A REVOLUTION IS BREWING.

FRANCE SAID TO BE IN THE THROES OF A DANGEROUS CRISIS.

Will the Republic's Stormy Career May Terminate—Gen. Boulanger the Commanding Figure in the Scene—A Situation Full of Menacing Omens.

LONDON, March 31.—The defeat of the French Government on so vital a question as the revision of the Constitution puts France into the throes of a crisis as serious as that brought about by the resignation of President Grevy. A Ministry nominated by the Extreme Left would have to introduce a measure in the direction indicated by M. Laguerre's motion, and this would certainly be rejected by the Senate. Altogether, the task of governing France at present is a herculean one. It is estimated that there are now in the French Chamber no fewer than seventeen parties of Royalists alone split into five groups, and even the Bonapartists, although sadly reduced in numbers, are split into three. The crisis gives increased importance to Gen. Boulanger, whose address to the electors of Nord is freely criticised and is held to furnish further confirmation, if any were needed, of his political manœuvres.

Journalists in the confidence of M. Tirard declare that it is not true that Boulanger was watched by the police while at Clermont. According to them, some days after the four elections in which Boulanger appeared as a candidate the first time, M. Logerot, the Minister of War, sent for him and asked for a frank and private explanation. Boulanger protested that he was quite a stranger to what had been done, and was a soldier and nothing but a soldier. Some days afterwards Gen. Boulanger, coming to Paris in defiance of express orders to the contrary, was met accidentally at the Lyons terminus by a military officer. The officer reported the fact to M. Logerot, adding that Gen. Boulanger wore dark spectacles.

It is difficult as yet to estimate Boulanger's chances of success at Nord. Much depends on whether he can persuade the peace-loving agriculturists of the north that he really favors only a defensive military policy.

The early dissolution of the Chamber of Deputies is imminent. It is reported that M. Floquet has intimated that he has no desire to occupy the position of Premier, and, although it is stated that he has not given any specific reasons for his hesitancy in accepting the lodge, the reason is quite obvious, since the man who in the present circumstances assumes the responsibility of the office can see no hope of retaining his place. MM. Ribot and Rivet are prominently mentioned as the probable selections of President Carnot in the event of M. Floquet's declination or ill-success in forming a Cabinet.

A reported attempt to assassinate Gen. Boulanger at midnight, last night, the Boulanger organs, as well as other Paris newspapers deny, but even the rumor that such means of ridding France of its chief cause of unsettled political progress has created a feeling among the Proletariat against the opponents of the General that augurs woe to the detected promoters of any disaster which may befall the popular idol.

Commenting upon the French situation The London Daily News says it is not surprised that Gen. Boulanger should have a large following. "The last two days have shown him to be a leader. His distinct and strong individuality and his faith in himself and his star represent a vague but widespread distrust, possibly only with the administration, but possibly with the entire constitutional system. Even this is a matter of small importance if it shall prove that he represents only a spirit of dissatisfaction and should fail to give satisfaction after all; but of the truth of the one nobody is convinced, and of the other, of course, no one can know. Cromwell and Napoleon understood the time and the direction of national impulse. If Boulanger possesses the same genius, he is the coming man of France. He may do irreparable mischief or great good, but as things are shaping themselves now he must have his day.

ALARM AT BERLIN.

The Peace of Europe Threatened—German Official Circles Gravely Disturbed.

BERLIN, March 31.—The sudden change in the position of the French political parties has reawakened apprehensions for the immediate future. Gen. Boulanger is now felt to be no spectral shadow but a substantial force threatening the peace of Europe. To-day's Paris advices gravely disturbed official circles. No reliance is placed upon any possible ministry that M. Floquet, Mr. Clemenceau or any other man may form, for the maintenance of peace. What Germany looks forward to is the voice of the French nation on appeal. If dissolution of the Chamber produces a strong Boulanger party it will be taken here as equivalent to a popular vote for war, and the convenience of the French to begin it will not be awaited.

The entire press of the country realizes the dangers of the position. The National Zeitung hopes that the Chamber of Deputies will yet find a way to save the state from the war party, but despairs of the republic unless President Carnot can obtain a strong ministry having a program of peace without an arrière pensee.

