COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Rumors of Spain's Financial Poverty Make Wheat Market Weaker.

JULY WHEAT LOSES PART OF ITS GAIN

Corn and Oats Close Unchanged After an Advance, but Provisions Remain Strong Throughout, Closing Higher.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Grain quotations slid off rapidly in the last half hour of trading today on rumors that the Rothschilds had advised Spain to evacuate Cuba and had refused further financial aid. July wheat, which had been advanced 2c, declined to yesterday's close, and ended with a net gain of only ¼@⅜c. Corn and oats, which had risen ⅝@¾c, closed unchanged to ⅛c lower. Provisions were strong throughout, July pork closing 2½c higher and lard and ribs 7½@15c better.

Liverpool surprised the market at the start today by showing an advance of nearly 2c per bu. in wheat. The war news from Washington gave shorts a further scare, and first trades in July here were made at 88½@88⅞c, an advance of 1⅛@1½c. September was also remarkably strong. Profit taking caused a brief reaction, during which July touched 88⅛c, but the market again stiffened and rose steadily to 88⅝c. Heavy selling against "calls" stopped the advance and the market quieted down. The announcement of the actual signing of the Cuban resolutions did not affect the course of prices, quotations remaining about stationary for some time. The strength of the English markets continued to be the chief influence. Leiter reported free acceptances of cable offers. One cargo was sold to London at $1.26 per bu., an advance of 6c over yesterday's price. Domestic crop news of a reassuring nature and heavy receipts had little effect. Atlantic ports cleared 509,000 bu. of wheat and flour. Chicago got 57 cars, against a last year. Minneapolis and Duluth received 212 cars, compared with 208 last year. July continued to gain strength until after reaching 89⅛c, or 2c above where it closed the day before. A good deal of long wheat was sold between that and 89c, which rather overloaded the capacity of the market, and just then New York flung a bomb into the pit in the shape of a dispatch giving a rumor current there to the effect that the Rothschilds had refused to advance more money to Spain, and consequently that Spain would be unable to go to war. The market had a sudden collapse of 1c a bu. on that, running down in ten minutes from 89⅛c to 88⅛c, and then after a short fight around the latter figure, it had a fresh tumble to 87½@87⅝c, and was bringing 87⅝c at the close. May sold between $1.10 and $1.10½, closing at $1.10½.

Corn was helped by export sales of over 1,000,000 bu. Chicago receipts were 290 cars. Atlantic ports cleared 207,000 bu. Shorts bought freely, but the collapse in wheat depressed corn and most of the advance was lost. July opened ⅛@¼c higher at 32⅜c, sold up to 33@33⅛c and declined to 32⅝@32⅞c, closing at 32½c, a shade higher.

Oats were firm early, on the advances abroad and in sympathy with wheat. The advance was lost near the close. Chicago receipts were 254 cars. Shorts covered on the early bulge. July opened ⅛c higher at 23⅞c, advanced to 24⅛c, declining to 23⅝c at the close, a net loss of ⅛c.

