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From Papers by the "Bohemian."

We publish this morning a somewhat startling letter from Mr. Goldwin Smith, Professor of History in the University of Oxford, upon England's relations and policy towards her colonies, with an able commentary upon the Professor's views by the London *Times*, with his reply thereto. As affording matter for speculative consideration, the letter and article will both repay perusal.

THE LONDON HERALD (DERBYITE) ON THE BLOCKADE.

(From the Herald of the 5th inst.)

The blockading of the Southern ports is inflicting indescribable misery upon Lancashire and Yorkshire. The manufacture in which the larger part of our factory population is engaged is almost brought to a stand-still.

Tens of thousands (reading hundreds or thousands of mouths), accustomed to the receipt of good wages, and quite unable to bear up against penury, are out of employment, with no other resource than the scanty relief of the poor law guardians and the liberality of the masters and shopkeepers, who are themselves suffering from the same cause.

Thousands more are earning but half wages, and are expecting soon to be deprived even of them. About the time when the world will be asked to look upon the glorious display of manufacturing industry and skill at South Kensington, the mills of Lancashire and Yorkshire will be entirely closed, and their large industrial population starving upon workhouse doles and the charity of whilom rich employers, now nearly bankrupt. The whole country participates in the distress now; its developments will involve us in a general crisis. The blockade of the Southern ports is the one cause of the misery present and threatening. Yet, hard as it might be considered that the innocent people of this country should suffer from the savage persistence of the North in a useless struggle for domination, we should bear patiently enough all that might be thrown upon us if our rights were not distinctly violated.

If the blockade were of the character to which alone international law allows validity we should suffer and bear; but the blockade which President Lincoln has notified is not a legal one, and the attempt to enforce its recognition upon neutrals is a scandalous imposition. Lancashire and Yorkshire are starving because the English Government recognizes a blockade which it knows has not the slightest legality, according not only to the law recognized in Europe, but by that laid down in the most authoritative manner as well by the American courts in their judgments, as by the American Government in its treaties and dispatches. The English people respect law, but they cannot allow their best interests to be almost entirely affected by acts which are directly contrary to law.

So long, therefore, as the English Government recognizes this sham blockade, the ports of the South are practically closed to us. The American Government can employ its naval forces for other purposes, and prolong this useless war.—Our acquiescence is not only suicidal, it is grossly unfair towards the Confederate States. We are bound to treat both belligerents with equal severity. If we allow the Federals to violate international law in this manner, we aid them to the prejudice of their opponents. It would be a gross scandal, a flagrant disregard alike of international law and of the impartiality we profess, to recognize such a fictitious blockade, even if our own interests were not damaged by it. To recognize it when its prolongation must spread ruin over some of our richest counties, is sheer madness.

MR. BRIGHT ON THE SAME SUBJECT.

Mr. Bright was present at a banquet given by the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce on the 4th inst., and in the course of a speech said:

"There can be no question at this moment which is more worthy the serious attention of all thoughtful people and of the government of this country than the question of the position of Lancashire. We have had, as generally is the case on all great questions, a world of nonsense talked with regard to American affairs. We are told that the blockade is a paper blockade, and totally ineffective, at the same time that we are told it is so grievous a calamity, because it is so effective, that it is necessary to break it down. We know that cotton might be bought in New Orleans at this moment at eight cents or fourpence a pound, that is it could be put down in Liverpool it would sell readily at 1s or 1s 2d. We know also that at the South almost everything they import is selling—if there be anything at all in the country—at fifteen or fifteen times its price; and whatever may be said of a ship escaping the blockade now and then, I believe that it can be demonstrated that there never was in the history of Europe a blockade at one time so effective throughout so long a line of coast. But that, of course, is no particular advantage to us who wish to have some of the produce of the Southern States. I mention it only to show that the pretences for interference on that ground are vain and foolish. People don't appear to think that interference means war.

There is a general impression in England that somehow or other America has gone to the dogs, and that this country, with its vast fleet, might do anything it likes with it. But suppose anybody had asked you in 1850 whether the United States were a very easy power to trample on, everybody would have said 'No'; but at that moment the population of the States that are under the government at Washington is greater than was the population of all the States of the American Union in 1850. More than ninety-nine per cent of all the maritime wealth and power that then belonged to the Union belongs now, as it did before, to the North, and, therefore, unless men go upon this principle, that a man whom you were very civil to before he met him with an accident, may be meddled with without danger when he has his arm in a sling—I say that nothing can be more ignorant or more foolish than the idea that the United States, as now governed from Washington, are a power that can be trampled on as though they were a few disconnected provinces in a state of anarchy, such that any one might insult and injure them at pleasure." (Hear, hear.)

Mr. Bright concluded by urging neutrality in the American war, expressing his belief that the interests of Lancashire at this moment depended absolutely upon a perfect and a friendly neutrality on the part of this country and this government.

MR. SMITH ON "COLONIAL EMANCIPATION."

To the Editor of the *Daily News*:

SIR,—Ought not the narrow escape we have had of a war in defence of Canada to lead the nation to think seriously not only of the reduction of colonial expenditure, but of colonial emancipation? England has long promised herself the honor of becoming the mother of free nations. Is it not time that this promise should be fulfilled?

If there had been a war with the United States the Trent would have been the occasion, but Canada would have been the cause. It is because we have a dependency on that continent easily assailable, and which, because it is a dependency, it is impossible to defend, that the idea has taken root in the minds of Americans wherever their temper or the desire of relief from internal difficulties leads them to think of a foreign war.

It was generally assumed that the war would have been short and easy. In defence of England all wars would be short and easy; but the best judges seem to think that a war would be by no means short or easy if waged in defence of Canada against a Power with an immense population close at hand and able to put an overwhelming force upon the Lakes.

There is but one way to make Canada impregnable, and that is to fence her round with the majesty of an independent nation. To invade and conquer an independent nation without provocation is an act from which, in the present state of opinion among civilized nations, even the American would recoil. The manifest unwillingness of the Canadians to be annexed was a greater tower of strength on the late occasion than our arms or theirs.

To protect dependent colonies we not only burden our over-taxed people with gratuitous taxation, but scatter our forces, naval as well as military, over the globe, leaving the heart of England open to a sudden blow. What do we gain in return? What is the use of our appointing governors of colonies except to the circle of men who make governing colonies their profession? The time was when the universal prevalence of commercial monopoly made it well worth our while to hold colonies in dependence for the sake of commanding their trade. But that time is gone. Trade is everywhere free or becoming free; and this expenditure and this perilous connexion have entirely survived their sole legitimate cause. It is time that we should recognise the change that has come over the world.

We have, in fact, long felt that the colonies did nothing for us. We now are very naturally beginning to grumble at being put to the expense of doing anything for them. If they are to do nothing for us, and we are to do nothing for them, what is the use of continuing the connexion?" On the sentiment and style of this sentence we need make no comment. Nor does the argument call for much notice. Mr. Smith falls into an error of which no one conversant with the mercantile affairs of this country could be guilty. So far from the foundation and maintenance of Colonies being of no advantage to England, it can be proved by figures that our export trade has grown up for a week or two, and then vanish. As a general rule, we do not think it necessary to note their recurrence. The "psychological law" which causes a certain number of men to fancy themselves capable of great political discoveries always insures the reiteration of the same shallow theories and the same commonplace arguments. Among the oldest discussions of this kind is that which relates to the alleged inutility of Colonies. It has been handed down through the doctrinaires of two or three generations, and in our time has enjoyed almost as much favour as the projects for general disarmament or for equalizing the political rights of the sexes. But for the last few years its popularity with "thinkers" seems to have declined. These gifted persons have been forced to acquiesce in the prejudice of their countrymen, which is against the destruction of the British Empire. The immense increase of the national expenditure which has followed the foundation of new Colonies, the recent development of those in North America, have satisfied the country that it has not been a loser by them. Nor are Englishmen generally indifferent to the spectacle which the Empire now presents. To have established communities in every region of the globe, and to find them uniformly prosperous, and desirous of maintaining their connexion with the Mother Country and each other, is a triumph of enterprise and civilization of which few among us fail to be proud.

So completely has the destruction of this feeble fabric ceased to be an idea of any class of men who can influence the country, that when we find it from time to time reproduced by some narrow-minded and illiterate politician we are content to pass it over in silence as not worth discussing. But the subject has been just brought forward by a gentleman who is officially entitled to notice. Mr. Goldwin Smith, Professor of Modern History at Oxford, has addressed a letter to a contemporary, in which he advocates the dismemberment of Queen Victoria's dominions as a policy to be carried out thoroughly and with as little delay as possible. Now, though the opinions of Mr. Smith as an individual may carry little weight, yet a Professorship of History at Oxford is a public function, and the opinions promulgated under its shelter are likely to receive notice even when they bear such evident marks of perversity as the letter of Mr. Smith. It is not always safe to count on the weakness of a bad argument. We know from experience that though not one Englishman in a hundred sided with the Peace Society, yet so old and able a ruler as the Emperor Nicholas was firmly convinced that Manchester would never allow England to go to war. So when we find that a person who may be fairly accepted as the representative of the Universities, as teaching history and politics in the first English University, advocates the giving up of Canada and India, Gibraltar and the Ionian Islands, declares that England has relatively declined to such an extent as to make the retention of her possessions impossible, and expresses a belief that the death of Lord Palmerston will be the signal for the abandonment of these ancient provinces and garrisons, we feel bound to protest against such statements, as likely to mislead opinion in foreign countries, among the populations of India, and among the discontented factions of one or two of our dependencies. Should any of our foreign contemporaries, however, labour under this delusion, we can assure them that, in this country at least, Professors of History do not count for statesmen, and that the habit of propounding political theories to young men who cannot contradict them, without the responsibility of enforcing them in public life, is not reckoned the surest way to acquire practical views either of philosophy or politics. It would seem that the founding of British American people by defend their connexion with England, and the enthusiasm they have shown for the honor of our common flag, are no merits in the eyes of some among us. Those who are talking continually about "our American brethren," meaning thereby the people of the Federal States, have no reason to be goodwill their own fellow-subjects who, placed in a position of great danger, did not shrink from accepting in our cause any quarrel which the violence of their neighbours might force upon them. The late events in Canada are taken as a theme by Mr. Smith, and he sees in them, not, as others do, reason for pride and gratification, but matter which should cause us to "think seriously." The result of his own "serious thinking" is that the British Empire is about to be broken up by revolt or foreign war, unless we forestall our adversaries by breaking it up ourselves. We have had, he tells us, "a narrow escape" of a war in defence of Canada. To protect dependent Colonies we burden our people with taxation. What do we gain in return? "What is the use of appointing governors of Colonies, except to the circle of men who make governing colonies their profession?" "This extensive and perilous connexion"—namely, that between the mother country and the Colonies—"has entirely survived its sole legitimate cause," which the writer declares was the monopoly of the Colonial trade. "We now are very naturally beginning to grumble at being put to the expense of doing anything for them. If they are to do nothing for us, and we are to do nothing for them, what is the use of continuing the connexion?" On the sentiment and style of this sentence we need make no comment. Nor does the argument call for much notice. Mr. Smith falls into an error of which no one conversant with the mercantile affairs of this country could be guilty. So far from the foundation and maintenance of Colonies being of no advantage to England, it can be proved by figures that our export trade has grown up and is now in a great measure supported by

There is not the same fear which there was at the height of French domination lest the Mediterranean should become a French lake. A revived Spain, a revived Italy, and in course of time a revived Greece, will take good care of that.

On the other hand, the revival of the Spanish power, under comparatively liberal institutions, which even the Tory "Quarterly" now admits, will render Gibraltar every day a more dangerous and expensive possession. We won that place fairly in war; but Spain, to which while in our hands it is a standing insult, may as fairly try to win it back again. It seems to be admitted that since the vast improvement of guns and naval batteries it could not stand a naval siege. To hold it securely, therefore, we must remain masters of the Mediterranean, and to do this we must undergo the enormous expense of coping with the Mediterranean Powers in their own waters, at the same time that we keep up a sufficient force to protect our own coasts. With railroads, France, lying between us and our Mediterranean fleet, can transport her armies to any point of the Mediterranean, and a few days afterwards in the Channel.

We have no longer, as when our flag was planted on the rock of Gibraltar, to deal with the decrepitude of the old Spanish Monarchy, and we must not bear ourselves as if we had.

The Ionian Islands are not a permanent property, but a temporary trust. If this gives England or ours only knew how much it would add to her greatness to do one signal act of moderation!

I do not say that we should hastily throw up anything, but I do say that since what we all our empire was formed the world is changed, and that we ought to take practical note of the change. I say, too, that the greatness of England really lies not in her empire, but in herself.

India, of course, stands on a peculiar footing. There, all cant apart, we have not only taken up a position from which it is difficult to recede, but assumed responsibilities which we are bound, if we can, to discharge. Whether the dominion of that country, as distinguished from the enjoyment of its trade, for the sake of which our dominion was originally acquired, adds to our real strength or wealth, seems at least open to doubt. It is indeed something—it is much—to have displayed on that great theatre the qualities of an imperial race. But when we come to actual advantages, a perennial supply of old Indians spending Indian pensions at Bath and Cheltenham seems the main item on the side of profit; while, on the side of loss, we must place a heavy annual expenditure of our best blood, lavished in Indian warfare, or by Indian disease; the paralyzing sense of our weak point, and the loss of dignity and force thence resulting to our diplomacy in Europe; and not only the Sikh and Afghan, but in a great measure the Russian war.

The crucial question probably is, whether the English can convert India from a dependency into a colony by settling it, taking the place of the Mahomedans, its last conquerors, and permanently forming the governing and civilizing class. If the climate or any other cause forbids this, the days of our dominion are numbered. No country, much less a poor country, as India on the average is, can afford permanently to pay exile price for its establishments. The taxation required to give all the servants of the State double pay and pensions would surely produce revolts; and to be always suppressing revolts in blood would be a prospect which we should hardly desire to encounter. The horrors of the Sepoy mutiny cancelled the work of all our Indian missionaries ten times over.

Whether our dominion in India propagates Christianity is a question the answer to which must be taken from facts, not from those who subsist, however meritoriously, by the missionary establishments. It is high time that the balance should be struck between the expenditure and the results, in order that we may be quite sure that we are not wasting in India that which might bear good fruit at home. But if you look to history, I think you will find that the great conversions of the heathen have been made, not by the clergy of a conquering Power, but by missionaries, in the full sense of the term, throwing themselves into a heathen nation, and relying to live on their own persons unalloyed, the highest example of the religion which they preached. The religion of conquerors is seldom a welcome gift; and the English in India are sure to be always worse than the English in England, and to carry their vices to discredit their religion.

To revert, however to the case of the colonies proper. The policy of our statesmen towards them has, no doubt, of late years been ill-considered and sagacious, favorable to self-government, and therefore theoretically favorable to emancipation. But actually to take the decisive step of emancipating a colony will be difficult for them unless they are strongly supported, and even pressed by public opinion. Our governments, under the party system, are ephemeral, and cannot exercise much foresight; they are hampered by routine, the fetters of which it is hard for them, in their brief tenure of power, to break; they are trammelled, not by the love of patronage, which few of our public men lack the dignity to disregard, but by the strong claims of political friends who stand ready for each colonial governorship as it falls vacant. Most of them are also probably unwilling, as servants of a monarchy, with aristocratic connexions, to ratify democracy in the colonies, while they find themselves unable to construct any other kind of constitution.

It is not to be expected that an inch of the empire will be given up by the present Premier. Though youthful in bodily vigour, he is old in ideas, and unconscious of the great moral and material changes which have taken place in Europe since he first entered public life. But he will be succeeded, probably, by statesmen more imbued with the ideas and alive to the exigencies of our own age; and, depend upon it, such statesmen will be disposed to retrench our empire in order to add to our security and greatness.

I am, &c.,
GOLDWIN SMITH.

Oxford, Jan. 27.

THE COLONIAL CONNEXION.

(From the London Times.)

Experience has taught us that there are certain fallacies which reappear at intervals like comets of short period, give a feeble glare

the settlements which Englishmen of past or present days have made in distant regions of the globe. Commercial monopoly has nothing at all to do with the benefits which a country like England receives from its Colonies. Those benefits depend on the fact that every emigrant becomes a far more productive customer when set down on a new soil than when he was struggling for existence at home. He immediately obtains the means of comfort and even of luxury. His ideas of both are formed from what he has seen and envied in his own country. His wants are those of Englishmen. He naturally becomes a large consumer of English productions. English manufactures, though not of the purest taste, English eatables and drinkables, though sometimes far from delicate or wholesome, are exported in immense quantities to supply what is really a piece of England in the New World or at the Antipodes. The wealth created by this unbounded consumption is the real source of the prosperity of Australia, Canadian, and Indian trade prove that even now the British settlements abroad are large elements in England's mercantile greatness.

This the whole world sees and acknowledges. Not even the conquest and re-conquest of India have excited more admiration of late among foreign nations than the colonization of Australia. Every French traveller breaks forth into raptures at the prosperity of Melbourne, and regrets that the Orleans Government did not assert its right to the Island of New Zealand. Yet it is but a few years since the Colonies of Australia were denounced as failures, and philosophers of Mr. Smith's school declared that the attempt to renew the experiment of America must end in ruin. Australia has grown up and now takes our manufactures by millions. The truth is that there is no wiser policy for a country like ours than to take possession of the waste places of the earth, and give our crowded populations the power of settling in them under our own laws, modified, if need be, to suit their particular exigencies. Men will not flock readily to a country where there is a strange or distrusted government, nor will they so readily choose a land disciplined by slavery and mob law as one which still cherishes a feeling of loyalty to the Sovereign and of attachment to the institutions of their native country. We will venture to say that, of those who once had misgivings as to the policy of retaining Canada, nine out of ten are by this time convinced of their error, and are prepared to give her all the assistance she may require, either for maintaining her allegiance to this country, or for working out her independence, whenever she is able and willing to do so. It is true that Canada numbers as large a population as the Confederate States in 1780; but when the American Colonies revolted there was no powerful Empire on their borders ready to absorb them into the gulf of democracy, and no one has elsewhere depicted in stronger colors than Mr. Smith himself the extreme pain and reluctance with which they realized the necessity of separation from the British Crown. As to the question of military expenses, that will, we think, be settled by the united good sense of Englishmen and colonists. Doubtless money has been wasted, as in the Caffre wars as the Professor of History do not count for statement, and that the habit of propounding political theories to young men who cannot contradict them, without the responsibility of enforcing them in public life, is not reckoned the surest way to acquire practical views either of philosophy or politics." It would seem that the founding of British American people to defend their connexion with England, and the enthusiasm they have shown for the honor of our common flag, are no merits in the eyes of some among us. Those who are talking continually about "our American brethren," meaning thereby the people of the Federal States, have no reason to be goodwill their own fellow-subjects who, placed in a position of great danger, did not shrink from accepting in our cause any quarrel which the violence of their neighbours might force upon them. The late events in Canada are taken as a theme by Mr. Smith, and he sees in them, not, as others do, reason for pride and gratification, but matter which should cause us to "think seriously." The result of his own "serious thinking" is that the British Empire is about to be broken up by revolt or foreign war, unless we forestall our adversaries by breaking it up ourselves. We have had, he tells us, "a narrow escape" of a war in defence of Canada. To protect dependent Colonies we burden our people with taxation. What do we gain in return? "What is the use of appointing governors of Colonies, except to the circle of men who make governing colonies their profession?" "This extensive and perilous connexion"—namely, that between the mother country and the Colonies—"has entirely survived its sole legitimate cause," which the writer declares was the monopoly of the Colonial trade. "We now are very naturally beginning to grumble at being put to the expense of doing anything for them. If they are to do nothing for us, and we are to do nothing for them, what is the use of continuing the connexion?" On the sentiment and style of this sentence we need make no comment. Nor does the argument call for much notice. Mr. Smith falls into an error of which no one conversant with the mercantile affairs of this country could be guilty. So far from the foundation and maintenance of Colonies being of no advantage to England, it can be proved by figures that our export trade has grown up and is now in a great measure supported by

pending Indian pensions at Bath and Cheltenham," the prospect is a series of revolts which will soon cause the days of our dominion to be numbered. It is almost an insult to our readers to repeat such stuff as all this, but when we reflect on the ignorance of nations respecting each other, and more particularly the incredible opinions which prevail in regard to British power and policy, we feel that it is as well not to pass it over. It is no uncommon thing to find matter equally worthless reproduced abroad as the utterance of English opinion. Even the "Discussion Forum" occupied the attention of the French police long before the people who walked along Fleet-street daily knew of its existence. So we may as well declare at once, for the benefit of Americans and Spaniards, Russians and Ionians, Sikhs and Sepoys, that England has no thought of abandoning her transmarine possessions. If they read Mr. Smith's letter, they will find he admits "it is not to be expected that an inch of the Empire will be given by the present Premier," who is too "old and feeble. The speech from the throne, the unopposed event of Lord Palmerston's resignation or demise takes place they will be much disappointed if they expect that he will be succeeded by statesmen "disposed to retrench our Empire." So far from believing in her own decline, England believes that she was never more powerful than now, or more capable of holding what she has won. To the people of the Colonies we would say that, as long as they show the goodwill to the Mother Country and the loyalty to the Crown which now prevail, no party in this country will ever dare to deprive them of the birthright of British citizenship. No party, we believe, in this country desires to keep them against their will; nor do we pretend to deny that the time must come when they will be entire masters of their own affairs, and when it will be better for both that they should set up for themselves. In the meantime, whatever their race or religion, their rights are secure; and, if the letter which we have drawn from its obscurity be read in Quebec or Montreal, we would ask the French Canadians to believe that it in no way represents the opinions of any class of Englishmen, but only the fancies of one morbid mind.

COLONIAL EMANCIPATION.

To the Editor of the Times.

SIR,—Your justice will permit me to say that, in commenting on my letter to the *Daily News*, you misapprehend the view which I had endeavoured to express. I argued not against the founding of colonies, but in favour of their timely emancipation.

I did not assert the "inutility of colonies;" nor did I deny the expediency of "taking possession of the waste places of the earth;" nor am I ignorant of the fact that "it can be proved by figures that our export trade has grown up, and is now in a great measure supported, by the settlements which Englishmen of past or present days have made in distant regions of the globe."

The Times of the 2d of September last, in an article deprecating the idea of our undertaking military defence of Canada, said, "We are not aware of any single advantage which Canada gives us, and which, in time of peace, we have not from the United States." That is precisely the gist of my argument, stated in the most forcible way.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
GOLDWIN SMITH.

Oxford, Feb. 5.

FINANCES OF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT.

[From the London Times, Feb 1.]

We in England have found no difficulty in deciding what has been the political error which has plunged the United States into their present lamentable condition. We have concluded, with a rare unanimity of opinion, that the error lay in the adoption of plans of war and conquest, instead of a peaceful and friendly separation. It is not much more difficult to decide what has been the nature of the miscalculation which, at the end of nine months, has plunged the finances of what was apparently a powerful and wealthy State into hopeless ruin and confusion. The Northern States are spread over a vast portion of the surface of the globe. They have a large and increasing population, an extensive trade, and a considerable quantity of highly protected manufactures. But the government of the United States is not like the government of a European monarchy. If France or England go to war the whole resources of the nation are at the disposal of the Emperor or the Parliament. It never has been so in America. The central government and the individual States have divided the revenue between them. To Congress has fallen as its share the appropriation of the pro ceeds of indirect taxation. Such direct taxation as it levied is appropriated to the governments of individual States The thing has become a custom and a tradition, and the result is that the government which speaks and acts for the whole of the American people *is really armed with a power which is only a fractional part of the whole financial resources of the nation.*

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We hear a good deal said about imposing direct taxes which may support a forthcoming paper currency and form the basis of future loans; but nobody seems to have any heart for the business. It is not a popular movement, and Congress has recently given a signal proof of its abject subservience to the popular feeling of the moment. But such a step is worse than unpopular. It is impracticable. We do not think that in their dire extremity Congress will be forced to go through the form of imposing a large amount of direct taxation in order to repair, if possible, the credit of the country. But we also feel the fullest conviction that such direct taxation will never be really paid. The best financier in the world can do little unless he is provided with money or credit, and the American Chancellor or the Exchequer seems to be entirely destitute of both. We do not, therefore, wonder to find him engaging in the old iniquity of tampering with the currency, and having nothing more valuable to offer now, seeking to pay his way with worthless promises to pay hereafter. A bill for issuing twenty millions sterling in government notes upon a market already sufficiently glutted with paper, issued by an enormous number of competing banks, is being hurried through Congress. The army is being paid in a dollar currency, and a money changer follows the paymaster to dole out to them, at a heavy discount the metallic value of their depreciated pay. But Mr. Chase has another scheme more creditable to the originality of its genius than the old and worthless plan of debasing the currency by the issue of paper money, sent forth, not as the representatives of the resources, but of the wants of the government. It would appear that in the State of New York, and in some other States of the Union, the banks are required to provide themselves with a certain am unt of public ... These securities in many cases consist of the obligations of the State, which are regarded—and not unreasonably—as a better guarantee to the public and a safer investment for the banks than the obligations, in any form, of the United States government. The bright idea has occurred to Mr. Chase that his difficulties will be over if he can only convert the State into the agent for the issue of United States stock. "If," we may suppose him to reason, "the government of the United States were in good credit, its securities would bring a high price. If, therefore, I can raise the price of its securities, I shall in the same proportion raise the credit of the government. The securities are low because nobody wants them. Those who have them want to get rid of them. The only resources is to induce somebody to invest in them. We will pass a law requiring the banks to get rid of the State securities, and take the stocks of the federal government instead. To us a new market will be opened for our depreciated funds, our credit will rise, and the stony-hearted capitalists of England and the Continent will gladly render money to a government whose stocks are quoted at so respectable a price." The banks object, but acting upon the market at all. The whole affair is a singular proof of the desperate difficulties in which the State is involved and equally desperate means to which it is ready to have recourse in order to free itself from them. But Mr. Chase has another scheme still, equally strange with his plan for imparting value and stability to government securities. He is said to contemplate the withdrawal of the banks of issue—as if America had not too many already—upon the basis of a deposit of United States stock, to secure the circulation. Government undertakes to receive this circulation for all dues excepting imposts, and to pay it away to the public creditor whenever he is willing to receive it, which, if he follows the example of the State, as contained in their own programme, will not be very often. The object of these schemes seems to be to make the public funds the basis of the circulation, the rock upon which the confidence of the public is to rest, exactly because nobody has any confidence in them at all.

The notion of artificially forcing up the value of public securities in the manner we have mentioned, is, of course, utterly chimerical. The very attempt, the ignorance of finance which it displays, and the position of utter helplessness which it indicates, are quite sufficient to swamp the public credit if it were not already rotten past recall. But the measure is even yet not quite full. Something remains to be said as to the manne in which these funds have been dissipated, and if we are to believe those who have made it their business to investigate the question, the annals of jobbing afford nothing parallel to the proc edings of almost every officer of the United States Government since the beginning of the war. An old stipendiary makes $32,000 by selling a contract for oxen, upon which the purchaser makes $26 000. Two millions of shoes have been manufactured at a gain to the contractors of three quarters of a dollar per pair. In one regiment four hundred and eighty-four horses out of a thousand, which cost the government nearly £12,000, were cast, not one of them being worth four pounds. The contracts for muskets are stupendous. One contractor has got $399,000 in linen pantaloons, straw hats, Londn porter, and dried herrings for the army, and then got "scared and quit" The very printing of the paper currency, which is ruining the country, has been a matter of fraud. Mr. Conkling might well say that the country was making a sufficient exhibition of itself without contributing anything to the Exhibition in London. The details are ludicrous enough, but what a break up of the whole fabric of society and civilization do they not expose to us! And yet, in the face of all this the contest is to go on and men are preparing a gigantic conflict for a country which they are doing all in their power to make not worth fighting for or living in.

