TORONTO MARKETS.

TORONTO, Jan. 27th, 1881.

The stock market opened weak on Monday Bank Montreal sold at 1791, Ontario, Merchants & Commerce offered 1 to 4 lower, Imperial 11 higher, B. A. Assurance sold at 1534. Building & Loan at 98, and on Wednesday at 981, Farmers Some township bonds offered at 1081 at 128]. with enquiry for debentures. Yesterday the market was steadier, with but few transactions, 148 was offered for Bank of Toronto, with no sellers; 104 was bid for Standard, and 148 for Dominion. A few shares Dominion Telegraph sold at 92, buyers offered 1261 for Montreal Telegraph but holders asked 1271.

A trade sale of teas and sugars for account of Messrs. Tees, Costigan & Wilson of Montreal, was begun on Wednesday, with a good attendance Some 2400 packages were sold on that

day at very fair prices. CATTLE.—The market has not been active, although a good many beeves offered, these were mostly inferior, and a number sold at from \$3.60 to 4.00. Not many good for export offer, \$4.50 to 4.80 was paid for 1200 and 1300 lb. steers, and more would have been paid for heavier Prices are somewhat lower this week for ones. inferior, thirds have sold at 3.00 to 3.50. Sheep snitable for trans-atlantic shipment have been enquired for, first class bringing 4.50 per cental' or 6.50 to 7.50 each, with \$5.50 to 6.50 for seconds Lambs are also in request, 1sts brought 4.25 to 4.75 and seconds 3.50 to 3.75.

FREIGHTS .- Through rates of freight to Britain per Dominion and Beaver lines, from Portland are: Flour and oatmeal, \$1.18 per bbl.; beef or pork in barrels, boxed meats, tallow and lard, 58c per 100 lbs. ; butter and cheese, not less than 15.000 lb. lots, 711c per 100 lbs.; 5,000 to 10,000 1b. lots, 811; flour and meal in sacks, 511c per 100 lbs.; oil cake, 48½c per 100 lbs.; apples per bbl., prepaid in 130 bbl. lots or over, \$1.27½; clover, 70c per cental; dressed poultry and dead meats, 10,000 lbs. or over, 90c per cental. Grand Trunk rates on flour from this city eastward are as under : Kingston, 30c; Gananoque to Prescott, 35c ; Edwardsburg to Montreal, 40c ; St Lambert to St. John's, Que. 47c; Coaticook to point Levis or Quebec, 60c; Island Pond to L'Islet, 65c; St. Jean to Riviere du Loup, 73c ; Cacouna to Moncton, 80c; Point du Chene, (through traffic) 75c; Amherst, Point du Chene, Coldbrook, 85c; Pic-ton, Truro, Halifax, New Glasgow, (for H. & C. B. R. R. through) 75c; Windsor Junction, (for W. & A. R. R. traffic only) 70c; St. John, St. Stephen, St. Andrew's, Carlton, McAdam and Fredricton Junctions, 70 each.

FLOUB, ETC .- The market is dull at unchanged prices, stocks in store are 8,592 bbls. against 7,441 bbls. last week and 15,724 bbls. on like date last year. Superior Extra is nominally un-changed at 4.85, Spring extra at 4.75 and strong bakers at 5.00. Oatmeal quiet and steady; Bran 12.50 per ton.

GRAIN .---- All grains are dull of sale. Wheat .--Fall -- Stocks in store are 84,033 bush. against 80,244 bush. last week and 154,534 bush. on like date last year. The English market has been drooping during the week; American markets keep up somewhat better. The movement here is confined to odd cars of spring and fall to local millers. We do not alter our quotations. Wheat .- Spring .- Stocks in store 72,059 bush. against 56,645 bush. last week and 157,545 bush. on like date last year, prices nominally unchanged. Oats are firmer, and in some request with small supply. Barley.-Stocks in store 438,996 bu. against 426,291 bush. last week. and 183,838 bush. on like date last year. But little doing ; the demand comes entirely from local maltsters, there being no American orders in market. Lower grades have declined 2 to 4c. Peas.—Stocks in firmer, offerings are not large, and 19 to 20c. is store 51,498 bush. against 54,867 bush. last week paid for fine goods, and 17 to 18c. for large rolls.

and 52,089 bush. on like date last year. Rye is steady. Corn lower. We quote 55c.

WHEAT SUPPLY IN GREAT BRITAIN. The total stocks of foreign wheat in first hands

in the United Kingdom at the end of December in three years is shown by the table below :

I		1880.	1879.	1878.
ł		Qrs.	Qrs.	Qrs.
	London	230,000*	496,103	316,808
	Liverpool	115,369	500,278	159,925
	Hull	80,000	190,000	60,000
	Gloucester	45,300	110,800	59,800
	Bristol	64,937	90,248	48,341
	Newcastle	10,000*	14.126	10,141
	Glasgow	44,687	48,395	63,271
	Leith	11,175	23,168	19,334
1	Dublin	136,358	110,000	159,082
	Belfast	52,000	20 200	14,400
	Londonderry	16,150	8,200	11,500
	West Hartlepool	2,919	6,757	6,758
	Galway	9,500	8,700	9,820
	Cork	18,000	46,000	
	Newry	18.700	26,000	
	Boston	8,500	9,350	

Total 863,595 1,708,325 939,180 'Estimated.