Provisions were strong throughout on war prospects. The trade was largely professional, although some outside buying was noted. Professional shorts were liberal buyers, and packers gave up their attempts to check the rise. July pork sold between $10.05 and $10.70, closing at $10.60, a net gain of 62½c. July lard and ribs gained 12½c each, both closing at 53c.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 95 cars; corn, 325 cars; oats, 310 cars; hogs, 24,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesty
*Wheat—					
May...	1 10	1 11	1 10	1 11	1 09¼
July...	88⅛@89	89⅛	87⅝@88⅛	87⅝@88	87⅛
Sept...	80⅝@⅞	82¼	80⅛	80½	79⅝@¾
Dec...	80⅝@⅞	81⅞	79⅛	79⅛	79⅝
*Corn—					
May...	31⅛@⅜	33	31⅛	31⅛@⅜	31⅛@⅜
July...	32⅝@⅞	32⅞@⅞	32⅝	32½	32⅝@⅞
Sept...	33⅝@⅞	34	33⅝	33½	33⅝
*Oats—					
May...	26⅝	27⅛	26⅝@⅞	26⅝	26⅝
July...	23⅞	24⅛	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝
Pork—					
May...	9 90	10 50	9 90	10 40	9 82½
July...	10 05	10 70	10 05	10 60	9 97½
Lard—					
May...	5 17½	5 32½	5 17½	5 30	5 17½
July...	5 30	5 42½	5 30	5 37½	5 25
Sept...	5 32½	5 47½	5 32½	5 47½	5 32½
Sh'tRibs—					
May...	5 17½	5 32½	5 17½	5 30	5 15
July...	5 27½	5 42½	5 27½	5 37½	5 25
Sept...	5 37½	5 47½	5 37½	5 45	5 32½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady. $4.20@4.50; spring specials, $5.50@5.60; spring patents, $4.90@5.10; straights, $4.40@4.60; bakers, $3.50@4.00.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 92c@$1.01½; No. 2 red, $1.00½@1.10.

CORN—No. 2, 31½@32c.

OATS—No. 2, 27@27½c, f. o. b.; No. 2 white, 30½@31c; No. 3 white, 29½c.

RYE—No. 2, 55½@55¾c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.27½@1.28½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.92½.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $10.40@10.45. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.30. Short ribs, sides (loose), $5.10@5.25. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00; short clear sides (boxed), $5.50@5.60.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.20.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.69; granulated, $5.15; std. A.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	12,000	9,300
Wheat, bu	46,000	243,000
Corn, bu	334,000	498,000
Oats, bu	387,000	350,000
Rye, bu	6,200	25,000
Barley, bu	19,500	7,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 13@17c; dairies, 12@16c. Eggs, steady, 10½c. Cheese, dull, 7½@9c. Live poultry, market dull; turkeys, 9@10c; chickens, 8@8½c; ducks, 8c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 20.—FLOUR—Receipts, 17,453 bbls.; exports, 17,161 bbls.; winter patents, $4.90@5.25; winter straights, $4.65@4.75; Minnesota patents, $4.40@5.70; winter extras, $3.85@4.10; Minnesota bakers, $4.25@4.45; winter low grades, $2.50@3.00. Rye flour, firm at $2.90@3.25.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, 71c; city, 72c.

RYE—Market firmer; yellow western, 62c.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 42c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; western, 54@56c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 49,625 bu.; exports, 12,804 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2 red, $1.11⅝ f. o. b. afloat, nominal; options opened strong and advanced to early afternoon on strong Liverpool markets, war news and heavy export business. After that realizing developed on peace rumors, causing a sharp decline from top, although final prices were ⅝@1⅞c net higher; No. 2 red, May, $1.09@1.10, closed $1.09⅝.

CORN—Receipts, 255,275 bu.; exports, 28,063 bu.; spot, easy; No. 2, 33⅛c; options at first strong on cables and enormous export purchases, but subsequently reacted with wheat and closed only unchanged to ⅛c net higher; May, 36⅝@36⅞c, closed 36⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 259,200 bu.; exports, 32,619 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2, 28c bid; No. 3 white, 28½c; options firm all day on another good export trade and closed ⅛c net higher; May, 30⅛@30⅜c, closed, 30⅛c.

FEED—Firm; bran, 75@90c; middlings, 80@85c; rye feed, 82½@90c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 30@35c; good to choice, 53@70c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 7@8c; 1897 crop, 15@16c; Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 7@8c; 1897 crop, 15@16c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 25½c; Texas dry, 12½c; California, 17½@18c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 19@22c.

WOOL—Quiet; fleece, 17@22c; Texas, 12@14c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $11.00@11.75; extra mess, $9.00@9.75; beef hams, $22@23; packet, $12@12.50. Pork, meats, quiet; pickled bellies, 5.67½@6.50; pickled shoulders, $4.75; pickled hams, $7.50@7.75. Lard, quiet; western steamed, $5.55@5.60; refined, firmer; closed at $5.47½. Pork, steady; mess, $10.00@10.25; family, $11.50; short clear, nominal. Beef, steady; family, $11.00@11.50. Tallow, quiet; city, 3½c; country, 3½@3⅝c, as to quality.

