-from various causes-are not pumping at present to their full capacity. The number of wells which have struck Oil, but are not deep enough yet to secure it in paying quantities, is considerable, and is constantly receiving additions. The Oil men are now agitating for a branch Railway through the Oil region, and it is to be hoped that the directors of the Grand Trunk or Great Western will see their way to carry out so desirable a project.

#### Stock Market.

There has been a limited amount of business done this week. The holidays, and destruction of the Merchants Exchange together with the close of the year, have prevented operations. Sales of Ontario Bank are reported at 101. City Bank at 1001, and La Banque du Peuple at 1031. Bonds and Debentures are quite neglected.

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#### ILLIBERAL AND UNJUST.

WE have waited to see if the American Govern-ment would not act at a set ment would not set aside the instructions given to the American Consul in this City, by Mr. Carlyle, special Agent of the Treasury department, with regard to the duties to be levied upon goods purchased in Canada and passing across the lines. Up to this time, however, we believe Mr. Carlyle's "order" has not been interfered with. It seems to be quite contrary to the Bonding Act, and the Act of last Session of Congress upon which it is proposed to be based, scarcely affords a pretext for its promulgation. It looks like a premeditated act of hostility to our commercial interests. That our Importers have sold pretty largely to Western merchants seems to have excited the jealousy of the powers that be, and therefore, the expedient is adopted of double invoices, and levying duty upon the duties we impose as well as the cost of the goods laid down in Canada, to kill off the trade, or at least make it much less profitable. This seems the only reasonable explanation of this " order" of the Treasury Department's agent, but we would even yet hope that it will be set aside by the Washington authorities. If no action is taken, we think our Government should remonstrate through SIR FREDERICK BRUCE, Her Majesty's representative at Washington, for we think there can be little doubt that it violates the spirit of the Commercial regulations existing between us. It pears the impress of being so hostile to our Mercantile interests—so illiberal and unjust that we trust that it may yet appear that Mr. Carlyle has acted without sufficient authority.

# GOOD SENSE FOR ONCE!

THE resignation of the Hon. GEORGE BROWN on the Reciprocity question has excited great surprise throughout the province, and much curiosity has been evinced, and not a little ingenuity displayed in trying to ferret out his exact position and that of his late colleagues. For our own part, we give the Government and Mr. BROWN credit for much good sense in withholding from the public the cause of difference. Explanations would be sure to give rise to discussion, and in the present critical state of the Reciprocity question, this would be highly impolitic. The policy which the Executive Council has adopted regarding Reciprocity is doubtless considered very objectionable by Mr. BROWN, or he would not have resigned : but whatever it may be, it would never do to make the differences public just on the eve of a deputation proceeding to Washington on the question.

-Mr. G. Baptist, of Three-Rivers, has shipped from that port during the past season seventy-cargoes sawn lumber, chiefly to the United States; and nine car-goes for England, the whole amounting to 10,848,000 leet, worth at the mills \$124,000.