

the Queens; \$2,000 in the Liverpool, London and Globe, and \$1,500 in the Imperial.

Sorel, Que., July 18.—The saw mill and sash and door factory of Gauthier, Vigneau & Co. was totally consumed by fire. Loss about \$15,000; insured for \$5,000 in the Stadacona Insurance Co.

Fenelon Falls, July 17.—Smith & Fell's shingle mill was burned, together with a quantity of shingles. Origin of fire unknown.

Whitby, Ont., July 17.—The dwelling and premises of Mr. Mathewson, builder, were destroyed by fire; insured for \$1,000.

Brockville, July 18.—Fire broke out at 1.30 a.m. in Gilloilain's hotel, originating in the summer kitchen. The hotel and outbuildings were burned; loss \$10,000. Two tenement frame dwellings, owned by Gilloilain, loss \$1,000; two story stone house, owned by Samuel McKay, loss \$3,000; large two story stone house, occupied by Rev. Father McCarthy, owned by Wm. McCullough, loss \$1,000; barn of J. M. Gill, loss \$300; three tenement houses on John street, owned by McCulloch, loss \$2,500; stone house on George street, owned by John Bell, loss \$2,500 on furniture owned by Fleming, and full insurance on Gill's barn. 12 families turned into the street. Total loss about \$26,000.

Aurora, Ont., July 19.—The foundry and dwelling of Geo. Wilkinson was totally consumed by fire. Loss heavy; stock insured for \$2,500.

Otterville, Ont., July 19.—An unoccupied house, owned by Mr. Lean, of London, was destroyed by fire. Loss \$300. A building occupied by W. C. Hollen, editor of the *Argus*, was also burned. Loss about \$500; insured for \$300.

Lachine, Que., July 20.—A fire broke out about 2 p.m. in the old G.T.R. depot, destroying 3 barges, a light house and the old depot.

Hamilton, July 20.—The premises of Thos. Harris were destroyed by fire, together with the barn, outhouses, slaughter-house and contents. Loss about \$1,000; partly insured.

Halifax, N. S., July 21.—A tannery owned by John Baxter was burned.

Barrie, Ont., July 21.—A saw mill belonging to Mr. Cook was burned, together with a quantity of lumber.

Montreal, July 21.—The barn, stables and outbuildings, belonging to Mr. Andrew Allan, at Landerstone, were totally consumed by fire, together with a valuable horse, a number of hogs and poultry, carts, sleighs, &c. Insured for \$16,000 in the Citizens, Royal Canadian, and North British and Mercantile. Cause of fire unknown.

Woodstock, N. B., July 21.—A fire broke out in the barn of the Northampton House, which was totally destroyed; also the new school house, Geo. Alexander's dwelling, Lewis Coomb's dwelling, W. F. Smith's dwelling and store, Roulston's dwelling, and a number of outbuildings.

Invermay, Ont., July 22.—The residence of Wm. Jamieson was consumed by fire. No insurance.

Ottawa, Ont., July 22.—Captain Currie's barns and outbuildings were burned. Loss \$1,000; insured for \$500 in the Ottawa Agricultural Insurance Company.

Carlisle, Ont., July 23.—Burn's Hotel was destroyed by fire, together with two barns and two sheds. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

Cornwall, Ont., July 26.—A fire broke out this a.m. at 3.30 on Pell st., destroying 3 frame buildings, belonging to estate of the late Vancoughnet, and the new brick Commercial block, erected last year at a cost of \$25,000; the whole of the stock in the lower flat of the latter, consisting of dry goods, groceries and jewelry, was saved, but the building was a wreck. The new library institute, the Cornwall free-holder office, Dr. Wengant, dentist, the Masonic and Odd Fellows Hall have been consumed; the whole is partially covered by insu-

rance. The fire is said to have broken out in a small store until recently occupied by an absconding tobacconist; total loss is not known.

Mono Mills, Ont., July 24.—The residence of G. McManus was destroyed by fire, together with his office and the Court house. No insurance.

Montreal, July 26.—A fire broke out in the building of the *Sœurs de La Providence*. Damage slight.

Quebec, July 26.—A fire broke out at Cap Santé, and destroyed Mr. Marcot's carpenter shop. Mr. Garnett's property was also damaged.

Orangeville, Ont., July 26.—A frame house and gunsmith shop, owned by Mr. A. Carroll, and occupied by W. Watson, was destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$100; insurance on building \$490, and on contents \$200.

Mitchell, Ont., July 26.—A fire destroyed Thos. Goddell's millinery and fancy goods store, spreading to the adjoining premises of Mr. Good's grocery and feed store. Goddell is insured in the Stadacona for \$1,300, and Good in the Mechanics and Merchants Mutual for \$600.

St. Catharines, Ont., July 26.—A large building, owned by Mr. C. C. Nelson, hop manufacturer, and occupied by him as a stable and storehouse, was burned. Loss about \$4,000; no insurance. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

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#### Commercial.

