

Messrs. D. Murphy and J. Hodgins were then appointed scrutineers.

They reported to the Secretary that the members of the old Board had been unanimously re-elected.

At a meeting of the Directors held subsequently, Mr. James MacLaren was re-elected President, and Mr. Chas. Magee, Vice-President.

—Letters patent are applied for to incorporate "The George Jackson Plough Manufactg. Co., of London." The capital stock is fixed at \$200,000. The applicants are Messrs. Geo. Jackson, D. Macmillan, Jas. A. Mahon, C. F. Goodhue, C. B. Hunt, R. Brummitt, and Richard Gibson. It is intended to make agricultural implements sleighs, wagons, carriages ect,

Commercial.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, 20th Dec. 1882.

Wholesale trade in the city has ruled quiet this week. The retail traders however, have been doing a good business and to make up for quietness in the wholesale trade remittances have been very satisfactory. The lasters who returned to work last week would not abide by their agreement and are again out on strike, all the shoe factories are now shut down and are likely to remain so for some time. The ice bridge is forming fast; the channel is filled with floating ice as far as Longueuil.

ASHES.—Pots.—Market dull and declining all week; firsts were sold at \$5.10 to 5.20, but have since steadily declined to \$4.90 and \$5.00, at which the market closes. Pearls.—None offering, no transactions reported; the nominal price is \$9.10. Receipts for the past week Pots 74 brls, Pearls 23 brls. Deliveries for the same time Pots 115 brls; Pearls 10 brls. Stocks at present in store, Pots 191 brls; Pearls 51 brls.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—No change in the situation since last week, the men are still out and manufacturers do not expect to resume work before next week. No alteration in prices.

CATTLE.—There was a pretty large supply of Christmas cattle in the market yesterday, but drovers complain that butchers are not giving the prices now that they did in previous years, and it is probable that a large number of the prime animals will be sent to Boston for shipment to England. Some very large fat cattle were sold at 10c. per lb; next quality bringing 8½c. and the poorer quality 4½ to 5½c. per lb. Lean stock were not asked for. Lambs \$3.05 each; Hogs in moderate supply, sold at 6 to 6½c. per lb. Dressed hogs 8½c. per lb.

DRY GOODS.—Very little is doing just at present in this line, a few orders have been coming in but of limited amount. However an improvement is now looked for when the ice-bridge takes, and as soon as winter roads which at present are rather heavy shall be in a good condition to enable people to move about. There is a pretty general demand for fancy and holiday goods, furs and trinkets, and the retail dealers are doing a good business in the city. Remittances, our wholesalers say, have been unusually satisfactory.

FUEL.—The demand for Cordwood is rather slow, but some improvement is looked for after this cold spell; very little is coming in by rail, and stocks are light in dealers' hands. We quote Long Maple \$7.50; short ditto \$7.00; Long Birch \$7.00; short ditto \$6.50; Long Beech \$6.50; Short ditto \$6.00; Long Tamarack \$6.50; Short ditto \$5.50.—Coal.—A good demand exists for American Anthracite chestnut, \$7.25 to 7.50. Stove and Egg coal \$7.25; Picton grate coal \$6.25; Scotch Steam scarce, \$6.75 to 7.00.

FURS.—The Hudson's Bay Company's London sales of Beaver and Muskrat skins commence on the 22nd January next. Curtis Lampson and others on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th of January. The quantities to be offered by the Hudson Bay Company are 945,845 Muskrat against 1,016,958 in 1881, and 105,486 Beaver against 197,381 in 1881. This is the last week in which anything can be shipped for that sale, and prices here will be quiet till after the result of the sales is known. The sundry fur sales in London commence on the 5th of March and continue till the end of the month. There is a good demand here just now for skunk for immediate use. Quotations are steady as under. We quote Mink \$1.00 to 1.25; Otter \$8.00 to 10.00; Beaver \$2.00 to 2.50; Skunk 50

to 60c. each; Lynx \$2.00 to 2.50 each; Bear large \$8.00 to 12.00; ditto small \$3.00 to 6.00; Red Fox \$1.25; Marten \$1.00.

FISH.—There is very little demand for fish and prices are upon the whole firm, stocks being small Labrador Herrings \$6.50; other grades of Herrings \$4.50 to 5.50; Dry Cod \$6.00 to 6.50; Green Cod No. 1 \$7.00; ditto No. 2 \$6.00; Salmon steady at \$20, \$19, and \$18 for Nos. 1, 2, and 3 respectively; Lake Superior White Fish \$6.00; Lake Superior Salmon Trout \$5.25.

