

to Brockville and Prescott, 25c. to Montreal and 20c. gold to Oswego and Ogdensburg. Apples are taken at 30c. per bbl. to Montreal. Railway rates are without change. Per G. W. Railway:—Flour, from Detroit to Toronto 35c. per bbl.; grain, 18c. per 100 lbs. From Sarnia, 30c. per bbl.; grain 15c. per 100 lbs. From the Suspension Bridge, 25c.; grain, 13c. By Grand Trunk to Liverpool and Glasgow no rates are named. Very little freight offering. A few car loads of butter have been taken for Liverpool as well as for Montreal. The following are the current rates of the Grand Trunk Railway: to Halifax 75c. for flour and 38c. for grain; to St. John 75c. flour, 38c. grain. The rates to railway stations are—Flour to Kingston, 25c.; grain 13c.; flour to Prescott, 30c.; grain, 15c.; flour to Montreal, 30c.; grain 18c.; flour to St. John, Quebec, 45c.; grain, 23c.; flour to Point Levi, 55c.; grain, 28c.; flour to Portland 75c.; grain, 38c.; flour to New York 75c.; grain 38c.; flour to Boston 80c. grain 40c. gold.

MONTREAL MARKET.

MONTREAL, Sept. 27.

The fall trade, so far, has progressed most satisfactorily, fully justifying the sanguine expectation entertained respecting it at the opening of the season. A good many had their fears that foreign goods had been purchased more freely than was wise, but the large healthy movement of the past month has dispelled all doubts on that score.

ASHES.—Receipts from 1st January to 22nd September were 11,448 bbls. pots and 1,649 bbls. pearls. Stock on the 23rd—pots 715 bbls.; pearls 355 bbls. There is scarcely any business doing; the market closes as follows: pots firmer; sales of firsts at \$5 80 to \$5 85; seconds \$4 10; thirds \$4 45; pearls dull; firsts \$6 75 to \$6 80.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The trade continues brisk with a good number of buyers in market. The firmness in leather has led to the expectation that prices will be higher, especially in view of the reduced stocks of goods. Mens' coarse boots sell at \$2 to \$2 50; boys' stogas at \$1 80 to \$2; youths' coarse boots \$1 50; womens' calf boots 95 to \$1 05.

COAL.—American Anthracite is a shade firmer, but quotations are not altered. Buyers of steam are holding back in anticipation of lower prices, and holders offer cargoes freely. Steam is quoted at \$5 25 to \$5 50; Welsh Anthracite at \$7 50 to \$7 75; Picton, \$4 25; Lehigh, \$7 75 to \$8 00.

DRY GOODS.—The imports of woollens for August were valued at \$1,085,571, and in August last year at \$694,092, showing an increase of \$399,471. The value of cottons was \$647,472, showing an increase of \$147,936 on last year. For the eight months of 1870, the increase in woollens was \$606,917, in cottons, \$320,815, and in silks, &c., \$170,315. The fact that these largely increased importations have not proved excessive, is the best illustration of the extent of the season's trade in this branch.

DRUGS, &c.—The market is firm and a good demand for all descriptions of goods. Bi-carb is steady with a better demand at \$3 18 to \$3 25; caustic is 1c. better; considerable sales at 3 1/2 to 3 3/4. Sal. soda sold at \$1 40 per 112 lbs., and some round lots of soda ash at 2c. Epsom steady at \$2 to \$2 25 for small lots. Alum at \$2 25 to \$2 40 per cwt. Bleaching powder is held in few brands at 2 to 2 1/2c. Salt petre \$10 50 to \$11.

FISH.—The market for dry cod is easier; owing to more liberal offerings the decline on the week being about 25c. per quintal; sales at \$4 75 to \$5 according to size of lot. There is a steady enquiry for salmon, with only a moderate supply, and some sales of good to choice at \$14 25 to \$14 85c. Mackerel halves \$3 25 to \$3 50; whole barrels \$6; shore split herrings move off steady at \$3 50 to \$4, and in the case of small buyers a little higher is paid. There are a few good lots

of Canso offering and find some demand at \$4 25 to \$4 62 1/2.

