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Huge Export Engagements Give Wheat a Sensational Jump Upward.

CORN AND OATS ALSO SHOW ADVANCES

Rising Prices Are Materially Aided by Startling Stories of the Drouth in the Eastern States—Provisions Higher.

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—Sensational advances marked today's session in wheat, December closing 3c higher and May at a 2⅝c advance. The advance which was attended by the heaviest trading in several weeks was caused principally by the huge export engagements. Sensational reports as to the drouth condition east of the Mississippi cut no small figure in the advance. Corn was also active and advanced 1½c, helped by wheat and a good shipping demand. Oats advanced ¾c and provisions closed 2½c higher for lard to 17½c higher for pork.

Wheat traders were surprised at the opening at the firmness at Liverpool, that market showing a ½@¾d advance when trading opened here, notwithstanding yesterday's weakness. The result of the unexpected strength abroad was a firm opening here and a further immediate advance that put prices within a small fraction of yesterday's highest figure. December, which closed yesterday at 91⅛c, started at 91⅝@91¾c and advanced to 92⅛c, while May, which was perhaps the more active of the two futures, opened ⅝c higher at 90¾c, and advanced to 91c. Buying orders for May wheat from the United Kingdom were in the hands of several commission houses in Chicago at the opening, and their execution in the pit caused a further lessening of the premium at which December is selling over May. What are styled in the provision trade here the "English houses" had a good share of those buying orders for May wheat. Very early in the session New York wired that 25 boatloads had been taken for export, and claims were made a little later in the day that 1,000,000 bu. had been sold. Strong cables were not the only factor in the early strength. Reports from the winter wheat districts east of the Mississippi showed a decidedly gloomy, not to say sensational state of affairs on account of the drouth. The falling off of the domestic receipts also attracted attention. Chicago got 146 cars, against 244 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 852 carloads, compared with 1,072 a week ago and 1,227 the corresponding day of the year before. The total receipts of western primary markets were 1,040,000 bu., against 1,131,000 bu. a year ago. Later in the session there was a brief period of reaction. There was some disappointment at the comparative weakness in the Paris market, the consequence being that December, which had meanwhile advanced to 92⅝c, declined to 92¼c, while May eased off from 91⅜c to 91⅛c. The reaction lasted only a few minutes and was succeeded by a brisker demand than at any period of the day. Although it could not be ascertained with any degree of accuracy whether the sales of wheat made at New York for export were 1,000,000 bu., as some claimed, or only 40 boatloads (320,000 bu.) according to other report, it was not doubted by any one that the export demand was good, and fortified with that conviction all the old local bulls took a hand buying. About fifteen minutes from the end of the session the market began spinning around in an excited whirl that caught up December to 91¾c and May to 92⅛c, and those were the closing figures. Corn was active and strong. Some of the heavier shorts were the most conspicuous buyers. The shipping inquiry was again good, which was one reason for shorts being anxious to cover, and the extraordinary strength of wheat did the rest. Clearances were 491,000 bu. Receipts reported were 540 cars. Cables were ⅛c 5d higher. December ranged from 26⅝c to 26⅞c to 25⅞c, closing at the top figures, an advance of 1@1¼c.

Oats was firm and higher. The advance was in sympathy with wheat and corn and on better general buying. Light offerings also had a good deal to do with helping the price. The export demand was good, about 300,000 bu. being sold here for that purpose. Receipts were 225 cars. December ranged from 18⅝@18⅞c to 18⅛c and closed ⅛c higher at 18¼@18⅜c.

In provisions reports that frost had occurred in the middle west fever district last night helped to make a strong market. The strength of wheat and corn was of course a feature. Offerings were very light and prices ruled higher from the start. At the close December pork was 17½c higher at $8, December lard 2½@5c high r at $4.22½@4.45, and December ribs 7½c higher at $4.05.

