



Trade and Commerce.

The Herald Office, Saturday Evening, Feb. 11, 1888.

Montreal Stock Market.

The duller week so far this year, has just closed. The most prominent feature of the market has been Richelieu, a determined effort having been made by the bulls to force the market up, but in spite of influential backing, the stock closed today 1 point lower than it opened Monday, and 1 point higher than the lowest touched during the week.

The week's transactions were 4,693 shares, compared with the last four weeks, 6,188, 5,128 and 10,788 shares. To-day's market was very quiet, and Bank of Montreal shows an easier feeling at the close, owing to a reported failure in the wholesale clothing trade.

The day's sales amounted to 411 shares as follows:

MORNING BOARD.

Table with 2 columns: Name of stock, Price. Includes Bank of Montreal, 214 1/2; 100 Bank of Montreal, 214 1/2; 100 Bank of Montreal, 214 1/2.

The closing figures are as follows, compiled by Messrs. D. L. McDougall & Co., 22 Hospital street:

Table with 3 columns: Name of stock, Value of shares, Last sale. Includes Bank of Montreal, 214 1/2; 100 Bank of Montreal, 214 1/2; 100 Bank of Montreal, 214 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Table with 3 columns: Name of company, Value of shares, Last sale. Includes Montreal Tel. Co., 40 p.c.; Dominion Tel. Co., 100 p.c.; Western Union Tel. Co., 100 p.c.

New York Stock Market.

Our reports from this market to-day, describe the position in stocks, as stagnant. There was almost no trading, and prices show little change, except in a few particular cases, and the tendency was downwards, the close being a fraction lower all round.

Compared with yesterdays close the following have declined: C. B. & Quincy, Canada Southern, D. L. Backawana & West, Erie, N. Y. & N. England, Lou. & Nashville, Lake Shore, N. & Omaha, Oregon Trans., Reading, Richmond Terminal, St. Paul, Texas Pacific, Union Pacific, West Shore bonds.

The following have advanced, Can. Pacific Ry., St. P. & Manitoba, Missouri Pacific.

These are unaltered: Del. & Hudson, Manhattan Elevated, Pacific Mail, and Western Union.

does not possess an exchange membership which figures out his chances of making a turn in such a narrow and feverish market as this one. John, Kirkner, Shepp and Durand who, when there's any business doing, think nothing of handling a line of 5,000 shares each now limit their operations to a few hundred.

The following were the fluctuations in prices and sales in New York, Saturday, Feb. 11, as specially reported for THE HERALD by Macdougall Bros., St. Francois Xavier street:

Table with 3 columns: Name of stock, Opening, Closing. Includes C. B. & Quincy, 120; Can. Pac. Ry., 100; N. Y. Central, 100.

STOCKS.

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Canadian Railways in London.

Messrs. L. J. Forget & Co., stock brokers, furnish us with the following quotations by special cable to them: February 10—Grand Trunk, 1st preference, 74; 2nd do., 53; 1st preference 11—Grand Trunk, 1st preference, 73 1/2; 2nd do., 53.

London Quotations.

Table with 3 columns: Name of stock, Opening, Closing. Includes Grand Trunk, 73 1/2; 2nd do., 53; Erie, 100.

Exchange.

The following table, prepared specially for THE HERALD by Messrs. W. L. S. Jackson & Co., 10 Exchange Court, shows to-day's rates in detail:

Table with 3 columns: Name of bank, Rate, Name of bank, Rate. Includes Montreal Tel. Co., 40 p.c.; Dominion Tel. Co., 100 p.c.; Western Union Tel. Co., 100 p.c.

New York Bank Statement.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes Reserve, decrease, \$2,451,200; Loans, increase, \$3,878,700.

Money in Chicago.

There was no change of any importance in the money market yesterday. Funds were freely offered at 6 per cent. on the best security, but the regular rate for mercantile discounts at the banks was 7. Considerable quantities of private capital are offering, but the demand is not large. More money than heretofore is being loaned on local securities, which command the lowest rates. Eastern exchange was sold at par and 25c premium, the latter being the closing rate.

