THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Trade on 'Change Treated to a Sensational Surprise.

WHEAT AND CORN FLUCTUATED WILDLY.

Strength in Cereals was at Times Remarkable, the Highest Prices of the Day Being Attained Near the Close.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 25.—The trade was treated to a surprise on 'change today. The indications at the start were for a continuation of the weakness and decline of Monday, but in less than an hour after the opening the indications had been lost sight of and the markets, which were soft early, became wicked and strong before the close. December wheat at one time was down to $1.03¾, sold up to $1.06 and closed at $1.05¾, the rise being due to sensational news from Russia and heavy clearances.

Corn was whipsawed by the clique and the short sellers who took advantage of the enormous receipts to sell freely were forced to cover in a way which seat prices up 4c or 5c at a jump. September sold off at 60½c, went to 65c and closed at 64½c, and October sold at 59⅝c to 60¼c and closed at 60c. The other markets were quiet and fairly steady.

Wheat seemed inclined to weakness today and was controlled mainly by local sentiment. Cables represented foreign markets as strong, Liverpool being quoted ¾ to 1d higher and the conditions abroad still had many of the elements of strength. The Mark Lane Express reported weather bad in England and France, with serious damage to crops with rust and mildew spreading and flour 2s 6d higher than a week ago.

But the big receipts at the primary markets in this country, present and prospective, and the weakness displayed in the domestic markets, with advices from the northwest that the frost damage had been very light, made the professionals bearish, and there was liberal selling, under which December wheat, after selling up to $1.04¾ early, broke to $1.03¾. Then the real strength of the legitimate situation began to attract attention, and there was a rally of a cent, with sales back to $1.04¾, then broke to $1.03¾, back to $1.04¼ and $1.04. The wheat on ocean passage increased but 344,000 bushels for the week notwithstanding the enormous export clearances from this country. New York cleared 290,000 wheat, Philadelphia 40,000, Baltimore, according to private advices, 258,000.

The strength in wheat at times was remarkable, the highest prices of the day being made ten minutes before the close which was very exciting. Prices shot up nearly 2c in a few minutes when December sold at $1.06 and closed $1.05¾ or 1c over last night. The cause of the flurry was the statement of a Russian paper that wheat exports from that country would have to pay a big duty.

Corn led all the other pits in speculative nervousness and the rapidity and sharpness of the fluctuations made the trade crazy. The big receipts—1,111 cars—started the market decidedly lower this morning and the first sale of September were at 60½c to 61c. October at 56⅝c to 57¼c, and for a time there was plenty for sale at these figures but everything was rapidly absorbed and when the selling come to a halt prices quickly started up. Then the early shorts sellers took alarm and began to buy back what they had so freely sold, but it was hardly to be had and the scarcity made the shorts frantic to get it, and the price was quickly bid up to 64½c and with an occasional transaction at 65c. At this point the longs began to let go some of their early purchases and there was a quick but irregular drop to 62⅝c for September and to 57⅞c for October. There is evident manipulation by the clique, their brokers seem to buy freely on all depressions, but when the short sellers get on the run they will only sell at high prices. In this way the short sellers were milked without remorse. About noon there was another nervous rally and September went to and closed at 64½c and October at 60c.

Oats were quiet and generally easy; September opened at 30⅝c, sold to 30⅛c and off to 29⅞c and closed at 30⅛c. May sold at 33⅝ to 34⅛c and 34¼c. Rye sold at 92 to 93c for September. The receipts were 47,200.

Pork was quiet and fairly steady; Cudahy and Armour were free sellers of both pork and lard while Wright bought pork and lard. October pork sold at $10.05 to $10.15 and at 12 o'clock was about $10.15. September pork sold at $9.90 to $10.02½. Lard sold at $6.60 for October and ribs $6.60 to $6.62½.