Estimated receipts for Saturday: Wheat, 150 cars; corn, 575 cars; oats, 235 cars; hogs, 18,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yestdy.
*Wheat—					
Oct....	.....	.....	.....	93⅛	90⅛
Dec....	91⅝@⅞	92⅛	91⅛	91⅝	90⅛
May....	90¾@⅞	93⅛	90¾	91⅜	89¾
*Corn—					
Oct....	24⅝@⅞	25⅛@⅜	24⅝	25⅛@⅜	24¼
Dec....	25⅝@⅞	26⅜@⅝	25⅜	26⅜@⅝	25⅜
May....	29⅝@¾	30⅜	29⅝@⅞	30⅜	29⅛@⅜
*Oats—					
Oct....	17⅝	17⅞	17⅝	17⅞	17⅛@⅜
Dec....	18⅝@¾	18⅞	18⅝@¾	18⅞	18⅝
May....	20¾	21⅜	20¾	21⅜	20⅜
Pork—					
Dec....	7 90	8 07½	7 85	8 05	7 87½
Jan....	8 82½	8 97½	8 82½	8 97½	8 82½
Lard—					
Dec....	4 42½	4 45	4 40	4 45	4 40
Jan....	4 55	4 60	4 55	4 60	4 55
Sh'ribs					
Oct....	4 65	4 65	4 65	4 65	4 62½
Dec....	4 60	4 65	4 55	4 65	4 57½
Jan....	4 65	4 70	4 62½	4 70	4 62½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter straights, $4.50@4.70; spring patents, $4.80@5.00; bakers', $3.80@4.00.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 87¼@88¼c; No. 3 spring, 80@86c; No. 2 red, 95¼c.

CORN—No. 2, 25½@25¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 18½c, f. o. b.; No. 2 white, 22@22½c, f. o. b.; No. 3 white, 20¾@22¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 46¾c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, 39@42c; No. 4, 27@37c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.01½@1.05.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $8.00@8.05. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4.42½@4.45. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.50@4.80. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.00@5.12½.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.22.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.36; granulated, $5.24.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	5,000	18,000
Wheat, bu	121,000	89,000
Corn, bu	492,000	715,000
Oats, bu	289,000	629,000
Rye, bu	24,000	2,000
Barley, bu	70,000	300,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 15@22c; dairies, 12@19c; Cheese, quiet at 8@9½c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 18½c. Poultry, easy; turkeys, 8@9c; chickens, 6½c; springs, 7c; ducks, 7½@8c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—FLOUR—Receipts, 26,380 bbls.; exports, 14,185 bbls. Market strong and higher, with demand shut out by the advance; Minnesota patents, $5.10@5.40; Minnesota bakers, $4.50@4.70; winter patents, $5.00@5.25; winter straights, $4.60@4.70; winter extras, $3.20@3.40; winter low grades, $3.00@3.15. Rye flour, steady; fancy, $2.80@3.40. Buckwheat flour, quiet.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 87@88c.

CORN MEAL—Quiet.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 western, 50c.

BARLEY—Firm at 28½c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull.

WHEAT—Receipts, 125,200 bu.; exports, 48,058 bu.; spot, strong; No. 2 red, $1.01⅝. Options opened strong and advanced all day, with scarcely a pause, closing with a sensational bull flourish at 2⅞@1c net rise; buying mottives were extravagant export rumors, higher cables and a bull swarm on the floor; No. 2 red, November, closed at 95¾c; December, 94⅞@97½c, closing at 97⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 128,025 bu.; exports, 81,147 bu.; spot, strong; No. 2, 32½c. Options opened firm and had a big advance on export talk and the rise in wheat, closing 1c net higher; November, 30¼@30⅝c, closing at 30⅝c; December, 30¾@31⅛c, closing at 31⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 11,600 bu.; exports, 159,187 bu.; spot, strong; No. 2, 22c. Options quiet but stronger at ⅛@¼c net advance; October closed at 21⅝c; December, 21¼@21⅜c, closing at 21⅜c.

