

## THE MARKETS

**Mining Stocks.**  
Toronto, Oct. 25.—Following are to-day's closing quotations on the Toronto Mining and Industrial exchange:

	Askd.	Bid.
Foley	73	72
Hammond Reef	28	27 1/2
Golden Star	30	29 1/2
Orin	30	29 1/2
Sawmill	18	17 1/2
Superior G. and C. Co.	20	19 1/2
Caribou	115	114
Minibah	135	134
Waterloo	124	123 1/2
Fairview	110	109 1/2
Old Ironsides	110	109 1/2
Knob Hill	90	89 1/2
Toronto and Western	100	99 1/2
Fontenay	10	9 1/2
Athabasca	30	29 1/2
Dundee	22	21 1/2
Bartholomew	12	11 1/2
North Five	23	22 1/2
Payne	100	99 1/2
Hammer-Caribou Con.	6 1/2	6 1/4
Wonderful Group	11	10 1/2
Alice A.	11	10 1/2
Empress	11	10 1/2
Lathum	11	10 1/2
Brandon & Golden	11 1/2	11 1/4
Winnipeg	3 1/2	3 1/4
Deer Park	8 1/2	8 1/4
Evening Star	8 1/2	8 1/4
Homebake	10	9 1/2
Iron Mask	70	69 1/2
Montreal Gold Fields	10	9 1/2
Monte Cristo Con.	4 1/2	4 1/4
Northern Belle	2 1/2	2 1/4
Norvig	2 1/2	2 1/4
St. Paul	1 1/2	1 1/4
Silver Bell Con.	4	3 1/2
St. Elmo	4	3 1/2
Virginia	8 1/2	8 1/4
Victory-Triumph	5 1/2	5 1/4
War Eagle Con.	30 1/2	30 1/4
White Bear	4	3 1/2
B. C. Gold Fields	4	3 1/2
Can. G. F. S.	15	14 1/2
Gold Hills	6 1/2	6 1/4
Crow's Nest Pass Coal	10 1/2	10 1/4
Republic	120	119 1/2
Deer Trail	20 1/2	20 1/4
Bonanza	17 1/2	17 1/4
Van Ande	9	8 1/2

**MORNING SALES.** Hammond Reef, 300, 500 at 25; Waterloo, 1,000 at 13; Fairview, 5,000 at 6; Dundee, 500 at 20; Van Ande, w.d., 3,000, 2,000 at 1,000 at 12; Evening Star, 300, 500 at 14; 2,000 at 13 1/2; Victory-Triumph, 500, 600, 500 at 25; B. C. Gold Fields, 500 at 34; Van Ande, w.d., 4,000 at 8 1/2. Total sales, 25,500 shares.  
No afternoon quotations owing to half holiday.

## BIG MONEY IN SAFE MINING STOCKS

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## Local Market.

London, Thursday, Oct. 25.

While the market this morning was not an extra large one, still it was very fair for a Thursday. It could hardly be said that the number of purchasers was large, but they were there to buy, not merely to ask prices, and the farmers were satisfied.  
In the meat stalls the over-supply of beef was again noticed. This was about the only commodity of which there was too much.

Grapes were the only fruit supplied in quantities this morning.  
Chestnuts dropped to \$2 and \$2 1/2 a bushel.

## A. M. HAMILTON &amp; SON'S REPORT.

London, Thursday, Oct. 25.  
Wheat, white, per bu. . . . . 65c to 67 1/2c  
Wheat, red, per bu. . . . . 66c to 67 1/2c  
Wheat, spring, per bu. . . . . 66c to 67 1/2c  
Oats, per bu. . . . . 29c to 29 1/2c  
Peas, per bu. . . . . 55c to 60c  
Corn, per bu. . . . . 42c to 44c  
Barley, per bu. . . . . 58c to 60c  
Rye, per bu. . . . . 55c to 60c

Today's grain deliveries were light. Wheat was a little easier, selling at \$1 10 to \$1 12. Oats went from 85c to 88c, the latter price being paid for private use only. No other kinds of grain offered.  
Hay receipts were light; sales ranged from \$9 50 to \$10.

Dressed hogs were scarce, the demand limited, and prices just the same as on Tuesday. Live hogs were contracted for at \$4 for sinners for delivery at once and Monday. Young pigs were dull, as usual, no business being done until noon.

