

REPORT
OF THE
Council of the Board of Trade,
FOR THE
CITY OF OTTAWA,
Year ending 31st. December, 1865.

The Council of the Board of Trade desire to lay before the Members, and their fellow citizens, a statement of the Trade of the City, and the Province generally, and a Report of the proceedings of the Delegation appointed to attend the important Commercial Convention at Detroit, with their opinion of the working of the Reciprocity Treaty, and the apparent effects its total abrogation will be likely to produce.

As the present transition state of our commercial relations is naturally the subject of considerable anxiety and grave speculation, it appears the best mode of exhibiting our actual progress, true position, and future prosperity, would be by carefully analysing our actual Trade Returns for the whole period during which the Reciprocity Treaty has been in existence, up to the close of the year 1865.

A statement of this description naturally covers the individual progress of our own community; and its actual effect thereon, or otherwise, will be, of course,