OILS—Petroleum, dull. Rosin, easy; strained, common to good, $1.42½@1.45. Turpentine, steady; 29½@30c. Cottonseed oil, steady; prime crude, 19½@20c; prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 14½@16½c; prime summer yellow, 22½c; off summer yellow, 22@22½c; butter oil, 25@27c; prime winter yellow, 27½@28½c.

FREIGHTS TO LIVERPOOL—Strong; cotton by steam, 18@20c; grain by steam, 3½c.

RICE—Steady; fair to extra, 4⅝@6⅝c; Japan, 5¼@5⅝c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 28@33c.

METALS—The closing as reported by the New York metal exchange was as follows: Pig iron warrants, dull, $9.60 bid, $9.70 asked; lake copper, very firm, $12.60 bid, $12.35 asked; tin, quiet, $14.20 bid, $14.40 asked; spelter, dull, $4.20@4.25, and lead very dull, $3.55@3.60. The firm fixing the settling basis for miners and smelters calls lead $3.50, copper 11⅝c and casting copper 11⅝c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5,851 pkgs.; steady; state, 15@18c; western creamery, 15@18c; Elgins, 18c; factory, 15@17c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,458 pkgs.; firm; large, choice, 7¾@8c; small, choice, 8¼c; light skims, 5½@6½c; part skims, 3@5c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 7,972 pkgs.; steady; western, 11¼@11½c; southern, 10@10½c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 20.—WHEAT—Market steady; No. 1 hard, 96c; No. 2 hard, 93@95c; No. 3, 90@92½c; No. 1 red, 98c; No. 2, 95c; No. 3, 92@94c; No. 2 spring, 92@93c; No. 3, 89@89½.

CORN—Market steady and higher; No. 2 mixed, 28½@28c.

OATS—Market slow and steady; No. 2 white, 28@28½c.

RYE—Market firm; No. 2, 50c.

HAY—Market higher; choice prairie, $7.75; choice timothy, $9.50.

BUTTER—Market steady to firm; creamery, 14@17c; dairy, firm, 12c.

EGGS—Market higher; fresh, 9c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 15,600 bu.; corn, 29,200 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 16,500 bu.; corn, 23,400 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 9c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 9@11c; separator 18c; gathered creamery, 15@16c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8@9c; large and coarse, 6@7c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, 6½@7c; old roosters, 3½@5½c; young roosters, 6@6½c.

GAME—Weather too warm for game.

PIGEONS—Live, $1.15@1.25; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $7.00; mixland, $6.00; lowland, $5.50; rye straw, $4.00; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best; only top grades bring top prices.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—Good stock, large, 50c; small, 25@30c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 80@90c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.25.

SWEET POTATOES—Kansas, 10-peck bbls., $2.50; seed sweet potatoes, $2.00.

CABBAGE—Good stock, per lb., 1¾@2c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 50@55c; Colorado stock, 75c; northern fancy early Ohio seed potatoes, 85c.

TOMATOES—Per crate, seven baskets, $2.50.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 45@50c.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 20@25c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 25@40c.

GREEN ONIONS—Per doz., 15c.

WATERCRESS—Per 10-qt. case, $1.00.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., $1.25@1.50.

WAX BEANS—½ bu. box, $1.25.

PEAS—Per basket, $1.25.

SPINACH—Per basket, $1.

PIEPLANT—Per 50-lb. box, $2.25.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Per 24-pint case, $2.25; 24-qt. case, $4.50.

APPLES—Winter stock, $3.00@3.50; boxes, $1.25.

CRANBERRIES—Fancy Jersey, per bbl., $10.00.

GRAPES—Malagas, $5.00@6.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California navels, $2.75@3.00; fancy seedlings, $2.25; choice, $2.00.

