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FINANCE & COMMER CE.

TRUE WITNESS OFFICE, Tuesday, December 23.

Financial. The local money market continues quiet, there being but little demand now at the banks for accommodation since the period of increased business activity has passed by. Good mercantile paper is still discounted at 7 to 8 per cent, the bulk of the business being done at the inside figure. Loans on collateral security are made at 5 to 6 per cent on call, and 6 to 7 on time. Rates for Sterling Exchange here are \$1.08! for 60-day bills between banks, and \$1.081 over the counter. Drafts on New York, 1-16 to premium.

The Directors of the Bank of British North half-year of 25s per share, being at the rate of 5 per cent per annum.

On the Stock Exchange, banking securities were weak, with values still tending downwards. Montreal sold down to 132, Merchants' down to 82, and City Gas fell to 110 this afternoon, 566 shares having been sold at that low rate. It is believed that this stock will fall about 25 per cent below par before a month hence.

nence.
—The return of traffic of the Midland Railway of Cavada, for the week ending 8th December, 1879, shows:—Passengers \$150 159; freight, \$145, 140; mails and sundry, \$24,176; total, \$361,765. For the corresponding period of last year it showed \$310,291, an increase of 51,274.

The traffic receipts of the Grand Trunk Railway for the week ending Saturday, the 13th inst., were:—

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1879. 1878. | Passengers, mails and express | \$13,069 | \$13,081 | Ereight and live stock | \$146,200 | \$15,861 | Total \$189,269 \$158,942

Increase for 24 weeks from 30th June.... \$341,477 The November Bank Statement. The general bank statement for November of banks doing business in Canada appears in the Canala Gazette of Saturday last. The circulation shows a decrease of \$1,444,782, which was to be expected after the usual issue of currency in the month of November to move the crops. returns to the Banks. Between the 31st July and 31st October, the expansion of currency was \$5,000,000, an increase of \$1,000,000 over that of last year in the corresponding period. Notwithstanding that the outstanding bills of the Consolidated and Mechanics' Banks do culation is larger than at this time last year. This is easily accounted for by the increased activity in trade this year. The net reduction in descounts is about \$4,000,000, \$10,000,000 less than a year ago. This reduction of liabilities is gratiand goes to show that old debts have been raid off instead of new ones being incurred. The public deposits were increased during November \$1,452,000, a considerable portion of which will be farmers' deposits of the proceeds of the sale of grain. The amount due to banks in the United Kingdom has been reduced \$405,805, and the amount due from these has increased \$1,360,672, making a net gain on this account of \$1,766,477. The specie and Dominion note reserve ac counts have been strengthened, the former showing an increase of \$868,799, and the latter an increase of \$274,540; this gain has been made by the realization of notes and cheques on other banks, which show a reduction of \$837,510, and by the settlement of balances due from other banks in Canada, which have been decreased \$274,282. The detailed returns of the Bank of Montreal, which we publish elsewhere, holidays. show an important change, which we foreshadowed in our report of the downfall of bank stocks on Saturday. The blank in the October return under the heading "Other assets" has been filled up with the amount of \$1,733,245.43; this sum, we are told at the bank, represents assets heretofore included under "Discounts," such as advances on produce and on shares other than bank shares, and is now transferred because of the doubts to which recent proceedings in the Courts and discussion though the press have given rise. be quite inadequate for the classification of accounts, and until it is revised bank managers

Business Troubles..

could have been pursued.

-A writ of attachment has been issued against J. N. Goudey, of Yarmouth, N.S. Isaac Levy et al. has attached Cyprien Robert, trader, for \$268.50. J. Taylor, assig-

deem it best to lump advances such as the

above named under the heading "other

assets." Nevertheless it seems necessary

that further explanations should be made

regarding the changes in Montreal Bank

statement, for there are those of its patronage

who cannot so easily reconcile the changes as

to conclude that the accounts of the bank are

in no way affected thereby. On the contrary

they assert that the bank has, in proportion to

the business done, made as many bad debts

as other leading institutions of the kind, and even in the face of the statement

now before us, it is believed by many of our

leading commercial men that the bank can-

not earn a 10 per cent. dividend as now de-

clared, and that it will, therefore, be

impossible to pay that rate. Every con-

fidence is reposed in Mr. Smithers, the new manager, who will doubtless pursue a most conservative policy, and it is

believed that he will find it necessary to cut

down valuations considerably, upon his well-

known system of estimating the assets at

"hard-pan," or for just what they are worth.

