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Rumours of a General Election.

It is currently believed—among Reformers, at any rate—that a general election for the House of Commons will take place early next spring, if not sooner. The belief is founded upon statements to that effect in the *Globe*, and in this vicinity, as well, probably, as in others, upon information received from private but thoroughly reliable sources. The *Mail* denies (but then it will deny almost anything) that an election will take place before the natural period, and the members of the Conservative party say just what the *Mail* does; but, if the springing of a mine be not contemplated, what mean all the tory conventions respecting which we see so much in editorials, in advertisements, and in posters? There can be but very little doubt that an election will take place immediately after the next session, which may be an unusually short one; and, at any rate, while one party is apparently making preparations for a contest, it would be the height of folly for the other to allow itself to be lulled to sleep by soothing assurances that the said preparations do not mean anything in particular. Who is to be the Reform candidate in this riding at the next election, come when it may, we do not know, and if anyone else does he is keeping his knowledge mighty secret. There is some talk of a convention—a Reform convention, we mean—at no distant day, and we hope that whoever feels inspired to take the initiatory steps towards bringing out a "standard bearer," will also feel inspired to take them in the most open manner possible. There are plenty of good Reformers in North Victoria who are not perhaps as clever as some others, but who have effective votes notwithstanding, and who have been offended in the past by the "exclusiveness" of our head manipulators. Let due care be taken not to offend them again.

Manitoulin Island.

Probably but very little is known about Manitoulin Island by the great majority of our readers; but—judging from a letter written by a resident to Mr. W. H. Brokenshire, of Oscoda, Michigan, who sent it to his cousin, Mr. S. Brokenshire, of this village, from whom we have obtained it for publication—the Island is worthy the attention of all dissatisfied with their present location and desirous of finding new homes. It is a hundred miles long by about thirty miles wide, already has a population of about 10,000, and contains eleven saw-mills, six grist mills, and all other places of business. The following is the letter referred to:—

Manitowaning, Oct'r 22nd, 1881.

SIR:—

Yours of the 11th inst. to hand. In reply to your questions I beg to say that about two-thirds of the land here is good and about one-third rocky or stony. The range of rocks that runs through Muskoka, Peterborough and Hastings does not strike the Island, on which the rock is all limestone. The timber on the Island is chiefly hardwood—maple, elm, birch, basswood, and in some places there is cedar growing through the hardwood; it is chiefly cedar on low lands, and in some places there are large tracts of pine; then there is a good deal of burnt land that has very little timber on except small poplars. The soil is chiefly clay loam, and generally brings splendid crops. The climate is very healthful, and numbers of people come here for the good of their health, and there is abundance of splendid water. Government land is 50 cents per acre, two-fifths down and the balance in three years at six per cent interest. The settlement duties are to settle on the land within six months from the time you purchase, and clear at the rate of five acres in three years for every hundred acres purchased; but the best of the Government land is all taken up here now, and to get good land you would have to go thirty miles back; but if a man has a little capital he can buy improved land just now at from two to five dollars per acre, which pays better than clearing wild land. There are no free grants. The local agent is J. C. Phipps, and his address is Manitowaning, which is the largest town on the Island. The distance from the Island to the main land is from two to eight miles on the north shore. We can get out in winter. The fare from Toronto is $4 50 deck passage or $6 50 cabin. We have no weevil in the wheat, no bugs in peas, no Canada thistles nor potato bugs and fever and ague are unknown. Persons in search of home cannot do better than come to the Island, as it offers inducements equal to those of any part of Canada. Any other information will be gladly given at any time.

Yours truly,
W. R. SMITH.

North Verulam.

(Correspondence of the Gazette.)

The chief talk of the place is about strayed or stolen animals. One man offers a dollar to any person who will take away a stray dog which has been at his place for the last two weeks. Who comes first?

Mr. Richard Moore owns a valuable mare which by some means fell into a well, reported to be twenty-eight feet deep, when Mr. & Mrs. Moore were away. Mattie, a girl of about fourteen, was the only person at home at the time, and by her courage and presence of mind the animal was rescued. She had to run nearly a mile and a half before she could obtain help. The mare is now all right. Such a girl as Mattie Moore certainly deserves praise.

Another of our young men is gone. Mr. John Flett, who recently came here from Scotland, has since his arrival been more or less sickly. Since harvest he did very little work, if any, and about two months ago he took to his bed, where he remained, and for the greater part of the time unconscious, until death closed his career among us on Wednesday morning. He will be much regretted, and the bereaved family will have the sympathy of the entire community.