The Vossische Zeitung recognises in President Carnot a prudent statesman who is conscious that Boulanger means anarchy, which will lead to an electorship, and, unless the Republicans are able to support Carnot with solid governmental ideas, a triumph which will invoke the overthrow of the Republic and the extinction of the nation.

No paper in Germany or Austria, however Radical, has the slightest sympathy with the Boulanger movement. The Neue Freie Presse of Vienna joins in the general strain in predicting ruin for France unless she has the wisdom to chase "that unscrupulous adventurer" out of the country.

Uncle Sam's Constitutional Centennial.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—In the Senate yesterday a bill was passed for a celebration at the National Capital in the spring of 1889 in honor of the centennial of the constitution of the United States. The bill provides for a commission of nine members, three to be appointed by the President, three Senators and three members of the House, which commission is to have charge of the preparations for and the ceremonies of the celebration. The President is requested to invite the chief executive and chief judicial officers of Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, San Salvador, Honduras, the United States of Colombia, Venezuela, Bolivia, Peru, Chili, Uruguay, Paraguay, Ecuador, the Argentine Republic, the Empire of Brazil, the Dominion of Canada, Hayti and San Domingo and such other civil and military officers of said Governments as the commission shall designate, to visit Washington in the spring of 1889 and join with the President of the United States Senators and members of Congress and the Justices of the Supreme Court, the Governors of the forty-six states and territories and others who may be invited in suitable ceremonies in honor of the event, and the President shall have authority to entertain in a suitable manner and for a suitable time in his discretion the foreign guests attending the celebration. The sum of $300,000 is appropriated to defray the expenses incidental to the celebration and entertainment.

Ladies' Large Hands.

It was the fashion a few years ago to have small hands, but since Mrs. Langtry is said to wear 7½ gloves the opposite is now the case. The fact is a large hand well shaped is far more beautiful than a small wrinkled stub-fingered claw. Of course for small ladies small hands are all right. The Josephine kid gloves are worth $1.25 a pair. McKendry has a line left in size 7, 7½ and 7¾ only, now selling to clear them out quick for 39 cents. Run to 278 Yonge for a pair at once. x

California's Promising Crop Outlook.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 1.—Rain prevailed throughout California yesterday, and reports received from all the grain producing counties show that both wheat and barley fields are looking exceptionally fine. The present prospects are for the largest yield of grain in the history of the State, while the fruit output will also be larger than in any previous year.

—Use the safe, pleasant and effectual worm killer, Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator; nothing equals it. Procure a bottle and take it home.

THE LABOR MARKET UNSETTLED.

A Meeting of the Builders' Laborers' Union—Will Try to Avoid a Strike.

"When the spring time comes, gentle Annie," there are always talks of strikes in Toronto, the greatest building emporium of its size on the continent of North America. The first strike so far, and it must be said, it was an incipient one, was out at the new subway, when carters concluded that $2 a day was not sufficient remuneration for their toil and that of their ill conditioned nags. This was supplemented by the labor meeting in St. Andrew's Hall on Wednesday evening last, where a number of speakers advocated the advancement of laborers' wages and the shortening of laborers' working hours.

One evening last week the carpenters met in solemn conclave in Shaftesbury Hall to discuss the situation and arrange for a scale of wages which shall obtain during the coming building season. The meeting was a crowded one and the speeches made were of the aggressive, no surrender order; but what was decided on has not yet been made public. The bricklayers, stonecutters and other tradesmen have their rates of wages and hours of labor fixed, but should there be a strike in any of the auxiliary trades it would of course knock them on their beam ends; and many of them need a four and steady spell of work to recoup them for their four or five months of wintry idleness.

When Chairman George T. Beales ascended the dais in Temperance Hall, up stairs, on Saturday evening last, to call a mass meeting of the Builders' Laborers' Union to order, he looked benignly down on a big sea of upturned, excited faces, owned by members of the union. The gathering was to fix a wage for the coming season and the wage was fixed, but whether the bosses will accede to the demands of the men is a matter which will probably be decided to-day, when it is said that a committee from the men and another from the bosses will meet, put their heads together, and is to be hoped arrive at an amicable settlement.

