

THOMAS HOBSON & CO.,
GENERAL COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
118 Commissioners street, (opposite St. Ann's Market),
MONTREAL.

THOMAS HOBSON & CO. desire to thank their numerous friends for the very extensive patronage which has been accorded them since they commenced business, and to state that they have secured the commodious premises 118 Commissioners street, immediately opposite St. Ann's Market, where they intend carrying on the Produce business in all its branches.

Every attention will be paid to the interests of Consignors, sales will be made as promptly as the market will allow, and all information will be given to correspondents in reference to the aspects of trade, &c. Consignments will have the personal inspection of a member of the firm, and care will be taken to put the goods in the most saleable condition, and to avoid unnecessary expenses.

Liberal advances will be made upon all descriptions of Produce, and Drafts will be accepted against Bills of Lading to the extent of two-thirds the actual value of consignments; or on the arrival of the goods, they will make cash advances, to (say) three-fourths of their actual value.

Charges.—The rates of Commission will be as low as can be made, consistently with proper security and efficiency, and all other charges will be avoided as far as possible.

Messrs. T. H. & Co. have made special arrangements for transacting a large Butter business; their premises are admirably adapted for this department of the trade; the cellars are cool, airy, and spacious; and everything is arranged, so that there will be the most complete efficiency in this branch of trade. A cooper will be constantly employed on the premises, to open out the lots of butter as they arrive, and after being thoroughly inspected by a member of the firm, measures will be at once taken to put them in the most merchantable condition. Consignments of Flour, Wheat, Ashes, Butter, Provisions and all descriptions of Produce carefully realized. Orders for the purchase of groceries and general merchandise promptly attended to.

PRICE CURRENT.

THURSDAY EVENING, Feb. 9, 1865.

Flour, Superior extra.....	\$4 80	to	\$5 00
Extra.....	4 60	to	4 75
Fancy.....	4 40	to	4 50
Superfine.....	4 25	to	4 30
Do. No. 2.....	4 10	to	4 15
Fine.....	3 80	to	3 70
Bag Flour, per 112 lbs.....	2 35	to	2 40
Oatmeal, per bbl. of 200 lbs....	4 80	to	5 00
Barley, per 50 lbs.....	0 60	to	0 70
Pork—Mess.....	19 50	to	20 00
Thin Mess.....	17 50	to	18 00
Prime Mess.....	15 00	to	15 50
Prime.....			15 00
Butter—Ordinary per lb.....	0 15	to	0 16
Medium.....	0 14½	to	0 18
Dairy.....	0 18½	to	0 20
Lard.....	0 10½	to	0 11
Tallow.....	0 8	to	0 8½
Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs.....	7 12½	to	7 50
Ashes, Pots, 1sts.....	5 37½	to	5 40
Inferiors.....			5 55
Pearls.....	5 40	to	5 45
Petroleum, per gallon.....	0 30	to	0 35

Flour—Market dull. Sales have been made during the week at \$4.75 for Extra, \$4.45 for Fancy, Supers at from \$4.25 to \$4.30, favorite brands bringing 2½ cts. more. There is a good demand for Bag Flour, and as the supply is small prices have advanced, sales have been made at \$2.40 for good samples.

Pork.—Sales of uninspected Western Mess at \$19.50; Inspected Mess at \$19.75; small lots at \$20.

Butter.—We have again to note a continued depression in the Butter market; the only kinds which are in demand are the finest qualities, which command outside figures. Medium and inferior cannot be sold to any extent even at our lowest quotations. Small lots for local purposes have been sold at from 15½ to 16½c.

Lard.—In demand at 10½ to 11c. for Tierces and Barrels—of Western, 11½ to 12c. for kegs; City rendered 10 to 10½c.

Tallow, scarce and enquired for at our quotations.

Dressed Hogs.—Arrivals small, no change to report in price; demand good.

Ashes.—Prices are lower; sales to-day of Pots at \$5.35 to \$5.37½c. for 1st; \$5.45 to \$5.50 for Inferiors; Pearls \$5.40.

THOMAS HOBSON & CO.

JOHN DOUGALL & CO.'S PRODUCE CIRCULAR.

FOR 1865.

IN renewing the tender of our services as Commission Merchants, we invite attention to the following information, derived from the best sources, concerning important branches of business to which we give special attention:

BUTTER.