FLOUR.—Receipts for the week ending Sept. 21st, 20,056 bbls., against 25,516 bbls. the previous week. The total receipts since January 1st were 699,331 bbls., against 618,933 bbls. in the corresponding period of last year, showing an increase of 80,398 bbls. Total shipments by all channels from 1st January to 21st Sept., 528,050 bbls., against 540,522 bbls. in the corresponding period of last year, being a decrease of 21,472 bbls. The market opened quiet, supers from Western wheat selling at \$4 80 in bond, other brands from Western wheat ranging from \$4 90 to \$5 05 in bond. Throughout the week the quotations noticed at the opening has been maintained, few wholesale transactions taking place. A fair demand for local use, and for shipment to the Lower Ports, tend to maintain prices in the face of a slight decline in England and in the West. Quotations are:—Superior Extra, \$6 40 to \$6 75; Extra, \$5 90 to \$6 00; Fancy, \$5 60 to \$5 70; Fresh ground Supers from Canada wheat, \$5 20 to \$5 30; Western State Superfine in bond, nominal; Medium strong Superf from Canada wheat, \$5 50 to \$5 70, nominal; Strong Bakers' Flour, \$6 00 to \$6 40 Supers, from Western Wheat Welland Canal, \$5 00 to \$5 05 in bond; City brands of Supers from Western Wheat, nominal \$5 05 to \$5 10 in bond; Canada Super No. 2, \$4 75 to \$4 80; Western States No. 3, in bond, \$4 50, nominal; Fine, \$4 40 to \$4 50; Middlings, \$3 75 to \$4 00; Pollards, \$3 25 to \$4 00, nominal; U. C. Bag Flour \$2 60 to \$2 65 per 100 lbs. according to quality; City Bags (delivered), \$2 70 to \$2 75; Oatmeal—Quiet at \$4 50 to \$5 00 according to quality.

FREIGHTS.—Ocean rates easier. Flour, 2s. 6d. per bbl. to Liverpool, and 3s. to Glasgow. Engagements for wheat to Liverpool are reported at 4s. 6d. to 5s.; and 6s. to London, per sailing ship. Steamers rates are, for Ashes, Pots, 30s. per gross ton; Pearls, 37s. 6d. to 40s.; Provisions, 45s.; Butter, 60s.; Cheese, 65s.

GRAIN.—Wheat receipts for the week ending 21st September, 90,907 bus., against 200,207 bus. in the preceding week. Total receipts by rail and canal, from 1st January, 4,592,784 bus., against 4,575,026 bus. in corresponding period of 1869. Shipments by all routes, from the 1st January, 3,952,486 bus., against 3,353,513 bus. in the corresponding period of 1869, showing an increase of 598,973 bus. Wheat has ruled dull, and closes with few transactions, buyers and sellers being apart in their views. Holders ask \$1 07 for new, and \$1 05 for old No. 2, with no buyers over \$1 05 and \$1 03. Corn—nominal, at 70 to 75c., to arrive. Peas—Buyers offer 75 to 80c. for good samples of new, per 60 lbs.; no late sales. Oats nominal. No sales of round lots during the week.

GROCERIES.—Sugars—There is a fair local enquiry, but large lots are not easy to place at current rates. Low grade grocery sold to a considerable extent at 7 1/2c. to 8 1/2c.; good to choice is held at 8 1/2c. to 8 3/4c. Scotch refined has been placed to a moderate extent, at 8 1/2c. to 9c.; refinery prices unchanged. The imports of raw for August are fully double those of the corresponding month of last year. Teas—An active jobbing demand has been experienced for all desirable kinds at prices fully equal to those previously quoted. Considerable sale of Twankays at 32c. to 37c., of uncolored Japans, at 50c. to 59c.; and some lines of lower grades at about 10c. reduction on these prices. Imperials have moved to a small extent, at 55c. to 60c. Imports of teas in August were largely in excess of the figures of August, 1869. Tobacco—is in a good demand, and prices are well maintained; Upper Canada leaf is quoted at 11 1/2c. to 12c. Molasses—Stock large and market dull, weak and nominal. Salt—Considerable sales of fine at 5c. reduction on late prices was reported; coarse is neglected, and sales are at 52c. 54c.; factory filled is easier at \$1 40 to \$1 42 1/2; fine 75c. to 80c. Rice—is easier, at

