

ness. We still quote in meantime :—
Beaver, \$4.25 to 4.75 per lb.; bear, \$8 to 10;
ditto cub, \$2 to 4; fisher, \$2.50 to 5; red fox,
75c. to \$1; cross ditto, \$1.50 to 3; lynx, \$1.50 to
2.50; marten, 60 to 75c.; mink, 75c. to \$1.50;
muskrat, 10 to 12c.; otter, \$8 to 12; raccoon,
40 to 60c.; skunk, 20, 40, and 60c.

GROCERIES.—A general air of quietude seems
to pervade the wholesale trade in this line;
indeed there is hardly enough doing to fairly
test values. Sugars are very dull; granulated
is still 4½c. per lb. at refinery, and the lowest
quotation for yellows is 3½c., though an occa-
sional lot is to be had at 3 7-16c. in connection
with other goods. Good Barbadoes molasses
is steadily held at 37½c. per gal.; syrups are
moving fairly at 43 to 44c. for pale amber;
brights, 35c., and medium, 30c. Teas are in
very light request at unchanged prices. Cur-
rants are reported a little easier in England,
but local prices for both currants and Valencias
are nominally as before quoted. No prunes
are here yet. Malaga fruit is very little dealt
in; prices are for loose Muscatels about \$2.20;
London layers, \$2.25; Imperial Cabinet, \$2.60.
Nuts are in light supply; Tarragona almonds,
13½ to 14c.; walnuts, 13½ to 14½c.; filberts 11 to
12c.; shelled almonds, 30c.; Jordans, 42 to 45c.
Spices are unchanged. Canned goods dull and
unchanged.

MONTREAL STOCKS IN STORE.

Stocks of grain in store at Montreal ele-
vators were, at dates mentioned:

	Dec. 14, '91.	Dec. 7, '91.
Wheat, bushels	267,171	281,599
Oats "	62,313	86,966
Rye "	9,184	7,787
Peas "	240,122	235,266
Barley "	253,034	257,700

Total 831,824 869,318

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

Visible supply of grain in the United States
and Canada, with comparisons, was as fol-
lows:

	Dec. 14, '91. Bush.	Dec. 7, '91. Bush.	Dec. 15, '90. Bush.
Wheat	42,258,825	41,653,124	25,186,150
Corn	3,065,366	2,226,758	1,820,460
Oats	4,425,732	3,755,066	3,390,000
Barley	2,443,675	2,765,190	4,344,619
Rye	2,386,303	2,268,722	474,477

HIDES.—The market is dull; dealers are
still paying on the basis of 5c. per lb. for No.
1 hides, though an effort was made to reduce
prices a quarter cent. Tanners are very light
buyers. The Chicago market is reported very
quiet.

LEATHER AND SHOES.—Some little cutting is
being done by certain houses in the shoe trade,
but not sufficient to create any demand for
leather, and matters are likely to remain very
quiet until after the first week of the new
year. There have been no shipments hence to
Europe since the close of navigation. Receipts
of leather are small, and local stocks are
not at all excessive. We quote:—Span-
ish sole, B.A., No. 1, 21 to 23c.; do., No. 2,
B.A. 16 to 17c.; No. 1, ordinary Spanish, 19 to
20c.; No. 2, ditto, 15 to 16c.; No. 1, China, none to
be had; No. 1 slaughter, 20 to 23c.; No. 2 do., 18
to 20c.; American oak sole, 39 to 43c.; British
oak sole, 38 to 45c.; waxed upper, light and
medium, 26 to 29c.; ditto, heavy, 23 to 28c.;
grained, 26 to 30c.; Scotch grained, 32 to 35c.;
splite, large, 16 to 21c.; do., small, 12 to 14c.;
calf-splite, 32 to 39c.; calfskins (35 to 40 lbs.),
50 to 60c.; imitation French calfskins, 65 to
80c.; russet sheepskin linings, 30 to 40c.; har-
ness, 20 to 26c.; buffed cow, 11 to 14c.; extra
heavy buff, 14 to 16c.; pebbled cow, 9 to 14c.;
polished buff, 10½ to 13½c.; glove grain, 11 to
13½c.; rough, 20 to 25c.; russet and bridle, 45
to 55c.

