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Considerable Depression Felt in Toronto and New York—The Grain and Produce Market—Demand for Wheat and Barley—Stocks in Store and the Visible Supply.

MONDAY EVENING, Oct. 31.

The markets to-day presented all the distinctive features that characterized the greater part of last week. The bears still hold the stock market and prices are depressed, while the grain and produce markets are strong and active, and prices are buoyant with, if anything, an upward tendency.

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Toronto.

The local stock market this morning was fairly active, but prices were weak and bank stocks especially depressed. Montreal 1 to 1¾ lower, there being sales at 222¼ cum-dividend and 218 ex-dividend. Ontario sold at 116¼ and 116¼. Toronto was wanted at 196 and Merchants' ¼ firmer with buyers at 132¼. Commerce weak, there being sales at 117¼, 117¼, 117; there was also a sale at 117 seller 30 days. Federal sold at 26, and Dominion was 269 bid. Standard wanted at 138, and Hamilton at 137¼ without sales. Central steady at 104 bid. Loan and miscellaneous shares quiet. British America Assurance sold at 93 and Western at 123½. Dominion Telegraph 77½ bid, and Montreal Telegraph 92 bid. Northwest Land sold at 42. Canada Permanent Loan offered at 207½ without bids, and Union firm, with buyers at 123. Longon & Ontario 116 bid, without sellers, and Huron & Erie wanted at 155, without sales.

In the afternoon Montreal went still ¼ lower to 222, and ¼ lower for ex-dividend. Merchants dropped ¼ and Commerce sold freely at from 115 to 117. Federal dropped to 95, Dominion 268 and Central remained at 91¼ with sellers 92½. British America sold at 93, and Western Assurance at 123½ to 124¼. Other stocks showed but little change.

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Transactions for the day were: Morning—Montreal, 10 at 222¼, ex. dividend 5, 5 at 218; Ontario, 10 at 116¼, 10 at 116; Commerce, 10 at 117¼, 50 at 117¼, 25 at 117¼; Federal, 10 at 96; British America, 120 at 93; Western, 20 at 123¼; Northwest Land, 6 at 42. Afternoon—Montreal ex-div., 15, 5 at 218; Merchants, 20 at 132½ sellers 60 days; Commerce, 25 at 117 sellers 30 days, 35 at 117¼ sellers 30 days, 20 at 115, 20 at 114¾ ex-div.; British America, 30, 20 at 93; Western Assurance, 100, 25 at 123½; Canada Life, 20 at 134¾.

Following are the closing prices on the local stock board:

	Sls.	Bys.		Sls.	Bys.
Montreal	223	222	N. W. Land Co.	42¼	41¾
Ontario	117	116	Can. Per.	107½	
Toronto	197	195	Freehold	165	
Merchants	132¾	132	West. Can.		115
Commerce	118	117¾	Can. L. C.	134	
Imperial	140	137	Real Est. Loan	107	
Federal	97¼	95	Farmers' L. & S.	118¼	
Dominion	271¼	269¼	L. & C. L. & A.	130	
Standard	140	138	People's Loan	116	
Hamilton	140	137¼	Lon. & Ont.		117
Central	124¼	122¼	Brit. A. Assur.	95	
B. America	93	92½	Lon. L. & D.	124	120
West. Ass'ce	124	123	Int. Invest.	15	
Con. Gas	159¾	159	Cust. Can. Loan		115
D. Telegraph	78	73	C.C.L. & Invest.		105
M. Telegraph	92		Tor. Real Est.	101	

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

The bears still hold their grip on Wall-street and show no signs of letting go. Nevertheless correspondents advise buying in a falling market under the impression that any relapse there may be from present prices will be but temporary and will be quickly regained.

Western Union was about the only strong stock to-day, and it closed at the opening figure.

The talk to-day was not over confident, the professional traders confessing that they were satisfied to be on the short side.

Holders of Western Union profess to believe that just as soon as the street commences to realize the importance of the Baltimore and Ohio deal the stock will go up 10 points in quick order.

Another pool is said to be in process of formation to handle large blocks of active stocks. Their operations are being watched with interest.