LEMONS—California fancy, $3.00; choice, $2.50; fancy Messina, $3.00@3.50.

BANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, $1.90@2.25; medium sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 12@13c; small, 10c; brazils, per lb., 8@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 10@11c; standards, 8@9c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 6@7c; extra large, 8@9c; large hickory nuts, $1.00@1.10 per bu.; small, $1.25@1.35 per bu.; cocoanuts, per 100, $4; peanuts, raw, 5@5½c; roasted, 6@6½c.

FIGS—Imported, fancy, 3-crown, 14-lb. boxes, 10c; 2-crown, 44-lb. boxes, 12c; 2-lb. boxes, 22@25c per box; California, 10-lb. box, $1.

HONEY—Choice white, 12c; Colorado amber, 10@11c.

KRAUT—Per bbl., $3.50; half bbl., $2.25.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. can, each, $2.75; gal. cans, per doz., $12; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $2.50.

DATES—Hallowee, 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5½c; Sair, 5c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

CIDER—Per half-bbl., $3; bbl., $5.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 6c; No. 2 green hides, 5c; No. 1 salted hides, 8c; No. 2 green salted hides, 7c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 7c.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 15@75c; green salted shearings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 2@4c.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3c; tallow, No. 2, 2½c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@3½c; yellow and brown grease, 1½@2½c.

FURS—Bear (black or brown), $5.00@20.00; otter, $1.50@8.00; mink, 15@60c; beaver, $1.00@6.00; skunk, 15c, 25c, 35c; muskrat, 3c, 5c, 7c; racoon, 15@90c; red fox, 25c@$1.25; gray fox, 25@75c; wolf (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 50@60c; silver fox, $5.00@75.00.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 7c per lb.; good forequarters steers 6c; good hindquarters steers, 9c; western steers, 6½c; native heifers, 6½c; western heifers, 6½c; good forequarters heifers, 5½c; good hindquarters heifers, 8½c; native cows 6½c; western cows, 6c; fair cows, 6c; cow forequarters, 3c; cow hindquarters, 5c; backhalves, 09@6½c; triangles, 4½c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, fresh, 12c; frozen, 15c; boneless strips, fresh, 10c; frozen, 9c; strip loins, fresh, 10c; frozen, 9c; rolls, boneless, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10c; rolls, Scotch, frozen, 9c; fresh, 10c; sirloin butts, boneless, frozen, 9c; fresh, 10c; shoulder clods, boneless, 6½c; rump butts, boneless, 5½c; No. 1 chucks, 5½c; No. 2 chucks, 4½c; No. 3 chucks, 4½c; boneless chucks, frozen, 4½c; fresh, 5½c; cow plates, 3½c; steer plates, 4c; flank steak, 7c; loins, No. 1, frozen, 12c; fresh, 14c; loins, No. 2, frozen, 10c; fresh, 12c; loins, No. 3, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10c; short loins, 16c; market style, 2c above loins; hotel style, 4c above loins; cow loin ends, 8½c; steer loin ends, 9½c; hanging tenderloins, 4½c; ribs, No. 1, frozen, 10c; fresh, 12c; ribs, No. 2, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10c; ribs, No. 3, frozen, 6c; fresh, 8c. Veals, 1 rounds, 5c; 2 rounds, 6½c; No. 3 rounds, 6½c; beef rounds, shank off, 8c; additional; beef rounds, shank and rump off, 1½c additional; trimmings, 4½c; beef shanks, 2c; brains, per doz., 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., frozen, 10c; fresh, 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 5c; livers, per lb., 2½c; hearts, per lb., 2½c; tongues, per lb., 12c; calf livers, each, 25c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 10½c; calf head and feet, scalded, per set, 75c.

