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Corn Pit Center of Attraction and Furnishes Element of Strength.

WHEAT IS BOOSTED NEARLY ONE CENT

News of Drouth Damage Abroad Starts Buying Movement, Which is Accelerated by the Activity of Corn.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23. Corn was the leader on 'change today and furnished the principal foundation for the strength developed in the other markets. Disappointing husking returns and a steady decrease in stocks gave corn traders an opportunity to give vent to a feeling that has been struggling for expression for some time and the December option closed with a net gain of ⅞c. There was a good buying movement in wheat, with shorts the principal participant, and December closed with an advance of ⅞@1c. Oats rose ⅛@¼c and provisions from 2½c to 10c.

Wheat opened strong and active. Complaints of damage by drouth in the southwest and higher Liverpool cables, notwithstanding the downward tendency of the market for the last week, caused the change in sentiment. Buying was heavy from the outset and as offerings were scarce the market soon got above call figures. Profit taking and selling by holders of privileges caused a slight reaction after ½c had been added to the opening advance, but as corn had begun to show decided strength shorts became anxious and ran to cover. Outside buying hastened the upturn that followed and the price tended upward the remainder of the session, the market closing strong at the best price of the day. A smaller increase in the visible supply than expected and liberal clearance helped the advance. December opened a shade higher at 69⅝@70c, advanced to 70⅝@70¾c, sold off to 70¼c and advanced to 70⅞@70⅞c at the close. Chicago received 222 cars, 9 of which graded contract. Minneapolis and Duluth got 1,021 cars, compared with 1,451 cars for the same day a year ago. Total primary receipts were 1,384,000 bu., against 2,003,000 bu. last year. Atlantic port clearances in wheat and flour equaled 395,000 bu. World's shipments to Europe last week were 8,000,000 bu. The visible supply increased only 1,211,000 bu., whereas an increase of over 2,000,000 bu. had been expected. Cash demand here was slow as well as at the seaboard, where only twenty boatloads were reported sold for export.

Corn started strong and kept improving a little right along until within half an hour from the close, when profit taking checked the advance. Reports of poor yields and a large decrease in stocks, coupled with heavy current requirements of both foreign and domestic consumption, was the basis of the market's strength. The buying was well distributed, with the market a broad one. Receipts, 553 cars. Domestic visible decreased 966,000 bu. Cash demand good. December opened ⅛@¼c higher at 30⅝@30⅝c to 30⅞c, sold sparingly at 30⅝@30⅜c and advanced to 31⅜@31½c at the close.

Oats ruled quiet and the advance was due almost entirely to sympathy with corn. Receipts, 352 cars. Visible decreased 327,000 bu. December opened ⅛c higher at 22⅜c, eased off to 22⅛@22⅜c and advanced to 22⅜@22⅝c at the close.

Higher prices for hogs and a good cash meat demand strengthened provisions. The advance in corn was a further encouragement and a moderate gain was easily established. January pork closed 7½@10c higher at $9.42½@9.45, January lard and ribs 2½c higher at $5.35 and $4.32½, respectively.

Estimated receipts for Tuesday: Wheat, 280 cars; corn, 875 cars; oats, 445 cars; hogs, 24,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Artic'e.	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.	Sat'y.
*Wheat					
Oct.	68⅛	69¼@⅞	68⅛	69¼@⅞	68⅜
Dec.	69⅞@70	70⅝@⅞	69⅞@70	70⅝@⅞	69⅞
May	73⅞@74	74⅝	73⅞	74⅝	73¾
*Corn—					
Oct.	31⅛	31⅜	31 @⅛	31⅜	30⅝
Dec.	30⅝@⅞	31⅜@½	30⅝@⅜	31⅜@½	30½@⅝
May	32¼@⅜	33 @⅛	32¼@⅜	33 @⅛	32⅛@¼
*Oats—					
Dec.	22⅜	22⅜@⅞	22⅛@⅜	22⅜@⅞	22⅝
May	24¼@⅝	24⅝	24 @⅝	24½@⅝	24⅛@¼
Pork—					
Dec.	7 90	7 95	7 90	7 82½	7 85
Jan.	9 40	9 47½	9 40	9 45	9 35
Lard—					
Dec.	5 17½	5 22½	5 17½	5 20	5 17½
Jan.	5 35	5 37½	5 35	5 35	5 32½
Ribs—					
Dec.	4 72½	4 72½	4 72½	4 72½	4 70
Jan.	4 92½	4 95	4 92½	4 92½	4 90

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $3.30@3.40; clears, $3.20@3.30; spring specials, $4.10; patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $3.20@3.30; bakers, $2.30@2.60.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 69@71c; No. 3 spring, 64@70c; No. 2 red, 70½@71½c.

OATS—No. 2, 22¾@23¼c; No. 2 white, 26c; No. 3 white, 25½c.

