

Salmon, \$15.40; No. 2, \$14.50; Herrings, \$3.00 to \$4.00. A small lot of Dry Cod from Gaspe arrived this week, and was disposed of readily. **FRUGHT.**—There has been quite a decline in freight, owing to unfavorable advice from the other side and the great scarcity of grain. We quote Liverpool, 4s. 6d. to 4s. 9d. Glasgow and London about the same.

FLOUR.—The market during the past week has been very dull and in favor of buyers. Old ground flour is very difficult to sell. There is no shipping demand and receivers of flour have to rely on the Quebec and local dealers to make sales.—See *Prices Current.*

FURS AND SKINS.—In the absence of arrivals, the market for raw skins is without anything of interest to note. Buyers are likely to use greater caution when the season opens and will confine themselves to paying market rates for all kinds of skins, rather than pay the excessively high figures of the past, which were never warranted either by any foreign or local demand. Experience is sometimes dearly bought, as many can testify who have suffered serious losses on the business of last year. We quote.—Beaver, \$2.00; Prime Black Bear, \$6.00 to \$12.00; according to size; Fisher \$6.00 to \$9.00; Silver Fox, \$25 to \$60; Cross Fox, \$2.00 to \$5.00; Red Fox, \$1.25 to \$1.60; Lynx, \$1.50 to \$2.25; dark Labrador Martin, \$5.00 to \$7.00; pale Martin, \$1.50 to \$2.00; prime fresh dark Mink \$2.00 to \$2.50; fine dark Otter, \$7 to \$9; Fall Muskrat, 12c. to 14c.; Winter do, 15c. to 18c.; Spring do, 22c. to 25c.; Raccoon, 25c. to 60c.; Skunk, 20c. to 50c.

GRAIN.—A good deal of the wheat arriving here is out of condition; this particularly refers to the Canada Spring. Some sales of this grade have been made the past week, as low as 75c. per bushel.—Ocean freights are very dull and about 1s. 6d. per quarter lower in the week. To-day shippers are only offering 3s. to 3s. 6d. per quarter to direct ports. See *Prices Current.*

HARDWARE.—There has been nothing worthy of note during the week and trade remains pretty much as last, travellers as a rule not having left yet for their routes. Some light changes will be noted in Eglinton and other brands of Pig; also in Scotch Bar and Refined, which are all somewhat lower. We quote as in *Prices Current.*

LEATHER.—About the same as last week. Slaughter sole is improving somewhat in price; splits still scarce but no change.—See *prices current.*

LUMBER.—No change worthy of note to record. Business is very dull even in the local market. Prices continue unchanged however, as follows:—*Shipping culls*, \$8.00 per m. feet; *Spruce Sittings*, \$8 do. *Pine*—Common boards and scantling, \$10 to \$16.00 per m.; Clear lumber, \$30 to \$45; First quality lumber, \$30.00 to \$35.00; Third class, 12c. inch deals, \$30 to \$36 per m, surface measure; Cull deals, \$18 to \$24 do.; do, dressed, \$35 to \$40 do.; 2 by 1 inch furrings \$4 per 100 pieces; Laths, \$1.30 to 1.50 per m.; *Spruce* lumber, \$10 to \$12 per m feet; *Spruce* deals, \$24 per m feet, surface measure; *Hemlock* lumber, \$9 to \$11 per m feet; long pine lumber, for building purposes, \$18 to \$34, according to length and size; long hemlock lumber is \$3 less per m feet than pine. *Dressed* lumber—1 inch boards, \$18 to \$20 per m feet; do, 1 1/2 inch roofing, \$20 do.; do, 1 1/2 inch flooring, \$20 to \$30 do.; do, 2 inch flooring, \$28 to \$31 do. *Prices*—Quebec.—*Pine deals*, 1st quality, \$90, per Quebec standard; 2nd do, \$86 do; 3rd do \$28. *Spruce* deals, 1st quality, \$32 do; 2nd do \$24 do; 3d do, \$16 do.

ONS.—Steam Refined Seals is firm at 5 1/2c. in round lots. Stock considerably reduced and very little to come forward, so that it is likely to advance still further.—See *prices current.*

Naval Stores.—The demand continues fair.

Paints.—Unchanged.—See *prices current.*

PROVISIONS.—*Butter.*—Receipts commence to increase and with favorable weather they have been in good condition. Shippers have bought all offering at 18c. for Western and 19c. to 20c. for Township. Prices are regarded high and many look for much lower prices, when season

fairly opens in the fall.—*Cheese.*—Very dull and all hands are losing money. Finest goes begging at 8c. to 8 1/2c. while anything under finest is almost unsaleable. There is no prospect of improvement on summer made cheese which will probably sell at the lowest range of prices in the history of the trade.

