PROFESSOR MACOUN.

His Return From Exploring in the North-West.

FAVOURABLE REPORT OF A NEW DISTRICT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

OTTAWA, Oct. 29.—Professor Macoun, of the Dominion Exploratory Survey, who recently returned to this city from his summer's exploration trip, was fortunate enough to discover evidences of the richness and fertility of some regions not hitherto fully explored. It will be remembered that hitherto for several years Professor Macoun has examined the prairie country to the southward in the Canadian North-West. This year he was commissioned to explore the Porcupine and Duck Mountains, the Red, Deer, and Swan Rivers, and generally the country north of Fort Pelly. For this purpose he left Winnipeg early in June last, travelling by way of lakes Manitoba and Winnipegosis and the Deer River to his destination. He explored the country on the banks of the Deer River, crossed the head waters of the Swan River, and thence *via* Livingston to Fort Ellice from which point he descended the Assiniboine by boat to Winnipeg, which place was reached on 8th October, after an absence of four months.

STANDPOINT OF THE OBSERVATION.

As is well-known Professor Macoun's examination is made from a natural history point of view, determining the capabilities of the soil and climate from its fauna and flora. In this season's explorations the district traversed was almost entirely a thick forest, with trees of large size, much superior to those before seen in the North-West. The exception to this rule was in the marshy districts found along the base of the Duck and Porcupine Mountains. He found a rich soil, and the climate equal, if not superior, to any part of the North-West before explored by him, and he believes that up to latitude 53 in the direction of his explorations everything that will grow in Manitoba may be expected to grow well.

CLIMATE AND SOIL.

The Red Deer River was found to flow through a fertile valley, though the dry land along it available for agricultural purposes was not of very great extent. In the vicinity of Fort Pelly, Prof. Macoun is of opinion that the climate is well suited for agricultural purposes. Crops this year are of a superior character, and include all kinds of grain and the usual field and garden vegetables. Even Indian corn was ripened this season. Red Fife wheat reached maturity in about 100 days, and barley ripened from two to three weeks earlier. One farmer had over 2,000 bushels of turnips growing.

AN INCIDENT.

As an incident of his trip Prof. Macoun observed the unusual height of water in Lake Manitoba and the overflow of the marshes along its shores. This he attributes simply to the unusual rainfall of the past four or five years. The water in Lake Winnipegoosis was found to be equally above its former level, as Mr. Macoun believes from the same cause, and he has no doubt that should a series of years come round which would give only the average amount of rainfall these lakes would shortly reach their former levels. It has been known for a good many years that great deposits of salt exist under Lake Winnipeg, and Professor Macoun during his recent trip met with so many salt springs that he was led to believe that for a distance probably of 150 miles along the lakes in a north and south direction

IMMENSE DEPOSITS OF SALT

exist. The salt obtained by evaporation from the water of three of the springs, like that which he obtained from the Athabasca some six years ago, was remarkably pure. Some of the salt and specimen fossils obtained during the summer's exploration are placed in the Geological Museum here.

HOW TO ESCAPE SUMMER FROSTS.

Mr. Macoun gives the following hints on this point:—"My deliberate opinion is, after being many years in the country, and having watched the climate carefully, that it farmers could be prevailed upon to sow their wheat any time after the 10th of October, so that it would not germinate that fall, that throughout the whole length and breadth of the North-West complaints as regards summer frosts would cease, as the grain would be past injury before frost came. It should be hard enough by the 15th or 20th of August at the latest to resist injury by frost, and would in every case if farmers could only realise the value of early sowing. At the time above mentioned there is always a sudden depression of the usual daily temperature, and the average never rises so high again for the season, or, in other words, the average temperature falls about 10 degrees, and as soon as that takes place quick ripening ceases, and farmers must then wait a long time before their grain is fit to cut, and severe frosts coming in the meantime their crops are destroyed."

RESULT OF THE EXPLORATION.

