

this the captain of the ship signed it, and then the paper was (3) sent to the Admiral, who in his turn (4) signed it, and (5) forwarded it to the dockyard officials, who in turn (6) surveyed the article and pronounced it deficient on a special form. (7) This form was sent to the captain, who (8) gave it to the paymaster. He at once (9) made out a demand for a new one, and signed it; the captain (10) then again signed the form, and (11) sent it, with the report of the dockyard officials, to the Admiral. He in his turn (12) signed it and returned it to the captain, who (13) gave it to the paymaster, who (14) sent it to the storekeeper of the dockyard, and so obtained the copying machine after several days' correspondence. This machine is valued at the sum of two shillings.

STATISTICS OF MANUFACTURES.

The following letter has been issued by the Ontario Bureau of Industries:

SIR,— In attempting to collect statistics of the manufactures of Ontario I find one difficulty in the way to be—the fear that in giving values of materials and products the profits of manufacturers may become known. But in making a calculation of profits there are other data scarcely less essential. We must know the cost of rent, local taxes, management, running expenses, insurance, commissions, &c., none of which are asked for in the schedule. Some districts and interests are well represented in the returns already received, and others very imperfectly. As doubtless many copies of the report will be sent abroad, it is desirable that the manufacturing interests of our Province should make a good showing as well as the agricultural. Every industrial centre will be judged largely by the exhibit it makes, and this depends entirely now on the readiness with which manufacturers respond to the circular. All returns of schedules should be mailed in time to reach the Bureau not later than the 15th inst.

What we anticipated is now happening. Some refuse to reply; others give the information asked in such a way as to deprive it of all value, if not to make it misleading. The truth is people will not reveal secrets which, if generally known, they believe might injure them in their business.

—We are glad to observe the election of Mr. Henry Lyman to the presidency of the Citizens' Insurance Company, in the room of the late Sir Hugh Allan. Mr. Lyman has spent much time and trouble in the interest of the company, and possesses, we should think, a pretty thorough knowledge of its affairs.

—Montreal advices state, with reference to Customs' receipts at that port, that the duties collected are: Customs' receipts for December, \$460,555—a decrease of \$65,000 as compared with \$759,000 over 1881; but for the year they were \$8,431,663, an increase of \$829,000 over 1881. Inland revenue receipts have increased for the past six months by \$111,817, as compared with the same period of last year.

—London exports of Canadian products to the United States during the year just closed, as declared at the Consular Agency in that city, were of the value of \$638,625, as compared with \$655,978, in 1881. The value of the principal exports for the quarter ending December 31st, 1882 was as under;—

ARTICLES.	VALUE
Animals of all kinds.....	\$73,744 35
Barley	13,127 16
Eggs	39,741 00
Fertilizers	1,582 41
Flax	2,274 52
Household effects	9,590 00
Lumber	2,548 25
Malt	1,919 32
Poultry.....	2,342 43
Total.....	\$150,297 07

—Totals of imports and exports at Kingston for the past year are given thus: value of imports, \$1,508,647; value of exports, \$1,278,195. Amount of duty collected \$215,848, an increase of nearly \$20,000 over 1881, and \$45,000 over 1880.

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, Jan. 3rd, 1883.

STOCKS.	Lowest Point in Week.	Highest Point in Week.	Total Transac'n in Week.	Buyers.	Sellers.	Average Price, like Date 1882.
Montreal x. d.	199	202½	3816	200½	201	197
Ontario.....	109	111½	369	109	109½	60½
People's.....	85	85	85	85	86½	
Molson's.....	125	25	125	127	119½	
Toronto.....	172½	174½	1275	172	173	165½
Jac. Cartier.....				115	120	120
Merchants.....	121½	123	826	121½	122	126½
Commerce.....	131½	133	1416	132½	132½	140
Eastern Tps.....		119	10			
Union.....						
Hamilton.....						
Exchange.....						140
Mon. Tel.....		124	50	123	123½	122½
Dom. Tel.....						
Rich. & O.....	87	89	1065	88	89	53½
City Pass.....	129½	130½	290	129	130½	12½
Gas.....	178½	180½	1175	178½	179	
R. C. Ins. Co.....		55½	159	55	60	
Mchnts. x. d.						

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