THE METAL MARKET.

There was a firm market in London for Chili bars yesterday, despite a decline of a few shillings, but the business transacted was comparatively small. Not over four or five hundred tons changed hands, fifty tons of which were spot and the remainder futures.

Here the business during the day compared with the day previous was most insignificant, hardly 200,000 pounds having been turned over. The market closed with spot and February at 16.35; March, buyers at 16.45, and buyers for April at 16.50.

PRODUCE AND PROVISIONS.

Flour—Receipts, nothing. There was a very small attendance on 'Change this morning, and buyers of any quantity were few and far between, as usual on Saturdays. Prices show no quotable change, but there is a firmer feeling in the market, owing to rather better reports from abroad. Strong baker's is steady at \$4.20@4.35.

RECEIPTS FOR WEEK ENDING FEBRUARY 11.

Table with 2 columns: Name of commodity, Quantity. Includes Wheat, bush, 38,410; Peas, bush, 8,300; Oats, bush, 9,400.

GRAIN.

The local grain market shows no signs of activity, and there is very little enquiry. Oats are firm and unchanged, but at present are quiet. Barley is not enquired for on the spot. We hear of a sale of a small lot at a Western point at 73c. Quotations are unchanged as follows:—Canada spring wheat, 83c@84c; red winter, 83c@84c; white winter, 84c@85c; Manitoba No. 1 hard, 86c@87c; No. 2 do., 83c@84c; No. 2 Northern, 83c@84c; Rye, 59c@60c per 48 lbs; buckwheat, 50c@52c per 48 lbs; corn, 63c@64c; in bond, 71c@71 1/2c; duty paid. Oats, 41c@42c per 32 lbs; peas, 72c@73c per 60 lbs in store.

Chicago Grain and Provision Markets.

Closing cash quotations are: Wheat, 75 1/2; corn and oats, as marked; pork, \$14.10; lard \$7.40; short ribs \$7.42.

STOCKS IN STORE.

Table with 3 columns: Name of commodity, Quantity, Price. Includes Wheat, bush, 27,492; Corn, bush, 27,492; Peas, bush, 8,300.

WHEAT.

The following night despatch is handed us by Messrs. Macdougall Bros., St. Francois Xavier street, stock brokers and members of the Chicago Board of Trade: CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Wheat again ruled dull with little outside trade, and Liverpool was a shade higher with an improving tone, some local shorts covering small quantities. Prices advanced about one quarter cent better. Corn was quiet, moderate trading, closing a trifle higher. Provisions continue inactive, no new feature, shade easier.

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MOVEMENTS OF PRODUCE.

Flour, brls. 4,827; Wheat, bush. 23,000; Oats, bush. 9,400; Rye, bush. 3,000; Barley, bush. 7,000.

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QUOTATIONS ARE UNCHANGED AS FOLLOWS:

Montreal S.C. pork, 17 1/2; Western S.C. do, 17 1/2; Lard, Western, per lb., 0.10; Hams, unsmoked, per lb., 0.12; Bacon, per lb., 0.10; Shoulders, per lb., 0.10.

DRESSED HOGS.

Dressed hogs are in good demand and prices rule firm, with some higher prices. Hogs are taking place at \$7.15@7.25 per 100 lbs. for packing hogs. Small lots of choice light hogs for the retail trade are worth \$7.25@7.50 p. 100 lbs.

POULTRY.

Nice fresh stock of poultry is quickly picked up. We quote: Turkeys, \$8.00@8.50 per lb., according quality; ducks, 8c@9c; chickens, 5c@7c; geese, 6c@7c.

EGGS.

There is a quiet local demand for eggs. Western and Montreal laid are selling at 16c@18c per dozen, and held stock 12c@20c per dozen. Strictly fresh are scarce, and are held at fancy prices.