## GRAIN

Wheat, per 100 lbs. . . . . 1 07 to 1 15  
Wheat, white, fall, per 100 lbs. . . . . 1 10 to 1 12  
Wheat, red, fall, per 100 lbs. . . . . 1 10 to 1 12  
Wheat, spring, per 100 lbs. . . . . 1 10 to 1 12  
Oats, per 100 lbs. . . . . 85 to 87  
Corn, per 100 lbs. . . . . 32 to 34  
Corn, per 100 lbs. . . . . 32 to 34  
Rye, per 100 lbs. . . . . 75 to 80  
Rye, per 100 lbs. . . . . 75 to 80  
Beans, per bu. . . . . 1 00 to 1 10

## PROVISIONS

Cheese, per lb. . . . . 10 to 12  
Eggs, single dozen, per doz. . . . . 18 to 20  
Eggs, fresh, per doz. . . . . 17 to 18  
Butter, lb. large rolls or crocks . . . . . 19 to 20  
Butter, pound rolls, retail . . . . . 20 to 21  
Lard, per lb. . . . . 10 to 11

## WHOLESALE DEALERS' PRICES.

Eggs, store lots, per doz. . . . . 16 to 17  
Butter, pound rolls, basket, 10 . . . . . 19 to 20  
Butter, crock . . . . . 18 to 19  
Butter, store lots, 10 . . . . . 18 to 19

## FRUIT

Quinces, 12-quart baskets . . . . . 40 to 50  
Pears, per basket . . . . . 50 to 75  
Pears, per bbl. . . . . 3 25 to 4 00  
Snow apples, per lb. . . . . 3 00 to 3 50  
Dried apples, per lb. . . . . 4 1/2 to 5  
Grapes, per basket . . . . . 30 to 40  
Tomatoes, per basket . . . . . 30 to 40

## VEGETABLES

Potatoes, new, per bag . . . . . 35 to 40  
Turnips, new, per bag . . . . . 40 to 45  
Vegetable marrow, per doz. . . . . 50 to 60  
Cabbage, per doz. . . . . 25 to 30  
Cauliflower, per doz. . . . . 50 to 60  
Celery, per doz. . . . . 50 to 60  
Beets, per bag . . . . . 40 to 50  
Onions, per bag . . . . . 1 25 to 1 35  
Carrots . . . . . 20 to 25  
Parsnips . . . . . 50 to 60

## LIVE STOCK

Beef, per lb. . . . . 2 to 3  
Hog, light, per 100 lbs. . . . . 4 00 to 4 50  
Hog, heavy, per 100 lbs. . . . . 3 00 to 3 50  
Eggs, single . . . . . 4 00 to 4 50  
Pigs, young, per pair . . . . . 2 00 to 2 50  
Sows, per 100 lbs. . . . . 2 25 to 2 50  
Ducks, per pair . . . . . 40 to 50  
Wild ducks . . . . . 45 to 55  
Spring ducks, per pair . . . . . 40 to 50  
Chickens, spring, per pair . . . . . 30 to 40  
Hens, per pair . . . . . 35 to 40

## HAY AND SEEDS

Hay, per ton . . . . . 9 50 to 10 00  
Straw, per ton . . . . . 2 00 to 2 50

## MEAT, HIDES, ETC.

Beef, per lb. . . . . 4 1/2 to 5 1/2  
Mutton, quarters, per lb. . . . . 5 to 6  
Lamb, quarters . . . . . 5 to 6  
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs. select, 5 1/2 to 5 3/4  
Dressed hogs, 100 lbs. heavy . . . . . 5 1/2 to 5 3/4  
Hides, No. 1, per lb. . . . . 1 1/2 to 1 3/4  
Hides, No. 2, per lb. . . . . 1 1/4 to 1 1/2  
Hides, No. 3, per lb. . . . . 1 1/4 to 1 1/2  
Calveskins, green . . . . . 25 to 30  
Sheepskins . . . . . 45 to 55  
Wood, washed, per lb. . . . . 15 to 20  
Wood, unwashed, per lb. . . . . 10 to 15  
Turkeys, per lb. . . . . 8 to 10  
Geese, per lb. . . . . 6 to 7

## BIRD SEED.

Prices down again. Come and see us when you want some.

**A. M. Hamilton & Son**

373 Talbot St. Phone 632.

## St. Thomas Market.

St. Thomas, Oct. 25.—Wheat, old, per bu. 65c; wheat, new, 68c; oats, 25c to 27c; peas, 50c to 60c; barley, 35c to 40c; rye, 60c; corn, 45c to 50c; flaxseed, 24 1/2c.

to \$2 50; timothy seed, \$1 50 to \$1 75; clover seed, per lb. 5 1/4c to 5 1/2c.