[The above was intended for last Saturday's issue, but arrived too late.—*Ed. F. F. G.*]

Condensed News.

—A young Norwood man named Newall had one of his hands nearly bitten off by a vicious horse, while he was buckling its bridle.

—Fireman Cochrane, on one of the Midland railway engines, has saved two lives at the John street crossing in Port Hope within a few weeks.

—The people of Lakefield celebrated "Guy Fawkes day" in real old country style, concluding the proceedings with a bonfire on the mill reserve.

—Six sportsmen from Belmont, accompanied by one from Norwood, went to Deer Lake hunting, and in seven days succeeded in shooting fifteen deer.

—The Port Hope *News* says that a stranger waited three hours the other day for the Gull light-house to arrive at the wharf. He thought it was a steamer heading for the shore.

—It took a full half hour to get a black heifer into a cattle car at Port Perry one day last week. She acted as if she was fairly crazy and scattered the crowd like ninepins, but had to give in at last.

—Constable McGhee, of Peterboro', lost his dog, and didn't know what had become of it until he received a letter, informing him that the spaniel had been borrowed by a friend, who would return it safe and sound.

—The Peterboro' *Review* complains that the town council is continually granting "permits" to put up wooden buildings within the fire limits, and hopes that they will discontinue the pernicious practice.

—Mr. John English, of Omemee, was struck with a block of wood with which some boys were playing "shinny," and his upper lip was cut completely through, on the right side, from his nose to the corner of his mouth.

—The town council of Port Hope offer a reward of ten dollars for the discovery of the person or persons who on Hallow E'en destroyed a gate in front of St. Mary's church and also one in front of the Rev. Mr. Brown's residence.

—James Nickum, a coloured man who lives in Norwood, was struck on the head and knocked almost insensible by a stone weighing a pound and a half while he was standing on one of the sidewalks a few evenings ago. The person who threw the stone escaped detection.

—The landlord of the Walker House, Port Perry, has a family of white rats with pink eyes, which the *Standard* advises its readers to go and see. Tame white mice were common enough at least fifty years ago; but white rats are novel pets, and are looked upon as curiosities.

—Mr. Tully, druggist, of Peterboro', had a night bell put up at his store for the convenience of customers, and one night last week it was rung so furiously that the wire was broken. Two men who were seen running away carried off the handle with them, and Mr. Tully offers $5 reward for their discovery.

—There is a boom in business at the Beaverton foundry, which is being provided with various labour saving machines of the latest designs. Every implement hitherto made at the foundry has been sold, and the proprietors are now busy preparing a large number of ploughs, reapers, mowers, &c., for next season's work.

—A Cobourg youth engaged a horse and buggy on Saturday to take his sweetheart for a ride next day. When he got the rig on Sunday he told the man in charge of the livery stable that he had paid on Saturday, and was allowed to go. When the proprietor came in soon afterwards and heard of the deceit that had been practised on his representative he hitched up another horse, followed the youth and maiden to Port Hope, turned them both out of the fraudulently obtained buggy and took it home with him. Fancy their feelings!

DENTAL.—Persons wishing to see Mr. Neelands, dentist, will please call early on Monday next at the McArthur House.

METHODIST SOCIAL.—The ten cent social at the Methodist parsonage, Fenelon Falls, last Tuesday evening, in aid of the Trust Fund of the church, was well attended and the sum of $8 20 was realized.

PREPARE FOR WINTER.—Look out for Mr. L. Maguire's new advertisement in next week's *Gazette*. It is all about rubbers, felt overshoes, snow excluders, frost proof boots, felt slippers, cork soles, &c., of which Mr. Maguire has a large stock and is selling at the lowest possible prices.

FRACTURED.—On Monday last Mr. George Martin, carpenter, who is employed in Mr. R. C. Smith's mill, took hold of the lever connected with the log-jacking machinery, and had pressed it a short distance forward when it suddenly rebounded with such violence that his left hand was forced backwards and one of the wrist bones fractured.

A STOPPAGE.—After about a hundred of last week's issue of the *Gazette* had been struck off a small but important part of the press broke and a stoppage was the result. Thanks to Mr. Robson, of the foundry, the broken piece was replaced by a new one, but the rest of the papers could not be printed until Saturday afternoon, and consequently some of the mails were missed.

