Rates and Foreign Exchange—Notes and Gossip.

World Office,
Wednesday Evening, Sept. 26.

Canadian securities to-day were quiet, steady and featureless.

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Cables from London to-day quoted Grand Trunk 1st pref. at 85, 2nd pref. at 56 and 3rd pref. at 21½. Hudson Bay shares at £22, and Anaconda at 2⅝.

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Montreal Railway earnings Tuesday $5352.46, an increase of $942.80.

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Grand Trunk earnings for third week in September, $480,838, or $6840 less than for same week of 1899.

Notes by Cable.

Consols advanced an eighth point in London to-day.

In London some improvement in speculative temper is apparent, and American Railway shares show better for the new account. Bands have advanced to 42 on the collapse of the Boer resistance.

Berlin Exchange on London, 20 marks 46¼ pfgs. for cheques.

Discount rates: Short bills, 3½ per cent.; 3 months' bills, 4½ per cent.

In Paris, 3 per cent. rentes, 99f 97½c for the account. Exchange on London, 20f 1c for cheques.

Spanish Fours closed at 72.45.

In Bremen, petroleum, 7 marks 20 pfgs.

On Wall Street.

The Stock Market was more feverish and irregular to-day than for months. The movement of prices was very wide and the dealings on a large scale. The bear party apparently made up their minds that the elimination of the short interest had so far weakened the technical position of the market as to warrant a fresh inroad upon prices. The raid was conducted with determination and showed the command of large resources. Northern Pacific was singled out as the special object of attack on account of President Mellen's assertion in the annual report that the prospects of business are not so bright for the coming year, owing to the spring wheat shortage. Practically the same commentary was contained in the annual report of President Hill of the Great Northern, published during the day. Northern Pacific had failed to share in the early strength, and altho there were other stocks which covered at wide a range on the down grade Northern Pacific fell farthest below last night's level of the railroad group. The raid was successful in dislodging stop orders, and the whole market fell away with some violence. Most of the leading stocks were a point or more below last night's level before the decline culminated. The early advance had shown gains of a point for many stocks. But the nervous condition of the bears was strikingly shown in the violent recovery of the last half hour of the market, when a rumor got into circulation that the strike of coal miners had been settled. This rumor was attributed to Chicago, and thus the prompt measures taken to secure authoritative information on the point failed to confirm it, the bears bought stocks to cover in discovery haste. Some violent recoveries were the consequence. Reading, first preferred, rally 1⅝ on wide jumps and New Jersey Central 3. The covering movement extended thruout the list, and prices swiftly retraced their downward course to almost the top level in many cases. The market closed considerably excited, and strong, with a large number of stocks showing net gains. The news that the miners' settlement applied only to one mine where peculiar conditions exist did not become known until after the close of the market. What effect the actual facts may have remains to be seen.

J. J. Dixon has the following this evening from Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., New York:

There was considerable covering of shorts in the first hour this morning, and up to 12 o'clock the market held its tone very well. The exception was Northern Pacific, which was under pressure all day, and in the afternoon its weakness affected the whole list. The selling of the stock seemed to be based on the statement of the president of the company that the outlook for the coming year was less promising. The Coalers were generally better because it was thought that negotiations now under way would end the strike before long. There was some calling of loans by one bank, but no significance was attached to this fact, and money did not go above 2 per cent for call loans. The market closed very strong. London did little. Demand sterling, 4.86¼ to 4.86½.

Railway Earnings.

St. Paul's net earnings for August show an increase of $106,000.

Wabash's net earnings for August increased $39,174.

Earnings of C. & O. for third week of September increased $40,021.

Southern Railway earnings for third week of September increased $21,648.

M.O.P. earnings for third week of September increased $47,000.

Earnings of L. and N. for third week of September decreased $6500.

The Money Markets.

The local money market is steady. Money on call, 5 per cent.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Open market discount rate, 4 per cent.