## The Dairy Markets.

**MONTREAL, Oct. 25.**—Cheese, 10c to 11c. Butter, 20c to 21c for townships, 16c to 17c for western.

**NAPANEE, Ont., Oct. 25.**—85c cheese boarded, 510 white, 375 colored; bias, 11c and 11 1/2c; no sales; buyers present, Magrath, Van Laven, Alexander, Brentnall, Thompson and Cleall.

**PETERBORO, Ont., Oct. 25.**—At the cheese sale held here today, 7,000 colored cheese were offered, being the make of October; sales were made as follows: Claxton, in round figures, 11,500, at 11 1/2c to 11 3/4c; Whistler, 1,500 at 11 1/2c to 11 3/4c; Rollins, 1,300 at 11 1/2c to 11 3/4c; Cook, 800 at 11 1/2c to 11 3/4c; Bailey, 700 at 11 1/2c; three or four factories were unsold at the close of the board; offers were made, but not accepted. This was the last of the season, the board adjourning until next spring. Buyers present: Whistler, Claxton, Squires, Cook, Wrighton, Bailey, Rollins and Fitzgerald.

**PETERBORO, Ont., Oct. 25.**—Ten factories boarded 610 boxes, all colored; highest bid, 11 3/4c; no sales.  
**NEW YORK, Oct. 25.**—Butter firm; western creamery, 17c to 24c; western, factory, 14 1/2c to 17c; June creamery, 17c to 22 1/2c; imitation creamery, 15 1/2c to 20c; state dairy, 16 1/2c to 22c; state creamery, 15c to 24c. Cheese quiet; large white, 12c to 12 1/2c; small white, 12 1/2c; large colored, 12 1/2c to 12 3/4c; small colored, 12 1/2c.

**CHICAGO, Oct. 25.**—Butter weak; creameries, 15c to 22c; dairies, 14c to 19c. Cheese strong; creameries, 12c to 14c.

**WOODSTOCK, Ont., Oct. 25.**—At today's cheese market two factories boarded 6,544 boxes of cheese, 2,474 white and 4,070 colored; no sales offered; highest price bid was 11c, but salesmen held for the market. Total was held only every two weeks for the balance of the season.

## Apples GREEN, DRIED, EVAPORATED

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**CHAS. ABBOTT,**

172 King Street, London. Phone 1283

## Oil Markets.

**PITTSBURGH, Pa., Oct. 25.**—Oil opened and closed today at \$1 54.  
**PETROLIA, Oct. 25.**—Oil opened and closed at \$1 45.  
**OIL CITY, Oct. 25.**—Credit balances, \$1 53; certificates, \$1 54 bid for cash.

## English Markets.

Ruling prices for the past four market days.—The following table shows the quotations per cental at Liverpool for the three previous market days, in the case of which highest prices are given.

	Oct. 21.	Oct. 22.	Oct. 23.	Oct. 24.	Oct. 25.
WHEAT—					
Red Winter	5 11 1/4	5 11 1/4	5 11 1/4	5 11 1/4	5 11 1/4
No. 1 Nor. King	6 2 1/2	6 2 1/2	6 2 1/2	6 2 1/2	6 2 1/2
No. 1 Cal. King	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4
Dec.	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4	6 3 1/4
March	6 0 1/2	6 0 1/2	6 0 1/2	6 1 1/4	6 0 1/2
May	6 0 1/2	6 1 1/4	6 1 1/4	6 1 1/4	6 1 1/4
CORN—					
New	3 8 1/2	3 8 1/2	3 8 1/2	3 8 1/2	3 7 1/2
Old	3 8 1/2	3 8 1/2	3 8 1/2	3 8 1/2	3 7 1/2
Nov.	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2
Dec.	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2
Jan.	3 6 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2
Feb.	3 6 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2	3 7 1/2
March	3 5 1/2	3 6 1/2	3 6 1/2	3 6 1/2	3 6 1/2
May	3 5 1/2	3 6 1/2	3 6 1/2	3 6 1/2	3 5 1/2
Flour—					
No. 1	20	20	20	20	20
No. 2	19	19	19	19	19
No. 3	18	18	18	18	18
No. 4	17	17	17	17	17
No. 5	16	16	16	16	16
No. 6	15	15	15	15	15
No. 7	14	14	14	14	14
No. 8	13	13	13	13	13
No. 9	12	12	12	12	12
No. 10	11	11	11	11	11
No. 11	10	10	10	10	10
No. 12	9	9	9	9	9
No. 13	8	8	8	8	8
No. 14	7	7	7	7	7
No. 15	6	6	6	6	6
No. 16	5	5	5	5	5
No. 17	4	4	4	4	4
No. 18	3	3	3	3	3
No. 19	2	2	2	2	2
No. 20	1	1	1	1	1