The party travelled chiefly by water, and explorations on land had to be made on foot, involving considerable hardships and exposure, often wading through swamps, traversing thick forests, with frequent exposures to storms and constant annoyance from mosquitoes. Nevertheless the party maintained good health and capital appetite, the latter almost exposing them to a new danger by exhausting their supplies of provisions before they had reached Fort Livingston. Fortunately the entire trip was made without serious sickness or accident, except the accidental shooting off of a portion of Professor Macoun's thumb by the accidental discharge of a gun, as before mentioned in THE GLOBE. There is reason to believe that the full report of the exploration, when made, will be unusually interesting and valuable.

THE FORT PELLY DISTRICT.

A Highly Favourable Report upon it by a Surveyor.

OTTAWA, Oct. 31.—Mr. George C. Rainboth, D.L.S., has just returned from the North West Territory, where he was engaged in surveying township outlines east of Fort Pelly. The survey extends from range 1 to range 3 west of the second principal meridian, embracing about 1,152 square miles. He reports that some of the best lands in the North-West Territories are in ranges 1, 2, 3, and 4. The rest will be very valuable grazing lands. This season being an extraordinarily wet one, it would hardly be proper to form an estimate of the value of the country. Timber is plentiful for settlement purposes, and means of communication are easy. By the adoption of a route through this district the Syndicate will shorten their time very materially. This being the case the main line will in all probability run through the Pelly district.

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FINANCE AND TRADE

Canadian Stocks Active and Higher.

NEW YORK STOCKS UNSETTLED.

All the Grain Markets Lower.

TORONTO, Oct. 31, 7 p.m.

STOCK MARKETS.

The stock market this morning was fairly active, and with the exception of Ontario, closing bids of banks were from ½ to 1% higher than on Saturday. Montreal rose to 193½ bid, an advance of 1, and Toronto was 159½ bid, without transactions in either. Ontario fairly active and easier, with sales at 59 and 58½, the stock closing at 58½ bid, a decline of ½ per cent. Merchants' advanced 1 in bid. Commerce was firmer, with sales of eighty two shares at 143½, and closing at that price bid. Dominion was the most active stock and prices show another advance; sales of seventy shares in two lots were made at 191, 159 at 190½ and forty at 191. The stock closed at 190½ bid. Standard was firmer at 111½ bid, and holders refusing to take less than 113½. ½ higher than on Saturday. Federal was in better demand and higher; after a sale of twenty shares at 152, the stock closed at 152½ bid, but holders asked 154. Imperial steady, with a sale of twenty shares at 132 and closing at that price bid. Molson's was held at 115½, without bids. Insurance stocks dull and unchanged, with the exception of British America which offered at 149½, a decline of 1½, with buyers at 149. Dominion Telegraph offered at 97, and Montreal was 125 bid, without transactions. Loan companies were quiet and firm generally. Canada Permanent was easier in bid, with not seller. Union was strong, with sales of ten shares at 155 and fifteen at 157½, the stock closing at 155 bid, an advance of 1 on Saturday's quotation. Building & Loan sold at 103½ for forty shares, and closed at 102½ bid. Imperial Savings was held at 118, without bids. London & Canadian sold at 141 for twenty shares, and closed offered at 142, without bids. National Investment declined 1 in bid, and Huron and Erie offered at 155, a decline of 1, without bids. London Loan was 115 bid. Ontario Investment was wanted at 123, with sellers at 129, and the balance of the list is unchanged.

In the afternoon there was an active business at higher prices. The following are the sales:—50 shares of Standard at 112; 50 Federal at 153; 20 Imperial at 133, 20 do. at 133½; 120 Commerce at 143½, 43 do. at 143½; 100 Dominion at 190½, 8 do. at 190¾; 12 Ontario at 57. One per cent. was paid for privilege of putting 200 shares of Ontario at 57, 60 days, seller's option.