The wheat receipts at the eleven points today were 2,079,000 bushels; shipments, 1,442,000 bushels. Corn receipts, 493,000 bushels; shipments, 258,000 bushels. The estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 500 cars; corn, 580 cars; oats, 340 cars.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.
WHEAT—No. 2				
August	$	$ 1 03¼	$ 1 05	$ 1 04⅝
September	1 02¼	1 03¾	1 01⅝	1 03½
December	1 04¼	1 06	1 03¾	1 05¾
CORN—No. 2—				
August	62	65½	62	65½
September	61	65	60½	64¼
October	57	60¼	56¾	60
OATS—No. 2—				
August	30⅛	30¾	29⅞	30⅝
September	30⅝	30¾	29¾	30¾
May	34	34⅝	33½	34½
MESS PORK—				
September	0 00	10 25	9 90	10 20
October	10 12½	10 40	10 05	10 35
January	12 40	12 95	12 40	12 85
LARD—				
September	6 50	6 50	6 40	6 47½
October	6 60	6 60	6 50	6 57½
January	6 92½	6 92½	6 77½	6 87½
SHORT RIBS—				
September	6 50	6 60	6 45	6 60
October	6 62½	6 70	6 55	6 70
January	6 62½	6 75	6 57½	6 75

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Unchanged.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring wheat, $1.04⅝; No. 2 spring wheat, 93@96c; No. 2 red, $1.04½@1.04⅝.

CORN—No. 2, 65c.

OATS—No. 2, 31¼c; No. 2 white, 33@33½c; No. 3 white, 31@31½c.

RYE—No. 2, 95c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 65@66c; No. 3, 52@57c, f. o. b.; No. 4, 41@57.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.08½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $1.30@1.31.

PORK—Mess pork, per barrel, $10.17½@10.20. Lard, per cwt., $6.47½; short ribs sides (loose), $6.57½@6.60; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.20@6.25; short clear sides (boxed), $7.25@7.50.

WHISKEY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.18.

SUGARS—Unchanged; cut loaf, 6@5¾c.

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS.
Flour, barrels	13,000	11,000
Wheat, bushels	287,000	149,000
Corn, bushels	376,000	209,000
Oats, bushels	284,000	241,000
Rye, bushels	17,000	37,000
Barley, bushels	18,000	1,000

On the produce exchange today the butter market was unchanged; fancy creamery, 22@23c; dairy, 14½@18c. Eggs, 15c.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—FLOUR—Receipts, 20,390 packages; exports, 5,912 barrels, 5,700 sacks; irregular and quiet, closing steadier; sales, 20,000 barrels.

CORN MEAL—Firm and moderately active; yellow western, $1.40@4.00.

WHEAT—Receipts, 642,800 bushels; exports, 890,234 bushels; sales, 3,672,000 bushels of futures, 244,000 bushels of spot. Spot market unsettled and moderately active, closing stronger with options. No. 2, red $1.10¼ @1.11⅞ in elevator; $1.11@1.12¼ afloat; $1.11⅝@1.14 f. o. b.; No. 3 red, $1.07⅛@ 1.08; ungraded red, $1.07⅛@1.14½; No. 1 northern, to arrive, $1.18½; No. 1 hard, to arrive, $1.21. Options opened ½@ ⅝c lower; further decline ⅝@¾c on the continent selling and weak advices thence, advanced 1⅝c@1⅞c, and closed firm at ⅛c— ⅛c over yesterday on a report that Russia would impose an export duty; trading was slack until the close, when a fair degree of activity set in. No. 2 red August, $1.10¼@1.11⅞, closing, $1.11⅞; September, $1.10¾@1.12⅛; closing, $1.12⅛; October, $1.11⅝@1.12⅞, closing, $1.12⅞; November, $1.12⅛@1.14, closing, $1.14; December, $1.13⅝@1.15 closing, $1.15; January, closing, 1.16⅝; May, $1.17¾@1.19¾, closing, $1.19⅝.

RYE was sold late yesterday at $1.05 for western; today the market is weak at $1.03, c. i. f.

CORN—Receipts, 62,350 bushels; exports, 13,763 bushels; sales, 996,000 bushels of futures and 50,000 bushels of spot. Spot market opened weaker, closed stronger, dull; No. 2 white, 76c. Options opened unchanged to ⅛c lower with wheat, advanced 1@1⅛c and closed firm at ⅝@ 1⅜c over yesterday on reports of frosts in the northwest; August, 74⅛@76c, closing 76c; September, 70⅛@72c, closing 72c; October, 67⅝@69⅛c, closing 69⅛c; December, 60⅛@62c, closing, 62c; January, 59@60c, closing, 60c; May, 56⅛@57c, closing, 57c.

