THE CANADIAN MONETARY TIMES AND INSURANCS CHRONICLE.

Commercial.

Toront) Market.

The holiday festivities have almost wholly ened attention during the week, so that very grossed attention during little business was done.

GROCEELES .- A good business was don ; in fresh Sugars and some kinds of Teas, and prices are hanged. nne

Wheat - Receipts, 6,030 bushels. PEODUCE .-The market is quiet ; four or five cars Spring sold at \$1.02 to \$1.03 in store, and one car Fall at \$1.02 in store; little demand. Birley-Some sales of car-loads to brewers were made at \$1.25, one car at \$1.284, all deliver d. Peac-No re-ceipts, and nothing doing. Outs easier, at 52c to 53c by the car-load. Rye is worth, on the street, 75c to 78c.

FLOUR.--- Receipts, 1,405 barrels. Best brands of No. 1 Superfine are worth about \$4.60, and ordinary is freely offered at that price, with no buyers over \$4.50. A lot of 100 barrels Fancy sold at \$4.90. Oatmeal is offered by the car-load at \$6.15, with no buyers over \$6.00. Cornmeal is worth about \$4.00 in car lots.

PROVISIONS.—Dressed Hogs are firm and higher; the best lots are now worth \$8.00 per cwt. Perk— In Mess there is no change; no rates reported. Butter is dull; nothing doing, except in small lots first-class for local use. Cheese in good local demand ; no lots selling.

The Barley Crop of Ontario.

We have obtained the following official figures showing the receipts of barley from the Province of Ontario, at the different lake ports, during the year 1868:-

Chicago, bu	92,017	
Milwaukee, bu	15,013	
Detroit, bu	113,060	
Toledo, bu	593,227	
Cleveland, bu	194,851	
Buffalo, bu	544,195	
Oswego, bu	,031,835	
Cape Vincent, bu	30,800	
Ogdensburgh, bu	54,293	

3,578,841 . Teluct Canada barley shipped from Oswego to western lake

79,134 ports.....

Total rec'ts at above men'd ports 3, 499, 707

In regard to receipts at Montreal, the Secretary the Board of Trade writes:---"A very large of the amount of the barley received here this year is from Quebec—considerable quantities coming from Beauharnois and Dundee. A good deal of Upper Canada (Ontario) barley comes here by railway-but this season's receipts are small, higher prices prices being realized elsewhere. Considerable Ontario barley, I think, passes us by G.T.R., finding an outlet at Coaticoke for U.S. consumers.

Official returns show that 703,158 bushels pasaed through the Welland Canal to western ports, during the season.

We have endeavored to obtain an estimate of the barley required by malsters of this year's crop at various points in the Province, but our returns are not complete. From the most reliable authorities we learn that 215,000 bush. will be malted at Toronto, 12,000 bush. at St, Catharines, 6,000 bush. at Peterboro', and 25,000 bush. at Kingston-making a total at these places of 533, -000 bush. Added to this the quantity consumed at other points, with the stock held by farmers for seed and we think our figures warrant the conclusion that the erop of 1868 exceeds 4,060,000 bushels.

Demerara Sugar Market.

The following is from Sandbach, Parker & Co.'s Circular, dated Georgetown, Dec. 8 :-

SUGAR .- There has been an active demand for Vacuum Pan, and choice samples of bloom and In favor of new tonnage.

grain combined have realized good prices; the bulk of the offenings are however infirior in quality; the shipfigents for the United States for November reached 2,560 hhds all Vacuum Pan, against 5,464 hhds for the United Kingdom of both qualities. Muscovado Sugar is not wanted at present by buyers, and holders are shipping to the United Kingdom.

MOLASSES .- A few favorite marks of Vacuum Pan command extreme rates, but the largest quantity offering is so inferior in quality that low prices are being accepted. Muscovado very dull and difficult of sale, the shipments 1,595 ptns.

RUM .- Has advanced considerably owing to the strong | osition of the English market, most Estates ship direct on their own account. The few lots offering have been at once taken up for the British Provinces at an advance of at least

10c. per gallon. Transactions have taken place during the fort-night t the following rates :

SUGARS (package included) sold by 100 Hbs. Dutch, 10 per cent. tare F.O. B.

Muscavadoes,	equal	at	No. 8	
Dutch Standard				

o. 10 do. \$4.00 ' ''	
" 12 do. \$4.25 " In hhds.	
m Pan No. 12 do. \$5.50 of about	
" " 14 do. 5.75 1800 lbs. ca	¢n.
** ** 16 do. 6.00	
" " 17 do. 6.10	
" 18 do. 6.20 to 6.35	

MOLASSES (package included, sold by Imperial gallen.)

Muscovado, from 18 @ 23 cents, as)	I
to color and density	In puns
Vacuum Pan from 20 @ 35 cents, as	100
to color and density)	Tod Gais.
RUM (colored, package included, sold)	
by Imperial gal. from 35 per cent, @ 38	
overproof 44 @ 48 cents.	Ditto.