THE "TIMES" ON THE STATE OF PARTIES IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS—FORESHADOWING OF THE MINISTERIAL PROGRAMME FOR THE SESSION.

(From the London Times, Feb. 6.)

To-day a Session begins which will owe any importance it may acquire rather to the course of events than to the purposes of politicians. The extraordinary scenes which the world has witnessed during the last few years have taken away the zest from party conflict. The startling melodrama of Italian or American Revolution, and the magnificent spectacle of French Imperialism, have made the domestic entertainments which used to content us seem poor and antiquated. The old legitimate performances have their charm for the steady politician, whose highest delight is a debate in which the Speaker is addressed for four mortal nights on a vote of non-confidence by hon. gentlemen on his right and his left hand alternately, but under the influence of foreign tastes the heavy political drama has lost much of its attractions for the general public. This indifference seems to have affected even the actors themselves, so that we have at this moment the singular spectacle of a House of Commons which is almost equally divided between two antagonistic parties coming together as quietly as the Chamber of some German Principality. It may be that the instinct of combat will be roused by the presence of the foe, but for the time it evidently sleeps. If the politicians of the two parties sniff the battle from afar it does not incite them to utter a single war note. Electioneering victories have been gained, the Opposition ranks stand almost man for man on an equality with the Government, and yet no ground of attack has been chosen, and the two sides in the House may possibly confront each other as harmlessly as the two grand armies on the Potomac. To those who are not party men there will be little cause of regret in all this. Political conflict for its own sake, and ... exercised as ourselves. We are glad to have a Government in dispositi... as well as one actually at work; but as long as the latter does all that the former is likely to do it will be impossible to rouse the nation to interest in party controversy.

We may therefore expect a Royal Messager without any striking announcement, and an Address agreed to without any vigorous debate. The first subject, indeed, which will enforce a melancholy unanimity. Her Majesty will refer to the irreparable loss which she and her children and the whole country have suffered through the death of the Prince Consort. In answer to this the two Houses will, of course, assure Her Maiesty of their participation in the deep sorrow which the nation at large has expressed in so many ways. It was, we believe, contemplated to propose in each House an Address of Condolence, this perhaps, would have been a more satisfactory mode of proceeding, but it seems that precedent is in favour of limiting the expression of the feelings of Parliament to a paragraph in the Address This was the course adopted at the death of Princess George of Denmark, and it will be followed on the present occasion. The debate will, however, give the principal members of both Houses the opportunity of paying the due tribute to the deceased Prince's high qualities, and the opinions of all classes in the country will be relatively expressed by the representatives of the people and the political leaders of the State.

Happily, our relations with all European Powers are not only peaceful, but cordial. It may be said that we have not an enemy or even a rival among our neighbors of the Continent This fortunate condition of affairs will, no doubt, be remarked upon in the Queen's Message; but the chief interest will be excited by the passages in which Her Majesty announces the settlement of her relations with the belligerent Republics of America. The facts connected with the seizure of the Confederate Commissioners and the demand for reparation will be shortly stated, and the satisfactory conclusion of this difference officially announced to Parliament. The state of Mexico has been for a long time such that the intervention of some foreign Power has been plainly inevitable. It only remained to see whether the intervention would be for the preservation or destruction of the Mexican nationality. Had the American Union continued to exist, there is little doubt that this splendid country would have been conquered and turned into Slave territory, as was the case with Texas. The feeble ruling class would have been overthrown, and the Anglo-American would have taken its place as the master—perhaps the owner—of the Indian population. But the convulsion in the United States has been contemporary with the total decay of vital force in the Mexican Republic. An intervention has been begun by England, France, and Spain, and the forces of the three nations will not hesitate to use all the means in their power to terminate the anarchy of the State. Without committing itself to any definite political scheme, the British Government will co-operate for the restoration of order and to secure the lives and property of residents in Mexico. The relations of this country with China will also probably form the subject of a paragraph in the Royal Message.

But a more important matter is the effect of the American War on the interests of the British working classes. A delusion will probably be made to the temporary distress which the blockade has caused, and a hope will, no doubt, be expressed that the conflict which rages in the New World may shortly come to an end. The neutrality which our Government desires to maintain is part of a settled policy, and we doubt not that in the debates on the Address the Ministerial leaders will satisfy the two Houses that nothing is further from their hearts than a wish to mix up this country in the quarrels of the American people. The recent demonstrations of loyalty made by the people of British America deserve, and will no doubt receive, the special approbation of the Crown. Not only does the patriotism of Canada and the other provinces gratify the just pride of Englishmen, but it adds beneofitn to the resources of the mother country, by showing that the colonists are able and willing to defend themselves with but comparatively little assistance from us.

The internal affairs of the country rouse less curiosity, but still have an interest of their own. Political changes of every kind are for the present under the ban of opinion. So much has been done during the last 30 years that the appetite for what is commonly called "Reform" has been almost satisfied. But the present is a great opportunity for the scientific legislator. The whole domain of Law lies before him, and he may transform the tangled wilderness into a trim and well-kept garden. We are happy to learn that a Bill to facilitate the transfer of Land will form one principal measure of the Government during the present Session, and it will probably be announced in the Royal Message Other Bills for the Reform of the Law are also ready or in preparation. It is to be hoped that the Laws of Marriage in the three kingdoms may be brought into harmony with justice and with each other, and that such changes will be made in the administration of the Law of Lunacy as will preclude the possibility of another Windham case. Such will probably be the Ministerial programme for the present Session. Though modest in their plans of legislation, the Government will have no sinecure during the present Session. To steer the vessel of the State through the quicksands of foreign politics will require pilots of no small skill and firmness. The channel of neutrality is narrow indeed, and the slightest mistake may involve us in difficulty and peril.

EXTRAORDINARY TRIAL FOR MURDER IN FRANCE.

The most intense excitement has been created throughout France by the trial of a man named Martin Dumollard, a labourer, who for the last eight years has been in the habit of murdering and robbing servant girls under the pretence of conducting them to good situations. His wife was indicted as an accomplice. On the 25th of May, 1861, a woman knocked at the door of M. Joly, and asked for protection from an assassin. The name of this woman was Marie Pichon. She had come from Lyons. That same morning she was accosted by a countryman, clad in a blue blouse, with a hump on his back, and having a scar and a swelling on his upper lip. This person inquired the address of a registry-office, and took the opportunity of entering into conversation with her. He told her that he was employed as a gardener near Montluel, and that he had been sent to Lyons for the purpose of engaging a domestic servant. Marie Pichon accepted the offer. She got ready her box of clothes, and an hour or two afterwards, accompanied by her guide, took the train to Montluel, where they arrived soon after nightfall. The man, putting the box upon his shoulder, told Marie to follow him, saying that he intended to take a short cut. Suddenly, after having proceeded through lonely and unfrequented ways, and after having passed across several ploughed fields, the stranger stopped and laid down the box, saying that he was too tired to carry it further, but that he would go for it the next morning. They then resumed their journey, but this incident caused Marie to feel somewhat uneasy. Soon Marie Pichon observed that her companion seemed anxious that she should go first. She had before remarked that he had armed himself with a heavy stick, and now she noticed that he stooped several times to pick up stones. A few paces further on she saw him thrust his hand under his blouse, as though he were to draw forth a weapon. Terrified beyond measure, she stopped and said, "I see you have deceived me. I will go no further." "We have arrived at our destination," replied the stranger, at the same time stretching out his arms in the direction of his victim, who saw that a cord with a slip knot was above her head. She instinctively dropped a handbox and an embrella, and raising both her hands arrested the fall of the diabolical instrument of murder. Marie Pichon then took to flight. She fell several times, but redoubling her footsteps of her pursuer she summoned up all her energies and resumed her flight. At last she beheld a light and in a minute more she was safe under the roof of M. Joly. The search made for the box and the other articles was altogether fruitless. The attention of the offic rs of justice was soon directed to the occupiers of a house situate at Mollard The bad character of the man who resided there, the nocturnal excursions, and the striking resemblance he bore to the description of the malefactor who was "wanted," induced the *juge de paix* to proceed to the house of Martin Dumollard, already twice convicted of robbery—and to demand of him an account of how he had employed his time on the night of the 25th of May. The embarrassed manner of Dumollard and his wife, and the presence in their abode of a quantity of various articles, seemed to confirm the suspicions which were entertain d. Dumollard was arrested and confronted with Marie Pichon, who immediately recognized him. Several searches were made in the house, and resulted in the discovery of a large quantity of clothes and other articles, all likely to have belonged to domestic servants. The police also found some pieces of stuff which had been taken from the box of Marie Pichon. The crimes subsequently brought to light extended over the period between February, 1855, and May, 1861; among the most remarkable of which is that of Marie Baday, and the attempt upon the life of Olympe Alabert. The latter girl, being deceived by the promise of 250f. wages, unhesitatingly departed with her guide, and after a long journey they arrived at nightfall in the environs of Tramoyes. They were approaching the forest of Montaveral, where some days previously the bleeding body of Marie Baday had been discovered, when, affrighted by the solitude, Olympe Alabert declared that she would proceed no further, and, suddenly quitting her companion, fled into a neighboring farmhouse. The *acte d'accusation* enters into particulars of two successive attempts, the object of which was Josephine Delorme and Jeanne Marie Bourgeois. Both of them escaped by flight, and both lost their luggage and money. From November, 1855, to the close of 1858, no crime committed by the accused has been publicly charged against him. In December, 1858, however, he resumed his diabolical avocation, for, engaging a young servantmaid at Lyons, he conducted her to the wood of Montbain, and there, he first violated her, and then, having wounded her, buried her while she was still alive. The *acte d'accusation* concludes

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THE TEMPERATURE YESTERDAY.

State of the Thermometer (in the shade) at the door of Mr. McPherson, watchmaker and jeweller, corner of Saint Francois Xavier and Notre Dame Streets:—

February 22—9 A.M. 18 above zero.
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ARRIVALS AT HOTELS.

FEBRUARY 22.

Cosmopolitan Hotel.

R Haselden, Montreal; E C Fletcher, Quebec; [illegible], Montague, Brighton; Mr Keith, Beauharnois; Dr Webb, Niagara, C W; Dr Jamieson, St Catherines; F G DesRoames, Malmaison; Union Stroud, 63rd regiment; Lt-Col Danberry, 62nd do.

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C D Goodwin, New York; S Worthington, Quehec; C P Martin, Trenton; A C Turner, lady and two children, Brooklyn; W Lewis, do; J McGillis, Lanchester; S F Lyons, Brockville; J Brown, Sherbrooke; J Dumphy, C T R; E Munty, England; W Turner, jr, New York; W McDonald, do; W E Bayliff, Toronto; G Harson, do; A Braff, England; Mr O'Hara, Toronto; Miss O'Hara, do; J McCarthy, jr, Ottawa; L S Grant, Quebec; J G Staip, Illinois; J P Leslie, Philadelphia.

Montreal House.

A B Bowen, Toronto; W S Wastin and family, England; H C Converse, Liverpool; H B Sparrow, do; S Miller and lady, Coburg; W R Thomas, St Johns.

OUR ANNUAL COMMERCIAL REVIEW.—Our annual review of the trade and commerce of Montreal will be found in our issue of this day. It has been compiled by Mr. H. L. Forbes, who has for some time past prepared the statistical information for the Board of Trade of this city, and will, we believe, be found to do credit to his skill and industry. The information afforded embraces a large number of objects, and goes into very minute, and, we think, also very accurate details.

A CANADIAN SATRAP.—We confess to having had doubts respecting the truthfulness of the statement that our Canadian Chancellor of the Exchequer found nothing else sufficient for his dignity on his journies between Montreal and Quebec, than the privacy, convenience, and luxury of the Prince of Wales car and a special train. Some inquiries, however, make us obliged to say, and say with regret, that no less pomp and circumstance than that which we have described is thought fitting for the Oriental tastes of the great man, now at the head of our Treasury. There is really something sublime in the idea of the suddenness of the rise and the height of the splendour which has been reached by a gentleman whom most of us recollect a very modest as well as an astute man of business a few years ago, and very well satisfied if he was only accommodated as well as his fellow creatures and brother Christians. We have heard about Fouquet; the "immortal William" as our French friends call Shakespeare, has told us [illegible] about Lord Chancellor Clarendon made a great deal of money in a very short time and cut a great shine upon it. But we have some hope before long of being able to excel in ease and magnificence any of these old masters in the art of making oneself comfortable at the cost of other people. The arts are daily being cultivated with more success in Canada, and the art known as the *savoir vivre* must be nearly perfected under the hands of Mr. Galt. In the meantime, as a gentleman cannot indulge his taste in the "Jeames" Plush" style without considerable outlay, so the Province of Canada, for the glory of being ruled by Oriental satraps, must make up its mind to foot a large bill. We believe that the Grand Trunk does not do a trip such as Mr. Galt requires to take him from Montreal to Quebec, for less than about £90 currency; so that every time our Chancellor of the Exchequer visits us or leaves us, from or on his way to the Seat of Government, that amount of money must be disbursed by some one. It is not Mr. Galt—that is certain. It is probably the Treasury of Canada; but surely no one will grudge money so very well applied. It is true that when merchants want their goods per G. T. R, they are frequently informed that the Company has not sufficient rolling stock.—We think that has been once or twice mentioned in certain public documents respecting this railroad. But what are a few barrels of pork and flour compared to the blessed duty of conveying the august persons of Mr. Galt or Mr. Geo. Cartier in the Prince of Wales' car, by a special train. We say nothing about the champagne and other necessaries of such a journey. *Ca va sans dire.* But we would just hint that if Mr. Chase or Mr. Seward were reported by a Congressional Committee as having paid £90 or £100 for a journey of this kind, we should all turn up the whites of our eyes in astonishment at the profligacy of American Statesmen. Very true, and perfectly right we should be. What have vulgar republicans to do with the magnificence which is essential to the public servants of a monarchy?

THE EXECUTION OF THE SLAVER CAPT. GORDON.—The legalized slave trade is happily so much a thing of the past, that hardly a man now alive, unless he has been engaged personally in the illicit traffic, has ever seen any of its circumstances. Once the case was very different. Two or three generations ago, Bristol and Liverpool regaided the purchase and sale of Africans as one of the leading sources of their profits—the staples of their commerce. In those days, persons, whose business led them to the wharves of our leading seaports, were as familiar with the cargo and instruments employed in the capture and the securing of men and women, as they are now in some harbors with the preparations for the killing of the whale. The beans and the water casks, the shackles, the whips, and the branding irons were exposed with as little shame by those who adventured in the African trade, as barrels of flour or bales of cotton in the present year of grace. In those days the low, drunken mob, excited and paid by the wealthy participants in the traffic, would rise to browbeat or pelt such men as Wilberforce or Clarkson, in an English commercial city, just as the same sort of mobs, inflamed and stimulated by the same kind of agency, have, in our own days, risen upon Lloyd, Garrison, or Wendell Phillips, or the other Northern abolitionists. In those days, too, the villainy was so respectable, and judged to be of so much importance to the prosperity of England, that the consciences of patriots, gentlemen, and even pietists were utterly hardened to the shame, so that perhaps the most cowardly and infamous of the crimes ever committed by man was looked upon as something even more meritorious than ordinary industrial pursuits. Boswell, who rarely differed with Johnson, ventured to differ with him on this commerce, and with a singular anticipation of the dialectics of the 19th century Slaveholder, he conceived not only that the trade was profitable and necessary, but also that it was eminently fitted to promote the spread of the Gospel by bringing the ignorant Pagans from Africa within the scope of the enlightened influences which used to surround the Plantation overseer with his brandy flask and his mulatto offspring.—Newton, the once celebrated clergyman, believed that he was a specially converted man before he was in orders; and in his journal he recorded with gratitude the wonderful communications of Grace which had taken place between Jesus Christ and his soul during a middle passage, in which he acted as Captain of a Slaver,—the scene of these communications being a cabin separated only by a half-inch bulk head from some hundreds of miserable creatures handcuffed, and laid close to one another in that cramped attitude which was found most convenient for stowage. Happily, as we have said, the horrors as well as the respectabilities of the Slave trade have been for men of British origin long a thing of the past. Not only the objects employed in the traffic, but even the literature which was employed to put an end to it, is now almost forgotten. It lives in the beautiful indignation of Cowper, because it is there allied with verse which the world will not let die; but the horrors of Clarkson's more prosaic protest, with the diagrams of the Slave decks, and the details of the commerce, have almost ceased to be read. Happily it is so. And yet in countries other than Great Britain this monstrous wickedness has still been perpetrated, and though it has been branded by the laws, it has contrived to purchase connivance by the expenditure of part of its enormous profits. It is scarcely to be wondered at, indeed, that where Slavery is popular, there the Slave trade should at least find license, and accordingly the flag of the United States has been constantly disgraced by these vile adventures. In general very little notice was taken of the sailings of Slavers, but now and then when a sufficient bribe was not administered, or when a functionary more than commonly honest and zealous got upon the track of an offender, we heard of a suspicious vessel being detained in port or arrested on the high seas. So far as we remember, we never saw that any one had been convicted of the crime in the courts of the United States. Often such criminals assumed a haughty tone, and their judges were fain to be almost apologetic, while they subjected them even to the inconvenience of a trial. Mr. Lincoln's Government is the first one which has had the heart or the courage to put the law fearlessly in it. It will be honorably distinguished amongst all its short comings, its errors, and its offences by the execution of Captain Gordon last week. At the time of the trial we gave some of the particulars of this man's offence, and with them the noble and pathetic words in which the judge passed sentence upon him. If we recollect rightly, he had, besides the offence of slaving considered in itself, aggravated the crime, if that were possible, by throwing overboard some scores of his negroes, in order to escape the consequences of capture. Since his conviction all kinds of influences have been used to obtain his pardon, and every trick has been put into practice in the law courts for the same purpose. The last of these was an attempt to prevail upon the Governor of the State of New York to refuse the use of the Jail for the execution. All these arts, however, have been steadily resisted by the executive, and their legal officers, and though it was at one time announced that a respite of a fortnight had been granted, it was speedily explained that it was accompanied by the explanation that the reprieve was only intended to allow time for the arrangement of the culprit's affairs, and religious reflections, and that he would certainly be hanged at the expiration of the period. The example of this just severity, and the active measures of the United States Marshals appointed by the present Government, will no doubt strike terror into the lawless ruffians, who have so long made their profits out of the woes of their fellow men. It will also serve to convince all of the wide difference in spirit, on the Slavery question in general, between a Republican administration and one nominally Democratic, but really elected for pro-Slavery purposes. The Republicans may value the constitution of the United States too highly, or they may believe too securely in the possibility of one day getting rid of slavery without violating that instrument. But, at least within the bounds prescribed to their action by the law, they are proving the sincerity of their desire to put an end to the atrocious evils which have been imposed upon the negro race.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.—In the North, Saturday was, by proclamation of Mr. Lincoln, observed as a public holiday. In the South the President of the Confederacy was to be inaugurated. It is a pity that the ceremony was put off so long. The Confederate territory is rapidly growing less.

[illegible] ten o'clock on Saturday morning the poll was opened at the City Hall. Arrangements had been made to allow voters to record their votes peaceably and without molestation. A partition erected in the lobby divided those entering from those retiring, and police in large numbers were posted all along the passages, so that, in fact, from the moment of ascending the steps to the external balcony till they left the Hall, the voters were obliged to pass almost singly through a double file of city guardians. Under these circumstances, gentlemen of the most bellicose disposition would have had a restraint imposed upon their exciteability, but we are happy to say that all precautionary measures were unnecessary, for, from the moment of opening the poll till it was closed at four p.m, everything was conducted in the most courteous and orderly manner, and there was not the slightest exhibition of the rancour to which elections are generally supposed to give rise. Both candidates for the Mayoralty were present throughout the greater part of the day, but the voting was very slack, as the following table of the number of votes polled in the respective Wards during the day shows:—

East Ward	27
Centre Ward	2
West Ward	31
St. Ann's Ward	20
St. Antoine Ward	54
St. Lawrence Ward	22
St. Louis Ward	54
St. James' Ward	99
St. Mary's Ward	64
Total	337

All speculations as to which of the rival candidates had the majority must be vague and doubtful, but the general opinion of those present attributed it to Mr. Beaudry. In the St. Antoine Ward the large majority of votes were said to have been recorded in favour of Alderman Bulmer. Those of his friends, however, who have not voted, should not neglect to do so, as the number of votes polled forms but a small proportion of the whole.

At four o'clock, a considerable number of persons assembled at the East end of the City Hall, apparently expecting to hear addresses from the Candidates for the Mayoralty, and the Police were drawn up to preserve order. The old *regime* of "speechifying," however, appears to have passed away; for both Messrs. Rodier and Beaudry passed from the Hall in silence, and the people dispersed.

BALL AND SHELL PRACTICE.—The Montreal Field Battery, which last week was engaged in ball firing on the ice, at the foot of McGill street, for the Company's medal, will wind up the competion this week by shell firing, and then the medal will be awarded to the winner. The target last week was about 700 yards from the edge of the river, and the ball a 6-pounder. The men each fired five rounds, and the practice was so good that General Williams complimented the Battery on their accuracy, expressing his astonishment that, from the uneven nature of the ground on which the gun stood, the precision was so excellent.

THE BURGLARS.—On Saturday Patrick Tobin, implicated, along with the gang of young burglars, in the robbery of the shop of Mr. Franchère, Notre Dame street, was brought up for final examination, and committed.

RECORDER'S COURT.—Number of prisoners tried during the week ending 22nd February, 81; fines imposed, $176.75.

AURORA SNOW-SHOE WALK.—The walk of the Aurora Snow-Shoe Club came off on Saturday on the Montreal Cricket ground. The following gentlemen entered as competitors for the Champion Gold Medal:—J. Gray, J. Roy, C. Broster, A. McGinnis, W. Gordon, and A. Cassels; the three latter dropped off before the third mile was completed, leaving the Course to Gray, Broster and Roy, and they kept thus till within a few feet of the winning post, on the 8th and last half mile, when Broster came springing past Gray at what the spectators called a long trot, coming in first, Gray second and Roy third. Mr. Gray received a very bad fall, caused by some one tramping on his snow-shoes, when but a few feet from the winning post. Time for the four miles, 41 min. 42 sec., averaging 10 min. 21½ seconds per mile. Mr. Roy's time was 42.32. Mr. Gray was declared winner by the Judges, and their decision was received with much cheering.

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THE FINE ARTS.—Man being fitted for enjoyment, it is perfectly natural for him to look about for the purpose of discovering where he can secure it with the least personal effort, for, notwithstanding his desire for it, he is also not a little inclined to shirk labor that may be necessary to achieve it, unless it is a kind of labor that promises pleasure in itself. There is too much of this description of labor bestowed for securing the indulgence of those appetites, the gratification of which [illegible] and gratification soon disqualify the mind for enjoying higher and nobler pleasures. In the commendable pursuit of an education, we are all perhaps too much inclined to neglect those studies which seem to lead the mind to the enjoyment of the charms of the natural world. We look merely to the pursuits of trade, commerce, mechanics, and agriculture, as if these were, and should ever remain, the sole aim of man's endeavors. They must of course receive all proper attention, for without them the æsthetic arts would lose their natural basis, but, to pursue them as if man was created for no higher enjoyment, is to neglect important elements of our mental constitution. When man was created and placed upon the plains of Eden, we find him surrounded with those beautiful objects that,—in the language of inspiration,—*are pleasant to the sight.*" Thus it would appear that the "sense of the beautiful," is a faculty of the human mind bestowed by the Creator and designed for cultivation as well as gratification. If we would enjoy in the highest degree the pleasures that one may feel in a walk, a drive, a sail, or the contemplation of nature anywhere, let us educate the eye, as it only can be educated by training the hand to imitate the beautiful passages every where met with in the great picture gallery of nature. If the art of delineation were more generally introduced into our schools and institutions of learning, it would add vastly to the capacity of enjoyment—enjoyment too of a kind that would leave no sting behind. Acting no doubt partly on these views, many of our citizens,—some of them well advanced in years,—are now occupying a short portion of their time in the study of this delightful branch of art, under the tuition of Mr. S. Wood, who we find is meeting with great success in our city, as he has done elsewhere, and who furnishes the public with two hundred reasons for believing in the advantages of his system, in this morning's *Herald*.

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It makes one cheerful and happy, and hence
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It makes all trees "pleasant to the sight."(Gen.2.9)
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It is a graceful accomplishment for a lady.
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It is a travelling companion for all.
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It ornaments a drawing room beautifully.
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It is a golden link binding man to his Maker.
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It enlarges our views of the Creator.
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It is an infallible source of amusement.
It is easily taught to any adult person.
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It is a fascinating accomplishment.
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It makes the hours pass quickly and pleasantly.
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It is very quickly and easily learned.
It is twenty times as rapid as other systems.
It is as much more beautiful as it is rapid.
It is easily learned by any intelligent person.
IT SECURES THE LEARNER ALL THESE ADVANTAGES
February 22. 46

FOR SALE,

The well-known Imported Horse

"DONCASTER,"

Formerly owned by Sir Edmund Head, late Governor-General.

Apply to
JOHN S. GIBB,
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HORSE FOR SALE.

A HANDSOME BAY HORSE, well broke. Apply at the
PRINCE OF WALES LIVERY STABLES,
Haymarket Square.
February 22, r 46

THE
MONTREAL ORATORIO SOCIETY
WILL GIVE THEIR
THIRD CONCERT
OF THE SEASON,
IN
Nordheimers' Hall,
ON
Friday Evening next, 28th Feb,
PROGRAMME:
"HAYDN'S SEASONS."

☞Concert to commence at Eight o'clock.
Tickets, admitting one, 50 cents; two, 75 cents; three, $1. To be had at Dawson's, Pickup's, and at the Music Stores.

Conductor .....MR. G. CARTER.
Leader of the Orchestra..MR. F. H. TORRINGTON.
February 22. b smwf 46

A Night with the Best Authors.

SELECTIONS GRAVE & GAY.

MR. ANDREW

Has the honor to announca that, on the Evening of
Monday, February 24, 1862,
He will give his First Soiree of
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READINGS,
AT
NORDHEIMERS' HALL,
Under the immediate auspices of
St. Andrew's Society,
St. Patrick's Society,
Caledonian Society, and
Thistle Society,
On which occasion he will be supported by
MR. CHARLES HILL
AND
MR. ALFRED BAILEY.

Mrs. Laura Honey Stevenson

Has kindly consented to vary the Entertainment with appropriate Songs, including all Dr. Arne's Music of Shaksspeare's "Tempest."

Admission, 25 cents; Reserved Seats, 50 cents. Tickets and Programmes to be obtained of the members of the Committees of the respective Societies, and at the principal Book and Music Stores.
February 17. b mwsm 41

THEATRE ROYAL.

MRS CHARLES HILL'S BENEFIT

UNDER THE
DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE
OF
Lieut.-Gen. Sir Fenwick Williams,
Bart., K.C.B.,
Commander of the Forces in B. N. America,
AND
Maj.-Gen. Lord Fred. Paulet, C.B.,
Commanding the District and Garrison of Montreal,
With the OFFICERS of the STAFF and GARRISON.

On Saturday Evening, 1st March,
When will be presented Poole's Comedy,
'Twould Puzzle a Conjuror;
OR, THE CZAR AND THE DESERTER.
A GRAND
Vocal and Instrumental
CONCERT.
To conclude with Howard Payne's Drama,
The Soldier's Return;
OR, LOVE'S VICTORY.

Mr. and Mrs. C. HILL will, on this occasion, be assisted by the most Popular AMATEURS of the City, MUSICAL and DRAMATIC.
February 20. 44

A CARD.

IN consequence of Mr. MEYES having notified his intention to withdraw from the Firm of MAYSENHOERDER, MEYES & BADDELEY, Jewellers and Chainmakers, the undersigned beg to appraise the Public that, on and after the 1st of May ensuing, they will carry on the same business, under the style and firm of MAYSENHOELDER & BADDELEY, in the Premises situate No. 5 St. Lambert Hill, next door to Dr. Nelson's Surgery.
DAVID MAYSENHOELDER,
GEORGE BADDELEY.
Montreal, Feb. 22, 1862. r 46

Summer Hotel and Watering Place
TO LET.

