THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS

Weakness Again Prevailed in All the Board Pits.

WHEAT OPENED FULLY A POINT LOWER

Paris Cables Stated That the French Wheat Crop Was Proving Larger Than Was Expected—Corn Was Quite Weak.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 12.—Weakness again prevailed in all of the pits on the Board of Trade today and a further reduction in prices in all the articles dealt in was submitted to. There was little news and the recession seemed to some extent, at least, to be a continuance of the weakness which prevailed yesterday. The weakness of the foreign situation caused wheat to open a point lower, and its downward tendency was accentuated by the absence of the big bear movement. Then, too, the weather was fine, the receipts large, the exports not encouraging and corn and oats tending downward. These conditions made investors shy and the demand, as a consequence, fell short of the offerings. Mitchell bought 230,000 bu. of wheat from Walker, and William Dunn was a good buyer. New York was the seller.

A Paris cable stated that the French wheat crop was proving larger than was expected and that there was a decidedly downward tendency in prices, farmers being good sellers. September, which started at 78c, against 81⅛c at the close yesterday, touched 77½c, rallied later to 77⅞c, but slid off again to 77⅜c and closed easy at 77⅛c.

Corn was weak, rather on account of the bearish sentiments in the pit than because of any specially bearish news. There was an attempt on the part of the longs to sustain prices, but it was not successful. The feature of the market was the selling of a long line, presumably belonging to Ed Bacon. It was sold by Sackett & Bacon, and amounted to about 500,000 bu. There was selling by Brosseau, Armour and Bartlett-Frazier. On the break Schwartz-Dupee were good buyers. September opened ¼c lower at 53⅝c, which was the highest price of the day, sold off to 52½c, rallied to 53c, reacted and closed at 52¾c.

Oats were an exception, opening ⅛c higher at 34⅛c, but sagged off to 33⅝c and closed steady at 33⅞c.

Provisions opened easier on heavy receipts of hogs, 24,000 being received at the stock yards, with as many left over. Commission houses were said to be selling long stuff on stop orders. Foreign houses that have been short were selling and hammering the market, especially lard. Trade was not large. September pork opened 12½c lower at $12.75, sold down to $12.57½, fluctuated frequently within a range of from 5c to 10c until in the last hour, when a raid was made, and amid considerable excitement, accompanied by the execution of stop loss orders, the price dropped to $12.10, a loss of 65c during the session and of 77½c compared with yesterday's last figures, rallied somewhat the end and closed easy at $12.15.

Lake freights easier at 2c for corn to Buffalo.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 200 cars; corn, 375 cars; oats, 280 cars; hogs, 10,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.
WHEAT No. 2				
August	$ 77⅞	$ 78	77¼	77⅜
September	78	78⅛	77⅜	77½
December	80⅛	80⅛	79¾	80
CORN No. 2—				
August	53½	53½	52⅞	53
September	53¾	53¾	52⅝	52¾
May	53⅝	53¾	53	53¼
OATS No. 2—				
August	33¾	33¾	33¼	33⅜
September	34¼	34¼	33¾	33⅞
October	34½	34⅝	33⅝	34
MESS PORK—				
September	12 75	12 75	12 10	12 15
January	13 50	13 55	13 10	13 15
LARD—				
September	7 90	7 90	7 67½	7 70
January	7 32½	7 35	7 20	7 22½
SHORT RIBS—				
September	7 90	7 90	7 75	7 77½
January	6 90	6 92½	6 77½	6 77½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady and unchanged: winter patents, $4.00@4.20; winter straits, $3.50@3.75; spring patents, $4.00@4.50; spring patents, $3.75@4.00.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 77½@77¾c; No. 3 spring, 71½c; No. 2 red, 77½@77¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 53c; No. 3, cash, 51½c.

OATS—No. 2, 33½c; No. 2 white, 36c; No. 3 white, 32½@36c.

RYE—No. 2, 65c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 63c; No. 3, f. o. b., 38@57c; No. 4, f. o. b., 38c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.03¼.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $1.58.

PORK—Mess, per bbl., $12.20@12.25; lard, per 100 lbs., $7.70@7.75; short ribs sides (loose), $7.80@7.90; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $7.20@7.30; short clear sides (boxed), $8.10@8.15.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.15.

