

EXPORTS.

We publish elsewhere a statement of exports from the port of Montreal, for the year ending 1857. This statement includes all articles exported to the United States, and elsewhere, by the Champlain and St. Lawrence railroad, cleared at Rouse's Point. Elsewhere will be found a similar statement of those from Coaticook and St. Johns via Lake Champlain; together with the details of the goods passing over the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railway.

On reference to the table of Exports from Montreal, it will be seen that it is composed only of the products of Canada, while large quantities of produce, the production of the United States, pass through our channels of commerce, of which no return is made in the usual documents prepared for the public.

In addition to the statement referred to we find, from a supplementary statement furnished to Government, that during the past year we exported by the St. Lawrence, being the produce of the United States,

12,985 barrels Flour Value	£16,219
14,500 bus Indian Corn Value	2,953
522,114 do Wheat Value	157,337
		£176,509

We cannot find, on record, any corresponding statement of exports last year, and are therefore unable to furnish our readers with further information on this point.

The Total Value of Exports—the growth and production of Canada—Cleared at the Port of Montreal for 1856, amounted to....			£754,451
1857, do to....			425,290

The Total of Produce, &c., which passed over the Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad in 1856, amounted to			£139,483
Ditto, in 1857			201,607

The following are the figures showing the exportation for eight years :—

MONTREAL EXPORTS FOR EIGHT YEARS.

Years.	31st Dec.
1850	£436,193
1851	272,869
1852	518,262
1853	745,761
1854	458,410
1855	333,609
1856	754,451

The last two items include the Exports by Rouse's Point and St. Hyacinthe, but not those by Coaticook.

The manner in which the Exports of this city have heretofore been kept, prevents us from giving the total figures of exports from the various Frontier Ports in as satisfactory a manner as we should desire. We, therefore, confine our total under this head to the past year, which we know, from authentic returns in our possession, to be strictly correct.

EXPORTS FOR THE YEAR 1857.

Amount of Exports, as per Customs return, including exports at Rouse's Point over Champlain Railroad....	£729,335
Do. from Supplementary statement, being the produce of the United States.....	£176,509
Do. Exports at Coaticook, per detailed statement, published in another column.....	£461,034
Do. at St. Johns, C. E., of goods exported via Lake Champlain.....	£267,472

We have no means of ascertaining whether any or what portion of this amount may have been included in the exports by the Champlain Railroad.

Showing all our Exports for the above places to amount to.....£1,634,350

DUTIES.

Gross amount of Duties Collected at the Port of Montreal, from 1850 to 1857, Compared :

	Inc.	Per Ct.
1850 - - - - £258,159		
1851 - - - - 315,211	56,737	21.9
1852 - - - - 333,269	18,058	5.7
1853 - - - - 449,102	115,833	34.7
1854 - - - - 478,361	29,258	6.5
<i>Dec.</i>		
1855 - - - - 310,062	168,299	35.2
<i>Inc.</i>		
1856 - - - - 469,726	159,603	51
<i>Dec.</i>		
1857 - - - - 461,690	8,026	—

GROCERIES, WINES, SPIRITS, &c.,

In taking a retrospective view of these Markets for the past year, we feel that we cannot but record the fact that those who were the most sanguine at its opening have been the most disappointed. Prices have fluctuated a good deal and the demand for almost every article has fallen off considerably, as compared with previous years. Staples were not excepted from the general depression and the anticipation that importations would be unusually light, proved