From 38 per cent. @ 44 overproof, 50 @ 55 cents.

FREIGHTS .- No change since our last. Tonnage for United Kingdom gradually decreasing, but a number of vessels are over due. Rates re-main at 1s. 9d. for all three ports. The India, main at is, but for all time point. The London. 912 tons, taken up at 1s. $4\frac{1}{2}$ d, per ewt. for London. American rates, 20c, in gold for 109 lbs for sugar, and 33.50 (gold) per puncheon for molasses.

Vessels Bulit in 1868.

The following list of vessels were built in 1868 -Steamer Dove, built at Trenton by A. A. Turner for Sloan and others; tornage, 425 tons. Eark-antine Fanny Campbell, built at St. Chtharines by L. Shickaluna, tonnage 440. Schooper Jane McLeod, built at St. Catharines, no particulars, tonnage 200. Schooner Undine, built at Hamilton, tonnage 225. Schooner Two Brothers, built at Port Burwell by McDairmaid, owner, tonnage 149. Schooner Leviathan, built at Port Burwell by Suffel & Ward, and by them owned; capacity, about 100. Schooner Nemesis, built at Goderich, tonnage 100. Schooner Anandale, built at Kingston by John Carruthers, also owner, tongage 217. Schooner Pandora, built at Port Collorne by Hardison & Co. for builders at that place tonnage 304. Schooner Heather Bell, built at Pieton; owners, W. Ross & Co., estimated tonnage 150. The following is a statement of American and

Canadian lake tonnage :-9.205

Total number of new steamers, 18..... amounts to 26,441.

Actual amount of tonnage commissioned

in 1868 20,727 Actual amount of grain tonnage passed out

of existence in 1868..... 11,176

Breadstuffs and Grain Movement.

The figures given by American papers as to the movement of breadstuffs by the canals eastward during the past season, show a large increa There were 14,085,200 bush. of wheat and 467. 200 brls. of flour left at tide water this year, the against 9, 466, 100 bush. and 410,000 brls, respec tive y last year. These figures indicate an increase this year of 4,619,100 bush. of wheat and 57,800 brls, of flour. The Albany Argue says :-"Those who keep posted as to the movements in wheat will recollect that there was frozer in e the Erie Canal in 1867, a quantity of wheat, estiinated at 2,800,000 bush., which was delivered a tide-water in May, 1868, and of course appears i the tide-water receipts for that year. from these receipts to deduct the 2,800,000 h and add them to the receipts of 1867, to which they belong, thus

	1868 4,085,000 2,800,000
Corrected receipts	1,000,000 If we de- l in 1867 Sept 1, in atributed 1868 only ment we
figures : 1868. Barley, new crop, by canal 1867. Barley, new crop, by canal	Bushels.
Excess in 1867 1863. Barley, new crop, by railroad 1867. Barley, new crop, by railroad	316,600
Excess in 1868	134,400

Excess in 1867 by canal and railroad ... 368,590

Absconded.

J. C. Francke, general grocer in Montreal, left fo parts unknown about a week ago. His liabilities are not yet known, but through the good-nature (to use a very mild term) of a couple of elerks of the Merchants' Bank, with whom he appears to have been on terms of intimacy, he had his cheques eashed for some \$15,000 without the knowledge or consent of the eashier. The two foolish young men will probably lose their situations, and however much we may feel for them under the circumstances, we must say that they evinced a guillibility which could form no excuse for overstepping their powers and usurping the functions of the could form in the set of t functions of the cashier. A writ of attachment has been issued against Francke."-Trade Review.

Hallfax Market.

BREADSTUFFS. - Dec. 22, 1868. - There has been a slight' improvement in the flour market this week, and holders are firm at quotations. Canada No. 1 \$6.35 to \$6.45; strong bakers \$6.50 to \$6.75; extra Canada \$7.50 to \$8; extra State still continues dull at \$6 to \$6.40, according to quality., No. 2 \$5 to \$5.30. Comment-Kiln dried scarce at \$4.75 to \$5; fresh ground, sound \$4.50; unsound \$4.15 to \$4.25. Rye flour \$525 to 5.50. Oatmeal \$8. Imports from January 1st to 1

Jecember	22nd, 1867 and 1868	Au. 124
2	Brls. Flour.	Bris. Cornmeal.
1868.	186,380	48,340
1867	189,060	38,669

WEST INDIA PRODUCE. - Molasses-stocks of good much reduced, and the demand during the week has been good although there is no c in price to note. Sugars dull except Vacuum Pan, which continues to be in good demand at 94c duty paid, with no stock in first hands. We quote: Porto Rico 64 to 6 de., Barbadoes 54 to 54c., Cuba 54 to 54c., Centrifugal Cuba 6c., in bond. Rum very scarce at quotations ; 75c for Demenars an 9.051 65c for St. Jago.

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