

—Market cleared of most lots offering; 36c. to 39c. for filtered Molasses in large quantity. Barbadoes held at 48c. to 52c. *Syrups* advanced all round fully 6c. *Teas*.—Advices from Japan give opening prices of strictly good medium at \$10 to \$13 the picul of 133½ lbs.; as high as \$66 to \$58 paid for Extra choice; market of course expected to recede from this. Delay anticipated in delivery of early crop because of Japan government having taken up the steamers in suppression of rebellion existing. With us the market for all kinds continues quiet, and prices nominally as before. *Rice* held at \$4½ to \$4.3 *Coffee* firm at 22c. to 25c. for Maracibo; Java 27c. to 31c. *Chemicals*.—Sal Soda \$1.20 to \$1.70; Bi-carbonate \$3.35 to \$3.60. *Spices*.—Pepper rather easier at 10½c. to 11½c.; Cloves, Pimento, Ginger and other Spices firm. *Fruits*.—Market firm; advices from New York note somewhat higher prices.

**HARDWARE**.—Trade has slackened during the week, travellers having to a great extent returned, and most shelf orders taken during their trips, having been for immediate shipment, have gone forward. Shipments of heavy goods are being made, although in this line business has not been quite so satisfactory; vessels are daily arriving, and stocks will soon be complete.

**LEATHER**.—The past week has, contrary to expectations, proved rather dull, prices remain firm but very little business has been done. Hides have advanced considerably, and if the present price is maintained the Tanners will be obliged to get a higher price for their leather.

**LIVE STOCK**.—The opening of navigation and preparations for shipment resulted in heavy arrivals at this market during the past week, the total being about fifty carloads, of which ten carloads were fine steers from a leading western dealer for transhipment to Europe by Wednesday's Steamer. Of the above arrivals there were seven double-decked carloads of hogs (five of these being from Chicago), a carload of sheep, two mixed loads of cattle and sheep and two mixed loads of cattle and hogs. Owing to the competition and superior exhibit at the recent cattle fair in Guelph, the quality was better than usual, many being good farm-fed animals, and, notwithstanding the supply, prices were fairly remunerative. We notice the sale of two fine heifers at \$6.25, and an extra bull, weighing 2,350 lbs., at \$8 per 100 lbs live weight. With these exceptions, the prices for good quality cattle ranged from \$5.12½ to \$5.87½ per 100 lbs. Ninety Chicago fed hogs sold at \$6.87½ and ninety-five Canadian fed porkers at \$6.50 per 100 lbs. live weight. The price of hides and pelts is advancing in sympathy with the recent advance in leathers. We quote No. 1, inspected, \$8. No. 2, do., \$7, and No. 3, do., \$5.50 to \$5.75; Calf skins, 11c. to 12c. per lb.; Sheepskins, \$1.50 to \$3 each; Lambskins, 25c. to 30c. each, and tallow, rough, ½c. to 6c. per lb.

**OILS**.—Linseed Oil maintains the upward tendency, 70c. for Raw and 75c. for Boiled being the ruling prices. Seal Oil to arrive can be bought at 55c., but purchasers are holding off in anticipation of lower figures. Other oils without change. *Paints and Naval Stores*.—Unchanged.

**PROVISIONS**.—*Butter*.—Choice New is in good demand for local consumption; stocks moderately light. Our quotations are for New, there being very little Old on market, and it is a perfect drug, holders of which would accept any reasonable offer if a buyer would make an appearance. Quotations may be considered nominal at 10c. to 10c. *Cheese*.—Old in small compass, and is taken by local trade at from 13c. to 15c. New Cheese arriving sparingly, and sales have been made at 12½c. to Shippers. Sales to local trade have been made at a cent higher than this.

**SEEDS**.—*Clover*.—The season being now nearly over, the demand has dropped off. Prices nominal, at 16c. to 16½c. per pound. Timothy selling slowly at \$2.40 to \$2.50 per bushel.

**SALT**.—Prices are lower. Factory-filled can be had in large lots at \$1.00 to \$1.25; Course, 60c. to 65c.

**WINES AND SPIRITS**.—The N. P. Nielsen with a cargo of DeKuyper Gin has just arrived, but as her cargo is not yet landed, and there are rumors of an advance of prices in Europe, we can as yet report no change. Two vessels are also reported from Marseilles, but the quantity of Wine by them is so small, the market will not be at all affected. A few slight changes will be noticed in our prices current.

**WOOL**.—With the exception of some lines of Fine Wools, which are wanted for special purposes, the bulk of the old wools has been sold at lower prices than was current three months ago, and the outlook at present points to lower prices, unless the present European War continues lengthy, and a demand comes in for army purposes; but the enormous quantity to be offered for sale by auction in London this month of about (150,000-200 lbs.) one hundred and fifty million pounds, or more than three-fourths of the entire clip of the United States, will no doubt be a large supply for any consumption wanted, and the result of this sale will no doubt determine the price of wool this season in America. We can say little as to the tendency of the market pending the clip two or three weeks hence.