The Undersigned Proprietor of BANG'S ISLAND, in Portland Harbour, has during the past season, erected a FIRST-CLASS SUMMER HOTEL, with a view of making that Island the most attractive Watering Place in the State of Maine; and now invites proposals from Hotel-Keepers for a lease of the premises (furnished or unfurnished) for a term of three or five years. The Hotel is built of Brick, and contains seventy-five Bed Rooms, besides spacious Parlours, Dining Room, Kitchen, &c., &c., arranged in the most approved manner; a wide Veranda surrounds the House on three sides, and a large Cupola has been erected on the Roof, commanding an unrivalled Panoramic View of the Ocean and Country. The Island is one of the largest and most pleasantly situated of any in Portland Harbour, and commands the advantages of Sea-Bathing and the Country, having a fine Sand Beach for Ba hing, and extensive and heavily wooded Groves; and offers every facility for Boating, Bathing, and Fishing. Steamers ply between the City and the Island several times a day during the Summer, and it has already become one of the favourite places of resort of the citizens of Portland during the Summer months. Bowling Alleys, Billiard Rooms, and a large Hall, for the accommodation of Pic-Nic Parties, are now in course of erection; and a sufficient number of Bathing Houses will be placed upon the Beach for the accommodation of the Guests of the Hotel as soon as the season opens.

Since communication with Canada has been opened by the Grand Trunk Railway, Portland and its vicinity have become the favourite Watering Places of the people of Canada, and the Proprietor believes that the OTTAWA HOUSE, on Bang's Island, will not lack patronage from that Province.

The Hotel will be ready for occupancy the first day of June next, and applicants for the Lease may communicate with the Proprietor, or with the Architect, C. A. ALEXANDER, Esq., at Portland, who will give any further particulars that may be desired.
LEMUEL CUSHING.
Chatham, C.E., 18th Feb, 1862. 1m mwf 44

EDWARD THORNTON,
PIANOFORTE TUNER,
Many Years with J. W. HERBERT & CO. and A. & S. NORDHEIMER,

HAVING commenced on his own account, he trusts his well-known reputation as a first-class Pianoforte Tuner during 18 years' residence in this city, together with the high recommendations and testimonials he has received from Thalberg, Leopold de Meyer and other great Artists, will be a sufficient inducement to the musical public of Montreal to give him a share of their patronage.

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February 5, 3m mwf 31

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GOVERMENT NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS will be received by the SENIOR COMMISSARIAT OFFICER in charge at Montreal, until NOON on MONDAY, the 10th MARCH, 1862, for

The Execution of Works & Repairs

under the direction of the ROYAL ENGINEER DEPARTMENT, at the following Stations, from 1st APRIL, 1862, to 31st MARCH, 1865:—

MONTREAL,—including Hochelaga, St. Helen's Island, Isle Ronde, &c.
SOREL,—Chambly, St. Johns and Isle aux Noix.
Line of Beauharnois Canal.
Cornwall and Line of Canal.
Ottawa.

Separate Tenders to be received for each Station, and they may be made for each of the three divisions of Trades in the Printed Schedule, although a preference will be given to any one offering for the whole of the Trades at any Station. The Tenders to state the rates per cent below, or above, or at the printed prices, (for the whole of the services under each Trade) at which the party is willing to execute the same.

Forms of Tender may be obtained at the Commissariat Office, and Schedules of Contract, together with any other information required, at the ROYAL ENGINEER OFFICES at Montreal.

A deposit of Twenty Shillings will be required for each Set of Printed Schedules so obtained, but will be returned to the several parties on their giving up the Schedules undamaged.

Two responsible Sureties will be required for the fulfilment of the Contract.

The Contractors to pay for the drawing up of the Contract by a Notary—who will be selected by and receive his instructions from the Senior Commissariat Officer—as well as for such Notarial copies as may be required by the said Officer.

Payment will be made at the period stated in the Schedule by Drafts in Bank Notes on one of the Chartered Banks.

COMMISSARIAT, CANADA,
Montreal, 21st February, 1862. } 45

NEW CITY GAS COMPANY
OF MONTREAL.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the NEW CITY GAS COMPANY OF MONTREAL, will be held in the OFFICE of the COMPANY'S WORKS, GRIFFINTOWN, on MONDAY, the THIRD day of MARCH next, at ONE o'clock P.M.

By Order of the Board.
GEO. ROBSON,
Secretary.
Montreal, Feb. 17, 1862. trs 43

Field, Garden & Flower Seeds
FOR 1862.

Lower Canada Agricultural Warehouse and Seed Store,
St. Ann's Hall, over St. Ann's Market,
MONTREAL.

THE subscriber has now received his supplies of SEEDS for the coming Season. His stock is most extensive and complete in every branch.

Catalogues may be had on application at the Hall.
WM. EVANS.
February 15. ws-tlst My 40

DR W. E. BOWMAN
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON
McGill Street, Montreal.
August 13. 193

CABINET FURNITURE.

THE Subscribers beg to inform their customers and the public that their MANUFACTORY, lately (partially) destroyed by fire, is now in full operation, and they are prepared to execute all orders with which they may be favoured.

As their premises have been greatly enlarged, and their manufacturing facilities much improved, they have, in addition to their usual stock of

First-Class Cabinet Furniture,

Commenced the manufacture of all the
Cheaper descriptions of Articles
in their line, a large stock of which they purpose to have ready for sale in the course of a few weeks.

J. & W. HILTON.
February 20. 44

READ WHAT OTHER PEOPLE SAY respecting DR HARPER TWELVETREES' SOAP POWDER for washing without rubbing the Clothes.

"Box Hill, Nunawading, Victoria, October 25th, 1861.

Mr. Harper Twelvetrees,

Sir,—Having been induced to try your "Soap Powder," we had satisfactory evidence of the utility of the article on the first trial, and we strongly recommend it to all mothers and laundresses as being one of the best articles ever invented, by man, as regards the saving of time and labour. It is a positive fact that any one may wash double the quantity of clothes in half the time.

We beg to remain yours respectfully,
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Just received ex S.S. Nova-Scotian
30 BARRELS PRIME CEPHALONIA CURRANTS
For sale by
HUGH FRASER & CO.,
30 St. Sacrament Street.
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BOARD.

A FEW BOARDERS can be comfortably accommodated at No. 5 Pres-de-ville Place Lagauchetiere Street.
November 1,

AUCTION SALES.
BY HENRY J. SHAW.

SALE OF FURNITURE.

LARGE assortment of Wood and Cane Seat Chairs, 3 New Bedsteads, Hair Mattrasses, Feather Pillows, Carpets, 1 Cooking and 3 Box Stoves, Coal Stove, 3 Oil Paintings, 1 Bedroom Set, and the balance of the Goods unsold on Friday last. The whole to be sold on

Wednesday Morning, February 26

At the Subscribers well known Auction premises
Sale at TEN o'clock.
JOHN J. ARNTON,
47 Auctioneer.

SALE OF GROCERY STOCK

PARTIALLY DAMAGED BY FIRE,
On account of whom it may concern.

The Subscriber will Sell, at the Store of MR. WM. ANDERSON,
TIFFIN'S BUILDINGS, (opposite Bonsecours Market),
On Thursday Morning, Feb. 27th,

THE whole of the STOCK, SHOP FITTINGS, &c., partially damaged by fire and water, consisting in part of:

"Hunt's" and Burgundy Port, best Sherry Wines, "Martell's" and Bordeaux Brandy, De Kuyper's Gin, Molson's High Wines, Peppermint, Molasses, Standard Syrup, Triple Clarified Bordeaux Vinegar, Muscovado and Crushed Sugar, Black and Green Teas, Herrings,

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Have constantly on hand an extensive and elegant assortment of
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The largest stock in town of
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&c, &c, &c.
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The Victoria Skating Club
OF MONTREAL.

NOTICE is hereby given, that application will be made at the next Session of Parliament for an Act of Incorporation of a Company to establish a Skating Rink in the City of Montreal.
February 19. r 43

New Music.

FOR SALE at PRINCE'S MUSIC STORE, 145 NOTRE DAME STREET:
BRINLEY RICHARD'S
Kathleen Mavourneen,
Floating on the Wind,
The Last Rose of Summer,
☞All reprinted at half price.
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LAKE OR LOWER PORTS BUSINESS,
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HOUSES, &c.,
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DWELLING HOUSES.

A Two-Story BRICK HOUSE and Garden to Let, with Water, Gas., &c.
Apply to
G. B. BURLAND,
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TO LET,

A Convenient CUT STONE HOUSE, No. 17 St. Genevieve Street, St. Antoine Suburbs, containing nine rooms.
Apply to
THOS. JENKING,
207 Notre Dame Street.
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HOTEL TO LET.

TO LET, that commodious and central HOTEL, situated in St. Paul Street, opposite the Bonsecours Market, and at present occupied by Messrs. Villeneuve & Pariseau. The Stables attached to the Hotel will accommodate upwards of fifty horses.
Possession on the 1st day of May.
Apply to
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No. 44 Dorchester Street.
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FOR SALE,

FOUR FIRST CLASS CUT STONE HOUSES in one block, recently built, with all the modern improvements; in perfect order. The Property is situated in a convenient and respectable locality.
Apply to
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A Gentleman, desirous of giving up housekeeping, wishes to dispose of the Furniture (which has only been in use two months) and rent the House.
Situation pleasant—within five minutes' walk of Post Office.
Address Drawer 203 Post Office.
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The premises No. 6 ST. JOHN STREET, first door from St. Sacrament Street. Alterations made if necessary.
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Or ALFD. LAROCQUE
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TO LET,

ONE STONE HOUSE, Berri Street. Possession 1st May.
Apply to
LOUIS BOYER.
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TO LET,

THREE TWO STORY CUT STONE STORES, Nos. 23, 24 and 26 Nuns' Buildings, St. Joseph Street.
Apply to
GEO. WEEKES,
Agent.
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TO LET,

Possession given on the 1st May next,
That two-story STONE HOUSE, No. 16 Cote Street.
Apply to
ALEXIS LAFRAMBOISE,
127 Craig Street.
February 13. 38

TO LET,

A Neat two-story BRICK HOUSE, No. 1 Poplar Place, Mountain Street, with Gas and Water. Rent low. Possession 1st May next.
Apply to
C. TUGGEY.
February 8. 34

TO LET,

The three-story CUT STONE STORE on the corner of Common and Prince Streets.
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WANTED TO PURCHASE,

A First Class Double Two-Story CUT STONE HOUSE, containing all modern improvements, with about half to one acre of Ground attached, in the vicinity of Sherbrooke Street.
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TO LET,

The HOUSE adjoining the residence of the Subscriber, in Upper Guy, near Sherbrooke Street. It is in excellent order, contains Fourteen Apartments, and, besides a Well of excellent Spring Water, is supplied from the Water Works. The Stables are new and commodious, and there is over half an acre of Garden, well stocked with Fruit Trees, attached to the premises.
For further particulars, apply on the Premises; or to
ALEX. URQUHART,
February 4. St. Peter Street. 30

TO LET,

The Handsome VILLA RESIDENCE and GARDEN, with Coach-House and Stabling, No. 129 Drummond Street, above Sherbrooke Street.
Rent moderate.
Apply on the Premises, or to
HENRY JACKSON,
2 Cornwall Terrace.
February 4. 30

HOUSE TO LET.

A very convenient and pleasant HOUSE, No. 22, Corner of St. Antoine and St. Edward Streets.
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Apply to
A. RAMBAU,
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Or 20 St. Antoine Street.
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TO LET,

FROM THE 1ST OF MAY NEXT,
Those Two pleasantly-situated HOUSES on Craig Street, opposite the centre of Viger Square. They will be fitted up with modern improvements, and every way suitable for a Genteel Family.
Early possession will be given.
Apply, on the Premises, from 10 to 12 and from 2 to 4.
CHARLES McDONALD.
February 5. 31

TO LET,

That Spacious HOUSE and GARDEN, Sherbrooke Street, for many years occupied by Madame de Montenacte.
BENJ. DELISLE.
January 23. 20

TO LET,

BRICK HOUSE, No. 43 Queen Street.
—ALSO,—
DWELLING (Cut-stone Front), No. 27 Wellington Street.
COLIN CAMPBELL.
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TO LET,

That Fine Cut-Stone HOUSE, fronting on Notre Dame Street, occupied for the last ten years by Mr. J. W. Herbert, who is retiring from business, as a Music Store and Piano Manufactory, and DWELLING HOUSE, with an extensive Yard, one Brick Vault three stories high, a Workshop and Sheds.
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J. W. HERBERT,
Or to the Undersigned,
R. A. R. HUBERT,
No. 2 Little St. James Street, or at the Donegana Hotel.
January 23. 20

TO LET,

A Neat Two-story CUT-STONE HOUSE in Fortification Lane, next door to Mr. Ash.
Rent low.
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TO LET,

Two or Three Good OFFICES in the Union Buildings, with Fireproof Vaults.
Rent low.
Possession on 1st May next.
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TO LET,

The First class Two-story CUT-STONE HOUSE, No. 4 Portland Place, fitted up with all modern improvements.
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TO LET,

THE BRICK COTTAGE, with about 7 acres of Land, belonging to the Estate of the late W. E. Holmes, Esq., St. Catherines, adjoining the property of John Boston, Esq. Possession immediately, if required.
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HOUSES, &c.,
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Two of those First Class Houses—Nos. 1 and 5. They are of Cut Stone, three stories in height, with large Garden all round, planted with forest trees; also large Yard and first class Stable, Ice House, Shed, &c. Five minutes from the Post Office.
Enquire of
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TO LET,

A first-class CUT STONE HOUSE, No. 27 Sherbrooke Street, presently occupied by the proprietor; is fitted up with Gas, Water, Baths, Closet, &c. Stables, Coach House, Root Cellar, Wine Cellar, Rainwater Tank, &c.
There is a large Garden and Orchard well stocked with Fruit and Flower Plants.
Enquire on the premises.
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TO LET,

No. 133 ST. CATHERINE STREET,
A First-Class BRICK HOUSE, presently occupied by J. N. Beaudry, Esq. This House has a *Parterre* in front and a Garden in the rear, and is fitted up with Gas, Furnace, Speaking Trumpet, &c., &c.
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D. BOUDRIAS.
January 24. mwf 21

STORES.

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The Three Story CUT STONE WAREHOUSE, No. 25 Lemoine Street, third door West of McGill Street, newly built, with good Offices, Sample Rooms, &c, &c.
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MESSRS FABRE & GRAVEL,
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Or to the Proprietor,
L. DELORME,
St. Hyacinthe.
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That large STORE forming the corner of Commissioners and St. Nicholas Streets, with Offices on St. Paul Street connecting therewith; well adapted for an extensive Wholesale Grocery or General Commission Business.
For particulars, apply at this Office
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That three-story STONE WAREHOUSE, in rear of Store No. 233 St. Paul Street, at present occupied by Messrs. Seymour, Whitney & Co.
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127 Craig Street.
February 19. 43

WAREHOUSE TO LET.

That commodious Three Story STONE STORE, No. 20 Grey Nun Street, from 1st May next.
Apply to
W. LYMAN,
At N. S. Whitney's, McGill Street.
February 15. 40

WHOLESALE STORE TO LET.

TO LET.—The Subscriber intending to discontinue the Auction branch of his business on the 1st of May next, and confine himself to Hardware Manufacturers and General Hardware Agencies, is desirous of letting the very extensive and commodious new premises he now occupies, No. 202 St. Paul Street, for one year from the above date. If suitable to a tennant, he would retain the second Flat, which has an independent entrance. A Lease extending beyond the period mentioned may be had from the proprietor.
ALEX. BRYSON.
February 14. 39

STORE TO LET.

The first class two-story CUT STONE WAREHOUSE, No. 301 St. Paul Street, at present occupied by Messrs. Foley & Co.
Immediate possession, if necessary.
February 13. 38

TO LET,

FROM 1ST OF MAY NEXT,
The first-class FOUR STORY CUT STONE WAREHOUSE, at present occupied by Messrs. R. S. Miller & Co., No. 325 St. Paul Street, with immediate possession if necessary.
February 7. 33

TO LET,

FROM 1ST OF MAY NEXT,
That Three-Story STONE WAREHOUSE, No. 220 St. Paul Street, and extending to Capital Street in rear, at present occupied by D. Masson & Co. Apply to
WM. MURRAY.
Feoruary 3. 29

STORES AND OFFICES TO LET.

TO LET,—TWO STORES and OFFICES in YOUNG'S BUILDINGS, McGill Street.
Apply to
JOHN YOUNG.
January 31. 27

TO LET,

That First-Class WAREHOUSE, No. 285 St. Paul Street, now occupied by Messrs. Ross, Nield & Co. This is a most desirable stand for a Wholesale Dry Goods business, and will be let in whole or in part for one or a term of years.
Apply to
JAMES. S. EVANS.
January 31. 1m 27

TO LET,

Those Fine NEW CUT-STONE WHOLESALE WAREHOUSES, on Recollet Street, now finished, with all conveniences and on the most modern and approved principles. The Basements are spacious, and are guaranteed water-tight.
Apply to
MOSS & BRO.
January 14. 12

TO LET,

Those Eligible NEW CUT-STONE STORES, West End of Notre Dame Street. They are fitted up with PLATE GLASS WINDOWS and finished in the most modern style, and are not su passed in the city for a first-class Retail Trade.
Possession 1st March.
MOSS & BRO.
January 14. 12

STORE TO LET.

That LARGE and COMMODIOUS STORE, in DAVID'S BLOCK, No. 49 Great St. James Street, lately occupied by S. B. Fish as a Dry Goods Store, to be LET from the 1st of May next.
Possession may be had on 1st April.
Apply to
ANDREW ROBERTSON,
263 St. Paul Street;
Or,
WILLIAM BENJAMIN,
196 Notre Dame Street.
January 18. 16

TO BE LET,

The LARGE STONE STORE at the Longueuil Ferry, formerly occupied as the East India Company's Tea Store.
Apply to
T. B. ANDERSON.
February 4. trs 30

TO LET,

The WAREHOUSE, No. 58 Commissioners' Street.
Apply to
P. M. GALARNEAU & CO.,
204 St. Paul Street.
January 23. 2m trs 20

TO BE LET,

The Extensive STORES and OFFICES in St. Gabriel Street, formerly occupied by Forsyth, Richardson & Co., and lately by Anderson, Evans & Evans.
Apply to
T. B. ANDERSON.
February 4. trs 30

TO LET,

Those CENTRAL PREMISES, occupied by Cowan & Cross, St. Maurice Street. An excellent stand for general business.
They are also particularly well adapted for Manufacturing purposes.
Apply to
ROBT. CROSS,
On the Premises.
February 1. d,dly-trs 28

OFFICES TO LET.

Several commodious OFFICES to Let in the Building forming corner St. François Xavier and St. Sacrament Streets, at present occupied by R. Campbell & Co. Entrance from St. Sacrament Street, adjoining Merchants' Exchange.
Apply to
STARKE, SMITH & CO.,
284 St. Paul Street.
February 11. 36

HOUSES, &c.,
TO BE LET, OR FOR SALE.

SHOPS AND DWELLINGS.

TO LET,

The SHOP and DWELLING on the corner of Notre Dame and St. Alexis Streets. Also, a large BAKE-HOUSE in the rear, which would answer for a Carpenter or Cooper Shop.
Enquire on the premises.
February 11. 36

TO LET

The SHOP and DWELLING, at the Corner of Wellington and Dalhousie Streets, now in the occupation of Mr. McBride.
Enquire of
EDW. GOFF PENNY
January 21. HERALD Office. 18

TO LET,

TWO SHOPS and DWELLINGS, Nos. 36 and 48 McGill Street, facing the St. Ann's Market.
—Also—
A BRICK WAREHOUSE, off McGill Street.
—And—
The large STONE STORE, No. 9 William Street, presently occupied by Thos. Gordon & Co.
Apply to
W. E. PHILLIPS.
February 21. 45

MISCELLANEOUS.

TO LET,

THREE Three-Story First-Class BRICK HOUSES on St. Antoine Street, opposite the residence of John Torrance, Esq.
—Also,—
The SHOP and DWELLING, Corner of St Antoine and Mountain Streets, one of the best Business Stands for a Grocery in the City.
—And,—
The SHOP and DWELLING on Mountain Street, a good stand for a Shoe or Dry Goods Store, the whole fitted up with Gas, Water Closets and Baths, and heated with Hot Air.
Rent moderate.
Possession on 1st May next.
Apply to
C. TUGGEY.
January 27. mwf 23

TO LET,

The large STONE BUILDING on Water Street, near the Barracks, belonging to Baron de Longueuil, and formerly occupied by Her Majes

STOCK TABLE.

Comparative Statement of the variation in the prices of the leading Stocks generally sold in our market. The quotation given is the last of each month:

