

**MONEY MARKET.**

THE demand for money is fairly active but the supply is still abundant to meet all the legitimate requirements of trade.

Sterling Exchange is in ordinary demand, but rates are entirely unchanged.

Exchange on New York, payable in gold is without much demand, and rates remain as last quoted.

Gold in New York has steadily declined since the date of our last report, closing at 127½. Greenbacks are quoted at 78c. to 78½c.

Silver is without noticeable change, the rate of discount remaining low.

The following are the latest quotations of Sterling Exchange, &c:—

Bank on London, 60 days sight	106½ to 109
Private, " 60 days sight	106½ to 109
Bank in New York, 60 days sight	106½ to 109
Gold Drafts on New York	106½ to par.
Gold in New York	127½
Silver, large	18 to 17

**THE GROCERY TRADE**

GENERALLY speaking, business in this branch of trade has been a quiet nature during the past week; nevertheless a fair amount of goods has been placed for the season, taken in connection with the public sales already held, and those announced to come off next week and the week following.

TEAS—Have not had much enquiry. Some little business has been done in Greens, while Japans have been almost entirely neglected, and Blacks meet with little favour.

COFFEE—The demand has been little more than retail, and chiefly for city consumption.

SUGAR—Raws have been somewhat extensively dealt in, with sales to the refineries and to the trade of over 700 hhds. of all grades. Transactions with the refineries were mostly on private terms. Grocery Sugars dealt in were at prices from 8½c to 9½c. No change in Refined Sugars.

MOLASSES—Is in better supply, and offering freely, but holders find it difficult to effect sales at present current rates.

FRUIT—There has been a good demand for new Fruit, at prices somewhat over those obtained at recent trade sales.

RICE—Is without change in price, the demand being light, however, and the market rather favouring the buyer.

SALT—There is no change no note, prices of both Coarse and Fine continuing unaltered.

**MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.**

Akin & Kirkpatrick, Daves Brothers & Co. Mitchell, R. B.

FLOUR—With liberal receipts, and in the absence of speculative demand, the market has ruled dull, transactions being chiefly in single hundreds for local use. Though rates have not materially declined, some concession has been found necessary, in order to effect sales, and from 5c to 10c decline may be quoted in the leading descriptions. Extras have not undergone much change, the supply being restricted, and demand of a retail character. Latest transactions have been at \$5 to \$5 10, according to sample. Fancies are slightly lower; latest sales at \$4.75 to \$4.81. Ordinary Supers continued steady at \$4.65 for some days, but have lately been pressed, and sales were made at the close at \$4.60. Good Western Supers, inspected, going at same price. Sundry parcels of Welland Canal were placed in the fore part of the week at from \$4.65 to \$4.70. Any recent transactions have been on private terms, supported in the neighborhood of \$4.60. Strong Flours may be quoted lower, best samples being now obtainable at about \$4.50. Latest sales of No. 2 have been at \$4.30 for ordinary, choice commanding about \$4.35. Little done in the lower grades, casual sales within quoted range. Sags still scarce; good samples find prompt sale at outside figures. Oatmeal is accumulating, and prices steadily receding. Lower Canada brands are offered at \$4.40, best Ontario at \$4.50 to \$4.60, but is only moved in a retail way, shippers evincing no disposition to take hold. Nothing beyond a small retail business done in Cornmeal.

GRAIN—Wheat—Few sales to report. A cargo of Red Winter placed at the close at \$1. Parcels in

store are freely offered at same price, but declined. Sundry cars of inferior Winter Wheat, in store, though pressing for a length of time, have not found buyers, though offered at several cents below current quotations. Little U. C. Spring offering. Limited parcels on the spot command \$1.02½ to \$1.04, according to sample. No recent sales of Western. Cargoes placed in the fore part of the week at \$90, at which there are sellers, but no buyers over 97½c. Peases influenced by declining tendency in Britain, have given way, ranging down to 82½c per 66 lbs. at which a cargo was placed at the close. Choice samples have been placed in a retail way for Quebec and Lower Port trade at somewhat higher figures. A few sales were made in the earlier part of the week at about 85c for shipment. Barley dull and drooping; farmers' loads sell from 55c to 65c, according to sample. Oats quiet at unchanged rates.

PROVISIONS—Present no new features. Former retail demand for Pork continues, and full previous rates are maintained. These, however, may be expected to give way shortly, sales for future delivery being made at rates lower, according to time of delivery being more or less distant. Little doing in Cut Meats, and prices obtained varies, according to quality and style. Lard in retail demand, and rates only maintained by scarcity. Tallow commands more enquiry, and good samples would meet prompt sale at full rates. Butter has arrived freely, but all desirable lots have been promptly taken for shipment at former quotations. Parcels of selected have commanded exceptional rates. Cheese—Arrivals are beginning to fail off, but are still liberal for the season. Rates of last week continue to be paid for all desirable shipping lots.

ASHES—The further advance in ocean freight and insurance has influenced prices unfavorably, and sales are difficult at our reduced quotations.

**THE LEATHER TRADE.**

Akin & Kirkpatrick, N. S. Whitner, Seymour, M. H.

TRADE in this department of business is still quiet. Receipts for the past week have been more liberal, and prices have suffered no change.

**THE BOOT AND SHOE TRADE.**

THERE is no change to note since last week's report. Sales still continue large, and prices are well sustained. Operations will, no doubt, be carried on to a later period than usual, on account of limited supplies.