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The potato market continues steady at \$4.40 per 100 lbs. for first sorts; \$4.15@4.20 for seconds.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.

Butter—the butter market is without any new feature. No more extended demand has developed during the past week, and stocks of medium quality, which are full, remain untroubled. Choice lots of dairy creamery are changing hands at steady prices, and going into consumption here. This market is able to take care of all offerings, and there are no accumulations of stock, as under: Creamery..... 20 @ 22; Butter..... 12 @ 14; Cheese..... 12 @ 14; Milk..... 12 @ 14; Eggs..... 12 @ 14.

CHEESE.

The decline of 6d. in the Liverpool market has been without effect here, there were no sellers previously, and now holders are generally slow in offering. In a late issue of the Liverpool reference is made to this large stock, and it is stated that of the excess of 385,000 bales compared with last year at least 250,000 bales is in Russia, the imports having been very large in consequence of the new law in force since the close of November. How much more than 250,000 bales of the 385,000 bales is held in Russia is a matter of conjecture, and will be partly decided by the demand from the Continent as the year advances.

THE NEW YORK COMMERCIAL BULLETIN OF SATURDAY HAS THE FOLLOWING:—

The course of the grain market has been decidedly unsatisfactory the past week, more particularly on creamery, supplies of which have been excessive, and, with stocks of nearly all grades steadily accumulating, prices have ruled low and irregular, especially those showing serious winter defects, and with holders anxious to sell some grades are often offered 2c@3c in price. Summer and fall made creamery have scarcely any attention. Really nice States and foreign offerings are in light supply and stocks pretty well concentrated, with holders firm and confident in their views. Such grades have a fair enquiry, but under grades are tending to drag. In the shipping ports there is a slow irregular in sympathy with genuine creamery. Western dairy very quiet and tone weaker. Factory butter arriving more freely. Some of the special makes are held with a show of firmness, but in general the feeling is tending to sell weaker. Medium grades dull and lower. Low grades, however, continue in light supply and firm. Rolls not in large supply, and fine in fair request. Cheese has developed nothing to encourage a "bullish" feeling, yet, on the other hand, buyers who have sought to obtain concessions met with little or no success, especially on full cream stock, and in consequence of this the market term should now be applied almost wholly to white cheese of perfect quality, of which the remaining parcels are few and generally held by parties who prefer carrying for their own use.

QUEENSLAND SALES.

Queensland—Sales, 600 bales; scoured at 11 1/2@12 1/2; do. locks and pieces at 10 1/2; greasy at 9 1/2@10 1/2.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA SALES.

South Australia—Sales, 1,100 bales; scoured at 12 1/2@13 1/2; do. locks and pieces at 11 1/2; greasy at 10 1/2@11 1/2.

VICTORIA SALES.

Victoria—Sales, 4,700 bales; scoured at 15 1/2@16 1/2; do. locks and pieces at 14 1/2; greasy at 13 1/2@14 1/2.

TASMANIA SALES.

Tasmania—Sales, 300 bales; greasy at 8 1/2@9 1/2; do. locks and pieces at 7 1/2.

NEW SOUTH WALES SALES.

New South Wales—Sales, 3,000 bales; scoured at 14 1/2@15 1/2; do. locks and pieces at 13 1/2; greasy at 12 1/2@13 1/2.

NEW ZEALAND SALES.

New Zealand—Sales, 700 bales; scoured at 14 1/2@15 1/2; do. locks and pieces at 13 1/2; greasy at 12 1/2@13 1/2.

SPANISH SALES.

Spanish—Sales, 200 bales; greasy at 4 1/2@5 1/2.

TOTAL SALES.

Total sales, 10,000 bales.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 11. WHEAT—No. 2 fall, 81c@82c; No. 2 spring, 78c@79c; No. 2, red winter, 84c@85c.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 11. FLOUR—Weak. Receipts, 10,000 brls.; shipments, 11,000. Superfine State, \$2.45@2.50; No. 1, \$2.30@2.35.