HAY—Dull; shipping, $4.00@4.50; good to choice, $5.00@7.00.

HOPS—Quiet; Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 4@9c; 1896 crop, 6@9c; 1897 crop, 14@18c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 15@18c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 20½@21½c; acid, 20½@22c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,215 pkgs.; steady; western creamery, 14@22½c; Elgins, 23½c; factory, 9@15c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 4,900 pkgs.; quiet; large, white, 9@9½c; small, white, 9¼@9½c; large, colored, 9c; small, colored, 9¼@9½c; part skims, 6½@7c; full skims, 2½@4c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4,791 pkgs.; quiet; state and Pennsylvania, 16@18c; western, 16c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 21@31c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $9.00@10.50; extra mess, $7.50@8.50; beef hams, $23.00@25.00; tierces, firm; pickled bellies, $6.37½@8.00; pickled shoulders, $5.75. Lard, firm; western steam closed at $4.30@4.35; refined, firm. Pork, steady; old mess, $8.75@9.25; new mess, $9.25@10.00.

OILS—Petroleum, dull; Pennsylvania crude, no market; nominally $5c. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.40@1.45. Turpentine, steady at 25@26½c. Cottonseed, quiet but held steady; prime summer yellow, 23½@23¾c; off summer yellow, 23@23½c; prime winter yellow, 23c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@6¼c.

FREIGHTS—Steady.

METALS—Pig iron, warrants barely steady; $9.00 bid, $7 asked. Lake copper, easier; $11 bid, $11.10 asked. Tin, quiet; $13.80 bid, $13.90 asked. Spelter, quiet; $4.15 bid, $4.25 asked. Lead, exchange barely steady for spot and near months, and weak for late deliveries; $3.30 bid, $3.35 asked; brokers, dull at $4.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock weak at 13c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 9@10c; choice to fancy, 16@17c; separator creamery, 22c; gathered creamery, 20c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 5@5½c; cocks, 3@4c; spring chickens, per lb., 6c; ducks, 6@7c; turkeys, 8@9c.

PIGEONS—Live, 75c; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $8.00; midland, $7.00; lowland, $4.50; rye straw, $4; color makes the price on hay; light baled sell the best, only top grades bring top prices.

BROOMCORN—Extremely slow sales new crop, delivered on track in country; choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2@2½c; choice green, running to hurl, 2@2½c; common, 1½c.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—Good stock, large, 40c; small, 25@30c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 40@55c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.40.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.25.

CABBAGE—Home grown, 1c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 40@55c; western stock, 60@70c.

FRUITS.

QUINCES—California, per box, $1.25@1.35.

APPLES—Winter stock, $2.75@3.00; Jonathans and fancy varieties, $3.00@3.25; California Belleflower, boxes, $1.60; Colorado Jonathans, boxes, $1.65.

GRAPES—California, $1.25.

CALIFORNIA AND COLORADO PEARS—Good winter bells, $2.00@2.25; other varieties, $1.50@2.00.

NEW YORK GRAPES—Per 9-lb. basket, 13½@14c.

PLUMS—Idaho and Oregon, 75c@$1.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey red, per bbl., $5.00@5.50; Wisconsin, boxes, $1.00@1.10.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $4.50.

LEMONS—Messinas, $4.25@4.50; choice California, $4.00.

BANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; medium-sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., large size, 12c; Brazils, per lb., 10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, 12c; standards, 10@11c; filberts, per lb., 11c; pecans, polished, large, 9@10c; jumbo, 11@12c; large hickory nuts, $1.25 per bu.; cocoanuts, $5@6 each; peanuts, raw, 5@5½c; roasted, 6@6½c.

FIGS—Imported fancy, 4 crown, 20-lb. boxes, 12c; 5 crown, 50-lb. boxes, 13@14c.