The World went to the meeting in Temperance Hall, but did not go in. The young man might have got there had it not been for the inside and outside tylers, who were on deck in force and who demanded the password, from various points of vantage, leading towards the door. The password not being handy the young man went down stairs and sat on the door step waiting the breaking up of the meeting and the appearance of Chairman Beales. When that gentleman was seen he said he could not speak about what had transpired, the meeting being a secret one.

"Do you think there will be any strike in the building trade this spring, Mr. Beales?" was asked.

"No, I do not, and I shall certainly do all in my power to avoid any. I believe the men and the bosses will arrange satisfactory terms and that there will be no strike."

Mr. Andrew Cowan took a less hopeful view of the situation, although he expressed hopes similar to those voiced by Mr. Beales.

At all events, to use a stock broking phrase, the labor market is unsettled.

A Negro's Superstition.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 1.—Dan Wingfield, an old negro who has lived for years in a small hut in the Mineral Springs district, applied to the police yesterday for protection, saying that his life was in danger from the "conjure" of an old lady by the name of Mary Unóti. He said he found nailed over his door a red flannel bag tied up with white strings. "I knowed it was a conjure bag, and I did not open it, but fotch it right down here." The officer opened the little red bag, and it contained a piece of old horse shoe, a few grains of gunpowder and some snake root. "I knowed it, I knowed it!" the old negro exclaimed, as he looked at the bag, his eyes stretching until they almost popped out of their sockets. Moving backward from the bag, he said: "Dat ole woman has conjured me and I'll die, shure." He then fell over on the floor in a dead faint and did not recover until the officers had called the patrol wagon and started to send him home. He begged piteously not to be left alone, saying he was sure he was going to die. He excited himself into a fever and a physician has been called in. Last night he was delirious and it was thought he would die before morning.

—The proprietors of Farmelee's Pills are constantly receiving letters similar to the following, which explains itself. Mr. John A. Beam, Waterloo, Ont., writes: "I never used any medicine that can equal Farmelee's Pills for dyspepsia or liver and kidney complaints. The relief experienced after using them was wonderful." As a safe family medicine Farmelee's Vegetable Pills can be given in all cases requiring a cathartic.

Chaska's Bride.

PIERRE, Dak., April 1.—Post Trader Robb of Fort Bennett brought yesterday the first authentic account of the marriage of Miss Fellows and Chaska, her Indian lover. The wedding took place on March 23, at Swift Bird's camp. Rev. Mr. Handforth, an Episcopal clergyman recently from Africa, officiated. The marriage would have taken place sooner, but Mr. Handforth insisted on publishing it three Sundays before he would perform the ceremony. Miss Fellows presented Chaska with a gold ring engraved 'Cora to Chaska.' The wedding was followed by the usual all-night dance, after which the married pair went to their new home. The lady is represented as apparently infatuated with her Indian husband. She will continue to teach.

A Noted Confidence Woman Arrested.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., April 1.—"Big Bertha," alias Bertha Heyman, the most noted confidence woman in America, was arrested on the Southern Pacific Railroad here yesterday. She and her companion were found to have in their persons a quantity of diamonds, jewelry, gold watches and money. She is charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. This is the same woman who after a brilliant criminal career six years ago, swindled one of the guards at Blackwell's Island Prison, where she was confined, out of $900.

Thirty-one Drowned.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—China advices received to-day by steamer Rio de Janeiro state that the British steamer Swallow was wrecked Feb. 22 off Namoa Island. The vessel struck on rocks and sank. The captain and a number of the crew and passengers saved themselves by clinging to the rigging, but thirty-one persons, who put off from the wreck in a small boat, are supposed to be lost. The body of the engineer, who was one of the occupants of the boat, was recovered.

Hatters Out of Work.

DANBURY, Conn., April 1.—There is danger of a labor panic here on account of the stagnation of the hatting industry due to the cutting of manufacturers' prices and opening of small shops throughout the neighboring country. About 2500 hatters are now out of work, and the list will probably be swelled to several thousand by next week. At Bethel the majority of the shops are also shut down.

