

MARKETS are generally dull and prices low throughout the country. The season of shipping is past; and as there are few wheat merchants or speculators who have money which they can afford to lay out of the use of till Spring, buyers, except for grinding, are not to be met with. There is little doubt that prices will advance by the opening of the navigation. At present, in consequence of high freights and high insurance there is a difference of nearly *three dollars* between the price of a barrel of flour in Montreal and in Liverpool. Half or at least one-third of this sum may be put to the account of the Navigation Laws, which by another season we hope to see removed.

The following is by the *Hibernia*, which left on the 21st October, and arrived at New York on the 3rd instant. There has been an arrival since, but no change of importance is reported in the markets.

Weather has been, during the week, very unsettled, with considerable rain. Towards the close it changed to a clear cold atmosphere.

The harvest was completely gathered in Scotland, and the potato crop was good.

In Ireland unusually short Oat crop.

Large supplies from the Baltic and other ports kept down the prices at Liverpool and London.

Arrivals of Breadstuffs from abroad has been limited, but expecting arrivals would prevent any advance for some time to come.

Flour sold at 31s. to 32s. 6d. for Canadian. Indian Corn shows an improved enquiry for Ireland, and recovered reduction in prices, 35s. to 36s. for white; 35s. to 37s. for yellow. Indian Meal 15s. 6d. to 18s.

Trade quiet at Mark Lane on the 20th, and most articles maintained value. Beef—Prime Mess, 85s. 6d. to 95s.—supply limited; ordinary 80s. to 83s. Pork 36s. to 50s. according to quality. Sales, 5000 brls. Hams and Shoulders very scarce in Liverpool Market.—Cheese 34s. to 41s. for ordinary to middling; 41s. to 48s. for middling to fine.

Trade in manufacturing districts dull and discouraging.

The London Money Market opened steadily on Friday, but the absence of decided news from Vienna caused prices to give way a ¼ per cent for stocks

The following shows the state of the *Montreal* Markets at the latest dates; for Toronto and Hamilton, and for other particulars, see Table:—

Flour has been sold during the week at 22s. 9d. to 25s. There is not much offered, receivers preferring to ship.

Wheat has been sold to a small extent during the week at 4s. 9d. to 5s. per 60lbs. for red and mixed samples, and 5s. to 5s. 3d. for better quality.

Peas have been sold in shipping lots at 2s. 8d. per minim.

Oatmeal has been sold from 21s. 3d. downwards as low as 20s. per 224 lbs.

Butter, 3d. to 7d., according to quality.

Ashes.—Both sorts have advanced to 29s. a 29s. 3d.

Freights.—Flour has been taken for Liverpool at 5s. 2d. to 6s.—the lowest figure being for Quebec vessels.—Grain has been engaged at 13s. per quarter to Liverpool during the week. The Clyde vessels are closed for Flour.

Exchange.—No alterations to note, except that private exchange has rather advanced

MISCELLANEOUS NEWS.

THE CHOLERA.—This dreadful scourge has reached England at last. Several cases have appeared in London and also in Edinburgh, and two or three other seaports. A change of weather soon after its appearance, it was thought, checked its advances.

IRELAND.—The trial of Smith O'Brien resulted in a verdict of guilty, with a strong recommendation to mercy. Great doubt was felt for some time whether the sentence, which was *death*, would be carried out. We learn by the last arrival that the sentence is commuted to *transportation for life*. O'Donoghue, and Meagher have also been convicted. The punishment in these and the other cases will be the same.

CONTINENTAL.—Caviagnac's popularity has declined. Nothing important has transpired in the Assembly.

Austrian affairs still confused; the Emperor has taken up his residence in the suburbs of Vienna. The city had not been bombarded, but still besieged by two armies. 100,000 troops encircled the city. The railway being torn up many miles from Vienna, little reliable news can be gathered.

The French held aloof. Russia stands ready with 200,000 men to espouse the cause of the Emperor.

In Italy events are producing serious results. The Hungarian

Soldiers of Milan demand leave to withdraw to their own country. The position of Radetsky appears perilous.

