

ting the other fellow carry the wool, and are not offering much encouragement to holders, in the way of remunerative prices for their purchases. The position is very well sized up by the fact that in 1897 Canada was credited with exporting wool to the United States, valued at \$1,481,153, while in the fiscal year of 1898 only \$179,262 worth of wool passed in this trade.

MONTREAL MARKETS.

Montreal, August 31st, 1898.

ASHES.—Quietude still marks the situation in this line, and transactions are few, receipts being light, and the demand inactive. We continue to quote first quality of pots at \$3.80 to \$3.90, seconds, \$3.60 to \$3.65; pearls, \$4.60 to \$4.75.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—The state of business in this line cannot be called wholly satisfactory, considering the generally improved conditions of the trade, and fall orders have proved disappointing to some extent. Possibly the advent of cool, wet weather later may induce an active sorting demand, and tend to repair the deficiency some manufacturers complain of. The embarrassment of a Quebec firm is noted in our summary column, attributed to lack of orders. Spring samples are well advanced with some leading houses, and will be in travelers' hands early in September.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.—Another shade of increased firmness is notable in the cheese market since a week ago, and fair-sized sales of Quebec cheese are reported at 7½ to 8c., probably 8½c. would be a fair quotation for finest, while Western would range about 8¾c. for fine colored. Cable offers are reported at 39s. for Quebec, and 41s. 6d. for Western, which would bear out above figures. Butter is barely as strong as last week, but fair business is reported at 17½ to 18c. for fine to finest creamery, in tubs; Western dairy 12½ to 14c. for good, Townships 14 to 15c. Cheese shipments last week were 73,399 boxes, against 79,733 boxes for the same week of 1897. Butter exports, 9,926 packages; same week last year, 13,270 packages.

DRY GOODS.—The wholesale millinery houses, whose fall openings were made yesterday, have been well thronged by visiting buyers, and business, as it has progressed so far, is pronounced very satisfactory. Dry goods men also report a good many buyers in their line, and city retail trade is showing signs of the setting in of fall shopping. Altogether the prospects in this line are very promising, and collections are of a generally satisfactory character.

MONTREAL STOCKS IN STORE.

	Bushels. Aug. 20.	Bushels. Aug. 27.
Wheat.....	27,547	27,865
Corn.....	44,501	28,278
Oats.....	487,085	341,901
Rye.....	9,770	10,472
Peas.....	120,193	47,795
Barley.....	19,099	8,209
Total grain.	708,192	464,520
Oatmeal.....	215	257
Flour.....	20,164	21,905
Buckwheat.....	64	64

GROCERIES.—The firmness in sugars alluded to in our last report has developed into an advance of a sixteenth of a cent, which was announced by refiners yesterday, in both granulated and yellows. The demand is rather better, and though the St. Lawrence refinery is still shut down, it is expected that the September demand will be fairly active, and it is likely that operations will be resumed next week. The outside markets for raws are reported firm, with slight recent advance in refined, in New York. The enquiry for molasses is quiet, but the market is a strong one, and some

shortness of stock is not improbable before new supplies of Barbadoes are available next spring. For teas there is rather more active demand, especially for Japans of medium grade, there being considerable enquiry for 15½ to 16c. teas; siftings are also wanted, and one broker reports transactions aggregating some 400 packages at from 7 to 7½c. Ceylons and Indian teas are firmer in London, cables reporting an advance of a halfpenny. Advices from Japan are to the effect that the teas now offering show considerable deterioration in quality. In other lines we hear of nothing especially new. A sale of Cohoes salmon, old pack, is reported at \$3.50 for a wholesale lot, which shows the strength of the market in this line.

HIDES.—The demand from Quebec tanners, who are the principal buyers in this market, is light. They are reported to have pretty fair stocks of leather on hand, and the slackness in orders from shoe jobbers is unfavorable to sales. Prices, however, rule steady, and dealers continue to buy on the basis of 9c. for No. 1, with quotations to tanners from 9½ to 10c. Lambskins will probably be advanced to 45 to 50c. the beginning of next week. Calfskins as before.

LEATHER.—The situation in this line is practically unchanged, and while there is a moderate business reported in sole and dongolas, the general demand for the

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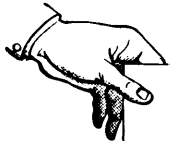
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