This course will undoubtedly tend to depre-

ciate the value of the stock in the meantime,

but in the ultimate interests of the bank it

will be found to have been the wisest that

-Mr. C. O. Perrault has been appointed assignee to the estate of Fellx Cadotte, of St. Jean Baptiste Village.

L. J. Lafaire has attached Jos. Quintin dit Dubois, contractor, of Cote St. Louis, for \$308.53. F. X. Cochue, assignee.

A writ of attachment was issued yesterday at the instance of John Bayley against Henry Baylis, oil manufacturer, for \$370. J. M. M.

-Mr. L. Jos. Lujoie has been appointed assignee to the estate of Hector Le Blanc, wholesale grocer, and to Joseph Dupre, forwarder, both of this city. -Messrs. Cossit & Son, agricultural imple-

ment manufacturers, of Guelph, have made an assignment. A meeting of their creditors is called for Friday, 26th inst. A writ of attachment has been issued

against Timothe Bayard for \$205, at the instance of George T. Desjardins. A. Bourbonniere, assignee. A writ of attachment has been issued against

Owen Smith, at the instance of the Irish Mutual Building Society of Montreal, for \$413.12. John Taylor, assignee. —A statement submitted by Mr. R. J. Ritchie, insolvent, of St. John, N.B., showed his liabilities to be \$7,354.04. The assets are:—Stock to the value of \$1,960.60,

and book debts to the extent of \$6,350.91, besides horses and household furniture. Mr. John Horsman, a reputable bardware merchant, of Guelph, has become involved in financial difficulties, which must ultimately culminate in an assignment. His liabilities are about \$50,000, of which \$23,000 is direct. He possesses valuable stock and a settlement

will probably be arrived at.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

Monday Evening, Dec. 22.

The wholesale trade of this city has lapsed into the state of quietude usual at this period of the year, immediately prior to the Christmas holidays. Nearly all branches of com-America announce a dividend for the current merce are inactive, so far as relates to the wholesale departments, and the majority of our wholesale merchants are still busy at stock-taking, and reviewing the business of the year, preparatory to closing their books on the 31st inst. Attention is chiefly directed to the retail trade of the city just now, and nearly all leading houses are doing a rushing business in the various kinds of holiday goods. While the volume of general business has fallen off, there is still noticeable, however, a steady confidence in the future, which has been such a help to the trade of the country during the past six months. Remittances continue to be reported fair, and altogether the outlook for the New Year's trade is favorable.

The local flour and grain markets remain quiet but steady. Spring Extra sold here today at \$6.10 and Strong Bakers' at \$6.50.
The following are the city wholesale prices for

flour:-	_	
Superior Extra	\$6 25 0	6 35
Extra Superfine	6 10	6 20
Fancy	0 00 0	0 00
Spring Extra, new ground		6 20
Superfine	5 GO 💋	5 75
Strong Bakers		6 50
Fine		5 40
Middlings	0 00 💋	0 00
Pollards	0 00 🕖	3 30
Ontario Bags		3 05
City Bags (delivered)	3 25 🕖	3 30
Qatmeal, Ontario	4 70 @	4 75
Cornmeal		3 00

In dry goods, business during the week has been almost entirely confined to filling small sorting-up orders; dealers have not yet completed stock-taking, and not much will be done until the spring trade commences. There has been a decline in the value of raw cotton of 1c, but prices not now appear in the returns the bank cir. for manufactured goods are reported steady. An improvement in remittances is expected, now that there is good sleighing in the country districts.
In iron and hardware there is not much

and the total amount of paper under discount | change to note. There has been a further is about \$5,000,000 less than in last June, rembering the amount which then appeared for the Consolidated Bank; it is also about \$100 lbs will soon take place here. Stocks here are unusually light, and it is almost certain that prices will soon have to be revised. There is a fair demand for pig iron at unchanged quotations, and home manufacturers find difficulty in meeting it.