Money on call in New York at 1¾ per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

Buchanan & Jones, 27 Jordan street, Toronto, stock brokers, to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks. Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter
N.Y. Funds	5-64 dis	3-64 dis	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	15 dis	5 dis	1-8 to 1-4
Demand Sig.	9-5-16	9-3-8	9 5-8 to 9 3-4
60 days' sight.	8 1-2	8 9-16	8 3-4 to 8 13-16
Cable Trans.	9 7-16	9 1-2	9 3-4 to 9 7-8

—Rates in New York.—

	Posted.	Actual.
Demand sterling	4.87½@4.88¼	to ....
Sixty days sight	4.83½@4.82⅝	to ....

Toronto Stocks.

	1 p.m. Ask.	Bid.	3.30 p.m. Ask.	Bid.
Montreal	...	256	...	256
Ontario	127	126	127	126
Toronto	...	236	...	236
Merchants	159	154	159	155
Commerce	155	152½	154	152¾
Imperial	229	216½	219	216⅝
Dominion	233	232¼	232½	232
Standard	...	195	...	195
Hamilton	...	157	...	157
Nova Scotia	225	220	225	220
Ottawa	207	205	207	205
Traders	115	110	112¾	110¾
Brit. America	106	100	105	100
West. Assurance	116	115	117	115
Imperial Life	...	146	...	146
National Trust	...	135	...	135
Toronto G. Trusts	...	146	...	146½
do. part paid	...	142⅝	...	142¾
Consumers' Gas	217	214	217	210
Montreal Gas	191½	188¾	192	189½
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	60	55	60	55
Can. N.W. L., pref.	50	46	50	46
C. P. R. Stock	86⅞	86⅝	86½	86⅝
Toronto Electric	134	132½	134	132½
General Electric	169	168½	168¾	168¼
do. pref.	...	100	...	100¼
London Electric	116	114	116	111½
Commercial Cable	167	166½	167	166¾
do. coup bonds	102	100¾	102	100
do. reg. bonds	101	100¾	101¼	101½
Dom. Telegraph	...	122	...	120
Bell Telephone	176	172	176	171½
Rich. & Ont.	106¾	106¼	107¼	106⅛
Hum. Steamboat	...	85	...	85
Toronto Ry.	101	100	101	100½
London St. Ry.	155	...	155	...
Halifax Elec. T.	99	...	100	...
Twin City Ry.	60	58¾	61	58½
Luxfer Prism, pref.	105	...	103	...
Cycle and Motor C.	85	...	83	...
Carter-Crume	103	101	103	101
Dunlop Tire, pref.	103	101	103	101
War Eagle	151½	151	152	150½
Republic	75	74½	75½	74½
Payne Mining	98	95	98	94½
Cariboo (McK.)	84	80	83½	81
Golden Star	6½	6¼	6⅝	6¼
Virtue	65	58½	65	56
Crow's Nest Coal	160	155½	160	155½
North Star	100	95	99½	95½
Brit. Can. L. & I.	90	...	...	...
Can. Landed	83	...	...	...
Can. Per. & W.C.	112	111	...	...
Canadian S & L	...	115	...	...
Central Can. L.	...	133	...	...
Dom. S. & I. S.	75	...	...	...
Ham. Provident	114	111	...	...
Huron & Erie	...	173	...	...
do. 20 per cent.	...	163	...	...
Imperial Loan	85	...	...	...
Landed B. & L.	...	110½	...	...
Lon. & Can. L. & A.	70	...	...	...
London Loan	...	107½	...	...
Manitoba Loan	50	40	...	...
Ontario L. & D.	...	121	...	...
do., 20 per cent.	...	110	...	...
Real Estate L. & D.	...	66	...	...
Toronto S. & L.	...	126	...	...
Toronto Mortgage	80	77½	...	...

Sales at 11.30 a.m.: Western Assurance, 25 at 116, 100, 25, 100 at 115; C.P.R., 100 at 86⅞; Golden Star, 500 at 6⅝.

