COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Touches 79 1-2 Cents, Highest Price For Several Months.

ADVANCE DUE TO RUSSIAN DROUTH REPORT

Corn and Oats Inclined to Rule in Sympathy—Provisions Do Not Show Much Activity, Closing at Decline.

CHICAGO, May 31.—Wheat rose 2¼c today, touching 79¾@79½c for July, the highest price in several months. Profit-taking caused a reaction near the close, leaving a net gain of 1⅝@1¾c. Corn rose ⅝@⅞c and oats ⅛@⅜c. Provisions declined on yellow fever reports, pork closing at a decline of 50c, lard 10@12½c and ribs 15c.

Wheat opened excited at 1¼c over Monday's close. An exceptional advance at Liverpool and rumors that the winter crop of Russia had been ruined by dry weather stimulated the bulls to a high pitch of enthusiasm, which lasted until near the close, when realizing caused a ¾c reaction from the top. An improvement in the export demand at the seaboard and a decrease of 1,276,000 bushels in the visible supply helped the advance. July opened 1¼c higher at 78⅝@78¾c, declined slowly to 78c, advanced irregularly to 79¾@79½c and reacted to 78¾c at the close. Chicago received 114 cars, eleven of which graded contract. Minneapolis and Duluth got 1,213 cars, compared with 1,185 for the corresponding two days last year. Western receipts were large and clearances liberal.

Corn was excitingly indifferent at the start, but it finally moved upward with wheat excitement and on complaints of too much rain. A decrease of 3,248,000 bushels in the visible also had a strengthening influence. Receipts were 452 cars. July opened ¼@⅜c higher at 33@33¼c, declined to 32⅞@33c, advanced to 33⅜c and closed at 33⅛@33⅜c.

Oats ruled firm and higher in sympathy with other grains. Cash demand was good. Receipts, 604 cars. The visible decreased 143,000 bushels. July started ⅛@¼c higher at 22⅞@23c, eased off to 22⅝@22⅞c, advanced to 23¼c and closed at 23@23¼c.

Liquidation, owing to the announcement of the appearance of yellow fever in the south, weakened provisions. July pork opened 12½c lower at $8.02½, advanced to $8.07½ and declined to $7.90 at the close; July lard opened 2½@25c lower at $5.02½@5.05 and closed with sellers at $4.92½; July ribs opened 5@7½c lower at $4.57½@4.60 and declined to $4.50 at the close.

Estimated receipts for Thursday: Wheat, 80 cars; corn, 560 cars; oats, 490 cars; hogs, 37,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Monday
*Wheat.					
May...	77⅞	78	77	77¾	76⅛
July...	78¾	79¾@⅞	78	79¾	77⅛@⅜
Sept...	78 @⅜	79	77⅝	78⅜	76⅝@⅞
*Corn.					
May...	32⅛	33¾	32⅛	33¾	32⅛@⅜
July...	33 @⅛	33¾	32⅝-33	33⅜@⅝	32⅜
Sept...	32⅝@⅜	34⅛	32¼@⅜	33⅝	33⅛
*Oats.					
May...	25	25	24	24⅜	24⅝
July...	22⅝	23¼	22⅝@⅞	23 @⅛	22⅜
Sept...	20	20¾	19⅛	20⅜@¼	20
Pork.					
July ..	8 02½	8 07½	7 90	7 90	8 20
Sept ..	8 20	8 25	8 05	8 07½	8 35
Lard.					
July...	5 00	5 02½	4 92½	4 95	5 05
Sept...	5 12½	5 12½	5 05	5 05	5 17½
Ribs.					
July...	4 57½	4 60	4 50	4 50	4 67½
Sept...	4 75	4 75	4 65	4 65	4 80

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; winter patents, $3.65@3.75; straights, $3.35@3.45; clears, $3.15@3.25; spring specials, $3.45; spring patents, $3.40@3.80; straights, $2.80@3.20; bakers, $2.20@2.60.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 76½@77½c; No. 3 spring, 72@76½c; No. 2 red, 79@80c.