The wholesale trade in groceries has been light, confined to filling small orders of gene ral lines. Sugars are easy at the prices quoted last week, with the tendency downward, if anything. Teas remain quiet and unchanged. Fruit has been in fair request, at rather firmer figures, but no quotable changes are reported. Rice, syrups, and spices steady and unchanged.

In leather, the market is steady with values firm and likely to advance in a short time. Hemlock slaughter has been sold at 31c; B.A. sole is in light supply. In boots and shoes a quiet sorting-up trade continues to be done, and although a few travellers are starting out with some spring samples, no change in prices need be looked for until after the

Prices for raw furs seem to indicate a tendency downwards, and all holders would do well to market them now. Our last week's figures are unchanged, as yet.

Green hides from butchers continue in good demand at \$9.50, \$8.50 and \$7.50 respectively for Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and tanners are wanting salted hides at \$10.50 for No. 1, sales having been made at both these prices. Sheepskins are quoted at \$1.10 to 1.30 The wool market here remains firm each. for all kinds. Greasy Cape cannot be bought now at under 22c. Prices for domestic wools The Parliamentray Blank "return" is said to are rather unsettled, but are decidedly in sellers' favor.

Advices from Petrolia state that the crude market has kept very firm during the week. \$5.70 per cwt. Lambs—130 head, averaging Prices have been fully sustained, and the \$2 lbs each, at 6 c per lb; 57 do, 73 lbs, at figure of \$1.60 has been paid; \$1.58 to \$1.60
may be regarded as the correct average quotation. Refined very firm. As the cheap summer contracts and stocks are being to \$6.90. These foot up 417 sheep and worked off, the demand at current quotations is increasing.

THE FARMERS' MARKETS. Bonsecours and St. Ann's—Prices at Farmers' Waggons, etc.

Business was generally very brisk at these markets to-day. The farmers seemed to have turned out en masse, and Jacques Cartier Square and Bonscours market were everywhere crowded with sleighs loaded with almost every kind of produce peculiar to the present season. Buyers, chiefly housekeepers, were rushing to and fro, and were as thick as bees in a hive. The only exception to the busy scene apparently was the vegetable market on the south side of the building, where there appeared to be but little doing. The largest business, perhaps, was done in dressed pouliry, which was to be seen lying around in almost every nook and corner. Fresh butter and eggs were very scarce, indeed, and were only to be had in small lots at our high quotations. As regards prices generally, we see no cause, after making full enquiries, for any essential changes to be made in our list. In vegetables we notice a rarity this scason offered by retailers, viz: American lettuce at \$1.20 per doz bunches. There is another arrival of Valencia oranges reported, but prices remain as quoted before FRIDAY, December 19.

bushel; turnips, 50c per bag and 25c to 40c per bushel; celery, 25c to 30c per dozen; cabbage, 15c to 30c per dozen; cabbage, 15c to 30c per dozen, or 4c per head; American lettuce, \$1.20 per dozen heads; artichokes, 75c per bushel.

FRUIT.—Apples, \$2.00 to 3.50 per barrel; lemont. 25c to 30c per dozen, or 57.00 to \$9.00 per case; Valencia oranges, \$7 per case or 25c per doz; cranberries, \$9 per barrel, or 40c per gallon; California winter pears at \$4.00 per box; grapes, Malaga, \$7.50 per keg of 50 lbs.

GRAIN, ETC.—Outs, 70c to 75c per hag; buckwheat, 45c to 50c per bushel; peas, 80c to 85c per bushel; soup peas, 90c to 31.00 per bushel; barley, 60c to 65c per bushel; bran, 70c percwt.; cornmeal, \$1.20 to 1.25 per bag; Corn, 80c per bush; Canadian corn, \$1.20; moulie, \$1.00 to 1.20 per bag; buckwheat flour, \$1.80 to \$2.00 per cwt; oatmeal, \$2.50 to 2.60 per bag.

