

## FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO.—Thamesville, Nov. 27.—Nelson's saw mill burned; loss \$2,500, insurance, \$1,000.  
 Wendigo, 30th.—Henry Harvey's dwelling; loss \$600, insurance \$500.—Strathroy, 29th.—Lamp exploded in Stringing's dry goods shop, loss \$500, insurance \$300.—Sarnia, 27th.—Steam ferry *Essex* gutted; loss \$1,500, covered.  
 St. Mary's, 27th.—Windsor Hotel stable, also Moore's stable, twenty tons hay, four horses, &c., burned; loss \$5,000, Sully insured \$500, Moore not at all.—Midland, Dec. 2.—Jno. Yates' fish warehouse; loss \$300, not insured.—Guelph, 3rd.—Alfred Pipe's barn on Elora road took fire, buildings worth \$3,000 destroyed, also 37 head Durham cattle valued at \$7,500, three horses, grain, hay and implements; loss in all probably \$12,000; partial insurance in Royal.—Thornbury, 3rd.—Carol's planing mill and S. Friend's blacksmith shop, both partly covered, Carroll loses \$2,500.—Rich's restaurant, Guest's grocery, Higgins' store, Smith's barber shop, all burned. Chorney, owner of block, has \$1,000 in Phoenix, Higgins \$1,000 in Lancashire, Guest \$1,500 in Royal, Rich, \$500 in Citizens.

## STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10, 1884.

STOCKS.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transactions in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Average Price like Date, 1883.
Montreal.....	187½	188½	54½	187½	188½	172½
" i.d.						
Ontario.....	106	106	33	105½		
Peoples.....	45	65	44	46	61	
Molson's.....	109	110	147	108	111	
Toronto.....	174½	174½	163	174	175	164
Jac. Cartier.....						
Merchants.....	108½	109½	276	108½	109½	
Commerce.....	120	121½	550	120	121	120½
Eastern Tps.....						
Union.....						
Hamilton.....						
Exchange.....						
Mon. Tel.....	114	116	611	114½	115½	
Dom. Tel.....						
Rich. & O.....	58	28	56½	58½	57	
City Pass.....	119½	121½	215	119	120	112
Gas.....	181½	182½	2239	181½	182½	171½
" i.d.						
R. C. Ins. Co.....						

## WOOD TRADE STATISTICS.

QUEBEC.—The following is a list of the principal shippers of timber and lumber from Quebec to the European markets up to end of November, together with the value of their respective exports during the season now closed:—R. R. D. Bell & Co., \$2,625,000; J. Burstall & Co., \$914,464; W. & J. Sharples, \$621,978; Smith, Wade & Co., \$473,520; Bryant, Powis & Bryant, \$306,165; McArthur Bros., \$289,673; Ross & Co., \$125,000; Wilson & Co., \$72,810; Henry Fry & Co., \$68,422; J. Lyon and Son, \$60,140; Price Bros. & Co., \$40,000; D. D. Calvin & Co., \$35,400; sundry, \$75,000; making a total of \$5,692,578. These shipments only embrace the exports from Quebec on which harbor dues have been paid. Some small quantities have been loaded at Cape Rouge and adjacent loading berths, but they have been insignificant.

OTTAWA.—The following is a statement of the lumber cut between Grenville and Ottawa for the season ending with November:—Hamilton Bros., Hawkesbury, 35,000,000 feet; W. C. Edwards & Co., Rockland, 40,000,000 feet; J. McLaren & Co., Buckingham, 17,000,000 feet; Ross Bros., Buckingham, 15,000,000 feet; Hillman's Mill, Rockcliffe, 3,500,000 feet; Gilmore & Co., Gatineau, 40,000,000 feet; J. McLaren & Co., Ottawa, 25,000,000 feet; W. McClymont & Co., New Edinburgh, 22,000,000 feet; Bronson & Weston, Ottawa, 60,000,000 feet; Perley & Pattee, Ottawa, 50,000,000 feet; Sherman, Lord & Hurdman, Hull, 40,000,000 feet; J. R. Booth, Ottawa, 60,000,000 feet, estate of Levi Young, 18,000,000 feet; E. B. Eddy, Hull and Nepean, 70,000,000 feet. Total, 495,500,000 feet.

THE NOVA SCOTIA LEAN.—It is understood that the Union Bank was the largest purchaser of the provincial debentures lately sold by the Nova Scotia government, the bank taking \$200,000. Other large purchasers were John Gibson and Henry G. Bauld, \$75,000; Daniel Cronan, \$50,000; R. W. Fraser, \$30,000. Considerable sums were taken by Messrs. Robie Uniecke, James D. McGregor (New Glasgow), and Col. W. B. Back, and there were several small purchasers.—Chronicle.