MUTTON—Fancy lambs, 8c per lb.; regular lambs, 8c; sheep, 7½c; market racks (long), fc; hotel racks (short), 11c; loins, 9c; saddles, 9c; legs, 9c; lamb legs, 10c; breasts and stews, 3½c; tongues, each, 3c; forequarters, 5½c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5½c per lb.; dressed hogs, 5c; tenderloins, 15c; loins, small, 6½c; large, 6½c; spare ribs, 4½c; ham sausage butts, 5½c. Hams, smoked, 5½c; shoulders, rough, skin shoulders, skinned, 5c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5½c; heads, cleaned, 5c; snouts and ears, 3c; fresh hams, 16 to 18 lbs., 7½c; fresh hams, short clears, 6½c; cheek meats, 4c; neckbones, 2c; pigs' tails, 2c; plates, 3½c; pickled bellies, 5½c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each, 2c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 20c; livers, each, 3c; hog rinds, 3c; blade bones, 5c.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, April 20.—FLOUR—Higher, in sympathy with wheat; patents, $4.75@4.85; straights, $4.35@4.60; clears, $4.00@4.25; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Unsettled, with May ½c, July, ⅝c and September ¾c higher than yesterday's close. Spot, higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, $1.01; track, $1.02½; April, $1.01; May, $1.03 bid; July, 83c bid; September, 78⅞c asked; No. 2 hard, cash, 97½c.

CORN—Firm for futures, which closed fractionally higher than yesterday. Spot, 1½c higher; No. 2, cash, 30c; April, 30c; May, 30⅝@30¾c; July, 30⅛c bid; September, 31⅝c.

OATS—Futures easier, but fractions above yesterday at the close. Spot, higher; No. 2, cash, 27½c; track, 27¾@28c; April, 27½c; May, 27⅝c; July, 23⅝c asked; September, 22⅝c; No. 2 white, 29½@30c.

RYE—Higher at 55c bid.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, higher at $1.25. Prime timothy seed, $2.65@2.75.

CORNMEAL—Firm and higher at $1.60@1.65.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 59@60c.

HAY—Strong for choice grades, with others unchanged; prairie, $6.50@9.00; timothy, $6.00@11.00.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 15@18½c; dairy, 11@15c.

EGGS—Firm at 9c.

WHISKY—$1.20.

COTTONTIES—70c.

BAGGING—5⅝@6½c.

METALS—Lead, dull at $3.40. Spelter, quiet at 4.05.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; standard mess, jobbing, $10.37½. Lard, higher; prime steam, $5.10; choice, $5.20. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.25; extra short clear, $5.87½; ribs, 5c; shorts, $6.12½. Dry salt meats (boxed), shoulders, $4.75; extra short clear, $5.37½; ribs, $5.50; shorts, $5.62½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 2,000 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 41,000 bu.; oats, 18,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 14,000 bu.; corn, 209,000 bu.; oats, 13,000 bu.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, April 20.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 2 red, western, 8s 1½d; No. 1 red northern, spring, 8s 3½d.

CORN—Spot, firm; American mixed, new, 3s 5½d; April, 3s 7d; May, 3s 7d; July, 3s 7d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, firm, 19s 6d.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; extra India mess, 68s 6d. Pork, firm; prime mess, fine western, 51s 3d; prime mess, medium western, 48s 9d. Hams, short cut, firm, 36s 6d. Bacon, firm, 33s 6d; short ribs, 32s; long clear middles, light, 31s; long clear middles, heavy, 30s 6d; short clear backs, 31s; clear bellies, 34s; shoulders, square, 36s 6d. Lard, prime western, dull, 27s.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), dull, £2 10s @£4 10s.

CHEESE—American, finest white, 38s 6d; colored, 40s 6d.

OILS—Cottonseed, Liverpool refined, steady, 15s 6d. Turpentine spirits, steady, 24s 6d. Rosin, common, steady, 4s 4½d.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, April 20.—FLOUR—Steady; fancy, $4.30@4.35; family, $3.70@4.00.

WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, $1.03.

CORN—Strong, higher; No. 2 mixed, 32½@33c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 29@29½c.

RYE—Firm; higher; No. 2, 57c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, strong, higher, $5.17½. Bulk meats, firm, $5.35. Bacon, firm, higher, $6.12½.