STOCKS.	MAY.	JUNE.	JULY.	AUGUST.	SEPTEMBER.	OCTOBER.	NOVEMBER.	DECEMBER.	LAST DIV.—6 MOS.
Bank of Montreal, 1853	30 p. ex d.	23 prem.	25 prem.	26½ prem.	26½ prem.	25 prem.	28½ prem.	24½ prem.	....
Do. 1854	24½ prem.	21 p. ex d.	23 prem.	24½ @ 25 pr.	24 @ 24½ pr.	24 prem.	22½ prem.	15 prem.	....
Do. 1855	20 prem.	10½ prem.	12 prem.	15 prem.	17 prem.	17 prem.	15 prem.	10½ prem.	....
Do. 1856	14 @ 14½ pr.	....	10½ prem.	15 @ 15½ pr.	16½ prem.	20 prem.	15½ @ 16 p x d	15½ prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1857	16½ @ 16½ pr.	17 prem.	16½ prem.	16½ @ 17 pr.	14 @ 15 pr.	4½ @ 5 prem.	5½ ex div.	8 @ 9 prem.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. 1858	5 p. ex d.	14½ p. ex d.	14½ prem.	14 prem.	15½ prem.	17 prem.	17½ ex d.	16½ ex d.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1859	18 prem.	12 prem.	12½ prem.	15½ prem.	15½ prem.	15½ prem.	18½ ex div.	16½ prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1860	21 prm. ex div	1 ½ pr m	20½ prem.	20½ prem.	20½ prem.	21 prem.	18 prm. ex d v	16 @ 17 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1861	17 p. ex d.	14½, 15, 15½	15½@16 prem	16½ prem	17½ prem	17½@18½ prm	19½ 19½, 18½	12 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Bank of Toronto, 1860	Par	No sales	1 prem	1½ prem	2 prem	2 prem	½ prem	½ prem	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1861	4 p. ex d.	4 prem	4½ prem	No Sales	1 prem	1 prem	No Sales	7 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Ontario Bank, 1860	1 prem	3 prem	3 prem	6½ prem	6 prem	7 prem	No sales	4 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1861	3 p. ex d.	5 prem	½@5½ prem	7 prem	No Sales	No Sales	½ prem	2 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Bank of British North America, 1852	....	18 prem.	15 prem.	6½ prem	19 prem.	15 prem.	16½ prem.	16½ prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1854	15 prem.	23 prem.	None.	None.	25 @ 27½ pr.	25 prem.	25½ prem.	20 prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1855	21 prem.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Do. do. 1856	None offering.	None offering	None offering.	37½ pr. offered	None offering	None offering	None offering	No sellers.	3 ₰ cent. with bonus
Do. do. 1857	None offering.	40 prem.	None.	None.	None offering	Do.	None.	None.	3 do. do. and bonus
Do. do. 1858	None offering.	None offering	None offering	No sales	None offering	None offering.	None offering.	None in mkt.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1859	None.	No Sales.	No Sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1860	Par	No sales	No sales	Off'd at 10 pm	Sales at 10 pm	No sales	No sales	No sales	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1861	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Commercial Bank, 1853	11½ prem.	11½ p. ex d.	10 prem.	15½ prem.	16½ prem.	15 prem.	15½ prem.	15½ prem.	....
Do. 1854	16 @ 16½ pr.	13½ p. ex d.	13 @ 14 pr.	14 prem.	15 prem.	15½ prem.	15½ prem.	15 prem.	....
Do. 1855	11½ prem.	6 prem.	11 prem.	12 prem.	13 prem.	13½ prem.	14 prem.	14½ prem.	....
Do. 1856	10½ prem.	None offering.	10 prem.	11 prem.	12 prem.	13¾ @ 14 pr.	13½ prem.	Books closed.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1857	14 @ 14½ pr.	do.	11½ @ 12 pr.	12 @ 12½ pr.	9 @ 10 pr.	12 @ 3 pr.	5 prem.	8½ prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1858	12½ prem.	Books closed	9½ prem.	Buyers 10½ p	11½ @ 11½ p.	12 prem.	14½ prem.	14 prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1859	13½ prem.	10½ ex div.	10½ prem.	12 prem.	0 prem	12½ prem.	12½ prem.	No sales.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1860	11½ prem.	13½ prem	9½ prem	0 prem	0 prem	10 prem	10 prem	9½@10 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1861	5½ prem.	5 prem	6½ prem	6½ prem	½ prem	½, 2, 2½ prm	3@3½ prem	3¼ prem	....
City Bank, 1853	3½ prem.	3½ p. ex d.	3½ prem.	7½ prem.	3½ prem.	7½ prem.	10½ prem.	10½ prem.	....
Do. 1854	9½ @ 10 pr.	7½ p. ex d.	8 prem.	8¾ @ 9 prem.	9 prem.	9½ prem.	9½ prem.	9¾ prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1855	3 prem.	Par.	1 prem.	3 @ 3½ prem.	3 prem.	3 @ 3½ prem.	3½ prem.	3¼ prem.	....
Do. 1856	Books closed	Par.	1 prem.	3 @ 3½ prem.	5 prem.	10 prem.	Unsettled.	7½ pr. ex div.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1857	11½ @ 12 pr.	12 @ 13 pr.	13½ prem.	13½ @ 13½ pr.	12 @ 12½ pr.	Unsettled.	7 prem.	7½ @ 8 prem.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. 1858	Sellers 8 p.	Buyers 7½ p.	6½ prem.	6 prem.	7 prem.	7 prem.	9½ prem.	7 p. ex d.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1859	12½ ex div.	7½ prem.	6 prem.	10 prem.	10½ prem.	9½ prem.	8 ex div.	9 prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1860	7½ prem	9 prem	9 prem	9 prem	9@9½ prem	9½ prem	9½ prem	9 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1861	4 p. ex d.	7 prem	7½@8 prem	No Sales	9½ prem	9½@9½ prem	9½ prem	4 prem	3½ ₰ cent.
Bank of Upper Canada, 1853	3 prem.	3 p. ex d.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	....
Do. do. 1854	9 @ 10 prem.	9 @ 10 prem.	None.	None.	6 prem	6 @ 7 prem.	7½ @ 8 prem.	Unsettled.	....
Do. do. 1855	1 dis.	No sales.	2½ dis.	4 dis.	2½ dis.	1 dis.	1½ prem.	Par.	....
Do. do. 1856	1 dis.	Books closed.	2½ dis.	3½ @ 4 dis.	3 @ 3½ prem.	2½ @ 3 dis.	2 prem.	Books closed.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1857	1 prem.	do.	½ prem.	No sales.	12 dis.	12 dis.	10 dis.	9 dis.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1858	10 dis.	No Sellers.	11 dis. ex div.	12 d. ex div.	14 dis.	14½ dis.	12½ dis.	13 dis.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1859	9½ dis.	10 dis	16½ dis	16½ dis	30 dis	25 dis	32 dis	30 dis	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1860	16 dis	15 dis	30 dis	No Sales	56 dis	No Sales	53, 52 dis	54 dis	....
Do. do. 1861	40 dis	Buyers 6 p.	No Sel. at 6 p.	No Sales.	8 prem.	No sales.	9 prem.	9½ prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Molson's Bank, 1853	Buyers 6 p.	No Sellers.	No Sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1859	No Sellers.	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1860	13 prem	13 prem	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	4 ₰ cent.
Do. 1861	14 prem	11½ prem	No Sales	No Sales	13 p. ex d.	13 prem	No Sales	13 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Banque du Peuple, 1853	¼ dis.	1 prem.	11 prem.	2½ prem.	¼ prem.	1 prem.	1 prem.	1 prem.	....
Do. do. 1854	1 @ 2 prem.	1 @ 2 prem.	1 @ 1½ prem.	2 @ 2½ prem.	1 dis.	1 dis.	1 dis.	Sellers 2½ dis.	....
Do. do. 1855	1 dis.	2½ dis.	2½ dis.	3 dis.	5 dis.	2 dis.	No sales.	3 dis.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1856	11 dis.	Par.	Par.	None.	Par.	Par.	Par @ ¼ pr.	1 prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1857	3 prem.	4 prem.	6 @ 6½ pr.	None.	2 prem.	6 dis.	1½ dis.	Par.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1858	5½ prem.	Sellers 4½ p.	6 prem.	Books closed	4 @ 4½ prem	½ prem.	8 prem.	8 prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1859	8¼ prem.	7 prem.	7½ prem.	10 prm. ex d.	7 prem.	12½ prem	8 prem.	10 prem.	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1860	12 prem	14½ prem	10 prem	6 prem	12½ prem	14 prem	14@14½ prem	14 prem	4 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1861	8½ prem	9½ prem	9½ prem	9½ prem	9½@9½ prem	9½ prem	9½@9½ prem	9½ prem	4 ₰ cent.
Montreal Mining Consols, 1853	None.	29s.	33s. 9d.	57s. 6d.	57s. 6d.	76s. 3d.	80s.	23s. @ 24s.	70s.	60s.	....
Do. do. 1854	59s.	47s @ 47s 6d	45s	31s 3d @ 32s	22s 6d @ 24s 9 12s. 6d. after a call of 2s. 6d.	16s. 3d.	15s. 6d.	11s. 8d.	5s. 3d.	....
Do. do. 1855	3s. 6d.	5s.	7s.	8s. 3d.	....	11s.	Nothing d'ing	Sellers 10s.	Sellers 10s.	None.
Do. do. 1856	10s. @ 11s.	9s. 6d. @ 10s.	9s. 6d. @ 10s.	10s 3d @ 10s 6d	8s 9d @ 9s 6d	Sellers $1,50	No sellers.	Do. 8s @ 8s 6d	7s 6d @ 8s 6	None.
Do. do. 1857	9s.	8s.	Sellers	$1,30	$1,30	$1.30	$2.75.	$2,75 ₰ share	$2,75 ₰ share	....
Do. do. 1858	$1 per share.	$1,10.	$1,30	$3.	22 50.	$2.75.	$2.50	$2.55	$2 50	10 cents per share.
Do. do. 1859	$2.	$2.	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	$3	No Sales	$3.00	10 cents per share.
Do. do. 1860	$3.10	$2.80 @ $3	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	30 cents per share.
Do. do. 1861	$2 per share	No Sales	None.	None.	None.	None.	25 dis.	25 dis.	25 dis.	....
Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad, 1853	15 dis.	12½ dis.	50 dis.	50 dis.	60 dis.	70 dis.	65 @ 70 dis.	80 dis.	80 dis.	....
Do. do. 1854	37½ @ 40 dis.	42½ dis.	....	....	80 dis.	....	85 dis.	85 dis.	85 dis.	None.
Do. do. 1855	22½ dis.	....	....	....	....	....	82½ dis.	85 @ 90 dis.	85 @ 90 dis.	None.
Do. do. 1856	82½ @ 85 dis.	82½ @ 85 dis.	82½ @ 85 dis.	82½ @ 85 dis.	82½ @ 85 dis.	82½ @ 85 dis.	85 @ 90 dis.	88 @ 90 dis.	87½ dis.	....
Do. do. 1857	No sales.	80 @ 85 dis.	Buyers 87½ d	None.	None.	None.	None.	No sales.	No sales.	None.
Do. do. 1858	Buyers 87½ d	Buyers 87½	Nothing d'ing	Sellers 87½ d	Nothing d'ing	Buyers 87½ d	Buyers 87½ d.	No sales	No sales	None.
Do. do. 1859	84 dis.	84 dis.	No sales	Nothing d'ing	Nothing d'ing	85 dis.	No sales.	No sales	No sales	None.
Do. do. 1860	No Sales	No Sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	None.
Do. do. 1861	No Sales	No Sales	90 dis	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	None.
Grand Trunk Railway, 1854	35 dis.	37 @ 37½ dis.	40 dis.	40 dis.	45 @ 50 dis.	45 @ 50 dis.	45 dis.	45 dis.	....	....
Do. do. 1855	49 dis.	35 dis.	38 dis.	37 dis.	33 dis.	No sales.	No sales.	40 dis.	....	....
Do. do. 1856	None.	None.	Buyers 49 dis.	None.	None.	Buyers 50 dis.	Sellers 50 dis.	Sellers 50 dis.	B 45 d, S none	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1857	No trans.	No trans.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1858	Buyers 52½ d.	Buyers 55 d.	Buyers 60 d.	63 dis.	64 dis.	Buyers 66 d.	Buyers 66 d.	None in mkt.	None.	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1859	None in mrk't	No Sl's in mk	None in mrk't	Ask'd for, n.s.	67½ dis.	None in mrk't	None in mrk't	None in mrk't	None in mrk't	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1860	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	3 ₰ cent.
Do. do. 1861	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	None.
Great Western Railway, 1855	20 dis.	5 prem.	4 prem.	Par after div.	No Sales	10 prem.	10 prem.	10 prem.	....	....
Do. do. 1856	Buyers 20 pr.	20 prem.	20 prem.	20 prem.	20 prem.	6 prem.	4 prem.	Buyers 4 pr.	4 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1857	None.	None.	None.	None.	Nothing d'ng.	None.	None.	Offrd. 15 dis.	3 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1858	Sellers 10 d.	Buyers 15 d.	None.	None.	None.	Buyers 20 d.	Buyers 20 d.	20 dis.	3 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1859	None in mrk't	None offering	None offering	None offering	None offering	None offering	Nothing d'ing	Nothing d'ing	3 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1860	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	3 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1861	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	3 ₰ cent. ₰ annum.	
Montreal Telegraph Company, 1853	3 prem.	Par.	¼ dis.	1 @ 2 prem.	2½ prem.	3 @ 4½ prem.	4 @ 4½ prem	4½ prem.	....	....
Do. do. 1854	Par.	7½ prem.	3½ prem.	No sales.	10 prem.	15 prem.	4 prem.	7½ prem.	....	....
Do. do. 1855	7½ prem.	5 prem.	3½ prem.	10 prem.	10 prem.	10 prem.	10½ prem.	11½ prem.	....	....
Do. do. 1856	3 prem.	19 prem.	13 prem.	12 prem.	13 prem.	17 prem.	16 @ 16½ pr.	None offering.	5 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1857	16 @ 16½ pr.	17 prem.	14 prem.	16 prem.	17 prem.	17 prem.	17 prem.	20 prem.	4 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1858	Buyers 17 p.	14½ prem.	12 prem.	14 prem.	16 prem.	17 prem.	17 prem.	17½@18 prm	5 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1859	14½ prem.	15 prem.	12 prem.	16 prem	No Sales	16 prem	No Sales	20 prem	5 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1860	16 prem	18 prem	14 prem	16 prem	16 prem	16 prem	17 prem	None.	....	
Do. do. 1861	17½ prem	12½ prem	16 prem	No Sales	16 prem	No Sales	9½ prem	20 prem	5 ₰ cent.	
Montreal Gas Company Stock, 1853	37½ dis.	37½ dis.	7 dis.	6½ prem.	6½ prem.	6½ dis.	....	None.	....	....
Do. do. 1854	16 @ 16½ dis.	16 dis.	16 @ 20 dis.	16 @ 20 dis.	Sellers 15 dis.	20 dis.	Sellers 20 dis.	Sellers 22½ d.	....	....
Do. do. 1855	....	....	....	....	....	....	25 dis.	25 dis.	....	....
Do. do. 1856	Sellers 25 dis.	Buyers 27 dis.	Buyers 27 dis.	Buyers 25 dis.	Buyers 25 dis.	22½ ex div.	Buyers 19½ dis	None.	2½ ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1857	None.	20 @ 22 dis.	20 @ 22 dis.	14 @ 15 dis.	None.	None.	None.	None.	3 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1858	12½ dis.	12 dis.	11 dis.	8 dis.	7 dis.	8 dis.	Buyers 7½ dis.	6½ dis.	3 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1859	7½ prem.	10 prem.	12 prem.	15 prem.	12 ex div.	12 prem.	12 prem.	14 prem.	4 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1860	No sales	No sl's, 17 p'd	No sl's, 17½ d	No sales	No sales	20 prem	21 prem	24 prem	4 ₰ cent.	
Do. do. 1861	16 @ 17 pr	16@17 prem	18 prem	No Sales	15 prem	15 prem	15 prem	No Sales	....	
Champlain and St. Lawrence Railroad Bonds, 1854	Par.	Par.	Par.	Par.	Sellers 5 dis.	5 dis.	Sellers 10 dis.	Sellers 15 dis.	....	
Do. do. do. 1855	22½ dis.	No sales.	No sales.	35 dis.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	35 dis.	....	
Do. do. do. 1856	Sellers 35 dis.	Sellers 45 dis.	Buyers 45 dis.	Buyers 45 dis.	Buyers 45 dis.	45 dis.	Buyers 50 dis.	Buyers 50 dis.	3½ ₰ cent.	
Do. do. do. 1857	Do. 5 dis.	No sales.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	None.	3½ ₰ cent.	
Do. do. do. 1858	Buyers 30 d.	B 35 d., S 25 d	Buyers 35 d.	Buyers 35 d.	Sellers 30 d.	Sellers 30 d.	Buyers 30 d.	None in mkt.	3½ ₰ cent.	
Do. do. do. 1859	Nothing do'g	30 dis.	30 dis.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	No sales.	3½ ₰ cent.	
Do. do. do. 1860	20 dis	No sales	Off'd at 20 ds	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	No sales	3½ ₰ cent.	
Do. do. do. 1861	No Sales	30 dis	30@30½ dis	No Sales	No Sales	No Sales	29 dis	No Sales	7 ₰ cent ₰ annum.	

Exports of the Produce of Canada.

QUANTITY AND VALUE OF EXPORTS, the Growth, Produce and Manufacture of the Province of Canada, during the year ending the 31st day of December, 1861, and shewing to what country the same were exported:

ARTICLES.	TOTAL QUANTITY.	TOTAL VALUE.	EXPORTED TO Great Britain.	British N. America.	United States.	Other Foreign Cntries.
THE MINE.		$	$	$	$	$
Copper Ore	tons. 10	400	400	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL Produce of the Mine	.....	400	400	.....	.....	.....
THE FISHERIES.						
Fish—Dried and Smoked	cwt.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pickled	brls. 957	7038	1310	.....	.....	5728
TOTAL Produce of the Fisheries	.....	7038	1310	.....	.....	5728
THE FOREST.						
Ashes—Pot	brls. 18201	57072	50317	.....	.....	66985
Pearl	brls. 6182	171157	171157	.....	.....	.....
Timber—Oak	tons. 5099	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Standard Staves	mille. 72	10667	1067	.....	.....	.....
Other Staves	do 433	17033	13706	2169	1158	.....
Deals	std. bun 621	13011	13011	.....	.....	.....
Plank and Boards	M. ft. 5549	4831	44165	.....	4155	.....
Railroad Ties	pcs. 3752	332	.....	.....	.....	332
Oars	pairs 1000	1155	1155	.....	.....	.....
Other Woods	 3937	700	.....	.....	.....	.....
Saw Logs	num.	.....	.....	.....	.....	3237
TOTAL Produce of the Forest	.....	840114	762178	2169	75867	
ANIMALS AND THEIR PRODUCE.						
Animals—Horses	Number 2438	165560	.....	.....	.....	165560
Horned Cattle	do 26	780	.....	.....	.....	780
Swine	do 418	6108	.....	.....	.....	6108
Sheep	do 719	1944	.....	.....	.....	1944
Poultry	.....	17150	.....	.....	.....	17150
Produce of Animals—Beef	cwt. 540	4424	4424	.....	.....	.....
Bacon and Hams	cwt. 582	4752	4429	.....	.....	323
Lard	lbs. 3380	535	717	.....	.....	118
Bones	cwt. 1430	4308	4308	.....	.....	.....
Butter	lbs. 4576720	511845	47997	43364	43824	250
Cheese	lbs 274400	21644	21356	263	25	.....
Eggs	doz 272460	29149	.....	.....	.....	29149
Feathers	lbs 950	390	.....	.....	.....	390
Furs—Undress'd	No. 169116	157058	.....	60	11998	.....
Hides	cwt. 270	1468	.....	.....	.....	1468
Horns and Hoofs	cwt. 600	2531	2531	.....	.....	.....
Lard	lbs 23590	2353	1295	540	9	509
Pork	lbs 1797	12930	8842	4076	1812	400
Sheeps' Pelts	No. 1150	922	.....	.....	.....	922
Wool	lbs. 7 710	20592	9224	.....	.....	11368
TOTAL Animals and their Products	.....	978801	631091	54193	292148	1159
AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.						
Balsam	.....	950	300	.....	.....	650
Barley and Rye	bush. 40143	22195	660	.....	.....	21535
Barley—Pot and Pearl	lbs. 35640	3271	300	665	.....	2306
Beans	bush. 316	445	.....	.....	.....	445
Bran	cwt 1080	940	.....	.....	40	900
Flax	cwt 598	6452	4745	.....	.....	1707
Flax Seed	bush. 1734	2148	.....	.....	.....	214
Flour	brls. 674979	3116200	2733451	316922	63848	1981
Fruit, Green	brls. 1758	5183	3410	.....	329	1398
Hops	lbs. 1150	300	300	.....	.....	.....
Indian Corn	b sh. 4474	3132	.....	.....	.....	3132
Maple Sugar	lbs. 90	9	.....	.....	.....	9
Meal	brls. 29727	114329	94576	6454	13299	.....
Mineral (or Earth) Oil	gals. 340	207	207	.....	.....	.....
Oats	bush 622918	211192	103472	320	105650	1650
Other Seeds	bush. 8863	21147	2524	.....	1 623	.....
Peas	bush. 1552044	1175068	1151289	7936	15722	121
Vegetables	.....	333	.....	.....	28	233
Wheat	bush 3406411	3818697	3732719	3384	32944	77
TOTAL Agricultural Products	.....	8502063	7877959	335728	284507	3869
MANUFACTURES.						
Books	.....	266	60	206	.....	.....
Biscuit	cwt. 105	419	.....	419	.....	.....
Candles	lbs. 225	69	.....	69	.....	.....
Carriages	No. 6	950	820	130	.....	.....
Hardware	.....	286	.....	233	48	.....
India Rubber	.....	22443	6000	4885	11558	.....
Leather	.....	556	.....	556	.....	.....
Machinery	.....	72	72	.....	.....	.....
Oil Cake	.....	33943	29894	.....	.....	4049
Rags	.....	2501	700	.....	.....	1801
Starch	lbs. 109000	6251	5751	500	.....	.....
Straw	.....	630	.....	.....	.....	630
Wood	.....	327	320	.....	.....	7
Liquors—Ale, Beer and Cider	gall. 29	15	.....	.....	.....	15
Whisky	gall. 72	81	.....	.....	.....	81
Other Spirits	gall. 2528	14879	14879	.....	.....	.....
TOTAL Manufactures	.....	83638	58496	7003	18139	
OTHER ARTICLES.						
Castoreum	.....	1864	1864	.....	.....	.....
Furniture	.....	700	.....	.....	.....	700
Peas Split	.....	820	.....	.....	.....	820
Saltpetre	.....	144	144	.....	.....	.....
Water, Mineral	brls.	6	.....	.....	.....	6
TOTAL Other Articles	.....	3534	2008	.....	.....	1526
RECAPITULATION.						
Produce of the Mine	.....	400	400	.....	.....	.....
Produce of the Fisheries	.....	7038	1310	.....	.....	5728
Produce of the Forest	.....	840214	762178	2169	75867	
Animals and their Products	.....	978801	631091	54193	292148	1159
Agricultural Products	.....	8502063	7877959	335728	284507	3869
Manufactures	.....	83638	58496	7003	18139	
Other Articles	.....	3534	2008	.....	.....	1526
TOTAL VALUE OF EXPORTS, 1861	.....	10415758	9333443	399003	618268	5028
" " " 1860	.....	9275735	8368893	202440	703352	5830

STATEMENT OF PASSAGES OF THE STEAMERS OF THE MONTREAL OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, FROM 1st NOVEMBER 1860 TILL 1st NOVEMBER 1861.

STEAMSHIPS.	Left Liverpool	Arrived at Port land.	Passage.	Left Portland.	Arrived at Liverpool	Passage.	REMARKS.
			Dys. Hrs.			Dys. Hrs.	
North American	Nov. 1.	Nov. 11.	9.08	Nov. 24.	Dec. 6.	12.00	
Palestine	" 8.	" 21.	12.05	Dec. 1.	" 14.	12.11	
Nova-Scotian	" 15.	" 28.	12.03	" 8.	" 20.	11.09	
Canadian	" 22.	Dec. 4.	11.17	" 15.	" 28.	13.03	
North-Britonn	" 29.	" 12.	12.24	" 22.	Jan. 7.	15.12	
Bohemian	Dec. 6.	" 19.	12.20	" 29.	" 10.	11.12	
Anglo-Saxon	" 13.	" 25.	11.23	Jan. 5.	" 19.	13.03	
North-American	" 20.	" 31.	10.11	" 12.	" 24.	11.05	
Nova-Scotian	" 27.	Jan. 9.	12.23	" 26.	Feb. 1.	11.17	
Canadian	Jan. 3.	" 17.	13.14	" 27.	" 7.	10.13	
North-Britonn	" 10.	" 23.	12.16	Feb. 3.	" 15.	12.15	
Bohemian	" 17.	" 30.	12.09	" 12.	" 22.	10.10	
Anglo-Saxon	" 24.	Feb. 6.	12.22	" 17.	" 28.	11.09	
North-American	" 31.	" 17.	16.03	" 24.	Mar. 7.	11.01	
Nova-Scotian	Feb. 7.	" 21.	13.05	Mar. 2.	" 14.	11.00	
Canadian	" 14.	" 28.	13.04	" 9.	" 20.	10.01	
North-Britonn	" 21.	Mar. 8.	14.16	" 16.	" 28.	11.02	
Palestine	" 28.	" 17.	16.20	" 23.	April 4.	12.08	
Bohemian	Mar. 6.	" 24.	15.13	" 30.	" 13.	13.06	
North-American	" 14.	April 1.	17.00	April 6.	" 19.	12 05	
Nova-Scotian	" 21.	" 3.	12.12	" 13.	" 26.	12.04	
Canadian	" 28.	" 8.	9.23	" 20.	May 3.	11 18	
North-Britonn	April 4.	" 16.	11.01	" 27.	" 10.	11.17	
QUEBEC.							
Jura	" 11.	April 24.	12.05	May 4.	" 14.	10.08	
Bohemian	" 18.	May 1.	12.19	" 11.	" 23.	11.18	
North-American	" 25.	" 8.	12.18	" 18.	June 5.	16.14	Lost Screw.
Nova-Scotian	May 2.	" 15.	12.16	" 25.	" 6.	11.10	
Canadian	" 9.	" 20.	10.16	June 1.	....	....	
North-Britonn	" 18	June 3.	15.06	June 8.	June 21.	13.10	
Hibernian	" 23.	" 5.	12.02	" 15.	" 25.	10.21	
Bohemian	" 30.	" 12.	12.23	" 22.	July 4.	11.08	
Jura	June 6.	" 17.	11.17	" 29.	" 10.	11.04	
Anglo-Saxon	" 13.	" 26.	12.17	July 6.	" 17.	10.23	
Nova-Scotian	" 20.	July 4.	13.18	" 13.	" 24.	11.13	
North-Britonn	" 27.	" 10.	12 07	" 20.	Aug. 1.	11.08	
Hibernian	July 4.	" 15.	10.08	" 27.	" 8.	11.09	
North-American	" 11.	" 22.	10.22	Aug. 3.	" 13.	10.13	
Norwegian	" 18.	Aug. 4.	16.09	" 17.	" 26.	9.18	
Anglo-Saxon	" 25.	" 5.	10.07	" 10.	" 19.	9.20	
Nova-Scotian	Aug. 1.	" 13.	11.07	" 24.	Sept. 5.	11.19	
Bohemian	" 8.	" 19.	10.06	" 31.	" 12.	10.61	
Hibernian	" 15.	" 27.	11.07	Sept. 7.	" 17.	9.17	
North-American	" 22.	Sept. 2.	10.17	" 14.	" 24.	9.19	
North-Britonn	" 29.	" 10.	11.19	" 21.	Oct. 1.	10.16	
Anglo-Saxon	Sept. 5.	" 17.	11.18	" 28.	" 7.	9.20	
Jura	" 12.	" 24.	11.15	Oct. 5.	" 16.	10.17	
Bohemian	" 19.	Oct. 2.	12 03	" 12.	" 24.	11.02	
Norwegian	" 26.	" 8.	11.18	" 19.	" 29.	9.22	
North-American	Oct. 3.	" 16.	12.05	" 26.	Nov. 6.	10.20	
			611.14			549.18	

Average Westward..., 12.11 Average Eastward.. 11.11

We notice in the *New York Herald* of January 4th a tabular statement of the passages made by the different Lines crossing the Atlantic, from which we gather the following comparative results:—

					Average 12 days 22 hrs
Cunard Line—					
New York Branch	26 passages

ANNUAL REVIEW

OF THE

TRADE, COMMERCE,

AND

MANUFACTURES

—OF—

MONTREAL

—FOR THE—

YEAR ENDING 31st DECEMBER

1861.

Furnished to the BOARD OF TRADE, by

HORACE LEE FORBES,

Collector of Statistics to the Board.

PREFACE.

The appointment of Collector of Statistics having for the first time been made by the Board of Trade of this City, and it having devolved upon me not only to collect Statistics of the present year, but also to present a report of the trade for the same period, I approach the task [illegible] confidence that my readers must fully appreciate, and can only trust to their kindness to overlook any faults I may unwillingly have committed

There is no more important task in a commercial community than the exact and proper compiling of statistics, dry as the study may seem to be, yet it becomes clothed with a deep national interest when the statistics can shew from absolute facts that the trade and manufactures of a city within a period of ten or fifteen years have more than doubled themselves, that places which years ago were but mere unthought of villages have risen into the status of influential towns, possessing, according to their developed wealth, not only commercial but also political importance, whereas on the other hand old and long established towns have not only stood still, but have absolutely retrograded in their march of civilization. Standing still is an impossibility, for we must either march slower or quicker with the tide.

Before virtually entering on my subject, I beg to lay before the Board of Trade some of the improvements in the collection of statistics which I, in connection with the officers of the Board, have carried out.

Firstly.—We have published weekly returns of Customs Imports, same as is done in New York.

Secondly.—We have published the daily returns by canal and river of the receipts of wood, lumber, &c., by schooner and barges.

Thirdly.—We have published weekly returns of Exports and Imports of Produce of all sorts by the river steamers touching at all the ports between this and Quebec.

Fourthly.—We have inaugurated a better system of procuring the Canal receipts of Produce. This system, though it has worked inefficiently this year, will, I am certain, operate well in future.

Fifthly.—We have arranged through Mr. Bouchette, Commissioner of Customs, to receive weekly the exports of Produce, via Coaticook and Rouses Point, these being essentially the winter ports of Montreal.

Sixthly.—We have obtained, in addition to the inspection returns of flour and ashes weekly given, those of Pork, Beef and Leather, which heretofore have not been published.

These have been the results of steady perseverance, and in spite of many obstacles. One thing I would seriously call the attention of the Board to, is the fact that we get no returns of Produce sold at our different markets. Now this constitutes a very important element in the statistics of this city; although I have been in correspondence with the Town Council on the subject, I am sorry to say the result has not been satisfactory. I would therefore seriously call the attention of the Board to the subject, because, during the winter months especially, a very large amount of Grain and Provisions are brought into and disposed of in our different city markets. The collection of returns might be made at comparatively so small an expense that I consider it the bounden duty of the Corporation to bestir themselves in the matter.

In many other matters great improvements are required, but which it was impossible to obtain this year, owing to the difficulty which all collectors of statistics encounter during their first year—for example, there is the greatest confusion between the canal and harbour receipts of cord-wood, lumber, &c. For instance, wood, &c., passing through the canal into the harbour, and discharging there, is entered in both the Harbour Commissioners Office as well as that of the Canal, thereby virtually making our imports in all such cases double. In my daily returns, published in the *Herald* and *Gazette*, I have taken great pains to separate them, but should I give the return, it would exhibit such a falling off as in comparison with former years that it would not render justice to the increased business in both departments. I shall therefore present in their proper place the returns as previously made out, in order to draw a comparison, for the same error has existed ever since these returns were first published. In future years, by following the system I have daily carried out, this branch of our trade may easily be represented in its true light. I must here point out to the Board the extreme difficulty of organizing a complete system of obtaining statistics both of trade and manufactures in a city where it has previously been done only to a limited extent, and the value of which the public do not yet seem sufficiently to estimate. These remarks apply especially to the statistics of the manufacturing interests. I can only say that I have spared neither time nor trouble in endeavoring to lay before you a correct report of the commerce of this rapidly increasing city.

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS.

The year which has just drawn to a close has been, without exception, one of the most important years in not only the commerce, but also the general increase of Montreal. Business has, in most branches, vaccillated between trying disasters and gratifying successes. Every department of trade has undergone a very difficult ordeal. In the spring, two of our leading branches, viz., produce and dry goods, were much depressed. Still, but few failures occurred. Towards the close of the season, confidence returned, and a business was done, sufficient both in volume and profit, to satisfy the most sanguine.