Sales at 1 p.m.: Bank of Toronto, 20 at 252½; Bank of Commerce, 20 at 152¾; Western Assurance, 18, 9 at 115¼; C.P.R., 25 at 86⅛, 50 at 86⅜; Toronto Electric, 25 at 133; General Electric, 10 at 168, 10 at 168¾; Cable, 25 at 167; War Eagle, 100 at 153, 2500, 1000, 500 at 151, 200 at 151½; Republic, 200, 250, 200, 200 at 75; Can. Per. & W.C., 90 at 112.

Sales at 3.30 p.m.: Dominion Bank, 20 at 232½; Western Assurance, 100, 43 at 115; Ontario & Qu'Appelle, 20 at 57; C.P.R., 10, 5 at 86⅝, 25, 25, 25, 25 at 86½; General Electric, 10 at 168½; Cable, 20 at 166⅞, 20 at 166⅝; Cariboo-McKinney, 200 at 83.

Montreal Stocks.

Montreal, Sept. 26.—Closing quotations today: C.P.R., xd., 86½ and 86⅜; Duluth, 5 offered; Duluth, pref., 16 offered; Cable, 169 and 167½; Richelieu, 110 and 106; Montreal Ry., 264½ and 264; Montreal, new, 256 and 250; Hamilton Ry., xd., 95¾ offered; Toronto Ry., xd., 101½ and 100½; Twin City Ry., 60 and 59; Montreal Gas, 191 and 190; Royal Electric, xd., 135 and 126; Montreal Telegraph, 176 and 165; Bell Telephone, 176 and 172; Dom. Coal, 40 and 37; do. pref., 110 asked; Montreal Cotton, 135 asked; Canada Cotton, 88 and 82; Montmorency Cotton, 110 offered; Dom. Cotton, 85 and 81; War Eagle, 100 and 150; Montreal-London, 12 asked; Payne, 97 and 95; Republic, 76 and 74; Virtue, 65 offered; North Star, 100 offered; Molsons Bank, xd., 190 and 180½; Merchants' Bank, 158 and 156; Nova Scotia, 230 and 220; Ontario, 126 and 122; Commerce, 155 asked; Hochelaga, 140 offered; Inter. Coal, 55 and 37; do. pref., 75 and 50; Cable Coup Bonds, 100 asked; do. reg. bonds, 100 asked; Can. Cotton Bonds, 100 and 98; Dom. Coal Bonds, 110½ asked.

Morning sales: C.P.R., xd., 300 at 86⅝, 25 at 87; Toronto Ry., 100, 25, 3 at 100½; Colored Cotton, 2 at 82; War Eagle, 3000 at 150; Republic, 500 at 75; Payne, 500 at 96; Virtue, 500 at 61; Bank of Montreal, 19 at 256; Bank of Commerce, 8 at 151½; Hamilton Ry., 2000 at 105.

Sales at 3.30 p.m.: C.P.R., xd., 50 at 86, 10, 100 at 86½; Toronto Ry., xd., 50 at 100½.

New York Stocks.