**PORT OF QUEBEC.**

**STATEMENT OF ARRIVALS AND TONNAGE.**

COMPARATIVE statement of arrivals and tonnage at this port, from sea, in 1868 and 1869, up to the 23rd October inclusive:—

	Vessels.	Tons.
1868.....	883	662,657
1869.....	884	663,052

More ..... 1 475 more.

Number of ocean steamers which arrived here up to this date, and to the corresponding date last year:—

	Steamers.	Tons.
1868.....	64	66,169
1869.....	69	92,280

More..... 15 20,111 more.

Comparative statement of arrivals and tonnage from the Lower Provinces up to date, and to the corresponding date last year:—

	Vessels.	Tons.
1868.....	143	17,778
1869.....	84 vessels.....	14,664
24 steamers.....	12,762	

Less..... 109 27,416

More..... 55 9,633 more.

\* The Quebec and Gulf Ports Steamship Company's steamers are included in the above.

J. BELL FORSYTH & CO.

**GREAT WESTERN RAILWAY.**

Traffic for week ending Oct. 8, 1869.

Passengers.....	655,455 88
Freight.....	39,168.54
Mails and sundries.....	2,653.28

Total receipts for week..... 77,128 18

Corresponding week, 1868..... 55,222.00

Decrease..... \$21,906.18

**STOCK MARKET.**

	Closing prices.	Last Week's Prices.
<b>BANKS.</b>		
Bank of Montreal.....	167 1/2	168 1/2
Bank of N. N. A.....	108 1/2	107 1/2
City Bank.....	91	90
Banque de Peuple.....	113 1/2	113 1/2
Molson Bank.....	101 1/2	101 1/2
Ontario Bank.....	111	112
Bank of Toronto.....	123	127
Quebec Bank.....	123 1/2	103 1/2
Bank Annonais.....	103	108
Gore Bank.....	87	88
Banque Jacques Cartier.....	104 1/2	105 1/2
Eastern Townships Bank.....	101	101
Mercantile Bank.....	108 1/2	107 1/2
Union Bank.....	108	108 1/2
Mechanics Bank.....	80	81
Royal Canadian Bank.....	80	81
Bank of Commerce.....	100	100
<b>RAILWAYS.</b>		
G. T. R. of Canada.....	15	16
A. & S. Lawrence.....	15	16
G. W. of Canada.....	8	9
A. & S. Lawrence.....	8	9
Do. preferential.....	80	80
<b>MINES, &amp;c.</b>		
Montreal Mining Company.....	\$22 1/2	\$22 1/2
Huron Copper Bay.....	50	45
Lake Huron S. & C.....	.....	.....
Quebec & L. R.....	.....	.....
Union Telegraph Co.....	150	147
Montreal City Gas Company.....	83	83
St. Lawrence R. R. Co.....	108	109
Richelieu Navigation Co.....	122 1/2	124
Canadian Inland Steam N. Co.....	90 1/2	103 1/2
Montreal Elevating Company.....	115	117
British Colonial Steamship Co.....	80	80
Canada Glass Company.....	00	00
St. Lawrence Glass Co.....	00	00
<b>BONDS.</b>		
Government Debentures, 5 p.c. sig.....	94 1/2	94 1/2
" " 6 p.c. 1878, cy.....	104 1/2	104 1/2
" " 7 p.c. cy.....	104 1/2	104 1/2
Dom. 100 6 per cent. stock.....	104 1/2	104 1/2
Montreal Water Works 6 per cent.....	97 1/2	98
Montreal City Bonds, 6 per cent.....	97 1/2	98
Corporation of Montreal, 6 per cent.....	111 1/2	112 1/2
Montreal (St. Lawrence) 6 1/2 p.c.....	111 1/2	112 1/2
Quebec City 6 per cent.....	90	90
Toronto City Bonds, 6 per cent, 1860.....	93	94
Kingston City Bonds, 6 per cent, 1872.....	93 1/2	95
Ontario City Bonds, 6 per cent, 1860.....	95	97
Champlain & St. Lawrence 6 per cent.....	73 1/2	73 1/2
County Debentures.....	.....	.....
<b>EXCHANGE.</b>		
Bank on London, 60 days.....	118 1/2	119
Private.....	117 1/2	118
Private, with documents.....	117	118
Bank on New York.....	21	21 1/2
Private.....	21 1/2	22
Gold Drafts do.....	21 1/2	22
Silver.....	15 1/2	15 1/2
Gold in New York.....	127 1/2	127 1/2

**RAILWAY TRAFFIC RETURNS.**

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 1869.

NAMES OF THE RAILWAYS.	Passenger Returns.		Mails and sundries.		Freight.		Total.	
	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.	1869.	1868.
Grand Western Railway.....	178,672	178,672	8,810	8,810	146,631	146,631	297,622	297,622
Great Trunk Railway.....	267,839	267,839	24,000	24,000	358,076	358,076	650,915	650,915
London and Port Stanley Railway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Welland Railway.....	1,772	1,772	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Bay Railway & Peniston Railway.....	13,822	13,822	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Port Hope Railway & Peniston Railway.....	4,205	4,205	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
and Peniston Branch Railway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cobourg and Peniston Branch Railway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brookville and Ottawa Railway.....	1,423	1,423	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
St. Lawrence and Ottawa Railway.....	6,850	6,850	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Carleton and Grenville Railway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stantford, Sheppard, and Chamby Railway.....	371	371	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Brunswick and Canada Railway.....	2,224	2,224	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Parsons and North American Railway.....	7,409	7,409	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Paterson Extension Railway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nova Scotia Railway.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	470,707	470,707	83,891	83,891	679,621	679,621	1,111,610	1,111,610

\* No Returns. JOHN LANGTON, Auditor.