## OIL REPORT.

(From our own Correspondent.)

**PETROLIA, MAY THUR.**—Business continues quiet and developing is not being pushed with much vigor at present. Crude has declined about 5c. per barrel, the latest transactions having been at \$1.20, which is still out of proportion with the current price of Refined Oil. Messrs. Fish & Townsend's new well on Durham Creek is pumping about 30 barrels per day, Mr. Canneff's new well at Pithole East is good for 10 barrels per day, and Messrs. Wills & Co.'s last venture shows every indication of being a good well also. The demand for Refined Oil is very fair for this season of the year at same price as last quotations, 10c. per wine gallon, F.O.B. London. The shipments last week were as follows: Crude, 4,168 barrels; Distillate, 1,452 barrels; Refined Oil, 250 barrels.

## EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 10th May, 1876 and 1877.

	1876.	1877.
Ashes .....	1,247	1,985
Butter .....	17,837	15,956
Barley .....	...	66,084
Bacon .....	24,719	19,787
Corn .....	26,395	325,305
Cheese .....	25,462	36,628
Flour .....	3,612	3,699
Lard .....	15,356	21,718
Oats .....	90,055	45,656
Pens .....	148,396	68,039
Pork .....	2,529	4,885
Wheat .....	557,359	143,306

## REMARKS.

*Ashes*.—Exports for the week, — brls. Pot. Increase, 738 brls.

*Butter*.—Exports, — brls. Decrease, 2,881 brls.

*Barley*.—Exports, — bush. Increase, 56,094 bush.

*Bacon*.—Exports, 421 boxes. Decrease, 4,932 boxes.

*Corn*.—Exports, 14,170 bush. Increase, 298,910 bush.

*Cheese*.—Exports, — boxes. Increase, 81,431 boxes.

*Flour*.—Exports, — brls. Increase, 188 brls.

*Lard*.—Exports, 61 brls. Increase, 6,362 brls.

*Oats*.—Exports, — bush. Decrease, 44,399 bush.

*Pens*.—Exports, 800 bush. Decrease, 84,357 bush.

*Pork*.—Exports, 274 brls. Increase, 2,356 brls.

*Wheat*.—Exports, 10,000 bush. Decrease 414,053 bush.

## IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal per Grand Trunk Railway from 1st January to 10th May, 1876 and 1877:

	1876.	1877.
Ashes .....	4,392	3,657
Butter .....	11,554	11,317
Barley .....	60,417	48,500
Bacon .....	...	25
Corn .....	4,800	97,431
Cheese .....	4,656	1,552
Flour .....	182,938	192,622
Lard .....	11,501	18,531
Oats .....	46,693	36,350
Pens .....	166,706	18,500
Pork .....	4,143	8,631
Wheat .....	559,411	16,000

## REMARKS.

*Ashes*.—Receipts for the week, 269 brls. Pot, — brls. Pearl. Decrease, 735 brls.

*Butter*.—Receipts, 675 brls. Decrease, 237 brls.

*Barley*.—Receipts, 4200 bush. Decrease, 11,911 bush.

*Bacon*.—Receipts, 9 boxes. Increase, 25 boxes.

*Corn*.—Receipts, 62,471 bush. Increase, 92,631 bush.

*Cheese*.—Receipts, 197 boxes. Decrease, 3,104 boxes.

*Flour*.—Receipts, 17,972 brls. Increase, 9,684 brls.

*Lard*.—Receipts, 2,033 brls. Increase, 7,030 brls.

*Oats*.—Receipts, — bush. Decrease, 10,343 bush.

*Pens*.—Receipts, 800 bush. Decrease, 158,206 bush.

*Pork*.—Receipts, 740 brls. Increase, 4,488 brls.

*Wheat*.—Receipts, 4,100 bush. Decrease, 543,411 bush.

## Insurance.

## TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

GLOBE MUTUAL LIFE INS. CO'Y.  
OF NEW YORK.

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

Gross receipts to January 1, 1876.....\$11,558,254 06  
Receipts, 1876.....1,000,665 06

Total receipts to January 1, 1877.....\$12,558,919 12  
Death Claims paid.....\$3,156,895 49  
Endowments paid.....98,961 66  
Surrender Values paid.....1,094,791 16  
Dividends paid.....902,721 13

Total paid assur'd \$5,253,369 44  
Taxes, Re-insurance, and all other disbursements.....\$3,172,454 13

Balance.....\$4,133,095 55  
Add premiums deferred and uncollected, less expense.....\$176,087 26  
Add Market Value of Bonds over Cost.....94,934 08  
Add Market Value of Real Estate.....38,199 58  
Add interest and rents due and accrued.....68,817 43  
Add sundry balances.....1,235 00

Gross Assets, December 31, 1876.....\$4,502,368 90  
Surplus to Policy-Holders.....\$523,652 69

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