Receipts and shipments today were as follows:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS.
Flour, barrels	15,000	6,000
Wheat, bushels	352,000	152,000
Corn, bushels	203,000	105,000
Oats, bushels	258,000	355,000
Rye, bushels	9,000	1,000
Barley, bushels	2,000	2,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady and unchanged; fancy creamery, 23@24c; fine western, 20@22c; ordinary, 17@18c; selected dairies, 18@19c. Eggs, 8@10½c.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19,000 pkgs.; exports, 7,100 bbls.; 24,800 sacks; high grades firm, low grades firmer; quiet; sales, 17,800 bbls.

CORNMEAL—Steady, quiet.

WHEAT—Receipts, 220,000 bu.; exports, 71,000 bu.; sales, 1,380,000 bu. of futures; 220,000 bu. of spot. Spot lower, fairly active, steady; No. 2 red, 82½c in store and elevator; 83⅝c afloat; 83⅞@83½c f. o. b.; No. 3 red, 79½c; ungraded red, 77@83c; No. 1 northern, 86½c; No. 1 hard, 90¼c; No. 2 northern, 83½c; No. 2 Chicago, 85½c; No. 2 Milwaukee, 83½c; No. 3 spring, 81½c. Options were dull and weaker, declining 5@6⅞c on weaker cables, foreign selling, favorable crop news, large receipts, foreign selling and fine weather abroad, advanced ½@¾c and closed steady at ⅜@⅝c under yesterday; No. 2 red, August, 82½@83c, closing at 82½c; September, 83⅛@83½c, closing at 83¼c; October, 84⅛@84⅝c, closing at 84¾c; December, 87 1-16@87⅛c, closing at 87⅛c; May, 92⅝@92⅞c, closing at 92⅞c.

RYE—Dull.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet.

CORN—Receipts, 131,000 bu.; exports, 11,000 bu.; sales, 350,000 bu. of futures and 62,000 bu. of spot. Spot quiet, easier; No. 2, 66½c in elevator; 64½c afloat; ungraded mixed, 58@61c. Options were weak all day and closed at a decline of 1½c on improved weather, west weak, lower cables and with wheat; August, 60¾@61¼c, closing at 60¾c; September, 59½@59¾c, closing at 59½c; October closing at 58⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 176,000 bu.; exports, 9,000 bu.; sales, 325,000 bu. of futures, 770,000 bu. of spot. Spot dull, lower. Options dull and weaker; August, 38½c, closing at 38½c; September, 38½@38⅝c, closing at 38½c; October, closing at 38¾c; May, 42⅜@42¾c, closing at 42⅜c; No. 2 white, September, 39⅝c; No. 2 spot white, 42c; mixed western, 36@40½c; white western, 41@48c; No. 2, Chicago, 39¾c.

HAY—Quiet but firm.

HOPS—Better demand, firm; Pacific coast, 20@25c.

SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 2 11-16@2⅝c; centrifugals, 96 test, 3 3-16@3⅛c; refined, firmer, active; off "A," 4 1-16@4¼c; mould A, 4 9-16@4 11-16c; standard "A," 4 7-16@4 9-16c; confectioners' "A," 4 5-16@4 7-16c; cut loaf, 4 1-16c; crushed, 5 10@5 13-16c; powdered, 4 13-16@4 15-16c; granulated, 4 7-16@4 11-16c; cubes, 4 11-16@4 13-16c.

MOLASSES—Foreign, nominal; New Orleans, quiet but steady.

RICE—Quiet, firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4½@6c; Japan, 5@5¼c.

EGGS—Light demand, steady; receipts, 4,561 pkgs.

HIDES—Quiet but steady; wet salted New Orleans, 40 to 60 lbs., 6@7c.

WOOL—Active, firm; domestic fleece, 25@35c; pulled, 20@32c; Texas, 13@21c.

PORK—Dull steady; cut meats, quiet, weak; pickled bellies, 8@8¼c. Sales, 10,000 lbs. pickled bellies, 8@8½c, at 8¼c; middles, steady, quiet. LARD, quiet, lower; western steam closed at $8.90; option sales, 1,500 tierces September at $8.12, closing at $8.04; October closing $8.02 bid.