RELIABLE CURE FOR CHOLERA MORBUS, CHOLERA INFANTUM, COLIC, DIARRHOEA, DYSENTERY, AND ALL SUMMER COMPLAINTS OF CHILDREN OF ALL AGES.

W. MILBURN & CO., PROPRIETORS, TORONTO, ONT.

BOSTON PRODUCE MARKET.

Boston, February 11, 1888. BUTTER—Unchanged. Western extra fresh made creameries sell at 30c @ 32c; some fancy Elgin, 33c @ 34c; Western extra firsts, 29c @ 30c; Western firsts, 28c @ 29c; Western June creameries, 28c @ 29c; Western fancy imitation creamery, 23c @ 24c; Western seconds, 20c @ 21c; Western factory choice fresh, 22c @ 24c; Western fair to good, 19c @ 21c; New York fresh creamery, 27c @ 27 1/2c; New York extra firsts, 28c @ 28 1/2c; Vermont extra firsts creamery, 30c @ 32c; Vermont extra firsts creamery, 28c @ 28 1/2c; good to choice, 23c @ 24c; selections, 22c @ 23c; fair to good, 20c @ 21c; long dairies, 20c @ 22c; Eastern creamery good to choice, 28c @ 30c. Low creamery grades of butter as to quality. The above quotations are receivers' prices for strict-quotations are receivers' prices for strict-quotations are receivers' prices for strict-

CHEESE—Unchanged.

Choice Northern cheese sells at 12 1/2 @ 13c. Old cheese 12c @ 12 1/2c; lower grades, 10c @ 11 1/2c. Northern sage, 14c. Jobbing prices 1c higher.

EGGS—Firm.

Choice Eastern are selling at 24c @ 25c, with Southern at 23c @ 24c. We quote: Eastern fresh at 24c @ 25c; Eastern firsts, 23c @ 24c; 25c; choice Western, 21c @ 22c; Southern choice, 23c @ 24c; choice held eggs, 10c @ 15c; limed, 12c @ 17c. Jobbing price 1c @ 1 1/2c higher.

HAY—Unchanged.

We quote choice extra Jersey at \$17 @ \$18; fair to good, \$15 @ \$16; Eastern fine, \$12 @ \$14; East wale, \$10 @ \$11; rye straw, choice, \$17.50 @ \$18.00; oat straw, \$8.50 @ \$11.00. Forwards are in good demand, as last reported. Houlton rose are quoted at 9c per bushel; Houlton hebrons, 9c per bushel; Aroostook rose, 9c per bushel; Aroostook hebrons, 9c per bushel; Vermont rose, 8c per bushel; Vermont hebrons, 8c per bushel; Northern peerless, 8c per bushel; Northern peerless, 8c per bushel; Chenango, 7c @ 8c per bushel; MacIntosh, 7c @ 8c per bushel; N. S. and N. B. barrel, \$2.75 for choice; Scotch mignon, 8c @ 8 1/2c per bushel; regent, 7c @ 7 1/2c; champion, 6c @ 7c.

POULTRY—Dull.

Choice Northern fresh killed turkeys sell at 15c @ 16c; Northern fair to good, 12c @ 14c; Western young fresh killed turkeys, choice, 13c; Western fair to good, 9c @ 12c; Northern fresh killed chickens, choice, 15c @ 17c; fair to good, 12c @ 14c; Northern fresh killed fowls, 12c @ 14c; Western fowls and chickens, 10c @ 12c.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Dorval, Valois, Pointe St. Charles and Valois, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Gaumara, Chateaufort, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Bonaventure, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Verreux, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Notre Dame de Grace, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Hocheville, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Lachine, and B. I. de la Riviere, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Longueuil, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; Malouinville, Longueuil, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Charles, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Gabriel, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Joseph, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Eustache, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Laurent, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Jean, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Paul, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Hubert, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Antoine, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Roch, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Pierre, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Louis, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Martin, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Michel, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Basile, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Jeanne, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Anne, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Marguerite, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Germain, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Denis, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Nicolas, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Raphael, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Yves, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Elizabeth, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Theres, 1 1/2 @ 1 1/2; St. Rose, 1





SESSION OF PARLIAMENT

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LOCAL NEWS.