I shall endeavor to give a general sketch of Trade last year. A peculiarly bountiful harvest in 1860, revived at once the drooping spirits of all who, having seen the comparative failure of the crops of the former three years, foreboded a continuance of depression, and with the sanguineness of a young country, everybody looked forward to a large and profitable business for the coming season. Money was plentiful; stocks of imports were not heavy in importers' hands; a general spirit of hopefulness prevailed; the black clouds hanging over the Northern and Southern States, were but on the edge of the horizon, and the commercial world generally, predicted that they would disperse before the active spring trade should commence. In Europe, all looked peaceful; never for years had the political sky been so clear of clouds. Differences were talked of between Austria and her dependencies, of a warlike state in Italy, arising from the French occupancy of Rome, and the iron heel of the Austrians still pressed on Venetia, but all the rest of the world was quiet. Money, the great arbiter of nations, as regards peace and war, was for all legitimate purposes, easily obtainable. Trade in no branch had been overdone. In fact, throughout Europe, a more healthy business tone prevailed than for many years previous. In England the stocks of flour and grain, both imported and native, were light, nor were large supplies expected from the continent. This, owing also to light supplies in the American Eastern marts, caused a speculative feeling which resulted in heavy transactions for future delivery, and the first consequence was, a rapid rise in produce all over, not only Canada, but also the Western States. Country merchants, seeing farmers getting these high prices, naturally imagined a corresponding increase in the consumption of groceries and dry goods. This idea spread itself to the towns, and consequently, large orders, especially for dry goods, were sent home to supply the supposed demand. Every one, in fact, laid himself out to do an extensive business. It is painful to begin the chapter of accidents which frustrated all these well built hopes. Firstly, came a most extraordinarily tempestuous winter, which, by blocking up all the country roads, and also the railways, almost cut off all communication between town and country. The vast hoards of grain in the West continued locked up, as shippers could not send it over the Grand Trunk Railroad, uncertain how long it would be detained on the [illegible] Lower Canada farmers were only able to bring in half their usual supply; consequently, farmers could not pay country storekeepers, these again could not pay the wholesale men, and stocks that both parties hoped, and reasonably so, to have worked off during the winter, had to be held over till the Spring, and consequently, the large imports of our Montreal merchants could not be pushed off, except to doubtful parties, as a general caution seized the community. Produce, also, when brought forward, instead of coming, as was hopefully expected, to a rising market, found one exceedingly depressed. Hardware and crockery stood their ground, owing to not heavy importations. As a climax to Spring misfortunes, in June, Fort Sumter fell before the victorious forces of the Confederates, and thus the two dark clouds met, and the first flash of lightning burst through the political atmosphere, which was the fore-runner of the fearful storm. To add to our disasters this spring, we were visited with one of the most tremendous floods almost ever known. On Saturday morning, the 12th April, the river had not swollen over its usual height at that time of year, but on Sunday night, almost, I may say quite without warning, the flood set in, and on Monday, Griffintown was inundated, McGill Street half under water, as was also a large portion of St. Paul Street; and in fact the most valuable mercantile quarters of the city. It is unnecessary to go into any detail; suffice it to say, the damage done was very considerable; and in the midst of the inundation, the potash store, though flooded with water, was entirely destroyed by fire, the rival element proving itself the more powerful. When the navigation fairly opened, we had an immense flood of produce poured in upon us, but unfortunately, the ships arrived at the same time as the opening of the canals, which caused vast delay, as they had to be discharged before taking in cargo, and consequently, great detention of barges, propellers, &c., took place.

As the season wore on, affairs generally looked brighter, and the beginning of the Fall saw a much healthier tone pervading our city; in fact, I may almost say that all classes were retrieving the heavy losses made during the Spring. Produce men were shipping heavily, having bought cheap during the decline in the West, and an ascertained deficiency in the European markets, made profits, any way, to a great extent, repay their Spring losses. (For details I refer to the notices of separate articles.) Dry goods merchants imported but lightly, and were thus enabled to work off their heavy accumulation of Spring stock to a profit. Hardware and crockery merchants not having lost much, were in an extra good position, so that, altogether, notwithstanding the American troubles which broke out in full force, and have seriously interfered with our trade generally all over the province, Montreal has suffered less than the Western cities.

We have to deplore the loss of three Ocean steamers on the St. Lawrence route. The first was the "United States," belonging to the Glasgow Ocean Steam Line, luckily without loss of life; the second was the "Canadian," belonging to the Montreal Ocean Steamship Company, attended, I regret to say, with considerable loss of life; and the third was the "North Briton," belonging to the same Company. As the causes of these disasters have been so fully discussed through the medium of the press, it is perfectly unnecessary that I should go over the old ground again. We can only trust that, by improved lighting of the Gulf, such serious losses may for the future be avoided.

The City Horse Railroad, which was so much talked of in 1860 has become an established fact. It was opened in November, and has steadily been running since. As far as patronage goes, it must be considered a success.

The Grand Trunk Company have at last felt the necessity of a city terminus; and pending the discussions as to where its permanent station is to be, they have made arrangements with the Montreal and Champlain Railroad to share their station in Bonaventure Street, and the passenger cars now run there, which is a great convenience to the travelling community.

I shall now go more into detail to prove the general prosperity of the city. There are four tests: Firstly, the general imports of goods and produce into a town; secondly, the exports; thirdly, the growth of manufactures; and fourthly, the increased value of assessed property.

Total value of Imports for the last ten years:—

1851 was	$9,178,840
1852	9,245,884
1853	14,014,788
1854	16,221,004
1855	12,372,380
1856	16,144,696
1857	16,848,536
1858	11,584,068
1859	15,660,340
1860	16,479,443
1861	16,814,161

Amount of Duties collected at this port for the last ten years:—

1851 was	$1,230,844
1852	1,335,076
1853	1,298,408
1854	1,913,444
1855	1,740,248
1856	1,678,903
1857	1,846,760
1858	1,513,504
1859	2 335,192
1860	2,454,249
1861	2,391,819

This decrease in duty arises from two sources; Firstly, a serious reduction n duty on tea and sugar; and secondly, from a considerable amount being held over in bond, which duty will go to swell next year's return.

I now give the Exports from Montreal, Coaticook, and St. Johns, for the last three years:—

PORTS.	1859	1860	1861
Montreal,	$3,044,762	$6,956,236	$10,415,738
Coaticook,	1,487,217	2,576,222	
St. Johns,	1,867,868	2,800,633	719,367
Montreal, articles, produce of U.S.	56,376	781,651	3,505,611

These returns show a most satisfactory result, as the nearer the exports of a country approach the imports, so much more solid is the basis of its trade. The heavy falling off of the exports *via* St. Johns is the result of the troubles in the States, and shows us in a forcible manner how intimately our prosperity is bound up in that of the neighboring Republic.

I have in my notice of Freights given full details of the tonnage of the port for the last few years. I here give the arrivals by sea for the last ten years:—

Years.	Ships.	Tonnage.
1851	275	58,885
1852	185	45,145
1853	253	60,597
1854	258	71,072
1855	197	48,533
1856	221	69,962
1857	169	60,518
1858	162	63,239
1859	172	81,042
1860	240	118,216
1861	503	245,562

These returns show a steady increase in the tonnage of the port for the last four years. Last year this increase was vastly in excess of anything heretofore known; but we must trust that we shall, having so largely directed the grain trade into this channel, be able to keep it, and that future years may see a steady increase in our tonnage.

For the details of other returns I must refer to my full reports on the separate branches of our trade, and also to my report on the manufactures.

There is one subject to which I must allude, having mentioned it in my Preface as one of the branches of our trade on which for the first time light has been thrown. I refer to our River trade—the statistics of which are not kept in any public department, and it was only by personally taking the manifests of the steamers and schooners that I have arrived at a perfect knowledge of it. The extent of it is a great deal more than the public are aware of, if in fact any one had ever thought about it. I give the statistics:—

Exports down River to Quebec, Three Rivers, Terrebonne, Chambly, &c., for season 1861.

Flour	Bags	36,070,	Brls. 273,526
Rye Flour	do.	628	
Oatmeal	do.	2,220	
Pork	do.	7,059	
Beef	Tces.	350,	do. 820
Ashes	do.	32	
Tallow	do.	115	
Butter	Kegs	1,271	
Lard	Kegs	529	
Whiskey and Wines, Pns.		1489,	Brls. 829
Biscuits	Bags	3,204,	Boxes 1,378
Wheat	Bush.	176,281	
Barley	do.	22,587	
Oats	do.	8,605	
Peas	do.	28,060	
Seeds (Timothy, Clover and Flax)	do.	5,038	
Corn	do.	4,488	
Hides		16,722	
Cattle	Head	1,185	
Sheep		1,272	
Pigs		65	

Imports up River from Quebec, Three Rivers, &c., for same period.

Ashes	Brls.	893
Pork	do.	48
Beef	do.	18
Oatmeal	do.	4,312
Potatoes	Bush.	57,452
Oats	do.	153,104
Peas	do.	18,193
Seed (Timothy, Clover & Flax)	do.	12,734
Barley	do.	12,513
Butter	Tubs	4,332
Cattle	Head	3385
Sheep		20,764
Pigs		618
Calves		658

Thus it will be seen that a very respectable trade has been brought before the public. As said before, could we get any return of our City trade (*i.e.*, that over the markets), the merchants would be astonished at the result. For instance, our imports of grain, by official sources (bringing flour into bushels), amount to 13,779,071 bush.; and we may safely say that what is sold over the markets, and direct to the breweries and distilleries, in fact, the Lower Canada trade amounts to about 5,000,000 more (in fact, one of our largest, if not the largest, grain dealer estimated the indirect amount at 7,000,000 bush). This makes a total for our Grain trade of nearly 20,000,000 bushels for the season, which is a very respectable figure.

The last subject in these remarks I shall touch upon is one of great importance, and, in fact is the chief index of progress of a town, viz., the Increase of population:—

Population in 1852	57,715
Do. do. 1861	91,006
Increase in nine years	33,291

or 56 per cent. This is exclusive of those in the suburbs outside the City boundaries, which amount to 10,433 more. I classify them—

Natives of England		4,394	
Do. Scotland		4409	
Do. Ireland		21,647	
British Origin, Lower Canada		42,886	
French do.	do.	121	
Other do.	do.	1,203	
Upper Canada		184	
France		363	
Germany		1,706	
United States		793	
Other Countries		91,006	

I now proceed to the different branches of trade:—

THE HARBOUR.

In all shipping Ports the first and great consideration is a plentiful accommodation for the rapid discharging and loading of vessels, and next to that the cheapness with which both operations can be performed. Few circumstances have more tended to make Liverpool the great port she has sprung up to be than these very considerations, that she is and has been undoubtedly the cheapest port in Great Britain.

It is, therefore, an imperative duty to see if we come up to the requirements of the rapidly increasing shipping trade of this port, and every candid person must confess that last season we did not, nor was it to be expected that we should when we consider that in 1860 only 240 sea going vessels with a tonnage of 118,216 arrived here, and that last year our arrivals amounted to 503 vessels of 245,562 tons burden, making more than double the amount. It will easily be perceived that we must at times have been dreadfully cramped for room. From the Canal to below to below the custom house, principally forest of masts, and many had to anchor in the stream at the foot of the current waiting their turn to procure berths. Early in the season a great deal of trouble was caused by high water, which, flooding our wharves, made discharging an almost impossible task; cargo had to be erected, and, in fact, gangways were rigged out from vessels to the street and cargoes discharged and loaded over them. When the water subsided things rapidly got into better working order, but still we were dreadfully cramped and many vessels, after discharging, were unable to load, owing to a deficiency of Elevators for the number of vessels in the port. The largest number in port at one time was 117 sea going ships, whereas we have, properly speaking, berths for only 42 such craft. The flood that at one time obstructed business so much, and also after all a material service, as it enabled vessels of considerable tonnage to discharge and load in the eastern basins and piers, which generally are only suitable for wood barges and the river steamers. These basins, with a certain amount of dredging might easily be made available for the Lower Port vessels during the whole summer, and thus relieve the western part of the harbour. However, in spite of our being so cramped for room, we got through our shipping business more easily than could at one time have been supposed; but the fact was patent to everybody, that much greater accommodation is required if we are desirous not only of maintaining our new business, but also of giving it the due extension that we all trust will be the case every succeeding year.

The consequence of this general feeling is an immense crop of projects, plans, &c., for permanently increasing our harbour accommodation, but I much fear the merchants are much in the position of Sancho Panza at his grand banquet in his Kingdom of Barrataria - no sooner is one tempting dish placed before him but ere he can touch it, it disappears and another takes its place. So it seems with our harbour improvements, what with hydraulic docks, new wharves and piers on the shoal in front of the town, docks in Hochelaga Bay, &c., &c, we see one season pass away and another approach without anything being done in the way of preparation for the coming year, supposing that we have such a heavy spring fleet this year. It really behoves our merchants to do something quickly if they wish Montreal to take her proper rank as the leading sea port of British North America.

It is impossible to specify the many plans proposed for increasing our harbour accommodation, and I can only refer those interested in the subject to the different pamphlets in the possession of the Board of Trade.

Three new Elevators are to be added to our present existing stock, thus making 8 for next season, and also two receiving barges to bring down Grain from the mills.

Another improvement is an appointment of a Grain Inspector for the port, and it is also under consideration the further appointment of a Port Warden, who shall have the inspecting that vessels are properly lined and dunnaged. These two appointments would doubtless have the effect of hindering grain being shipped in the unfit state it was last spring, and also of preventing vessels from being lined with green boards and deficient dunnage, as was also the case last year.

Another important subject I feel myself bound to bring before public notice is, the present system of river pilotage, which, in my opinion, requires material modification. Firstly, it is a generally expressed wish of the Pilots, that all who desire to learn the business should be apprenticed for 3 or 5 years to a passed Pilot. This system obtains in every other port, and is generally considered the best. Secondly, all Pilots should be obliged to take vessels in succession. I believe the Trinity Board can compel a Pilot to take down a vessel, but the difficulty is to find one. The proper plan would be this, to compel every pilot to enter himself on his arrival at the Trinity House, and to give his residence in town, and also to report himself daily at the Trinity office so that a vessel when ready would only have to notify the Pilot next on turn. This is the only method of putting an end to the present system of Pilots concealing themselves until either a large vessel is ready or the captain of some vessel is willing to give them a considerable douceur to go down. They know well enough that the captain cannot inform, as he is subjected to the same penalty for giving as they for receiving a bribe. While on the subject of the Harbour I give the arrivals and departures of vessels during last year and also the previous one. I cannot for 1860 give so complete a report of cargoes as during the last year, owing to statements not been drawn up in the same manner:—

	1860. Ves.	Tons.	1861. Ves.	Tons.
For Liverpool	77	16,145	132	126327
For Glasgow	34	22097	68	45883
For London	19	7770	57	27551
For Gloucester	14	4222	20	7686
For Bristol	8	2392	20	8532
For Cork (orders)	1	286	40	14732
For Amberinburg	1	280	..	....
For Carde's (Cuba)	1	95	..	....
For Boston (U.S.)	6	1093	..	....
For New York	1	397	..	....
For Lower Ports	60	5108	102	7862
For Quebec	11	4041	3	1879
For Gaspee	..	....	4	876
For Exeter	..	....	1	289
For Southampton	..	....	2	433
For Little Hampton	..	....	1	310
For Cowes	..	....	2	399
For East Hope	..	....	1	199
For Shoreham	..	....	2	382
For Penrith	..	....	2	331
For King's Roads	..	....	1	431
For Lanelly (Wles)	..	....	1	336
For Dublin	..	....	3	1978
For Belfast	..	....	2	963
For Newry	..	....	1	291
For Wexford	..	....	2	480
For Dundee	..	....	5	1275
For Bordeaux	..	....	1	95
	229	116748	494	250281

In giving the general tonnage, both export and import, it is necessary to shew the amount carried by our Liverpool and Glasgow steamers. The outward fleet in 1860 for both lines was 35,299 tons, and for 1861, 38,054 tons. This, it must be remembered, is not the gross tonnage of the steamers, but the *actual tonnage of freight* carried by them. The above figures are compiled from the absolute statements, shewing the amount of flour, grain, &c., carried, and are consequently as near as can be correct.

The voyages of our Ocean Mail line, in comparison with the Cunard Company's steamers, will be found in another part of my report.—Every one can see that the St. Lawrence is the shortest route from Liverpool to this continent. In order to make it safe as well as expeditious, our Gulf should be lighted up the same as the American coasts are, and then we would hear far less, if at all, of these sad losses of steamers, which, while they cast a gloom over the city, spread a widefield distrust in our line.

As our capabilities for storage belong essentially to our harbour accommodation, we give a table of the different warehouses connected with the canal, and their capacities, as follows:—

Amount of Storage connected with the Canal:

	Wheat. bush.	Flour. brls.
Ira Gould & Sons	200,000	20,000
Gilmour, Hall & Co	150,000	15,000
J. McDongall	150,000	8,000
Jas. Holliday & Brother	150,000	120,000
Jaques, Tracy & Co	.....	25,000
D. Murray	.....	9,500
Glassford & Co	.....	2,000
Black & Perry	.....	4,000
A. & D. Ferguson	.....	10,000
T. M. Bryson	.....	10,000
— McGibbon	.....	9,000
J. Breckenridge	.....	20,000
— Robertson	8,000	1,600
Gillespie & Co	.....	12,000
McDonald & Co	.....	11,000
McLennan & Co	.....	25,000
McDougall	.....	4,000
Canal Sheds	.....	27,000
	708,000	333,100

Although this table shows a considerable amount of storage room, yet, with but slight expense, a very much increased accommodation could easily be afforded, which, doubtless, will be done, should occasion require it.

In connection with this subject, I give the Inland Freight capacities for the season:—

JAQUES, TRACY & CO:

1861. Steamers.	Capacity of Flour. Brls.	Brls.
Steamer Huron	3800	
Do Colonist	3800	
Do Avon	3000	
Do Indian	3000	
Do St. Lawrence	3000	
Do Ottawa	3000	
	——	19600
HENDERSON, HOLCOMB & CO:		
Steamer Wellington	3800	
Do Brantford	3500	
Do West	3800	
Do George Moffatt	2400	
	——	13500
BLACK, PERRY & CO:		
Steamer Bowmanville	3600	
Do Whitby	3500	
Do Ranger	3000	
Do Magnet	2900	
	——	13000
CHAFFEY & CO:		
Steamer Boston	3000	
MAIL LINE:		
Steamer Passport	1000	
Do Kingston	1500	
Do Magnet	2000	
Do Champion	1000	
Do New Era	1000	
Do Banshee	1000	
	——	7500
BAY OF QUINTE LINE:		
Steamer St. Lawrence	1600	
Do St. Helen	1750	
	——	3350
AMERICAN LINE:		
Steamer Salaberry	1000	
Do Ottawa	1000	
Do Blue Bonnet	1000	
	——	3000
Steamer Protection	2000	
Do Walter Shanly	1500	
	——	3500
Total carrying Freight of Steamers		60450

The barges and schooners we estimate according to the quantity of bushels of wheat they can carry. I give the regular barges employed in the trade:—

		Bushels.
Glassford, Janes & Co	28 barges.	294000
Henderson, Holcomb & Co	16 barges. 3 schrs.	200000
Chaffey & Co	13 barges.	120000
E. Bailey	8 barges.	102000
Geo. Smith	15 barges.	105000
		819000

Besides these, Henderson, Holcomb & Co. chartered a quantity sufficient to carry 200,000 bushels more, and other parties, induced by the high freights, employed their barges to carry grain between Kingston and Montreal. This is exclusive of the Western schooners, which came direct from the Lakes, and of the number and capacity of which it is impossible to form an estimate. The great drawback last season was the delay in discharging, and, should that be obviated this year by increased facilities both of harbour accommodation and by elevators for discharging barges, &c, we have an inland fleet capable of satisfactorily performing the whole of our probable trade for the coming season.

FREIGHTS.

Sea Freights.—In shipping Ports nothing is of more import than the rate of freight, insurance and general charges in all Produce to be exported. Two causes create a shipping port and regulate its importance. First and foremost is the facilities it possesses of easy and cheap communication with the interior of the country whence the supplies of Produce are derived, and secondly the power to transport them in the cheapest manner to the place of consumption. Now, for many years New York and Boston have been regarded in such a light and that notwithstanding all our efforts the St. Lawrence route could not successfully compete with them. There were two reasons for this, firstly—the Inland freight to New York and Boston was nearly as cheap as to Montreal, and *secondly*—the means of rapid discharging into sea-going vessels, and the freight to Europe was very considerably less. This latter advantage occurred as follows: New York and Boston imported sufficient to give good inward bound freights to vessels and thereby enabling them to take cheap rates for outward cargoes; whereas we on the contrary have had to bring a large number of vessels here in ballast, and the homeward freight has therefore had to pay for both voyages. These disadvantages were lessened this Spring by the unusually large imports this season, and in New York the decreased imports thus forced many vessels to come out in ballast.

Freights for flour to Liverpool, which may generally be looked upon as a criterion, opened in 1860 at 3s 3d@3s 6d. stg., if *per* bri, and gradually rose to 4s@4s 6d toward the end of August, but in October declinid again to 3s 6d@3s 9d, from which rate they gradually rose, till in November they reached 4s 6d@5s., which may be regarded as the closing rate. For Grain, freights opened to Liverpool at 6d 6d @ 7s 6d per quarter, but declined in the middle of June to 6s@6s 6d. In July they rose to 7s@7s 6d However from the 9th to the 16th August, freights rose rapidly to 8s@8s 6d, with an upward tendency but very slack demand. In September freights further advanced to 8s 6d @ 9s, and finally closed in November at 12s@12s 6d.

The last past year freights opened at 3s 6d @ 3s 9d., and high as 4s 3d for well known vessels. But the large quantity of vessels chartered from all parts to come here had a great influence in keeping down the rate of freights, especially as those of New York and Boston ruled considerable lower than here. This was in despite of an import of grain, flour, &c., unexampled in the annals of the city. We consequently saw freights for flour remain very equal during May and June, about 3s 6d to 3s 9d and 4s, and one time they touched 4s 3d. In July, however, saw a rapid decline, owing to not much offering, and an unwillingness to ship at that season. Freights fell consequently to 3s 9d@3s., and did not rise till towards the middle of August. Of course, in the height of our summer season we always look for low freights, on account of the decline of flour souring, and generally there is but little coming forward. The rise in the European markets in the Fall had a great effect in stiffening freights, though at first such was the quantity of produce brought forward that many fluctuations took place, and towards the middle of September they fell again as low as 2s 9d to 3s from 3s 3d to 3s 6d, which was the rate on the 15th August. In October, owing to the improved reports of the English markets, freights gradually began to creep up, and although we had a large fall fleet, more than was expected, still produce poured in in sufficient quantity to enable every vessel to get a full cargo, and freights, although not very high, remained firm for the remainder of the season. Grain freights opened at 7s 9d to 8s 6d to Liverpool, and remained steady till the mid-caused by the danger of shipping at that period of the year, and also by the general depression of the trade. The rate during July ranged from 6s @ 6s 6d, and 6s 3d. August witnessed a slight rise to 7s; and towards the end as high as 7s 6d, which advance was not maintained in September, owing to a large amount of freight coming out, and the fear that there would not be sufficient grain forward to fill the vessels.—However, the beginning of October dispelled all such fears, and as produce rapidly came forward, so did freights rise, till they reached 8s 9d @ 9s at the end of October, and the season closed as high as 9s 6d @ 10s per quarter. The prices throughout this season must have been remunerative to shipowners, although a large quantity of vessels came out here in ballast.—Next year we will be in a better position to give despatch to vessels, if not in unloading, any way in taking in cargo, as three new Elevators are to be added to the five we have already, and some barges for depositing grain in, should the vessels to which the grain is consigned not be ready to receive it.

The following tables show the rate of Freight to Liverpool, Glasgow and London for the seasons of 1860 and 1861. The quotations are in Sterling:—

1860.

DATE.	ARTICLE.	LIVERPOOL s. d.	GLASGOW s. d.	LONDON s. d.
May 12	Potash, ton	20 0	20 0	20 0
12	Pearash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
12	Flour, barrel	3 6	3 9	3 9
12	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
19	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
19	Pearash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
19	Flour, barrel	3 9	3 9	3 9
19	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
26	Potash tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
26	Pearash ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
26	Flour, barrel	3 9	3 9	3 9
26	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
June 2	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
2	Pearash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
2	Flour, barrel	3 9	3 9	3 9
2	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
9	Potash tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
9	Pearash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
9	Flour, barrel	3 6	4 0	3 9
9	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
16	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
16	Pearash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
16	Flour, barrel	3 6	4 0	3 9
16	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
23	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
23	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
23	Flour, barrel	3 6	4 0	3 9
23	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
30	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
30	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
30	Flour, barrel	3 6	4 0	3 9
30	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
July 7	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
7	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
7	Flour, barrel	3 6	4 0	3 9
7	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
14	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
14	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
14	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 0	3 9
14	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
21	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
21	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
21	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 0	3 9
21	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
28	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
28	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
28	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 0	3 9
28	Grain, quarter	6 6	7 6	7 0
August 4	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
4	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
4	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 0	4 0
4	Grain, quarter	7 6	7 6	7 6
11	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
11	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	37 6
11	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
11	Grain, quarter	7 6	7 6	7 6
18	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
18	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
18	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
18	Grain, quarter	7 6	7 6	7 6
25	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
25	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
25	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
25	Grain, quarter	8 0	8 6	8 0
Sept. 1	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
1	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
1	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
1	Grain, quarter	8 0	8 6	8 0
8	Potash tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
8	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
8	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
8	Grain, quarter	8 0	8 6	8 0
15	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
15	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
15	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
15	Grain, quarter	8 0	8 6	8 0
22	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
22	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
22	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
22	Grain, quarter	10 0	9 6	9 6
29	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
29	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
29	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
29	Grain, quarter	11 0	10 6	9 6
October 6	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
6	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
6	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
6	Grain, quarter	11 0	10 6	10 0
13	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
13	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
13	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
13	Grain, quarter	11 0	10 6	10 0
20	Potash, tons	20 0	20 0	20 0
20	Pearlash, ins	37 6	37 6	35 0
20	Flour, barrel	4 0	4 3	4 0
20	Grain, quarter

able in price, and before the spring arrivals some speculations took place, but such articles are at all times but poor objects of speculative operation, for such is our limited market that the slightest over imports render them a drug and quite impossible of sale, as a rule all such bulky articles are dangerous to touch except for immediate wants, as storage and extra handling, &c., soon runs away with any profits. I take wine bottles as a criterion for the trade. In April last the price was very high, but on the arrival of the Spring fleet it gradually fell, till in September it reached its lowest point, viz.: $4, this low mark induced buyers to operate, and the market being cleared prices rose to $5 a $5.50 at which they closed.

I annex the comparative prices for the last two years:—

Comparative Prices of Glass.

	1860. Wine Bottles.	1861. Wine Bottles.
	Per gross.	Per gross.
April 6th.	$8.00 to 9.00	$7.00 to ....
May 11th.	4.50 " 5.00	5.00 " 5.25
June 2nd.	4.50 " 5.00	5.00 " 5.25
July 7th.	4.50 " 5.00	5.00 " ....
Aug. 17th.	4.50 " 5.00	4.50 " 5.00
Sept. 21st.	4.50 " 5.00	4.00 " 4.00
Oct. 5th.	5.00 " 5.20	4.50 " 5.00
Nov. 9th.	5.00 " 5.20	5.00 " 5.50
Dec. 14th.	6.50 " 7.00	5.00 " 5.50

SOAP.

The stock of imported owing to the protective duty, has been considerably under the average of previous years. At the opening of last Spring's trade, Steel's and Casey's brought 5½c, but the average figure for the year may safely be put down at 5½c for ordinary, and 5c for large lots Mathewson's and other Montreal Manufactured sell better than any of, in fact, it may be said that the bulk of the trade now take preference to Liverpool made.

Comparative prices of Soap.

1860.	Liverpool.	Montreal.
	cts.	cts.
April 6th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
May 11th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
June 2nd.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
July 7th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
August 17th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
Sept. 21st.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
October 5th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
Nov. 9th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5
Dec. 14th.	5½ a 6	5 a 5

Imports of Soap for the last seven years:—

1855	....	$58674
1856	....	75616
1857	....	72212
1858	....	46000
1859	....	31048
1860	....	28490
1861	....	34695

Remaining in bond at close of years:—

1855	Value	$28820
1856		56792
1857		3920
1858		6144
1859		3828
1860		6024
1861		12187

MUSTARD

At the opening of the navigation was very low in stock, since then there has been a full supply. Prices for Coleman's in 2 and 4S jars, have ranged from 20c a 21½c per lb. Present rates are 20c a 20½c.

Comparative prices of Mustard.

	1860. Coleman's.	1861. Coleman's.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	22 a 23	21 a 22
May 11th.	22 a 22	21 a 22½
June 2nd.	20 a 22	21 a 22
July 7th.	20 a 22	22 a 23
August 17th.	20 a 22	21 a 22½
September 21st.	20 a 22	21 a 22½
October 5th.	20 a 22	20½ a 20
November 9th.	20 a 21	20 a 20½

RICE.