Packing. The keg or tinnet should be made of white ash or suitable wood, thoroughly seasoned, but no elm or sapwood should be employed. The butter should be packed closely, so as to leave no air holes, and the whole in a keg should be alike in color and quality.

The dry weight of the keg or tub should always be scribed upon it by the cooper. Butter should be forwarded to market with as little delay as possible, as it loses weight and deteriorates in quality by keeping.

N.B.—We have very extensive and excellent Cellars for the Butter business.

PORK.

The undersigned also give special attention to Pork, whether in the carcass, dry cured, or in barrel.

FLOUR, GRAIN AND SEEDS.

Consignments of Flour, Wheat, Peas, Clover Seed, Grass Seed, Flax Seed, and Produce generally, with the exception of Liquors and Tobacco, are carefully attended to, and the best prices realized.

ASHES.

Barrels must be 20 to 22 inches across the head, and 30 to 32 inches in length of stave. They are to be two-thirds covered with solid round hoops, and should weigh not less than 80 lbs., when well seasoned; otherwise, ashes will probably be counted as wood for the difference. Green wood should never be used either in staves or ends. Whiskey barrels are very destructive to ashes. The exact dry weight should be scribed on barrels by the cooper. They should be packed quite full, well coopered, and have three shingle nails in each end hoop. They should be distinctly marked with the initials of the marker's or owner's name and place of residence, and running number, and be kept in a dry place till sent off. They should then have the Consignee's initials placed distinctly on them with ink, say, J. D. & Co., and it is of importance to see that all the marks are entered correctly, on the railway receipt, which should be forwarded at once by mail to the consignee, with instructions how to remit the proceeds.

Pearl Ashes can only be made by parties already well acquainted with the business.

The long standing of our business, and its extensive connections, insure every advantage for the sale of produce; and the partners give personal attention to every branch of the business, whilst the commission and charges are on the lowest scale consistent with efficiency and security.

Unless otherwise directed, we sell as soon after arrival as possible at the highest price of the market, to obtain which no pains are spared, and remit the proceeds by registered letter immediately.

Short drafts against forwarder's receipt for from two-thirds to three-fourths of net value will be accepted; but in order to security, no advances can be made otherwise than against such receipts.

N.B.—We will send special Circulars concerning the manufacture of Ashes and Butter on application.

JOHN DOUGALL & CO.

270 & 272 St. Paul street, Montreal.

A CARD.

IN retiring from the Commission Business (which he commenced in 1826), the Subscriber begs leave to thank all who have favored it with their consignments, bespeaking at the same time a continuance of their correspondence with the new firm; and in so doing, it is only fair to say, that the business of John Dougall & Co. has been managed since its commencement—say for three years past—solely by Messrs. C. R. Black and James D. Dougall.

JOHN DOUGALL.

WITH reference to the foregoing, we beg leave to tender our services to our correspondents and the public as Commission Merchants, pledging ourselves to give the most careful personal attention to every branch of the business, and convinced that from our extensive connection and experience, we can give every reasonable satisfaction to consignors. Advances will be made, as usual, by acceptance of drafts against bills of lading.

JOHN DOUGALL & CO.

HARDWARE CONSIGNMENTS.

BUTTER Coolers, E. P.

Cruet Frames, E. Plate, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, Glass.

Carriage Axles, assorted.

Carriage and Buggy Springs (Turner & Walker's Steel).

Chopping Axes, Double and Single Steel (Ottawa).

Close-Link Coil Chain, Black, in 200 lb. casks, ½, 5-16, 3-8, 7-16, ½ inch.

Close-Link Coil Chain, Bright, 100 lb. casks, 3-16, ½, 5-16 inch.

Cast Steel (Turner & Walker's), Flat, Square, Round, Octagon.

Draw Knives (Date, Galt).

Emery, 0½, 1, 1½, 53 Corn, in 7 lb. Papers and Casks.

Emery Prepared Knife Powder, in Canisters.

Files (Turner & Walker's Cast Steel), Flat, Half Round, Square and Round, &c.

Gas Burners.

Gun Materials.—Coxe's Caps, in 100 boxes; Eley's, in 250 boxes, assorted.

Do. Eley's Wads, 500 bags, Brass-Capped

Worms, 1 to 9 Ramrod Tips, 15 to 18.