HONEY—Choice white, 15c.

KIRAUFS—Per bbl., $14.00; half bbl., $2.25.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each $2.25; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12.00; half-gal. cans, $6.75; quart cans, $3.50.

DATES—Per 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5c; Ford 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 7c; good forequarters, steers, 6c; good hindquarters, 9c; western steers, 6@6½c; fancy heifers, 6½c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters, heifers, 5½c; good hindquarters, heifers, 8½c; good cows, 5½c; fair cows, 5½c; common cows, 3c; cow forequarters, 4½@5c; cow hindquarters, 7½@8c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, 15c; boneless strips, 9½c; strip loins, 6½c; rolls, 8c; sirloin butts, 8c; shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 5c; steer chucks, 5½c; cow chucks, 4½c; boneless chucks, 4½c; plate plates, 3c; steer plates, 3½c; flank steak, 6½c; thin flanks, 5½c; thick flanks, 7½c; tongues, No. 3, 8c; sirloin ends, No. 1, 9c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; ribs, No. 2, 8½c; ribs, No. 3, 6c; steer rounds, 7½c; cow rounds, 7c; cow rounds off, 8c; trimmings, 4c; beef shanks, 2½c; brains, per doz., 25c; livers, per lb., 5c; hearts, per lb., 5c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each 35c; livers, per lb., 2½c; hearts, per lb., 2c; tongues, per lb., 10c.

MUTTON—Lambs, 7½c; sheep, 6½c; market racks (down), 95c; half racks (short), 1c; fore and saddles, 8c; hind legs, 10c; breasts and stews, 3c; tongues, each 2c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 6c; dressed hogs, 5½c; tenderloins, 15c; loins, 7½c; spare ribs, 4c; ham sausage, 7½c; sausage, 5½c; shoulder sausage, 5½c; headers, skinned, 5½c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5½c; heads, cleaned, 3c; snout and ears, 3c; backbones, 1½c; cheek meats, 3c; neck bones, 2c; pigs' tails, 3c; plucks, each 5c; shiverings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each 3c; tongues, each 2c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 25c; livers, each 3c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 5½c; No. 2 green hides, 4½c; 1 salted hides, 6½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 7½c; No. 1 veal calf, 6 to 8 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 11@13c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 8@10c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 9@10c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each 15@75c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins) each 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 16@18c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 16@18c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 22.—FLOUR—Strong in sympathy with wheat, but unchanged in price.

WHEAT—Higher, closing with December at 2c and May at 2⅝c above yesterday; December opened ½c higher and eventually sold 2⅞c above that, closing with buyers at ⅝c below the top, which was $1. This morning saw the liveliest opening and the most active trading for some time afterward in some weeks past. There were bearish news and a good advance and "call" prices, the market soon soaring considerably above them. Foreign advices were wonderfully strong. Spot, strong and higher. No. 2 red, cash and elevator, 97½c; track, 97@97½c; No. 2 hard, cash, 86c nominal; December, 95⅝c; May, 97⅝c.

CORN—Futures held up well, dropping when wheat let down, but quickly rallied with the cereal, closing 1c above yesterday. Spot, quiet and stronger; No. 2 cash, 24½@24⅝c; December, 24⅝c bid; May, 26c.

OATS—Futures stronger at an advance of ¼@⅜c for the day; spot, higher. No. 2 cash elevator, 19c; track, 19½c; No. 2 white, cash, 21@21½c; December, 19c bid; May, 21¼@21⅜c.

RYE—Higher at 45½c bid.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $1.45.

BRAN—Quiet and strong; sacked, east track, 49c; this side, 54@55c.

FLAXSEED—Higher at $1.02.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.65.

HAY—Firm; prairie, $6.00@7.00; timothy, $7.00@10.00.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 16@23½c; dairy, 12@16c.

EGGS—Firm at 13c.

