

THE FARMER'S GAZETTE

### REVIEW OF THE BRITISH CORN TRADE DURING THE WEEK ENDING October 23. (From the *Mark Lane Express*.)

With a firm determination on the part of the millers and dealers to limit their purchases in strict accordance with their immediate wants, the transactions have, of course, been on a comparatively limited scale during the week; and this appears likely to be the case all through the winter, as few are disposed, or indeed able to hold large stocks. Farmers appear, nevertheless, to be tolerably confident

prices will not recede much, and have certainly as yet manifested very little anxiety to realize. The quantities of the supplies from the growers has not been partly caused by the fact that the wheat is still occupied in the fields; but the general impression is that the wheat sowing shall have been completed, no very great increase will occur in the deliveries of wheat, unless prices hold one more unwelcome to threaten than they do at present. Considering that the crop of wheat has yielded abundantly, we think that the crop of wheat, in the present season, is the grain toward, particularly as its value is now being lowered to that of wheat, relatively high. It is now about three months since the panic in the corn trade commenced; no orders of consequence have since been sent from this country

likely when cognizant of the position of the world's grain, the probability is that the arrivals will for the remainder of the year be small. There may perhaps be some carrying over still on passage from the more distant ports, but the quantity cannot be very great. On the whole we see no reason to alter the estimate of the average wheat arrivals for the year, but that slight variations would take place. The value of wheat for some weeks; since then the tendency has certainly been downwards, but the fall has hardly amounted to 2s. per qr. at any market except Liverpool, where the decline has been somewhat greater than elsewhere, owing to the continued arrivals from America. The latest advices from thence of Tuesday (yesterday) were for about 4d. per 700lbs. on wheat, and 1s. to 1s. 2d. per bul-

on flour; subsequently sellers appear to have become more pressing, and on Friday the Western Canal flour was offered at 25s. per cwt. At most of the other large consuming towns in the north of England, the market has been fairly steady, and the stockholders have remained tolerably firm, and have refused to accede to a greater abatement than a couple of shillings per qr. The accounts from the chief markets in the agricultural districts inform us that the dull tone of the advices from London and elsewhere had had the effect of causing a considerable exodus of buyers from the country; but, as the farmers, it seems, refrained from pressing their own pecuniary territorial decline. Our letters from Scotland inform us that the preparation of the land for wheat sowing had occupied all hands so closely as to allow little time for thrashing. The

and previous prices had been supported by the reports that the country was to have been the case in Ireland. From the latter country increasingly unfavourable reports have reached us respecting potatoes, which it is feared will not keep in the pits. The arrivals of wheat from London have been small, and the arrivals of barley have been small. The arrivals of oats this (Saturday) evening. That there is still a considerable quantity of foreign wheat to come forward is more than probable, but we are inclined to think, as already intimated, that the great bulk of the autumn shipments, even from distant ports, must have reached our shores, and that the receipts will be of a comparatively small amount. The arrivals into London show a considerable falling off this week only 16,451 qrs, having been reported. Having, however,

still a plentiful stock in granary, besides a large number of cargoes not yet landed, and the country demand having been more active, the operations of the mills have been much increased. The market again looks somewhat more quiet, with barley of less quality; and though the inquiry has been of a retail character, the scarcity of the article has prevented prices receding; and the few lots of good malt of quality brought forward have been placed at rates equal to usual prices. The market for Malt is becoming more quiet, parcels have been rather more difficult of disposal, and have not been forced at less money. Malt has been in tolerably good request, and its previous value has been steadily supported. With continued small arrivals of oats countries and from Ireland, and a greatly decreased supply from

quantity received during the week, including the 500 tons amounted to only 4,251 qrs.; but the dealers appear to calculate on further supplies from Russia, and have shown a decided aversion to adding to their stocks. The purchases made were of a strictly retail character both on Wednesday and Friday; and the market was not so active as on the lower rates, and needy buyers had to pay Monday's quotations. English beans have come sparingly to hand; and having had some demand for this article for shipment continue, its previous value has been maintained. We have heard of a cargo of Egyptian beans on the spot or to arrive. Peas of home growth have not been in the market, but the recent arrival from abroad has had the effect of rendering the sale of white boilers somewhat difficult even

**WOOL MARKETS.**  
LEEDS.—This branch of business partakes of the general depression. The amount of wool sold this week has been exceedingly trifling, and prices though nominally the same, actually a shade lower. —LEICESTER.—The price of dress wools from the growers remains about the same as last week; if any change, it is in favour of the buyer. —LIVERPOOL.—There is a little doing in laid hamples; it is difficult to say anything about prices. So far holders are firm at late quotations, as any reduction would not command a sale of a quantity. There is a little demand for good white. In crossbred chevries there is nothing doing.