This although not an article of large import has this Fall attracted a considerable degree of attention. The troubles in the United States causing Carolina Rice to be almost excluded from the North, created a speculative demand here. In the Spring but a fair business was doing. As the price and sale of Rice, is to a great extent, governed by the supply of grain and a large quantity of the latter coming forward, aften ion was not turned to Rice; but as the Fall wore on and it was seen that the supplies of Rice must be short a speculative demand, as before said, set in, a considerable rise in price was the consequence. As however, the speculative movement died out in New York, so it did here, and prices receded. The year closes with a dull trade at rather downward rates. I give average monthly prices for this and last season, and also the importations.

Comparative prices of Rice.

1861.	Patna.	Arracan.
	$ c.	$ c.
April 6th.	3 60 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
May 11th.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
June 2nd.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
July 7th.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
August 17th.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
Sept. 21st.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
October 5th.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
Nov. 9th.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20
Dec. 14th.	3 70 a 3 80	3 00 a 3 20

1860.	Patna.	Arracan.
	$ c.	$ c.
April 6th.	4 00 a 4 10	3 40 a 3 60
May 11th.	3 90 a 4 00	3 30 a 3 50
June 2nd.	3 85 a 3 90	3 25 a 3 45
July 7th.	3 75 a 4 00	3 20 a 3 40
August 17th.	3 75 a 4 00	3 20 a 3 40
Sept. 21st.	3 75 a 4 00	3 20 a 3 40
October 5th.	3 75 a 4 00	3 20 a 3 40
Nov. 9th.	3 75 a 4 00	3 20 a 3 40
Dec. 14th.	3 60 a 3 70	3 05 a 3 20

Value of Rice imported during the last eight years:—

1854	....	$34004
1855	....	55144
1856	....	29976
1857	....	72443
1858	....	27332
1859	....	64924
1860	....	76633
1861	....	76944

STARCH.

BRITISH.—This is an article which has been and will be greatly affected by the local manufacture. It stands to reason that any country which contains within itself the elements of the manufacture of any article of general consumption, must in the nature of things be able by importing skilled labor to compete successfully with any country which has to pay freight, insurance and above all a duty of 30 per cent.

The only drawback to us is that our markets are of such limited extent that we cannot erect the vast manufactories that England can, who has all the markets of the world at her disposal, and we know well now-a-days, the larger the manufactory, the cheaper can the makers afford to supply. The imports of Glenfield and fancy English Starch, have been about the same as usual, and prices have ruled steady. In fact we seldom see much variation in the price of Glenfield Starch; it is so well known in this city, and undue quantities are never pressed on the market. The Canada factories supply us with an excellent article at a very reasonable rate, say 6c per lb, and it will no doubt in the course of time seriously interfere with our importations. For as before said we can obtain all the elements of manufacture cheaper than England, and our skillin manufacturing is rapidly equalling that of the mother country.

I give the comparative prices of Glenfield and Canada Starch:—

Comparative Prices of Starch.

1860.	Glenfield.	Canada.
	Per lb.	Per lb.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	10 to 11	5½ to 6
May 11th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
June 2nd.	10 " 11	6 " 6
July 7th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
August 17th.	10 " 11	6½ " 6
Sept. 21st.	10 " 11	6½ " 6
October 5th.	10 " 11	6½ " 6
Nov. 9th.	10 " 11	6½ " 6
Dec. 14th.	10 " 11	6½ " 6

1861.	Glenfield.	Canada.
	Per lb.	Per lb.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	10 to 11	6 to 6½
May 11th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
June 2nd.	10 " 11	6 " 6
July 7th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
August 17th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
Sept. 21st.	10 " 11	6 " 6
October 5th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
Nov. 9th.	10 " 11	6 " 6
Dec. 14th.	11 " 12	6 " 6

Imports of Starch for the last seven years:—

1855	....	$17592
1856	....	28740
1857	....	14596
1858	....	None.
1859	....	22296
1860	....	19725
1861	....	7780

VINEGAR.

There has been a full average import of this article this season, and prices have been fairly maintained. The only new feature to notice is that American made Vinegar is almost driven out of the market and what stock remains on hand is impossible of sale, except at such low prices as must leave a great loss.

In Montreal we now manufacture a vinegar which has already supplanted the American, and now seriously interferes with the English and French imported. A quantity of very superior French has been imported this Fall and has affected the market generally. Stocks of foreign are rather heavy. I give comparative prices:—

Comparative Prices of Vinegar.

1860.	English.	Bordeaux.
	Per gal. cts.	Per gal. cts.
April 6th.	40 to 42	40 to 42½
May 11th.	40 " 42	40 " 42½
June 2nd.	40 " 42	40 " 42½
July 7th.	40 " 42	40 " 42½
August 17th.	40 " 42	40 " 42½
Sept. 21st.	40 " 42	40 " 42½
October 5th.	40 " 42	40 " 42½
Nov. 9th.	40 " 42	40 " 45
Dec. 14th.	40 " 42	40 " 45

1861.	English.	Bordeaux.
	Per gal. cts.	Per gal. cts.
April 6th.	35 to 40	40 to 45
May 11th.	35 " 40	40 " 45
June 2nd.	35 " 40	40 " 45
July 7th.	35 " 40	40 " 45
August 17th.	35 " 40	40 " 45
Sept. 21st.	35 " 40	40 " 45
October 5th.	35 " 40	40 " 45
Nov. 9th.	35 " 40	40 " 45
Dec. 14th.	35 " 40	40 " 42

Imports of Vinegar for the last eight years:—

1854	....	$19480
1855	....	9864
1856	....	7692
1857	....	27144
1858	....	9708
1859	....	17800
1860	....	13113
1861	....	11634

OILS.

A branch of our business which is rapidly increasing in importance and must ultimately take a high rank as one of the sources of natural wealth of Canada is the manufacture of Coal Oil and Petroleum. This, although not either produced or manufactured in this city yet enters so intimately into the articles capable of extensive development that it requires a full notice. It was first introduced into this Province in 1858, simultaneously from Glasgow and New Brunswick under the name of Burning fluid. But afterwards deposits of the oil, in the crude state, were discovered in Pennsylvania and Western Canada, and now refining establishments have sprung up in different parts of the continent, chiefly in Boston, Portland and Toronto. This trade has already assumed very large dimensions and is capable of as yet unknown extension. There are so many appliances to which this oil, either in the crude or manufactured state, can be turned that we may safely say, the discovery is only in its infancy, and as regards refining it were desirable if the capitalists of Montreal would turn their attention to that branch of the trade, as it could be done here cheaper than in either Portland or Boston. It is difficult to give any correct estimate of the quantity imported this year into this city, owing to only a certain amount passing through our Custom House, viz.: that from the United States, whilst that from Toronto is not reported. As far as I can learn the quantity this year is about 20,000 barrels of 40 gallons each. The price which opened at about 65c a 70c per gal. declined under the great competition, and the greater cheapness in refining to about 50c a 60, at which rate it now rules.

Numerous are the applications to which this oil may be applied: first y, as a very fine and cheap burning oil; secondly, for lubricating purposes, and thirdly, for the manufacture of gas. There are doubtless many other uses, but I cannot in a report of this sort go more into detail, but necessarily it will become an important element in the material prosperity of the Province. Fears are entertained the supply will run short, but our historical knowledge of the oil springs in India, which are and have been in use for over a thousand years, may safely guarantee us against any proximate falling off of the supply.

LINSEED.—The price of this oil opened last spring much about the same ruled for the last two seasons, but prices rising in England occasioned an advance here. The cause of the rise of price in England was chiefly the shortness of supply from the East Indies. Imports into the Province were, therefore, light, and although we manufactured a considerable amount here, still it was not enough to fill the gap occasioned by our short supply from England. Another circumstance relative to this rise in values was the unusual demand for seed for crushing from 52s to 85s a 87s per gallon, and in Liverpool lately from 28s to 35s per cwt. Prices here may be quoted now at 65c to 90c, with but a moderate stock, and unless they recede in England we are likely to see a further rise here. I give further on the comparative prices of Linseed Oil.

FISH OILS.—During the season these have been scarce and have at times attracted a considerable degree of speculative inquiry, though as a rule prices were lower last year than in 1860. The great demand for Cod Oil is amongst the leather dealers, and the supply having been short, prices have been stiff. The stock in first hands of all description of fish oil is small and prices towards the spring are more likely to advance than recede.

IN OLIVE OIL a fair amount of business has been doing. In the spring considerable imports caused a depression, which the general drooping state of the markets did not tend to dissipate; however, like most articles in the Grocery trade, towards the Fall a reaction took place, and at the large auction sales, fully attended as they were by the Western buyers, prices fully regained the depression and closed at much about the same as they opened. I refer to my comparative table of prices for quotations:—

Comparative Prices of Oils.

1860.	Pale Seal.	Cod.	Salad.	Olive.	Boiled Linseed.
	Per gallon.	Per gallon.	Per doz.	Per gallon.	Per gallon.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.	cts. cts.	$ cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	77 a 80
May 11th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
June 2nd.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
July 7th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
August 17th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
Sept. 21st.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
October 5th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
Nov. 9th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
Dec. 14th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 70 a 4 20	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80

1861.	Pale Seal.	Cod.	Salad.	Olive.	Boiled Linseed.
	Per gallon.	Per gallon.	Per dozen.	Per gallon.	Per gallon.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.	cts. cts.	$ cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	77 a 80
May 11th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
June 2nd.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
July 7th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
August 17th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
Sept. 21st.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
October 5th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
Nov. 9th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80
Dec. 14th.	72½ a 75	70 a 75	3 75 a 4 75	1 35 a 1 40	75 a 80

Comparative Prices of Salt.

1860.	Liverpool Stoved.	Liverpool Coarse.	Liverpool Stoved.	Liverpool Coarse.
	Per minot.	Per bag.	Per minot.	Per bag.
	$ cts.	cts. cts.	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	1 30 to 1 40	65 to 70	45 to 50	60 to 65
May 11th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
June 2nd.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
July 7th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
August 17th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
Sept. 21st.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
October 5th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
Nov. 9th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
Dec. 14th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65

1861.	Liverpool Stoved.	Liverpool Coarse.	Liverpool Stoved.	Liverpool Coarse.
	Per minot.	Per bag.	Per minot.	Per bag.
	$ cts.	cts. cts.	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	1 30 to 1 40	65 to 70	45 to 50	60 to 65
May 11th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
June 2nd.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
July 7th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
August 17th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
Sept. 21st.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
October 5th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
Nov. 9th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65
Dec. 14th.	1 30 " 2 00	65 " 70	45 " 50	60 " 65

Comparative Prices of Saltpetre.

	1860.	1861.
	Per lb.	Per lb.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	11 a 13	11½ a 13
May 11th.	11 a 13	11½ a 13
June 2nd.	11 a 13	11 a 13
July 7th.	11 a 12½	11 a 13
Aug. 17th.	10 a 12	12½ a 14
Sept. 21st.	10 a 12½	12½ a 14
Oct. 5th.	11 a 12	12½ a 14
Nov. 9th.	11 a 12	11½ a 12½
Dec. 14th.	12 a 13	11½ a 12½

SEEDS.

CLOVER.—The market opened with an abundant supply, and prices favored buyers, but towards the close of the season stocks became reduced, and prices advanced. The great bulk of the Seed offered in this market is raised in Western Canada; but that produced in Rawdon and its neighborhood (C. E.) being much esteemed by our farmers for sowing with Timothy uniformly commands a higher price. Buyers are frequently imposed upon, however, by unprincipled speculators who substitute Western for Rawdon Seed, or sell a mixed sample for the latter quality. This difficulty would be prevented to a considerable extent if the farmers from Rawdon would attest to the growth, signed by the minister or curate of the parish.

TIMOTHY.—This article was very much in demand in the early part of the season, and $3 was paid for best samples. Subsequently buyers on American account having filled their orders, prices gave way, and $2 was the highest price paid for choice lots.

FLAX.—The market for this article ruled without much fluctuation at $1.40 to $1.50 per bush. of 56 lbs. for good merchantable Seed. Inferior was sold much lower, according to quality.

The attention of Western farmers is now directed to the growth of this article, and likewise to the production of the fibre, for exportation, which promises at no distant date to become a most valuable branch of industry. As a crop it is considered to be more reliable than wheat, and it is not subject to so great fluctuations in price.

The importance of this crop to Lower Canada, which has to a great extent become impoverished by a persistance in a defective system of farming, can scarcely be exaggerated, and Government could not do a greater service than by assisting the farmers to drain their lands, encouraging the introduction of machinery for dressing flax, and at the same time, through the agency of the Agricultural Societies, instructing the cultivators in the best mode of raising it, in order that this important crop may be grown without impoverishing the soil.

I refer the reader to the statistics of the trade between this, Quebec and the intermediate river ports, by which it will be seen that we import 12,734 bush. seeds of all sort, and export per same route 5,038 bush.

Comparative Prices of Seeds.

1860.	Timothy.	Clover.	Flax.
	Per bush.	Per lb.	Per bush.
April 6th.	$2 25 a $2 50	10c a 12c	$1 50 a $1 60
May 11th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 50 a 1 60
June 2nd.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 50 a 1 60
July 7th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
August 17th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Sept. 21st.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Oct. 5th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Nov. 9th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Dec. 14th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35

1861.	Timothy.	Clover.	Flax.
	Per bush.	Per lb.	Per bush.
April 6th.	$2 25 a $2 50	10c a 12c	$1 50 a $1 60
May 11th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 50 a 1 60
June 2nd.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 50 a 1 60
July 7th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
August 17th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Sept. 21st.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Oct. 5th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Nov. 9th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35
Dec. 14th.	2 25 a 2 50	10c a 12c	1 25 a 1 35

TOBACCO PIPES.

Glasgow T D's have been less freely imported last year than usual and stocks comparatively speaking are light; prices are much steadier. For fancy pipes there is little or no enquiry. Henderson's Montreal T D have been in increased demand and prices caused to $1 40 a 1.50 for plain and tipped. The loss for breakage for imported pipes causes home made to be preferred by many in the trade:

Comparative Prices of Tobacco Pipes.

1860.	Henderson. T.D.	1861.	Henderson. T.D.
	Per Box.		Per Box.
	$		$
April 6th.	1 30 a 1 40		1 10 a 1 35
May 11th.	1 30 a 1 40		1 10 a 1 35
June 2nd.	1 30 a 1 50		1 30 a 1 40
July 7th.	1 30 a 1 35		1 10 a 1 40
Aug. 17th.	1 20 a 1 35		1 10 a 1 30
Sept. 21st.	1 20 a 1 35		1 40 a 1 50
Oct. 5th.	1 20 a 1 35		1 40 a 1 50
Nov. 9th.	1 10 a 1 35		1 40 a 1 50
Dec. 14th.	1 10 a 1 35		1 40 a 1 50

CANDLES

Throughout the year have been in plentiful supply, particularly Belmont Sperm and American-made Composition. Some of the latter are very inferior, and have become a perfect drug. Tallow Candles were very short in supply during the months of July, August, and part of September, but now orders are easily filled. This material affected the consumption of Candles and, consequently, prices. These oils are now a staple in every grocery store, and affect not only candles, but also pale seal and other oils.

Comparative Prices of Candles.

1860.	Belmont Sperm.	Montreal Mould.	Belmont Sperm.	Montreal Mould.
	Per lb.	Per lb.	Per lb.	Per lb.
April 6th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13c
May 11th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13c
June 2nd.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13c
July 7th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13c
Aug. 17th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 14c	33 a 34c	12½ a 14c
Sept. 21st.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 14c	33 a 34c	12½ a 14c
Oct. 5th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13½c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13½c
Nov. 9th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13½c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13½c
Dec. 14th.	32½ a 33c	12½ a 13½c	33 a 34c	12½ a 13½c

1861.	Brandy Cases.	Brandy Martell.	Montreal H.Wines.	Case Gin.	Holland's Gin	Jamaica Rum.
	Per gal.	Per gal.	Per gal.	Per case.	Per gal.	Per gal.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
April 6th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
May 11th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
June 2nd.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
July 7th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Aug. 17th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Sept. 21st.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Oct. 5th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Nov. 9th.	....	2 90 a 3 10	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Dec. 14th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50

1861.	Brandy Cases.	Brandy Martell.	Montreal H.Wines.	Case Gin.	Holland's Gin	Jamaica Rum.
	Per gal.	Per gal.	Per gal.	Per case.	Per gal.	Per gal.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
April 6th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
May 11th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
June 2nd.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
July 7th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Aug. 17th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Sept. 21st.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Oct. 5th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Nov. 9th.	....	2 90 a 3 10	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50
Dec. 14th.	....	3 00 a 3 25	70 a 75c	3 a 3 30	1 00 a 1 05	1 40 a 1 50

Comparative Prices of Coal.

1860.	Anthracite.	Steam.	Sydney.	S eam.
	Per 2000 lbs.	Per chal.	Per chal.	
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	
April 6th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
May 11th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
June 2nd.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
July 7th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
Aug. 17th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
Sept. 21st.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
Oct. 5th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
Nov. 9th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....
Dec. 14th.	6 50 a 7 50	....	7 00 a 7 50	....

1861.	Anthracite.	Steam.	Sydney.	S eam.
	Per 2000 lbs.	Per chal.	Per chal.	
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	
April 6th.	6 50 a 8 50	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
May 11th.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
June 2nd.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
July 7th.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
Aug. 17th.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
Sept. 21st.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
Oct. 5th.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
Nov. 9th.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....
Dec. 14th.	6 50 a 7 25	4 00 a 4 50	7 00 a 7 50	....

Comparative Prices of Tallow.

	1860. American.	1861. American.
	Per lb.	Per lb.
	cts. cts.	cts. cts.
April 6th.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
May 11th.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
June 2nd.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
July 7th.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
Aug. 17th.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
Sep. 21st.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
Oct. 5th.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
Nov. 9th.	11½ a ..	10 a 11
Dec. 14th.	11½ a ..	10½ a ..

SALTPETRE.

Within the last month there has been a speculative demand and prices have considerably advanced. This has been caused by the proclamation prohibiting its export from England. English refined has changed hands at $11 75 a $12 up to $15 per 112 lbs. Present selling prices are to be quoted as high as $20 for English, and $16 for American, but no transactions at those rates. I give quotations up to 14th December last:—

There is no stock here or in Quebec.

Comparative Prices of Fish.

1860.	Dry Cod.	Split Herrings.	Pickerel.	Dry Cod.	Split Herrings.	Pickerel.
	Per qtl.	Per bbl.	Per bbl.	Per qtl.	Per bbl.	Per bbl.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
April 6th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
May 11th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
June 2nd.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
July 7th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
Aug. 17th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
Sept. 21st.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
Oct. 5th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
Nov. 9th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
Dec. 14th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00

1861.	Dry Cod.	Split Herrings.	Pickerel.	Dry Cod.	Split Herrings.	Pickerel.
	Per qtl.	Per bbl.	Per bbl.	Per qtl.	Per bbl.	Per bbl.
	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.	$ cts.
April 6th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
May 11th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
June 2nd.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
July 7th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	5 00 a 5 50	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a 4 50	4 50 a 5 00
Aug. 17th.	3 75 a 4 00	4 00 a

supply the great lumbering districts of the Ottawa river, but of late years they have, by the opening of the Bytown and Prescott railroad, supplied themselves from the West direct, as Pork can be procured cheaper in Chicago than we can afford to supply it; the consequence is a large falling off in our trade, and we must look for other outlets for what we pack. In Barrelled Pork, during 1860, the trade was good, owing to high prices, good demand and limited supply In August and September prices touched $22½ and remained high till the close of the navigation. In December prices had declined to $17. Last spring the market had opened with a good supply and remunerative prices, reaching as high as $21 in the early part of May, but as in all other branches of business, the American troubles operated most injuriously, more so, perhaps, in Pork than in any other articles. The Southern States being closed, the large supply always taken by them, amounting at least to 200,000 brls. per annum, was thrown back on the Eastern and Canadian markets. The effect of the blockade caused a rapid depression of prices in the West, and consequently when the Fall packing commenced, a new outlet had to be found, and large supplies were sent forward to the Eastern seaboard and Canada. This result being anticipated during the summer, prices here steadily declined, as the comparative statement of prices annexed will show. When our Fall packing trade commenced, an enormous amount of dressed hogs poured into the market, and also from Western Canada a large quantity of live hogs were sent down, that being found to be a cheaper manner of transporting them to market. The consequence was that prices for hogs opened low, and owing to the rumours of unheard of supplies coming forward, steadily declined; when they touched what was considered likely to be the lowest point, considerable speculation set in in barrelled Pork, but without causing a rise, as about 20,000 barrels were reported to be on the way between this and Chicago, which effectually checked any tendency to a rise in price. The amount of Pork packed and inspected during last year by our two Inspectors amounted to 10,455 brls. of all sorts, this is nearly double 1860, but as the inspection returns were not furnished to the public in that year it is very difficult to give exact figures. Our chief outlets were in the country down the river and the Lower Ports; last year we exported to Quebec and intermediate river Ports 7,050 brls. Our packers are turning their attention to the Commissariat, and the higher breeds of Hogs have been in better comparative demand than the heavy ones.

COMPARATIVE PRICES OF PORK.

	1860. Mess.	Prime Mess.	Prime.		1861. Mess.	Prime Mess.	Prime.
May	$19 00@$19 50	$13 75@$14 35	12 00@$12 50	May	$30 —@ 21 —	$16—@ 16 50	$14 50@$15 —
June	18 00@ 19 —	None.	None.	June	18 —@ — —	16—@ 16 50	14 50@ 15 —
July	20 50@ 21 —	None.	None.	July	17 50@ 18 —	15—@ — —	13 50@ 14 —
August	21 00@ 22 —	None.	None.	August	17 —@ 17 50	14—@ 15 —	13 —@ 13 50
Sept.	21 50@ 22 —	None.	None.	Sept.	17 —@ 17 50	14—@ 14 50	13 00@ 14 —
Oct.	21 50@ 22 —	15 50@ 16 —	14 50@ 15 —	October.	15 50@ 16 —	14—@ 14 50	13 50@ 14 —
Nov.	21 —@ — —	None.	None.	Nov.	14 —@ 15 —	12 50@ 13 —	10 —@ 11 —
Dec.	17 —@ — —	None.	None.	Dec.	14 —@ — —	12—@ 12 50	10 —@ — —

BEEF.—This is an article in which we do very little, owing to two causes, viz., the high price of Cattle in this market; and secondly, the clumsy way in which they are formerly used to cut it, thereby rendering it unfit for export to England. Our business fell away to a mere retail one. Since the last three years or so such a marked improvement has taken place in our cutting and packing, that the trade is beginning to revive, and we trust that we may, by carefully cultivating it, succeed in establishing a good export business to England. Several shipments were made last year, which we believe resulted successfully. The arrival of so many troops will, doubtless, influence our beef packing considerably, as they always consume a large quantity. But we must not shut our eyes to the fact that Lower Canada, as a rule, is not a beef-producing country, the long winters and consequent expense of keeping a heavy stock of cattle over, induces our farmers, as a rule, only to raise sufficient for their own requirements.

COMPARATIVE PRICES OF BEEF.

	1860. Tcs.	Prime Mess.	Prime.		1861. Tcs.	Prime Mess.	Prime.
May	None.	$10 50@$11	$7@$8	May	$19 50@$20	$10 —@ $7 —@$7 50	
June	None.	11 50	12	June	19 50	20	10 — — 7 — — 7 50
July	None.	12 —	9 —	July	20 —	21	10 50 11 8 — — 9 —
Aug.	None.	12 —	9 —	Aug.	20 —	21	
Sept.	None.	12 —	9 —	Sept.	21 —	22	12 — — 9 — 10 —
Oct.	$19@19 50	11 —	7 —	Oct.	19 —	20	10 — — 8 50 8 —
Nov.	19 19	9 50	10	7 —	Nov.	19 —	9 50 10 7 — 7 50
Dec.	19 —	9 50	10	7 —	Dec.	19 —	9 50 10 7 — 7 50

BUTTER.—An extensive business has been done in this article during last season, owing to large supplies and a good demand in England; prices have ruled low, and towards the Fall such was the amount poured into the market that the inferior qualities, of which the bulk of our imports consisted, became a perfect drug, and were hardly saleable at any price. After the close of the navigation supplies fell off and prices rallied, and December saw us with light stocks and rising rates.

I take this opportunity of calling the attention of the Lower Canada farmers to the faulty manner in which they pack their butter, and which causes a loss in price of 3c or more cents per lb. than American packed. The following are the chief causes—the very uncertain quality of butter packed in one tinnet, as but few of the farmers make sufficient at one churning to fill a large tinnet, consequently the butter is packed in layers with salt between, and very often it is of different colors, thereby materially damaging its value. The tinnet also are not neat to market neat and tidy looking, which is another drawback, and lastly, there is no standard of weight for the packages, such as there is in New York. Our farmers could, with a little trouble, surmount these disadvantages, and render Lower Canada packed butter equal to that of any other country in the world; and they certainly would find their profit in it.

STOCKS.

BANK OF MONTREAL.—In the middle of April this stock was freely taken at 20 per cent prem., advancing in May to 20½ @ 21 per cent prem.

After the payment of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent on the 1st of June, the stock declined to 17 per cent premium, and continued to decline till the middle of July, when it reached 14½ per cent premium, advancing, by the end of the month, to 16 prem. During the month of August the price ranged from 16 @ 16½ prem., advancing, early in Sept-mber, to 17½, and by the end of the month to 17¾ premium. Early in October the price advanced to 17¾, the range throughout the month being 17¾ @ 17¾ prem. In November the stock advanced to 18½ @ 19 prem., but after the payment of the half-yearly dividend on the 1st December, the stock declined to 16 per cent. It further declined by the middle of the month to 15 per cent, and by the end of the month it had fallen to 13 per cent. prem.

CITY BANK.—During the month of April this stock ranged from 7 @ 7½ prem., and continued steady at this rate till after the payment of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent. on the 1st of June, when it declined to 4 prem., but almost immediately advanced to 5 @ 5½. By the end of June it had risen to 7@ 7½ prem., and continued at this rate, with but little variation, till the end of July, when the price rose to 8 prem. By the middle of August the stock advanced to 8½, and by the end of the month to 9 prem. During the month of September the range was from 9 @ 9½, the principal sales being at 9½. In October the stock opened quiet at the same figures, and remained without any noticeable change till the middle of November, when the price declined to 8½ prem. After the payment of the half-yearly dividend on the 1st of December, the stock fell to 5 @ 5½ premium, at which it continued steady till near the end of the month, when, in consequence of the general derangement in money matters, it declined to 4 per cent prem., at which figure the market closed nominally at the end of the year.

COMMERCIAL BANK.—Early in April this stock was sold, to a considerable extent, at par, but advanced by the middle of the month to ¼ prem., at which it remained steady till the end of May, with occasional sales at 5½ @ 5¾ prem. Early in June, and before the payment of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent, the stock advanced to 5½ @ 6 premium. In the beginning of July there were sales, ex dividend, at 2½ @ 3 prem.; towards the end of the month the stock suddenly advanced to 6 @ 6¼ prem., and continued steady at 6 @ 6½ till the middle of September, when it declined to 4 @ 4½ prem., and by the end of the month was freely offered at 3¾ prem. Early in October the stock declined to 2½ prem., and continued to range from 2 @ 3 till the end of November, when it rose to 3¼ @ 4 prem. After the declaration of a half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent early in December, the stock advanced to 5 prem., but, the books being closed, there were few transactions, the sales, ex dividend, being at 1 @ 1½ prem.