Following are the opening and closing prices of the principal stocks on the New York Exchange to-day:

	Opg	Clo.		Opg	Clo.
Can. Pac.	58¾	59	St. Paul & M.	108¼	108
N. Y. C.	106¾	105¾	Mis. Pac.	80	85¾
Can. South	52½	52¾	N. C. & N. W.	30	30
Lackawanna	112½	112¼	North. Pac.	31	27
Erie	27¾	27	" pfd.	57¾	54¼
" pfd.	67	66	Texas	36¼	36¼
Ill. Cent.		122½	Quicksilver	17¼	17¼
N. J. Cent.	49	48¾	Ore. R. & N.	80¼	80½
Kan & Tex.	17¾	17¾	Ore. & Trans.	54¾	53¾
Louis & Nash.	57¾	57¾	Pac. Mail	32¼	32¼
Lake Shore	93¾	93¾	Chic. & St. P.	73¾	73¾
Mich. Cent.	85	85	Wabash, Pac.	20¼	20
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FOREIGN AND MISCELLANEOUS.

The London stock market was fairly strong and active, several American securities showing a tendency to rally. Comparatively little buying is being indulged in.

The Bank of England rate is still unchanged at 4.

Canadian Pacific is still holding its own. In London to-day it was quoted at 55½, but dropped ¼ in the afternoon; in New York 58¾, and in Montreal 59¾.

Hudson Bay Company stock was quoted in London to-day at 21¾, and Canada Northwest Land Company at 24.

Oil City reports to-day as follows: Oil opened at 71¾, closed 72¼, highest 72¾, lowest 71¾.

London financial quotations to-day are: Consols 102 15-16 for money and 103 for account; United States 4's 130¾, U. S. 4½'s 111¾; Erie 26¾, Erie 2's 102; C.P.R. 55¾; N.Y.C. 110; Ill. Cent. 120. Afternoon—C.P.R. 55¼; Erie 28.

In their weekly review of trade Messrs. Dun & Co. said among other things: A conservative indisposition to undertake new enterprises has appeared since July, and has brought a timely check in railroad building, real estate operations, and some branches of manufacturing. Consequently liquidation of past operations is now the feature of most interest; it has progressed satisfactorily, the outlook for an excellent trade in the future is good. Thus far returns indicate fair progress in settlements in most branches of trade and at most southern and western points, but some exceptions are noted. The collapse of many iron mining companies of the Gogebic range throws hundreds out of employment and brings disaster to a multitude of small investors in their stocks and to many tradesmen. At several localities where real estate speculation had become excessive a year ago, failure to make second payments is now producing resection, with severe losses to many.

All over the Southwest there are many holders of real estate paper who are seeking payments, not always with success. From most points this week's reports indicate some improvement in collections, a fair activity in business, and diminishing stringency in money market. The iron trade still hesitates, and the market for other than the best grades is very irregular. More inquiry for rails is noted, but orders are not up to expectations.

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

IN NEW YORK.	Posted.	Actual.
Sixty days' sterling	$4.82½	$4.81¾ to
Sterling demand	$4.86½	$4.85¾ to

TORONTO.	Between Banks. Bid.	Asked.	Counter.
New York Funds	1-10 dis	par	¼ to ⅜
Sixty days' sterling	9 5-16	9 7-16	8¾ to 9⅛
Demand do.	9⅛	9¼	9¼ to 9⅝
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Everything is active throughout the world's grain and produce markets. The demand for all kinds is generally good, and prices keep well up.

The demand for barley is as strong as ever, and prices are advanced slightly. This has been the record all through the season. There were actual sales in Oswego to-day at 90c.

The wheat market is exceptionally firm to-day. On call at the exchange this morning 85c was bid for No. 2 red winter, and even then sellers held at 86½c.

The report from the Chicago Stock Yards today is: Estimated receipts of hogs, 30,000; official on Saturday, receipts 21,123, shipments 6765, left over 4000. Receipts of cattle, 11,500. Cox & Co.'s special wire from Chicago to-day says:

The grain market opened weak and was sold down some by scalpers. Reports from the north indicate that there would be a decided increase if cars could be obtained. Irwin, Green, Milmine, Dunn and Geddes have been the largest sellers. Foreigners have sold considerable through George Parks and two latter. Corn a shade easier under offerings from the local crowd and in sympathy with wheat. Buying against puts has been pretty large outside of this. Driver has been the principal buyer. Packers are understood to have been the chief sellers of provisions to-day and Saturday. This week's run is expected to be liberal.

