

could have been expected, any hope of a permanent improvement must, for the present, be dismissed. Winter wheats are already in the blade, but a few weeks of frost would perhaps be desirable in order to prevent them from becoming, in agricultural parlance, "too proud."

The following return shows the imports into the United Kingdom in November, and during the eleven months ending November 30:

*Imports in November.*

	1866.	1867.	1868.
Wheat...cwt.	1,995,106	3,903,760	2,888,544
Barley.....	1,009,613	536,300	875,555
Oats.....	545,280	875,279	560,396
Beans.....	312,599	160,602	238,885
Indian corn....	786,876	282,194	956,547
Flour.....	402,897	389,426	273,116

*Imports in Eleven Months.*

	Wheat.....	20,547,038	30,877,923	30,303,752
Barley.....	7,053,423	5,315,127	6,397,883	
Oats.....	8,017,291	8,678,021	7,602,915	
Peas.....	1,008,957	1,281,946	874,802	
Beans.....	1,017,534	1,856,585	2,446,981	
Indian corn.....	13,936,499	8,087,252	10,528,478	
Flour.....	4,403,133	3,040,350	2,698,725	

The returns for the ten months show that during that period the imports were somewhat in excess of the corresponding period in 1867, but not to any important extent. The receipts from Russia show a reduction of 3,250,000 cwt.; from Prussia of 1,480,000 cwt.; from Chili, of 530,000 cwt., but, on the other hand, they have increased from the United States to the extent of 2,730,000 cwt.; from Egypt 2,150,000 cwt.; and from the Danubian Principalities to the extent of 1,693,250 cwt. As regards flour, the October importation shows an increase of about 110,000 cwt.; but in the ten months there is a diminution of 165,000 cwt.

**RAILWAY TRAFFIC RETURNS  
FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 1868.**

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