\$3 70 to \$4; but the latter is an outside figure for choice; a fair business has been done within the range quoted. Brandy—Hennessey's \$8 25 for cases; other brands as before quoted. Gin—unchanged. Rum—firm; Jamaica, \$1 90 to \$2 10; Demerara, \$1 70 to \$1 80. Highwines—Some sales of Montreal in bond at 60c. to 65c., and of Upper Canada, 57 1/2c. to 60c. Coffee—Rates are well maintained with a fair enquiry. Fruit—Valencia raisins quiet at \$7 25 to \$7 50; Layers, a considerable business done at \$2 50 to \$2 55. Job lots of currants sell at 6 1/2c.

HARDWARE.—A better demand is noticeable this week, which the various cargoes now on the way from Europe will be fully sufficient to meet. Scotch pigs are firm at \$23 50; No. 1 Gartsheirrie sells ready at \$22 50 per ton. Canada plates are scarce and tending upwards. Cut nails meet with a good demand; orders in advance are the only kind received by makers, their locks being so full as to render prompt delivery impossible, stocks uncommonly light. Quotations are \$3 10 to \$3 15.

LEATHER.—During the past two weeks business has been less animated, the activity existing previously for several months having given place to a more moderate demand, still there is a fair inquiry for particular kinds of stock, of which the market is poorly supplied. Spanish Sole has undergone no change since last report, nor has the supply been sufficient to lead to any accumulation. Slaughter Sole—The receipts have been very limited of late, and there is little or no stock of consequence in market. Rough—The inquiry has fallen off, and while prices are nominally the same the stock requires to be good to command highest quotations. Harness is very scarce, and prime is wanted at full prices. Waxed Upper has had very little inquiry of late, most consumers having ceased working this stock for the present, Grained Upper has no demand whatever. Buff and Pebble—Choice qualities, and only choice, find ready sale at outside figures, the stocks of which are insufficient to meet present wants. Patent and Enamel—Little or nothing doing in either. Calf Skins have no special inquiry. Splits are less called for, but as yet holders of strictly first-class stock have made no concessions. Sheep Skins—A fair demand prevails for light russets, which colours are moving off slowly.

NAVAL STORES.—Pine pitch and tar are quiet at \$3 50 to \$3 75; American coal tar and pitch wanted at \$2 65 to \$3 00; Spirits Turpentine sell readily at 50c to 52 1/2c; Rosins firm and unchanged.

OILS.—Jobbers are paying from 24c to 30c for petroleum, as to quality, in small lots. Cod is nominal at 55c to 57c; Linseed raw, 62 1/2c, and very quiet; boiled, 77 1/2c; Pale seal steady at 65c to 66c; Olive \$1 1 1/2c to \$1 20; Crude whale nominal at 52 1/2c to 62 1/2c; Lard, 95c to \$1 05 for Nos. 2 and 1 respectively, and dull.

PROVISIONS.—Butter—Dull for ordinary grades, holders find no trouble in placing table sorts at 22c to 23c; inferior neglected. Pork—Only a retail demand at \$27 25 to \$27 50 for mess; thin mess, \$25 50; prime mess, \$24; prime, \$22. Cheese—Very quiet; unfavorable advices from Europe cause shippers to pay but little attention to this branch, and holders are shipping on their own account. Eggs—18c to 20c for good fresh. Lard—quiet, at 13 1/2c to 14c.

OIL MATTERS AT PETROLIA.

(From our Own Correspondent)

PETROLIA, Sept. 26, 1870.

The Prince well promises well but is not yet fairly tested. The Brake is flowing 120 barrels per day. The Reynolds pumping from 50 to 75 barrels, and the Cole doing about 50 or 60 barrels. All these are close to the famous Craie well, which is still producing largely, and as yet not tapped. There are 53 wells going down around there.

The production for the week between 5 and 6,000