WHISKY—Active, $1.20.

BUTTER—Lower; Elgin creamery, 19c; Ohio, 12@16c; dairy, 10@11c.

SUGAR—Firm; hard refined, $4.35@5.97.

EGGS—Firm and higher at 9c.

CHEESE—Steady; good to prime Ohio flat, 8@9c.

Philadelphia Produce.

PHILADELPHIA, April 20.—BUTTER—Dull and weak; fancy western creamery, 18½c; fancy western prints, 20c.

EGGS—Firm and ½c higher; fresh, nearby and western, 11½c; fresh southern, 10½c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, April 20.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Firm and active. Evaporated apples, choices, 5@5½c per lb.; prime wire tray, 5c; wood dried, prime, 5½c; choice, 5¼c; fancy, 6@6½c. Prunes, 5½@11½c. Apricots, Moor Park, 8½@10c. Peaches, sun dried, 7@12c.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, April 20.—FLOUR—Dull; western superfine, $2.70@3.10; western extra, $3.40@4.00; western family, $4.00@4.25; winter wheat patent, $4.40@4.90; spring wheat patent, $4.25@5.00; spring wheat straight, $4.10@4.25; receipts, 2,208 bbls.; exports, 1,502 bbls.

WHEAT—Strong; spot and month, $1.04½@1.04¾; May, $1.04¾@1.04⅞; steamer, No. 2 red, $1.01@1.01½; receipts, 47,772 bu.; exports, none; southern wheat by sample, $1.00@1.05½; southern wheat on grade, $1.01½@1.05.

CORN—Strong; spot and month, 37@37¼c; May, 37¼@37½c; steamer mixed, 36@36½c; receipts, 191,261 bu.; exports, 178,480 bu.; southern white corn, 38c; southern yellow corn, 37½@38c.

OATS—Firmer; No. 2 white, 35c bid; No. 2 mixed, 31½@32c; receipts, 28,825 bu.; exports, none.

RYE—Strong and higher; No. 2 nearby, 60@60½c; No. 2 western, 62½c bid; receipts, 2,977 bu.; exports, 8,571 bu.

HAY—Firm; choice timothy, $12.50@13.00.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Very firm, with rates tending higher; steam to Liverpool, per bu., 3½d, May; Cork, for orders, per quarter, 4s 3d, April; 4s May.

BUTTER—Firm; fancy creamery, 20c; fancy imitation, 17@18c; fancy ladle, 15c; good ladle, 13@14c; store packed, 10@12c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh, 10@12c.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York, large, 9¼@9½c; fancy New York, medium, 9½@10c; fancy New York, small, 10¼@10½c.

New Orleans Market.

NEW ORLEANS, April 20.—HOG PRODUCTS—Firm; held higher, in sympathy with the west. Pork, standard mess, $10.50. Lard, refined tierces, $5.75@5.87½; pure lard, $5.50@5.62½. Boxed meats, dry salt shoulders, $4.87½; sides, $5.62½@5.75. Bacon, sides, clear ribs, $5.50@5.62½. Hams, choice sugar cured, $8.75@9.75.

COFFEE—Steady; Rio, ordinary to good, 8@9½c.

RICE—Firm; ordinary to good, 4@5c.

FLOUR—Extra fancy, $4.60@4.70; patents, $4.85@5.00.

CORNMEAL—$1.65@1.70.

BRAN—72c.

HAY—Prime, $11.50@12.50; choice, $14.50@15.00.

CORN—No. 2 white, mixed and yellow, sacked, 28½@29c.

OATS—No. 2, sacked, 32@32½c.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Receipts today: Wheat, 97 cars; corn, 290 cars; oats, 254 cars. Estimated car lots tomorrow: Wheat, 95; corn, 325; oats, 310.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 20.—Receipts: Wheat, 188 cars.

ST. LOUIS, April 20.—Receipts: Wheat, 11 cars.

DULUTH, April 20.—Receipts: Wheat, 24 cars.

