THE LOCAL MARKET DULL

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Local Stocks Weaker—Grain and Produce Quiet and Steady—Oats Still at the Bottom of Prices—Pork Visible Supply—Local and Foreign Markets.

WEDNESDAY EVENING, March 14.

Stocks to-day at home opened a shade higher in the morning, but in the afternoon were weaker and closed lower in spots. The Montreal and New York markets also showed a declining tendency. While in London stocks were firmer. The grain and produce markets are quiet and steady at home and in Europe, while in Chicago the market is weaker.

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The local stock market this morning was dull though the tendency was firm. Montreal and Toronto unchanged in bids at 215 and 197 respectively, but no sales. Merchants' 127 bid without sellers. Commerce sold at 115 for 100 and at 115½ for 50 shares. Dominion higher, with buyers at 228, and Standard unchanged at 173 bid. Loan and miscellaneous shares quiet. Western Assurance sold at 132½ for five shares, and Dominion Telegraph I higher at 84 bid. Northwest Land sold at 50 for 120 shares, and closed at 53½ bid. Freehold Loan I higher with buyers at 162, and Canada Landed Credit Co. 129 bid. Imperial Savings 111 bid, and London and Canadian wanted at 146½. Land Security 211 bid, and British Canadian offered at 97, without bids. Other stocks unchanged.

In the afternoon dullness prevailed and stocks were a shade lower.

The transactions to-day were: Morning—Commerce, 100 at 115, 20, 30 at 115½; Western Assurance, 5 at 132½; Northwest Land, 25, 25, 40, 50 at 54. Afternoon—Western Assurance, 40, 10 at 132½; Northwest Land, 20 at 54½; Union, 5 at 132 reported.

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Following are the opening and closing prices on the Toronto Stock Exchange to-day:

Stocks.	Bid.	Ask'd.	Bid.	Ask'd.
Montreal	214½	215	214½	215
Ontario	115	116	115	116
Toronto	196	197	196½	197
Merchants'	127	128	127	128
Commerce	115	115½	115½	115
Imperial	136	138	136	138
Dominion	228	229	228	229½
Standard	173	175	173	175
Hamilton	135½	136½	135½	136½
Miscellaneous.				
British America	97	98½	97½	98½
Western Assurance	132½	133	132	133
Gas Utilities Co.	185	191	187	191
Dominion Telegraph	84	87	84	87
Northwest Land Co.	50½	54½	50½	54½
Can. Pacific (c.p.r. Grant Bonds)	101			
Loan Companies.				
Canada Permanent		197½		
Dominion		220		
Western Canada		185		
Canada Landed Credit	129	131		
B. & Loan Association	105	108		
Imperial S. & Investment	111	113		
Yorkshire I. & Savings	122	118		
Lon. & Can. L. & A.	146½	148½		
National Investment	96	97		
People's Loan	110	112		
The Land Security Company	211	241		
Dom. Savings & Loan	100			
Ontario Loan & Debenture	117	117		
Hamilton Provident	102			
British Canadian L. & Invest.	97			

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MONTREAL STOCKS.

In Montreal to-day the market was quiet and the majority of stocks showed a slight decline. Following are the closing prices: Bank of Montreal, 214 asked and 211 bid; Ontario 116½ and 115; Bank of Toronto, 197 and 196; Molsons, 142 and 136; Toronto, 198 and 195; Jacques Cartier, 85 asked; Merchants', 129 and 127; Union, 52 and 50; Commerce, 116 and 111½; Federal, 53 bid; Montreal Telegraph Co., 91½ and 91, sales 20 at 91; N.W. Land, 60s and 50s; Richelieu and Ontario Navigation Co., 51½ and 51, sales 25 at 51; Gas, 191 and 187; City Passenger R.R., 227 and 220; Cable, 212½ and 212, sales 25 at 212½; C.P.R., 53½ and 53; Can. Pac., 51 and 42; Dom. Cot., 70 and 65; Hoch. 148, 146 and 145.

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In London to day the market was firmer, and American securities showed a higher tendency.