The following is the official report of the Toronto Stock Exchange for Monday, Oct. 31:—

BANKS	Shares	Capital Subscribed	Rest	Closing Prices. Asked	Bid.
Montreal	200	$ 12,000,000	5	199½	193½
do. ex div.					
Toronto	100	2,000,000	3½	.....	159½
Ontario	100	2,000,000	3	58½	58
Merchants'	100	3,705,800	3½	128½	128
Commerce	50	1,000,000	4	143½	143½
Dominion	50	1,500,000	4	192	190½
Hamilton	100	1,000,000	3½	.....	122
Do. 50 p.c.					119
Standard	50	500,000	3	113½	111½
Federal	100	1,000,000	3½	154	152
Imperial	100	1,000,000	3½	133	132
Western Assurance	40	2,000,000	4	114½	.....
Consolidated					.....
INSURANCE & MISCEL.					
British America	50	500,000	3	149	140
Western Assurance	40	500,000	2½	208	205
Canada Life	400	1,000,000	2	.....	350
Confederation Life	50	1,000,000	5	400	.....
Consumers' Gas	50	800,000	4	141	140
Dominion Telegraph	50	1,000,000	3½	97	.....
Montreal Telegraph	40	1,200,000	4	.....	125
Globe Printing Co.	500*	500,000	4	100	.....
T. & E. R. Bonds, $1,000					
Tor. & Nip. $1,000		500,000		.....	.....
LOAN COMPANIES.					
Canada Permanent	50	2,000,000	6	.....	204½
Freehold	100	1,000,000	5	.....	163
Western Canada	50	1,000,000	5	175	173
Union	50	1,000,000	4	158	155
Canada Landed Credit	50	1,000,000	4½	139½	139
Building & Loan	25	750,000	3	103½	102½
Imperial Savings	100	650,000	4	118	.....
Farmers' Loan	50	1,057,275	4	132	131
L. & C. L. & A.	50	1,000,000	4	142	.....
National Investment	100	1,400,000	4½	.....	111
People's Loan	50	500,000	¾	.....	110
Manitoba Loan	100	500,000	4	.....	120
Huron & Erie	50	1,000,000	4½	156	.....
Dominion Sav. & Loan	50	800,000	5	123	.....
Ontario Loan & Deb.	50	1,000,000	5	135	134
Canada Sav. & Loan	50	700,000	5	.....	.....
London Loan	50	600,000	4	117	116
Hamilton Provident	100	1,000,000	4	135	.....
Real Estate Loan & Deb.	50	500,000	3	106	104
Brant Loan & Sav Co.	50	150,000	3	.....	.....
Loan Co. of Ireland	100	1,199,500	4	.....	.....
Toronto Mutual Building	25	250,000	4	149	.....
Ontario Investment	50	1,000,000	4	129	128
Manitoba Association	100	400,000	4	100	.....
English Loan	100	2,041,100	5	104	.....
DEBENTURES.					
Dom. G. Sec., 5 p.c.					
County (Ont.) 6 "					
Township (Ont.) 6 "					
City of Toronto "					

SALES TO-DAY.—Ontario, 20 and 120 at 59, 25 and 140 at 58½; Commerce, 30 and 52 at 143½; Dominion, 50 and 30 at 191, 150 at 190, 40 at 191; Federal, 25 at 152; Imperial, 20 at 132; Union, 10 at 155, 15 at 153½; B. and Loan Association, 40 at 103½; London and Canada L. and A., 20 at 141.

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MONTREAL, Oct. 31.—The stock market was unaltered this morning except for Ontario, which fell 1. Merchants' 1, and Richelieu 1 on Saturday's rates. Montreal Bank sold at 199 for 5, 199½ for 25, 199¾ for 25, 199 for 10. Ontario opened strong, and sold at 59 for 300, 58½ for 25, 59 for 175, 58½ for 75, 59 for 15, 58½ for 100, and 59 for 50. People's advanced to ¾ for 25. Merchants' sold at 128 for 50, 127½ for 2. Eastern Townships was very strong at 119 for 5. Commerce was steady, and sold at 143½ for 68. Montreal Telegraph sold at 125 for 25. Richelieu and Ontario at 52 for 5. Ville Marie Bank was 95½ bid. Montreal, ex-dividend, 193½ held, 195 bid. Merchants', ex-dividend, 128 held, 129 bid. Canada Cotton, 120 held, 130 bid. Dundas Cotton, 125 held, 128 bid. Canada Central bonds 104½ held, 103½ bid.