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, April 20.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, 98c; No. 2 red, $1.00; May, $1.00½.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 34c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 31½c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, April 20.—CORN—Active, higher; No. 2, 31½c.

OATS—Firm, higher; No. 2 white, 28¾c.

WHISKY—High proof spirits, $1.19½.

San Francisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 20.—WHEAT—Steady; December, $1.39.

BARLEY—Steady; December, $1.31½.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market Shows a Firm Resistance to Foreign Depression.

NEW YORK, April 20.—The New York stock market offered a firm resistance all day to the depression which was reflected upon it from every other exchange in the world, its declines at no time reaching more than a fraction over a point for most active stocks. In the final hour after trading on foreign bourses had been suspended by the day a lively movement to buy developed on the New York exchange which wiped out nearly all the early losses and lifted the level of prices sharply above that of last night. The final tone was strong. It appeared about the dissemination of a rumor that the period allowed Spain for a reply to the ultimatum had been extended to Monday, with a chance of a settlement being effected before that time. There were some evidences of manipulation for the purpose of making last prices show striking gains. For instance, Burlington sold at 90½, and on the last sale jumped to 91½. A broad view of the financial situation would indicate that New York was affected less than any financial center. At no time were prices depressed to the London parity. As a consequence there were large arbitrage selling orders here of London stocks. New York prices showing a falling off from London quotations. Depression in London and on the continental bourses was more due to the panic in Spanish 4s than to any other one cause. These securities fell 1½ per cent in London and 3½ per cent in Paris on forced liquidation due to financial difficulties in Spain. New York absorbed the offerings of its own securities for foreign account at prices above those prevailing abroad, and there was no heavy liquidation of local account. It is to be observed that American securities have held firmly steady as compared with the marked weakness of Spanish securities. It is also to be observed that weakness in foreign markets is due in part to the weakness in London, and that is due to the pressure for gold to reinforce the United States money market. United States is still a heavy creditor to the world and continued drawing on these credits, while serving to forify the financial interest at home, is an element of weakness abroad. Selling in New York doubtless is due to an effort to equalize conditions. That these efforts should be so well absorbed is a demonstration of the financial strength now existing in this country. Demonstration is given in the case of call money, which loaned today at 2 per cent, although time money continues at 6 per cent. It is still further significant of the same condition that stringency of money abroad should have resulted in declines in the British and foreign markets in government bonds, while United States issues of 1925 showed a gain today of 1½ per cent for the registered and 1¼ per cent for the coupon issue. That further importations of gold only await the needs of the local money market is, however, evident. The bond market was slightly more active, and after further weakness showed some recovering power. Total sales, $1,925,000. United States new 4s, coupon, advanced 1¼ per cent and new 4s, registered, 1½ per cent on the bid prices. Others were unchanged.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: "The feature in the stock markets here was the flatness in foreign stocks, the Paris bourse being utterly demoralized by the continued fall in Spanish 4s, which closed at the lowest price of the year. The weakness in consols caused the raise of the Bank of England rate tomorrow, and on this belief discount houses declined to work, and all such business was done at the bank itself, which had the effect of making the loan rates easier. Americans were almost salable, but there was no great pressure to sell and a bear position, at least in St. Paul and Louisville, now undoubtedly exists. The manner in which New York absorbs stocks is much marveled at. The markets here are thoroughly close reefed and prepared for war, but the Paris bourse will feel the blow severely. As instancing how the market here is looking ahead it is common talk that war means the final demise of the silver party in the United States. Argentine was firmer. The uneasiness was felt by those who are aware of a telegram received by certain London banks and firms associated with Argentine from General Roca urging the importance of their joining in subscription to the "internal" loan, which was mentioned in these dispatches Monday. Roca's telegram says it is required for urgent indispensable expenses and "which will form the best guaranty of peace." The Paris bourse is bordering on a panic, with heavy realizations in Tintos and everything salable."