**MANUFACTURES.**

**LONDON.**—Although this neighbourhood has not hitherto been much affected by the numerous heavy failures which have lately taken place, yet the fear of the consequences throughout the country has had the effect of preventing the merchants from making any kind of purchases, except for positive orders. There has consequently been very little done at our cloth halls either on Saturday or Tuesday; the lightness of the stocks, however, causes the prices to remain pretty steady. The market for woollens is still duller in the warehouse than in the retail trade, and the same may be said of the

—This has been about one of the worst markets we have had for the past few months. Very few buyers have been in the town, and few goods have changed hands. There seems to be almost an entire absence of confidence, and even the most popularly sold article, transacted in it. It is difficult to tell how long this state of affairs will continue, but it suggests poorly for the approaching winter. —ROCKDALE.—We have had a large attendance of persons in the flannel market to-day, but at the commencement buyers were slack at purchasing. Towards noon, however, sales improved, and the market was more active. Most of the goods have been done to-day than on the Monday previous. Prices of most of all descriptions are about the same as our last report. The wool market was not quite so

trisk. Foreign wools a shade lower. Brakes and skins scarce, and prices very low. —Wool: The week ending 11th inst. was a quiet one. The market was well supplied with the intelligence of the sale of the bank of Liverpool; since then we have the same report; and another; so that every one seems inclined to enter into any new engagements, and the business doing is just nothing. All seem fearful that the tempest may have the same effect on wools as on other produce. Nails and brakes are scarce, and prices very low. —Hides: The market is maintained. Yarns: The glooms hanging over this branch of the trade, we regret to say, is not in the slightest degree lessened; for while the present extraordinary panic is affecting the price of cotton and other commodities, it is still more so on wool. —Wool: The market is well supplied and is not one penny per lb. cheaper than they were six months ago. —Wool: The market is well supplied and is not one penny per lb. cheaper than they were six months ago.

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to be intelligible. So prostrate is the market, and so complete the want of confidence, that all is at a stand-still; and the stoppage of Messrs. Selous and Co.'s bank adds immensely to the previous gloom.

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## MARKETS.

LONDON, MONDAY, OCTOBER 23.

CORN EXCHANGE, MARK-LANE.

The arrivals of wheat are moderate, but the trade this morning has been dull, and English wheat is 2s. to 3s. per q. lower. There has been a fair extent of business done in foreign wheats, and the prices are as follows:

	Per Cwt.	Per Bu.	Per Cwt.	Per Bu.
Wheat, Essex, & Kent, white (new)	34 s 57	(old)	35 s 38	
Doitto red	(do) 48 s 9	(do)	48 s 11	
Doitto Norfolk and Suffolk	51 s 56	(do)	51 s 56	
Rye	25 s 25	(do)	25 s 25	
Indian Corn	25 s 25	Extra	—	

Barley, Chevalier, new	24 s 35 Mating	32 s 33
Distilling	25 s 20	35 s 20
Malt, Brown		
Do, Suffolk and Norfolk		60 s 60
Ware pale	63 s 61	Chevalier - a
Oats, English, feed	22 s 24	Potato, & 27 s 25
Scotch, feed	26 s 28	Potato, 28 s 20
Peas, white, Essex and Kent, boilers, new		53 s 28
Beans, Tick		37 s 29
Flour, Town-made and first country marks,		41 s 46
Norfolk and Suffolk		36 s 40

**SMITHFIELD MARKET.—MONDAY.**  
 At Hull, Newcastle, &c., about 1,000 head of each kind

of stock have been landed, chiefly from Hambro' and Rotterdam. In addition to the above-mentioned out-port arrivals, a small herd of beef was landed at the docks on Saturday morning in good condition. The disease in the Spanish Merino sheep, to which we alluded a short time since, was scarcely perceptible to-day; but we regret to learn that it has extended itself in some of our large flock districts. The bullock drovers from our various grazing districts were again in the market, and the quantity of quality. The attendance of buyers being good, the beef trade was somewhat brisk, at an advance in the quotations paid on Monday last of from 2d. to 4d. per cwt.; but the more general top currencies of beef were from 4s. 4d. to 4s. 10d. per cwt., and at which nearly the whole of the stock was sold.

trials, we received about 1,500 short horns; from the eastern, western, and midland counties; 100 Herefords, Runtas, Devons, Irish Beasts, &c.: from other parts of England, 700 of various breeds; and from Scotland, 100 burned and polished. The number of calves was not so large as the number of cows, and the demand on this day isn't, nevertheless the mutton trade was active, at fully, but at nothing quotable beyond, last week's figures. There was a very steady sale for calves, the supply of which was small, and late rates were very unusually good. Prime small pointers were sold freely; and pig-sows, of all small alterations in price. The supply was accordingly good.

*Statement of prices and number of cattle at market.*  
This Day, Oct. 25, 1847.      This Day, Oct. 25, 1846.

Beef	3s	6d	4s	6d	4s	9d	Beef	3s	4d	4s	6d	4d
Mutton	4s	6d	4s	6d	4s	6d	Mutton	4s	6d	4s	6d	4d
Veal		4s	6d	4s	6d	4s	Veal		4s	6d	4s	6d
Lamb		4s	6d	4s	6d	4s	Pork		4s	6d	4s	6d
		8s	6d	0s	0d	0s	Lamb		0s	0d	0s	0d
							<b>Oxen &amp; Cows.</b>					
Beasts	3,650 Pigs						3,820					
Sheep and Lambs	26,080 Sheep						26,250					
Calves	156 Calves						130					
Pigs	280 Pigs						395					
<b>Cattle Exported, 1847.</b>												
London	from Jan. 1 to Oct. 11				37,617				104,318			
Liverpool	Jan. 1 to Oct. 11				23				9			

Hall . . . . .	Jan. 1 to Oct. 11	8,516	9,590	112
Northampton . . . . .	Jan. 1 to Oct. 11	516	3	112
Yarmouth . . . . .	Jan. 1 to Oct. 11	5,293	1,250	26
Total . . . . .		32,171	112,141	692

**BREAD.**

The prices of wheaten Bread in the metropolis are from 7½d. to 8½d. of household loaf, 6d. to 7d. per 4lbs. loaf.

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