Winnipeg Icelandic Society's Memorial.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—In the Senate yesterday Mr. Hoar (Mass.) asked leave to present a memorial from the Icelandic Educational Society of Winnipeg, Man., praying for an appropriation for a thorough examination of the records of the Vatican and other libraries and for a public recognition of Lief Ericsson as the first discoverer of America.

The Victims Number 24.

KANSAS CITY, April 1.—The latest reports from Rich Hill place the total number of deaths from Thursday's explosion at twenty-four. It is now reasonably certain that no more bodies are in the ruins, although rumors are circulated to the effect that several negroes are still missing.

Entitled to Free Entry.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The Treasury Department has decided that tin cans containing fish, which are exempt from duty under the act of March 3, 1883, are also entitled to free entry under the provisions in said act for the distal and necessary covering.

Maryland Legislators Badly Injured.

BALTIMORE, April 1.—By the breaking of a spring the smoking car on the afternoon train on the Annapolis Short Line Railroad was thrown down an embankment yesterday and several Maryland legislators were badly injured, none, however, fatally.

Dismissed the Complaint.

NEW YORK, April 1.—Judge Barrett has dismissed the complaint in the suit of Townsend Cox v. E. S. Stokes, et al. The action was brought to annul the sale of the United Lines Telegraph Company to Stokes in July, 1885.

TORONTO'S RAILWAY SCHEME.

Marvelous Growth of West Toronto Within Four Years.

Four years ago there was nothing at West Toronto Junction but large snake-fenced fields, the same in size and shape as when laid out by the original settler. To-day it is a centre for two of the largest railways on the continent, a centre whence goods may be shipped or passage taken for any point in America. Manufacturers have begun to realize this fact. Several large factories have been already started, such as Wagner's shoe case factory, employing 200 hands, Heintzman's piano factory, the Ontario Wire Mattrass Company, employing 150 hands, the Parkdale Lumber Company, and other smaller factories. Macdonald & Co. of the Tin Works have purchased land for a factory near the station and they are going to build at once. Then there are all the railway works, employing many men, and the Canadian Pacific Railway's car shops are going to be removed from Parkdale to the Junction. These facts show that West Toronto Junction is not going to be built up by the railways alone. As much as $60 a foot is asked for property in good situations, and there is some held at $100. This looks like business. West Toronto has begun to develop from within itself. It's future is assured, not only because it is one of Toronto's most valuable suburbs, but because it has the elements of expansion within itself. Of all the suburbs this is the one for the investor. There is an active demand for property, and the building prospects for the coming season are highly encouraging. To give a particular instance: Mr. William Wilson has sixteen houses under way at the present moment and those houses are all rented, and he is going to put up twenty-four more this year. These houses are being put up at the northern end of the Willoughby estate. This property lies between the municipality of West Toronto and the City of Toronto, and enjoys the benefits that result from such situation without city taxation. One side of the property is about 200 yards from West Toronto Station and the other fifty 200 yards from the new station that is to be erected on Bloor-street. The trains stop at Bloor-street at present. A new station is to be built there this spring. The suburban railway service to and from this property is ahead of anything around Toronto. A schedule of prices furnished by the Grand Trunk shows that 100 tickets to Bloor-street are sold for $3.35. A season ticket costs $11.40, allowing the purchaser to go and come daily for a year. All other kinds of tickets are proportionately low. The C.P.R. authorities say they have not yet begun to develop the Toronto suburbs. Within a year or two they expect to have a service that will create a revolution in this suburban question. There is a proposition before the City Council to have the Dundas street sewer extended to beyond Bloor-street, and it is confidently expected that the street cars will be running to the corner of Bloor and Dundas streets before the present year is out. This will be done as soon as the Dundas-street railway bridges are rebuilt. The railway companies and the city have joined hands in regard to these bridges. Each party is to pay half of the cost of rebuilding and the city is to take them over and keep them in repair. This has already been settled and agreed to. When the work is done it is very likely that the rails on College-street will be extended to the bridges, and from there by a slight detour laid through to High Park. The C.P.R. have purchased the right of way for a branch from the Bolt Works, near the Humber, to West Toronto Junction. So that the evidences of activity are visible on all sides in the neighborhood of West Toronto Junction. The Willoughby property contains 14,000 feet frontage, and is now in the market in single lots or in blocks. The agent handling it is Mr. R. McDonell, Room 14, York Chambers, Toronto-street.