METALS AND HARDWARE.—There is a moder-
ate sorting trade going on in shelf goods, but
in heavy metals we have to report continued
dullness, and outside a few small sales of
Shotts and Summerlee pig iron at \$22 ex-yard,
there is an almost total absence of business.
Warrants in Glasgow remain at 47/3d., and

makers' prices have not been varied. Copper,
lead, tin, and plates of all kinds are stagnant.
We quote:—Coltness, \$22; Calder, No. 1, \$22;
Calder, No. 3, \$21.00; Summerlee, \$21.50
to \$22.00; Eglinton, \$20.00; Gartsherrie,
\$21.50 to 22.00; Carnbroe, \$19.50 to 20.00;
Shotts, \$22.00; Middlesboro, none here;
cast scrap railway chairs, &c., \$18.50 to 19; ma-
chinery scrap, \$15 to 18; common ditto, \$13;
bar iron, \$2 for Canadian; British,
\$2.25; best refined, \$2.50; Siemens' pig
No. 1, \$21.50 to 22.00; Canada Plates
—Blaina, Swansea, and Garth, \$2.70 to 2.75.
Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$7.75 to 8.25.
Black sheet iron, No. 28, \$2.60; No.
26, \$2.50; No. 24, \$2.40; tin plates—
Bradley charcoal, \$6; charcoal I. C., \$4.25;
P.D. Crown, \$4.50; do. I.X., \$5.25 to 5.50; coke
I. C., \$3.60 to 3.75; coke wasters, \$3.50;
galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 5
to 6c.; Morewood, 6½ to 6¾c.; tinned sheets,
coke, No. 24, 6½c.; No. 26, 7c.; the
usual extra for large sizes. Hoops and
bands, per 100 lbs., \$2.40. Staffordshire
boiler plate, \$2.75 to 3.00; common sheet
iron, \$2.60 to 2.80 according to gauge;
steel boiler plate, \$3.00; heads, \$4.00;

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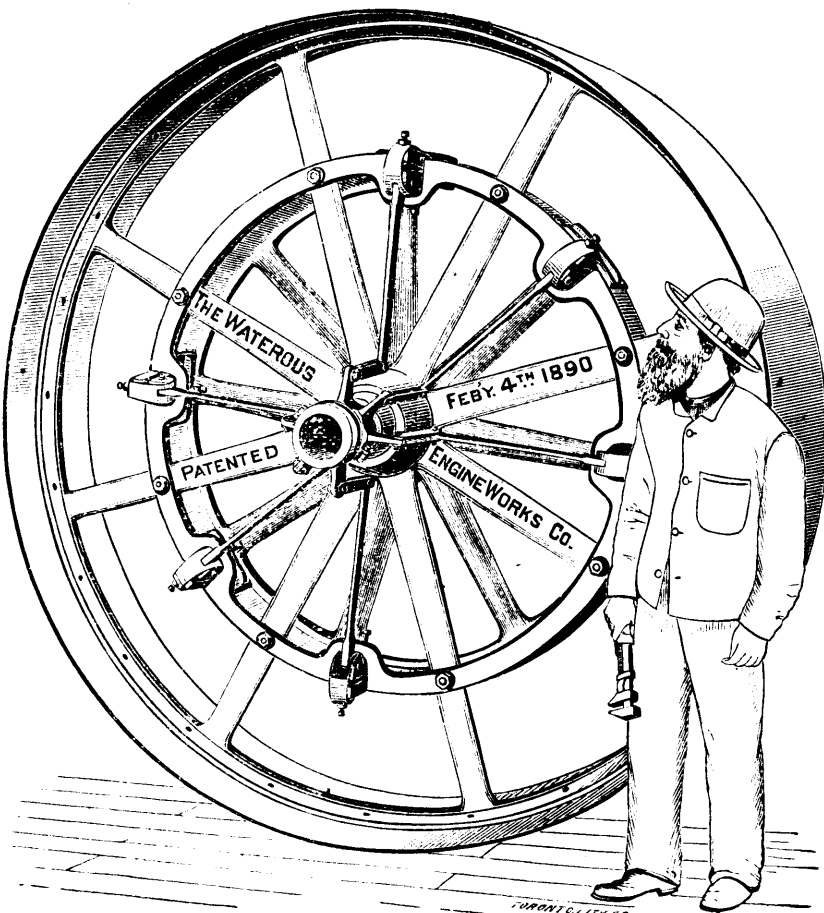
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