BUTTER—Steady, moderate demand.

CHEESE—Light demand.

PIG IRON—Dull, weak; American, $13.50@15.00.

COPPER—Easy; lake, $ 1.50@11.62½.

LEAD—Steady; domestic, $4.00@4.10.

TIN—Steady; straits, $23.45@20.55.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 12.—FLOUR—Dull and easier; extra fancy, $3.45@3.55; fancy, $3.00@3.20; others unchanged.

WHEAT—Developed a further decline this morning, followed by a weak, sagging market with small and fleeting reactions until ⅜c down, the close being only ⅛c above the bottom. The news from every quarter was weakening. No. 2 red, cash, lower at 73c; August, 73⅛@ bid; September, 74@74⅛c, closing at 74⅛c bid; December, 77⅝@77⅞c, closing at 78c bid.

CORN—With everything lovely in the weather and weaker domestic markets fell off 1c, closing only ⅛c above the bottom. No. 2 cash, lower at 46c; August, 49½c asked; September, 49½@49⅝c, closing at 49⅝c bid; October, 49½c; May, 53c.

OATS—Gave way under the general influence. No. 2 cash, 33c bid; August, 33½c; September, 33¼@33⅜c, closing at 33⅜c bid; May, 35½c nominal.

RYE—In limited demand; No. 2, bid for at 60c east side.

BARLEY—No trade.

HAY—No change to note; timothy, choice to gilt edge, $13.00@16.00; prairie, choice to gilt edge, $7.00@8.75.

BUTTER—Firm; fancy creamery, 23@24c; fancy dairy, 19@20c.

EGGS—Firmer at 11½c.

LEAD—$4.07½ for soft Missouri.

CORNMEAL—Firm at $2.00@2.05.

BRAN—63c at mill.

TIMOTHY SEED—$1.20@1.30.

FLAXSEED—Firm at 97c.

BAGGING—6¼@7¾c.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.10.

WHISKY—Firm at $1.10.

PROVISIONS—Lower, very dull. Pork—Standard mess, jobbing, $13.25. Lard—$7.40. Dry salt meats—Loose shoulders, $7.25; longs and ribs, $7.50; shorts, $8.00; boxed, 15c more. Bacon—Packed shoulders, $7.75; longs and ribs, $9.50; shorts, $9.25. Hams—Sugar cured, $11.50@12.50.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 203,000 bu.; corn, 27,000 bu.; oats, 24,000 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu.; barley, none.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 67,000 bu.; corn, 17,000 bu.; oats, 6,000 bu.; rye 3,000 bu.; barley, none.

Omaha Produce Market.

PEACHES—California, $1.50@1.65; southern Illinois, 65@75c per basket.

LEMONS—$7.50@8.50.

ORANGES—California, out of market, imported, $7.50.

BLACKBERRIES—$1.00.

PLUMS—California, $2.00@3.00.

BANANAS—$2.00@3.75.

CABBAGE—Home grown, 65@75c per doz.

MELONS—Watermelons, 25c.

NEW APPLES—Per one-third bu. box, 75@80c; bbls., $4.00.

PEARS—Bartlett, $2.50@3.00.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 12½@13c; small lots select dairy, 14@17c.

POULTRY—Spring chickens, $2.00@3.00 as to size; old fowls, 8c.

CANTALOUPES—Per crate, $1.25; jems, 75c per basket.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—Per case, $2.50.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 50c.

EGGS—Firm at 14c.

NEW POTATOES—$2.00@2.25 per bbl.; in sacks, 1½@1½c per lb.

ONIONS—Per bbl., $3.00@3.25.

BLUEBERRIES—16-qt. boxes, $1.00@2.25.

TOMATOES—4 basket crates, $1.25@1.50; bu. boxes, $1.75@2.00.

GRAPES—Per 9-lb. basket, 7@77c.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 12.—WHEAT—More active, slower; No. 2 hard, old, 69@64c; new, 64½@65c; No. 2 red, 69@68c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 mixed, 44@44½c; No. 2 white, 53@54c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 mixed, old, 27@27½c; No. 2 white, old, 30c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 59½@ 70c.