CORN—No. 2, 33½c; No. 2 yellow, 34c.

OATS—No. 2, 24½@25c; No. 2 white, 28c; No. 3 white, 26½@27½c.

RYE—No. 2, f. o. b., 58@60c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 36@40c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed, $1.02; northwest, $1.04. Prime timothy seed, $2.25.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $7.85@7.90. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4.90@4.92½. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.40@4.65. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.37½@4.62½. Short clear sides (boxed), $4.80@4.85.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.26.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.02; granulated, $5.52. The following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	15,000	17,000
Wheat, bu.	51,000	10,000
Corn, bu.	295,000	412,000
Oats, bu.	686,000	274,000
Rye, bu.	28,500	4,000
Barley, bu.	8,000	2,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 12@17½c; dairies, 10@16c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 12½c. Cheese, steady; creams, 8¾@9¼c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, May 31.—FLOUR—Receipts, 47,000 bbls.; exports, 18,000 bu. Market more active and stronger at 5@15c higher; winter patents, $3.90@4.10; winter straights, $3.60@3.75; winter extras, $2.85@4.20; Minnesota bakers, $3.10@3.25; winter low grades, $2.45@2.55. Rye flour, firm; good to fair, $3.10@3.25; choice to fancy, $3.30@3.50.

CORN MEAL—Easy; yellow western, 82@83c; city, 83@84c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 64½@65c f. o. b. afloat.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 38@45c; malting, 40@45c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 56@63c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 833,000 bu.; exports, 410,000 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2 red, 86½c on spot and to arrive, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 red, 83¾c in elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 86¼c, f. o. b., afloat, to arrive; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 86¼c, f. o. b., afloat, spot. Options opened strong and higher on bullish home and foreign crop news and good speculative buying. After midday realizing and a slight decline, shorts were again running and covered freely, only to fall off again in the last few minutes under renewed realizing. The close was unsettled at 3½@¾c advance; July, 82 15-16@84 1-16c, closing at 83¾c; September, 81¾@82¾c, closing at 82¼c; December, 82⅛@82⅝c, closing at 82⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 836,500 bu.; exports, 675,200 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2, 40¾c, f. o. b., afloat, spot and to arrive. Options opened firm, with wheat, and made further gains on wet weather west and a big visible supply decrease, closed a shade easy with wheat at ¾@⅞c over Saturday; July, 38½@38¾c, closing at 38¼c; September, 38⅞@39¼c, closing at 39¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 875,000 bu.; exports, 110,000 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2 white, 33c; track white, 33@37c. Options, quiet.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 55@60c; good to choice, 70@82½c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 6@7c; 1897 crop, 11@13c; 1898 crop, 16@17c. Pacific coast: 1896 crop, 6@7c; 1897 crop, 11@13c; 1898 crop, 17@18c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20@25 pounds, 16½@17c; Texas, 24@30 pounds, 12½@13c; California, 21@25 pounds, 18½c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 20½@21½c; acid, 21@22c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $9.50@10.50; extra mess, $9; beef hams, $19.50; packet, $9.50@10.00; city, extra Indian mess, $14.00@14.50. Cut meats, dull; pickled bellies, $5.00@5.75; pickled shoulders, $4.25@4.37½; pickled hams, $7.50@9.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $5.25; refined quiet; continent, $5.00@5.45; South American, $5.50; compound, $4.62½@4.75. Pork, steady; mess, $8.50@8.75; short clear, $10.00@11.75; family, $10.50@10.75. Tallow, firm; city, 4 9-16@4¾c; country, 4⅝@4¾c.

BUTTER—Strong; western creamery, 15@18½c; western factory, 11½@13c; imitation creamery, 12½@15c; state dairy, 13½@17c; state creamery, 15@18c.

CHEESE—Steady; large white, 9c; small white, 9¼@9½c; large colored, 8¼c; small colored, 9c.

