

BOSTON WOOL MARKET.

THE demand for wool continues, but business has not been quite so active as in the preceding week, although the market for woollen goods presents a more encouraging aspect than it has done for some time past. And, as a matter of course, if manufacturers find that they can dispose of their productions to advantage they will lay in quite a liberal stock of wool. Already some of them are anticipating their wants to a considerable extent, but generally this is not the case, as most of them consider it more prudent to await the development of the fall trade. During the past week holders of wool have shown less disposition to sell medium lots at previous rates, and there has been more inquiry for the finer grades. Receipts are still quite large, amounting to 10,500 bales for the week. So far this year they foot up to 132,331 bales of domestic, against 137,271 bales for the corresponding period of last year. The sales for each week since the season opened have averaged about half of the receipts, but after this week or next, a considerable falling off is looked for in the quantity received. The week's sales foot up 1,100,000 lbs. of fleece and pulled, at 45c to 55c for the former, and 25c to 55c for the latter. There is more inquiry for the Ohio fleece, and, in fact, for all grades of Ohio, at full market prices, but the XX and above fleeces from the better lots of Ohio, Pennsylvania and Virginia, cannot be purchased at current rates. The sales include 64,000 lbs. XX Ohio at 52c to 55c, mostly at 55c; 100,000 lbs. all grades, lot as it runs in the bags, at 60c; 40,000 lbs. X and No 1 do. at 49c to 50c; 75,000 lbs. do. and do. at 45c, partly rejections; 10,000 lbs. X do. at 43c; 18,000 lbs. Ohio and Michigan No. 1 and X at 49c; 10,000 lbs. Michigan and Ohio No. 1 at 43c. In Michigan fleece the sales have been quite large for several weeks; the demand continues good and the market firm. Included in the sales of these wools are 130,000 lbs. X and No 1 at 47c to 48c, principally at 47c. There is very little for sale, which is in good condition, at below 45c, and good lots are not freely offered under 45c to 50c. The stock of Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa and other Western fleeces is small, and so far this season, comparatively little of these wools have been offered. The sales embrace 1,000 lbs. X Wisconsin at 46c; 12,000 lbs. do. at 47c; 25,000 X and below do. at 47c to 48c. The demand for delaine and combing wools is good, at current prices, for all lots of these descriptions that are offering, and domestic appears relatively cheap when compared with the cost of Canada, although prices are about equal to the cost of importing foreign and some mills are already turning their attention to markets abroad for a supply. It being quite evident that considerable quantities of foreign will be required in consequence of the increasing amount of machinery employed in the manufacture of combing wools, and the falling off in their production. The amount raised in Canada this year is estimated at about 6,000,000 lbs., against 7,600,000 lbs. last year, and it is calculated by those who will there be a corresponding decrease in domestic, though, for our own part, we should not be surprised to find it otherwise. Indeed we have no doubt that there has been a small increase in Michigan, for we have heard of a good many farmers in that State paying more attention to the production of combing wool, and a good many sheep have been imported into that State from Canada. The market is quite firm for pulled wool, and the demand good. The sales include 130,000 lbs. super and extra, and 80,000 lbs. No. 1 at from 35c for low Western extra to 55c for choice Maine super, and from 25c to 35c for low to good No. 1. In scoured wool there has been very little movement, while the demand for tub-washed has been good at previous quotations. The sales include 25,000 lbs. at 51c to 51c. The sales of California during the past week reach about 100,000 lbs., including 50,000 lbs. fall clip at 25c; 16,000 spring do. at 32c to 34c; 5,000 lbs. choice at 35c to 38c, and 10,000 lbs. at 43c. The last named is the highest price we have noted paid for any Californian wool this season. Wools from that State are improving very rapidly in both quality and condition. —Shoe and Leather Reporter.

PORT OF QUEBEC.

STATEMENT OF ARRIVALS AND TONNAGE.

Comparative statement of arrivals and tonnage at this port, from sea, in 1868 and 1869, up to 19th August, inclusive:—

	Vessels.	Tons.
1868.....	608	372,271
1869.....	629	329,843

Less..... 79 42,259 less.