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London financial quotations today were: C. P. R. 56½, Erie 24½, Erie 2nd 99½, N. Y. C. 109½, Ill. Cent. 119½.

MONTREAL, March 14.—A despatch from Ottawa says: It is stated here that in a few days the Hochelaga Cotton Company of Montreal will ship 3000 bales of cotton to Pekin, China, via the C.P.R. This will be the first Canadian cotton shipment to Asia.

Money on call is locally quoted at 5½ per cent. on debentures, and 6 to 6½ per cent. on stocks and for discount the price is 6½ to 7 per cent.

Coates, Son & Co. (Limited), Montreal, tomorrow invite applications for $252,300 of 44 per cent. debentures of the Corporation of Quebec, issued under the authority of the Legislature in bonds of $200 each, being part of the original issue of $175,000. The issue price is 102.

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Foreign Exchange is quoted by Gzowski & Buchan to-day as follows:

IN NEW YORK.	Posted.	Actual.
Sixty days sterling	4 86	4 85½
Sterling Demand	4 88	4 87½

TORONTO.	Between Banks. Bid.	Asked.	Counter.
New York funds	1-8	1/4	¾ to ⅞
Sixty days sterling	9 3/16	9 5/16	9 ⅛ to 9 ¼
Demand do	9 11/16	9 13/16	9 ⅝ to 9 ¾

The Oil Market.

The New York market was very dull to-day, opening 97½, then advancing to 98½, then declined to 96½, at which it closed.

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Grain and Produce.

The local grain and produce markets to-day were dull and steady, and in Europe the same tone prevailed, while the Chicago market was weaker and quiet.

On call at the Board of Trade to-day: No. 1 fall 83c bid. No. 2 fall 83c for 10 cars f.o.c. No. 2 red winter 1 car sold at 83c. No. 2 red winter offered at 87c, and 85c bid. No. 2 Manitoba hard 86c bid.

The Chicago visible supply shows a decrease in wheat of 638,308 bushels, in corn 139,623, and in oats 375,212.

The car lots received at Chicago yesterday were: Winter wheat 15, spring wheat 32, corn 223, oats 98, rye 1 and barley 22.

The report of receipts of hogs from the Chicago Stock Yards to-day is: Estimated receipts 16,000, official yesterday 12,913, shipments 3379, left over about 4000. Cattle receipts 5,000. Market fairly active.

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The Montreal Board of Trade is securing the co-operation of all the city Boards in Canada, to secure satisfactory legislation regarding insolvent estates, and for preventing unjust preferences. The matter will shortly be taken before the Dominion Government.

LOCAL STRAW MARKET.

The local market was dull to-day and unchanged. A load of goose straw sold at 72c; bill of lading nominal at 80c to 85c; and loose at 77c to 81c. Barley steady; 500 bushels selling at 77c to 78c. Oats nominal at 68c to 69c. Peas nominal at 70c to 72c. Hay in limited supply and firm; a few loads sold at $12 to $13 for clover, and at $14 to $16 for timothy. Straw nominal at $10.50 to $12. Dressed hogs firm at $7. Beef $3 to $3.50 for forequarters and $6 to $7.50 for hindquarters. Spring chickens $8.50 to $9; lamb at $9 to $10; veal $5.50 to $8.50.

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CITY LAWRENCE MARKET.

The retail market to-day was quiet and prices as follows: Beef, 12c to 17c; sirloin steak at 15c to 16c; steak 10c to 12c. Mutton, legs and chops, 12c to 15c; roasts inferior cuts 8c to 10c; lamb 7c to 12c; veal 7c to 9c; rolls 22c to 25c, large rolls 15c to 20c; inferior 7c to 10c. Lard, tubs 10c to 11c; Cheese 11c to 13c. Bacon 10c to 12c. Eggs 18c to 20c. Turkeys 1 c to 14c per lb. Chickens, per pair, 50c to 75c. Geese 10c to 12c per lb.; ducks 40c to 90c per pair. Ducks 80c to $1. Partridges 70c to 90c. Potatoes, per bag, $1 to $1.10. Apples, per barrel $1.75 to $2.00. Beets, per bushel 40c to 75c. Onions per bag, $1.50 to $2. Celery 25c to 35c a doz. Parsnips, bag 40c to 50c. Carrots, bag 50c to 60c.