Thompson & Heron, 16 West King-street, report the fluctuations on Wall-street to-day as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Am Cot. Oil Co.	32⅛	32⅛	32	32
Am. Sugar, com.	113⅞	114⅝	112⅞	114⅜
Am. Tobacco	86⅞	87½	85⅞	86⅞
Atl. S. & W., com.	30⅛	30⅛	29⅞	30⅛
Atchison, com.	26½	26½	26⅛	26½
Atchison, pref.	68½	68⅝	67⅞	68⅝
Canadian Pac.	41⅛	41⅛	41	41
B. R. T.	48⅞	49⅝	48	49½
B. & O., com.	67⅞	67½	66½	66⅞
B. & O., pref.	76	76	74⅞	76½
Ches. & Ohio	26½	26⅝	26	26½
C.C.C. & St. Louis	85½	85½	85½	85½
Cont Tobacco	24⅞	24⅞	24⅛	24⅛
C. B. & Q.	121½	122	120⅞	121⅝
Chic. Great West	10⅛	10⅛	10	10
Chic. M. & St. P.	112	112⅞	111	112¼
Fed. Steel, com.	31⅞	31¼	30⅞	31½
F. Steel, pref.	61½	61½	61	61½
Gen. Electric	133	133	133	133
Louis. & Nash.	69⅛	70¼	69¼	70⅛
Missouri Pacific	48	48⅝	46¼	47¼
M.K. & T., pref.	27¼	27⅞	27½	27⅞
Manhattan	85⅞	85⅞	85	85⅞
Met. St. Ry., xd.	146¼	146¼	145⅞	146½
N. Y. Central	127⅞	127⅞	126⅞	127⅞
Nor. & West., com.	32	32⅛	31½	32
Nor. Pacific, com.	48½	48⅝	46½	47⅞
Nor. Pacific, pref.	68⅛	68⅛	67⅞	68⅛
N. J. Central	128⅞	131	128	131
Ont. & West.	19½	19⅝	19⅛	19⅝
Penn. R. R.	126⅛	126½	125	125
People's Gas	84⅞	84⅞	82⅞	84
Pacific Mail	28	28	27½	27½
Rock Island	104⅝	105	103⅞	104⅞
Reading, 1st pref.	62⅞	64⅞	61⅞	64⅞
South. Ry., com.	11⅛	11⅛	10⅛	10⅞
South. Ry., pref.	51⅞	51⅞	51	51⅛
South. Pacific	31⅞	31½	30⅞	31½
Texas Pacific	14⅛	14⅛	14	14
Tenn. C. & I.	55	55	52½	55⅞
U. S. Leather, com.	9⅛	9⅞	8⅞	9⅛
U. S. Leather, pref.	85⅞	85⅞	85⅞	85⅞
Union Pacific, com.	55	55½	54	54½
Union Pacific, pref.	71⅞	72½	71¼	72⅞
Wabash, pref.	16⅞	17⅛	16⅞	17

London Stock Market.

	Sept. 25. Close.	Sept. 26. Close.
Consols, account	98 7-16	98 9-16
Consols, money	98⅝	98⅞
C. P. R.	89⅝	89½
New York Central	130¼	131
Illinois Central	118	...
Pennsylvania	...	64½
St. Paul	114½	115¼
Louisville & Nashville	71⅞	72
Northern Pacific	...	70⅞
Union Pacific	55⅞	56⅞
Union Pacific, pref.	...	73⅞
Erie	...	...
Erie, pref.	35½	35⅞
Atchison	27⅛	27¼
Reading	7⅞	7⅞
Ontario & Western	19⅞	19⅞
Wabash, pref.	...	17

On the London Exchange.

London, Sept. 26.—Short loans continue stiff. A new issue of treasury bills Oct. 3 will replace a similar amount falling due. Contango day absorbs the attention of operators on the Stock Exchange to the exclusion of new business. During the last fortnight's account business sank to the lowest ebb of 1900, and there are no signs of it improving. The responsibility for this state of affairs is divided between the approaching general election, the labor disputes and the Chinese difficulty. The position of account strengthens home railroads. American securities opened at parity, and subsequently improved. L. and N. and Southern Railway being the feature of the transactions. Later they relapsed and at the closing were dull. Grand Trunks rallied fractionally.

Cotton Markets.

New York, Sept. 26.—Cotton futures opened easy. Sept. 10.13 bid; Oct., 10.00; Nov., 9.65; Dec., 9.51; Jan., 9.52; Feb., 9.49 bid; March, 9.52; April, 9.48 bid; May, 9.52; June, 9.51 bid; July, 9.50 offered; Aug., 9.40.

New York, Sept. 26.—Cotton futures closed firm. Sept., 10.30; Oct., 10.02; Nov., 9.75; Dec., 9.62; Jan., 9.62; Feb., 9.62; March, 9.62; April, 9.62; May, 9.62; June, 9.61; July, 9.60; Aug., 9.48.

COTTON CRISIS AFFECTS INDIA.

Bombay Spinners Paralyzed—Thirty-Five Mills Closed, Others Restricting Output.

London, Sept. 26.—The cotton crisis, according to the Bombay correspondent of The Daily Express, is paralyzing the Bombay spinners, who had hoped to purchase cheaply on a full crop. Prices, the correspondent says, are rising; thirty-five mills have closed and others are restricting their output.