WHOLESALE GROCERY MARKET.—*Sugars* continue active and the market is strong. Quotations however are all small. *Teas.*—Some sales of low grades Japans have been made at fair rates; high grades scarce. *Molasses.*—Scarce and higher, other goods unchanged. See *Prices Current.*

WINES AND LIQUORS.—The demand for all classes of liquors is light, but goods are as a rule very firmly held and few goods are now being forced upon the market. The light importations of the past Spring will account for this condition of affairs. We quote as in *Prices Current.*

WOOL.—The temporary activity at the turn of the half yearly season is now past, and until the cool period comes we are not likely to see any great change. This condition of affairs is of course to be expected and the trade are well aware that it is useless to attempt pushing up the demand above the normal figures; any quickening of the market now will be only temporary, and its cause—the purchase of stock to complete contracts. We are not likely to have many contracts this season for future delivery, the uncertain condition of markets will check a disposition, if it exists anywhere, to arrange for large production this fall; the markets will have to become almost bare of goods before mill-owners will recommence to stock. A demand for army supplies and clothing might have an exciting effect on wool, but so far the armies on both sides are equally unlikely to call on the outside world for aid in such kind. Prices continue as quoted last week without any change.

The Travellers insures against general accidents—not accidents of travel only, but the thousand and one casualties to which men are exposed in their lawful pursuits. It issues policies for the year or month, which are written without delay by any authorized agent. It insures men of all occupations and professions, between the ages of eighteen and sixty-five, at premiums which are graduated by the occupation and exposure. The rates are low, varying from \$5 to \$10 a year for each \$1,000 insured, (for occupations not classed as hazardous) covering both fatal and non-fatal disabling injuries.

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IMPORTS.

Comparative statement of Imports at the Port of Montreal from 1st January to 27th July, 1875 and 1876:

	1875.	1876.
Ashes.....	10,715	9,020
Bacon.....	19	211
Barley.....	25,151	67,569
Butter.....	24,231	21,491
Cheese.....	162,365	100,251
Corn.....	385,979	1,210,938
Flour.....	498,744	406,925
Lard.....	261	20,403
Oats.....	88,193	1,306,303
Peas.....	716,597	519,899
Pork.....	14,678	6,907
Wheat.....	3,370,734	3,237,082

REMARKS.

Ashes.—Receipts for the week, 351 brls. Pot. 10 brls. Pearl. Decrease, 1,695 brls.
Bacon.—Receipts, 1 box. Increase, 192 boxes.
Barley.—Receipts, bush. Increase, 42,415 bush.
Butter.—Receipts, 1,060 brls. Decrease, 2,740 brls.
Cheese.—Receipts, 188,20 boxes. Decrease, 62,114 boxes.
Corn.—Receipts, 69,054 bush. Increase, 823,957 bush.
Flour.—Receipts, 15,372 brls. Decrease, 31,819 brls.
Lard.—Receipts, 5 brls. Increase, 20,142 brls.
Oats.—Receipts, 39,400 bush. Increase, 1,278,110 bush.
Peas.—Receipts, 3,250 bush. Decrease, 197,198 bush.
Pork.—Receipts, 1 brl. Decrease, 7,771 brls.
Wheat.—Receipts, 83,568 bush. Decrease 133,652 bush.

EXPORTS.

Comparative statement of Exports of leading articles at the Port of Montreal, from the 1st January to 27th July, 1875 and 1876.

	1875.	1876.
Ashes.....	7,636	6,144
Bacon.....	12,169	29,150
Barley.....	168	542
Butter.....	26,739	28,349
Corn.....	408,133	1,107,133
Cheese.....	161,940	161,493
Flour.....	199,770	171,822
Lard.....	16,171	35,094
Oats.....	150,840	1,616,361
Peas.....	1,182,568	727,187
Pork.....	4,804	6,860
Wheat.....	3,293,117	3,058,635

REMARKS.

Ashes.—Exports for the week, 623 brls. Pot. 74 brls. Pearls Decrease, 1,492 brls.
Bacon.—Exports, 411 boxes. Increase, 16,990 boxes.
Barley.—Exports, 3 bush. Increase, 374 bush.
Butter.—Exports, 2,254 brls. Increase, 1,610 brls.
Cheese.—Exports, 40,696 boxes. Increase, 593 boxes.
Corn.—Exports, 117,276 bush. Increase, 690,060 bush.
Flour.—Exports, 13,981 brls. Decrease, 27,948 brls.
Lard.—Exports, 73 brls. Increase, 18,923 brls.
Oats.—Exports, 305,258 bush. Increase, 1,465,521 bush.
Peas.—Exports, 71,985 bush. Decrease, 455,381 bush.
Pork.—Exports, 92 brls. Increase, 1,056 brls.
Wheat.—Exports, 203,268 bush. Decrease 234,482 bush.

RAILWAY RETURNS.

GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.—The traffic for week ending 14th July, 1876.—Passengers, \$34,583.34; Freight and Live Stock, \$30,164.27; Mails and Sundries, \$2,018.83; Total, \$66,766.44; Corresponding Week of last year, \$69,931.48. Decrease, \$3,165.04.

G. MACLEAN,
Auditor.

NORTHERN RAILWAY OF CANADA.—The traffic for week ending 8th July, 1876.—Passengers, \$3,808.76; Freight, \$11,732.48; Mails and Sundries, \$311.57; Total receipts for week, \$15,852.81. Corresponding week of last year, \$13,436.56. Increase, \$2,416.25.

TIO. HAMILTON,
Secretary and Accountant.

MIDLAND RAILWAY OF CANADA.—Port Hope July 19th, 1876. Statement of traffic receipts for week, from 7st to 14th July, 1876, in comparison with same period last year:—Passengers,