

STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL, June 28th, 1899.

Stocks.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Closing Prices.		Average, same date 1898.
				Sellers.	Buyers.	
Montreal	251½	251½	9	.....	250	240
Ontario	125	125	16	.....	.....	230
Molsons .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	202	198
Toronto .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	940
J. Cartier .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	101
Merchants	170	170	4	.....	178	179
Commerce	151	151	256	.....	152	137
Union .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	103
Hochelaga	150	150	196	.....	150	149
Ville Marie .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nationale .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
M. Telegraph .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	175	175
R. & O. Nav.	110	109	53	.....	109½	1 2½
Street Ry.	280	274	175	.....	288	262
do. New	288½	234½	95½	.....	285	244
Gas	261	199	775	.....	199	187½
C.P.R.	98½	98½	2450	.....	98	97½
Land Grant bds .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	110
N. W. Land .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50
Bell Tele.	183	183	30	190	183
Mont. 4½ stock	104½	104½	1900	1704

MONTREAL MARKETS.

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DAIRY PRODUCTS.—Shipments of butter last week were unusually large, footing up to 18,814 packages, as compared with 8,386 packages for same week of last year. Values are perhaps a shade easier than a week ago at 17½ to 17¾c. for fine creamery. The public cheese cable shows a decline of sixpence per cwt., but the local market is fairly steady at about 8½c. for fine Eastern, and 8¾ to 8¾c. for fine Western. Shipments of cheese from this port last week were 93,425 boxes, as against 79,557 boxes for the same week last year.

DRY GOODS.—Good sorting business is being done with city retailers, who generally report good sales, but in country business of this character matters are hardly so brisk. Travellers, however, who are all out with full lines of fall samples, are sending in a good number of orders. Prices generally are very firm, and all recent advances in fine woolsens and silks are strongly held. In woolsens further stiffening is deemed not improbable, as raw wools are reported up again in London.

FURS.—Business in raw furs is now of a very quiet character, and we drop quotations this week till the fall season opens. Rats are reported rather a drug in the market. We quote: Mink, dark, \$2 to \$2.50; pale, \$1 to \$1.25; marten, large, \$3 to \$3.50; dark, from \$4 to \$6; fisher, \$4 to \$6.50; lynx, large, \$2.50; small, \$1.50 to \$2; otter, \$8 to \$13; large red fox, \$2; small, \$1.80; cross fox, \$3 to \$7; silver fox, \$20 to \$75; choice bear, \$12 to \$18; medium, \$10 to \$14; small, \$5 to \$9; skunk, 20c., 40c., 60c., and 90c.; coon, 20c., 40c., 60c., and 90c.; fall rats, 8c. to 12c.; kitta, 2c. to 6c.; winter, 12c. to 14c.; choice spring, 15 to 18c.

GROCERIES.—The general jobbing distribution countrywards is reported of a very satisfactory character, and refiners are finding a good demand for sugars, which are steady at \$4.50, factory price, for standard granulated, and \$3.70 to \$4.25 for yellows. For new Japan teas there has been good enquiry, all arrivals so far being well absorbed; the steamer due at Vancouver to-day is reported to have some further fair supplies on board for this market. Indians and China teas continue quiet. In molasses no recent change is reported, Barbadoes bring 36c. per gal. the single puncheons, and 35c. in car lots; some very good New Orleans molasses is being sold at 28c. Further strength is being shown in canned corn, and an order for 1,000 cases at 70c. is reported as having been refused by a Western canner. Letters from the west report

a probable shortage in the pea crop. New rice has been in the market for the past fortnight, but no change whatever has been made in prices. There is not much doing in dried fruits, but prices are steady. Good Valencia raisins are said to be scarce, and of Sultanas and 3-Crown Californias the supply is also light.