FLAXSEED—Steady at 88@91c.

BRAN—Strong; sacked, 56c.

HAY—Firm, unchanged; timothy, $7.50@9.00; prairie, $5.00@6.00.

BUTTER—Active and firm; creamery, 11½@22c; dairy, 14@18c.

EGGS—Firm at 13c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 33,000 bu.; corn, 1,000 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 27,000 bu.; corn, 6,000 bu.; oats, none.

Oil Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—PETROLEUM—Opened steady and advanced 1⅛c on buying for a new bull pool, reached ⅜c and closed firm. Pennsylvania oil, spot no sales; September, option sales, 175,000 bbls.; opening, 57½c; highest, 58c; lowest, 56⅝c; closing, 57⅝c; Lima oil, no sales; total sales, 175,000 bbls.

COTTONSEED OIL—Easy and quiet.

TALLOW—Quiet and steady; city ($2.00 for packages) 4⅝c.

ROSIN—Steady.

TURPENTINE—Dull but steady.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—CALCUTTA LINSEED OIL—38s per quarter; linseed cake, 6 lbs., 17s 6d per ton for western.

LINSEED OIL—38s 3d per cwt.

REFINED PETROLEUM—3⅜d per gallon.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—21s 7½d per cwt.

ROSIN—8s per cwt.

Minneapolis Flour Market Review.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 12.—The Northwestern Miller says: The existence for some time of much lower lake and rail rates on flour from Minneapolis to the seaboard than were given by published tariffs, has at last induced the Soo line to reduce rates to principal points 2½c per 100 lbs., making the rate to New York via Gladstone, 22½c per 100 lbs. It is expected that other lines, particularly the Duluth & Superior, will issue similar tariffs, taking effect August 15. General belief exists that the 2½c reduction has for the time being more than discounted, and lower figures will still have to be made in order to get rates already in the field. But the Soo people say they are equal to the occasion and will be heard from again very soon if the present tariff fails to bring business.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 12.—WHEAT—Dull; demand poor; holders offer freely; California No. 1, 6@7s per cental; western spring, 6s 3d; red western winter, 6s 6d. Receipts for the past three days 163,000 centals, including 68,000 American.

CORN—Steady; demand poor. Receipts, American for the past three days 6,100 centals.

BACON—13s per cwt. for long clear middles about 45 lbs.

CHEESE—47s per cwt. for American finest, white and colored.

PEAS—5s 1d per cental for Canadian.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 12.—Quiet; middling, 7c; low middling, 6½c; good ordinary, 6c; net receipts, 9 bales; gross, 620 bales; exports to Great Britain, 101 bales; coastwise, 647 bales; sales, 450 bales; stock, 69,103 bales. Week: net receipts, 2,740 bales; gross, 3,529 bales; exports to Great Britain, 6,188 bales; to France, 2,596 bales; to the continent, 10 bales; coastwise, 1,390 bales; sales, 2,150 bales.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Options opened barely steady and unchanged to 10 points down, and closed steady at 50@10 points down. Sales, 36,500 bags, including August, $12.85@12.95; September, $12.90@12.95; October, $12.80@12.95; December, $12.90@13.00; March, $12.95@13.05; May, $12.90@13.05; spot Rio, firm, fair demand; No. 7, $13.87½@14.00.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Aug. 12.—WHEAT—Opened lower, inclining to weakness, closed steady. Cash, good demand, lower receipts, wheat 152 cars. Close: August, 74⅜c; September, 74⅜c; on track, No. 1 hard, 81½c; No. 1 northern, 80c; No. 2 northern, 79@76c.

American Refrigerator Beef.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 12.—American refrigerator beef, forequarters, 3d; hindquarters, 5¼d per lb.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—American refrigerator beef, forequarters, 3s 4d@3s; hindquarters, 3s 6d@3s 8d per 8 lbs. by the carcass.

Philadelphia Grain Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 12.—WHEAT—Depressed; No. 2 red, September, 81½@81⅝c.

CORN—Weak; No. 2 mixed, September, October and November, 57@57½c.

OATS—Weak; No. 2 white and September, 42½c.

Baltimore Grain Market.

BALTIMORE, M. D., Aug. 12.—WHEAT—Weak; No. 2 red, spot and August, 80c.