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THE LABOR COMMISSION.—At today's sittings the iron moulders and their apprentices will be examined. According to facts stated to Commissioner John Armstrong, of Toronto, some spy evidence will be adduced.

THE OTHER VICTIMS.—The funeral of the late Mrs. D. James Sanderson and child, indirect victims of the falling ice accident, took place yesterday afternoon from her father's residence, No. 366 Richmond street, to Cote des Neiges cemetery. The funeral was very largely attended.

McGILL UNIVERSITY, Y. M. C. A.—The members of the Young Men's Christian Association of McGill University held a largely attended meeting yesterday afternoon. Representatives were present from the different faculties, and during the evening the delegates to the Toronto Convention read their very interesting reports.

MR. DAVIS'S LECTURE.—In the Synod Hall, on Friday evening next, Mr. N. Flood Davis will deliver his celebrated lecture, entitled "The British House of Commons as I know it." As the proceeds of the lecture are to be devoted to a laudable purpose, it will, no doubt, be very largely attended, and those who go will hear an interesting subject well handled.

EXCESS OF BAGGAGE.—The Commercial Travellers' Association held a meeting at their rooms on St. John street, Saturday night. The meeting was a private one, for the purpose of considering the matter of excess baggage on which the different railway companies propose in future to charge extra rates. It was ascertained that there was a lively talk, and a deputation was named to wait upon the officials of the various roads to see what could be done.

TWEED REMNANTS are sold at great bargains just now at S. Carsley's. AN AT HOME at McGill.—The young lady undergraduates of McGill University held an At Home on Tuesday evening at 10 o'clock in the Redpath Museum, from four until seven o'clock on Saturday afternoon. A large number of ladies and gentlemen, among whom were noticeable leading citizens, college and church dignitaries and students, availed themselves of the opportunity to partake of the hospitality of their lady friends. A most enjoyable evening was spent.

TRADE WITHOUT LICENSE.—A case of considerable importance to farmers generally was heard in the Recorder's Court on Saturday and Joseph Chaput and Felix Marion, farmers of St. Laurent, were charged with selling blood pudding and sausages on the Bonsecours market without a license. The men left the case in the hands of their lawyer, who claimed that the goods were being sold on the fish market proper, and there was no clause preventing them doing so. The case was taken *in debere*.

THE NEW MARKET BY-LAW.—Some time since the Market Committee prepared a new market by-law, embodying a lot of needed restrictions for the regulation of the market trade. This passed its third reading in the Council, on the 29th of January last, but has not yet been put into force. Alderman Beau-soleil, Chairman of the Market Committee, discovered this fact on Thursday, and he at once notified the City Clerk, expressing surprise that the market clerks had not been instructed to enforce the new regulations, and ordering that it be done at once.

ATREND S. CARSLY'S cheap sale of tweed remnants, there are great bargains to be had. EXONERATED HIS BROTHER.—Two brothers, Leon and Joseph Guard, were arrested on Friday night by Detective Robinson on a charge of larceny. It appeared that both young men had been employed by Mr. Robert Graham for five thousand dollars on several occasions. After they left the residence on Friday \$10.35 cash, a silver watch and gold pin were found to be missing. In the Police Court Saturday morning Leon admitted his guilt, produced the stolen property and exonerated his brother from complicity in the theft. Joseph was consequently discharged and Leon was sentenced to four months' imprisonment.