OATS—Receipts, 181,000 bushels; exports, 60,572 bushels; sales, 360,000 bushels of futures and 149,000 bushels of spot. Spot market fairly active, stronger. Options higher, strong, fairly active; August, 36⅝@37⅛c, closing 37⅛c; September, 36⅝@37⅛c, closing 37⅛c; October, 36⅝ @37⅛c, closing 37⅛c; December, 37⅛c; No. 2 white, September, 39⅛@39½c; spot No. 2 white, 42½@46c; mixed western, 35@38½c; white western, 41@50c; No. 2 Chicago, 38@38¼c.

HAY—Firm and quiet.

HOPS—Dull and weak.

SUGAR—Raw, dull, steady; refined, quiet, easy; confectioners' A, 4 3-16c; powdered, 4 9-16c; cubes, 4 7-16c.

MOLASSES—New Orleans, steady, quiet.

RICE—Fair demand; firm.

COTTONSEED OIL—Dull.

PETROLEUM—Opened steady and after the first sales became dull and remained so until the close. Pennsylvania oil, September options 10,000 sales; opening, 64½c; highest, 64⅝c; lowest, 64½c; closing, 64⅝c.

COFFEE—Options opened steady 5 points up to 10 points down; closed steady 5 points down to 5 points up; sales, 18,000 bags, including August, $16.65@16.75; September, $15.90@15.95; October, $15.10@15.15; November, $14.25@14.30; December, $13.80; January, $13.45; March, $13.20; spot Rio quiet, easy; fair cargoes, 19c; No. 7, 17c.

TALLOW—Quiet.

ROSIN—Steady; quiet.

TURPENTINE—Steady.

EGGS—Steady; western, 16½@18c; receipts, 8,100 packages.

WOOL—Steady and quiet; domestic fleece 30@37c; pulled, 28@38½c; Texans, 17@24c.

PORK—Dull; old mess, $10.00@10.75; new mess, $11.50@12.00; extra prime, $10.25@10.75.

CUT MEATS—Firm and quiet.

MIDDLES—Firm and dull.

LARD—Opened weak and closed firm; western steam, $6.77½ bid; sales, 1,500 tierces at $6.77½ @6.81; options sales, 7,500 tierces; September, $6.74@6.80, closing, $6.80 bid; October, closing, $6.86 bid; November, $6.97; December, $7.04@ 7.08, closing $7.08 bid; January, $7.10@7.25, closing $7.18 bid.

BUTTER—Quiet, and strong; western dairy, 12@17c; western creamery, 19@28½c; Elgins, 29@29½c; creamery, 13@18c.

CHEESE—Quiet, firm; western, 6@7½c; part skims, 3½@6½c.

PIG IRON—Dull; American, $16.00@18.25.

COPPER—Firm; Lake, August, $12.25; Lake, September, $12.25.

LEAD—Dull; domestic, $4.45.

TIN—Steady; straits, $20.00.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 25.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged.

WHEAT—Steady; No. 2 hard, cash, 89c bid; August, 90c bid; No. 2 red, cash, 91c bid.

CORN—Steady; No. 2, cash, 54½c bid; August, 54½c bid.

OATS—Lower; No. 2, cash, 27½c bid; August, 25½c bid.

HAY—Firm, unchanged; timothy, $8.00; fancy prairie, $8.00; good to choice, $4.00@ 5.00.

BUTTER—Firm, unchanged; creamery, 15@ 18c; dairy, 10@15c; store packed, 10@12c.

EGGS—Firm, at 14½c.

PROVISIONS—Steady, unchanged.

WOOL—Steady, unchanged; Missouri unwashed, heavy, 19@15c; light fine, 17@19c; medium, 20@22c; Kansas and Nebraska, heavy fine, 13@15c; light fine, 16@18c; tub washed, choice, 32@35c; medium, 30@33c; dingy and low, 27@28c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 149,100; corn, 5,100; oats, 18,900.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 32,800; corn, 15,000; oats, 19,100.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 25.—WHEAT—Firm; demand improving; holders offer sparingly; California No. 1, 9s 2½d@9s 3d per cental. Receipts of wheat for the past three days were 141,000 centals, including 66,000 American.

CORN—Steady and demand poor; mixed western, 5s 4½d per cental. Receipts of American corn for the past three days 16,600 centals.