Number of ocean steamers which arrived here up to this date, and to the corresponding date last year.—

	Steamers.	Tons.
1868.....	36	41,658
1869.....	46	60,367

More..... 9 18,409 more.

Comparative statement of arrivals and tonnage from the Lower Provinces up to date, and to the corresponding date last year.—

	Vessels.	Tons.
1868.....	105	11,821
1869.....	7 563	7,252
Less.....	63	15,115
More.....	52	3,294 more

* The Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company's steamers are included in the above.

J. BELL, FORSYTH & CO.

THE HARVEST THAT HAS BEEN GATHERED.—

Notwithstanding that many fields of grain are still unharvested, we may say that the harvest in this section has now been gathered, and that it exceeds in abundance any return that has rewarded the husbandman for many years past. The country this year—particularly in this section—has been blessed with plenty in everything. Wheat, barley, oats, peas, potatoes, have all returned unto plenty, and now, when the waving grain of a few weeks ago has been safely gathered into the farmer's barn, we have only to rejoice at the fact, and return our hearty thanks to the Giver of all Goodness for the bountiful return with which He has rewarded our labours. Now that we can calculate that the harvest has been safely housed, the next inquiry naturally will be as to the prospects for marketing it. We can see no reason, looking at the state of the crops in Europe and America, for looking for any great advance in prices during the coming fall and winter. There will be, undoubtedly, considerable activity in the great markets and the demand may cause a slight increase upon present prices; but the crop has been too large in all the grain-growing countries to look for any great improvement in this respect.—Galt Reporter.

THE FOREIGN WHEAT AND FLOUR TRADES.—

The harvest is being carried on under tolerable favourable conditions in the South of France. The sheaves are numerous, but are generally not so heavy as had been hoped; numbers of badly filled heads being met with. The appearance and quality of the wheat will consequently be deteriorated; the weight will be also lessened. In the Brie and the Beauce districts the appearance of the wheat is not very good. In Normandy and Brittany the wheat crop will be good in some localities, but indifferent in others. The central district is better off, but there are complaints of short and badly developed ears. The Champagne and Lorraine districts are expected to yield an average wheat crop, and the aspect of affairs has also somewhat improved in the North of France. In Austria the temperature has been favourable to the wheat, which present an excellent appearance. On the banks of the Danube and on the coasts of the Black Sea abundant wheat crops are anticipated. Under all the circumstances the rise in wheat has been checked in France; at Bordeaux and Nantes affairs have remained quiet, at Marseilles transactions have shown some feebleness; the last weekly arrivals at the great Mediterranean port were returned at 146,400 hectolitres. In Belgium and Holland wheat quotations have presented little change.

STATEMENT OF BANKS

Acting under Charter, for the Month ending July 31st, 1869, according to the returns furnished by them to the Auditor of Public Accounts.

NAME OF BANK.	CAPITAL.		LIABILITIES.					
	Capital authorized by Act.	Capital paid up.	Pro. due to Notes in circulation and bearing interest.	Balance due to other Banks.	Cash in hands of the Bank.	Cash in hands of other Banks.	Cash in hands of other Banks.	TOTAL LIABILITIES.
ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.								
Bank of Montreal.....	6,000,000	6,000,000	25,251	173,814	6,729,173	9,174,681	16,903,854	16,903,854
Quebec Bank.....	3,000,000	1,478,800	60,384	18,920	60,384	1,478,800	1,539,184	1,539,184
City Bank.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	34,584	10,175	60,384	1,000,000	1,095,139	1,095,139
Que Bank.....	1,000,000	400,564	9,152	8,012	61,224	400,564	469,788	469,788
Bank of B. N. America.....	4,000,000	4,000,000	29,330	31,436	1,186,215	2,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000
Bank of the People.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	69,750	2,243	1,070,000	1,000,000	1,070,000	1,070,000
Niagara District Bank.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	11,223	45,741	1,056,964	1,000,000	1,056,964	1,056,964
Molson's Bank.....	2,000,000	2,000,000	101,040	32,777	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,032,777	2,032,777
Bank of Toronto.....	2,000,000	2,000,000	63,882	17,817	374,927	1,715,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Ontario Bank.....	2,000,000	2,000,000	61,271	191,600	84,283	2,000,000	2,000,000	2,000,000
Eastern Townships Bank.....	400,000	400,000	8,470	11,313	2,000,000	400,000	400,000	400,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	13,863	11,879	27,544	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,840	13,322	33,222	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,183,713	3,33,708	1,183,713	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	310,607	1,842	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	239,405	37,477	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,000,000	1,000,000	112,358	572,284	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000
NOVA SCOTIA.								
Bank of Yarmouth.....	200,000	129,000	160,760	.....	8,072	6,900	16,972	16,972
Merchants Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
People's Bank.....	1,000,000	400,000	115,810	21,377	170,170	33,000	640,000	640,000
Bank of Nova Scotia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
NEW BRUNSWICK.								
Bank of New Brunswick.....	600,000	600,000	612,741	110,740	611,173	600,000	2,414,654	2,414,654
Commercial Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Stephen's Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
People's Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total Liabilities.....	40,106,556	31,130,443	8,009,132	1,520,504	1,027,287	23,709,443	48,744,000	48,744,000

