

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

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THE general inaction noted at date of our last, has continued throughout the entire week; arrivals generally have been very small, and transactions purely local and of a retail character.

The Fenian excitement has in a great measure subsided, but some measure of distrust still obtains, and partially interferes with business operations.

FLOUR.—Notwithstanding the very limited receipts, the tendency has been downwards since the close of the Reciprocity Treaty, as the demand has been purely local, and buyers restrict their purchases to immediate wants in anticipation of more liberal supplies and lower prices. The higher grades from scarcity nominally maintain their value, but the demand is of the merest retail, and any supplies of consequence would cause a decline. Supers are a slow and dragging sale, Canada brand bringing \$5.50 to \$5.80, and brand from Western wheat \$5.50 to \$5.70 according to quality. The lower grades have met an active demand, and are still wanted at quotations.

BAG FLOUR.—Has been sparingly supplied and though the turn easier, has not perceptibly declined, only the choicer samples however, bring full rates, while the poorer descriptions are difficult to quit at all.

OATMEAL.—Though in small supply, is neglected, and only saleable by retail.

WHEAT.—There are no arrivals to note, and no sales have transpired, either on the spot or for delivery.

COARSE GRAINS.—Some sales of *Peas* for spring delivery have been reported at 82¢. per 66 lbs.; there are however few buyers and little speculation. *Barley* is nominal in the absence of transactions. *Oats* are quiet, there being no sales on the spot, and views of buyers and sellers being mostly apart in respect to future deliveries.

PORK.—Small sales of *Mess* are made at from \$23 to \$24; *Thin Mess* at \$22, and *Prime and Prime Mess* at \$17. The enquiry continues to be of the merest retail, and no material change can be looked for until opening of navigation.

LARD.—The stock is very small, and the demand at present is trifling. British advices are of very firm markets, with a continuous upward tendency.

TALLOW.—Both demand and supply are very limited, and recent prices are not obtainable.

BUTTER.—Arrivals are moderate, and with very small stocks prices are maintained. The demand, however, is only by retail, and with the advancing season dealers are indisposed to buy ahead of their immediate requirements. In the absence of any enquiry for Britain, prices here for some time to come will be entirely governed by the receipts and offerings on the markets.

SEEDS.—Are very dull. Clover selling in small parcels from 8 to 9 cts. per lb., and Timothy from \$1.75 to \$2.25; demand and supply alike very small.

ASHES.—With moderate arrivals and a slight advance in Britain, are a shade firmer, and prices the turn better; the demand however is not active; stocks of *Pots* are reduced to about 1900 barrels, and *Pearls* to some 150 barrels.

Latest Quotations of Colonial Securities.

Canada 6 per cent. Jan. and July, 1877, 95 to 97; Do. 6 per cent. Feb. and Aug. 93 to 95; Do. 6 per cent. Mar. and Sept. 95 to 97; Do. 5 per cent. Jan. and July 80 to 82; Do. 5 per cent. Inscribed Stock, 79 to 81; New Brunswick 6 per cent. Jan. and July, 93 to 95; Nova Scotia 6 per cent. 1875, 98 to 100.

RAILWAYS.—Atlantic and St. Lawrence, 58 to 60; Buffalo and Lake Huron, 63 to 74; Do. Preference, 10 to 11; Buffalo and Brantford 6 p. ct. Bonds, 1872, 76 to 80; Grand Trunk of Canada, 37 to 38; Do. Equip. Mort. Bds., 1st charge 6 p. c. 88 to 90; Do. 1st Preference Bonds, 66 to 68; Do. do. deferred, 60 to 63; Do. 2nd Preference Bonds, 59 to 61; Do. do. deferred, 60 to 55; Do. 3rd Preference Stock, 47 to 49; Do. do. deferred, 41 to 44; Do. 4th Preference Stock, 36 to 38; Do. do. deferred, 35 to 37; Great Western of Canada, 163 to 17; Do. new 31 to 34; dis.; Do. without option, 1873, 94 to 96; Do. 51 do. 1877, 86 to 88; N. Rail. of Canada 6 p. ct. 1st Pref. Bonds, 80 to 82.

