

considerable misfortune during the past season, they have nevertheless carried immense cargoes both to and from Montreal. The Aberdeen Atlantic Shipping Co. has had two large vessels running between Montreal, Aberdeen and Newcastle. Lower ports boats have also had a busy season, especially the Campana, which besides having large cargoes, also had a successful passenger season. The Lower ports had an additional steamer this season in La Canadienne. This boat made several successful trips, but on her last passage from this port she was run into by the U.S. warship Yantic and received considerable damage.

That the season has been a busy one will be seen by the following tabulated statement. Large gains will be noticed in the exports from Montreal, more particularly in the shipments of wheat, corn, oats, rye, etc., while the decreases compared with last year are mainly seen in meats and fruit. The increase or decrease is denoted by the letters i and d.

	1897.	1896.	Dec. or Inc.
Wheat, bush.....	9,874,348	7,027,058	i 2,847,290
Corn, bush.....	9,384,422	6,778,896	i 3,605,526
Peas, bush.....	1,771,780	1,865,533	d 93,753
Oats, bush.....	5,018,155	2,631,785	i 2,386,370
Barley, bush.....	179,045	247,148	d 68,103
Rye, bush.....	792,987	361,627	i 441,260
Flour, barrels.....	585,813	772,124	d 186,311
Meal, barrels.....	36,630	40,014	d 3,384
Pork, barrels.....	1,250	585	i 665
Lard, barrels.....	27,656	85,023	d 57,367
Meats, packages.....	98,798	228,752	d 129,954
Eggs, cases.....	157,360	141,853	i 15,507
Hams and bacon, boxes.....	6,697	8,123	d 1,426
Apples, barrels.....	168,448	725,016	d 556,568
Cheese, boxes.....	2,102,985	1,726,226	i 376,759
Butter.....	220,252	157,321	i 62,931

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