THE LOCAL ELECTIONS.—The elections of councillors and school trustees are approaching, but we have not yet heard anything definite as to who the candidates will be. Either office is a thankless one; and while the present incumbents no doubt wish they were well out of the muddle caused by Davis's appropriation of the public moneys, probably very few others wish to get mixed up in it.

THAT SIDEWALK.—The work of extending the sidewalk on Francis street east has not yet been commenced; and we hope, before it is, the half burned cedar sticks apparently intended for sleepers will be removed and something more suitable for the purpose substituted. It really appears as if any sort of rubbish is thought good enough to put into corporation work in this false-economy-stricken village.

RUNAWAY.—Last Monday morning one of the sons of Mr. Wm. Powles, of Fenelon, rode through the village on a grey mare, and some time afterwards the animal came galloping back again, minus her rider and the reins of the bridle, except a couple of inches at each end. She was caught and put into Burley's blacksmith's shop, and when young Powles returned to the village he said that he had tied her to a fence in Verulam, and that she was so frightened by a dog that ran barking out at her that she sprang backwards, broke the reins and started for home before he could catch her.

A BREAK-DOWN.—Last Monday afternoon Mr. John Palmer, of Fenelon, drove with a companion in a buckboard down Francis street east in this village to Smith & Fell's shingle mill, and just at the turning a front wheel got tangled up among the rocks with which the highway is ornamented at that spot, and the axle broke. At six o'clock, on our way home, we saw Mr. Palmer and one or two other men working at the disabled vehicle; and as none of them was swearing at the authorities for leaving the road in such a horrible condition, we concluded that they were all good Christians or had got through with their "cursory observations" before we came up.

PERSONAL.—This (Friday) morning we had the pleasure of shaking hands and chatting for a few minutes with our old friend Mr. William Allen, who left here six years ago for Manitoba, where he has since resided with his stepson, W. R. Dick, Esq. Mr. Allen, who is in his 79th year, is nearly as young looking and far smarter than when we last saw him; and he tells us that, although he thought he had a very short time to live when he left the Falls, he experienced a marked improvement in his health as soon as he reached Manitoba and has scarcely had a sick day since, which speaks volumes for the salubrity of the climate. As he called to see us on publication day we could not spare time for a lengthened conversation; but he has kindly promised to visit us again in a day or two, when we hope to obtain from him a good deal of information, which we will lay before our readers. Mr. Allen left Winnipeg at half-past 8 o'clock on Monday morning and reached Lindsay about noon on Thursday, which is fast travelling even in these fast days.

DIDN'T KNOW IT WAS LOADED.—A boy thirteen or fourteen years of age named Donaldson, in the employ of Mr. James Brokenshire of Cameron Point, committed, on Sunday last, an act of such incredible folly that it almost justifies his incarceration in a lunatic asylum. Going into the house of Mr. David Brokenshire, who lives close to his brother, he found no one at home but Miss Brokenshire, and taking down a gun that hung on the wall and was heavily loaded with duck-shot, he cocked it, pointed it at the young woman and pulled the trigger. Fortunately the gun was very hard to fire, which caused the muzzle to drop, and the charge tore a large hole in the floor close to the feet of Miss Brokenshire, who shrieked and sprang backwards as the boy raised the weapon. As far as we have heard no steps have been taken to punish the young scamp, whose only plea in extenuation of his conduct is that he did it to frighten the girl and that he didn't know the gun was loaded. Such an excuse ought not to be accepted from any person old enough, as Donaldson is, to understand the nature of firearms, as it is the bounden duty of all who handle them to take it for granted that they are in a condition to do harm until a personal examination proves the contrary.

A BAD FALL.—The genial proprietor of the "Mansion House," in this village, met with what might have proved a very serious accident last Sunday night. Mr. Noble Ingram has of late manifested a desire to become a sportsman of no mean calibre, and with that object in view recently acquired a handsome young greyhound, which has attracted a great deal of notice, as dogs of his attenuated breed are rarely seen in this part of the Dominion. On the night in question, after the guests and other inmates of the house had sought their downy pillows, Mr. Ingram had occasion to visit the cellar, and while descending the stairs the fondly cherished "purp" rushed with the rapidity of lubricated lightning between his legs, and he was thrown headlong into the cellar. Fortunately no bones were broken, but the right side of his face and his right eye were terribly bruised and blackened and his right arm badly disabled, from which we infer that he went "right side *down*," though certainly not "with care." Whether the innocent cause of the disaster followed him down the cellar stairs or was coming up to meet him Mr. Ingram doesn't know and the dog is unable to tell him; but we are informed that the animal was so frightened by the accident that since it occurred he has evinced a strong disinclination to undertake another descent into the lower regions of the hotel.