LEATHER.—The situation is practically unchanged. Boot and shoe manufacturers have not yet begun active operations on fall footwear, and no special revival of demand is looked for until about the middle of July. The export movement, in both sole and black leathers is, however, good, and all values are steadily held. We quote: Spanish sole, B.A., No. 1, 24 to 24½c.; No. 2, 23 to 23½c.; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 23 to 24c.; No. 2, 21 to 22c.; No. 1 slaughter, 26 to 28c.; No. 2, do., 24 to 26c.; common, 20 to 21c.; Waxed upper, light and medium, 30 to 35c.; do., heavy, 27 to 30c.; grained, 32 to 35c.; Scotch grained, 30 to 35c.; Western splits, 21 to 24c.; Quebec do., 16 to 18c.; juniors, 16 to 17c.; calf-splits, 30 to 35c.; calfskins, (35 to 40 lbs.), 60 to 65c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to 75c.; colored calf, American, 25 to 28c.; Canadian, 20 to 24c.; colored pebble cow, 13 to 15c.; russet sheepskins linings, 30 to 40c.; colored, 6 to 7½c.; harness, 24 to 27c.; buffed cow, 13 to 15c.; extra heavy buff, 15c.; pebble cow, 11½ to 13c.; polished buff, 12 to 13c.; glove-grain, 12 to 13c.; rough, 22 to 23c.; russet and bridle, 35 to 45c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—A further advance in domestic iron piping is reported this week. German piping, in larger sizes, is reported to be coming into this market again, some fair business being reported therein lately. Pig iron is somewhat irregular, and while the regular quotation for Hamilton No. 1 is \$21.50 to \$22, certain parties, who have contracts placed some time back, are reported to have made sales at \$20. The Ferrona people are said to be short of stock, and not offering at the moment. Ingot tin continues firm, with ordinary lots selling at 28 to 29c.; a two-ton lot sold the other day at something under the former figure. A round lot of Russia iron sold last week at 8½c., ordinary jobbing price is 9½c. Antimony has sold in cask lots at 9c. Galvanized iron is firm at 4½ to 4¾c. for No. 28 gauge, Queen's head brand. Morewood is now practically out of the market. We quote: Summerlee pig iron, \$22; Carnbroe, \$19.50 to \$20; Hamilton No. 1, \$21.50 to \$22; No. 2, do., \$19.50 to \$20.50; Ferrona No. 1, \$20.00; machinery scrap, \$20.00 to \$20.00; common ditto, \$20 to \$20; bar iron, Canadian, \$1.85 to \$1.90; Canada plates—Pontypool or equal, \$2.40; 52 sheets to box; 60 sheets, \$2.50; 75 sheets, \$2.60; Galvanized Canada plates, \$4 to \$4.25 per box of 52 sheets; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$6 to \$6.25; Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.30; No. 26, \$2.25; No. 24, \$2.20; No. 16, and heavier, \$2.45; tin plates—Charcoal, I. C. Alloway, \$3.60 to \$3.65; do. I. X., \$4.40; P. D. Crown, I. C., \$4.60 to \$4.65; ditto, I. X., 4.50; coke, I. C., \$3.30 to \$3.35; ditto, standard, \$3 for 100 lbs.; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, \$4.50 to \$4.75; No. 26, \$4.25; No. 24, \$4.00 in case lots; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6c.; No. 26, etc., the usual extra for large sizes. Steel boiler plate, ¼-inch, and upwards, \$2.95 for Dalzell and equal; ditto, three-sixteenths inch, \$3; tank steel \$2.75, ¼-inch; three-sixteenths, \$3; heads, seven-sixteenths and upwards, \$2.40 to 2.45; Russian sheet iron, 9 to 9½c.; lead, per 100 lbs., \$3.90 to \$4; sheet, \$4.50 to 4.60; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast-steel, 11 to 12c.; toe calk, \$2.75 to 3.00; spring, \$2.75 to 3.00; sleigh shoe, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50; round machinery steel \$3 to 3.25, as to finish; ingot tin, 28½ to 29c. for L. & F. Straits, 28¾ to 28¾c. bar tin, 30c.; ingot copper, 19 to 19½c.; sheet-

zinc, \$7.50 to \$8; Silesian spelter, \$7 to \$7.25; Veille Montagne spelter, \$7.25 to \$7.50; American spelter, \$7 to \$7.25; antimony, 10½c.