FLOUR.—The stock in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 16th inst was 40,488 brls. against 37,844 brls. on the 9th inst. and 46,543 brls. on the 15th Dec. 1881. Receipts for the past week 20,887 brls. Total receipts from 1st January to date 831,062 brls., being an increase of 32,343 brls. on the receipts for the same period of 1881. Shipments during the week 14,867 brls. Total shipments from 1st Jan. to date 760,559 brls., being an increase of 142,445 brls. on the shipments for the same period of 1881. There is no export demand, business is small and confined to the supply of the local trade. Prices although not materially changed are in buyers' favor. We quote Superior Extra \$4.80 to \$5.00; Extra Superfine, \$4.75 to \$4.80; Fancy, nominal; Spring Extra, \$4.70 to \$4.80; Strong Bakers' Flour, American, \$6.50 to \$7.00; ditto, Canadian, \$5.40 to \$5.50; Superfine, \$4.40 to \$4.50; Fine, \$3.90 to \$4.00; Middlings, \$3.70 to \$3.80; Poilards, \$3.50 to \$3.60; Ontario Bags, new medium, \$2.20 to \$2.30; do. do., Spring extra, \$2.25 to \$2.30; do. do., Superfine, \$2.10 to \$2.15; City Bags, delivered, \$3.25 to \$3.00; Oatmeal, \$5.10 to \$5.40 for Ontario, Cornmeal, \$4.25, nominal.

GRAIN.—Wheat.—Stocks in store and in the hands of millers on the morning of the 16th inst. were 253,253 bushels, against 259,712 bush. on the 9th inst. and 122,394 bush. on the 15th December 1881. Receipts during the week were 84,813 bush., total receipts from 1st Jan. to date 8,109,126 bush., being an increase of 668,028 bush. on the receipts for the same period of 1881. Shipments during the week 80,313 bush. Total shipments from 1st January to date 6,775,934 bush being an increase of 364,338 bush. on the shipments for the same period of 1881. There is nothing of any consequence doing in this grain, our quotations are for Canada Red Winter \$1.06 to 1.08; White Winter \$1.04 to 1.05; Spring \$1.06 to 1.07. Peas.—No sales. We still quote 90c. but buyers are offering a little less. Oats are quiet at 34 to 35c. Rye 60c. Barley 60 to 70c.

GROCERIES.—Teas.—The market is firm and unchanged, a good many teas seem to be wanted judging from the enquiries, but buyers wont pay the prices and as holders wont make concessions there are no lots sacrificing here; the New York market is also firm. Coffee.—The market both here and in New York has apparently touched bottom and we find it now in a better position than it has been for the last two years. A fair jobbing trade has been doing within the following range of quotations: Mocha, 29 to 31c; Laguayra, 11 to 14c; Maracaibo, 11 to 14c; Jamaica, 9 to 15c; Ordinary Java, 15 to 20c; Old Government Java, 22 to 28c; Rio, 10 to 12c. Sugar

—There has been an improved demand for refined sugar at stiffening prices. We quote Granulated, 8½ to 9c., and the Refinery will not sell under 500 brl. lots at our inside quotation; Grocers' A, 8½ to 8¾c; Yellows, 6½ to 7¾c. Raw Sugar.—There is none to be had here and prices are quite nominal. Molasses are dull and easier; Barbadoes is freely offered at 51 to 53c; Antigua, 49 to 50c; and Trinidad, 47 to 48c; Rice is selling in round lots at \$3.40 to 3.50. Sardines, quarters, 11½ to 13c; do. halves, 22 to 25c. Spices.—The market is very firm and stocks held here are light: Cassia, 12 to 14c; Cloves, 23 to 28c; Nutmegs, 60 to 90c; Jamaica Ginger, 17 to 23c; Pimento is easier, 10½ to 12½c; Black Pepper, 16½c; White Pepper, 25 to 27½c; Mace, 60 to 85c. Fruit.—The market is quiet, still a fair jobbing business has been done but we do not hear of many round lots changing hands; stocks of all kinds are ample; we quote Layer Raisins, \$1.90 to 2.00; Loose Muscatels, \$1.90 to 2.00; London Layers, \$2.55 to 2.65; Valencia, 7½ to 8c., according to quality, some round lots have been placed at lower figures; Sultanas, 10½ to 11½c; Currants, 6½ to 8c., a round lot being placed at our inside quotation; Smyrna Figs, 15 to 16c; Prunes, in kegs, 6½ to 7c; Tarragona Almonds, 13 to 14½c; Sicily Filberts, 9 to 9½c, Barcelona ditto, 8 to 8½c; Walnuts, 9 to 16c.

HIDES.—A good many are coming in and find

ready buyers at \$9, \$8, and \$7. Lambskins \$1 to 1.10.

HOPS.—The market is quiet and holders are sanguine of an improved demand after the holidays; stocks are light and we now quote them \$1.00 to 1.15.

HARDWARE.—Owing to the lateness of the season and the short supply of Pig Iron in stock coupled with the very high rates of freight, any holders or importers of iron cannot well afford to sell under our quotations, which are advanced. Tin plates have considerably advanced during the last week owing to the excited state of the market in England which has been active. Ingot

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