LOCAL STREET MARKET.

Grain receipts on the street to-day were fair and prices steady. Wheat sold at 77c to 79½c for spring and fall, and 85c to 86c for goose for 300 bushels. Barley sold at 62c to 78½c for 3000 bushels. Oats firm, with sales at 30c bushels at 32c to 40c. Peas are quoted at 60c to 61c. Hay in limited supply and prices firm; 20 loads sold at $16 to $18 for timothy, and at $13 to $15 for clover. Straw firm, at $11 to $13 a ton. Dressed hogs steady at $6 to $6.25. Beef $3 to $5 for forequarters, and $5 to $7 for hindquarters. Mutton $6 to $6.50; lamb $6.50 to $7.50, and veal $7 to $8.50.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Prices were steady on the retail market to-day as follows: Beef 12c to 14c, sirloin steak at 13c to 14c, round steak 10c to 11c. Mutton—Legs and whole 12c to 13c, inferior cuts 8c to 10c. Lamb—8c to 10c for front and 12c to 14c for hindquarters. Veal—Best joints 12c to 13c, inferior cuts 6c to 8c. Pork—Chops and roasts 10c. Butter—Pound rolls 24c to 28c, large rolls 20c to 22c, inferior 16c to 18c. Lard—Tubs 10c to 12c. Cheese 14c to 16c. Bacon 10c to 12c. Eggs 20c to 21c. Turkeys 8c to 10½c per lb. Chickens per pair 35c to 45c. Geese 70c to 80c. Ducks 40c to 60c. Potatoes, per bag, 80c to 90c. Apples, per barrel 75c to $1.50. Beets per bush 60c to 75c. Onions, bushel, $1.50 to $1.80. Celery 40c to 60c per doz. Turnips, bag, 40c to 50c. Carrots, bag, 50 to 60c.

THE CHEESE MARKET.

The sales of cheese on the Ulica, N.Y., market to-day were: 4400 boxes at 10½c, 1250 boxes at 10½c, 2120 boxes at 10¾c, 370 boxes at 10½c, 1300 boxes at 11c, 820 boxes at 11½c, 150 boxes Sept. at 11½c, 1016 boxes consigned 1c lower.

The sales of cheese at Little Falls to-day were: 800 boxes at 10c, 420 boxes at 10½c, 2350 boxes at 10½c, 1930 boxes at 10¾c, 240 boxes at 11c, 860 boxes consigned, 870 boxes farm dairy at 9½ to 11c; 198 packages dairy butter at 22c to 25c, 7 packages creamery at 25c.

THE CHICAGO MARKET.

The following table shows the fluctuations of the Chicago market to-day:

		Open-ed.	Clos-ed.	High-est.	Low-est.
Wheat	Oct.	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝
"	Nov.	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝
"	Dec.	72¼	72¼	72¼	72¼
"	Jan.	73⅝	73⅝	73⅝	73⅝
"	May	76	75⅞	76	75⅞
Corn	Oct.	41¼	41¼	41¼	41
"	Nov.	41¼	41¼	41¼	40⅞
"	Dec.	41	41	41⅛	40⅝
"	Jan.	41¼	41¼	41¼	41
"	May	43	42¾	43	42⅞
Oats	Oct.	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼
"	Nov.	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼
"	Dec.	25¼	25¼	25¼	25¼
"	Jan.	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝
"	May	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞	29⅞
Pork	Jan.	12.40	12.40	12.45	12.35
"	May	12.90	12.90		
Lard	Oct.	6.22½	6.20	6.22½	6.22½
"	Nov.	6.25½	6.20	6.22½	6.22
"	Dec.	6.30½	6.30½		
"	Jan.	6.30	6.30		
"	May	6.60	6.57½	6.60	6.57½
Short ribs	Oct.	6.30		6.30	6.30
"	Jan.	5.77½	5.77½	5.80	5.75