BEEF—Extra India mess, 88@83 sd per tierce.

PORK—Prime mess western, 58 3d per barrel; common, 4s 1½d per cwt.

PEAS—Canadian, 6s 9d per cental.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 25.—WHEAT—Strong; cash, $1.01; September, $1.00⅝ bid; December, $1.05¼.

CORN—Firm; cash, 59c; September, 58⅝c.

OATS—Steady; cash, 29c; September, 29¼c bid.

PORK—Easy at $10.40.

LARD—Lower at $6.12½.

WHISKEY—$1.18.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 25.—WHEAT—Slow; offerings, new free; old, few cars in sight. Receipts, 150 cars; shipments, 155 cars. Close: No. 1 hard, on track, 91c; No. 1 northern, August, 92c; on track, 98c@$1.03; No. 2 northern, on track, 93@99c.

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI, O., Aug. 25.—WHEAT—Strong; No. 2 red, $1.01.

CORN—Nominal; No. 2, mixed, 65c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 32@32½c.

WHISKEY—$1.18.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Aug. 21.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 spring, cash, 91c; September, $1.01½.

CORN—Steady; No. 3, cash, 64½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 34c.

Toledo Grain Market.

TOLEDO, O., Aug 25.—WHEAT—Firm; cash, $1.04.

CORN—Steady; cash, 65½c.

OATS—Quiet; cash, 33c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The stock market was again active and strong today, the same stubborn strength with a moderate degree of activity among the leading stocks was shown, and while the net improvement outside of a few shares which received special support are small the advance reached all portions of the list, notwithstanding the realizations on the strong stocks of yesterday. The idea of a further reaction in the market seems to have been given up for the present, and only a serious damage to the crops which every day grows more and more unlikely to happen or a serious stringency in money which may be in the future but no apprehension of which disturbs holders of securities now.

The European shorts are said by those in a position to know to be covering and there was undoubtedly heavy buying for foreign account in the early trading this morning, helping materially to make the strong opening and further advances of the forenoon. The buyers of Northern Pacific preferred, Rock Island and some other stocks yesterday were inclined to realize on the profits accrued but even these stocks afterward felt the stimulus of the continued and steady demand for stocks which has grown upon the last week and has been the great factor in preventing any material reaction, even when the street was almost unanimously asking for it. For the last two days there has been less a professional look about the dealings than for a long time, and the buying is considered excellent, while many of the sold-out bulls who were looking and working for a reaction last week have concluded to get aboard at the higher level and float with the tide. The opening gains this morning extended to ⅝ per cent, and while in the subsequent dealings St. Paul & Atchison was rather unduly prominent in the trading they did not make any material advance more than the rest of the list until late in the day, when the latter spurted upward, notwithstanding a rumor of a heavy floating debt. The grangers in fact were given rather a secondary position in the market as far as strength is concerned, and their place was taken by the Trunk line stocks among which the Vanderbilts were, of course, most prominent. A great deal of the buying of these stocks was credited to foreign operators, and the fact that they have been reached in the upward movement gave renewed confidence to the buying as giving a more substantial appearance to the speculation.

There were several marked advances among the initiative shares, and gains in Rio Grande Western stocks, the Chesapeake & Ohio and Great Northern preferred were especially prominent. The advance continued almost without interruption throughout the day, although there was no sharp upward movement and no lack of effort to prevent it. The only reaction of note occurred in the last hour, but the market at the close was again active and strong at the highest prices of the day. The list is almost invariably higher and Lackawanna and Cleveland, Columbus, Chicago & St. Louis are up 1⅜ per cent each; Canada Southern and Tennessee Coal each 1½ per cent; Lake Shore, 2 per cent; Louisville & Nashville and Burlington each 1¼ per cent and Atchison 1 per cent.

The activity in railroad bonds was again most marked and the transactions of the day footed up $2,483,000, of which the Atchison incomes contributed $422,000, the fours $119,000; Texas Pacific seconds, $306,000. The market was decidedly strong and while the important gains were few the whole list is materially higher tonight. All the active issues closed materially higher and in many of the others marked gains were made.

Government bonds have been dull and firm. State bonds have been entirely neglected.