#### MONTREAL GENERAL MARKETS.

MONTREAL, JULY 27th, 1876.

But few of the dry goods travellers have been heard from as yet, and these report a more hopeful feeling among country merchants, but with a sturdy determination to buy with caution. The dry goods trade is not likely to improve matters by rushing their travellers out so early, and it were much better if all should agree not to send out before a certain time, which as yet is a little early, as people await some estimate of the result of the Fall wheat yield before deciding what policy to pursue in making their purchases. One or two houses are importing very heavily, but it may be they have more sagacity than their neighbors, but we incline to doubt the wisdom of heavy importations, at least till the harvest yield shall prove itself. The money market continues unchanged the slight demand for moving wool, cheese, butter, grain, &c., being scarcely felt in the general plethora of funds lying idle at the banks. Remittances during the week have

been very fair, being much better from Kingston east of late. This is chiefly owing to farmers realizing upon surplus feed held through the winter, and which the experience of the winter before last induced them to hold over.

ASHEs.—Receipts of Pots continue moderate, while the whole quantity of Pearls received in July has only been 69 brls. Last Saturday a very unexpected advance took place in First Pots, which have sold to the extent of 250 brls. at \$1.40 to 4.50, according to tares, but as few would "follow the leader," the market closes heavy with a decline of 10c per 100 lbs. Seconds have been brisk at \$3.30 to 3.40. Thirds purely nominal, none offering. In Pearls there have been sales at \$1.85 to 4.90 for Firsts, and \$3.90 to 4.00 for Seconds, of this sort there are very few left unsold. The receipts for the year have been 8,413 brls Pots; 583 brls Pearls; the deliveries 5,939 brls Pots; 564 brls Pearls, and the stock in store at 6 p.m. on 27th July was 4,555 brls Pots, and 1024 brls Pearls.

BOOTS AND SHOES.—A fair demand continues for future delivery, and at about former rates which do not vary materially from last year. An inclination is, however, perceptible to lower prices a little on heavy staples and low qualities. As this is scarcely developed we do not alter quotations, and merely give our readers the benefit of the hint.—See prices current.

CATTLE.—There is no change to note in prices since last week. At the St. Gabriel market on Monday there were about 13 carloads of cattle offered. The market was dull, and prices for first-class cattle remained firm at \$5; inferior class brought from \$4.40 to \$4.75. A dealer from Windsor sold 30 head at \$5.00 per 100 lbs, also 21 head of grass fed cattle at \$1.124. A carload of hogs which were shipped from St. Mary's were disposed of at \$6.12½ per 100 lbs, the same dealer also sold 35 others at \$6.62 per 100 lbs. 121 hogs were sold on the 21st inst. at \$6.40. There were no sheep or lambs on the market.

CHEESE.—At the Ingersoll market this week 24 factories only registered their offerings, wh 1st over 70 factories were represented. 7,171 boxes offered and 1,555 boxes sold; 1,095 sold at 8c., and 460 at 8½c. 8c. is top price for choice. Market very dull. Cattle 45s. At the Little Falls market this week 7,500 boxes offered; 5,000 boxes sold at 9c., 400 at 9½c., 1,800 sent on commission; few sold under. Market very dull. In New York the week receipts show 84,523 boxes vs. 73,858 boxes the previous week, and 94,055 boxes the corresponding week in 1875. The exports for the week were 85,014 boxes vs. 64,255 boxes the previous week, and 65,987 boxes the corresponding week 1875. The high temperature and scant steam freight room are against the trade. These prices are equal in gold as follows:—8½c. U.S. is equal to \$7.33; 8c. is \$7.00; 9c. is \$8.05; 9½c. is \$8.27. Freights from Ingersoll to Liverpool via G.T.R., Allan Line, 80c., and to Glasgow 80c.; N.Y. Central to Liverpool 87c., Erie to Liverpool 87c., and to Glasgow 87c., and London 81c. To London via Temperley Line (G.T.R.) 80c., Dominion Line and rail, to Liverpool 75c. G. W. R. via Hamilton and boat 70c. to Liverpool.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.—The r marks in last week's report will apply equally well this week. The usual midsummer stagnation is on us, and little improvement is expected for some time—We quote.—Soda Ash, \$1.90 to \$2.25; Sal So la, \$1.35 to \$1.50, according to quantity; Soda Bicarb, \$3.50 to 3.75; Caustic Soda, 3½c. to 3c.; Alum, 2c. to 2½c. Extract Logwood is easier, and is quoted 11c. to 11½c. for bulk, and for packages in proportion. Bleaching Powder, 1½c. to 2c.

Dry Goods.—The City retail trade continues better than usual at this particular season of the year. We are pleased to learn that travellers now on the road are meeting with very good success, and although orders are not large, they are given freely and much more cheerfully than they have been for last two or three seasons. Collections are more satisfactory than it has been our wont to report of late.

FISH.—Codfish brl \$4.50 No. 2; New not worth \$5.50. Dry Codfish prime, \$5.50; No. 1 New