EGGS—Barely steady; state and Pennsylvania, 16c; western fresh, 15@16c; southern, 14@13c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4⅝@5c; Japan, 4⅜@5¼c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 32@36c.

METALS—The metal market in a general way shows continued apathy, with prices more or less nominal. Buyers show considerable indifference at present prices, while sellers are not inclined to give way. According to the New York Metal exchange official report, pig iron warrants closed quiet at $11.75, nominal; lake copper, very dull at $18.50, nominal; tin very dull at $25.65@25.75; lead, very dull at $4.45@4.50; spelter, closed weak at $6.75. The brokers' price for lead is $4.25 and for copper $18.25 @18.50.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, May 31.—FLOUR—Quiet; receipts, 2,753 bbls.; exports, 5,001 bbls.

WHEAT—Strong and higher; spot and the month, 79@79¼c; June, 79@79¼c; July, 81@81¼c; August, 80¾@81¼c; steamer, No. 2 red, 74@74¼c; receipts, 106,534 bu.; exports, 20,000 bu.; southern, by sample, 79@79½c; southern, on grade, 75@79¼c.

CORN—Firmer; spot, the month and June, 37⅝@38¼c; July, 37¾@37¾c; steamer mixed, 35⅝@36¼c; receipts, 180,015 bu.; exports, 111,000 bu.; southern white corn, 44c; southern yellow, 38½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 32½@33c; No. 3 mixed, 29½@30c; receipts, 19,478 bu.; exports, 50,000 bu.

BUTTER—Steady.

EGGS—Firm at 14@14½c.

CHEESE—Steady.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts light; good stock, 12c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 10@11c; choice, 12@14c; separator, 18c; gathered creamery 16c.

POULTRY—Hens, live, 8@8½c; spring chickens, 20@25c; old and staggy roosters, live, 4@7c; ducks and geese, live, 7@8c; turkeys, live, 10c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 75c@$1.00.

VEALS—Choice, 9c.

FRESH WATER FISH—Catfish, per lb., 12c; buffalo, per lb., dressed, 7c; white fish, 10c; lake trout, 9c; yellow pike, dressed, 9c; round, 8c; silver herring, 5c; perch, 6c; bullheads, dressed, 10c; black bass, 14@15c.

SEA FISH—Flounders, 8c; haddock, 10c; Columbia river salmon, 15c; halibut, 11c; blue fish, 10c; Spanish mackerel, 9c; red snapper, 8c; extra large mackerels, each, 30c; roe shad, each, 40c; shad roe, per pair, 20@25c.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Per crate, shipping stock, $1.75@2.00; poor stock, $1.00@1.50.

HUCKLEBERRIES—Per 24-qt. case, $2.00.

CHERRIES—California, per 10-lb. box, $2.00@2.25.

TROPICAL FRUIT.

LEMONS — California, fancy, $3.50@3.75; choice, $3.25@3.50; Messina, fancy, $4.00.

ORANGES—Seedlings, $3.00@3.25; Mediterranean sweets, $3.75.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., $1.50; per crate, $4.25.

BANANAS—Choice, crated, large stock, per bunch, $2.25@2.50; medium-sized bunches, $2.00@2.25.

DATES—Hallowee, 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 6c; Sair, 6c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 10c.

VEGETABLES.

WAX BEANS—One-third bu., 80@90c.

STRING BEANS—One-third bu., 70@75c.

PEAS—Per one-third bu. box, 80@90c.

PIEPLANT—Home-grown, per lb., 1@2c.

BEETS—New, per doz., 50@60c.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 15c.

TOMATOES—Per 6-basket crate, $3.25@3.50.

SPINACH—Per basket, 50c.

LETTUCE—Home-grown, per dozen bunches, 20c.

ASPARAGUS—Home-grown, per dozen bunches, 40c.

ONIONS — Home-grown, per dozen bunches, according to size, 10@15c.

CABBAGE—Crated, per lb., 3½c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $2.25@2.50.

ONIONS—Per bu., 50@75c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.50.