SERIOUS MILL ACCIDENT.—Mr. Henry McDermid, of this village, met with a very severe accident on Monday evening last in McArthur & Thompson's mill, which he helped to build and in which he has been employed ever since it was finished. While he was at work hanging a marker between the two trimming saws dark came on somewhat earlier than usual, and while hurrying to finish the job he unfortunately stepped in the hole left in the floor for the ends of boards to drop through, and fell against one of the saws, which were in motion. The injuries he sustained are, we learn from Dr. Bryson, his medical attendant, very serious and not easy to describe. On his right hand the index finger was cut completely through, half the thumb-nail taken off, and two teeth-marks left on the middle finger. On the left hand the saw commenced at nearly the top of the thumb, passing right across the palm and quite through the whole thickness of the hand on the *ulnar* side and into the wrist joint. On the left leg, above the knee, the clothing was completely removed or torn into shreds, and three cuts were inflicted on the *quadriceps extensor* muscle. Bad as his wounds were, Mr. McDermid declined to be placed under the influence of chloroform while they were dressed, but sat upright and bore the operation with scarcely a word of complaint; and we are glad to hear from Dr. Bryson that his patient is doing as well as can be expected so soon after such an accident.

An Old Horse.

"Old Ginger," a horse owned by Squire Fowler, of Fingal, which celebrated its fortieth birthday last spring, died a few days ago of inflammation. Concerning this remarkable animal the St. Thomas *Times* says:—"Old Ginger" was sired by Foxhunter, and was raised by Terence Brady, Southwold, being foaled just forty years ago last spring. When two years old he was purchased by Squire Fowler, of Fingal, who had retained possession of him for thirty-eight years, and who is willing to vouch as to his age. "Ginger" was a fine horse when in his prime. Coming from good stock he was able to travel fourteen miles an hour, and frequently did so. He was fed on gruel during the past year or two in order to prolong his life, and a thousand dollars in cash would not have bought him.

A Well Matched Pair.

For some time past a couple of men named respectively J. W. Beebe and R. Ainsley have gone through the country with a patent contrivance for sharpening scythes. They appointed a great many agents for the sale of rights. In each case a bond of $200 is demanded to secure the owners of the right in case of any breach of contract. These notes are negotiated in another part of the country. In some instances a breach of contract has been alleged on the flimsiest grounds possible and the note put in suit for collection. An Elgin man laid information against Beebe and Ainsley, charging them with fraud and false pretences. Mr. George H. Gordon, a livery stable keeper of St. Thomas, has been mourning the loss of a team of horses and rig. This was hired by Beebe and Ainsley about eight weeks since. Chief Fewings, who had the case in hand, discovered that the team of horses had been left with a Glencoe hotel-keeper by those parties for their board. Consequently another warrant, charging the couple with horse stealing, was issued. On this charge they were arrested at Mt. Brydges and brought to this city *en route* to St. Thomas.

Winter in British Columbia.

British Columbia experienced its first frost much earlier than usual this year. Generally it comes during the last week of October, sometimes in the first week of November, but this year it arrived on the night of October 11th. At New Westminster it was not remarkable for its severity, but in the intérior the cold was intense and lasting. A correspondent at Clinton writes as follows to the *Herald*:—The frost sent the mercury down to zero or thereabouts and the snow laid from three to six inches on the ground. The grain crops were for the most part out, with little or no prospect of getting them in. The potato crop (an unusually good one) will suffer severely, probably fully two-thirds being destroyed by frost. The freighting interests have suffered about as severely as the crops. The whole ox-team force was, of course, brought to a sudden stand, as the oxen could not hold their feet on the icy hills. There is 35,000 lbs. of freight stuck at Bridge Creek, about the same at the 150-mile House, and fully 150,000 lbs. at Clinton—all through freight, so that there cannot fail to be serious want in the remote localities relying upon these supplies. The "oldest inhabitant" has never seen such a season.

Woodstock, N. B., was visited with a disastrous conflagration on Thursday night, or Friday morning. Many buildings were destroyed, some of them public offices. The fire is confidently attributed to the work of incendiaries.