Following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York market today:

Atchison	10¾	St. P. & Om	68
do pfd	24⅝	do pfd	140
Baltimore & Ohio	18	St. P. M. & M	150
Canada Pacific	76¼	So. Pacific	12¾
Canada Southern	46	So. Railway	7⅛
Central Pacific	10⅛	do pfd	25¾
Ches. & Ohio	18¾	Texas & Pacific	9⅝
Chicago & Alton	154	Union Pacific	37½
C., B. & Q	91⅝	Union Pacific pfd	54½
C. & E. I	40	U. P. D. & G	5¾
C. C. C. & St. L	25¾	U. P. common	19⅛
do pfd	75¾	U. P. D. & G	5¾
Del. & Hudson	108¾	Wabash	6¾
Del., L. & W	145	do pfd	15¾
Den. & Rio G	10⅝	Wheel. & L. E	1¾
do pfd	41¼	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	8¾
Erie	14⅝	Adams Ex	98
Erie pfd	31¼	American Ex	120
Ft. Wayne	168	United States Ex	87
Great Northern pfd	147	Wells Fargo Ex	115
Hocking Valley	8¼	Am. Cot. Oil	16
Illinois Central	98¾	A. Cot. Oil pfd	67
Lake Erie & W	13	Am. Sugar	8¼
do pfd	70	Am. Spirits pfd	22
Lake Shore	190	Am. Tobacco	100⅞
Louisville & Nash	47¾	do pfd	114¾
Manhattan L	94⅝	People's Gas	90¾
Met. St. Ry	107	Cons. Gas	174
Michigan Central	101	Com. Cable Co	150
Minn. & St. L	23¼	Col. F. & Iron	18
Mo. Pacific	26¼	do pfd	60
Mobile & Ohio	25	Gen. Electric	31¼
Mo. K. & T	10¾	Illinois Steel	45
Mo. K. & T. pfd	31¼	La Clede Gas	40
Chi., Ind. & L	7	Lead	29¼
do pfd	23	do pfd	93
N. J. Central	91	Nat. Lin. Oil	104
N. Y. Central	109	Oregon Imp. Co	26⅛
N. Y. Chi. & St. L	12	Pacific Mail	22½
do 1st pfd	60	Pullman Pal	170
do 2d pfd	28	Silver Certificates	56
Norfolk & Western	8	Stand. Rope & T	3¼
No. Amer. Co	5¼	Sugar	116¾
No. Pacific	22¼	do pfd	106
do pfd	59¼	T. C. & Iron	19¾
Ontario & W	14¼	U. S. Leather	5¾
Ore. Ry. & Nav	42	do pfd	56
Ore. Short Line	28	U. S. Rubber	15¾
Pittsburg	168	do pfd	61½
Reading	16	Western Union	85¼
Rock Island	84	Northwestern	117
S. L. & S. F	6¼	do pfd	172½
do 1st pfd	55¾	Rio Grande West	23
S. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	25¾	do pfd	63
St. Paul	89¾	Chicago-Great W	10⅛
do pfd	150	St. L. & S. W	4
Hawaii C. C	165	do pfd	8¼
		Reading 1st pfd	37¼

Total sales of stocks today, 264,500 shares, including: 29,217 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 6,485 Louisville & Nashville, 7,661 Manhattan, 8,220 Metropolitan, 5,624 New York General, 5,738 Northern Pacific, 11,785 Northern Pacific preferred, 3,733 Rock Island, 32,189 St. Paul, 2,197 Union Pacific preferred, 25,097 Tobacco, 45,815 Sugar.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 20.—MONEY ON CALL—Nominally 2@3 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.80¾@4.81 for demand and $4.79¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.80@4.81 and $4.84@4.84½; commercial bills, $4.78¾@4.79¾.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—56¾c.

BAR SILVER—56c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45¾c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Market steady; new 4s, reg., 115½; coupon, 117½; 4s, reg., 95; coupon, 108; 2s, 96; 5s, reg., 105½; coupon, 110½; Pacific 6s of '95, 102.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new