POULTRY—Chickens, firm; old hens, 6½c; springs, 7@8c; ducks, 6@6½c; geese, 6c; turkeys, 7@8c.

WHISKY—$1.20.

COTTON TIES—7c.

BAGGING—6¾@7½c.

METALS—Lead, lower at $3.75. Spelter, nominal at 4@4½c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; standard mess, jobbing, $8.50. Lard, higher; prime steam, $4.30; choice, $4.37½. Bacon (boxed lots), extra short clear, $5.25; ribs, $5.75; shorts, $6. Dry salt meats (boxed), shoulders and extra short clear, $5.50; extra short clear and ribs, $5.62½; shorts, $5.87½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 23,000 bu.; corn, 102,000 bu.; oats, 33,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 10,000 bu.; corn, 36,000 bu.; oats, 29,000 bu.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 22.—WHEAT—Active; hard generally ½@1c higher; soft about steady; No. 2 hard, 85@87½c; No. 3, 80@85½c; mixed, 86c; No. 2, 79@80c; No. 4, 77@81c; No. 1 red, 92c; No. 2, 90¼@91½c; poor, 89c; No. 3, 86c; No. 4, 85c; No. 2 spring, 82½c; No. 3, 76@76½c.

CORN—¼@½c higher; No. 2 mixed, 23@23¼c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2, 18c; mixed, 18½@19½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 46c.

HAY—Firm; receipts readily absorbed; choice timothy, $8.00@8.50; choice prairie, $6.50.

BUTTER—Firm; all grades short of demand; creamery, 21@22c; dairy, 16@20c.

EGGS—Very firm; Missouri and Kansas, 12½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 110,400 bu.; corn, 38,300 bu.; oats, 20,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 93,000 bu.; corn, 27,000 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 22.—PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 pounds, firm at 25s. Bacon, firm at 38s. Short ribs, firm at 24s; long clear middles, light, firm at 25s; long clear, heavy, firm at 24s; short clear backs, firm at 21s 6d; clear bellies, firm at 42s. Lard, prime western, firm at 21s 3d. Tallow, prime, steady at 18s 6d.

WHEAT—Spot, No. 2 red western, winter, firm at 7s 7d; No. 1 red, northern spring, new, firm at 7s 7d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, firm at 3s 1½d. October, dull at 3s 3d; No. 3, dull at 3s 1d; December, dull at 3s 1½d.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

CHICAGO, Oct. 22.—Receipts today: Wheat, 146 cars; corn, 540 cars; oats, 235 cars.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 22.—Receipts: Wheat, 643 cars.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 22.—Receipts: Wheat, 53 cars.

DULUTH, Oct. 22.—Receipts: Wheat, 209 cars.

PEORIA, Oct. 22.—Receipts: Corn, 39,850 bu.; oats, 21,600 bu.; rye and whisky, none; wheat, 1,600 bu. Shipments: Corn, 7,000 bu.; oats, 29,000 bu.; rye, none; whisky, 1,600 bbls.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 22.—Receipts: Wheat, 184 cars.

Toledo Markets.

TOLEDO, Oct. 22.—WHEAT—Higher and firm; No. 2 cash, 96c; December, 97c.

CORN—Active and higher; No. 2 mixed, 25½c.

OATS—Dull and firm; No. 2 mixed, 18c.

RYE—Dull and steady; No. 2 cash, 46c.

CLOVERSEED—Active and steady; prime cash, $3.40.

OIL—Unchanged.

San Francisco Wheat and Barley.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 22.—WHEAT—Quiet; December, $1.09¾; May, $1.07½.

BARLEY—Inactive; December, 84½c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Oct. 22.—CORN—Steady; No. 2, 24c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 20@20½c.