CORN—Dull; spot and August, 56@56¾c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white western 42c.

Toledo Grain Market.

TOLEDO, O., Aug. 12.—WHEAT—Easier; No. 2 cash, August and September, 79½c.

CORN—Dull; No. 2 cash, 52½c.

OATS—Quiet; cash, 34c.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—There was a fair demand for dry goods, but with business modified somewhat. The market was unchanged in any material way.

London Markets.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—COCOANUT OIL—Ceylon, 28s 9d per cwt.

BEET SUGAR—October and December, 12s 9½d.

Traders' Talk.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 12.—Counseiman & Day to Cockrell Bros. Commission company: The recent advances in grain and high product pretty well eliminated the short interests and left the market to the support of the class of speculators who are enthusiastic bulls on tulips. The more conservative element were sellers on hard spots. Professional bears became more aggressive as prices began to settle under the weight of increased receipts. Foreign and domestic markets were dull and lower and shippers not buying. The several attempts of longs to sustain prices were futile, and markets all broke sharply under the liquidation of a large aggregate of small holdings on stop orders. As a sagging market seldom has much attraction for the general public, business was largely confined to closing old trades and the markets left off dull at quotations.

CHICAGO, Ill., August 12.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter: Wheat—The opening weakness reflected the easier foreign cables, and the bearish raid later was encouraged by decline in corn and depression in provisions. The Michigan state report suggesting that 55 per cent of the crop of that state is still unmarketed also had an unsettling effect. If the foreigners will keep taking our wheat at the present rate the weakness of their cables need not concern us. The export trade seems to be on a good basis. The shipments of flour to foreign countries last week are reported from Minneapolis to have been next to the heaviest on record. The millers are disposed to decline orders for later shipments than September, believing that wheat is going to range higher.

CORN AND OATS.—The bull clique have sustained corn well, considering that the country selling orders are increasing and their position seems to be getting more difficult. They are moving corn away from Chicago as fast as possible but they cannot get it out of the country because prices are above an exporting basis. Arcentine is now filling the bulk of foreign orders, while our stocks are retained here from necessity as a result of speculation. Reports from the country show improving prospects for the crop, and oats show a downward tendency. The break in provisions today was due mainly to the bears who raided the market and caught many stop orders. The big holders seem to have marketed more property than commonly estimated and were doubtless willing to see prices sell down to give them a better chance to buy back their stuff.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 12.—F. G. Logan & Co. to Duncan, Hollinzer & Co.: The wheat market was dull and featureless to-day, trade done being mostly local. September opened at 78c, did sell as high as 78⅛c, and as low as 77⅜c. The closing price is 77¾@77⅞c. Receipts of new winter again on the increase. 703 cars for tomorrow. There is a good enough market for it, but at low prices for such quality, No. 3 selling from 73c to 75½c, and No. 2 from 77c to 78c. The principal buyers are the elevator proprietors. Foreign advices are dull with lower quotations and there is an entire absence of any foreign orders. Reports from North Dakota and Minnesota are poor of the growing crop and point to a half crop and of poor quality. Corn has been weak from the opening, the liquidation has been very heavy. September opened at 53⅛c, sold at 52¾c and closed at 52⅝c. Our stock in store is good and the cash demand only moderate, we look for lower prices. Oats will keep company with corn, and decline or advance. Provisions close weak. September, pork $12.12, lard $7.70, ribs $7.75. We looked for a decline but it has been greater than we expected. Any fresh buying will cause an advance on this big break.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Decline in Silver Was the Feature on the Exchange Yesterday.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—In Wall street today, notwithstanding further engagements of gold for export, little attention was paid to the outgo of the precious metal and the decline in silver became the rallying cry of the bears. Silver has declined steadily for the last few days and today reached the lowest price ever known, 82⅛ for certificates on the exchange and 82½ for bar silver on the street. The extreme narrowness of the market was seen in the fact that although there was during the forenoon a moderately active business maintained, five stocks monopolized the greater portion of the trading—St. Paul, Erie, Northern Pacific preferred, Atchison and Reading. The general list was without special feature at all points, and the day wore along without material change, except in the leaders. A late advance was specially notable, however, inasmuch as it was accomplished on a much smaller volume of business than a previous decline and a full recovery in railroad shares was specially gratifying to holders of securities as it was brought by no effort to manipulate the list. Gains in the industrials were of another character, being affected by manipulation of the professionals without news of any kind to affect these shares.