## Commercial.

## BRITISH MARKETS.

Messrs. Gillespie & Co's. Grain Market Report, dated Liverpool, 29th of Nov, 1884, says: Imports for the week are very small of wheat and Indian corn, but liberal of flour.

There is an improved tone generally in the market and a good consumers' business is passing in wheat at 2d. to 3d. per cental on the week advance. Flour is also dearer. I. corn very steady. Peas improved 1s. per 100 lbs. We quote as follows: Wheat, American and Canadian White, 6/8 to 6/10 per 100 lbs.; wheat, American and Canadian Red, 6/4 to 7/ per 100 lbs.; wheat, No. 2, spring, 6/5 to 6/6 per 100 lbs.; Flour, patents, 32/ to 34/ per 280 lbs.; flour, Canadian extras, 25/6 to 26/6 per 280 lbs.; I. corn, mixed American, 5/3 to 5/4 per 100 lbs.; peas, Canadian, 5/8 to 5/9 per 100 lbs.; oats, Canadian, 6/3 to 6/6 per 100 lbs.; oatmeal, Canadian, 9/ to 9/6.

## MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Dec. 10th, 1884.

The excitement of the moment in commercial circles is the reported failure of Messrs. Tiffin Bros., wholesale grocers and West India merchants. The firm is one of the oldest in the line, and the name has always been looked upon as a tower of strength in the past. The failure has created a feeling of uneasiness in some quarters, as likely to be perhaps the precursor of others, but the failure has not been reflected in the stock market, and values remain firm, though no very active trading is being done. Last sales of Bank of Montreal shares were at 188; Molsons, 109; Commerce, 120½; Merchants, 109½; Canadian Pacific, 45; Montreal Telegraph, 116; Peoples, 45. The money market is altogether unchanged. General trade is again quieter if anything, and as a whole payments are not satisfactory. Travel in the country has been much interfered with by heavy rains, both trade and remittances seriously suffering thereby.

ASHES.—Receipts have been very light of late and the amount of trading being done is limited. The tone of the market is rather weak. Quotations are \$3.75 to \$3.80 for No. 1 pots; pearls nominally \$5, with no late transactions. No. 2 pots have sold within last few days at \$3.15.

DRY GOODS.—The weather, since last report, has not been favorable to the dry goods trade, having been very wet and unpleasant, and there is next to nothing doing in wholesale circles. It is now getting more seasonably cold, but both city and country trade must have been seriously interfered with by the heavy rains of last week. Commercial travellers out with prints and special lines, report only moderate business. Payment for this month so far have not been satisfactory, but there is a comparative absence of failures.

DRUGS.—Prices generally show little alteration, alum being the only heavy chemical in which we make a change, the price having stiffened. Prices of iodide potash, iodine &c. have been fixed by the combination, and not likely to go higher than prices we now quote. Trade quiet. We quote: Sal Soda \$1.10 per 100 lbs.; Bi-Carb. Soda, 2.50 to \$2.60; Soda Ash \$1.65 to \$1.75; Bichromate of Potash, per 100 lbs., \$8.50 to \$10; Borax refined, 11 to 12½c.; Cream Tartar crystals, 32 to 34c.; do ground 36c. to 38c.; Tartaric Acid crystals, 52½ to 55c.; do. powders 55 to 58c. per lb.; Caustic Soda, white, \$2.40 to 2.60; Sugar of Lead, 9 to 11c.; Bleaching Powder, \$2.50 to \$3.00 according to lot; Alum \$1.85 to \$2.00; Copperas, per 100 lbs., \$1.00; Ground Sulphur, \$2.75 to \$3.00; Flowers Sulphur, sublim per 100 lbs., \$3.00 to \$3.25; Roll Sulphur, \$2.40 to \$2.60; Sulphate of Copper, \$5.75 to \$3.50; Epsom Salts, \$1.25 to \$1.40; Salt, petre, \$9.00 to \$9.50; German Quinine, about \$1.10 to \$1.20; American do., \$1.20 to \$1.25; Howard, \$1.25 to \$1.35; Opium, \$4.25 to \$4.50; Morphia, \$2.20 to \$2.30; Gum Arabic, sort, 28 to 33c.; White, 40 to 55c.; Carbolic acid, 45 to 50c. Iodide Potassium, \$4.00 to \$4.25 per lb.; Iodine, \$5 to \$5.50; Iodoform, \$7.00 to \$7.50.

FLU.—Market decidedly dull, only sales of broken lots for local trade transpiring. Prices tend to weakness. We quote:—Superior Extra \$3.75 to \$3.80; Extra Superfine, \$3.60 to \$3.65; Fancy \$3.55; Spring Extra, \$3.50 to \$3.55; Superfine, \$3.35; Strong Bakers'

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