Chevalier Gianelli's Visit.

Chevalier Gianelli, hon. consul of His Majesty the King of Italy, now resident in Buffalo, N.Y., has been in the city for the past two days. He came for the purpose of giving to Mr. R. E. Kingsford the seal and the archives of the vice-consulate of Italy. The duties of the vice-consulate (an office left vacant some years ago by the death of Mr. Bendelari, Mr. Gianelli's vice-consul) have been discharged during the interim by Mr. Gianelli himself, who, at the request of the Italian Government, has been acting as regent until a suitable person could be found to act as Mr. Bendelari's successor. Plans had been formed by Mr. Kingsford and the Italian citizens of Toronto to hold a public meeting, at which the different consular representatives would be present, and an address would be read to Mr. Gianelli. Important business has, however, prevented the latter from waiting here long enough to have these plans carried out. He left the city yesterday afternoon for New York.

S. Ackerman, commercial traveler, Belleville, writes: "Some years ago I used Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil for inflammatory rheumatism, and three bottles effected a complete cure. I was the whole of one summer unable to move without crutches, and every movement caused excruciating pains. I am now out on the road and exposed to all kinds of weather, but have never been troubled with rheumatism since. I, however, keep a bottle of Dr. Thomas' Oil on hand, and I always recommend it to others, as it did so much for me. ed

Back From Demerara.

Montreal, Sept. 26.—(Special.)—Mr. Frank P. Brothers, manager of the Demarara Electric Railway Company, of which Sir William Van Horne is president, has just returned to the city from Georgetown, British Guiana, South America, where he has been superintending the construction of a street railway system.

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CORN STRONG AT CHICAGO

Shorts Liquidated and October Delivery Advanced.

Liverpool Wheat Cables Lower—Chicago Options Advanced a Cent a Bushel and Held Half the Rise at the Close—Local Markets—Notes.

World Office,
Wednesday Evening, Sept. 26.

Liverpool wheat futures to-day declined ⅝d to ½d per cental and maize futures were about unchanged.

Chicago wheat futures recovered about a cent a bushel to-day and retained half the rise at the close. Corn futures advanced and held most of the gain.

The Hungarian Minister reports the world's wheat crop 240,000,000 bushels less than last year, and the world's rye crop 232,000,000 bushels less than last year.

The Minneapolis Journal says: "There has been considerable exaggeration in reports as to the grain situation. The impression has gone out that there is now standing a large acreage of wheat in shock. This is not true. Shock threshing is practically completed.

Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day 315 cars, as against 409 cars last Wednesday and 719 cars a year ago.

Bradstreet corrected the first report sent out of an increase of 1,844,000 bushels in the world's visible supply of wheat, and made the increase 4,634,000 bushels for the week.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centres to-day:

	Sept.	Oct.	Dec.
Chicago	....	0 77⅞	....
New York	0 81⅛	0 81⅞	0 84
Milwaukee	0 80½	....	....
St. Louis	0 75⅝	0 75¼	0 75¼
Toledo	0 79⅛	0 79½	0 79½
Detroit, red	0 79⅞	0 79⅞	0 80⅛
Detroit, white	0 77⅞	....	....
Duluth, No. 1 hard	0 83⅞	0 81⅞	....
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	0 83⅞	....	....
Minneapolis, No. 1 Northern	0 80	....	....
Minneapolis No. 1 hard	0 82	....	....

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ontario patents, in bags, $3.60 to $3.70; straight rollers, $3.50 to $3.60; Hungarian patents, $4.70; Manitoba bakers', $4.35; fall patents, $3.75 to $3.80; these prices include bags on track in Toronto.

Wheat—Ontario red and white, north and west, sold at 68c; goose, quoted at 65c west; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 86c; Toronto and No. 1 Northern at 94c.

Oats—Quoted at 23½c to 24½c, north and west, 25c east.

Barley—Quoted at 41c for No. 2 west, and No. 3 extra, 38c; No. 3 at 37c.

Rye—Quoted at 49c north and west and 50c east.

Peas—New, 57½c bid north and west and 59c east.