WHISKY—High proof spirits, $1.20.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Firm; evaporated apples, common, 5@7c per lb.; prime wire tray, 8@9c; wood dried, prime, 3c; choice, 3½@3c; fancy, 9@9½c; prunes, 5@6½c per lb., as to size and quality; apricots, Royal, 7@8c; Moorpark, 8@9c; Moorpark extra, 9@10c; peaches, unpeeled, 2@4½c; peeled, 12½@17c per lb.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bulls and Bears Are Both Aggressive and Their Efforts Are Neutralized.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—Today's stock market was a contest between professional traders, and the result shows a drawn battle between the bulls and bears, net changes being extremely narrow in almost all cases, but those on the side of gains being very few. The bulk of the day's trading was done at a level of prices very materially below that of yesterday. The opening was at sharp declines, in sympathy with London, at which point speculation was very dull, owing to the hardening tendency of the money market, and fears of impending stringency there. The old apprehension of Spanish complications was also used with good effect by the bear traders. The declines of the morning reached a point or over in a large number of stocks, including the leading industrials, the strangers, Union Pacific and the southwesterns. Union Pacific was affected by the reports of the formation of an opposition syndicate to bid for the property at the foreclosure sale. The turn in the market came with a sharp recovery in Chicago Gas on a definite report from Chicago that the control of the threatened opposition had passed to friends of the company. This stock was quite strong during the remainder of the day, selling at one time 2½ points above the lowest. Sugar was also quite a strong feature, rising above last night's close on the estimated benefits to accrue from countervailing duties on refined sugars from foreign countries which pay a bounty. Union Pacific was also relieved from the early pressure by statements from interests alleged to be identified with the opposition syndicate denying their connection with it. Recoveries at one time during the afternoon were complete in almost all cases, but prices fell slightly below the best and below last night's close in the final transactions. Dealings in Day State Gas were on a large scale, very heavy blocks changing hands. The fluctuation of the prices was limited to ⅝. There were times during the day when the market was almost stagnant, and there was no evidence of any outside interest in business. The money market tended toward an easier tone, no call loans being recorded above 2 per cent, though the asking rate is still retained at 2½ per cent, by some banks. Tomorrow's bank statement is expected to show a marked increase in the surplus reserve. Over $5,000,000 of gold received last week from abroad was not included in last week's statement. The week's subtreasury operations and the interior movement have also resulted in a net gain to the banks. Outside banks have continued to bid in this market for commercial paper, which may have sold to a further extent since the sale of the banks. As a result of these operations, the statement is expected to show a handsome increase in cash.

Business in bonds was quiet, and prices moved in sympathy with stocks, but over a narrow range. Oregon Improvement and Oregon Railway issues were notably weak. Total sales, $1,300,000. United States new 4s, registered, were advanced ⅜ bid; 4s coupon, ⅜, and 5s coupon, ¼.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: "The stock markets were quiet and dull today on the uncertainty of the money market. Borrowers today were driven to the Bank of England, where 3 per cent is charged. Americans were lifeless and dull. As affecting future gold movements between New York and London, I learn that New York is liquidating considerable sterling engagements here. It appears also that early this year certain of the American railways concerned in refunding schemes borrowed large sums here for about six months at 3 per cent, money then being cheap. Now that money is tight and certain refunding schemes have been carried through considerable repayments are required in New York, thus to that extent decreasing the chance of gold exports to New York. The Paris and Berlin markets were quiet."

The following were the closing quotations on the leading stocks of the New York exchange today:

Atchison	13⅝	St. Paul	91⅝
do pfd	29⅝	do pfd	149
Baltimore & Ohio	14⅝	St. P. & Om	80¼
Canada Pacific	80⅝	do pfd	142
Canada Southern	50⅝	St. P. M. & M.	121
Central Pacific	19⅝	So. Pacific	20¼
Ches. & Ohio	22⅝	So. Railway	10
Chicago & Alton	160	do pfd	51⅝
C., B. & Q.	95¾	Texas & Pacific	11⅝
C. & E. I.	5	Union Pacific L. r.	26¼
C., C., C. & St. L.	57	U. P. D. & G.	5⅝
do pfd	80	Wabash	7⅝
Del. & Hudson	115⅝	do pfd	19⅝
Del. L. & W.	154	Wheel. & L. E.	4⅝
Den. & Rio G	12	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	14
do pfd	46¼	Adams Ex.	158
Erie (new)	15⅝	American Ex.	115
Erie 1st pfd	38⅝	United States Ex.	41
Ft. Wayne	162	Wells Fargo Ex.	108
Great Northern pfd	135	A. D. T.	21⅝
Hocking Valley	6¼	do pfd	74⅝
Illinois Central	102⅝	Am'n Spirits	11⅝
Lake Erie & W.	17⅝	do pfd	28⅝
do pfd	79⅝	Am. Tobacco	92⅝
Lake Shore	171	do pfd	119⅝
Louisville & Nash.	57⅝	Chicago Gas	98⅝
Manhattan L.	103⅝	Cons. Gas	212⅝
Met. Traction	172	Com. Cable Co.	175
Michigan Central	96¼	Col. F. & Iron	23
Mun. & St. L.	25	do pfd	85
do 1st pfd	85⅝	Gen. Electric	34⅝
do 2d pfd	31⅝	Illinois Steel	33½
Mobile & Ohio	27	La Clede Gas	19⅝
Mo., K. & T.	13¼	Lead	35⅝
do pfd	35	do pfd	105
New Alb. & Chi.	9¼	Nat. Lin. Oil	16
do pfd	30⅝	Oregon Imp. Co.	15
N. J. Central	92⅝	Pacific Mail	29⅝
N. Y. Central	109	Pullman Pal.	171½
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	13⅝	Silver Certificates	57⅝
do 1st pfd	74	Stand. Rope & T.	5⅝
do 2d pfd	35	Sugar	143½
Norfolk & West'n	14⅝	do pfd	145
No. Amer. Co.	4⅝	T. C. & Iron	28
N. Pacific	19¼	U. S. Leather	7⅝
do pfd	52⅝	do pfd	64½
Ontario & W.	9⅝	U. S. Rubber	19⅝
Ore. R. & Nav.	35	do pfd	64
Ore. Short Line	18¼	Western Union	88½
Pittsburg	165	Chi. Gt. Western	16
Reading	24⅝	Northwestern	123
Rock Island	87¼	Pacific Mail	163
St. Louis & S. F.	5	Rio Grand West.	22
do pfd	9⅝	do pfd	55⅝

* second assessment paid.

Total sales of stocks today were 267,459 shares, including: Atchison preferred, 5,115; Chesapeake & Ohio, 4,400; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 19,405; Louisville & Nashville, 9,600; Manhattan, 5,718; Missouri Pacific, 12,365; New York Central, 4,331; Northern Pacific preferred, 7,222; Rock Island, 7,505; St. Paul, 23,550; Omaha, 3,470; Union Pacific trust receipts, second assessment paid, 19,100; American Tobacco, 6,300; Bay State Gas, 14,655; Chicago Gas, 41,141; Sugar, 30,891; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 4,110; Chicago Great Western, 6,350.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—MONEY ON CALL—Easier at 1@2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; closed, offered at 1 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84¾@4.85 for demand, and at $4.82¼@4.82½ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.82½@4.83½ and $4.85½. Commercial bills, $4.81.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—57½@58c.

BAR SILVER—58⅛c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Strong.

STATE BONDS—Dull.