FARM PRODUCE.—Butter—Prints, 25c to 30c per lb; lump, 60c to 60c per lb; Eastern Townships, tub, 20c to 22c. Fresh eggs, 25c to 30c per dozen; packed do. 18c to 20c. Flue cheese, 12c to 12;c per lb; ordinary, 10c to 11c. Maple sugar, 8c to 8c per lb.; land, 9c to 10c.

170 ULTRY AND GAME.—Turkeys, \$1.25 to \$2.00 per pair; geese, \$1.00 to \$1.75 per pair; chickens 30c to 75c per pair: qualis, \$3 per dozen; prairie hens, 60c to 75c per pair; qualis, \$3 per dozen; prairie hens, 60c to 75c per pair; black ducks, 60c to 75c per brace; hares, 18c to 25c per pair.

MEAT.—Beef-Roast beef (trimmed), 10c to 12c; sirloin steaks, 12c to 15c; mutton, 8c to 10c; veal; 8c to 10c; ham, 10c to 13c; breas hack ducks, 60c to 75c per brace; 12c to 15c; fresh sausages, 9c to 12c; Bologna sausages, 12c to 15c; dressed hogs, \$8.00 to 6.75 per 100 pounds. Dressed beef, fore-quarters, \$3.50 to 1.010; hind-quarters, \$4.50 to 6; venison, 8c to 15c; bass and dorey. 40c to 50c per bunch; olivet,

16-10; find-quariers, \$4.50 to , venison, of the figure ib.

FISTL—Haddock, 6c; codfish, 6c; mackerel, 12ic; bassand dorey. 40c to 50c per bunch; olivet, 12ic per lb; lobsters, 10c do; perch, 10c to 30c per bunch; rock bass, 15c per bunch; smoked eels, 25c to 40c per couple.

THE CATTLE MARKETS. St. Gabriel.

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The very stormy weather of to-day proved a hindrance to business on the local cattle markets, and it is believed by some dealers that there will be a steady demand every day this week, as butchers did not all purchase their full supplies to-day. During the week ending yesterday, 21st inst., the reccipts of live stock at Point St. Charles have been 38 cars cattle, 2 cars logs, 1 car sheep, and 1 carload of horses.

At St. Gabriel market this morning the offerings comprised 7 carloads of cattle, and 1 do of logs. The supply of Xmas beef was scarcely so large as at the corresponding season of last year, but the quality of the cattle on the whole was considered very fair. Some of the butchers had purchased their supplies last week, and secured rather better beef by so doing. Dealers were complaining to-day of the high rates now asked by farmers, who, it appears, are holding for extreme figures, under the impression that cattle will be worth more money in the spring when navigation is re-opened. It is reported that a farmer residing in Pickering Township, Ont., lately refused 8c perib for a few fat heifers, and refused 9c for an extra fine steer. Dealers represented to day by one carload of cattle each were:—Gurney & Co, and Wm Roberts, Lennoxville; P H Dardis, Morrisburg; D H Elliot, Kingston: W H Reid, Kingston; M Laporte, Mildmay; W Lattimer, Napanee; Walters & Hancock, Whitby, 1 car hogs. R J Hopper & Co bought a carload of cattle from W McLean at 4 cents, live weight; he sold three steers to Hugh Boyd for \$150, averaging \$50 cach, and two helfers to Joseph Lafrance for \$70. E Morgan bought Walters & Hancock's load of hegs at \$4.85. per 103 lbs live weight, 20 and the balance of his load tolocal butches at \$4.00 and the balance of his load tolocal butches at \$4.00 and the balance of his load tolocal butches to Great Britain. W. H. Reid sold out his load at \$4.00 cattle to a leading exporter, who was buying up first-class cattle at \$4.00 to the cattle to \$6.00 cattle to \$6.00 cattle from \$1.00 c