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

The following is a comparative statement of the visible supply of grain in the United States and Canada, as prepared by the secretaries of the New York and Chicago Corn Exchanges:

	New York. 1888.	1887.	1886.	Chicago. 1888.
Wheat	30,026,337	37,815,931	39,659,938	37,979,624
Corn	6,202,103	2,141,652	6,212,591	3,350,222
Oats	4,426,317	4,750,851	4,426,999	4,802,102
Barley	2,233,399	2,400,851	2,225,419	2,169,403
Rye	378,129	393,297	378,725	384,849

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NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Cotton nominal, 1-16 decline; uplands 10½, Gulf 10½. Flour steady, 1-16 decline. Receipts blank, exports 123,000 bush; sales 880,000 bush futures, 68,000 bush spot, options dull and trading closed at 2 p.m. Prices fluctuated within the range of ¼c, closing dull at unchanged prices after a slight advance. Spot—Red, No. 2 red May 84½c to 85c, June 84½c to 90c. Corn—Receipts 16,600 bush, exports 1000 bush; sales 216,000 bush futures; spot options advanced 4c to 5c but soon weakened and dropped 4c to 5c, closing steady; cash steady; No. 2 March 61½c to 62c; April 60c to 60½c, May 59½c to 60 1-16c, June 59½c to 59¾c. Oats—Receipts 34,000 bush; sales 120,000 bush futures, 12,000 bush spot; cash and options 1c to ¼c better, closing steady; No. 2 March 38c to 38½c, No. 2 May 38½c to 39c. Rye nominal. The Cotton Exchange was open with very little business doing. The members of the Produce Exchange found so little time to consider the difficulties attending communication by mail and telegraph that they voted to adjourn at 2 o'clock. The Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchanges were represented for the day and presented a lively scene with several hundred brokers on the floor.

CHICAGO MARKET.

CHICAGO, March 14.—The early reports and the early trading promised a favorable day for the bulls in wheat. The result of the session, however, showed that the market was decided by heavy. The visible supply decreased 638,000 bushels. There was a semi-official rumor that the Government statisticians had made an error of 30,000,000 in the amount of exports. In the pit the opening was marked by heavy buying; although the buying by a few houses was conspicuous the market failed to respond to any great degree. Cash quotations were: No. 2 spring wheat 75c to 76c, No. 3 red 83½c, No. 2 corn 50c to 50½c, No. 2 oats 27½c to 30c, Pork $14.05, lard $7.62½ to $7.65, short ribs sides $7.20, shoulders $6.10 to $6.12½, short clear sides $7.35 to $7.70. Receipts—Flour 38,000 bbls; wheat 15,000 bush, corn 250,000 bush, oats 133,000 bush, rye 4000 bush, barley 200 bush. Shipments—Flour 27,000 bbls, wheat 22,000 bush, corn 89,000 bush, oats 76,000 bush, rye 4000 bush, barley 26,000 bush.

LIVERPOOL MARKET.

Liverpool, March 14.—Wheat quiet and steady; good demand, holders offer freely, evening quiet, more demand. Prices: Spring wheat 6s 7d, red winter 6s 6d to 6s 8d, No. 1 Cal. 6s 6d to 6s 7d; corn 4s 7d, peas 5s 4d; pork 57s 6d; lard 44s 6d, bacon 35s 3d, cheese 55s to 60s.

OSWEGO BARLEY MARKET.

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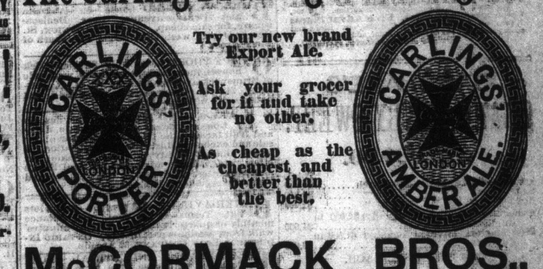

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