Opening of Navigation.

The Canadian schooner Trade Wind, from Port Hope for Oswego, with a cargo of wheat and peas, arrived safely at her destination on Thursday of last week. This is the first cargo exported from Canada in 1866.

PRICES OF GRAIN.

	Average Prices on						
	Friday Mar. 16	Satur. 17	Monday 19	Tuesd. 20	Wedn. 21	Thursd. 22	Average for week
Flour, Superior Extra,	8 25	8 25	8 25	8 25	8 25	8 25	5.10
Extra	7 75	7 75	7 75	7 75	7 75	7 75	4.90
Fancy	6 75	6 75	6 75	6 75	6 75	6 75	4.75
Superfine	5 65	5 65	5 65	5 65	5 65	5 65	4.55
No. 2.	5 30	5 30	5 30	5 30	5 30	5 30	4.25
Fine	4 55	4 55	4 55	4 55	4 55	4 55	3.65
Bag Flour, 112 lbs.	3 15	3 15	3 15	3 15	3 15	3 15	2.55
Oatmeal, bbl 200 lbs.	4 50	4 50	4 50	4 50	4 50	4 50	1.82 1/2
Wheat, U. C. Spring	1 18	1 18	1 18	1 18	1 18	1 18	1 18
Peas, per 66 lbs.	0 67 1/2	0 67 1/2	0 67 1/2	0 67 1/2	0 67 1/2	0 67 1/2	0 63 1/2
Barley, per 50 lbs.	0 63 1/2	0 63 1/2	0 63 1/2	0 63 1/2	0 63 1/2	0 63 1/2	0 63 1/2
Oats, per 32 lbs.	0 33	0 33	0 33	0 33	0 33	0 33	0 33

RECEIPTS OF PRODUCE.

VIA GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY AND CANAL.

	For the week ending Wednesday, Mar. 7, 1866	From the 1st January to Mar. 7, 1866.	To corresponding period 1865.
Wheat, bushels	1,490	53,550	80,540
Flour, barrels	2,373	47,018	69,331
Corn, bushels
Peas, "	...	2,770	2,212
Oats, "	2,190	50,905	70
Barley, "	292	11,074	7,422
Rye, "	...	5,145	1,110
Oat and Corn Meal, bbls	90	939	187
Ashes, barrels	284	4,325	4,295
Butter, kegs	424	6,847	8,136
Cheese, boxes	27	1,280	490
Pork, barrels	425	3,115	581
Lard, "	261	1,111	261
Tallow, "	96	404	170
Whiskey & H. Wines, cks. & punches.	220	2,508	1,984

Legal Decision.

Some years ago the ship SIERRA NEVADA, of Boston, while entering one of the docks at Liverpool with a cargo of guano on board from the Chincha Islands, broke in two and became a wreck. The owners of the vessel and cargo sued the Dock Company to recover the value of the ship and cargo, and were successful in obtaining decisions in their favour in every court; but the Dock Company would not pay, and finally brought the case before the House of Lords. After remaining two years before the Lords, it was recently decided in favour of the claimants, the Lord Chancellor presiding. Thus the decisions of all the law courts were confirmed by this court of last appeal. The object of the Dock Company in contesting the decisions of the Admiralty Courts was to deter others from suing them; and hence induce future parties who may have claims against them to settle on their own terms. The ship was owned by Messrs. Glidden & Williams, of New York, and was valued at \$130,000 in gold at the time of the disaster. She was subsequently repaired, and is now as good as ever.

Latest Quotations by Telegraph.

The *Australasian*, from Liverpool on the 10th, and *Queenstown* on the 11th arrived at New York yesterday morning. Flour was quoted in retail demand only, and nominally unchanged. Wheat in moderate request at late rates. *Winter Red* 10s. to 10s. 6d. Corn flat and lower. *Mixed* 28s. to 28s. 3d. Beef in good request at full rates. Pork firm. Bacon 1s. to 2s. dearer. Hams also dearer. Lard in good demand; sales of American up to 77s. U. S. 5. 20's 70s.