AT VIGER MARKET

to-day there was a good attendance of buyers, and the supply of cattle was very fair, comprising about 200 head, but the quality on the whole, was not as good as the offerings last week, and butchers were therefore unwilling to pay the prices asked in some instances, and were apparently buying only for supplying immediate wants. The demand was not nearly so good as on Thursday last, and some dealers expect that during this week there will be little or no cessation as in the past, but that business will be done in live stock almost every day in the week. Of the offerings of cattle, fully 150 head were driven down from St. Gabriel market by Western drovers; there were about 100 lambs under offer, but no calves or hogs. We quote cattle on this market to day at about 2c to 4|c per lb, live weight, and lambs sold at \$350 to 425 each; for a few choice qualities \$450 was asked, and perhaps paid in isolated cases. The reported sales to local butchers were:—P H Dardis, Morrisburg, 13 head out of 10 head head cattle, at from \$16 to 40 each; Mr Elliott, Kingston, 29 head out of a carload at \$50 each for 12 head, and at from \$18 to 35 for the remainder; Mr MacNamara, Brighton, part of a load at from \$15 to 52; Mr Beagron, from the Eastern Townships, 18 out of 46 head at from \$15 to 28 each; Louis Delorme, this city, 22 head out of 44 at \$23 each. Mr Wrn Roberts, Granby, also sold a carload to butchers at about last week's prices. AT VIGER MARKET

New York Cattle Market.

Trade in live stock on Monday, 15th inst., generally opened active in the forenoon, but tell off toward the close of business, not however, as to values, which were steady for all sorts of live stock, save milch cows, which declined in value, and for lambs, which had an upward tendency. At Sixtieth street yards horned cattle sold at 8c to 111c per lo., weights 61 to 121 cwt. At Harsimus Cove yards prices were 63c to 11c per lb, weights 41 to 101 cwt. From 55 to 60 lbs has been allowed net, general allowance 57 lbs. net, several poor herds being sold on live weight. Quality as above reported poor to choice. Milch cows held on sale. Grass-fed calves sold at 21c to 21c per lb. Meal-fed calves, 3c to 33c per lb. Veals, 6c per lb. Sheep sold at 4c to 6 c per lb. Lambs, The to 7 c per lb. Mixed flocks, 45c to 51c per lb. Bucks, 31c per lb. The flocks as above reported ranged from coarse to choice. Live hogs sold at \$4.80 to \$4.85 per cwt; city dressed opened dull at 6c to 6 c per lb. Canadian sheep and lambs continue to be sold on the American markets at high prices. On Monday business was effected in New York as high as 7c per lb for lambs, and \$5.70 per cwt for Canada sheep, the following being the sales as reported at the Sixtieth street yards :-Sheep-28 head, averaging 135 lbs, at 54c per lb; 124 do, 114 lbs, at 4gc.; 175 do, 127 to 151 lbs, at 5c; 90 do, 122 to 147 lbs, at \$5 to | for Jacksons, and 5s 3d to 5s 6d per cwt. for 82 lbs each, at 64c per lb; 57 do, 73 lbs, at 1,235 lambs.

Moutreal Hay Market.

Monday, Dec. 22. The receipts of hay and straw at the College street market during the past week have fallen off considerably, as the total, from all source, is reported to be only about 300 loads. The Longueuil ferry boat having stopped running, the offerings are expected to continue light until the river becomes frozen over. Considerable quantities of very fair hay have been brought to market during the last few days from St. Jerome, St. Rose, and other places north of the city. The demand having been less active, prices have eased off somewhat, and the highest prices paid for hay now is \$8.50 per 100 bundles, while the majority of sales are made at S5 to \$7 do. Straw continues to be a drug in the market, and prices range from \$1.50 to \$4 per 100 bundles. The offerings consist chiefly of short oat straw, which might answer for feed, but which is not suitable for bedding, for which it is wanted just now. The demand for pressed hay is reported light, and prices are quoted at \$8 to bunches. There is another arrival of Valencia connects reported, but prices remain as quoted before.

The following are the prices, corrected up to date:

VECETABLES.—Potatoes, 50c to 60c per bag; carrots, 25c to 40c per bushel; choice ontons, 31.75 to 2.00 per barrel, or 50c to 70c per bushel; parsnips, 50c per bushel; beets, 35c to 49c per are held at 35c per bushel of 32 lbs. \$10 per ton. Pressed straw quiet at \$5 to \$6 per ton. During the last couple of days bran has advanced to \$16 per ton, and oats for feed

Montreal Fuel Market.