Government bonds dull and easy.

State bonds entirely neglected.

The Post says: That the silver imbroglio has some connection, both passive and active, with Europe's attitude toward our market cannot be doubted. People have noticed that silver bullion certificates have sprung into spasmodic activity on the Stock exchange immediately after the extinction of such trading had been pointed out in the press. But this week's silver trading has been of a very unusual character. It is unmistakably in the nature of a bear movement against that metal. If indications are to be believed, certificates are being sold here for the account of a London syndicate which is heavily short of rupee paper. To break the price of silver in such a market as our own requires no great genius; yet if the London price follows the New York price down rupee paper must necessarily decline along with it, giving the London bears a chance to cover in Indian exchange.

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

Atchison	38⅛	Nat. Cordage pfd	110⅝
†Adams Express	147	N. J. Central	144⅞
Alton, T. H.	35	Norfolk & West. pfd	48
do preferred	130	North Amer. Co	13⅝
*American Express	120	Northern Pacific	20¾
Baltimore & Ohio	77⅞	do pfd	54⅞
Canada Pacific	88¼	U. P. Den & Gulf	17½
Canada Southern	58¾	Northwestern	117¼
Central Pacific	29½	do pfd	142½
Ches. & Ohio	21⅛	Central	111
Chicago & Alton	147	N. Y. & N. E.	56¾
Chic. Bur. & Quincy	101⅞	Ontario & Western	19⅝
Chicago Gas	81⅝	Oregon Improve	23½
Consolidated Gas	116⅝	Oregon Nav	78
C. C. C. & St. L.	66⅝	O. S. L. & U. N.	25¼
Colorado Coal & I.	83	Pacific Mail	33¾
Cotton oil Certific's	47⅛	P., Dec. & E.	18
Del. & Hudson	137	*Pittsburg	153
D., L. & W.	150¾	Pullman Palace	196
D. & R. G. pfd	48¾	Reading	59¾
D. & C. F. Co	47⅝	Richmond Term	81½
East Tenn	4½	do pfd	40⅝
Erie	28¾	Rio Grande West	36
do pfd	67	do pfd	71
*Fort Wayne	153	Rock Island	80¾
Great Northern pfd	148¾	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	70¼
Illinois Central	98½	St. Paul	82⅝
Hocking Valley	34⅞	do pfd	82
Illinois Central	99	St. Paul & Omaha	55
St. Paul & Duluth	40	St. P. & Omaha pfd	121¼
Kansas & Texas	27⅛	Southern Pacific	36⅝
Lake Erie & West	25¼	Sugar Refinery	107⅝
do pfd	76⅝	Tenn. Coal & Iron	34
Lake Shore	135	Texas Pacific	9
Lead Trust	39⅝	Tol. & O. C. pfd	83
Louisville & Nash	67⅞	Union Pacific	38⅝
Louisville & N. A.	25¼	U. S. Express	58
Manhattan Con.	134⅞	Wabash, St. L. & P.	10⅝
*Memphis & Char.	50	do pfd	24¼
Michigan Central	108	Wells Fargo Ex.	142
Missouri Pacific	59⅝	Western Union	88⅝
Mobile & Ohio	38	Wheeling & L. E.	19¾
Nashville Chat	89	do pfd	72
National Cordage	126¾		

* bid. † ex div.

The total sales of stocks today were 149,683 shares, including: Atchison, 21,400; Erie, 9,000; Northern Pacific preferred, 12,100; Reading, 25,900; St. Paul, 15,045; Union Pacific, 5,000; Western Union, 5,800.