BANQUE DU PEUPLE.—The price of this stock opened steady in April at 10½ premium, and continued without change till the end of May, when, in consequence of the new stock being put on the market, the price declined to 8 @ 8½ prem., but advanced in June to 9 @ 9½ prem., with the privilege of taking the new stock. Early in July the new stock having been issued, the "old" declined to 8 @ 8½ prem., while the "new" was held at 5 @ 5½ prem., and, by the end of the month, the old stock had advanced to 9½ prem. and the new to 7 @ 7½ prem. After the declaration of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent, the stock rose to 10½ for "old" and 9 per cent prem. for "new," and at the end of August there were sales, ex dividend, at 9 prem. Early in September the price declined to 7½ prem. for the paid-up stock, but again advanced by the end of the month to 8½ prem. At the beginning of October "old stock" was in fair demand at 9 premium, while the "new" had declined to 5 prem., the price ranging throughout the month from 8½ @ 9 premium for "old" and 5 @ 5½ for "new." From this time till the end of December the price of old stock ruled steady at 8½ @ 9 prem., closing, however, dull at these rates, in consequence of the general derangement in money matters.

BANK OF UPPER CANADA.—This stock opened heavy in April at 30 per cent discount, with but few transactions during the month. Early in May the price declined to 35 dis.; by the middle of June it had declined to 40 dis., and by the end of the month to 45 dis. In July the price was nominal at 50 per cent discount, falling by the middle of August to 60 dis. In the beginning of September the feeling was rather better, and holders were asking 50 @ 55 dis.; there were sales at 57 @ 58 dis., and by the end of the month there were buyers, but no sellers, at 55 dis. By the middle of October the price had advanced to 50 dis., and all the stock offered was freely taken at that figure. In November the price again declined to 53 dis., and by the end of December it was freely offered at 55 dis.

MOLSONS BANK.—This Bank having declared a half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent on the 1st of April, the first sales after this date were made ex dividend, the rate being 11 per cent prem. There were, however, but few sellers, and during the months of May and June the price was almost nominal. In July the rate was nominally 12 per cent prem., with small sales towards the close of the month at 12½ prem. In August the stock advanced to 14 prem., at which rate there were buyers but no sellers. After the payment of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent on the 1st of October, holders were asking 13 prem., which, being above the views of buyers, there were no transactions till after the middle of the month, when there were sales at 11½ prem., but holders generally asked 12½ prem. Towards the end of the month the price advanced to 12½ @ 13 prem., at which rates considerable sales were effected. During the month of November the price was steady at 13 prem., holders asking 13½ @ 14 prem. In December the tightness in the money market caused a slight decline in the price of this stock, and there were sales towards the end of the month at 12 @ 12½ prem.

ONTARIO BANK.—During the month of April this stock was in demand at 5 @ 5½ prem., advancing early in May to 6 per cent prem., with sales towards the end of the month at 6½ prem. After the payment of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent on the 1st of June, there were sales at 5 per cent prem., and by the end of June the price had advanced to 5 prem. In July the stock opened at 5 and closed at 5½ prem., advancing early in August to 6 prem., and by the end of the month to 7 prem, this rate including the privilege of taking a portion of the new stock at par. During September and the early part of October the stock ruled steady at 7 @ 7½ for "old" and 2½ for "new," but by the end of October the old stock had declined to 6 and the new to 1 per cent prem. Early in November, and before closing of the books, there were considerable sales of paid-up stock at 6 @ 6½ prem. After the payment of the half-yearly dividend of 4 per cent on the 1st of December, there were large sales at 2½ @ 2¾ prem., the price declining to par at the close of the year.

BANK OF TORONTO.—Very little of this stock was offered here during the year, and prices for the most part were nominal.

The following is a statement of Monthly Averages of Canadian Banks, taken from the Returns published by the Auditor-General in the *Canada Gazette*:—

Date.	Capital.	Discts.	Specie.	Circulation.	Dep'sits
1858.	$	$	$	$	$
January 31.	18613813	3046813	1393388	8405573	2858487
February 28	18613690	3075805	1394757	8477144	7351826
March 31	18677175	3069210	1390093	8329396	7349846
April 30	18713262	3071355	1392050	8348417	7349371
May 31	18756592	3096176	1390873	8367144	7014469
June 30	18813693	3079956	1392893	8158796	6950927
July 31	17753535	3030000	1075230	8438313	8616396
August 31	18348710	3055134	1209045	8288556	8439415
September 30	18348710	3055134	1209045	8287206	8439415
October 31	18370416	3126382	1469191	10571204	8880280
Nov. 30	18370416	3174942	1469191	10581810	10934316
Dec. 31	18379129	3158731	1357360	9608819	9193269
1859.					
January 31	18257381	3144289	2923546	9375390	9633934
February 28	18248331	3236502	2637001	9300161	10169666
March 31	18458083	3259045	2602926	8853004	10417283
April 30	18433882	3270153	2600451	8838403	10429403
May 31	18647343	3311631	2598152	8492135	8401482
June 30	22934903	3922925	3535969	6940700	10338474
July 31	23018486	3947699	3685700	8548455	12977851
August 31	23561248	3932868	3629462	8516369	13322769
September 30	23561248	3932868	3631391	9201990	13337195
October 31	23788461	4072061	3269955	11339955	13511279
Nov. 30	23788461	4034070	3535310	10705358	13611861
Dec. 31	23880945	4049700	3434351	10659455	13317260
1860.					
January 31	23905971	4132011	3134259	10999710	12853440
February 29	23924434	4158930	3247231	10547078	13077093
March 31	24140444	4125030	3265758	10464888	13161736
April 30	24140444	4125030	3265758	9911886	13161736
May 31	24481971	4049279	4359679	9478440	15195901
June 30	24481971	4060360	4231381	9390139	14923144
July 31	25383395	4004180	4863908	10228244	15828588
August 31	25461393	4004180	4623516	10179304	15486691
Sept. 30	25461393	4004180	4664444	10099888	15486691
October 31	25903624	4102239	5006562	14762342	16988504
Nov. 30	25903624	4102239	4924171	14761284	16738493
Dec. 31	25969714	4139705	4948566	13532298	16934705
1861.					
January 31	25710516	4502446	4340546	13939577	16294253
February 28	25724414	4727637	4223501	13178328	16934144
March 31	25797014	4817891	4071143	12834126	16732503
April 30	25833578	4714746	4509710	12953631	17753538
May 31	25877814	4713989	5000838	13034144	16958374
June 30	25931199	4935323	4990439	11783295	18721894
July 31	25932044	4986763	5042296	11971595	18326921
August 31	25877814	5000838	5130448	11934484	18156303
Sept. 30	25833068	4899031	5666982	12391585	19009701
October 31	26726581	4886000	5666982	12392639	19189203
Nov. 30	26936756	44041296	6180320	14956080	19849767
Dec. 31	26801425	43295270	7037239	13669341	19145528

The following statement show the value of Dry Goods entered at this Port for the year ending December, 1854, 1855, 1856, 1857, 1858, 1859, 1860 and 1861.

	1854.	1855.	1856.	1857.	1858.	1859.	1860.	1861.
	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$
Cotton Goods	1972208	999508	1957200	2405084	1718384	2732160	2239447	3051660
Linen Goods	156172	95972	221104	201004	152254	89568	192858	192858
Silk Goods	2761264	2781364	3781964	3613964	2866000	4540040	4690010	4690010
Wool	8268	3094	4520	4838	3928			
Cotton Yarn and Warp	35732	31956	44392	66288	55952	70103	64696	70103
Carpets, Ready Made	73132	47836	73452	61660	20140	61688	64696	43292
Hosiery	128744	145300	146382	8112	30376	43292		31711
Lace Goods	55048	17772	32292	27872	8264	9424		9424
Thread	2181728	1053096	1818600	2040213	1444084	2125744	2305490	2305490
Woollen Goods	1983	8184	3034	3034	18884			
Cotton Manufactures	7913							

INSURANCE COMPANIES.

A comparative test of the well-doing of a community is the amount of Banks and Insurance Companies it can support—the former as a proof of its accumulated capital, the latter as a proof that its material wealth is not of mushroom growth, but that which it wishes to secure by the safeguards that a reasonable number of first-class Insurance Offices can offer. It is impossible to give any idea of the amount of business done either in Fire, Life or Marine Offices. In England, where everything has to be done on stamped paper, these statistics are easy of collection, but here it is an impossibility. The only possible information is regarding Marine Insurances. As a general rule, all outward-bound cargoes are insured in the American and Canadian Offices, whereas inward-bound goods are chiefly insured in England, although always a certain amount, chiefly of dry goods, is insured on this side of the Atlantic.

We give the different Agencies of Marine Insurance Companies in this city:—

The "Victoria," (an Australian Office, with a London Directory).

Canadian.—The "British America," "Provincial," and "Montreal."

American.—"Sun," "Mercantile," "Orient," "Mutual Insurance Company," Buffalo, and "Neptune."

We give the rates for 1861 of the American Marine Offices:—

	Flour.	Ashes.	Grain.
May to August	1c — @	1¾c	20 p.c. av'g
September 1 to 15	1¼c — @	1¾c	1¾c
September 15 to 30	1¾c — @	2c	2c
October 1 to 15	2c — @	2½c	2c
October 10 to 20	2½c — @	2c	2½c
October 20 to 31	2½c — @	3c	3½c
November 1 to 10	3c — @	3½c	3½c
November 10 to 17	4½c — @	5½c	6½c
November 17 to 30	5½c — @	6c	7½c

We give the different Fire Insurance Companies:—

British.—"Phœnix," "Royal," "Unity," "Liverpool and London," "Queen," and "Scottish Provident."

Canadian.—"Provincial," "Western," "British America" (Canada West), "Montreal," and "Montreal Mutual Fire Insurance" (Canada East).

American.—"Manhattan," "Ætna," "Home," "Hartford," and "Phœnix (Hartford)."

We give the rates charged before the establishment of the new Water Works. The subsequent reduction is about 40 per cent. on the buildings and 30 per cent. on the contents on those rates. Montreal may now be considered the safest town in America as regards fires, as the statistics of our last year's disasters in that way will show:

First-class Stores and Dwellings . . . 10s.
First-class Stores, covered with wood. 15s.
Wooden Houses, isolated . . . . . 1¼ per ct.
First-class Warehouses . . . . . 12s. 6d.
First-class Warehouses, or with Elevators attached . . . . . 1 per ct.

An additional rate is charged on retail stores of 2s. 6d. @ 7s. 6d., according to above rates. Of course, all rates alter according to the supposed dangerous buildings in the vicinity.

The largest increase is in Life Insurance Companies, and they all seem to be doing a prosperous business. The inference to be drawn is, that the Canadian people, generally, are not only in good circumstances so as to enable them to insure their lives, but also provident as regards the future. We give the names of the different Offices which have Agencies here:—

British.—"Life Association of Scotland," "Scottish Provident," "Scottish Provincial," "Colonial," "Royal," "Britannia," "Queen," "Eagle," "Albert," "Medical," and "Unity."

Canadian.—"Canada Life Assurance Company."

American.—"Connecticut Mutual," and "New York Mutual."

What we want are some Companies, the same as in England, for insuring Farm Stock, but it would lead us too far to enter fully into such an interesting question as Insurance in different branches.

LIST OF BUILDINGS ERECTED DURING THE YEAR 1861.

Owing to the Inspector of Buildings Report not coming till next month, it is impossible to give an account of every house built during last year, but I have kindly been furnished with full reports from our leading Architects, which give interesting particulars respecting all the principal buildings. I append the Reports themselves:

Under the Superintendence of John James Brown, Architect.

UPPER ST. URBAIN STREET.

Mrs Ryder has had erected two detached residences, which, when finished, will have the appearance of an Italian Villa. They are built back from the road about 40 feet. The centre projects 6 feet, forming entrance porches, on each side are octagonal piazzas, &c. Messrs. Tabb & Henry are the Builders.

J. E. Guilbault, Esq.—This gentleman, having purchased several acres of ground, extending from this street to St. Lawrence Main street, has made a street in front, giving three frontages. The new street is called after himself, and on the corner he is erecting a skating rink 250 feet in length and 60 feet in width, with dressing rooms, &c At the corner of St. Lawrence street he is erecting a building for his large animals, and adjoining he is having finished a building for his caged animals. Above these he has a Museum. Between these buildings and the rink he intends to erect his own res dence in the Oriental style. The grounds will be tastefully laid out. Lemoine, Contractor.

NOTRE DAME STREET.

Messrs. David and Edward Moss, having purchased the property known as the Leslie property, next the Recollet Church, had the old buildings taken down, and constructed as fine stores as any in Canada. The style is altogether *new* and Oriental. The ground floor has six horse shoe arched openings, at each end a fluted pilaster with the word "Moss." There are carved trusses, niches, corbels, canopies, semi-octagons, and other architectural details too numerous to mention, scattered profusely over the building, and the name of the architect in the centre of the ground floor openings. The cornice has octagon minarets at the ends, which are seen from a great distance overhanging the street. The sashes are imitation walnut, and the glass the best British plate, corresponding in beauty and costliness with its architectural *toute en semble*, and forming an excellent effect, &c.

RECOLLECT STREET.

The above gentlemen have erected two wholesale warehouses, built with solid pillars of stone and beltcourses. The entrances project with rustic pilasters and arches—during the day the doors form part of the side of the porch, the inner door opening in two folds with glass for panels For durability and solidity they cannot be surpassed. The interior and exterior are simple, yet effective, and show what they were erected for. The adjoining store, built by the same architect last year, together with the above, now form a magnificent block of stores.

LAGAUCHETIERE STREET.

Thomas Jenkins, Esq., has erected, corner of this and St. Genevive street, a first-class residence, cut stone front, with projecting iron balcony over the entrance. The side is of pressed brick, with stone quoins. Outbuildings very complete.

MCGILL COLLEGE AVENUE.

Mr. F. E. Dorion is now completing the second block of houses he has commenced last year below "Canadian Terrace," and has adopted the designs of John James Brown for the exterior.

ST. MARY STREET.

Thomas Molson, Esq., having put up bells and a new illuminated clock in the centre tower of his church, is now taking the roof off the two side ones and placed a dome over each, covered with tin, in the shape of fish scales, which alter the appearance of the church and rather heighten the effect. He is also remodelling the inside by erecting galleries to accommodate the increasing number of worshippers. It will be opened again in February; also the College, which is a splendid building and well calculated for its present purposes. In front of this building and his Terrace, which he has greatly improved, especially his own residence, with a portico, &c., he is erecting an octagonal Vinery, with a summer-house on the top and a fountain with three basins on the top of that. The water will fall to its own level in the gutters below after descending over the roof of the summer house and from basin to basin of the fountain. When complete it will attract thousands.

PAPINEAU SQUARE.

The Corporation have disposed of the old wooden Market and the new Market is completed, which is an ornament and a great convenience to this part of the city. It is built of brick with soldered tin roof and in the centre of the street—175 feet in length and 64 feet in width, with a Tower on the north end, &c.

CRAIG STREET.

The Corporation have erected a Cattle Market, novel in design and well suited to its purposes. The centre is octagon, 100 ft. diameter, with wings, the Clerk's residence being in one. Inspection Gallery inside. Cupola and flag staff. The foundation is of stone on piles, and the upper part of brick, with pilasts, &c.

ST. LAWRENCE MAIN STREET.

The Corporation have had for many years two long wooden sheds, but last spring they were removed and have now a model market covering the whole square, 150 feet by 130 feet. The four facades are the same. The main building in the shape of a cross with the angles forming the square, with hucksters colonades in front, Weigh-house and Police Station in rear. There are eight entrances. The centre rises 10 feet above the roofs of the four wings which contains the apartments of the Clerk of the Market and Sergeant of Police, and is surmounted by a cupola, &c.

The building is brick with pilasters and curved windows. The ceilings are colored red, white and blue.

BONAVENTURE STREET.

The Corporation are erecting a Market 250 feet in length and 64 feet in width, fronting on Bonaventure, Mountain and Acqueduct streets. This lot was a swamp, and the Architect had driven to the solid bottom cedar piles at 8 feet apart and laid across pieces binding the front, centre and rear piles on these longitudinally. He spiked two pieces and formed arches of stone from pile to pile, and then raised the stone work one story in height and the brick work two stories in height. The lot has been filled to the level. In the centre is a tower for weighing hay, surmounted by a belfry frame. There are 36 shops, and apartments for Clerk of Market and Sergeant of Police over the shops. The roof is soldered tin. There are six main entrances. The internal finish will be effective and similar to that of St. Lawrence Market.

CENTRE STREET.

The Corporation have erected in the centre of a square a Market pointing on Centre, Guy, Richmond and Charles streets. This building is similar in design to the St. Antoine Market, but is only 180 ft. in length, &c.

Wholly and Partially Completed, under the Superintendence of J. W. Hopkins, Architect.

COMMISSIONERS' STREET.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY'S BUILDINGS, Pointe-a-Callière.—This handsome building is designed in the Italian style, and occupies the triangular plot of ground between Commissioners', Common and Callière streets. The character of the site was one presenting considerable difficulties, but these appear to have been surmounted with judgment, and the structure, when complete, will be highly ornamental to that part of the city. The office of the Insurance Company will be at the eastern angle, the extreme point being occupied by a lower upwards of 100 feet in altitude. The tower will form the entrance to the apartments occupied by the Company, and will consist of four stories, the lower one having open arches enclosed by iron railings and gates. The uppermost storage will contain an illuminated clock, and the whole will be surmounted by a dome.

The main body of the building conforms in shape with that of the ground, the side on Common street being 170 feet, that on Commissioners street 173 feet, and that on Callière street 143 feet in length—the general height of the whole being 55 feet. The elevations on Common and Commissioners streets will be similar in their details.

The offices of the Company, as has already been stated, will be at the eastern angle and in the more ornate portion of the building. In the centre, on Common street, there will be an ornamental gateway, giving access to a glazed area, surrounded by offices, while the remainder of the building will be subdivided into offices, stores, &c., as may be deemed expedient.

This building will add another to the architectural features with which the city has been enriched by the taste and spirit of our Banking and Insurance Companies.

The cost of the buildings, exclusive of the land, will be about £19,000.

ON THE MOUNTAIN (PEEL STREET).

Mr. Alfred Savage has erected a Villa, in the Gothic style, covering an area of about 70 x 50 feet. The walls, externally, are built of dark pressed brick, relieved by excaustic and coloured tiles in bands over the windows, and with cut-stone base-course, sills, &c. Ornamental large boards to the gables and elsewhere. The roofs are covered with Welsh slate. This villa stands on a large and well planted lot of ground, and has convenient stabling, coach-houses and other outbuildings attached, and in keeping with the house. The cost of the house and outbuildings is about $12,000.

UNIVERSITY AVENUE.

On the upper part of this fine Avenue Mr. Charles Alexander has built a substantial cut-stone Villa residence, in the Italian style. The house is square in shape, being of two stories and three stories in height above the basement, which is well out of the ground. The upper story is lighted from windows forming a portion of a boldly projecting cornice. The house, which is finished throughout in the best manner, contains four reception rooms and domestic offices on the ground floor, and nine bed-rooms, dressing-rooms, &c. It is heated throughout with steam. The house stands on three-quarters of an acre of ground, and has large stables, &c., in rear of the lot. The cost of the whole, including the fencing, was about $10,000.

On the adjoining lot, fronting also on the Avenue, is the residence of Mr. G. A. Holland, now nearly completed. This house, though much smaller than the one last described, being only 40 x 30 feet, contains a large amount of accommodation for the area it covers. The front and back galleries and the external entrance porch give it a larger appearance and more internal space than the above figures would indicate. It has a cut-stone front towards the road, the sides being built of brick with cut-stone dressings. The outbuildings, including the stables, &c., will be about $4000.

METCALFE STREET.

On this street Mrs. G. W. Simpson has erected a large and substantial-looking edifice, designed purposely as an Educational establishment for Young Ladies. The building has been arranged throughout with the strictest regard to all the varied requirements of such an establishment on a large scale. The exterior is Italian-Gothic, modified so as to combine simplicity and economy with a certain amount of novelty in design. The material employed is red brick, laid with black joints, on a cut-stone base-course, and relieved by similar bands, arches, &c., to windows and door-heads. The roof is covered with Canadian slate. The dimensions of the house are 66 x 45 feet, exclusive of the wing, which is 47 x 41 feet. The cost of the house, exclusive of the land, is about $12 000.

MCGILL COLLEGE AVENUE.—"HOLYROOD PLACE."

On this fine street Mr. D. McNeven has erected, from plans prepared by Messrs. Hopkins, an imposing Terrace, consisting of fourteen dwelling-houses, having a total frontage of 345 feet, and each averaging 25 x 40 feet deep, and three stories in height. They are finished and completed throughout in the best manner, and Mr. McNeven has already disposed of nearly the whole of the houses to various purchasers.

UNIVERSITY STREET.

The members of the Montreal Gymnastic Club, finding the room occupied by them in rear of the Exchange too confined for their greatly increased numbers, succeeded in making arrangements with the Governors of McGill College, whereby they have become the lessees of the new brick building on the corner of the High School playground. The Gymnasium covers an area of 42 x 92 feet and is 23 feet high. It is fitted up, internally, with dressing-rooms, fencing gallery, &c. The apparatus is unequalled in Canada for completeness and durability. The President and Committee superintended the erection of the apparatus.

UNION AVENUE.

Mr. Tuggey has erected two cut-stone dwelling-houses on this street, about 24 feet frontage each, two stories in height and with attics. They will have a wide gallery in front, and a flight of steps to the main floor, giving access from the street. The elevation was designed by Mr. Hopkins.

ST. ANTOINE STREET.

On the corner of St. Antoine and Mountain streets Mr. John Torrance acquired the property, until recently covered with miserable shanties, and has erected in their stead a row of dwelling-houses and shops. The material employed is brick, with cut-stone bands and arched window dressings. The houses are 23 feet wide by an average depth of 37 feet, and three stories in height. The corner shop and one on Mountain street have dwellings over them, with separate entrances from the street.

CUTE STREET.

During the past summer extensive additions and alterations have been made at the Royal Horse Bazaar, occupied by Mr. Alloway. Additional conch-houses, for vehicles on livery and for sale, stables, &c., have been erected together with a residence for the tenant and three dwellings for the men in his employ. Alterations have also been made to the Riding School, which adds materially to its comfort.

Under the Superintendence of A. B. Taft, Architect.

BEAVER HALL HILL.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—This Church is erected on Beaver Hall Hill, and the style of architecture is the Early English Gothic. The size of the Church is 55 feet wide by 80 feet deep, with a projection of 10 feet in front and 8 feet in rear, making the total depth 98 feet, not including projection of buttresses. The projection in rear is to be used for speaker's platform, baptistery, &c., with vestries underneath. The projection in front is for singers' gallery, which is raised to the level of speaker's platform at the other end of the Church, with dressing-room underneath—there will be no other galleries. There are three entrances, two in front and one at the side. Vaulted ceiling: height from floor to centre of ceiling is 40 feet. The main body will seat about 550. It is ventilated by air being admitted in from the side and conveyed through conductors to registers in the floor. The foul air is conveyed away by means of three tubes from ceiling to flues, the tubes being each 3 feet square, making 27 square feet of ventilation in ceiling. The building is to be heated by hot air. The entrance to the basement is through the side porch, and contains one school-room about 44 feet square, and four class-rooms, with rooms for the door-keeper, coal-cellar, &c. The building is entirely of stone, rock faced, and cut-stone dressings. The roof is to be covered with green and purple slate in ornamental patterns. The total cost is $17,500. The contractors are Messrs. J. B. & J. Barbeau for the mason and cut-stone work, and Mr. Laird Patton for the carpenter and joiner work. The principal windows are to be of beautiful stained glass (by Mr. J. C. Spence), with appropriate religious symbols and emblems, and with mottoes from the Bible corresponding, in Old English. The stone work is almost finished, and the contractors are busy in the interior. It is expected the Church will be open by the 1st of May next.

FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN—OLD MCTAVISH HOUSE.

Mr. O. J. Wood has built a beautiful Gothic villa residence on the site of the old McTavish House, at the foot of the Mountain, and contains—on the ground floor, drawing-room, dining-room, sitting-room, butler's pantry, with closets, &c.; on the second floor there are five bed-rooms, with closets, bath-room, &c.; on attic four bed-rooms and closets, lumber and tank-rooms; and in the basement there is kitchen, servants' room, wood-cellar, store room, cisterns, pantry, &c.; icehouse, with refrigerating room, attached. It is built of stone, rock-faced, with cut-stone dressings, and is to be heated by Gould's patent steam heating apparatus, by Messrs. Mitchell, Cockburn & Co., and is fitted up with all modern conveniences. Cost $11,000, and is expected to be ready for occupation on 1st April.

REDPATH STREET.

Mr. M. H. Cochrane has erected a house, about 50 feet square, situated on Redpath street, above Sherbrooke street, and is in the Italian style. The house is square in shape, being of two stories in height above the basement, which is well out of the ground. The upper story is lighted from windows forming a portion of a boldly projecting cornice. The house, which is finished throughout in the best manner, contains four reception rooms and domestic offices on the ground floor, and nine bed-rooms, dressing-rooms, &c. It is heated throughout with steam. The house stands on three-quarters of an acre of ground, and has large stables, &c., in rear of the lot. The cost of the whole, including the fencing, was about $10,000.

On the adjoining lot, fronting also on the Avenue, is the residence of Mr. G. A. Holland, now nearly completed. This house, though much smaller than the one last described, being only 40 x 30 feet, contains a large amount of accommodation for the area it covers. The front and back galleries and the external entrance porch give it a larger appearance and more internal space than the above figures would indicate. It has a cut-stone front towards the road, the sides being built of brick with cut-stone dressings. The outbuildings, including the stables, &c., will be about $4000.

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facturers, who are the leading ones, although, there are several small ones in different part of the city, that on average about one third may safely be added to the returns I give. The four establishments employ 170 hands, at an average wages of $56,640 per annum. The raw material consumed is about $50 to $75,000. (This is the most difficult item of which to get any exact value) and the value of the manufactured articles amounts to $228,000.

To be classed with Foundry and Wood Manufactures, are the *Ship and Steamboat building Trades*. I regret to say that both these branches have very materially fallen off, in fact little more is done at present in the chief yard, than the repair of steamboats and building a few barges, not giving an amount of business worth mentioning, whilst the other yard is doing almost nothing beyond repairing a few barges. With our excellent inland trade during the past year, and the number of boats, (steamers and others) that are being put in a thorough state of repair against next Spring operations, we may safely look to increased activity in this department, and should we, as we have every hope, maintain our present large grain trade, we may safely count upon a considerable number more of steamers and barges, being in a few years required, and there is no doubt, but what we can build these as cheap if not cheaper than any other part of the Province. I have no details to give of either the Building Yards or Dry Docks.

I have given, as far as in my power, the different factories on or about the Canal grouped together. I must now notice some of the most important single ones, first amongst which stands our *Sugar Refinery*. I need only give the full description out of a pamphlet published in 1856, as I am assured by the proprietors that, with the exception of sundry alterations, in the shape of new engines, and, in fact, all modern improvements, the building is quite the same. A great difference I may notice here is, that whereas at that time only white crushed sugar commanded a sale, now there is an equally large demand for yellow crushed:—

SUGAR REFINERY.—The largest Factory in Montreal is the Sugar Refinery, set in operation last year by Mr. Redpath. Its large pile and tall chimney are visible a long way off from the city. The principal building is of stone and brick, seven stories high, the whole of the floors comprising an area of 11,766 square yards. Besides this there are two brick warehouses attached, affording storage for 8,000 brls. of refined sugar and 2500 hhds. raw sugar. There is also attached a range of brick buildings, 230 feet in length and two stories high, containing the gas house, the bone house, blacksmith's, carpenter's, machinist's and cooper's shop and stable, cost £45,000. The machinery is propelled by a steam engine of 50 horse-power, the boilers being equal to 150 horse-power. 150 to 170 men are employed upon the premises, but a good deal of work is done elsewhere. The wages amount to £11,000 per annum, and the total expenses of the establishment being £33,000 per annum. The present product is about 2000 barrels of refined sugar per month, and the production could easily be doubled if the demand required it. It is all sold in Canada. This Factory is the first and as yet the only one of the kind in the Province.