Do. T. Nipple Wrenches, Wood Handle, 30, 36,

do. do. Screw Drivers, 81.

Do. T. Wrenches, Capped 18, Turns Ebony 42,

Red Wood 45.

Do. Nipples 37, Straw Cutters, 39, 40, Wad

Punches, Nos. 28, 29, Gauge, 12 to 16

Hinges, Baldwin's Butts, 200 in casks,

6 12 18 24 12, 6 3 doz.

1½, 2, 2½, 3, 3½ 4, 4½ inch.

Hinges, Baldwin's Butts, 200 in casks, 2½, 3, 3½, 4, 4½,

4 2 doz.

5, 6 inch.

Hinges, Hooks and Hinges, 5.0.0 casks, 10, 12, 14, 16,

22 22 pairs.

18, 20 inch.

Hinges, Scotch T., Weighty, 7.0.0 casks, 8, 10, 12, 14,

1 cwt.

16 inch.

Hinges, Scotch T., Light, 6.0.0 casks, 6, 8, 10, 12,

1 cwt.

14 inch.

Hinges, Scotch T., Improved Japanned Light, 6, 7, 8,

30 12 12 doz.

9, 10, 12, 14 inch.

Hinges, American T., Gananoque.

Do. American Long Strap Gate Hinges, \$2.50 per

cwt.

Hair Broom Heads, Bass do.

Jack Chain, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12.

Iron Band, 1-8 x 1, 7-8, 1, 1½, 1½, 1½, 2, 2½ inch.

Do. 8-16 x 2, 2½, 3, 3½, 4 inch.

Iron Hoop, Coopers', 1, 7-8, 1, 1½, 1½, 1½, 2 inch.

India Rubber Combs.—Dressing, Fine, Toilet, Chil-

dren's long, Back and Band,—manufactured by

the Scottish Vulcanite Company.

Knives.—Table and Pocket (Newbold Bros.)

Kettles.—Tinned Iron, straight handle.

Locks.—Pad, Chest, and Cupboard.

Liquor Frames, Electro Plate.

Matches.—Wax Vests, Fancy Boxes.

Microscopes and Objects, large variety.

Mugs.—Plated, Glass Bottoms.

Nickel Silver Spoons, Forks, &c.

Nails.—Horse, 8, 9, 10, 11 lb. in 112 lb. Kegs.

Do. Rose, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14 lb., 112 lb. Kegs.

Do. Clout, Tind. and Black, assorted, 112 lb. Kegs

Do. Scrap Iron Cut.

Opera Glasses, great variety.

Oil Cloth Table Covers, in pieces.

Pins.—Safety and Scarf.

Powder Flasks.

Polishing Paste (Neadham's).

Paper.—Writing, Post, and Note, in Half-Ream boxes,

assorted colors.

Pistols.

Rasps.—Horse and Shoe Rasps (Turner & Walker).

Rivets.—Iron and Copper, Boiler.

Sad Irons, Casks, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 10.0.0; 4, 5, 6, 7, 5.0.0;

cwt.

3, 4, 5, 6, 4.1.0.

Shot.—Patent Shot in Casks, assorted, 2, 3, 4, 5,

4 bags. cwt.

6, 10.0.0.

Shot Pouches.

Slates.—Hardwood Frames, 11 x 7, 12 x 8 in.

Screws.—Nettlefold's, in Casks.

Saws.—Cast Steel, Hand Rip and Back, Webs, &c.

Scissors.—per doz. and on Cards.

Spoons.—Tinned Iron, Tea and Table, Plated do;

N. S. do.

Spectacles and Eye-Glasses.

Skates.—7½ to 11½, with straps, great variety.

Shoe Thread.—No. 8, 2 oz. in 8 lb. Papers.

Stove Polish.—British Lustre (Davie's), in ½ lbs.

Spirit Flasks.—B. M. and Wicker.

Tin Plates, I.C. Charcoal, P.P.C. Boxes, tin-lined.

Do. I.C. do. P.Typool, do.

Tea Trays, Japanned, in sets, assorted.

Tea Pots, E. Plate.

Vices.—Self-Adjusting Jaw.

Waiters, E. P., in sets, &c.

Water Jugs, B. M. Covers.

FRANCIS FRASER,

Manufacturers' Agent.

Montreal, January, 1865.