LATER—Leading futures closed as follows: Wheat—Oct. 71¾c, Nov. 71¾c, Dec. 72½c. Corn—Oct. 41c, Nov. 41c, Dec. 40½c. Oats—Oct. 25½c, Nov. 25½c, Dec. 26½c. Pork—Jan. $12.40, Feb. $12.55. Lard—Oct. $6.20, Nov. $6.22, Jan. $6.30. Cash quotations were: No. 2 spring wheat 71½c to 71¾c, No. 2 red 72½c, No. 3 corn 41½c, No. 2 oats 25½c, pork $12, lard $6.25 to $6.30, short rib sides $6.30, dry salted shoulders $5 to $5.25, short clear sides $6.50 to $6.60. Receipts—Flour 21,000 bbls, wheat 66,000 bush, corn 197,000 bush, oats 142,000 bush, rye 3000 bush, barley 63,000 bush. Shipments—Flour 23,000 bbls, wheat 31,000 bush, corn 632,000 bush, oats 150,000 bush, rye 1000 bush, barley 67,000 bush.

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NEW YORK MARKET.

Cotton dull, Uplands 9½c, Gulf 9¾c. Flour—Receipts 32,818 packages, firm; sales 18,400 bbls. Wheat—Receipts 30,000 bush; exports 24,563 bush; sales 2,880,000 bush futures, 141,000 bush spot; options declined ½c to ⅞c, closing barely steady; spot ½c lower; No. 1 red 86c. No. 1 white 84½c. No. 2 red Nov. 83c to 83⅛c, Dec. 83½c to 84 5-16c. Malt quiet. Corn—Receipts 31,550 bush; exports 59,000 bush, sales 692,000 bush futures, 54,000 bush spot; ½c to ⅛c lower. No. 2 Nov. 52½c to 52¾c. Oats—Receipts 143,000 bush, sales 452,000 bush futures, 145,000 bush spot; ⅛c to ¼c lower; No. 2 Oct. 33½c to 33¾c, Nov. 33c to 33⅛c, Dec. 33½c to 33¾c. No. 2 33½ to 33¾c, mixed western 32c to 33c, white do. 35c to 40c. Sugar firm; standard "A" 6¾c, cut loaf and crushed 7c to 7¼c, powdered 6⅞c to 6¾c, granulated 6½c.

TORONTO STOCKS IN STORE.

The following statement shows the stocks in store in Toronto to-day and a week ago:

	Oct. 31.	Oct. 24.
Fall wheat	17,151	14,768
Spring wheat	26,955	27,899
Oats	6,720	6,800
Barley	294,199	225,377
Peas	819	819
Rye	3,249	
Mixed wheat	2,001	2,001
Totals	351,895	277,164

THE VISIBLE SUPPLY.

Following is the visible supply as reported from Chicago to-day:

Wheat	33,931,221
Corn	8,282,221
Oats	6,047,437
Rye	259,211
Barley	2,724,228

THE BEERBOHM MARKET.

Beerbohm reports to-day: Floating cargoes of wheat quiet and firm, corn nil. Cargoes on passage—Wheat quiet and firm, corn slow. Mark Lane—Wheat firm, American corn firm, Danish a turn dearer, flour firm.

Spot—Good cargoes of No. 2 club Calcutta wheat 29s 3d, was 29s; October shipments 29s 6d, was 29s 6d; do. good cargoes of Danish corn 23s 9d, was 23s; prompt shipment 23s 9d, was 23s 9d; good cargoes of Chilian wheat, off coast, 32s 3d was 32s; October shipments 33s, was 33s; do. Walla wheat, off coast, 33s 6d, was 33s.

French country markets a turn dearer, prices firm. Liverpool—Wheat firmly held, corn showing a downward tendency. English farmers deliveries 55,000 qrs.; average price 30s, was 29s 9d.

THE LIVERPOOL MARKET.

Liverpool reports wheat steady, demand light, offerings moderate. Corn quiet, poor demand. Prices: Spring wheat 6s 5d to 6s 7d, red winter 6s 5d to 6s 6d, No. 1 Cal. 6s 5d, corn is 7¾d, peas 5s 7d, pork 72s 6d, lard 58s, bacon 39s 6d, cheese 54s.

OSWEGO BARLEY MARKET.

Oswego reports to-day a firm demand for barley and prices strong. No. 2 ex Can. 85c, No. 1 Can. 88c to 90c. Sales: 10,000 bushels Can. by sample at 85c. 10,000 bushels No. 1 Can. at 90c, 20,000 bushels No. 1 bright at 93c to 94½c. Freights 3½c. Receipts 158,000 bushels.

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