The Corn Trade List adds that the stocks of flour in the principal ports amount, in the ag-gregate, to equal to about 290,000 quarters of wheat (mostly in sacks,) against 405.000 quarters at the end of December last year. The total stock of wheat and flour in the United Kingdom, in first hands, is 1,240,000 quarters, against 2,-290 000 quarters at this time last year-a decrease of 1,050,000 quarters; and the present stocks are lower than they have been in any previous year since December, 1874, with the single exception of last June.

GROCERIES .- There is a decidedly better feelin teas, evidenced by the improved bids at New York auction sales. Prices obtained here at Tees, Costigan & Wilson's sale yesterday were in some cases an improvement on trade quotations, but these were for limited lots. Money continues to come in well from the country. All sugars are firm. We note the arrival in this market of a car load of sugar from the Moncton, N.B., refinery, which is of very attractive quality. Molasses we quote, 38 to 42c; syrups are steady. In fruit there is a firm feeling; Sultana raisins are scarce here and in Liverpool: as to Valencias, the unusual snows, occasioning floods in Spain, must injure the vines and affect the crop. Currants are in short supply in England. The shortage in the crop was expected to be 110,000 tons, but it is found to be 90,000 tons. Among spices, pepper is higher, being scarce; there has been too much imported for years and generally at a loss, until people grew tired of the experiment.

HIDES AND SKINS .- No change in price of hides from last week, cured quiet at 94c. Other articles unaltered.

LEATHER.-The market is firm, and but a moderate movement taking place. There are moderate movement taking place. There are no heavy parcels of upper selling and sole is moving fairly; harness, if prime, finds ready buyers. Calfskin, both domestic and foreign, is enquired for and held firmly, buff and pebble are meantime quiet and in fair stock, but russets scarec and wanted at full prices.

PROVISIONS .- The feeling in hog products is considerably stronger, with sellers rather indif ferent about offering, unless at their own prices. Dressed hogs have sold as high as \$6.75, and considerable quantities are held in the country, owners of which look for that price there. The Chicago market has been firm and advancing. We quote long clear bacon, 9 to 91c; C. C. 81 to 9c; mess pork firm at \$17.50 in a jobbing way; lard is very firm and in small supply, round lots have changed hands at 111c. Butter is

Cheese is higher and the supply very limited ; 141c. is asked and obtained for choicest. Dried app es dull at unchanged prices. Wool.—There is a fair, though not a large,

movement to Canadian factorymen at about last week's prices. 30c. is still paid for fleece ; 29c. is highest figure paid by dealers for pulled super.; white extra brings 35 to 371c.

ENGLISH MARKETS.

London, Jan. 26th, 1881.

Beerbohm's report quotes wheat and maize afloat as heavy. Cargoes on passage-wheat, weaker, and easier; maize, quiet. In Mark Lane -wheat and maize were dull; good cargoes red winter wheat, off coast, now 46s. 9d. Imports Imports into the United Kingdom during the week-Wheat, 195,000 to 200,000 qrs; maize. 65,000 to 70,000 qrs ; flour, 160,00) to 165,000 bbls.; Liverpool-Spot wheat, rather easier ; California -1d. cheaper ; maize, quiet.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 26th.

Flour, 9s. 6d. to 11s. 6 ; spring wheat, 8s. 6d. to 9s. 6d.; red winter, 9s. 2d. to 9s. 8.; white, 9s. 0d. to 9s. 8d.; ieu winter, 5s. 2d. to 10s. 2d.; corn, 5s. 44d.; barley, 5s. 3d.; oats, 6s. 2d.; peas, 6s. 9d.; pork, 67s. 0d.; bacon, 39s. 0d. to 40s. 6d.; beef, 74s. ; lard, 49s. ; tallow, 35s. 3d.; cheese, 68s.

AMERICAN MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Jan. 26th, 1881.

Market opened on Monday at 995c for wheat No. 2 Spring) March delivery, and opened today at 994c., closing at \$1.00 fc. for April, \$1.08 to. for June. Corn opened on Monday at 3640. for February, and 41%c for May; it closed to-day Oats, 341c May. at 414c Jnne, and 42 July. Oats, 344c May-Pork was quoted Monday at \$13.55 February, 13.30 March, and 13.45 April; to day it is \$13.70 March, and 13.85 April. Lard opened this week at \$9.00 for February, and closed to-day 9.30 Jan. or Feb., 9.40 March, 9.50 April.

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