POTATOES—Choice Iowa, sacked, 40@60c; Minnesota Burbanks, 70@75c; Colorado, 80@85c; early Ohio seed potatoes, 75@85c.

CUCUMBERS—Per bushel box, $2.50; per doz., 35c.

NEW POTATOES—Red, per bu., $1.65; white, $1.50.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.25; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12.00; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., 17c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 12½@13c; standards, 10@11c; filberts, per lb., 11c; pecans, polished, 8@10c; cocoanuts, per 100, $4.00; peanuts, raw, 5½@6c; roasted, 6¼@7c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Choice, in boxes, 9c.

HONEY—Choice white, 12½@13½c.

CIDER—Per half bbl., $3.00.

SAUERKRAUT—Per half bbl., $2.00@2.25.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7½c; No. 2 green hides, 6¾c; No. 1 salted hides, 8½c; No. 2 salted hides, 7¾c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

TALLOW GREASE, ETC.—Tallow No. 1, 3½c; tallow, No. 2, 3c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@3c; yellow and brown grease, 1¾@2½c.

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@5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint, Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint, Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c.

STATEMENT OF VISIBLE SUPPLY.

Decreases Noted in All the Grains, Especially Corn.

NEW YORK, May 31.—The statement of the visible supply of grain, in store and afloat, on Saturday, May 27, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, is as follows: Wheat, 22,192,000 bu.; decrease, 1,276,000 bu. Corn, 13,775,000 bu.; decrease, 3,243,000 bu. Oats, 7,883,000 bu.; decrease, 140,000 bu. Rye, 689,000 bu.; decrease, 142,000 bu. Barley, 1,455,000 bu.; decrease, 82,000 bu.

St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, May 31.—FLOUR—Dull; patents, $3.85@4.00; straights, $3.50@3.60; clear, $3.10@3.30.

SEEDS—Prime timothy, $2.15.

CORN MEAL—$1.85@1.90.

BRAN—Fairly active; sacked, east track, 55@57c.

HAY—Firm and steady; timothy, $8.50@12.00; prairie, $7.50.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.26.

COTTON TIES—85c.

BAGGING—6@6¼c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.37½; extra shorts, $4.87½; ribs, $5.00; shorts, $5.12½. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.12½; extra shorts, $5.37½; ribs, $5.60; shorts, $5.75.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 43,000 bu.; corn, 215,000 bu.; oats, 119,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 15,000 bu.; corn, 70,000 bu.; oats, 69,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, May 31.—PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut, firm at 40s. Bacon, clear bellies, 14@16 lbs., steady at 29s.

CHEESE—American, finest white, dull at 50s; American finest, colored, dull at 47s.

WHEAT—Spot No. 2 red, western winter, firm at 6s. No. 1 northern, Duluth, firm at 6s 4½d; futures, steady; July and September, 5s 1½d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, steady at 3s 5½d; American mixed, old, steady at 3s 6d; futures: June, nominal; July, quiet at 3s 4¾d; September, quiet at 3s 5½d.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, May 31.—BUTTER—Firm; fair demand; fancy western creamery, 18½c; fancy western prints, 19c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh nearby, 14½@15c; fresh western, 14½@15c; fresh southwestern, 14@14½c; fresh southern, 13½@14c.

CHEESE—Easier; full cream, New York, fancy new, small, 9¼c; full cream, New York, fair to choice, 8¾@9c; old, as to quality, 10½@11c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 31. — WHEAT—Close: In store, No. 1 northern, May, 73c; July, 74⅝@74¾c; on track, No. 1 hard, 75¼c; No. 1 northern, 74¼c; No. 2 northern, 73¼c.

FLOUR—Patents and clears, 10c higher; first patents, $4.00@4.10; second patents, $3.80@3.90; first clears, $2.90@3.00.

BRAN—In bulk, $9.25@9.50.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., May 31.—WHEAT—Higher and active; No. 2 cash and May, 79½c; July, 80¾c.

CORN—Easy; No. 2 mixed, 34½@34⅝c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 28c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 cash, 61c.