J. A. Bell, an ex-member of the Kentucky Legislature, who, having become incensed at a negro, took him, with the aid of two companions, to a stable, tied his hands and feet, and gave him a furious whipping, has been forced to pay $750.

Garfield's Treatment.

DR. BOYNTON RETURNS TO HIS CHARGES AGAINST DR. BLISS.

TOPEKA, Nov. 11.—Dr. Boynton is reported as saying that he entertained hopes of Garfield's recovery until July 23, when the first rigour occurred. The President's wound was never properly cleansed until three weeks after he was shot. The other surgeons signed the bulletins on Bliss's report. At Elberon it was suggested to Hamilton that the surgeons were being deceived. After that Hamilton or Agnew took the indications, and the pulse then went up in the bulletins.

Terrible Explosion.

EIGHT BOILERS TORN TO SHREDS AT EAST SAGINAW—FOUR CANADIANS KILLED.

EAST SAGINAW, Mich., Nov. 13.—At fifteen minutes before five o'clock this morning a battery of ten boilers in the brick boiler house attached to the saw mill and salt block of Hamilton, McClure & Co., six miles below this city, exploded with an earthquake force, scattering the buildings like chaff, and causing immense destruction. Eight of the boilers were torn into shreds, and the pieces flew in every direction, one boiler head dropping 900 feet away. Not a brick of the boiler house was left standing upon the other, and the large brick chimney, 100 feet high, was completely levelled to the ground. The west end of the large steam mill was torn to pieces, and the entire structure wrecked and demoralized. The large steam dome was lifted high in the air and came down on the opposite side of the mill, and bricks, pieces of iron, and timbers were thrown hundreds of feet away. Bricks and timbers were found half a mile from the mill. The salt block was badly wrecked by the explosion, timbers and iron being driven through it, and a salt drill house two hundred feet distant received a piece of boiler that shattered the tower, and another smashed in one side of the roof. It is impossible to give an idea of the tremendous force of the explosion and the destruction that followed. The boilers were fired at night to supply steam for the saw mill, and the firemen at work were all killed, not one escaping to tell the story. Michael Lebeau, head fireman, who had charge of the boiler-house, was covered in the *debris*, and the body was dug out an hour after the explosion occurred. Both legs were broken below the knee and the body was badly bruised. Joseph Lebeau, brother of the first mentioned, was found thirty feet distant with his right arm and shoulder broken, his abdomen crushed in, and his clothing torn off. These men were thirty-eight and twenty-three years old respectively, and resided at Milwaukee. They came from Montreal years ago, and have relatives in Canada. Frank Blanchard was blown into the bay 500 feet distant, and his body was not recovered until this afternoon. The body was badly mangled. He was a single man, twenty five years old, and belonged to St. Onesime, Quebec. Charles Carpenter was found only a few feet from Joe Lebeau, his clothing torn off, and his body badly scalded and burned. He was a single man, twenty-seven years old, and came from Quebec. The damage by the explosion will reach $25,000. Low water is given as the cause of the disaster.

Mississippi River Reservoirs.

The plan of providing reservoirs near the headwaters of the Mississippi river, as a source of supply in seasons when the river is at a low stage, has for a long time been in contemplation. It is now likely to be practically tested. Congress in 1880 make an appropriation of $75,000 for a dam at Lake Winnebigoshish, and last spring made an additional appropriation of $150,000 for the same purpose. The enterprise was halted for some months, because Congress failed to provide means for estimating the amount of damage to lands that the overflow would cause; but that matter has now been evercome by an ordinary appraisement, and the work is likely to go on, and the dam at Winnebigogish will be constructed at an early day. It is not expected that this one structure will have any appreciable effect upon the water in the Mississippi river. But it will solve certain problems in practical engineering, and the extent to which it may be made to control the water passing through it, will be looked upon as a test of the efficiency of the general system. If the work about to be constructed prove a success, as there seems no good reason to doubt, a few more years will bring the extension of the system over enough of the territory near the river's source to graduate the amount of water in its channel, and, with a corresponding improvement in the channel, assure the long-wished-for navigation by large boats through the whole of the open season.—*Northwestern Lumberman.*