ASSETS.

NAME OF BANK.	CAPITAL.		LIABILITIES.					
	Capital authorized by Act.	Capital paid up.	Pro. due to Notes in circulation and bearing interest.	Balance due to other Banks.	Cash in hands of the Bank.	Cash in hands of other Banks.	Cash in hands of other Banks.	TOTAL LIABILITIES.
ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.								
Bank of Montreal.....	5,915,422	5,915,422	82,000	411,019	4,218,250	13,400,168	200,000	21,524,811
Quebec Bank.....	293,139	140,000	145,433	79,041	174,138	2,000,000	1,000,000	3,909,711
City Bank.....	426,708	426,708	158,539	59,770	61,769	2,306,657	17,544	3,012,328
Que Bank.....	82,878	15,241	7,733	7,439	85,404	2,000,000	113,113	2,107,277
Bank of B. N. America.....	1,008,168	243,333	701,440	15,271	31,031	5,000,000	127,313	7,000,000
Bank of the People.....	233,333	33,317	109,940	3,049	68,899	1,700,000	41,337	2,414,654
Niagara District Bank.....	46,250	12,270	46,250	3,049	32,142	500,000	50,000	700,000
Molson's Bank.....	120,516	66,137	100,213	76,440	31,779	1,000,000	2,000,000	2,221,714
Bank of Toronto.....	437,027	424,009	147,153	68,033	2,403	2,717,713	41,418	3,231,147
Ontario Bank.....	632,150	151,472	206,872	122,616	3,847,705	1,000,000	5,200,000	5,200,000
Eastern Townships Bank.....	49,236	10,246	67,318	31,771	16,828	481,873	7,000	700,000
Bank of the Province.....	122,620	23,318	104,300	122,620	51,011	1,444,639	42,633	1,599,143
Bank of the Province.....	173,645	100,000	100,000	41,834	6,000	1,875,474	2,000,000	2,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	1,562,350	360,285	623,500	342,012	222,150	5,211,424	1,307,107	7,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	319,329	13,394	128,911	37,427	42,450	1,000,000	23,000	2,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	160,534	43,887	120,000	132,431	68,120	1,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
Bank of the Province.....	300,000	46,488	102,562	147,070	37,001	3,477,761	32,762	4,000,000
NOVA SCOTIA.								
Bank of Yarmouth.....	18,996	7,901	.....	246	13,726	201,903	79,574	3,700
Merchants Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
People's Bank.....	24,930	24,040	63,000	13,070	48,302	62,400	1,000,000	1,000,000
Bank of Nova Scotia.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
NEW BRUNSWICK.								
Bank of New Brunswick.....	386,231	13,733	.....	42,000	250,000	2,000,000	111,441	3,211,441
Commercial Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Stephen's Bank.....	14,000	4,304	.....	29,000	24,114	320,000	62,494	470,224
People's Bank.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total Assets.....	13,773,422	1,041,401	3,011,400	2,000,000	6,000,000	54,175,079	8,100,000	64,175,079

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