Corn—Canadian, 40½c to 41c west; American, 48c to 49c on track here.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $13.50 and shorts at $16.00, in car lots, f.o.b., Toronto.

Oatmeal—Quoted at $3.20 by the bag and $3.50 by the barrel, on track at Toronto, in car lots.

Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: Granulated at $5.38, and No. 1 yellow $4.68 per cwt. Car load lots at 5c per cwt. less. Other refineries quote the price of their low grade yellows 10 cents lower than above figures.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 6400 bushels of grain, 25 loads of hay, 1 of straw, 60 dressed hogs and a plentiful supply of potatoes and apples.

Wheat—3600 bushels sold as follows: White, 1000 bushels at 69c to 71c; red, 500 bushels at 69½c; goose, 500 bushels at 68c to 69½c; load of springers at 71c.

Barley—4000 bushels sold at 45c to 47c.

Oats—600 bushels sold at 29c to 29½c.

Rye—One load sold at 54c per bushel.

Hay—25 loads sold at $11 to $13 per ton.

Straw—One load of sheaf sold at $11 per ton.

Dressed Hogs—Prices firmer at $8 to $8.25 per cwt.

Potatoes—Prices easier at 27c to 35c per bag, by the load, and 40c per single bag.

Apples—Deliveries large, and easier, at 40c to $1 per bbl., a few very select lots sold at 15c to 25c higher, but some farmers could scarcely find a market at any price.

Grains		
Wheat, white, bush	$0 69	to $....
" red, bush	0 69½	0 70
" fife, bush	0 71	....
" goose, bush	0 69	0 69½
Oats, old, bush	0 31	0 32
Oats, new, bush	0 29	0 29½
Barley, bush	0 45	0 49
Rye, bush	0 54	....
Peas, bush	0 58	0 59
Buckwheat, bush	0 58	....
Seeds—		
Alsike, choice No. 1	$7 25	to $7 75
" good, No. 2	6 75	7 00
Red clover, per bush	5 50	6 00
Timothy, per bush	1 40	1 80
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, per ton	$11 00	to $13 00
Straw, sheaf, per ton	11 00	....
Straw, loose, per ton	6 50	....
Dairy Produce—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 22	to $0 26
Eggs, new laid	0 16	0 20
Poultry—		
Chickens, per pair	$0 40	to $0 60
Spring chickens, per pair	0 50	0 80
Turkeys, per lb.	0 12	0 14
Spring ducks, per pair	0 60	0 90
Geese, per lb.	0 08	0 09
Fruit and Vegetables—		
Potatoes, new, per bag	$0 27	to $0 35
Carrots, per bag	0 40	0 50
Beets, per bag	0 30	0 40
Turnips, per doz	0 30	0 40
Apples, per bbl.	0 50	1 00
Fresh Meat—		
Beef, forequarters, cwt	$4 50	to $5 50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt	8 00	9 00
Lamb, per lb.	0 07	0 08
Mutton, carcase, cwt	0 06	0 07
Veal, carcase, cwt	0 07	0 09
Dressed hogs, per cwt	8 00	8 25

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, car lots, per ton	$9 50	to $10 00
Straw, baled, car lots, per ton	4 75	5 00
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	0 20	0 21
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls	0 22	0 23
Butter, creamery, boxes	0 21	0 22
Butter, tubs, per lb.	0 18	0 19
Butter, bakers' tub	0 14	0 16
Eggs, new-laid	0 14	0 15
Honey, per lb.	0 09	0 10

Hides and Wool.

Price list, revised daily by James Hallam & Sons, No. 111 East Front-street, Toronto:

Hides, No. 1 green	....	$0 07 to $0 07½
Hides, No. 1 green steers	0 07½	0 08
Hides, No. 2 green steers	0 06½	0 07
Hides, No. 2 green	0 06	0 06½
Hides, cured	0 08¾	0 07¾
Calfskins, No. 1	0 08	....
Calfskins, No. 2	0 07	....
Deacons (dairies), each	0 45	0 55
Lambskins and pelts, fresh	0 90	0 65
Tallow, rendered	0 04	0 04¾
Wool, fleece	0 15	0 16
Wool, unwashed, fleece	0 09	0 10
Wool, pulled, super	0 16	0 18
Wool, pulled, extra	0 18	0 21

Chicago Markets.