SEEDS—Clover seed, easy; prime cash, $3.80; October, $4.52½.

Kansas City Market.

KANSAS CITY, May 31.—EGGS—A weak feeling prevails and a decline in prices is expected soon; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, firsts, cases returned, 11c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 72,600 bu.; corn, 63,700 bu.; oats, 12,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 3,600 bu.; corn, 1,300 bu.; oats, 1,000.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, May 31.—FLOUR—Market 10c higher.

WHEAT—Market 1@2c higher; No. 1 northern, 73c; No. 2 northern, 77½c.

RYE—Lower; No. 1, 57½c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 41c; sample, 38@41c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, May 31.—CORN—Firm; No. 2, 31½c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 26½@27c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.26 for finished goods.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, May 31.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash and May, 75¾c; July, 75¼c; No. 1 northern, cash and May, 76¾c; No. 2 northern, 72¾c.

Sugar Market.

LONDON, May 31.—SUGAR—Beet, May, 11s 3d.

NEW YORK, May 31.—SUGAR—Raw, steady to firm; refined firm.

NEW ORLEANS, May 31.—SUGAR—Dull; open kettle, 3¾@4¼c; open kettle, centrifugal, 4⅞@5¼c; centrifugal, yellow, 4½@4 13-16c; seconds, 3¼@3¾c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; centrifugal, 6@16c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, May 31.—DRIED FRUITS—Evaporated apples, common, 8c; prime wire tray, 8¼@8½c; choice, 8¾@9c; fancy, 9¼c. Apricots, Royal, 14@14½c; Moor Park, 14@18c.

Wool Market.

TOLEDO, May 31.—WOOL—Unchanged.

ST. LOUIS, May 31.—WOOL—Market in healthy condition, the demand being active from manufacturers, speculators and other classes of buyers, and for all grades of wool. Values unchanged, but comparatively higher and firm, even for inferior sorts, while particularly strong for straight lots of clear.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Long Holiday Has Tendency to Keep Back Trading.

NEW YORK, May 31.—There was a recrudescence of bear sentiment on the Stock exchange today in more formidable array than at any time hitherto since the spring reactionary period has been in force. This sentiment met a decisive check after Mr. Fowler's death, which for the most powerful financial interests in the country combined to support prices and avert a panic. It had but newly inaugurated a campaign last week when the decision to close the exchange for three days left the leaders in a rather timid frame of mind about carrying short contracts over for so long a period. Today's slump in prices seemed to be distinctly a development of the day's operations. There was a small attendance at the opening of the market and a seeming expectation of a dull day, based partly on the fact of the running of the Derby in England and the consequently neglected trading on the London exchange. Some of the stocks which suffered most severely in the later break showed signs of firmness in opening for sales early in the opening transactions. This was notably true of Sugar, Brooklyn Transit, Manhattan and New York Central. But signs of strength proved to be of short duration and by noon the bears were in complete possession of the field.

Early declines were obviously due to manipulation. But the bears gained courage and assurance and extended their raid; they got richer and richer returns and before the day was over the general process of liquidation of long accounts had set in. Aside from the spasmodic recovery of Sugar in that first hour there was no material support accorded prices at any point in the list. There were several developments in the general situation that aided reaction, but the decline seemed more a general acquiescence in the view of the bear party that prices were at a temporarily high level and that a lower level of values must be accepted.

The belief that gold exports are unavoidable and probably imminent played an important part in the reactionary temper of the street. With sterling exchange at $4.88 for demand, which is within a fraction of a cent within the gold export point, and still rising, while discounts in London continue to harden and call money loaning in New York today at 1¾ per cent, it is not easy to see how an export movement of gold is to be avoided, though it is just as difficult to understand why such a movement under the circumstances should be made. The first report of a case of yellow fever at New Orleans and the resulting quarantines against Louisiana gave more substantial reasons for reaction in values and the railroads in that section were severe sufferers. Surprise as to the effect of the New York franchise tax bill and fear of encroachment on the Sugar company's divisible surplus to carry on the trade war were made much of.

