

FIRE RECORD.

ONTARIO.

Waterdown, April 25.—A fire in the bake-shop of Jas. Rodgers, on Mill street, spread to Mr. Eger's barn, and centre building of his store destroyed, with bake-shop, kitchen and barn. Loss \$5,000; covered by insurance. *Ridgeway*, May 2.—Tobnie & McMartin's sash, door and furniture factory destroyed. Loss \$8,000; insured for \$1,000 in London, Huron, and Middlesex. *Prescott*, 2.—The Old Junction House, owned by Mr. Wilkinson, destroyed with part of contents. Insured in Royal. *Port Elgin*, May 3.—J. Settler's house destroyed. Loss \$1,000, insurance, \$450. *Ottawa*, May 7.—The carriage and fanning mill of J. Gordon destroyed. Loss not known. *Grand Bend*, May 7.—The Fountain House, kept by Jos. Brennan, with stables and contents. Loss \$4,000; covered by insurance. *Toronto*, May 4.—Lendley & Barber's knitting factory damaged to the extent of \$300.

QUEBEC.

Quebec, April 28.—Mullavey's Hotel partly destroyed. Loss \$1,000. A house occupied by Mrs. Connell burnt. Loss \$800; insured. *Quebec*, May 4.—A building owned by Mr. Lewis and occupied by several tenants destroyed. Mr. Lewis is insured in Western for \$1,700, and Mr. Considine, one of the tenants, in the Sovereign for \$400.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

St. John, March 6.—E. J. Armstrong's printing office damaged, also J. Rubins' tailor shop damaged by water. Crawford & Bell and J. Campbell, also damaged by water. Mr. Armstrong is insured for \$3,000 in Fire Association, and Mr. Rubins for \$800 in London and Lancashire. *Douglas*, March 7.—The residence of Mrs. Smith with contents destroyed. No insurance. *Woodstock*, March 16.—American House, occupied by J. Estey, burnt. Loss \$1,000; insured. *Hampton*, March 15.—A wooden house owned by T. A. Peters destroyed. Loss \$2,300; insured for \$300. *Bathurst*, March 19.—A house owned by Mrs. Burns totally destroyed. Insured for \$600 in Western Assurance Company. *Hartford Hill*, 27.—The Deaf and Dumb Asylum with barns and out-buildings totally destroyed. Insured for \$1,500 in City of London. *Fredericton*, April 4.—The barn and woodshed in rear of J. McNally's residence totally destroyed. Insured for \$2,000 in Imperial. *Woodstock*, April 6.—Messrs. Lamb & Graham's warehouse with contents completely destroyed. Insured for \$400 in City of London, and \$1,000 in Western. *St. John*, April 11.—The dwelling house with outbuildings belonging to M. McKinnon; and contents totally destroyed. Loss \$2,000; insurance \$1,600. *Dorchester*.—A building occupied by M. Atkinson and S. Pattison, destroyed. Pattison loses \$1,000; no insurance. Atkinson loses \$5,000; insured in Western for \$2,000. Sir A. J. Smith, who owned the building had \$200 insurance on it. *South Richmond*, April 13.—The dwelling house of J. Crawford, burnt. Loss \$1,500; house and barns insured in Western for \$1,000. *Debec*, April 16.—The New Brunswick Railway Station building destroyed with contents. Loss not known. *Fredericton*, April 17.—The Brinley House partly burnt. Loss \$5,000. The building and furniture are insured. *Woodstock*, April 19.—A cottage owned by Mrs. J. White totally destroyed. Insured for \$300 in Agricultural of Watertown. *Carleton*, April 24.—J. Fly's house burnt. Insured for \$1,000 in the Western. *Fredericton*, April 24.—A fire occurred in the shed of Mr. Spafford which destroyed a barn and two sheds with back of building owned by Central Fire Insurance Company, insured for \$1,000. *Portland*, April 23.—F. P. Longley's house damaged to the extent of \$300; insured in Sovereign. *St. John*, April 24.—Captain Mitchell's house burnt. Loss \$300; insured in Queens. *Portland*, April 25.—D. Doherty's house damaged. Loss \$400; insured in Citizens. *St. John*, April 25.—The Central Hotel, owned by Mrs. Wm. Root, destroyed with portion of

furniture, also barn and contents. Insured for \$3,000 in the Commercial Union. *St. John*, April 27.—The drying room of Parks cotton factory damaged to the extent of \$2,000. *Shediac*, April 27.—The carriage and blacksmith shop of Sweeney & Richard, with contents, destroyed. Loss not known. *Campbellford*, April 27.—A large building owned and occupied by Wm. Ferguson totally destroyed; no insurance. *Woodstock*, April 30.—A fire broke out in a barn attached to S. L. Churchill's residence, which was destroyed with contents. Loss \$900; insured for \$1,100 in London and Lancashire. *Dryden*, May 3.—The house and barn belonging to Mrs. Jane Rogers destroyed with contents. No insurance. *Woodstock*, May 5.—A barn owned by C. Oliver destroyed. Loss \$300.

NOVA SCOTIA.