J. J. Dixon reports the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open.	High	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Oct.	$0 76⅝	$0 78	$0 76⅝	$0 77⅞
" —Nov.	0 77⅞	0 78⅝	0 77⅞	0 78⅛
Corn—Oct.	0 39¼	0 40⅛	0 39¼	0 40⅛
" —Nov.	0 36⅝	0 37¼	0 36⅝	0 37⅛
Oats—Oct.	0 21⅝	0 22	0 21⅝	0 22
" —Nov.	0 22¼	0 22½	0 22¼	0 22½
Pork—Oct.	12 05	12 20	12 05	12 15
Lard—Oct.	7 05	7 07	7 02	7 02
S. Ribs—Oct.	7 50	7 55	7 50	7 52

TORONTO FRUIT MARKET.

Deliveries of fruit down at the wholesale market to-day were about 8000 packages, differing only slightly from those of yesterday. Prices show a marked tendency to lower figures along all lines. Grapes were more in evidence to-day than at any time during the season, the Dawson Commission Co. receiving a large shipment. With the close of the season and a marked decline in receipts, the quality of fruit generally is much improved, and more especially is this the case with regard to peaches, some of the finest passing thru the commission houses just now is exceptionally fine, and commands ready sale at fancy prices. To-day's market, generally speaking, was inclined to be sluggish, and a heavy feeling generally characterized the closing hours of trade. We quote prices as follows:

Pears, 20c to 20c per basket; tomatoes, 10c to 20c; cucumbers, 10c to 15c; apples, 10c to 20c; choice, per bbl., $1 to $1.50; green corn, 3c to 5c per doz.; potatoes, 30c to 35c per bush.; peaches, common, 10c to 20c; better grades, 25c to 40c; extra fancy, 50c to 60c; plums, 30c to 40c; muskmelons, 10c to 15c per basket; and 20c to 40c per case; celery, 20c to 40c per doz.; huckleberries, 50c to 90c per basket; grapes, small basket, 12½c to 15c; per basket, Niagaras, 12½c to 20c; Moore's Early, 12½c to 20c; red grapes, 15c to 25c; egg plant, 20c to 25c per basket; sweet potatoes, $4 to $4.50 per bbl.; per basket, 50c; bananas, $1.25 to $2 per bunch.

MINES AND MINING STOCKS

Revival of Idea to Tap Rossland Ore Bodies at 3000 Feet By a Long Tunnel.

SALE OF RATHMULLEN STOCK.

Yesterday's Mining Stock Markets at Toronto and Montreal Were Both Quiet.

Tenders are invited for the shares of the Rathmullen Mines, Limited, which members of the Rathmullen Consolidated Mining & Development Company, Limited, have not claimed under the terms of the agreement for the transfer of the assets of the old company to the new company.

Tenders for the whole or any part of such shares will be received up to the 3rd day of October, 1900, and must be accompanied by cash, marked cheque or draft for 25 per cent. of the amount offered per share.

Big Tunnel for Rossland.

The Rossland Miner says:

"Mr. J. B. McArthur is in the city from Columbia. He was the projector of the plan for a long-distance tunnel to be built from Trail to tap the ore bodies of this camp at depth. He went so far as to have reports made on the project by engineers. In speaking about the matter yesterday, he said: 'A tunnel must be bored sooner or later. If I remember correctly, the distance from the portal of the tunnel to the mines on Red Mountain was about three miles. With electric power to drive the drills and to operate the air fans, it would not be a very great task. It would be of great advantage to the mines. The ore could be taken out at a depth of 2000 feet and up to perhaps nearly 3000 feet on the higher reaches of Red Mountain, and taken by electric freight cars thru the tunnel to Trail, where there is a smelter and all of the facilities for reduction of ore. In the bottom of the tunnel under the tracks of the car there could be made a conduit, which would carry off all the water that might come into the mines. When depth is attained and the matter of hoisting becomes a considerable item of cost, this tunnel, in my opinion, will have to be built. The sooner the work is started the better for the economical extraction of the large bodies of ore of a medium grade, which are found in the mines of this camp."