A sharp decline in eastbound tonnage from Chicago, a disappointing statement of earnings for the current month by Northern Pacific and the earnings for April by the same road, the small increase in the Burlington surplus after charges for April and a denial that St. Paul's net decrease for April was due to any increase in operating expenses, all served to accentuate the feeling of discouragement over existing values.

Some of the striking declines at the extreme low point were: Metropolitan, 13; Sugar, 8¾; Brooklyn Transit, 6¼; Manhattan, 5⅛, and a long list of specialties from 2 to over 4 points. In the railways Burlington, the Minneapolis & St. Louis stocks, Southern Pacific and Southern preferred fell from 3 to 3½, while a still larger number of railroads, including members of the grangers, the Pacific and the Trunk Line group, fell between 2 and 3 points. In the outside market the newly floated Amalgamated Copper stock sold at 95, against the subscription price at par.

Bonds yielded in sympathy with stocks, but were relatively firmer. Total sales, par value, $4,465,000. United States 3s, the new 4s and the old 4s, registered, advanced ⅛ in the bid price, while the old 4s, coupon, declined ¼, the 5s, coupon, sold at 109½, both on record price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were slack but firm today, except for West Australians. Americans opened with an inclination to realizing on sales, then steadied, but New York sent early sales, especially Southern railway, accompanied by yellow fever rumors. A slight rally ensued on New York's opening, followed by a relapse, with the closing at the flattest. Spanish 4s were 64⅞ on Paris support. Anaconda were 11 11-16, being weak with Americans. Tintos were 48⅝. Money was hard on the settlement demand. The bank did a large business in discounts and short loans.

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

Atchison	17⅜	do pfd	66
do pfd	65⅞	do 2d pfd	35½
Baltimore & Ohio	67	St. L. & S. W.	10⅜
Canada Pacific	99¼	do pfd	29½
Canada Southern	51½	St. Paul	122
Central Pacific	49⅞	do pfd	168½
Ches. & Ohio	24	St. P. & Om.	93½
Chi. & Alton	160	do pfd	170
C., B. & Q.	127½	So. Pacific	29⅜
Chi. & E. Ill.	73½	So. Railway	10⅜
do pfd	122	do pfd	48¼
Chi. G. W.	13⅛	Texas & Pacific	18
Chi. Ind. & L.	9	Union Pacific	41¼
do pfd	37	do pfd	74⅜
Chi. & N. W.	154½	Wabash	7½
do pfd	190	do pfd	19⅝
C. C. C. & St. L.	59⅜	Wheel. & L. E.	8⅜
do pfd	95½	do pfd	21
*Del. & Hudson	115	Adams Express	110
Del. L. & W.	164	American Ex.	158
Den. & Rio G.	21⅜	United States Ex.	51½
do pfd	75½	Wells Fargo Ex.	126
Erie (new)	12½	A. Cotton Oil	33⅜
do 1st pfd	34	do pfd	90
Ft. Wayne	184	Amer. Spirits	6⅝
**Gt. Nor. pfd	172	do pfd	29
Illinois Central	111	Amer. Tobacco	93
Lake Erie & W.	18⅜	do pfd	140
do pfd	65	Cons. Gas	167
Lake Shore	203	Col. Fuel & Iron	37⅜
Louis. & Nash.	64⅜	Col. F. & Iron pfd	92
Manhattan L.	104⅞	do pfd	105
Met. St. Railway	209	Gen. Electric	117⅜
Mich. Central	112	Hawaii Com. Co.	110
Minn. & St. L.	34¾	Brooklyn R. T.	106
do 1st pfd	104	Inter. Paper	42⅜
Mo. Pacific	39⅝	do pfd	79
Mobile & Ohio	36	La Clede Gas	52½
Mo. K. & T.	12	Lead	28½
do pfd	32	do pfd	110
N. J. Central	114	Nat. Lin. Oil	3½
N. Y. Central	129¾	Pacific Mail	47
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	12⅜	People's Gas	115¾
do 1st pfd	65	Pullman Pal.	187
do 2d pfd	45	Silver Cert.	61
Nor. & West.	19	Standard R. & T.	7½
do pfd	66½	Sugar	139⅝
No. Amer. Co.	10⅞	do pfd	113
No. Pacific	46⅝	T. C. & Iron	56⅜
do pfd	73⅞	U. S. Leather	6
Ontario & W.	24⅝	do pfd	68½
Ore. R. & Nav. pfd.	69½	U. S. Rubber	40⅞
Pacific Coast	38	do pfd	114⅜
do 1st pfd	83	Western Union	90¾
do 2d pfd	55	Amer. S. & W.	58
Pittsburg	181	do pfd	93½
Reading	19⅝	Federal Steel	34½
do 1st pfd	56¼	do pfd	70¼
R. G. W.	33	Colorado Southern	5⅜
do 2d pfd	16⅜	do 1st pfd	43
Rock Island	103⅜	do 2d pfd	17
St. L. & S. F.	10		