FIRE IN ALBANY.—We are sorry to hear of the loss sustained by Mr. Tucker, the well-known proprietor of that admirable Journal "The Albany Cultivator." We believe nearly all the back volumes were consumed by the fire. We copy the following particulars from the "Buffalo Express":—

Shortly after twelve o'clock on Saturday night a fire was discovered in the paper waste (resulting, it is supposed, from spontaneous combustion) in the basement of Store No. 8, Green Street, occupied by D. Harris, as a paper-hanging store, and by G. Heath, as a blind factory. Unavailing efforts were made to extinguish the fire, which soon gained complete control, and communicated to the Agricultural Warehouse of H. L. Emery, and the "Cultivator" Office of L. Tucker. The rear wall of the large new building recently erected by General Cooper, on the corner of State and Green streets, was considerably injured, and much damage was done to the splendid Odd Fellows' Lodge, in the upper story of the building, by the removal of furniture, &c., and to the rooms underneath. The entire loss is estimated by the "Argus," from which paper we have gathered the above particulars, at about \$20,000 dollars, of which about half is covered by insurance.

IRON FLOORING.—A new York paper gives the following account of a new mode of flooring the business rooms of hotels; it consists in covering the ordinary floor with cast-iron plates laid lozenge-wise, the upper surface being embossed and ridged in such a manner as to prevent it from being slippery. These plates fit water tight, and are secured in perfect contrast with the floor and with each other, by screws at the angles and through the centre. The appearance of it is very beautiful, and it is peculiarly agreeable to the tread of the feet. It has the firmness of a rock, and yet gives an impression of something like elasticity. For durability it has no equal among all the materials hitherto employed for flooring. It will be found ultimately cheaper than any other. It is evidently superior, in every particular, to the common marble pavement for halls. If it should wear out, or become too smooth, the old plates will always bring cash at the foundry.

M. LAMARTINE.—This distinguished statesman and poet is again rising to consideration and popularity in Paris. He is mentioned among the candidates for the Presidency of the Republic. This favourable reaction is attributed, in a great degree, to the splendid orations which he has of late delivered in the National Assembly, particularly that in favour of the election of the President by universal suffrage, which has called forth the most enthusiastic admiration from various quarters.

IRELAND.—The Irish papers give a deplorable picture of the state of the country, through the failure of the potato crop, the want of employment, and the disposition of the people to make off with the produce of the land, without regard to the payment of any rents or taxes; the spirit of emigration was rife; multitudes were flocking to every seaport to escape from the country.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT, U. S.

It will be seen from the following special telegraphic despatch, received from Buffalo on Thursday, that General Taylor has been elected President.

THE GRAND RESULT—TAYLOR ELECTED.

We now add up 158 electoral votes for Taylor and Fillmore, with Florida and Louisiana to be heard from, as follows:—

Mississippi, 12; Vermont, 6; Cincinnati, 6; Rhode Island, 4; New York, 36; New Jersey, 7; Pennsylvania, 26; Delaware, 3; Maryland, 8; North Carolina, 11; Tennessee, 13; Kentucky, 13; Georgia, 10. Total—154.

The Locofocos surrender to General Taylor.

HOME MARKETS.

The following table gives the *highest average price* at each of the three following places:—

	Toronto, Nov. 15.	Hamilton, Nov 14,	Montreal, Nov. 12.
Flour, per barrel, .	£1 1 3	£1 0 0	£1 5 0
Wheat, per bushel .	0 4 2	0 3 9	0 5 0
Barley, per 48lbs. .	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 4 0
Rye, per 56lbs. . .	0 2 9	0 3 0	0 3 9
Oats, per 34lbs. . .	0 1 0	0 1 3	0 1 8
Peas, per 60lbs. . .	0 2 0	0 2 0	0 2 9
Oatmeal, per barrel	1 2 6	0 12 9	1 1 3
Potatoes, per bushel .	0 2 4	0 2 0	0 2 6
Hay, per ton . . .	3 5 0	2 10 0	2 10 0
Beef, per 100lbs. . .	1 0 0	0 17 6	1 5 0
Pork, per 100lbs. . .	0 14 3	0 17 6	1 10 0
Lard, per lb. . . .	0 0 4	0 0 4	0 0 7
Butter (fresh) per lb.	0 0 7	0 0 7	0 0 7