RAILROAD BONDS—Firm.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s	reg 120⅝	C. J. C. 5s	112⅝
U. S. new 4s	coup 127⅝	J. C. 6s	122
U. S. 4s reg	112⅝	J. C. 4s	102⅝
U. S. 4s coup	113⅝	So. Pacific 1st s.	120
U. S. 2s reg	99	So. Pacific 5s	59⅝
U. S. 5s reg	111⅝	So. Pacific 4s	90⅝
U. S. 5s coup	113⅝	S. Y. & S. L. 1st	104
District 3.65s	109¼	S. W. 1st s.	123⅝
Ala., class A	108	N. W. Consols	143⅝
Ala., class B	108	N. W. Deb. 5s	117⅝
Ala., class C	100	Ore. Nav. 1st s.	112⅝
Ala. Currency	98	Ore. Nav. 4s	91⅝
Atchison 4s	80⅝	O. S. L. 1st s.	108
Atchison adj. 4s	59¼	O. S. L. 5s. t. r.	92⅝
Canada So. 2nds	105⅝	O. Imp. 1st s. t. r.	102
Chic. Term.	45¼	O. Imp. 5s. t. r.	40⅝
C. & E. I. 1st	112⅝	Pacific of '95	102⅝
C. H. & D. 4½s	104⅝	Reading 4s	84½
D. & R. G. 1st s	111	R. G. West 1st s	82⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	88¼	St. L. & I. M. Con. 5	83
East Tenn. 1st s	108	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	115⅝
Erie gen. 4s	93⅝	St. Louis 5s	101⅝
F. W. & D. 1st s. f. r.	70	St. P. C. & P. 1st s	119⅝
Gen. Elec. 5s	101⅝	St. P. C. & P. 5s	113⅝
G. H. & S. A. 6s	106	S. C. nonfund	¼
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	105⅝	Southern Ry. 5s	91
H. & T. Cen. 6s	118	S. R. & T. G. 4s	60
H. & T. C. con 6s	104	Tenn. new set 3s	91⅝
Iowa C. 1st s	98⅝	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1st s	85⅝
K. P. con. t. r.	91⅝	Tex. Pac. Rg. 2ds	22⅝
K. P. 1st s. f. r.	116	U. P. den. 4s	93⅝
La. New Con. 4s	96	U. P. D. & G. 1st s	48⅝
L. & N. Uni 4s	84	Wab. 1st 5s	107⅝
Missouri 6s	100	Wab. 2ds	78⅝
M. K. & T. 2ds	61⅝	West Shore 4s	109⅝
M. K. & T. 4s	86⅝	Va. Centuries	67
N. Y. C. 1st s	117	Va. deferred	4

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Oct. 22.—Call loans, 2@4½ per cent; time loans, 3½@4½ per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	13⅝	W. Elec. pfd	52
American Sugar	143⅝	Wis. Cent	2⅝
do pfd	114	Ed. Elec. Ill.	158
Bay State Gas	2⅝	Ed. Elec. pfd	82
Bell Telephone	280	Atchison pfd	29⅝
Boston & Albany	219	New England 6s	112⅝
Boston & Maine	165	Gen. Elec. 5s	99
C. B. & Q.	95¾	Wis. Cent 5s	122⅝
Fitchburg	84⅝	Allouez Mining Co	50
General Electric	34⅝	Atlantic	23⅝
Illinois Steel	33⅝	Boston & Montana	140⅝
Mexican Central	5⅝	Butte & Boston	25⅝
N. Y. & N. E.	80	Calumet & Hecla	455
Old Colony	185	Centennial	17⅝
O. S. L.	18⅝	Franklin	21⅝
Rubber	17⅝	Kearsarge	19⅝
Union Pacific	26⅝	Osceola	38⅝
West End	94	Quincy	115
West End pfd	100	Tamarack	132
W. Elec.	21⅝	Wolverine	75⅝

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 22.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Choller	50	Ontario	30
Crown Point	55	Ontir	00
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 00	Plymouth	08
Deadwood	60	Quicksilver	100
Gould & Curry	35	Quicksilver pfd	900
Hale & Norcross	110	Sierra Nevada	78
Homestake	2900	Standard	150
Iron Silver	50	Union Con.	35
Mexican	38	Yellow Jacket	44

New York Dry Goods Market.