WEDNESDAY, December 17. The demand for coal in this city has been less active during the past week, and prices remain unchanged, at the figures quoted for the various kinds in our last report. The receipts have been very small, confined to a few carloads shipped from Kingston to one or two firms here who had formerly purchased the coal in Oswego. So far as we have been able to ascertain there have been no arrivals yet of any of the several thousand tons of coal ice-bound in the Richelieu River; last week the excuse of dealers was the want of snow roads and more frost. Now that they have got both of these, they complain that the Grand Trunk Railway Company are too busy on other sections of the line to spare the cars necessary to convey it to the city. Consumers, who have back orders given some time last summer, not yet delivered, may expect the arrival of the coal here some time, but once the new year has turned without their being supplied they will save themselves considerable anxiety and trouble by relieving the dilatory dealers of their unfulfilled contracts. The motto,

"Blessed is the man that expecteth nothing, for he shall not be disappointed," seems very applicable in this matter. Among the sufferers from the great scarcity of coal here this season may be mentioned the City Corporation itself, which body, notwithstanding the different contracts they have made this season with dealers, are now reported to be very much short of their usual winter supply, and, from all accounts, stand a fair chance of losing considerably by their con-

In wood there is no change to note; the demand is only moderate and prices remain steady at the revised figures named in our last week's report.

last week's report.

COAL—Retail prices per ton, delivered for cash: Stove, \$7 to 750; chestmut, \$675 to 700; egg., \$700; furnace, \$700; Scotch grate (soft), \$550; Scotch steam, \$550; Sydney steam, \$450; 670; Sydney steam, \$450; long maple, \$450; long beech, \$450; long birch, \$450; long beech, \$450; short maple, three feet, \$550; short birch, three feet, \$500; short beech, three feet, \$450; short tamarac, \$2\$ to \$450; short hemlock, \$2\$ to \$450; \$500; \$5

Liverpool Provision Market.

CHEESE.—The demand this week has not been very brisk, but holders are firm at 64s to 67s for finest September makes. There is a continued strong enquiry for medium priced cheese at 45s to 5Gs, but the stock of such is quite exhausted, both of English and American manufacture. There is now scarcely any fine English cheese unsold, and the American cheese held here is in very few hands. We anticipate an improved demand for fine keeping qualities after Christmas and New Year, and at probably better prices. Total shipments from America this week, 39,500 boxes, of which 20,000 are shipped to London direct.

BUTTER.—Buyers are not numerous, and holders are free sellers at rather easier prices. We quote fine creamery 115s to 120s, and fine dairy at 100s to 110s per cwt. The weather continues very severe, and there is every indication of a hard winter here.- Holgson Bros. Circular, of Dec . 6th.

Onebec Lumber Trade.

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Messrs. J. Bell, Forsyth & Co.'s annual circular has the following reference to the lumber trade of Quebec:—

When we wrote our remarks for the annual circular just a year ago, we recommended in the strongest manner the manufacturer to curtail operations to the smallest limit, and fortunately for the trade, they have acted wisely. The supply of timber of all kinds has been reduced to less than half of what it was in 1878, and to almost one-third of the average supply of the past five years. This great reduction is now being felt, and will have a good effect on prices next season. All who were interested in the sale of timber in this market last spring will long remember it as one of the dullest on record, and at one time it seemed as if it should be impossible to work off the large stock on hand for sale. The shipping houses were, generally speaking, supplied for, owing to the overstocked markets in Great Britain and the falling off in the consumption caused by the great depression in trade, and also the competition in piten pine and other woods, the Quebec merchants had found it impossible to dispose of their stocks, and were not inclined to purchase except at ruinously low rates.

Commercial Items.

—According to the latest mail advices received from Eugland, the prices of poultry at the Central poultry market, London, were as follows:
—Turkeys, 6s to 15s each, as to size; chickens, 1s 6d to 2s each; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s 9d; geese, 5s 6d to 10s 6d each.