—The coughing and wheezing of persons troubled with bronchitis or the asthma is excessively harrassing to themselves and annoying to others. Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil obviates all this entirely, safely and speedily.

Markets And Health Estimates.

The Markets and Health Committee met on Saturday morning, the members present being Ald. Johnson (chairman), Frankland, Woods, Hill and Verral. City Commissioner Coatsworth presented the estimates for the current year, of which the following is a summary:

Street watering	$ 25,700
Street cleaning	20,304
Scavenger work	33,483
Western Cattle market	4,876
Western Cattle Market improvements	5,000
St. Lawrence Market	2,259
Hay Market	1,250
Church-street weigh scales	100
St. Patrick's Market	250
St. Andrew's Market	455
	$ 93,982

After some discussion the estimates were amended by adding $5000 to the scavenging appropriation and $18,00 for expenses in connection with the health department. The contract for the erection of a hay shed at the Western Cattle Market was given to James Pettigrew for $249. It was also determined to ask the City Council to allow the committee to advertise for tenders for the feed and hire of from fifty to sixty horses for street watering purposes during the summer months.

The Accident Insurance Company of North America, the most popular Canadian company, has paid over 20,000 claims and issues policies on the most liberal terms. For further particulars apply to MIDLAND & JONES, General Agents, Equity Chambers, Victoria-street, Toronto. 361

New Members of the Board of Trade.

The Board of Trade held a special general meeting Saturday at noon, when the following gentlemen were elected members: Daniel J. Kelly, coal and wood merchant, Parkdale; Henry W. Evans, insurance agent, city; William Davies, jr., porkpacker, city; Thomas Marshall, wholesale jeweler, city; J. C. Landers, druggist, city; Adam A. Scott, lumber manufacturer, city; George Wellington McGill, coal and wood merchant, city.

President Matthews presented the report of the action of the Council with reference to the Windmill Line extension, deepening of the East-an Gap, proposed Union Station and legislation re abolition of bucketshops. With reference to the deepening of the Eastern Gap the President stated that he believed it was the intention of the Government to carry out the work and close up the Western Gap, which could not be deepened any further except at enormous cost.

Don't fail to procure Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup, for your children while teething. It has been used by millions of mothers during the last forty years for their children. Cures wind colic, diarrhœa. Be sure and get Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. 25c a bottle. 138

The Widow Wins Her Case.

In the case of Watson v Watson, continued over from Friday in the Civil Assize Court, the jury on Saturday returned a verdict for Widow Watson against her father-in-law for $460. Boom v Huebner, a dispute over a contract for the supply of bricks, resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff. Johnson v Jones, an action for excessive distraint, was settled out of court. In Callicatt v McKinley, also for excessive distraint, the jury disagreed. This closed the business for Saturday.

To-day's peremptory list is as follows: Curry v C. P. R., Hall v Couch, Martin v Weicher, Dennis v Goodall. The following non-jury cases will be heard on Tuesday: Berry v Pease, Wyld v Young, White v White, Bank of Commerce v Bank of British North America, American Express Co. v Neeley, Daney v Hayhall.

A Prominent Hardware Firm.

Messrs. M. and J. L. Vokes have just bought out the hardware business of R. Hatch, 111 Yonge-street. The new firm, who are well and favorably known to the trade, will make 111 Yonge-street their headquarters, the Queen-street west store being continued as usual, as a branch.

The Allan Line.

The magnificent royal mail steamer Parisian sails from Halifax April 7; the Polynesian from Halifax April 21, and the Sardinian from Halifax May 5, after which the steamships of the Allan Line will sail from Quebec.

—A host of bodily troubles are engendered by chronic indigestion. These, however, as well as their cause, disappear when the highly accredited invigorant and alterative, Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure, is the agent employed for their removal. A regular habit of body, and a due secretion and flow of bile invariably result from its persistent use. It cleanses the system from all irregularities, and restores the weak and broken down constitution to health and strength.

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MARKETS QUIET IN EASTER

NO SESSION OF THE LOCAL STOCK EXCHANGE TILL TO-MORROW.