REAL ESTATE SOLD.—Mr. W. H. Aronson's saleroom was fairly well filled on Saturday morning last, when the four cut stone houses on St. Catherine street were up for public competition. No 2076 was bought by Mr. Robert Graham for five thousand dollars (\$5,000) and expenses; No. 2074 next offered, was taken by Mr. E. J. Major, for Miss C. Cunningham, at five thousand one hundred dollars (\$5,100). The offers for the other two houses of the block did not bring up to the vendor's idea, were withdrawn, but the auctioneer expects to dispose of these at private sale to-day. The competition in the first house, No. 2076, (which was sold at auction) was fairly good.

A FINE PICTURE.—The Herald office is in receipt of a very handsome picture of Montreal, published by Messrs. A. W. Morris & Co., managers of the Converse Manufacturing Co. In the foreground is the river, Longueuil wharf, a portion of St. Helen's Island and a part of Victoria Bridge. The shipping at the wharves, the Lachine canal works, the large factories, the C.P.R. entrance at the East End, the C.T.E. station, the city proper, Mount Royal in the rear, and many pro-

OUR ANTIQUITIES.

A Recent Visit to the Canadian Home of Robert de La Salle. (By John Fraser, Montreal.)

On a bright morning during the month of October last, 1887, the writer was induced by an intelligent stranger, of French extraction, from the United States, to join him in a walk to pay a visit to the old home of Robert de La Salle, situated on the banks of the St. Lawrence, two miles above the Lachine Rapids, eight miles from Montreal. It was a charming morning, clear and bracing, not cold. Autumn was then in her full glory, the frost-tipped leaves of varied hue, which no pencil can paint nor adequately describe, affording a sight to the admirer of nature to pause and meditate upon, nowhere to be met with so suitably perfect as in Canada—fittingly pictured by an old writer as "Sober autumn fading into age."

The ruins of the Canadian home of Robert de La Salle still stand on the bank of the St. Lawrence, close by the head entrance of the Montreal water works. There are three ways of reaching it: First, by the lower Lachine road; second, by a walk along the banks of the water works; and third, along the Lachine Canal to the Cote St. Paul bridge; thence by cutting through the rear of the Cote St. Paul farms, taking a direct line south, about five miles, through the woods, by an old Indian trail known to few. This brings you to the river front, just at the old home. We took the latter route.

The walk across the rear of Cote St. Paul is a charming one, its cultivated farms with young thriving orchards, most of them, and snug looking dwelling houses and substantial farm buildings, denoting comfort. This walk is seldom taken. On your right, beneath you, have the Lachine canal, in its glory, above you have the high land of Cote St. Pierre, and then, between the canal and Cote St. Pierre, there is that broad deep valley, a lake in former days, but now it is the highway for railways, and since it was drained it has become the vegetable garden of Montreal.

In due time, after a walk of two hours and a half, we reached La Salle's old home—the home of the most noted character in Canadian or American history—the home in which he lived for four years of his early Canadian life. Few know of it, and fewer still are aware that this old home—is within a short distance of the city of Montreal. It is not now "a thing of beauty." It is crumbling, and, far from being a thing of beauty, it is a ruin. It is a ruin, but Canadians have it in their power to restore and preserve it as a "joy" and a remembrance for all time, if there be public spirit and patriotism enough remaining in Canada to do so.

"And this is the home of Robert de La Salle!" exclaimed our friend, bowing low with deepest reverence, and exhibiting feelings of the profoundest veneration as he approached the old building. It was to us a familiar spot, as being enclosed within the old stone wall that at one time surrounded the home of our youth.

To satisfy the curiosity of our new friend, we entered the building and explored the inside, in doing so, we had to be careful of our footsteps. Its echoes and its empty tread called forth thoughts of the noble dead who had lived there over two centuries ago, nearly as "Monarch of all I survey, in what was then known as those far 'Western wilds of French Canada.' We thought of the time when the "forest primeval" stretched down to the very river shore, when the wolf, the bear and the deer roamed nearly undisturbed around the site of the old home of Canada's—even of America's, most daring explorer.