MONTREAL, Oct. 31.—There is no change to note in prices of money and sterling, and there are few transactions of note in either. Stocks in the afternoon were spiritless, and there were few transfers. Ontario sold at 59, for 50, 59¼ for 25, 59½ for 100. Toronto, 159 for 25. Merchants', 128 for 2. Montreal Telegraph, 125½ for 25. Montreal Gas, 125 for 50. The market starts out with little promise of higher prices or brisk business during the week. To-morrow all Saints' Day is a holiday, and no Board will be held. Brokers talk of higher prices and a boom in the latter part of the week. Indications are in an opposite direction, if to-day's market be taken. There was a general "stump" off to weakness at the close.

The following are the quotations of Montreal stocks:—

Stocks	E. Nov. Asked.	E. Nov. Bid.	3.30 p.m. Asked.	3.30 p.m. Bid.
Montreal	199	198½	199	198½
" ex div.	198	197½	198	197½
Merchants'	128½	127½	128	127
" ex div.	127	125	126½	125
Commerce	143	142½	143½	142½
Ontario	59	58½	59	58½
Toronto	160	158	159½	158½
Molson's	116	114	116	115
People's	90	85	90	88
Jacques Cartier	119	110	119	110½
Union	60	55	57	55
Consolidated				
Ontario Mutual				
Montreal Telegraph	126½	126	126½	126
Dominion Telegraph			97	95
Montreal Gas	142	142	143	141
City Pass. Railway	125	125	124	123
Rich. and Ont. Nav.	52	49	52	49
Royal Can. Ins. Co.	52	50	52	50
Federal				
St. Paul M. and M.			129½	125
Ontario Investment				
Canada Cotton	140	130	140	130
Dundas Cotton	125		128	118

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NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—The posted rates of sterling exchange are unchanged, at $4 81½ for 60-day bills and $4 83½ on demand. The stock market to-day was fairly active and prices irregular. Soon after the opening prices declined ¼ to 1 per cent., but towards noon and up to 2 o'clock there was an advance. The closing was again easier. The most active stocks were Lake Shore, Texas and Pacific, Western Union, St. Paul common, New York Central, Michigan Central, Lackawanna, and Erie. Money on call closed at 4 per cent. The following are the closing prices of the past five days, with the sales of to-day:—

	Oct. 25.	Oct. 27.	Oct. 28.	Oct. 29.	Oct. 31.	Sales to-day.
Pacific Mail	42½	43½	42¾	42¾	42	1,600
Western Union	87½	87½	87½	87½	87	39,700
Lake Shore	94	94½	94½	95½	95	8,500
North-West	124½	124½	124½	125½	124½	6,500
do. pfd	134½	.....	.....	135	136½	100
St. Paul	106½	108½	108½	109½	108	29,200
do. pfd	121½	121½	.....	122	.....	.....
C. C. & I. C.	21½	21	21½	21½	.....	.....
Erie	44½	44½	44½	45½	44½	13,500
Canada Southern	65½	65½	65½	65½	65	12,800
St. Joseph	96	96	96	96½	96½	300
do. pfd	113	113½	113½	114½	113	3,300
Lake Shore	121½	121½	122	122	121	47,700
N. Y. Central	139½	139½	139½	140½	139½	24,800
Ohio & Miss.	41	41	41½	42	41	1,500
Union Pacific	120½	120½	121½	121½	120½	12,700
Mich. Central	91	92½	94½	95	93½	27,400
Kansas & Texas	40½	41½	41½	41	40½	17,800
Northern Pacific	38	.....	38½	39½	38½	500
do. pfd	78½	.....	78½	80½	79½	.....
Central Pacific	95	94½	96½	96½	95	21,300
Texas & Pacific	53½	52½	52½	53	53½	32,700
Ont. & Western	33½	32½	32½	33½	32½	2,400
Missouri Pacific	105½	105½	106	106½	105½	4,400
Chicago, B. & Q.	136½	136½	137	137½	137½	200
Rock Island	.....	134½	134½	134½	134½	200
Manhattan	53½	53½	53½	53	53	1,900
Denver & Rio Gr'd	83½	82½	83½	83½	82½	11,600
Nash. & Chat.	83	83	85	85	85	400
Ches. & Ohio	.....	.....	.....	28½	29	1,300
Del. & Hudson	109½	109½	109½	109	109½	1,700
Jersey Central	96	95½	95½	96½	95½	7,000
Del. & Lack.	127½	126½	127½	127½	126½	20,700
Illinois Central	130	129½	130½	131	131½	200
Wabash Pacific	49½	48½	48½	48½	48½	3,700
do. pfd	88½	88½	88½	88	87½	.....
Exchange	4.81½	4.81½	4.81½	4.81½	4.81½	.....
Money	3	3	3	4	4	.....