Irish Affairs.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.—The *Tribune's* London cable says:—The Land Court's decisions during the week follow similar lines to those previously reported. No case has yet been reported in which a tenant establishing a plausible claim has failed to obtain a large reduction in rent. The principle laid down in the Crawford cases has been steadily acted on by other Commissions. Tenants' applications increase daily; four thousand were received yesterday. The story telegraphed to America, and re-telegraphed here, that tenants almost unanimously refused to pay rent is untrue, but many tenants where the League agents still exercise pressure refuse. "Boycotting" also exists. Lawlessness and dishonesty, steadily inculcated for years, do not disappear instantly. But while the testimony varies as to the various parts of Ireland, rents are undoubtedly paid in large districts. The landlords who know Ireland best consider that the proportion of payments will increase largely during the winter. The substantial failure of the "no rent" manifesto, and Archbishop Croke's testimony, sufficiently indicate that generally where rent is withheld it is not considered as withheld in obedience to Kilmainham dictation. In spite of fears to the contrary the country remains quiet. Outrages have decreased everywhere since the arrest of Parnell. But the reports which reach us from many parts of the country indicate fears that by the time winter fairly sets in there will be much dark and bloody work. It is known that local branches of the League meet secretly in many places in the West and South, while Ribbonmen and other secret societies supplant those branches which are extinct. Landlords evince a desire not to use legal measures against their tenants pending settlement, so there are very few sales or evictions reported, thus removing for the time those causes of ill feeling, riot, and bloodshed.

No fewer than 4,000 applications were received at the head offices of the Land Commission in Dublin yesterday, bringing the total up to fully 25,000. Of those received yesterday 608 were registered through the post. A separate receipt had to be given for each.

Forty men were killed and forty-one injured by an explosion of gas in an Italian sulphur mine.

A woman of Mount Denson, N. S., who turns the scale at 248 pounds, recently walked twenty-four miles in one day.

A typhoon in China has demolished thousands of buildings. The loss of life and prevalent distress are described as terrible.

The King of Ashantee has killed 200 young girls for the purpose of having their blood to mix mortar for the repair of the State building.

A severe storm prevailed in the West on Sunday, trains west of Omaha being blocked with snow, and vessels being damaged by the gale at Chicago.

Several of the students at the Ontario Agricultural College have been expelled for misconduct on Hallow e'en. They cut the fire alarm wire and did other serious damage.

Ambroze Goetz, a Russian physician, implicated in the plot against the life of the late czar, and who fled to America, has been found dead in a New York boarding-house. It is supposed that he took poison.

One of the best turnip culturists in the neighbourhood of Elora, Mr. D. Foote, says that while in 1880 he raised 900 bushels to the acre, he has not been able to secure more than 400 bushels this year, and these of poorer quality.

A "devil fish" ran ashore at Portugal Cove, N. F., and was captured by the fishermen. This is the first specimen of the octopus ever secured in an unmutilated condition. The one referred to measures 33 feet from the tail to the end of one of its tentacles.

The area sown to flax in the vicinity of St. Thomas this year was about 250 acres, and the yield averaged two tons to the acre. Delivered at the mill the flax brought $9 a ton. All the seed, which amounted to perhaps 3,000 bushels, was sent to Baden, in Waterloo county, for which $1 30 per bushel was paid.

A clerk in a Cincinnati store, in attempting to remove some goods from a show window by means of a brass rod, the other evening, accidentally touched an electric light wire and received a shock that threw him headlong through the plate glass to the pavement. His face was badly cut, but he was not permanently injured.

Australian mutton was bought wholesale in London (Eng.) last week at 3¾d per pound. It is retailed at a shilling. The consigners of American and Australian meat are unable to fathom the mystery of the difference in the price they receive and the price the public pay. It has wisely been resolved to apply to the corporation for shops in the new Leadenhall market.

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MARKET REPORTS.

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Wheat, fall, per bushel	$1 18	1 20
Wheat, spring, "	1 20	1 22
Barley, per bushel	60	80
Oats, " "	40	41
Pease, " "	60 "	70
Rye, " "	80	82
Potatoes, "	45	50
Butter, per lb.,	16	20
Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs.,	6 50	7 00
Eggs, per dozen,	14	16
Hay, per ton,	9 00 to 10	00
Onions, large, per bushel,	80	1 00
Apples, per barrel,	1 75	2 00
Cabbages, per dozen,	40 to	50
Carrots, per bushel,		30
Beets, " "		30

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Office of the Inspector of Prisons, &c., Parliament Buildings, Toronto, 11th Nov., 1881.