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Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 12.—The following are the closing stock quotations:

Atch. & Top	38¼	Franklin	12⅛
Boston & Albany	205	Kearsarge	11
do Maine	180	Osceola	32½
Chi. Burl. & Quincy	107⅞	Santa Fe Copper	7⅛
Eastern R. R. 6s	122⅛	Tamarack	160
Fitchburg R. R.	89⅝	Boston Land Co	5
Little Rock & Ft. S.	92	West End Land Co	18¼
Mex. Cen. com	15⅞	New Telephone	203
N. Y. & N. Eng	36½	Bell Telephone	203
do 7s	121	Lamson Store S	18
Old Colony	182	Water Power	2¾
Wis. Central com	17	Cent. M.	7⅛
Atlantic	9⅛	N. E. T. & T.	6
Calumet & Hecla	285	B. & B. Cop	9⅛

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—The following are the closing mining stock quotations:

Chollar	50	Ophir	210
Crown Point	50	*Plymouth	90
Con. Cal. & Va.	340	Sierra Nevada	105
Deadwood	200	Standard	145
Gould & Curry	80	Union Con	80
Hale & Norcross	75	Yellow Jacket	40
Homestake	1400	Iron Silver	60
Mexican	125	Quicksilver	350
*North Star	650	do preferred	1750
Ontario	3500	*Bulwer	50

* asked.

St. Louis Mining Stocks.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 12.—On the Mining exchange today the following quotations were made on call:

Stock.	Bid.	Asked.	Stock.	Bid.	Asked.
Bimetallic	900	1505	Montrose	...	8
Elizabeth	65	68¾	Pat Murphy	...	5
Granite Mt.	...	825	Small Hopes	90	...
Little Albert	1	4			

What Bradstreet's Says.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Bradstreet's Wall street review says: The influences affecting shares in speculation during the week were more irregular in character than was the case for the preceding fortnight. Bullish tendencies still asserted themselves, the professional sentiment and activity still showed an inclination for the bull side of the account. Increased attention has been paid to the railroad specialties and to the regular speculative list. The latter portion of the market, indeed, apparently resumed its place as the determining factor in speculation.

The chief subject of an interest in Wall street itself accordingly been the crop condition. The early days of the week found the street occupied with what are known as "scare" dispatches from the west indicating immense damage to corn and spring wheat from the prevailing high temperature and absence of rain. Contradictory advices and assertions that local rains had minimized the damage followed and by Wednesday the street, after witnessing some active fluctuation in the shares of the leading grangers railways, settled down to wait for the government crop report of August 1, which appeared on Wednesday afternoon.

The tenor of this document, showing as it did a low average for corn, was followed by a decided bearish movement in western railroad stocks, although subsequent reflection seemed to have modified such impressions, and the covering of shorts which ensued operated to measurably check the decline. The sharp decline of silver resulted in small attempts to sell certificates short, although little activity was shown in that specialty. The circumstance, however, attracted notice and the impression was created thereby that the unfavorable view of our currency situation, which seems to be responsible for the prolonged foreign situation in taking an active part in our securities market, will not be decreased by the events in question. As a matter of fact, the operations of our European interest in this market have this week been on the smallest possible scale. The fact that London's holdings of our stock are reduced to such small proportions, it is claimed, is the sole protection against heavy foreign selling.

Reports to Bradstreet's of gross earnings for July by railway companies of importance throughout the country aggregate $41,865,000, about 3½ per cent more than in June, 1891. For seven months the total gross earnings of these roads equaled $270,791,000, an increase of more than 7 per cent, as comp red with gross earnings for a like period of 1891. For the fiscal year ended June 30, our exports of breadstuffs increased in value $171,242,000. Cattle, $4,654,000; seeds, $4,472,003, and cotton goods, $2,612,000. But as exports of raw cotton fell off in value $ 2,151,000, and refined petroleum $6,416,000, the total net gain in value of the year's exports was only $ 43,462,000. Exports of wheat (and flour as wheat), both coasts of the United States, equal 4,148,000 bu. this week, against 3,378,000 bu. last week, but as compared with 5,147,000 bu. exported in the corresponding week last year, with 1,994,000 bu. in 1890, with 1,914,000 bu. in 1889, and with 2,560,000 bu. in the second week of August, 1888.

London Financial Review.