(Special Despatches to The Globe.)

LONDON, Oct. 31, 11:30 a.m.—Consols, 99 7-16; 4½s, 110½; 5s, 105; Erie, 46½; Ill. Central, 135½.

4 p.m.—Consols, 99 7-16, both money and account; Erie, seconds, 107½; New York Central, 144½; Illinois Central, 135½; Pennsylvania Central, 68½; New York, Ontario, and Western, 34½; Atlantic and Great Western, seconds, 21.

5 p.m.—Consols, 99 9-16; 4s's, 116¼; 5s's, 106; Erie, 45¾; Ill. Central, 135½.

Bullion gone into bank on balance to-day, 36,000 pounds.

Financial Items.

It is stated by friends of Judge Folger that his policy will be to redeem bonds when the Treasury has the money on hand.

It is stated on the authority of an officer of the road that no insiders have been selling Lackawanna.

Points are in circulation that the Kansas and Texas will soon advance sharply, as Western Union is going to do.

The total imports at New York for the week were valued at $7,562,225, of which $5,933,491 consisted of general merchandise and the remainder dry goods.

It is reported that Mr. Russell Sage holds nearly a controlling interest in the Michigan Central stock, and he intends either to take charge at the next election or else to make Mr. Vanderbilt pay him 125 for his stock.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 1881, the value of gold consumed by manufacturers aggregated about $10,000,000. More than $5,000,000 of the amount was in United States coin. The reported consumption of silver during the same period was equivalent to $3,000,000.

It is announced that the New York Central had reduced the Eastern grain rates from Chicago to New York from 32 cents to 17 cents, having found that the Baltimore and Ohio and the Pennsylvania had already reduced Philadelphia and Baltimore rates to these figures. Mr. Vanderbilt is evidently determined that the New York freights shall be kept as low as those to any other seaboard port.

The contract between the Mutual Union and J. G. Moore & Co. calls for payment at the rate of $1,250 per mile of four wires for 13,000 miles of wire. Some idea of the profit may be realized when it is known that 350 miles between Chicago and St. Paul are let out at $125 per mile for the two wires now being erected.

The Chicago *Times* this morning states that "the most startling rumour of the day in railway circles is to the effect that Vanderbilt, not satisfied with wresting from the Erie the Cleveland, Cincinnati, and Indianapolis, and the old Atlantic and Great Western Railways has bought a new Erie colt before it is fairly born. The Chicago and Atlantic is the name given the road which is being built from Marion, Ohio, to Hammond, near this city, where a connection is to be made with the Chicago and Western Indiana Railway. The length of this road is about two hundred and forty miles. It was designed by its projectors and promoters for a Chicago connection for the Erie Railway. Erie officials have scouted the idea of Vanderbilt having bought the road."

As the earnings of the New York Central are not published, those of the competing trunk line, the Pennsylvania Railroad, are doubly interesting as giving an insight into the effect of the railroad war on the earnings of the through lines. The business of all lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad east of Pittsburg and Erie for September, 1881, as compared with the same month in 1880, shows an increase in gross earnings of $37,465; an increase in expenses of $99,198; a decrease in net earnings of $11,733. The nine months of 1881, as compared with the same period in 1880, show an increase in gross earnings of $2,624,629; an increase in expenses of $1,055,125; an increase in net earnings of $569,504. All lines west of Pittsburg and Erie for the nine months of 1881 show a surplus over liabilities of $2,805,424, being a gain as compared with the same period in 1880 of $505,859.