The following are the closing quotations for the leading stocks on the New York stock exchange today:

Atchison	38	Northwestern	110⅛
Adams Express	145	Northwestern, pref	139¾
Alton, Terre Haute	40	N. Y., Central	103¾
do preferred	125	N. Y., Chic. & St. L.	5⅛
American Express	116	do preferred	70
Bur., C. R. & N.	30	Ohio Mississippi	21
Canada Pacific	84	do preferred	83
Canada Southern	57⅞	Ontario & Western	17⅜
Central Pacific	31½	Oregon Improvem't	27⅛
Ches. & Ohio	19¼	Oregon Nav	68
do 1st preferred	51¼	Oregon Trans	15¾
do 2d preferred	31¼	Pacific Mail	35½
Chicago & Alton	139	Peoria, Dec. & Evans	20½
C., B. & Q.	90⅞	Pittsburg	149
C., C., C. & St. L.	67¼	Pullman Palace	185
Del., Hudson	129⅛	Reading	32
Del., L. & W.	139	Rock Island	80⅝
Den. & R. G. pref	44	St. L. & S. F. 1st pf'd.	70
East Tennessee	6	St. Paul	67⅞
do 1st preferred	50	do preferred	114⅛
do 2nd preferred	14	St. Paul & Duluth	106
Erie	23	St. Paul & Omaha	27¼
do preferred	57⅛	do preferred	84¾
Fort Wayne	130	Tenn. Coal & Iron	53¾
Chi. & East. Ill.	69	Texas Pacific	13⅞
Hocking Valley	27¼	Tol. & O. Cent. pfd.	75
Houston & Texas	4	Union Pacific	57½
Illinois Central	97	U. S. Express	57
St. Paul & Duluth	34	W., St. L. & Pac	12
Kansas & Texas	15¾	W., St. L. & Pac pfd.	25⅝
Lake Erie & West	14⅝	Wells Fargo Exp	158
do preferred	60	Western Union	82¼
Lake Shore	119¼	Am. Cotton Oil	23¾
Louisville & Nashv.	75⅝	Colorado Coal	55⅝
Louisville & N. A.	23¼	Iron Silver	100
Memphis & Char.	20	Ontario	37
Michigan Central	95⅝	Quicksilver	4⅛
Mil., L. S. & W.	75	do preferred	53
do preferred	105	Sutro	5
Min & St. L.	7¾	Bulwer	20
do preferred	16	Rich. & W. P. Ter.	12⅝
Missouri Pacific	71⅛	Wisconsin Central	19⅝
Mobile & Ohio	40⅛	Great Northern pfd.	93⅛
Nashville Chatt.	86	Chicago Gas, ex div.	48⅝
N. J. Central	114⅛	Lead Trust	18⅛
Norfolk & West pfd.	21¼	Sugar Trust	84⅛
Northern Pacific	25⅛	Southern Pacific	26⅝
do preferred	69¾	Oregon S. L. & U. N.	24⅝
U. P. Denver & Gulf	18	Distillers	40

The total sales of stocks today were 265,825 shares, including: Atchison, 42,835; Canada Southern, 4,160; Chicago Gas, 6,810; Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 16,703; Erie, 12,805; Lake Shore, 91,795; Louisville & Nashville, 11,290; Missouri Pacific, 7,165; Northwestern, 3,525; Northern Pacific preferred, 11,660; Reading, 6,810; Richmond & West Point, 6,718; St. Paul, 22,163; Union Pacific, 12,660.

Financial Review.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The Post says: Study of the Lake Shore railroad's quarterly statement seems to have convinced investors that, notwithstanding the decrease for the half year compared as compared with the same a year ago, the road showing makes a continued 6 per cent annual dividend certain for the future if, with the half of the year to come, it would be impossible to add 1 per cent. Reflections of this kind no doubt gave the stock its conspicuous strength today. The new directions in which the market extended seemed, to be generally speaking, the result of a sympathy, with the persistent strength which the general market showed and which today's scarcity of stock seeking, emphasized more than at any time yet. The rise in the Coalers was no doubt due to this influence.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy, ranging from 2½ to 3 per cent; last loan 2½ per cent; closed offered at 2½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5½@6½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet and heavy at $4.83¼ for sixty-day bills and $4.85¼ for demand.