## American Markets.

**CHICAGO, Oct. 25.**—Wheat got below the 70c mark, December options, again today, but corn came to the rescue, and the loss was fully regained, December closing a shade higher, at 70 1/2c to 70 3/4c. Buying by oversold shorts strengthened corn, and that commodity closed with a gain of 1/4c to 3/4c. Oats closed a shade higher, January pork advanced 20c, and lard and ribs 5c to 7 1/2c each. Chicago received 170 cars, 5 of which graded contract. Minneapolis and Duluth got 548 cars, compared with 956 for the corresponding day a year ago. Total western primary receipts were 1,021,000 bu., against 1,587,000 bu. last year. Atlantic port clearances of wheat and flour equaled 350,000 bu. Cash demand both here and at the seaboard was slow.

## The leading futures closed as follows:

—Oct. 25: Dec. 70 1/2c to 70 3/4c; May, 74 1/2c; Corn—Oct. 31 1/2c; Dec. 31 1/2c to 31 3/4c; May, 33 1/2c to 34c; Oats—Dec. 22 1/2c; May, 23 1/2c; Mess Pork—Dec. \$8 95; Jan. \$9 00. Lard—Dec. \$12 25; Jan. \$12 37 1/2. Short ribs—Dec. \$14 37 1/2; Jan. \$14 97 1/2. Cash quotations: Flour, steady; No. 1 spring wheat, 82 1/2c to 83c; No. 2, 81 1/2c to 82c; No. 3, 80 1/2c to 81c; No. 4, 79 1/2c to 80c; No. 5, 78 1/2c to 79c; No. 6, 77 1/2c to 78c; No. 7, 76 1/2c to 77c; No. 8, 75 1/2c to 76c; No. 9, 74 1/2c to 75c; No. 10, 73 1/2c to 74c; No. 11, 72 1/2c to 73c; No. 12, 71 1/2c to 72c; No. 13, 70 1/2c to 71c; No. 14, 69 1/2c to 70c; No. 15, 68 1/2c to 69c; No. 16, 67 1/2c to 68c; No. 17, 66 1/2c to 67c; No. 18, 65 1/2c to 66c; No. 19, 64 1/2c to 65c; No. 20, 63 1/2c to 64c.

## RECEIPTS—Flour, 18,000 barrels; wheat, 102,000 bushels; corn, 703,000 bushels; oats, 375,000 bushels; rye, 250,000 bushels; barley, 37,000 bushels.

## SHIPMENTS—Flour, 18,000 barrels; wheat, 24,000 bushels; corn, 465,000 bushels; oats, 262,000 bushels; rye, 4,000 bushels; barley, 37,000 bushels.

## Live Stock Markets.

**CHICAGO, Oct. 25.**—There was a fairly active demand for cattle today at about former prices, the middling grades being barely steady; good to fancy grades brought \$5 50 to \$5 75; common to medium, \$4 10 to \$4 45; stockers and feeders, \$2 10 to \$2 45; and bulls, \$4 10 to \$4 25; Texans, \$3 50 to \$4 10; calves, \$5 40 to \$7 50; trade was brisk in hogs at steady prices; fair prime lots, \$4 25 to \$4 42 1/2; heavy packers, \$3 80 to \$4 17 1/2; mixed, \$4 10 to \$4 35; butchers, \$4 15 to \$4 42 1/2; light weights, \$4 10 to \$4 35; pigs, \$3 50 to \$4 30. There was an excellent demand for sheep and lambs at the recent advance; poor to choice sheep, \$2 25 to \$4 30; lambs, \$3 50 to \$5 50 for the poorest to the best. Receipts—Cattle, 14,000; hogs, 32,000; sheep, 15,000.