The New York Stocks Dormant—Corn Improves in Chicago—Oil Continues to be Excited—Statistics on the Coal Trade—Miscellaneous Commercial News.

The New York Stock market was quiet today, but for an Easter holiday a good deal of business was done. The tone of the market was weakness, without any marked feature. In Chicago wheat was very inactive; there only being a three-eighths fluctuation. Corn was firm, showing a still higher tendency. There were no sessions of the Montreal and Toronto stock exchanges to-day.

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To-day's fluctuations and the total sales of the leading stocks on the New York Stock Exchange were as follows:

Stocks.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Sales.
Canada Pac.	61¾	.....	.....	.....	100
Con. Gas.	138½	139	138½	139	.....
Canada So.	49¾	49¾	49	49¼	2510
Del. Lack. & West.	134	134	133¾	133¾	41,030
D., L. & W.	135¾	135¾	132½	133½	12,600
Erie	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾	500
Louisville & Nash.	53¾	53¾	52	52	5,400
Lake Shore	98	98¾	98¼	98¼	10,000
Mich. Cent.	86¼	86¼	84	84	600
M. K. & T.	13	13	12	12	.....
Mo. Pac.	78¾	78¾	72¾	72¾	5400
N. Y. Cen.	104	104	103¾	103¾	1,500
N. J. Cent.	73	73	74	74	1,300
Northwest	105¼	105¼	103¾	103¾	17,500
N. Y., O. & W.	21¾	21¾	21	21	8,300
Oregon Trans.	18	18	17¾	17¾	.....
Oregon Ry.	86¼	86¼	.....	.....	.....
Pac. Mail	37	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reading	35¾	35¾	35¼	35¼	34,600
St. Paul	70	70	68¾	68¾	38,950
Union Pacific	57¾	57¾	49¾	49¾	10,500
Western Union	79¾	79¾	71¾	71¾	11,800

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WALL STREET GOSSIP.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Robert Cochran received this despatch from his New York agent to-day: None of the brokers found at the uptown hotels yesterday were looking for a very active market to-day, partly on account of the usual half holiday, but principally because there would be nothing doing for London account until Tuesday morning owing to the Easter. In the absence of very bad news conservative people look for marked improvement. Their arguments is the bears have pretty run to the end of their tether. It is now reasonable to expect a general sized improvement, which developments may extend to a protracted bull movement. No one who has watched the current of affairs during the past few days can arrive at any other conclusion than that powerful influences have been at work and have absorbed large lines of stocks which the bears will have to cover. It is now evident that A. Gould feels more hopeful and is inclined to protect his specialties. His manipulations could be plainly seen in Mo. P. and W.U. It is believed that important developments are progressing in the R.R. matters, and upon Mr. Morgan's arrival in London he will make arrangements for placing the bonds.

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The Bank of England rate is 3 per cent.

Robert Cochran received these London financial quotations to-day: 12.30 p.m.—Consols, 101 11-16 for money, and 101¾ on account; U.S. 4's, 129; U.S. 4½'s, 108¾; Erie, 34¾; Erie 2nds, 99¾; C.P.R., 65¾; Ill. Cen., 119; N.Y. Cen., 107. 4.30 p.m.—Consols, 101 11-16 for money and 101¾ on account; C.P.R., 65¾; N.Y.C., 108½.

To-day's New York bank statement shows $267,650 res. dec., $845,800 loans dec., $1,190,100 specie dec., $482,900 legal tender inc., $1,758,900 deposit dec., and $112,000 circulation dec.

Call loans were quoted at 4 per cent. to-day.

New York Central, in round figures, carried 13,000,000 tons of freight last year. A reduction in the rate of ten cents per hundred, and which may happen before long, means a loss in revenue of $2,600,000 per year.

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Hardware and Iron Merchants; Toronto.

Grain and Produce.

The receipts at Chicago by car lots yesterday were: Winter wheat 5000 bush, spring wheat 60,000 bush., corn 90,000 bush., oats 55,000 bush., barley 17,000 bush. To-day's receipts were: Winter wheat 3000 bush., spring wheat 2000 bush., corn 115,000 bush., oats 12,000.