The following were the closing prices on bonds:

U. S. 4s, registered	117¼	do 5s	41⅝
do 4s, coup	117¾	Mutual Union 6s	100
do 4½s, reg	109⅛	N. J. Cent 1st Cert	108¼
do 4½s, coup	109⅞	Northern Pac 1sts	118
Pacific 6s of '95	109	do 2ds	112⅛
Louisiana Stamp 4s	85	Northwest' consols	135
Tennessee N. S. 6s	100	do debenture 5s	104⅝
do 5s	100	St. L. & I. M. Gen 5s	88
do 3s	69	St. L. & S. F. Gen M	108
Canada Southern 2ds	99¾	St. Paul consols	123½
Central Pacific 1sts	105	St. P., C. & P. 1sts	113¾
D. & R. G. 1sts	114⅝	T. P. L. G. Tr. Rcts	85
do 4s	78¾	T. P. R. G. Tr. Rcts	32¼
D., S. & R. G. West 1sts	75¼	Union Pacific 1sts	106
Erie 2ds	100⅝	West Shore	100
M. K. & T. Gen 1'68	77¼		

Financial Notes.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 25.—Clearings, $1,075,397.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Bank clearings today, $103,286,423; balances, $5,077,967

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 25.—Bank clearings today, $2,090,644; balances, $194,142. Rate, 6 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 25.—Bank clearings today, $9,506,794; balances, $1,330,249. Money, 4 per cent.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 25.—Rate for money, 4 per cent; call loans, 5@6 per cent; time loans, 5@5½ per cent.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Aug. 25.—New York exchange selling at $1.50 premium. Clearings, $173,376; balances, $75,340.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 25.—Clearings, $4,983,071; balances, $710,418. Exchange on New York 50c bid discount. Money 6@8 per cent.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 25.—Bank clearings, $11,820,341; balances, $1,026,498. Rate for money, 4 per cent. Exchange on New York, 17 to 20c discount per $1,000.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 25.—Money easy. New York exchange lower at 60c discount. Bank clearings, $14,022,000. Sterling exchange dull; sixty day bills, $6.84½; demand, $4.87.

Boston Stock Market.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 25.—The following were the closing prices on stocks in the the Boston stock market today:

Atchison & Topeka	38⅛	Calumet & Hecla	255
Boston & Albany	202	Franklin	16
Boston & Maine	172½	Huron	1
Ch., Burl. & Quincy	90⅛	Kearsarge	12⅛
Eastern R. R. 6s	120	Osceola	36
Fitchburg R. R.	74	Quincy	105
Flint & Pere M pfd	74⅛	Santa Fe Copper	45
Lit. R'k & Ft. Scott	95	Tamarack	155
Mass. Central	18⅛	San Diego Land Co	18
Mex. Cen. com	21⅝	West End Land Co	48¼
N. Y. & N. Eng	37⅝	Bell Telephone	179¾
Rutland common	3¼	Lamson Store S	2
Rutland preferred	72	Water Power	2⅛
Wis. Central com	19¾	C. M	16
Allouez M. Co. (new)	1¾	Net	50
Atlantic	14	B. & B.	116
Boston & Mont	44⅛		

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—The following were the London stock quotations closing at 4 p. m.:

Consols money	95 13-16	Illinois Central	99⅝
Consols, acc't	95 13-16	N. J. Cent Int Cert	108¼
U. S. 4s	129¾	St. Paul common	69¾
U. S. 4½	102½	N. Y. Central	103¾
N. Y. P. & O.	33⅛	Pennsylvania	55⅞
Canadian Pacific	86⅝	Reading	16¾
Erie	23⅛	Mexican Cen. new 4s	74½
Erie 2s	104¾		

BAR SILVER—45 3-16d per ounce.

MONEY—½ per cent.

Rate for short and three months, 1¾ per cent.

German Bank Statement.

BERLIN, Aug. 25.—The statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows an increase in specie of 17,300,000 marks.

Bank of England Bullion.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—Amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today was £46,000.

Paris Rentes.

PARIS, Aug. 25.—Three per cent rentes 95f 42½c for the account.