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COMMERCIAL.

TORONTO, Oct. 31, 7 p.m.

NOTES.

The flour and grain markets to-day were dull and demoralized. Wheat declined in the States and in London, and there were no buyers here for export. Barley also weakened, and dealers showed no disposition to operate.

The grain inspected into store to-day amounted to 49 car loads. Of this there were four cars of No. 2 fall wheat, one of No. 3 fall wheat, seventeen cars of No. 1 barley, six of No. 2 choice, five of No. 2 ordinary, fourteen of No. 3 extra, and one of No. 3, and one car of No. 2 peas.

The supply of fall wheat being much greater than that of spring, prices of the former show a decline within the past week.

On account of the high prices of meats the demand for fish the past few weeks has been unprecedented. The market is very bare of them at present, and prices are firm. Salmon trout is quoted at $1 25, and white $4 75.

From all quarters we hear of a great scarcity of cars. Buyers do not feel disposed to purchase grain unless they have some certainty of its being delivered in a reasonable time.

The following are the receipts of grain to-day at the points mentioned:—

	Wheat, bu.	Barley bu.
Toronto	3,000	31,500
Chicago	41,000	35,000
Milwaukee	9,000	17,000
Toledo	14,000	.....
Detroit	.....	.....

The following was the visible supply of grain on the dates named:

	Oct. 22, 1881.	Oct. 15, 1881.	Oct. 23, 1880.
Wheat, bu	20,577,900	20,385,272	17,430,000
Corn, bu	27,837,000	26,582,000	18,550,000
Oats, bu	3,605,000	3,752,412	4,600,000
Rye, bu	1,210,000	1,063,772	896,000
Barley, bu	2,565,000	2,306,157	2,480,000

The production of anthracite coal for the week ending October 22, 1881, was 603,640 tons, against 647,715 in 1880, being a decrease of 47,045 tons. The production for the year from January 1, 1881, was 22,505,540 tons, against 18,417,650 for 1880, being an increase for year of 3,387,940 tons.

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PRODUCE.

In Liverpool the breadstuffs market to-day was quiet and unchanged with the exception of barley and peas, which were each 1d per cental lower. The Chicago wheat market was active, prices advanced 1d in the morning and declined 2½d in the afternoon. In New York wheat was unsettled. The Montreal flour market was dull, with prices 5d to 10d lower than on Saturday. This market was quiet and depressed.

FLOUR was quiet and easier, there being little or no demand. Several lots offered to-day, sellers asking $6 for superior extra on spot. A sale of two cars of superior extra outside was made at equal to $5 90 here. Extra is dull and nominal, at $5 80 to $5 90.

WHEAT is dull, and what may be termed "sick." Holders regret not selling a few days ago when they could have got three or four cents more than at present for fall grades. The demand is restricted to small lots of spring for millers' use, and sales were reported of one car at $1 36 f. o. b., and one at $1 34 on track. No. 2 is worth about $1 32. No. 2 fall is nominal, at $1 26 to $1 28.

BARLEY is quiet and somewhat easier. Offerings are chiefly confined to No. 1, with sellers of five to ten car lots at 97c, but buyers prefer holding off. Six or seven cars of ordinary No. 2 sold at 90c, and choice is worth 95c. No. 3 extra is quoted at 84c to 85c.

OATS are very scarce and firm, with none offering. There are buyers at 43c on track.

PEAS are dull and purely nominal, with none on the market.

RYE is quiet and steady. A sale of a couple of cars was made to-day at 56c on track.

BRAN is quiet and steady, at $13 to $14 on track.

BUTTER offers a little more freely, and prices are easy at 19c to 20c for shipping lots of choice selections. Tub lots are worth 21c. Ordinary tub sells at 15c to 18c.

EGGS scarce and firm, with buyers of case lots at 21c.

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THE STREET MARKET.