Receipts and shipments at the Union Stock Yards were: Hogs 8500; offered Thursday 17,619; shipments 6703; left over about 4000. The receipts for the week were 53,253 and shipments 40,235. Up to the present 220,000 barrels of pork have been packed, against 213,000 during the same period last year. To-day's cattle receipts are 2000. Market steady.

GERRARD-STREET, EAST TORONTO.

Lot 50x150 feet, $12 per foot. A choice lot.

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CHICAGO MARKETS.

The following table shows the fluctuations in the Chicago market to-day as received by T. E. Hanrahan & Co.:

		Opened.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closed.
Wheat	May	77⅛	77⅛	76⅞	77⅛
"	June	77⅞	77⅞	77¼	77⅜
"	July	77⅞	78	77⅝	77⅞
Corn	May	53	53¼	52¾	52¾
"	June	52	52¼	51¾	52¼
"	July	52¼	52¼	51¾	52¼
Pork	May	13.60	13.60	13.35	13.45
"	June	13.62	13.62	13.42	13.51
"	July	13.55	13.65	13.47	13.55
Ribs	May	7.16	7.10	7.05	7.10
"	June	7.12	7.17	7.12	7.17
"	July	7.22	7.25	7.20	7.25
Lard	May	7.62	7.67	7.57	7.57
"	June	7.67	7.67	7.62	7.62
"	July	7.72	7.75	7.67	7.67

LATER—Cash quotations were: No. 2 spring wheat 72½c to 73c. No. 2 red 81c. No. 2 corn 52c, pork $13.30 to $13.60, lard $7.57½, short ribs sides $7.05, dry salted shoulders $5.75 to $6, short clear sides $7.55 to $7.60. Receipts—Flour 15,000 bbls, wheat 18,000 bush, corn 90,000 bush, oats 78,000 bush, barley 20,000 bush. Shipments—Flour 22,000 bbls, wheat 13,000 bush, corn 105,000 bush, oats 72,000 bush, rye 2000 bush, barley 20,000 bush.

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NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Cotton Exchange closed. Flour steady. Wheat—Receipts 27,700 bush; exports 76,000 bush; sales 824,000 bush futures, 128,000 bush spot; cash firm; options opened weak, ¼c to ⅜c lower, but soon ruled stronger and closed with the decline recovered; 2 red March 89½c to 89½c, April 89½c, May 89½c, June 88½c. Corn—Receipts 39,000 bush, exports 3000 bush, sales 376,000 bush futures, 81,000 bush spot; options advanced ¼c to ½c, closing steady with a reaction of ⅛c to ¼c; cash firm and quiet. No. 2 April 62c, May 61½c, June 59½c. Oats—Receipts 95,000 bush, sales 40,000 bush futures, 97,000 bush spot; options a shade better but quiet; cash heavy, ¼c to ½c lower; No. 2 April 33½c, May 37½c, June 37½c, No. 2 33½c to 38c, mixed western 36c to 41c, white do 41c to 45c. Coffee fair. Rio, quiet, steady, 14c. Sugar steady; Standard "A" 6¼c, cut loaf and crushed 7¾c, powdered 7c, granulated 6¾c.

OSWEGO BARLEY MARKET.

Oswego reports Barley unchanged to-day, with No. 1 Canadian quoted at 91 and No. 1 bright at 94.

The Oil Market.

Oil opened strong this morning at New York and was very active during the day, closing weak. Opening quotation was 87½; highest 87½; lowest 83½; closing 84½.

The Coal Trade.

The Wall-street News says that although March came in like the proverbial lion and has retained its leonine character throughout, yet the consumption of anthracite has not been up to the expectations of the coal men. They are carrying forward large stocks and awaiting—though it must be confessed hopelessly—some event that shall float them out of their dilemma. There is little in the future to warrant any increase of demand, and the higher temperature, of which we may soon reasonably hope to get a foretaste, must dispel any such expectations, for lower prices for coal are imminent. The statement of anthracite production for the week ended March 24 is 636,897 tons, comparing with 630,957 tons same time last year. Since Jan. 1 the total production amounts to 6,905,884 tons, as against 7,810,576 tons same time in 1887.

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