Toronto Mining Exchange.

	Morning. Ask.	Bid.	Afternoon. Ask.	Bid.
Athabasca	650	605	650	605
B.C. Gold Fields	3½	3	3¼	3
Big Three	2¼	1¾	2½	1¾
Black Tail	14	11	16	11
Brandon & G.C.	16	10	16	10
Butte & Boston	3	1½	3	1½
Canadian G.F.S.	8	7½	7¾	7½
Cariboo (McK.)	88	80	88	80
Cariboo Hyd.	155	137	150	138
Centre Star	165	156	157	153
Crow's Nest	340	330	341	338
California	10	8½	10	8½
Dardanelles	3	1½	3	1½
Deer Trail Con.	4¼	3¾	4¼	3¾
Evening Star	6	6	6	6
Fairview Corp.	2¾	2¼	2¾	2¼
Golden Star	6⅝	6¼	6⅝	6½
Gold Hills	2½	1½	2½	1½
Giant	4	3	3	3
Hammond Reef	4⅝	4⅝	4⅞	4¾
Iron Mask (as.)	38	30	37	32
Jim Blaine	12	6	11	6
King	6	3	6	3
Knob Hill	55	40	55	40
Lone Pine-Surprise	11	6	11	6
Monte Cristo	3½	2¾	3½	3
Montreal G. P.	3½	2	3½	1½
Montreal-London	12	11¼	11¼	11
Morning Glory	7	5	7½	6
Mountain Lion	60	45	50	52
Noble Five	6	4	6	3½
North Star	98⅞	96⅞	99	95½
Old Ironsides	75	60	95	60
Olive	17⅞	15	19	15
Payne	100	90	100	90
Princess Maud (as.)	4	2	4	2
Rambler-Cariboo	25⅞	24	26	23
Republic	76	74	75¼	73
Slocan Sov.	15	8	15	8
Virtue	63	61	62	60
War Eagle Con.	153½	148	152	148
Athelstan	2½	1¾	2½	1¾
White Bear	2⅞	2¼	2⅞	2¼
Winnipeg	9	6	6½	6

Morning sales: Hammond Reef, 1000, 1000, 1000 at 4¾, 100 at 4¾, 500, 1000, 500 at 4⅝, 454 at 4¾. Total, 6554.

Afternoon sales: Hammond Reef, 500 at 4¾, 5000 at 5; Monte Cristo, 500 at 3; London, 500 at 11, 500 at 11¼, 500, 500, 500 at 11; Deer Trail, 1000 at 4¼, 1000 at 4½; Golden Star, 500 at 6¾; Montreal-London, 500, 8000, 5000, 500 at 11. Total, 25,000.

W.C.T.U. ANNUAL CONVENTION

Prayers for the Canadian Soldiers Offered Every Tuesday for Fourteen Weeks.

There was a large number of delegates present yesterday afternoon, when the fourteenth annual convention of the Toronto District W. C. T. U. was opened, in Elm-street Methodist Church. In the morning an executive meeting was held, when the officers of the district met to close up the year's business. At the afternoon session the superintendents of the several departments gave reports of the work done during the year.

Mrs. Chamberlain, superintendent of the Prison Gate and Police Reform Department, told of certain reforms instituted in regard to punishment of prisoners in the Mercer Reformatory for certain misdemeanors. The report dealing with the evangelistic work was presented by Mrs. James Fletcher, 13 Gloucester-street. The superintendent herself visited six different unions, three Sabbath schools, four mothers' meetings, besides distributing many tracts and attending to other details of the department's correspondence.

Every Tuesday for 14 weeks, meetings of prayer were held at headquarters in behalf of the Canadian soldiers in South Africa. In the evening Mrs. A. O. Rutherford, Dominion president, spoke of her trip to England, and reviewed the proceedings of the National Congress