Denver Mining Stocks.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 25.—Business good with sales at 47,100. Quotations on the Mining exchange today closed as follows:

Alleghany	17	Legal Tender	¼
Amity	2¾	Little Rule	108
Argonaut	6	Matchless	200
Ballarat	58	May Maze	120
Bangkok	5¾	Morning Glim	45
Bates H.	66	Oro	99
Big Indian	6	Pay Rock	6
Big Six	6¾	Potosi	38¾
Browntow	7½	Park Con	..
Calliope	15	Reed National	..
Century	40	Rialto	110
Clay County	114	Running Lode	21¼
Cash G.	25	Leavenworth	7
Diamond B	1½	John J	4
Denver Gas & Oil	14¾	Puzzler	5
Emmons	45½	Claudia J.	4
Gold Treasure	40	Gettysburg	10
Ironclad	6	Whale	15
Justice	6¼	Gold Rock	60

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 25.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	50	Navajo	20
Bulwer	25	Ophir	360
Best & Belcher	335	Potosi	375
Bodie Consolidated	60	Savage	245
Challar	220	Sierra Nevada	340
Con. Cala. & Va.	625	Union Consolidated	235
Crown Point	160	Utah	75
Gould & Curry	175	Yellow Jacket	185
Hale & Norcross	210	Commonwealth	25
Mexican	225	B. I.	45
Mono	30	North Belle Isle	35

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—The closing mining stock quotations are as follows:

Alice	160	Iron Silver	100
Adams Con	170	Mexican	225
Aspen	400	Ontario	3750
Challar	200	Ophir	825
Crown Point	165	Plymouth	150
Con. Cala. and Va	575	Sierra Nevada	290
Gould & Curry	150	Standard	510
Hale and Norcross	160	Yellow Jacket	125
Homestake	1050	Deadwood	140
Horn Silver	345		

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 25.—The demand for wool continues and some large sales are reported. The volume of business is good. Ohio fleeces have been selling at 32c for X, and at 33@35c for XX and XXX and above; Michigan X at 27c. Combing and X delaine fleeces are steady and in demand at previous prices. Territory, Texas and California wools are selling mostly at 6 c for clean and fine; 57@58c for fine medium, and 55@56c for medium. Unwashed combing wools are in steady demand at 35@36c for one-quarter and 27@28c for three-eighths. Pulled wools are steady at 30@45c, as to quality, for supers, and 25@32c for extras. Australian firm. Carpet quiet.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Demands for dry-goods showed an improvement as regards transportations on the spot, and mail orders were larger than in some time. There is less activity at both first and second hands than seems to be expected. Prices are steady.

Havana Markets.

HAVANA, Aug. 25.—SPANISH GOLD—$2.30@ $2.30¼.

EXCHANGE—Quiet on the United States; short sight 9¾@10 per cent, on London 20¼ per cent premium.

SUGAR—Quiet, nothing done.

Foreign Oil Market.

ANTWERP, Aug. 25.—PETROLEUM—15 7-16f paid and sellers.

LONDON, Aug. 25.—TURPENTINE SPIRITS—28s 3d per cwt.

Traders' Talk.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 25.—Langenberg Brothers to Cockrell Brothers: The following is the range of prices on the leading options today:

COMMODITY	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
WHEAT—					
Dec	$1 03⅞	$1 05¼	$1 03⅞	$1 05¼	$1 03⅞
CORN—					
Sept	56⅛	58⅝	56	58⅝	57
OATS—					
Sept	29¼	29¼	29¼	29¼	29