—More Morton Rose for Contract To

to 10s 6d each.

—Messrs. Morton, Rose & Co., of London, Eng., have invited tenders for Northern Railway of Canada 6 per cent. preference stock at not less than 60 per cent. of the par value for £150,000, to he employed in extinguishing the Company's floating debt.

—The total value of goods entered for consumption at Montreal during November last is \$1.823,143, against \$2,025,949 for the month of November, 1873, showing a decrease this year of \$197,848. The decrease is said to be in "free goods," those Hable to duty being \$155,613 more than in November last year, and \$155,613 more than in November last year, and this increase is principally under the head of manufactures, cotton goods, hardware and glassware being the principal items in which it occurs.

—E. Palmer, of Norwich, Ont., bought for -E. Palmer, of Norwich, Ont., bought for

the English market last week 1,000 turkers. -One million three hundred and fifteen thousand bushels of oats were shipped from Prince Edward Island this season.

-Part of the Canadian cargo of the Moravian, from Hatifax, consisted of five carloads of Canadian butter and five carloads of apples from Montreal. -At a recent meeting held there, it was

resolved to start a sugar refinery at Moncton, N.B. A Company is to be formed with a capital of \$200,000, in shares of \$100 each. -There were sales of Canadian and American potatoes in Liverpool, on December 4th, at 4s to 5s 6d per cwt. for Early Rose; 5s 3d

-The official returns give the following as the quantities of lumber wintering over at Quebec:—Square White Pine, 12,139,523 feet; Waney Pine, 2,217,888 feet; Red Pine, 1,669,395 feet; Oak, 1,149,200 feet; Elm, 331,536 feet; Pine Deals, 1,891,260 standard; Spruce Deals, 597,184 standard.

-The lobster canning industry of Prince Edward Island is rapidly increasing, the number of hands employed for the business this year having been increased by 500 girls. During the season of 1879 there have been put up 2,272,825 cans, against 1,649,800 cans last year, an increase of 623,025 cans.

-Prince Edward Island exported the following articles in one week from Summerside across the Strait to the railway terminus at Point du Chene:-195 bbls. potatoes, 515 bbls. oysters, 21 barrels oatmeal, 250 barrels mackerel, 380 cases eggs, 943 bushels barley, 12 tubs butter, 32 bales wool, 19 rolls leather, 41 bdls pelts, 1,450 sheep, 14 horses, 64 pkgs sundries.

-A leading Liverpool grain circular says: "The wheat trade throughout the country during the past week has been fairly steady, but inactive, more particularly at the agricultural markets—only a few of which, however, note a slight reduction. Floating cargoes were purchasable on rather easier terms, buyers holding off. At Liverpool since Tuesday transactions in wheat and corn have been of a retail character at barely Tuesday's prices. So little business was done at the Liverpool market this morning as to make it difficult

to state a price, but a reduction of a penny was necessary to effect very limited transactions. Flour was nominally unaltered, some descriptions finding tolerable sale. Corn sells

slowely at a penny decline." -Last week's circular of the Liverpool Cotton Brokers' Association says: "Cotton was in moderate demand in the early part of the week, and, with a pressure to sell, a decline was submitted to. On Wednesday the market became strong, and prices partially recovered. On Thursday the market was quieter, and quotations were generally lower. For American the market was dull and declining early in the week, with considerable pressure to sell, but on Wednesday there was a material re-

covery. There was a quieter feeling to-day (Thursday) and quotations were 3-16d below those of last Thursday. Sea Island was in very moderate demand, but prices were firm. Futures fluctuated severely, and were weak D. & J. SADLIER & CO'S STOCK until Tuesday evening, price declining a farthing. On Wednesday there was some excitement, with considerable business, and prices recovered 3-16d. On Thursday the market was flat, prices declining 3-32d to id, closing, however, firmer. The final rates show a decline of 5-32."

Palatable Medicines.

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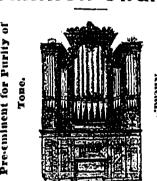
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