*Ex-div. **Offered.

Total sales of stocks today amounted to 668,467 shares, including: American Smelting Company, 3,200; American Steel and Wire, 24,300; American Sugar, 97,100; American Tobacco, 61,800; Anaconda, 1,500; Atchison preferred, 24,400; Baltimore & Ohio, new, 3,000; Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 80,433; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 40,361; Consolidated Gas, 8,800; Continental Tobacco, 21,600; Federal Steel, 34,200; Federal Steel preferred, 8,900; Illinois Central, 3,300; International Paper Company, 3,100; Louisville & Nashville, 24,600; Manhattan, 26,700; Metropolitan, 14,900; Mexican Central, 3,300; Missouri Pacific, 9,000; New York Central, 10,000; Northern Pacific, 21,150; Northern Pacific preferred, 3,000; Ontario & Western, 4,400; Pennsylvania, 4,900; People's Gas, 17,400; Reading first preferred, 18,500; Reading second preferred, 8,100; Rock Island, 8,700; St. Louis-Southwestern, 3,200; St. Louis-Southwestern preferred, 4,200; St. Paul, 18,500; Southern Pacific, 11,400; Southern Railway preferred, 11,700; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 14,500; Union Pacific, 9,500; Union Pacific preferred, 9,400; United States Rubber Company, 3,500; Western Union, 6,800.

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 31.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	5	Justice	17
Andes	8	Mexican	17
Belcher	33	Occidental Con.	30
Best & Belcher	51	Ophir	110
Bullion	5	Overman	14
Caledonia	59	Potosi	24
Challenge Con.	31	Savage	36
Chollar	31	Sierra Nevada	74
Con. Cal. & Va.	165	Silver Hill	2
Crown Point	27	Standard	350
Exchequer	2	Union Con.	43
Gould & Curries	29	Utah Con.	19
Hale & Norcross	35	Yellow Jacket	36
Julia	2		

Silver bars, 61c; Mexican dollars, 49¾@50¼c. Drafts, sight, 12½c; telegraph, 15c.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, May 31.—Prices were firm on the bourse today and business was quiet. Spanish 4s and Italian 4s securities were harder. Canadian Pacific and mining shares were in good demand on favorable manufacturing reports. Exchange on London, 20 marks 45½ pfgs. for checks.

LONDON, May 31.—On the street today American securities dropped ¼@¾ on rumors of yellow fever in the south. Southern preferred fell $1. American railway shares were fairly steady, but business was restricted and limited to professional trading. The closing tone was steady. Gold at Buenos Ayres, 122.50. Spanish 4s, 64⅝c.

PARIS, May 31.—Operators on the bourse today hesitated until the making up of prices was fixed. Immediately afterward there was an all around sharp advance and prices closed strong. Spanish 4s were in great favor and Kaffirs advanced on London which was attributed to favorable Bloomfontein news.