There used to be two India Rubber Factories, one at the St. Gabriel Locks entitled the *Montreal India Rubber Company*, the other at the east end of the city called *The Canada Rubber Factory*. They now both merged into one Company under the denomination of the *British American Manufacturing Company*, of which Ashley Hibbard, Esq., is President. The establishment at the St. Gabriel Locks is not at present in operation. I shall, therefore, only give a description of that in St. Mary street.

The establishment consists of

1 building,	175 ft long,	40	ft wide,	3	stories high
1 do	145 "	30	"	2	"
1 do	80 "	40	"	2	"
1 do	70 "	30	"	2	"
1 do	40 "	30	"	1	"
1 do	50 "	40	"	2	"

The first five buildings are all of brick, and the last of stone.

The machinery is propelled by a low-pressure beam engine, 18 in. cylinder. They manufacture at present 2500 pairs of boots and shoes, about 1500 feet of belting and hose, 1000 lb car springs and steam engine packing per diem, all of which can be doubled with the present facilities. They employ 250 persons, to whom they pay monthly about $5000. The cost of land and buildings was about $70,000, and of the machinery $32,000.

Next comes the *Linseed Oil, Drug and Dye Stuff Mills*—This establishment has been in operation for the last ten years, and I am enabled, by the kindness of its proprietors, to give full statistics concerning it.

The amount of capital invested is about £60,000; number of men employed 40, who earn on an average about $13,000 per annum.

The quantity of oil produced..... 60000 gals.

Do	of cake.....	750	tons.
Do	of Putty do.....	100	"
Do	of Paints do.....	25	"
Do	of Dye Stuffs do.....	20	"
Do	of Drugs powdered..	20	"

Value of Products..... $140,000

Quantity of Oil Cake exported.... 500 tons.

There is also a *Factory of Cotton Cloth*, but, not having received any direct returns, I can only refer to the report of 1856, by which it would appear that the capital of mill and machinery amounted to $32,000, and it has willows, pickers, carding and drawing machines, 1500 spindles, and 46 looms. The chief business is the manufacture of seamless bags and denims. About 70 hands are employed, chiefly women and children and the wages amount to about $8000 per annum.

There is also a *Woollen Cloth Factory*, which, I believe, does a considerable business, but of which I regret to say I can give no return.

Also, a large *Rope Manufactory*, the returns of which I have not been able to obtain.

We have also, on the Canal bank, four large Grist Mills, which, during last season, manufactured 192,652 barrels of flour.

These splendid establishments could easily, were the water power kept on during the winter, double their manufacture. Three of them being on the Canal basin, are furnished with elevators, and have also large grain ware-houses attached, of which I take notice in another part of my report.

A very important branch of our manufactures is that of Soap and Candles; the latter department is necessarily very much depressed by the introduction and present cheapness of the different qualities of coal oil. There are in this city eight considerable manufactories, and a considerable number of minor ones, the details of which it is impossible to give. I have been furnished with full particulars of the five leading ones, and should judge that a third being added, would about represent the whole statistics of the manufacture.

The five employ 59 men, at an annual rate of wages of about $19,000 @ $20,000. The Capital invested in the 5 manufactories amounts to $93,000, and the amount produced of soap and Candles is about $200,000, and of lard and other oils $27,000, making a total of $227,000. As before said, could the correct statistics of the whole trade be obtained, it would add about one-third to the figures given.

As a fair sample of the raw material used, and the amount produced therefrom, I give the detailed statistics of one of the largest. Ten men are employed, whose wages amount annually to $2,750.

Amount of raw material used during the past year:—

260,000 lbs. rough Tallow from City butchers.....	$16,900
350,000 lbs. rendered Tallow, from U S	33,259
50,000 lbs. Palm Oil.....	4,000
10,000 lbs. Cocoa Nut Oil.....	1,000
250 brls Rosin.....	750
112,000 lbs. Soda Ash.....	2,800
150,800 lbs. Sal Soda.....	294
6,500 lbs. Wicking from U S.....	2,600
75,000 lbs. rough Grease taken in factory.....	3,120
Total raw material.....	$65,219

STOCK PRODUCED.

13300 boxes Soap, 64 lbs. each, average 3½c ₱ lb.....	$30240
8000 boxes Candles, 50 lbs. each, average 10½c per ₱ lb.....	42000
	$72240

Value of moveable utensils required for manufacturing..... $3000

There is only one manufactory of Tobacco Pipes in this city. I append the report sent in by the Proprietor:—

In accordance with your request, and for the information of the Board of Trade, we hasten to lay before you the following statistics relating to our business of Tobacco Pipe manufacturers. The raw material, "Clay," has all to be imported from Devonshire, England, at a cost on the average of nearly $3,000 each year. Fuel, machinery, lead, oil, &c., which form form considerable items, are procured here; also boxes for packing, which last article costs from 17 to $1800 per annum. We employ, on the average, from 50 to 60 hands, who receive wages to the amount of $10,000 yearly. Our average manufacture is nearly 18,000 boxes of Pipes, worth from $21,000 to $23,000. We could easily enlarge our establishment so as to manufacture double the above quantity if required. We do not fear any legitimate opposition, as we can sell our manufacture as cheap, or cheaper, than the same quality of goods can be imported for; but consignments from Glasgow to be sold at what they will bring, certainly curtails our fair profits, and prevents us sometimes from giving that remuneration to our workers which we think them entitled to.

HENDERSON & SON.

There are now two Copal Varnish manufactories here; but, owing to the high price of Turpentine and the consequent very restricted use of Varnish, they both do not manufacture more than when Messrs. E. Atwater & Co. were the sole makers. They produce about 500 barrels per annum.

There are four leading *Coach* and *Carriage* makers, but I have only received returns from one. In this manufactory 15 to 16 hands are employed, at annual wages of $5,200. Capital in stock and tools about $8,000. Turns out 80 to 90 vehicles of all sorts valued at from $12 to $13,000.

We have one Pot Ash manufactory, which gives employment to 6 to 8 hads, at about $2,080 wages per annum. The capital in the stock and plant is about $3,000, and the yield last year was about $25,000 worth of Ashes.

We have about twelve large Cabinet-makers and Upholsterers. I regret to say I have only returns from two of the leading ones. They employ about 100 hands at an annual rate of wages of $25,500. The amount of capital employed on the business and in the plants amounts to about $45,000. The raw material used up is about $11,000, and value turned out amounts to about $100,000.

Regarding the paper trade my information is very scanty, we have no manufactories in the city, but I have returns of two, belonging to Firms here, the product of which is consumed in Montreal.

The cost of the two mills is about $75,000, and they give employment to about 100 hands, at an annual rate of wages of $45,000. Capital employed in stocking mills is about $30,000, and the product is about 830 tons of paper valued at $150,000.

Pianos.—There are in this city five Piano manufactories which annually turn out about 185 instruments. This year there has been a slight decrease in the quantity produced in comparison with the preceding one. The amount of capital invested in this branch of business about $40,000 @ $50,000, and the number of hands employed is about 60 men, who earn from $6@$15 per week, each according to ability.

I have now as far as possible given some outline of our leading manufactories. There are a great many more of different kinds, such as marble Works, extensive Biscuit Bakeries, Publishers and Bookbinders, Wholesale Furriers, Clothiers, &c, but I have received no reports whatsoever from them and I hardly think that they rank of sufficient importance to be treated here, though collectively they employ a great number of hands, require a considerable amount of capital, and altogether add very materially to the general well-being and prosperity of the city.

I regret exceedingly that the amount of information given as regards our manufactories is so meagre, but the fault is not mine. It is impossible to write thoroughly on any subject without being fully furnished with all the necessary details, and I only can hope that should I have to present a similar report at the close of this year, manufacturers will come forward more freely to assist me in my arduous task.

In conclusion I can only add that I have done my best to make my report interesting. I have embodied in it every subject that I could think of as pertaining to the commerce and progress of this large and rapidly increasing city, and in presenting it to your Board I can only crave indulgence for shortcomings and express a trust should I possess your confidence to draw up a report next year, that it may be more worthy in showing the extension of the wealth and commerce of this city, of which we all feel so justly proud.

HORACE LEE FORBES,
Collector of Statistics.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

OF UPWARD AND DOWNWARD PRODUCE, VIA THE ST. LAWRENCE CANAL, FROM THE OPENING TO THE CLOSE OF THE NAVIGATION, FOR THE YEARS 1860 AND 1861.

UPWARDS.

	1860. Tons.	1861. Tons.
Number of Vessels	3491	3429
Number of Steamers	1042	1179
Passengers over 21 years	5445	5742
Articles Upwards.		
Apples	13¾	40
Ashes	56	81¾
Agricultural Produce not otherwise mentioned	334	61¾
Bricks	3669½	1564½
Bark	501¾	464
Bacon		1¾
Barley	43¾	2¼
Beer	168¾	229
Bran and Ship Stuff		4
Butter		8
Beef	18¾	
Biscuit	1	
Cement	479¾	447
Clay	167¾	162
Coal	29030	30163¾
Cattle	33¾	16¾
Corn (Indian)	2½	
Clover Seed	4¾	
Carts, Waggons and Sleighs	40¾	20
Charcoal	87	
Coffee	3	29
Copperas	8¾	9
Earthen, Stone and Glassware	1558¾	2275
Flax Seed	37¾	2
Fish	4333½	4446
Furniture and Baggage	530½	681
Flour	1130¾	1149
Grosum	1194½	1787
Hemp	102	146
Hay (Pressed)	462	
Hides and Skins (Raw)		10¾
Horses	76	40
Iron (Pig)	11002	11222
Railroad Iron	599¾	649
Scrap	300	227
Broken Castings	245	12
Stoves and Castings	1254	906¾
Nails	2997	2888
Spikes	1374¾	79
Iron (all other description)	9194	11015
Ore		1752
Junk	6	69¾
Lime	2023½	1157¾
Lard	5	
Manure	193	
Marble	124	63¾
Manilla	211¾	190
Mechanics' Tools	31	
Molasses	2034	3951¾
Oats	85¾	
Oatmeal	18¾	
Oil Cake	3	
Oakum	1¾	15¾
Potatoes	10¾	30
Pork	704	383¾
Ploughs and Implements	114¾	54½
Rosin	192	358
Salt	1013¾	13088
Ships Stores		3¾
Sugar	183¾	4839¾
Stone	225¾	1042½
Rags	522	588¾
Tobacco (unmanufactured)	122	1
Sheep	2	1
Steel	361¾	917
Sugar	4307	5192¾
Iron Ore	10906¾	
Tallow	4	4
Tin	454	403
Vinegar	117¾	1983¾
Wheat	488¾	5016¾
Window Glass	773¾	717
Whisky	547¾	5484¾
Soda Ash	662	624
Merchandize	9130	12546¾
Empty Barrels	993	1497
Barrel Hoops, M	165	3516
Boards, &c., M	2858¾	70
Firewood, Cords	138	300
Boat Knees	30	33
Shingles, M	26	297
Staves—Barrel	16	1
Pipe		7
Timber—Square	7	10
Round		4
Square in Rafts	10	16
Round in Rafts	1	4
Hoop and Hop Poles, &c	396¾	19
White Lead	32¾	
Whiting	55¾	152¾
Tobacco (manufactured)	102	172
Dye and Dye Stuffs	33	58
Mahogany	10	
Oils of all kinds	1003	641
Tar	184	275¾
Wool	1	
Crockery	67½	120
Leather	47	37
Paints	231	196¾
Turpentine	33¾	13
Chalk	8	30
Iron Safes	3	2
1859—Total amount of Tolls	$30506	38
1861—Total amount of Tolls	26193	87

DOWNWARD.

	1860. Tons.	1861. Tons.
Number of Vessels	3223	2804
Number of Steamers	1030	1176
Passengers over 21 years	16538	1930
Articles Downwards.		
Apples	5464	5060½
Ashes	33934	3844½
Agricultural Produce not otherwise mentioned	33730½	41366¾
Bricks	146	128
Bark	543	190
Bacon	54	38
Barley	5910	3011¾
Beer	30	12¾
Bran and Ship Stuff	8445	355½
Butter	695½	1790
Bones	14¾	34
Broom Corn	122	71¾
Beef	16¾	35
Biscuit	5	26
Cement	96	159¾
Clay	90	
Coal	42135½	1546
Cattle	784½	1013
Coke	83½	93¾
Corn (Indian)	53103¾	43813¾
Cornmeal	89	85¾
Clover Seed	6¾	1
Carts, Waggons and Sleighs	20½	18¾
Cheese	98	319½
Coffee	1¾	9
Earthen, Stone and Glassware	26½	155¾
Flax		1
Flax Seed	5¾	47
Fish	151¾	75
Furniture and Baggage	483	581¾
Flour	70703¾	85346¾
Gypsum	44	206¾
Hemp	3¾	
Hay (Pressed)	82	92
Hogs	114¾	77
Hams	45	93¾
Hides and Skins (Raw)	191	145¾
Horses	149	115¾
Iron (Pig)	102½	145
Railroad Iron	32	597
Scrap	79	46
Broken Castings	6	7¾
Stoves and Castings	77½	163¾
Nails	55¾	35
Spikes	9	23
Iron (all other description)	861	139
Junk	8¾	
Lime and Sand	899¾	385
Lard	16	75
Oils of all kinds	18¾	830¾
Manure	1900	2735
Molasses	61	153¾
Ores (not Iron)	1½	239
Oats	2825¾	1880
Oatmeal	315¾	1377¾
Oilmeal		2¾
Oakum		¾
Potatoes	440¾	327¾
Pork	870¾	1432
Ploughs and Implements	15	11¾
Salt	53	466
Pitch and Tar	94	153¾
Stone	2876¾	7783¾
Rags	42¾	106
Rye	2735	681
Sheep	105	163
Steel	2¾	4¾
Sugar	128	164¾
Tobacco (unmanufactured)	17	45
Tallow	237	171¾
Vinegar	9	27
Wheat	88940¾	199699
Window Glass	22	92
Whisky	493¾	579¾
Wool	1	1
Merchandize	1901	2831¾
Empty Barrels	2617	104
Barrel Hoops, M	1845	1963¾
Boards, &c., M	63846	54962
Do, do, Rafts	9	
Siding Laths, &c., M	706	881
Firewood, Cords	63225	64091
Shingles, M	1952	218
Staves—Barrel	1799	2203
West Indian	786	392
Pipe	139	101
Timber—Square	149	30
Round	1	11
Square, in Rafts	4	11
Round, in Rafts	2	7
Hoop and Hop Poles, &c	152	150
Tobacco (manufactured)	1¾	8
Soda Ash	9	
Crockery	2	
Leather	71	97¾
Paints	9½	2
1860—Total amount	$56061	94
1861—Total amount	93547	19

PORT OF MONTREAL.

STATEMENT of Quantities and Values of the principal Articles of Merchandise imported at this Port during Year ending the 31st December, 1861, compared with the same of the corresponding period of last year, showing the Increase or Decrease on each Article; also, the Quantities and Values remaining in Bonded Warehouses, on the 31st December, 1861.

ARTICLES.	1860. Quantity	1860. Value.	1861. Quantity	1861. Value.	INCREASE OR DECREASE.	Quantity	Value.	REMAINING IN BONDED WAREHOUSES, December 31, 1861. Quantity	Value.
Whisky.....gals.	17437	12595	10462	6974	Decrease	7025	5621	10131	6689
Gin.....gals.	95733	35516	89975	35231	Decrease	5858	285	41645	18672
Rum.....gals.	15686	7084	12576	5170	Decrease	3110	1914	9638	3433
Brandy.....gals.	31541	53961	62619	103457	Increase	31078	49526	25595	53546
Cordials.....gals.	993	1056	1441	1346	Increase	448	290	976	826
Wine in Wood.....gals.	142179	129816	165817	150027	Increase	24638	20211	....	....
Wine in Bottle.....doz.	4367	25364	4347	19253	Decrease	20	6111	....	....
Ale in wood.....gals.	18638	5711	4510	2157	Decrease	14028	3554	1730	394
Ale in bottle.....doz.	5942	5174	6376	6004	Increase	434	1430	3988	2819
Dried Fruits.....lbs.	1714043	98902	1465179	77431	Decrease	248864	21471	190228	13024
Ginnamon, Mace and Nutmegs.....lbs.	39605	10918	17769	4618	Decrease	21836	6300	3534	977
Patent Medicines.....	....	16938	....	19088	Increase	....	2150	....	1352
Soap.....lbs.	670526	28490	804113	34695	Increase	133587	6205	349350	12187
Starch.....lbs	119389	19735	118215	7739	Decrease	1174	11496	64834	5652
Tobacco, manufactured.....lbs.	1036117	105961	709910	79694	Decrease	326197	31267	173619	24895
Boots and Shoes—Leather.....	....	24343	....	46348	Increase	....	22005	....	....
Molasses.....gals.	815832	128937	790298	128551	Decrease	25534	386	94670	8926
Sugar—Refined.....lbs.	18862636	905456	21570	1747	Decrease	398817	30509	6	703
Do —Raw.....lbs.	420387	32056	24891121	910810	Increase	6028585	5354	6023301	238414
Confectionery.....	....	3802	....	8155	Increase	....	5353	....	354
Cigars.....lbs.	42398	21437	38318	14604	Decrease	4080	6773	3235	1897
Cabinetware.....	....	10092	....	12217	Decrease	....	3875	....	....
Candles.....	....	21119	....	20002	Decrease	....	2147	....	5024
Carpets.....	....	64666	....	77586	Increase	....	12920	....	7432
Earthenware.....	....	135764	....	177352	Increase	....	41588	....	11818
Clocks.....	....	11863	....	7321	Decrease	....	4542	....	....
Coordage.....	....	9597	....	10609	Increase	....	1014	....	....
Cottons.....	....	3239447	....	3051560	Decrease	....	187887	....	74347
Drugs.....	....	60423	....	70648	Increase	....	10226	....	1213
Perfumery.....	....	15418	....	20006	Increase	....	4588	....	109
Millinery.....	....	43151	....	12257	Decrease	....	30914	....	290
Glass—Plate and Silvered.....	....	19234	....	19743	Decrease	....	33692	....	707
Linens.....	....	172823	....	193858	Increase	....	20930	....	1104
Hardware.....	....	444989	....	443749	Decrease	....	1140	....	2060
Furs, manf.....	....	48471	....	38065	Decrease	....	10406	....	165
Gold, Silver and Gilt Ware.....	....	41071	....	36309	Decrease	....	4761	....	430
Brass or Copper, manf.....	....	21170	....	4867	Decrease	....	16303	....	....
Leather, manuf.....	....	50900	....	50254	Decrease	....	4836	....	111
Wood, manf.....	....	18310	....	21821	Decrease	....	6889	....	....
Musical Instruments.....	....	51103	....	41224	Decrease	....	9879	....	575
Machinery.....	....	35199	....	32954	Decrease	....	2245	....	6394
Oil Cloths.....	....	20895	....	18864	Decrease	....	2931	....	2189
Oilmanf.....	....	141943	....	134392	Decrease	....	7551	26840	10802
Paints and Colors.....	....	68241	....	67758	Decrease	....	483	....	1720
Paper.....	....	30808	....	33384	Increase	....	2476	....	3320
Paper Hangings.....	....	22847	....	50875	Increase	....	28028	....	22064
Silks.....	....	480910	....	494232	Increase	....	13323	....	23936
Spices—Unground.....lbs.	239908	18021	192705	17307	Decrease	47203	1314	19315	1011
Stationery.....	....	78759	....	69646	Decrease	....	9213	....	195
Small Wares.....	....	340174	....	346254	Increase	....	6080	....	748
Woollens.....	....	305490	....	2452776	Increase	....	147386	....	42786
Coffee—Green.....lbs.	188036	26149	734935	92678	Increase	696899	66529	122235	13611
Tea.....lbs.	1577179	471381	2585641	957281	Increase	1008462	482900	692183	266805
Cotton Wick.....	....	10753	....	9781	Decrease	....	1672	....	....
Cotton Yarn.....	....	70103	....	49850	Decrease	....	20253	....	435
Jewellery and Watches.....	....	15952	....	25024	Increase	....	9072	....	92
Iron.....	....	762921	....	792282	Increase	....	29361	....	4240
Red and White Lead, dry.....	....	24126	....	26779	Increase	....	2653	....	1894
Steel.....	....	97582	....	67939	Decrease	....	29643	....	....
Books.....	....	105173	....	118874	Increase	....	13696	....	....
Dye Stuffs.....	....	25619	....	28131	Increase	....	2512	....	....
Caoutchouc.....	....	122848	....	25394	Decrease	....	99454	....	....
Flax, Hemp and Tow.....	....	62395	....	54731	Decrease	....	7664	....	....
Fish.....	....	143122	....	132715	Decrease	....	10407	....	....
Fish Oil—Crude.....	....	65337	57583	31097	Dec.	....	34240	....	....
Fishing Nets, and Seines, Hooks, Lines and Twines.....	....	9981	....	7831	Dec.	....	2150	....	....
Fruit, Green.....	....	99948	....	79083	Dec.	....	20865	....	....
Fruit, Dried—from United States only.....	....	1020	....	1664	Inc.	....	644	....	....
Furs and Skins, Pelts or Tails, undressed.....	....	111001	....	102876	Dec.	....	8125	....	....
Flour, bbls.....	113921	564594	....	455040	Dec.	....	119554	....	....
Beans and Peas, bush.....	36	76	....	283	Inc.	....	40	....	....
Indian Corn, bush.....	36663	29639	189513	99008	Inc.	....	69429	....	....
Wheat, bush.....	332494	363557	584802	598748	Inc.	....	225191	....	....
Meal of above Grains, bbls.....	....	4554	....	3785	Dec.	....	769	....	....
Gems and Medals.....	....	4429	....	6757	Dec.	....	3757	....	....
Grease and Scrap.....	....	....	....	3027	Inc.	....	3027	....	....
Gravels.....	....	433	....	2940	Inc.	....	2507	....	....
Gypsum, or Plaister of Paris, ground or unground, but not calcined.	....	1361	....	6538	Inc.	....	5177	....	....
Hair—Angola, Goat, Thibet, Horse or Mohair, unmanufactured....	....	116	....	22	Dec.	....	94	....	....
Hides and Horns.....	....	97975	....	90987	Dec.	....	7093	....	....
Indigo.....	....	19725	....	11690	Dec.	....	8135	....	....
Junk and Oakum.....	....	1760	....	8358	Inc.	....	6098	....	....
Lard, lbs.....	....	17779	....	6768	Dec.	....	11011	....	....
Manilla Grass, Sea Grass and Mosses, for Upholstery purposes.....	....	938	....	643	Dec.	....	295	....	....
Manures.....	....	433	....	339	Dec.	....	94	....	....
Marble in blocks or slabs, unpolished.....	....	8768	....	8576	Dec.	....	193	....	....
Meats—Fresh, Smoked and Salt, cwt.....	....	179298	....	145077	Dec.	....	34221	....	....
Military and Naval Stores.....	....	27589	....	114142	Inc.	....	86553	....	....
Models.....	....	624	....	174	Dec.	....	450	....	....
Musical Instruments for Military Bands.....	....	765	....	136	Dec.	....	629	....	....
Nitre or Saltpetre.....	....	3202	....	4798	Inc.	....	1596	....	....
Oil Cake, or Linseed Cake.....	....	....	....	1221	Inc.	....	1221	....	....
Oils—Cocoa Nut, Pine and Palm—in their crude, unrectified, or natural state, galls.....	....	25486	....	29386	Inc.	....	3900	....	....
Ores of all kinds of Metals.....	....	115	....	4406	Inc.	....	4291	....	....
Philosophical Instruments and Apparatus—Globes.....	....	1176	....	1865	Inc.	....	689	....	....
Pig Iron, Pig Lead and Pig Copper, tons.....	....	128750	....	165053	Inc.	....	36303	....	....
Pitch and Tar, bbls.....	....	5132	....	4118	Dec.	....	1014	....	....
Printing Ink and Printing Presses.....	....	3881	....	6759	Inc.	....	2878	....	....
Rags.....	....	5464	....	7884	Inc.	....	2420	....	....
Resin and Rosin, bbls.....	....	19809	....	12692	Dec.	....	7117	....	....
Rice, lbs.....	....	76633	....	76944	Inc.	....	311	....	....
Sail Cloth.....	....	20796	....	16149	Dec.	....	4547	....	....
Sal Ammoniac, Sal Soda, Soda Ash.....	....	42082	....	30158	Dec.	....	11904	....	....
Salt, bush.....	....	6618	....	23283	Inc.	....	16665	....	....
Seeds, for Agricultural, Horticultural, or Manufacturing purposes only, bush.....	....	23286	....	25197	Inc.	....	1911	....	....
Settlers Goods.....	....	36559	....	75011	Inc.	....	39452	....	....
Ship's Blocks, Binnacle Lamps, Bunting, Sail Canvass Nos. 1 to 6, Compasses, Cordage, Dead Eyes, Dead Lights, Deck Plugs, Shackles, Sheaves, Signal Lamps, Traveling Trucks.....	....	879	....	1239	Inc	....	360	....	....
Specimens.....	....	375	....	621	Inc.	....	246	....	....
Slate.....	....	2327	....	2878	Inc.	....	551	....	....
Stone, unwrought.....	....	2182	....	1493	Dec.	....	689	....	....
Stereotype Blocks, for Printing purposes.....	....	1141	....	475	Dec	....	666	....	....
Sulphur and Brimstone.....	....	1895	....	2566	Inc.	....	671	....	....
Tallow lbs.....	....	135313	....	101206	Dec.	....	34107	....	....
Timber and Lumber of all sorts, unmanufactured.....	....	2308	....	268	Dec	....	2040	....	....
Tin and Zinc, or Spelter, in blocks or pigs.....	....	9382	....	7674	Dec.	....	1708	....	....
Trees, Plants and Shrubs—Bulbs and Roots.....	....	2511	....	1195	Dec.	....	1316	....	....
Treenails.....	....	....	....	499	Inc.	....	499	....	....
Turpentine, other than Spirits of Turpentine.....	....	....	....	35	Inc.	....	35	....	....
Tobacco, Unmanufactured, lbs.....	1032886	54832	....	84125	Inc.	....	29293	....	....
Varnish, bright and black, for Shipbuilders.....	....	86	....	20	Dec	....	66	....	....
Vegetables.....	....	1621	....	9173	Inc.	....	7552	....	....
Wines, Spirits and Malt Liquors for Officers' Mess.....	....	3447	....	3377	Dec.	....	70	....	....
Wood of all kinds.....	....	4704	....	7052	Inc.	....	2348	....	....
Wool.....	....	12832	....	90875	Inc.	....	27943	....	....
Copyrights.....	....	1844	....	2409	Inc.	....	565	....	....
Liquors for Officers' Mess.....	....	8319	....	4056	Dec	....	4263	....	....
Total.....	....	$3029944	....	$1732147	Inc.	....	$701203	....	....

FREE GOODS.

ARTICLES.	1860. Quantity	1860. Value.	1861. Quantity.	1861. Value.	INCREASE OR DECREASE. Quantity.	Value.
Acids of every description, except Vinegar.....	....	$10334	....	$7971	Dec	2363
Alum.....	....	5414	....	4033	Dec	1381
Anatomical Preparations.....	....	420	....	122	Dec	298
Anchors, weighing over 6 cwt.....	....	56	....	600	Inc	544
Animals—Horses.....	55	10304	....	6291	Dec	4013
Horned Cattle.....	278	13144	261	9470	Dec.	3674
Sheep.....	51	978	....	1248	Inc.	230
Pigs.....	26	218	....	365	Inc.	147
Other Animals.....	....	498	....	50	Dec	448
Poultry and Fancy Birds.....	....	833	....	683	Dec.	145
Antimony.....	....	171	....	82	Dec	89
Ashes—Pearl, bbls.....	....	6006	82	1772	Dec	157
Pot, bbls.....	....	6997	499	15860	Inc.	339
Bark, Berries,