The street market to-day was fairly active, and receipts were larger than usual for a Monday. Wheat is easy with sales of 1,000 bushels of fall at $1 27 to $1 28, and a load of spring at $1 35. Barley offered to extent of 10,000 bushels, and prices were somewhat easier at 87c to 97½c, the average price of No. 1 being 94c. Oats scarce and higher at 45c for one load. One load of peas sold at 83c. Hay was in good demand and steady at $11 50 to $17 a ton, with receipts of about thirty loads. Straw firm at $12 to $13 50 for six loads. Beef and venison slightly easier. The supply of butter was fair and prices steady. Eggs firm. We quote:—

Fall wheat	$1 26 to $1 28	Cabbages, per doz	0 60 to 1 00
do spring	1 33 to 1 37	Turnips, bag	0 35 to 0 40
Barley	0 87 to 0 97	Beets, bag	1 25 to 2 00
Oats	0 44 to 0 45	Tomatoes, bu	1 00 to 1 10
Peas	0 80 to 0 85	Onions, bag	1 00 to 1 25
Rye	0 55 to 0 56	Cauliflower, doz	0 50 to 1 00
Beef, hind qrs	5 00 to 6 00	Chickens, pair	0 45 to 0 60
do fore qrs	4 00 to 5 00	Ducks, pair	0 45 to 0 60
Mutton	6 00 to 7 00	Ducks, brace	0 50 to 0 75
Venison, hanging	10 00 to 11 00	Partridges, brace	0 50 to 0 65
carcass	8 00 to 9 00	Geese	0 50 to 0 75
Lambs	3 00 to 5 00	Turkeys	0 75 to 2 00
Hogs, per 100lbs	7 00 to 7 50	Butter, lb. rolls	0 23 to 0 28
Beets, bag	0 75 to 0 80	do. dairy	0 20 to 0 22
Carrots, bag	0 75 to 0 80	Eggs, fresh	0 21 to 0 23
Parsnips, bag	0 60 to 0 70	Wool, per lb	0 20 to 0 24
Parsley, doz	0 15 to 0 20	Hay	11 00 to 17 00
Potatoes, bag	0 85 to 1 00	Straw	12 00 to 13 50
Apples, bbl	1 50 to 2 50		

STOCKS IN STORE.

The following table shows the quantity of flour and grain in store at the several wharves in Toronto on the 31st day of Oct., 1881, and also the totals on the other dates mentioned:—

	Queen's Wharf.	Northern Elevator.	Queen's Wharf.	Church Street Wharf.	Western Elevator.	Richardson's Wharf.	Consumers' Wharf.	Gooderham & Worts.	Total Oct. 31, 1881.	Total Oct. 24, 1881.	Total Oct. 31, 1880.	Flour, bbls.	Total wheat, bush.	Spring wheat, bush.	Oats, bush.	Barley, bush.	Peas, bush.	Rye, bush.	Total grain, bush.
												7,200	138,661	96,811	2,881	379,184	26,518	8,441	651,301
												3,340	36,741	28,095	1,700	410,521	16,500	7,227	522,840
												1,900	141,303	30,049	.....	283,088	.....	6,762	475,300
												2,311	39,576	.....	.....	41,246	.....	6,962	87,768
												1,067	2,984	2,215	0,000	31,272	2,000	2,000	37,487
												1,000	16,075	12,726	500	26,000	1,310	1,000	41,536
												1,000	8,000	8,000	.....	8,000	.....	.....	16,000
												7,200	138,661	96,811	2,881	379,184	26,518	8,441	651,301

Hog Packing in the West.

The Cincinnati *Price Current*, in referring to the movement of hogs and progress of packing operations in the West, says:—There yet remains four working days of the summer pork packing season, and the indications are that when fall and final returns are received from all points the number of hogs packed will foot up about 5,700,000, or about 600,000 less than last year. Besides this deficiency in number, there will be considerable falling off in weight. The season's packing, however, is largely in excess of any preceding summer season except last year, and, notwithstanding the high prices which prevailed for the raw material the business, taken as a whole, has been prosperous, and doubtless satisfactorily profitable. Last year the weather in October was much more favourable for packing without ice than it has been this year, and, as prices of hogs were much lower, there was a greater incentive to operate freely, and the volume of business was larger. Prices on heavy packing hogs a year ago were $4 30 to $4 50 per 100 lbs. gross in this market, against $5 50 to $5 75 two years ago. Prices now are $5 90 to $6 30 here and about the same in Chicago—perhaps a little higher there for equal grade, there having been a decline during the week of 20c. to 50c., but there has been more than an equivalent drop in the prices of the product.