## EAST BUFFALO, Oct. 25.

There were no offerings, but fair inquiry for choice butchers, giving a steady feeling. Calves were in light supply, active demand and quite strong; choice to extra were quotable at \$5 25 to \$5 50; good to choice, \$4 75 to \$5 25. Sheep and lambs—The market was unusually steady, with 15 loads, including 4 loads of Canada lambs; the basis was a shade higher on choice lambs, and full strong on sheep; lambs, choice to extra, were quotable at \$5 25 to \$5 50; good to choice, \$4 75 to \$5 25; fair, \$4 25 to \$4 50; sheep, choice to extra, \$4 25 to \$4 50; good to choice, \$3 75 to \$4 25; Canada lambs were quotable at \$5 25 to \$5 50; not all offerings were sold. Hogs—The trade was dull and 5c to 10c lower, on a total of 20 loads for the day; in fact, it was a \$4 50 market on all tradeable grades of heavy, mixed, medium and Yorkers and pigs; grassers, \$4 30 to \$4 40; roughs, \$3 75 to \$3 85; stags, \$3 35 to \$3 50; the close was about steady.

## OLD COUNTRY PRICES.

London, Oct. 25.—At London and Liverpool prices for Canadian and American cattle are unchanged at 11 1/2c to 12 1/2c per lb, dressed weight; refrigerator beef is 9 1/2c per lb.

## TRANSVAAL WAR IS NO PICNIC.

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## THE FIGHTING AT RIETPOONTJEN.

London, Oct. 25.—Details of the fighting at Rietfontein are coming in slowly. A special dispatch from Ladysmith, dated Oct. 24, filed after the light, says: "On discovery that the Boers were massed to the westward of the main road to Dundee, an attempt was made by a train to discover the body of Col. Scott-Chisholme, killed at Elands-laagte. The train was fired upon and obliged to retire, and Gen. White moved out to attack the Boers, who had to be driven back. The Boers, who had joined the Transvaalers at Elands-laagte, Gen. White commanded personally. The Fifth Lancers were placed on either flank. They first came in touch with the Boers below Modder-spruit, where 1,500 burghers occupied a strong ridge, whence they opened fire at 1,500 yards, hitting several of the British. In the meanwhile the Huskies and Natal carthoods advanced unscathed through an opening in the ridge, under the fire of a Boer gun, while the Imperial Light Horse took part of the crest of the ridge, the Boers retreating. At about 9, however, a Boer gun stationed on the crest of Nativanaskop opened fire with great accuracy on the main force, which, in the meantime, had come up; but the shells failed to explode, and the British artillery silenced the opposition. The whole British force then advanced, and the action became general. A large body of Boers occupied strong positions at Matabanaskop, and the precipitous ridges surrounding it. The British guns shelled the positions and the infantry advanced under cover of the fire.

The Gloucesters and Devons crossed a fearful fire-zone beneath Tuitanyoni hill, whence the Boers poured a withering fire with snail shot. The 20c of the attackers dropped within a distance of 200 yards. Seeing the peril of the Devons and Gloucesters, Gen. White dispatched the Carbiniers and Liverpool to take the enemy in the rear. A fierce rifle and artillery duel was maintained for some time. The British Maxims rattled, but the Boers, under cover of the rocks, remained cool and replied with snail shot. A rifle fire. The British artillery swept the face of the hill and at length the shells became so destructive that the Boers retreated to another ridge, whence they were dislodged. The volunteers in the face of a gallant rifle fire. The Boers soon re-formed and took up a position on another ridge, but the volunteers dashed across the line, and the Boers again dashed on the Boer position and drove them back to the main force, occupying Matabanaskop. The British then shelled the latter until clusters of Boers were seen leaving and retreating westward, when the engagement closed.

A special dispatch from Glencoe camp, dated Oct. 25, says: After the victory on Friday the British imagined they were free from further molestation for some days. They were wrong. The Boers, who had been reported as a sweeping success were exaggerated. Guns were inaccurate, the burghers succeeding in removing some of them before the British could reach the hill, leaving only the ridges behind to cover their retreat.

## THE EVACUATION OF DUNDEE.

On Saturday news was received of the approach of Gen. Joubert's main column, threatening Dundee. Gen. Buller quickly recognized the impossibility of defending both Dundee and Glencoe against such superiority of numbers, sent word to Ladysmith of his dangerous situation, and ordered the evacuation of Dundee. Most of the inhabitants went southward on Saturday. The British camp was also removed in anticipation of an attack on Dundee, which commenced with long-range firing by the big guns at daybreak on Sunday. The Boers made excellent practice, and the shells from a 40-pounder occupying the Impati Mountains dropped in and around the town. In the meanwhile the British had reached Glencoe in safety. There had been no fighting on Monday, and orders reached Gen. Buller to fall back on Ladysmith. At the same time he was informed that a large force was awaiting at Elands-laagte to assist the evacuation of Dundee. The Boers were quietest evacuated. The precarious position of the British not known to the Boers.