As we stood in that old building our thoughts were wandering over the bygone centuries of early Canadian days. Not only did we think of La Salle as having lived here, but we recalled the long list of noble men, representatives of old France, who, from time to time, had slept within those venerated—yes, sacred walls! Such as CHAMPLAIN, MAISONNEUVE, FRONTENAC, JOLLIETTE, and a host of others, who would, of necessity, have started from this place in their canoes, on their pilgrimages or war-like expeditions westward.

Just picture, what you stand on the very same floor on which Champlain and Frontenac had once stood, and within the very walls in which those two noble men had slept. This is the building now standing in Canada, in which, at one time or another, many of the during pioneers, big soldiers and Christian missionaries of old France had found or sought shelter.

While we were standing and enjoying a peep out of the old window in the second story, in the west end of the building, gazing on all around, taking a present and a retrospective view of what is and what had occurred in and around this old home during the bygone centuries, just at that time one of our large lake steamers was passing down the St. Lawrence, right in front of us, filled with tourists, to run or jump the Lachine Rapids—the old "Sault St. Louis." We then pictured in imagination the time in those far off days when Champlain, then Governor of French Canada, was induced by the Indians to come up to the place where his first run or sail in an Indian canoe over those now far-famed rapids!

What a change has taken place since that day! Those rapids still roll on unchanged! Such as creation's dawn behold, they roll now, in the self-same course; but this old building, the witness stand of many a dark tragedy during the Indian massacre of 1689, and the cradle of the old French Canada, which was the home of many a grand scheme for the aggrandisement of the Company, which was one of the firms burnt out by La Salle and Frontenac within its old walls, still stands, as it stood, nearly three centuries ago, but now crumbling fast and soon to mix with the dust of ages.

We turned our eyes to the river front, to what was in the writer's young days a quiet bay—stretching down to where the water works bridge now stands. The primeval beauty of this once romantic river shore is now destroyed by the old English "king's post" stood during the war of 1812. A picture of the past, of over two centuries (1668) then rose up before us.

In retrospect—as in the days of La Salle—the river front seemed covered with Indian canoes, from their far-off hunting grounds, come to exchange their furs. We fancied we saw that band of Seneca Indians, with their chief, arrive, and La Salle, robed in his best and most imposing attire, bearing in his hands aloft that sacred symbol of his Church, the Cross.

NEW BOOKS.

CANADIAN BIRDS.—We have received a copy of this work by Montague Chamberlain. It is a catalogue of all the birds that have been discovered in Canada from the Atlantic to the Pacific and north to the Arctic, with the scientific as well as the popular names of the birds. The book, which is published by Mr. J. A. McMillan, of St. John, N.B., is well printed and bound and is sold for the moderate price of \$2. It is a valuable guide to all sportsmen and naturalists, though in subsequent editions we may hope that further information about each bird may be given.

THE KINDERGARTEN.—A neat little book by E. H. Hall, school trustee, of Parkdale, Ont., and sold by Messrs. Drysdale & Co., of this city, illustrates and explains the methods of instruction in the Kindergarten. The work is not only interesting but extremely valuable to those concerned in the care and education of young children.

ROMANISM UNMASKED is the title of a series of open letters addressed by "Marais" to Mgr. Fabre, the Archbishop of Montreal. The author goes for the R. C. Church, so to speak, without stint, but whether or not he succeeds in converting the Archbishop is a question which we are not likely to answer.

JAMES HEBURN.—Williamson & Co., Toronto, and on sale by Messrs. Drysdale & Co. This is a novel by Sophie F. Veitch, the author of Angus Frae, Gamewasper. It is well to be honest about the matter and say at once that we have not had time to read it, but we observe that the competent critics of the Spectator, Whitehall Review and British Weekly speak most highly of it as an interesting and powerfully written story.

BRIFELERS.—A class of the Senior students in Arts and Science at McGill is being formed to study meteorological observations in the observatory.