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 25.—F. G. Logan & Co to Bryan Commission company: Wheat opened with light offerings at $1.04⅛ for December, sold up to $1.04⅞ and down again to $1.03⅞. The buying from this point was more urgent and the price gradually advanced until it reached $1.05. The close is $1.05. The foreign advices are conflicting. Our own are decidedly weak, although the weather is weak and delaying harvest. Should this continue it must bring new buying orders, and with them higher prices. There is a rumor here that Russia is going to put on an export duty of 7s and 6d on wheat. We put no confidence in this nor do we see it changes the situation in the near future. We have heard nothing but famine on the continent for the last 4 months and if it is half as bad as represented our wheat is low enough. The cash demand here is only by elevator companies; shippers take none of it because they cannot make sales at the advance. We expect to see this market influenced more by cable advices than on our home demand and supply. The northwest movement is disappointingly small; until it increases our market will be nervous and the tendency upward. Corn is active and at times excited. September fluctuated from 65c to 60½c, October opened at 59⅝c, sold up to 60c, and closed at 60 c. There is no change in the situation. Oats fairly active; this grain looks cheap. A much better feeling in provisions with considerable outside buying and packers offering sparingly.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 25.—Swartz, Dupee & McCormick to F. G. Swartz & Co.: Weather bureau reported that the northwest had been visited with quite a heavy frost and news from that section indicated some damage had been done wheat. The result was a firmer feeling at the opening of the market. It broke somewhat on hammering by our local bears but soon regained its firmness and during the latter part of the session was both active and strong. Continental cables inclined to weakness. Berlin showing a decline of 3 marks in futures and Paris being 30c lower on wheat and 50c on flour, the United Kingdom, however, was strong, and Liverpool was quoted 1d higher on very bad weather for harvest. A cable was received stating that Russia, although not prohibiting the export of wheat, would place a tax equal to 22½c per bushel on all exports. The result of this news was an active market with heavy buying by shorts who had sold so freely during the early part of the session. Moderate exports reported from Atlantic seaboards. Receipts at eleven primary points, 2,079,000; shipments, 1,442,000. Although it was said just after the close that sales were made as high as $1.06¼. Frost is again predicted for tonight and if it should do any considerable damage it would create some excitement here tomorrow. Receipts of corn were 1,111 cars, being 200 over the estimates, which gave corn bears confidence in selling September in spite of the fact of heavy frosts. The break was met by heavy buying on the part of the New York contingent, causing shorts to scramble to cover. October participated in the strength but May closed at about last night's price. Receipts for tomorrow are only 585 cars, much less than was expected. Frost predictions tonight may affect the market again tomorrow. Oats have been firm throughout the day, declining but very little, even when corn broke. Provisions were weak early, but the decline met good buying by shorts which, aided by the strength in corn and frost news, gave us before the close a sharp rally. The market seem to be intrinsically heavy, although the future of the corn crop must affect it seriously and in the event of damage must advance prices of provisions.

NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter: The market today has been strong from the opening to the close and shows signs of growth. A greater variety of stocks are being traded in transactions apparently of a most substantial nature, the buying being less of a speculative character for the purpose of reselling than of an investment nature. A feature of the market has been the evident scarcity of stocks. The local stocks have been notable features secondly only to the group of Vanderbilt stocks which continued upward. London came strong for American stocks and London orders were in at the opening to buy round lots and the executing of these orders helped to give the market its early send-off. Union Pacific has not responded with the rest of the list. The fact is discredited by the street. Leaders have taken profits today, but others have stopped and taken stocks off of their hands until these purchases, together with the investment buying, have carried the market upward. Money has been in good supply at 3 per cent on call.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 25.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter: Room traders hammered the wheat market nearly all day, their offerings going into strong hands apparently until shortly before the close they succeeded in holding December below $1.04⅛. Closing cables reported wet weather and higher prices in England, some engagements having been made at New York. Scalpers undertook to cover with the result that the market immediately advanced 1⅛c and closed nearly at the top. With a continuance of bad weather abroad which the Mark Lane Express says has already done tremendous damage, stronger foreign markets and liberal export purchases are to be expected. Reports concerning frosts in the northwest are conflicting, but it seems sure that some damage has been done. Receipts at primary markets continue large, but that they are not in excess of the demand is evidenced by the premium paid for cash over September. The situation abroad not only shows no improvement, but is growing materially worse. Large quantities of wheat are being quietly bought in this market on breaks and it is believed much of it is on foreign account. The local crowd stick persistently to the short side and it looks as if the market was getting into shape for another upheaval at no distant day unless the foreign situation should soon and decidedly improve. Although the United States increased exports of wheat and flour between 2,000,000 and 3,000,000 last week as compared with the previous week, the amount on ocean passage increased but 344,000, showing that exports from other countries are dropping off. Foreign expectations are centered on America and when this is fully realized on this side of the water, turning speculation as strongly to bulls as it now leans to the bear side, we expect to see very much higher prices. December wheat has sold at $1.07 on curb. In corn and oats on a weak opening the September clique had brokers in the pit apparently with buying orders for corn, resulting in a quick rally of about 2c. It was believed that with the weakness in wheat and enormous receipts of corn this advance could not be held, and room traders made efforts to raid the market, but with only temporary success. Near the close, when other markets turned so strong, all decline in corn was recovered,