Digby, April 27.—A fire broke out in Keen's jewellery store, and spread to Turnbull's & Welsh's, the Post office, Burns & Longstaff's and E. Burnham's. Keen had no insurance; store completely destroyed. The others saved part of stock. Loss \$20,000. Burns & Longstaff had \$5,000 on stock in *Ann*. E. Burnham's stock insured for \$2,000 in Hartford, and Turnbull & Welsh's for \$1,500.

Market Reports.

MONTREAL WHOLESALE MARKETS.

THURSDAY, 10th May, 1883.

The trade situation shows little improvement, as compared with a week ago. The Spring season, now well advanced, has for the most part been disappointing; the cool backward weather materially affects the dry goods trade, but remittances in most branches have improved, and a confident feeling pervades the mercantile community, it being generally believed that, notwithstanding the somewhat late opening of navigation, a good year's business will be done. The almost unprecedented flow of immigration to Canadian shores this Spring greatly enhances the trade outlook, and manufacturers and importers are as a rule wisely pursuing a conservative course in their prospective transactions. The harbor already wears a busy appearance, steamships of nearly all the leading lines having arrived; the Richelieu and Ottawa river lines of steamers, together with the local boats and various schooners and freight vessels have also been put upon their regular routes. The canal tolls are more than ever a source of anxiety to our exporters, since the tolls on the Erie Canal and wharfage dues at New York have this year been abolished. The money market continues easy, with rates unchanged. During the early part of the week the stock market was active, at good prices, but yesterday and to-day a reaction was noticeable, and the market closes weak, with values declining. In Banks, Montreal has been the favorite security, and in Miscellaneous stocks, Canadian Pacific, City Gas, and Richelieu have commanded the chief attention. As compared with a week ago all the leading bank stocks show a fractional decline, and Toronto has fallen off 1½ per cent, selling to-day at 194. Canadian Pacific sold at 62½, with buyers closing at 62½. City Gas sold at 174½, a decline of 1 per cent for the week. See table on another page.

ASIES.—Receipts have been light, and with a good demand prices have advanced to \$5.20 to \$5.30, with two or three small lots at over this figure. Seconds \$4.90. No Thirds here. In Pearls we have to report a slight demand for First Steamers, and a sale of 10 barrels Firsts on private terms. Receipts since 1st January, 2,389 barrels Pots, 52 barrels Pearls. Deliveries, 1,326 barrels Pots and 108 barrels Pearls. Stock in store at six o'clock on Wednesday evening, 1,378 barrels Pots and 36 barrels Pearls.

CATTLE, ETC.—Cable advices from England report an improvement in the cattle markets, an advance of from 1d. to 3d. having been established. In Liverpool and Glasgow good steers are quoted at from 8d. to 8½d. per lb. live weight. Sheep have also advanced in price, good qualities being quoted at from 9d. to 9½d. At the local markets there was a brisk demand on export account, and sales were effected at from 5½c to 6½c for good to choice cattle. The offerings of butchers' stock comprised about 250 head, and there being good enquiry a fair business was transacted at from 5½c to 6c for choice offerings, from 5c to 5½c for medium to fair, and from 4½c to 4¾ for common kinds. About 300 calves were offered, and sales were reported at from \$2.00 to \$4.00 for small, and from \$5 to \$10 each for the better class. There were about 100 sheep and lambs on the market, the former selling at from \$5 to \$10 each, and the latter from \$3 to \$5 each. Live hogs were plentiful, and were quoted at from 7c to 7½c per lb live weight to quality.

DAIRY PRODUCE.—The local Butter market favors the buying interest; the movement so far is chiefly in lots for the jobbing trade; and 2½c to 2½c is a fair representation of values, although more money has been paid for occasional packages. Old American butter has sold in small lots down to 18c to 20c for common to good qualities. Quebec dealers have also been forced to import American butter. There has been a fair enquiry this week on shipping account, and several lots of both new and old are said to have been purchased for the Gulf Ports. One of the most peculiar features in the butter trade is the continued importation of American goods after the season for the new make is so far advanced, which only serves to emphasize the marked contrast between the wind-up of the past season in the United States and that experienced in Canada. At this season, when the supply of new butter is expected to increase daily, and prices are declining, it seems too risky to import old butter from the United States, and pay the duty and express charges. Several lots of new Cheese, white and colored, have been offered during the week, and values rule firm, at 13c to 14c; it is stated that shippers have bought at 12c, but the movement has been chiefly for the retail trade, the supply being scarcely large enough yet to afford a basis of values for round lots. It is understood that business has been done in the Belleville district at about 11½c.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The week has opened up with an active business. Two steamers have left full for the Lower Ports, and considerable shipments have also been made by canal westward. The arrival of ocean steamers has been a relief, as stocks of heavy chemicals were, in some lines, completely exhausted. There has not been much done as yet by way of offering from new arrivals, and prices are a little uncertain, but several lines will doubtless be lower. Some sales of Alum at \$1.75 to \$1.90, according to package and quantity. In other lines we cannot yet report changes. The English market by last reports were firm, with a fair amount of business doing. In finer goods there is not much to report by way of change, excepting Quinine, which is about 10 cents per oz. lower.