Mr. W. B. Lambe, of the Inland Revenue Department, has instituted an action for \$1,500 against the Cattle Export Lloyds of Canada.

The Young People's Mission Circle of St. James Street Methodist Church is preparing an unusually fine concert to be held on Tuesday, March 6th.

The McGill Normal School students, who hitherto have been separated from the college, will in future take the first two years of their course in the last and 2nd years Arts.

Kate Rutherford, aged 35 years, undertook to bleed Miss Florence Thisher's nose Friday, but was arrested and Saturday morning she was fined \$10 or one month by the court.

The members of the Iron Moulders' Union have elected their secretary, Mr. F. X. Thirvero, with an arm chair, handsome pipe and tobacco jar, as a mark of their appreciation of his services.

About seven hundred applications have been received for liquor licenses. The Commissioners, it appears, are sending detectives around to inspect the premises of some of the alleged "hotel" proprietors.

Mr. Telephore Loganerie, saloon keeper, Callieres street, is suing the city for \$200 damages on the ground of alleged loss of customers due to excavations made in the street, and which rendered it impossible for people to enter the premises.

The question of opening public galleries and libraries on Sunday was debated Friday evening by the University Literary Society. Messrs. W. F. Ritchie, C. J. Brooke, and E. Elliot, spoke in favor of Sunday opening, while Messrs. A. R. Aughrin, E. L. Murchison, and Selkirk successfully maintained the negative, which the meeting decided in favor of.

You Are Safe in buying Imperial Cream Tartar Baking Powder is the purest made. All grocers sell it.

PERSONALS.—Ald. Rainville was reported considerably better yesterday.

Archbishop Fabre made his pastoral visit to St. Bridget's parish yesterday.

His Lordship Bishop Boni conducted the service in Norwood church, Sault au Recollet, yesterday afternoon.

The Ormstown Municipal Council has unanimously chosen Mr. R. N. Walsh as Mayor of the parish for the current year.

Rev. J. Philp, pastor of the St. James street Methodist church, preached at the Erskine Presbyterian church yesterday morning.

The Librarian, of McGill, Mr. Taylor, who has been seriously ill, so far recovered as to hope to be back in his old place very shortly.

Mr. J. J. Curran, Q. C. M. P., delivered an interesting lecture in the lecture hall of St. Matthew's church on Friday night for the benefit of the Riverside school.

The successor of the late Bishop Racine is said to be Mgr. Bagn, unless he is chosen by Cardinal Taschereau as his coadjutor in the Archbishopric of Quebec.

Mr. Lesage, superintendent of the Water Works, entertained about fifty friends at supper Friday evening on the occasion of his eldest daughter's twentieth birthday, and the 23rd anniversary of his own marriage.

Mr. Pierre Sylvestre, another veteran of 1837-38, died at St. Barthelemy, on Saturday, at the advanced age of 89. Mr. Sylvestre was formerly a colonel in the Canadian Militia. He leaves 79 grandchildren and 59 great-grandchildren.

Ald. Jacques Grenier, who was taken ill on Friday, and who has been confined to his bed since, was feeling considerably better last night. It is not thought, however, that the worthy alderman will be able to attend the Council meeting to-day.

Mr. C. A. Prevost, was married on Saturday morning in Notre Dame church to Miss Angeline Barbeau, eldest daughter of Henri Barbeau, Esq., manager of the City and District Savings Bank. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Abbe Bonnessa, of Laval University, cousin of the bride after which a sumptuous breakfast was partaken of at the St. Lawrence Hall, where the bride's family are residing.

Mr. Alex. Moore, Mechanics' Settlement, Kings Co., New Brunswick, says: I am going on 75 years of age, and had very little hope of getting anything to relieve my catarrh. Seeing Nasal Balm advertised, I sent you for a package. It has done me a great deal of good. I enclose two dollars for a further supply, part of which I intend giving to an afflicted friend.

THE FIRE RECORD.

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