FRANKFORT, May 31.—Prices on the bourse were firm today, particularly in the case of Spanish 4s.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, May 31.—MONEY ON CALL—Steady at 2½@2¾ per cent; last loan, at 2½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.88@4.88¼ for demand and at $4.83¾@4.86 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.86@4.87 and $4.89; commercial bills, $4.85¼@4.85½.

SILVER—Certificates, 61@62c; bar, 61c; Mexican dollars, 48½c.

BONDS—Government bonds, irregular; state bonds, inactive; railroad bonds, weak.

Closing quotations on bonds were:

U. S. 2s, reg.	100	M. K. & T. 2ds	60¾
U. S. 2s, reg.	100	M. K. & T. 4s	95¾
U. S. 3s, reg.	109	N. Y. C. 1st s	115⅝
U. S. 3s, coup.	109¾	N. J. C. 5s	120⅝
U. S. new 4s, reg.	130⅜	N. C. 6s	127
U. S. 4s, coup.	130⅜	N. C. 4s	104
U. S. old 4s, reg.	112	No. Pacific 1st s	120
U. S. 5s, reg.	113¾	*No. Pacific 1st s	120
U. S. 5s, reg.	112⅜	No. Pacific 3s	67⅝
U. S. 5s, coup.	112⅝	No. Pacific 4s	103⅜
District 3.65s	124½	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	105¾
Ala. class A	112	N. & W. con. 6s	95
Ala. class B	110	N. & W. gen 6s	132
Ala. class C	100	Ore. N. 1st s	114
Ala. currency	100	Ore. S. 4s	104¾
Atchison 4s	103¾	O. S. L. 6s 1 f.	102
Do. adj. 4s	81¾	O. S. L. 5s 1 f.	113⅝
Canada So. 2ds	111¾	Reading 4s	88⅜
C. & O. 4½s	94⅛	St. L. & W. 1st s	111
C. & O. 6s	120½	St. L. & I. M. con 5s	111
C. & N. W. con 7s	144	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6s	125
do S. F. deb. 5s	122¾	*St. P. Con. 7s	168⅝
Chi. Terms. 4s	101¾	St. P. C. & P. 1st 6s	123⅜
D. & R. G. 1st s	105¼	St. P. C. & P. 5s	120
D. & R. G. 4s	104	So. Ry. 5s	110⅝
East Tenn. 1st 8s	103	*S. R. & T. 6s	86
Erie Gen. 4s	73	Tenn. new set 3s	96
E. T. V. & Ga. 1. r. 5s	110	T. P. 1st 6s	116
Gen. Elec. 5s	120⅛	T. P. 2ds	55⅜
G. H. & S. A. 6s	114	U. P. 4s	108⅝
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	111¼	Wab. 1st 6s	117
H. & T. C. Con. 5s	113	Wab. 2ds	69
H. & T. C. con. 6s	111	W. Shore 4s	114⅜
Iowa C. 1st 5s	113⅜	Wis. Cent. 1st 5s	74
K. C. P. & G. 1st 5s	66	Va. Centuries	85⅛
La. New Con. 4s	110¾	*Va. deferred	4¾
L. & N. unified 4s	98⅛	Colorado South'n 4s	86⅞

*Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, May 31.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 3½@4½ per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	17½	do pfd	64¾
do pfd	34	Wisconsin Central	8⅜
Amer. Sugar	139½	Atchison 4s	102½
Bell Telephone	240	New Eng. 6s	114½
Boston & Albany	252	Adventure	10
Boston Elevated	168	Allouez Mining Co.	3
Boston & Maine	182	Atlantic	29
Chi. B. & Q.	127⅜	Boston & Mont.	340
Ed. Elec. Ill.	260	Butte & Boston	79
Fitchburg pfd.	116	Calumet & Hecla	780
General Electric	117	Centennial	24½
Federal Steel	35	Franklin	13
do pfd	79½	Humboldt	2
Mexican Central	12½	Osceola	58
Old Colony	207	Parrott	36