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LONDON, Aug. 12.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—The settlement was satisfactorily concluded in the Stock exchange today. No difficulties were reported. The markets were distinctly unfavorable, due to the uneasiness regarding the silver question. Owing to the continued fall in the price of the metal consols are down 3-16 per cent, Indian rupee paper has fallen ¾ per cent and sterling loans ½ percent. Home railways close dull and heavy, there having been some rather free offering of stock just at the last. Great Western shares show a decline of 1½ per cent, Brighton deferred ¼ per cent, Southeastern deferred ¾ per cent, and most others ⅛ to ¼ per cent, but Great Eastern and Northeastern ⅛ to ¼ per cent better. American railways have been more or less depressed all day in response to weakness in the New York market, being affected by silver difficulty. Selling has not been very persistent, as many buyers have been absent. The result is a general decline, including 1⅛ per cent in Northern Pacific preference, 1 per cent in Atchison income bonds, ¾ per cent in Atchison ordinary, ⅝ per cent in Chicago & Milwaukee and Louisville & Nashville and ½ to ½ per cent in all others. There has been no improvement in the demand for money. Short loans have been freely offered at ½ per cent. The discount market is firm, two and three months bills not being quoted under 1 per cent.

Financial Notes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $1,864,419.

PARIS, Aug. 12.—Three per cent rentes 99f 57c for the account.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—Clearings, $97,413,123; balances, $5,323,032.

BALTIMORE, Md., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $2,367,135; balances, $393,625. Money, 6 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $9,825,000; balances, $1,755,524. Money, 2½ per cent.

CINCINNATI, O., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $2,142,800. Interest 6@6 per cent. New York exchange, 35@35c discount.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $965,310. New York exchange, commercial, 50c; bank, $1.50 per $1,000 premium.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $3,393,000; balances, $499,023. Money quiet at 6@7 per cent. Exchange on New York 60c discount.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 12.—Clearings, $13,557,710; balances, $1,323,858. Rate for money, 4@5 per cent. Exchange on New York, 17@30c discount.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 12.—Money, easy and unchanged. Bank clearings, $5,493,678. New York exchange, 10@15c discount; sterling exchange, dull and unchanged.

NEW YORK, Aug. 12.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Exchange was quoted as follows: Chicago, 10@15c discount; Boston, 20@37c discount; St. Louis, 75@80c discount.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Cattle Unsteady and Hogs with a Downward Tendency.

OMAHA, Aug. 12.—Supplies of all kinds were moderate. So far this week receipts foot up 9,252 cattle, 26,807 hogs and 1,485 sheep against 6,725 cattle, 16,513 hogs and 2,240 sheep for the same five days last week.

The cattle market was very unsatisfactory. Included in the receipts were nearly 300 head of Kansas City Texans billed direct to a local canner. There were comparatively few really desirable cattle among the fresh offerings. There was no shipping demand to speak of and the local inquiry was not overly urgent. Dressed beef buyers would take tidy, fat cattle at about Thursday's figures, but good barly be induced to look at anything very heavy or at the common grass stuff. Sales were few and far between, 1,150 to 1,250-lb steers of fair to very good quality sold at from $4.00 to $4.40. The market was very slow on western cattle and it was late in the afternoon before any trading was done.

Butchers' stock and canners moved freely at steady to strong prices. Poor to prime cows and heifers sold at from $1.25 to $3.00, with comparatively little above $2.35 or under $1.50. Bulls were dull at from $1.00 to $2.00. Good calves were steady to strong at from $3.00 to $3.75.

In the stocker and feeder line there was the usual indifferent trade at unchanged prices. Sales ranged from $1.95 to $3.00, the bulk at from $2.12½ to $2.60. Representative sales:

DRESSED BEEF.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
32	1150	$4 00	37	1247	$4 40			

COWS.

1	510	1 25	3	710	1 50	23	883	2 05
1	1030	1 25	8	894	1 55	14	987	2 20
5	606	1 35	6	997	1 75	3	1126	2 35
6	761	1 35	3	926	1 75	24	990	2 35
1	1050	1 35	2	970	1 80	5	966	2 60
5	612	1 35	43	888	2 05	6	893	3 00
3	986	1 50						

HEIFERS.

5	760	2 15	3	183	3 75	3	186	3 75

CALVES.

2	225	3 00	3	183	3 75			
1	160	3 50	2	150	3 75			

BULLS.

1	1310	1 00	2	1375