The preponderance of the testimony is that there is a smaller supply of hogs available for winter packing than there was a year ago, but with so much higher prices it is highly probable that a short crop may be stimulated into a bigger one. Many stock hogs have been sent from localities where the corn crop was a failure to where it is plenty, so that in consideration the reports regarding the supply, this fact should have due weight. The policy of rushing half-fattened hogs, and even young pigs, to market, which now seems to prevail, is not to be commended. It may result in breaking the market down early in the season, but that is what producers wish to avoid. Well-fattened hogs for late winter packing would be more satisfactory to the trade, and would probably pay the farmer better in the end. The packing during the week while it exceeds the preceding week, falls largely below the corresponding week last year. Probably there will not be much, if any, greater degree of activity until the temperature falls low enough for packing without ice. Our returns indicate that the packing for the week amounts to 160,000, against 140,000 last week, and 220,000 for the corresponding week last year, making the total since March 1st to date 4,905,000, against 5,095,000 for the corresponding time last year, showing a decrease of 590,000 in the number packed this season. Special reports show the number of hogs packed from March 1 to date, and latest mail dates at the under-mentioned places, with comparisons, as follows:—

To Oct. 26.	1881.	1880.
Chicago	2,625,000	2,890,000
Cincinnati	135,000	121,000
St. Louis	335,000	397,000
Milwaukee	138,540	117,000
Kansas City	411,700	295,000
Cedar Rapids	195,077	230,544
Cleveland	215,000	263,000
Ottumwa, Ia	75,000	65,896
Detroit	35,141	47,377
Des Moines, Ia	52,500	57,135
Indianapolis	160,000	340,000
Atchison	.....	225,447
St. Joseph	40,000	17,500
Omaha, Neb	35,000	.....
Atlantic, Ia	15,000	10,500

MONTREAL MARKETS.

(Specially Reported for The Globe.)

GRAIN, ETC.

MONTREAL, Oct. 31.—The local grain market was dull and stagnant to-day. At the call board there were neither offers to sell or to purchase. There is nothing doing in wheat at present, and prices are purely nominal. Canada white is quoted at $1 38, and Red at $1 42 to $1 43. Sales of peas are reported at 82c, and of oats at from 40c to 43½. Rye is quoted at 56c to 58c. Barley lower, Canada 70c to 75c; Ontario 90c, to 95c. Flour was quiet and easier, there was no demand, but holders are offering at lower prices. Superior extra offered as low as $5 30, and a sale of spring extra is quoted at that price. There is nothing doing in lower grades, the only sale reported to-day was fifty bbls. of spring extra at $5 30, the following are quotations:—Superior extra $5 30 to $5 35; extra superfine $5 20; spring extra $5 30; superfine $5 or $5 10; strong bakers', $5 75 to $7 75; Ontario bags, $3 10 to $3 20; city bags, delivered, $3 70 to $3 85. Ontario oatmeal, per bbl., $5 20 to $5 25. Cornmeal is firmer, at $3 70 to $3 75 per bbl.

PROVISIONS.

There is a larger movement in butter and cheese, but at a considerably lower price. Butter in Europe is lower within the past few days, and it is reported that late shipments of Canadian have turned out unsatisfactorily as it would not grade as "fine." Farmers are now more ready to sell, and Eastern Townships has been offered at 18c. The shipments of butter from Montreal to Great Britain for the week ending to-day, are 2,707 packages against 11,951 packages for the same period last year. The cheese market is unsettled, the result, it is said, of French-Canadian factorymen pressing their stocks on the market. The quotations of butter creamery, late made, 24c to 25c; Townships, good to choice, 19c to 21c; Morrisburg and district, 18c to 21c; Western dairy, 17c to 18c; Kama