

—In France, at the point of production, champagne sells for from 50 cents to \$3 a bottle, according to quality.

—The twenty-seventh annual Trade Union Congress will be held at Norwich, England, on September 23.

—Natal exports \$35,000 worth of tannery bark annually, and Cape Colony exports \$105,000 worth of dried flowers each year.

—The total exports of South Africa last year were appraised at \$67,500,000. Gold valued at \$22,500,000 was shipped from South Africa last year. The diamonds exported from that country in 1893 were appraised at \$22,500,000. Copper worth \$1,250,000 was also shipped.

## Commercial.

### MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, Sept. 12, 1894.

The feature of the week in financial matters is the easiness in loanable funds, the rate for call monies being now general at 4 per cent. With the opening of the present week the stock

board resumed their afternoon, as well as morning sessions, and business has been rather more active at pretty steady prices. The stocks receiving the most attention are Street Railway at 156½, Montreal Gas at 167½ to 168, and Commercial Cable at 142½. In banks only a few Montreal sold at 221, and Commercial at 141.

ASHES.—First quality pots are quoted at \$4.15 to 4.20, and the market strong; seconds, \$3.75 to 3.80, with a few brls. of good tares realizing a little more than the outside figures. Receipts are very limited, and some moderate shipments last week have reduced the stock in store. Pearls may be quoted at \$7 to 7.50, with no stock here.

CEMENTS AND FIRECLAY.—Atlantic freights have advanced, and as a consequence the prices of cements are firmer from 5 to 10 cents a brl. For English the quotation is now \$1.95 to 2.10, with a decided scarcity; of Belgian there is ample supply at \$1.80 to 1.95. Firebricks range from \$14.50 to \$19 per M.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—The butter market is quiet, there being but a moderate movement in either an export or a local jobbing way. The exports this season, to date, have been only 7,751 pkgs., against 30,414 pkgs. for the corresponding period of last year. We quote creamery 18 to 19c.; Townships' dairy, 16 to

17c.; Western, 14 to 15½c. per lb. Cheese shipments to date are 908,984 boxes, as against 870,020 for last year. The market rules steady. We quote finest Western colored 10½ to 10¾c.; ditto, white, 10½ to 10¾c.; finest Quebec, 10½c. There is a steady demand for eggs at 9 to 10c. per dozen.

#### MONTREAL STOCKS OF GRAIN IN STORE.

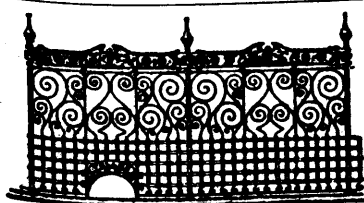
	Sept. 10, '94.	Aug. 27, '94.
Wheat, bushels .....	544,222	531,094
Corn, " .....	.....	.....
Oats " .....	60,162	82,129
Rye " .....	9,454	11,126
Peas " .....	35,636	66,839
Barley " .....	1,146	1,146
Total grain .....	650,620	692,314
Oatmeal .....	156	.....
Flour .....	38,653	.....

GROCERIES.—The trade report a good distribution in progress on the whole, but in the matter of payments matters are not so satisfactory as they might be. Some new Valencia raisins are on board the "Labrador," now in port; they are mostly going west, and are reported not to be in first-class condition. Locally new Valencias are quoted at 6c., but further supplies due next week are offered to arrive at from half a cent to a cent less. It will be well into October before direct shipments get here, the above lots coming via Liverpool. Sugars are steady at 4½c. for standard granulated, yellows from 3½ to 4c., with a good country demand. We understand that some moderate lots of German refined sugar will shortly be placed on the market. Further reference is made to this matter in our summary columns. There is continued firmness in teas; local representatives of Japan houses have no samples to offer, and freights are advanced one-third of a cent per lb. In coffees there is a fair movement at 19 to 21c. for Rio; Mocha and Java 24 to 30c., Maracaibo 19 to 22c. Canned goods are still dull. There are probabilities of a scarcity of corn and tomatoes, which are said to be slow in ripening, and packers are withholding quotations for new pack. Salmon are quoted \$1.30 to 1.40 for best brands; lobsters \$6.75 to \$7 the case.

HIDES AND TALLOW.—There is no let up to the war between dealers, and though the ruling price for No. 1 green hides is 4c., some dealers pay as high as 4½c., though this is the most that can be got from tanners. For heavy steers, from 4½ to 5½c. is being paid, with tanners paying the outside figure. A few calfskins still come in, and bring 5c.; lambskins, 45 to 55c. Tallow is quiet and easier at 5 to 5½c.

LEATHER.—The market is again disturbed by reports of trouble among the Quebec trade. The suspension of a large tanning concern, and a small manufacturing shoe concern, are noted in our summary columns, and there are rumors of further trouble. Locally matters move along just as about noted for the last several weeks. We quote:—Spanish sole, B. A. No. 1, 18 to 20c.; do No. 2 to B. A., 16 to 17c.; No. 1 ordinary Spanish, 17 to 18c.; No. 2, 15½ to 16½c.; No. 1 slaughter, 18 to 20c.; No. 2 do., 17 to 18c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; waxed upper, light and medium, 24 to 26c.; do. heavy, 20 to 24c.; grained, 24 to 26c.; Scotch grained, 25 to 27c.; splits, large, 13 to 15c.; do. small, 10 to 12½c.; calf-splits, 27 to 30c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.), 50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 60 to 70c.; colored calf, American, 23 to 27c.; Canadian, 19 to 21c.; colored pebble cow, 12½ to 13½c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; harness, 18 to 25c.; buffed cow, 9 to 11c.; extra heavy buff, 12½c.; pebbled cow, 8 to 12c.; polished buff, 9 to 11c.; glove grain, 9 to 11c.; rough, 16 to 18c.; russet and bridle, 40 to 50c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—We do not hear of any important transactions in iron. Warrants are cabled at 43s. 7d., and there are now only four furnaces in blast in Scotland. American and domestic iron are rather firmer on spot, and Niagara No. 2 could not be laid down under \$18 to 18.50. Some good lots of sheet iron have been sold since last report at quotations. Tinplates were cabled the other day at threepence advance. We quote:—Coltness pig iron, none here; Calder, No. 1, \$19.50; Calder No. 3, \$18.50; Summerlee, \$19.50 to 20.00; Eglington, \$18.50; Gartsherrie, none here; Langloan, none here; Carnbroe, \$18; Shotta, none here; Middlesboro, No. 3, \$17; Niagara No. 2, \$18 to 18.50; Siemens, pig, No. 1, \$16.25 to \$16.75; Ferrona, No. 1, \$16.50 to 16.75; machinery scrap, \$14.50 to 15.00; common do., \$10.00



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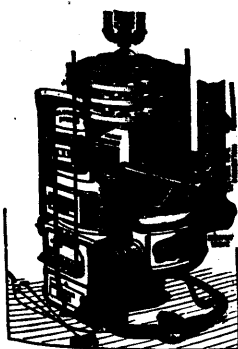
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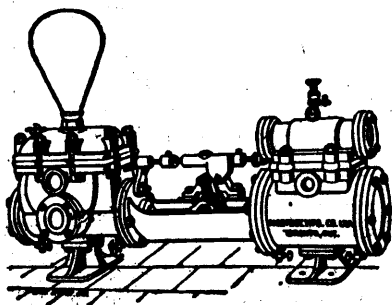
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