OILS, PAINTS AND GLASS.—The feature of the week is the further advance in linseed oil of 2c. a gallon, 57 and 60c. being now the quotation for ordinary jobbing lots, and the high prices are very firm even for forward delivery, as a big trust is reported as being formed in England, to include all the leading crushers. The quarterly meeting of the white lead association is called for July 5th, but there is no anticipation of change in prices. We quote: Single barrels, raw and boiled linseed oil, respectively, 57 and 60c. per gal., for one to four barrel lots; 5 to 9 barrels, 56 and 59c.; net 30 days, or 3 per cent., for 4 months' terms. Turpentine one to four barrels, 62c.; five to nine barrels, 61c.; net 30 days. Olive oil, machinery, 90c.; Cod oil, 34 to 36c. per gal.; steam refined seal, 37½ to 40c. per gallon. Castor oil, 8 to 8¾c. in quantity; tins, 9 to 9¼c.; machinery castor oil, 7½ to 8c.; Leads (chemically pure and first-class brands only), \$6; No. 1, \$5.62½; No. 2, \$5.30; No. 3, \$4.87½; No. 4, \$4.50; dry white lead, 5½ to 6c. for pure; No. 1, ditto, 5c.; genuine red ditto, 5c.; No. 1, red lead, 4½ to 4¾c.; Putty, in bulk, bbls., \$1.65; kegs, \$1.80; bladder putty, in bbls., \$1.80; smaller quantities, \$1.95; 25-lb. tins, \$2.05; 12½-lb. tins, \$2.30. London washed whiting, 37 to 40c.; Paris white, 75 to 80c.; Venetian red, \$1.50 to 1.75; yellow ochre, \$1.25 to 1.50; spruce ochre, \$1.75 to \$2. Window glass, \$1.80 per 50 feet for first break; \$1.90 for second break. Paris green, 14c. in 50 and 100-lb packages; 15c. in 25-lb. packages; pound packages, in boxes, 15½ to 16c.

WOOL.—The new series of London sales opened yesterday, and cable advices indicate an advance of 5 per cent. on all fine merinos, over the closing prices of last series. Local business is at present very light, owing to the high figures prevailing, though a fair number of enquiries are reported. In B.A. scoured there is nothing available under 41c., with a range to 45c.; Capes, 17 to 21c.; Australians, 24 to 27c. Domestic fleece is quoted at 14 to 16c. per pound.

TORONTO MARKETS.

Toronto, June 29th, 1899.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—Steady trade is being done in butter. For choice dairy 12½ to 13c. per lb. is quoted, and of really fine quality there is a scarcity. Low and common grades are in abundant supply and difficult to sell from 9c. per lb. upwards. Creamery is steady. Cheese in the local market brings 8½ to 9c. per lb. Eggs are still dear, retailing as high as 16c. per dozen with 12 to 13c. per dozen quoted on the wholesale street. Receipts are restricted.

HARDWARE AND METALS.—Trade in general hardware supplies is seasonably good. A good sorting trade is being done by jobbers in summer wares, while fall business, in such lines as sporting goods, is quite satisfactory. Merchants have been notified of an advance in coil chain, and the new prices are as follows: ¼ inch, \$6.75; 5-16 inch, \$4.75; ¾ inch, \$4.30; 7-16 inch, \$4.15; ½ inch, \$4.05; ⅝ inch, \$3.85; ¾ inch, \$3.75. Soldering irons are dearer by 4c. per lb. Green wire cloth has been in good demand the past several weeks, and makers have had considerable difficulty in filling orders; green wire cloth is now quoted \$1.75 per 100 lbs. The local metal market is in a strong position. Pig tin is firm. Last week an advance of ½c. per lb. was made in New York, and £2 per ton in London. There is a large speculative element in this market. It is well to note that a leading authority on metal statistics