Ships Loading and Cleared for Montreal and Quebec, March 2nd.

AT LIVERPOOL.—Loading for *Montreal*—Ocean Phantom, Mount Royal, North Wind, Achilles, Pericles, Ravenscrag, Thermutis. Loading for *Quebec*—Millicette, Pilgrim, Cairngorm, Bombay Packet, Fanny Forsyth, Glencairn, Arran, Cinnea, Polly.

AT LONDON.—Loading for *Montreal*—Chaudière, John Bull, Eclipse, City of Hamilton. Loading for *Quebec*—Inga-Wolverine.

IN THE CLYDE.—Loading for *Montreal*—Gleniffer, Harlequin, Ardmillan, St. Lawrence, Queen of the Clyde, Clydesdale, Shandon, Forganhall, Balmoral, Myrtle. Loading for *Quebec*—Tadmor, Liverpool, Cameo, Queenshill, Mary Leonard, Transit.

Great Fire at Buffalo.

On Saturday morning last, a fire broke out near the west end of the N. Y. Central R. R. freight house, adjoining the City Elevator, the property of the same Company. The fire spread so rapidly that both buildings with their entire contents were destroyed. The loss is estimated at a million of dollars, made up of, besides the buildings, forty-six freight cars, all loaded, and 353,000 bushels of grain, valued at about \$1 per bushel. The cause of the fire is not definitely known, one report stating that the watchman overturned a can of Kerosene oil, and in his efforts to prevent its spread upon the floor threw a shovel full of ashes from the stove upon it. In the ashes were live coals which set the oil in a blaze. On the other hand, it is denied that Kerosene oil was used on the premises.

Great Western Railway of Canada.

Traffic for Week ending 16th March, 1866.

Passengers	\$33,884.88
Freight and Live Stock	50,671.23
Mails and Sundries	1,799.40
	\$86,355.51
Corresponding week of last year	55,687.00
Increase	\$30,668.51

Railway to Owen Sound.

A meeting of the ratepayers of the Township of Sydenham was held last week at St. Vincent line, to take into consideration the advisability and practicability of having a railway to Owen Sound constructed. Resolutions were passed, favouring the extension of the Northern Railway, as the cheapest, shortest and most practicable route, and offering on the part of the Township of Sydenham a bonus of \$30,000 for carrying this into effect. A committee was appointed to communicate with the Reeves of the different municipalities of the County of Grey, and the 17th April fixed for another meeting.

London Money Market.

At latest dates money was in good demand, without, however, any particular stringency in the loan market. Securities of nearly all kinds were lower, and after considerable fluctuations, closed weak, with a declining tendency. Consols left off at 86 1/2 for money and account. Grand Trunk had touched as low as 34 1/2, but had rallied somewhat, closing at 37 1/2. The return for the Bank of England for February 28th, gives the amount of notes issued as £28,113,205; in active circulation, £20,763,100. The Bullion on hand was £13,966,574, an increase of £143,633, as compared with the previous week. The Bank rate of interest is still 7 per cent., with no expectation of an immediate reduction.

Prices in England in 1865.

Wheat is advancing. It was 38s. 5d. a quarter in the last three months of 1864, and 44s. 10d. a quarter in the last three months of 1865. Beef by the carcase, in London, was on an average 5 1/2d. per pound; about 1d. below the price of the corresponding season of 1864, and a half-penny per pound dearer than it was in the autumn of 1863. The mean of the quoted prices of beef ranged from 4 1/2d. to 7d. a pound; mutton from 5 1/2d. to 8 1/2d. in the last three months. The average price of mutton in the last three autumns was 6d., 6 1/2d. and 6 3/4d. a pound. The rise in the price of beef was 10 per cent., of mutton 15 per cent. in two years. The best potatoes sold at from 3s. to 4s. 6d. per 112 pounds, and were much lower than in 1864.

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