RYE—No. 2, 35c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 39½@45c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.26½. Prime timothy seed, $2.25. Clover, choice, $7.50.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $7.90@7.95. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.22½@5.25. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.75@5.15. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.00@6.12½. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.45@5.55.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.23.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.70; granulated, $5.18. Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	17,000	18,000
Wheat, bu.	168,000	22,000
Corn, bu.	442,000	757,000
Oats, bu.	337,000	379,000
Rye, bu.	190,000	20,000
Barley, bu.	23,000	30,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was dull but steady; creameries, 15@22c; dairies, 14@19c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 16½c. Cheese, strong; creams, 12@12¼c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—FLOUR—Receipts, 23,470 bbls.; exports, 2,918 bbls.; sales, 11,600 pkgs.; ruled firmer in sympathy with wheat and on more active demand. Rye flour, firm; sales, 500 bbls.; good to fair, $3.35@4.40; choice to fancy, $3.45@3.75. Buckwheat flour, steady at $2.35@2.50.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 60c.

CORNMEAL—Firmer; yellow western, 80@82c; city, 80@81c; Brandywine, $2.25@2.35.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 65c, f. o. b., afloat, to arrive; state, 62@63c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY—Firm; feeding, 41½@43c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 46@50c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

BARLEY MALT—Steady; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 93,175 bu.; exports, 89,317 bu.; sales, 3,020,000 bu. futures and 200,000 bu. spot. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 76c, f. o. b., afloat, spot; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 79c, f. o. b., afloat, to arrive; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 80½c, to arrive; No. 2 red, 74c, elevator. Options opened firm at ⅛c decline under a temporary local bear raid, but immediately turned firmer, following the lead of Chicago and on a more bullish statistical position than looked for, especially as to the extent of the visible supply increase. The market advanced ⅝c from low point and closed strong at a net advance of ⅝@¾c. March, 73½@73¾c, closed at 73¾c; May, 78 7-16@78⅝c, closed at 78⅝c; December, 74 15-16@75⅜c; closed at 75⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 478,250 bu.; exports, 16,671 bu.; sales, 85,000 bu. futures and 240,000 bu. spot. Spot, strong; No. 2, 40½c, f. o. b., afloat, and 40c, elevator. Options opened firm at ¼@⅜c advance on cables and small receipts, further advanced ¼@⅜c on covering, following the visible decrease, and closed strong at a net advance of ⅝@⅞c. May, 38½@38⅞c, closed at 38⅝c; December, 39@39⅛c, closed at 39⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 117,000 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 28½c; No. 3, 28c; No. 2 white, 30½c; No. 3 white, 30c; track mixed western, 28½@30c. Options, dull and nominal.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 75@82½c.

HOPS—State, common to choice, 6@7c; Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1897 crop, nominal; 1898 crop, 10@13c; 1899 crop, 12@14c.

HIDES—Steady; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 23c.

LEATHER—Quiet; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 24@24½c; acid, 24@24½c.

WOOL—Quiet; domestic fleece, 21@26c; Texas, 14@17c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $11.00@12.50; mess, $9.50@11.00; beef hams, $24.00@25.00; packet, $11.50@12.00; city extra India mess, $18.00@18.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled shoulders, 4½c; pickled hams, $8.75. Lard, steadier; western steamed, $5.57½; May, $5.35; October closed at $5.37½, nominal. Pork, dull; mess, $9.00@9.50; short clears, $10.25@12.00; family, $11.75@12.00. Tallow, steady; city ($2 per package), 4⅝c; country, 4⅜c.

POTATOES—Steady; Jerseys, $1.12½@1.40; New York, $1.12½@1.25; Long, $1.22@1.23; Jersey sweets, $1.25@2.00; southern sweets, 75c@$1.35.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 4⅝@7¼c; Japan, 4⅝@5⅝c.

METALS—The local metal market was heavy and inactive much of the day, with final prices showing declines in several instances. The foreign and western news averaged up unfavorably; buyers were scarce and sellers apprehensive. At the close the exchange called pig iron warrants dull at $18.00, nominal; copper, easy at $18.00; tin, weak and lower at $31.25, nominal; lead, quiet, with $4.60 bid and $4.65 asked; spelter, dull with $5.30 bid and $5.40 asked. The brokers' price for lead is $4.40 and for copper $18.00.

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

CABBAGE—Dull; Long Island, $2.00@2.00 per hundred.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, light; good stock, 16c.

POULTRY—Hens, live, 6½@7c; spring chickens, 7@7½c; old and staggy roosters, live, 3½@4c; ducks, and geese, live, 6@7c; turkeys, live, 10c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 14c; choice, 16@17c; separator, 22@23c; gathered creamery, 19@20c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 75c.

VEALS—Choice, 9c.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 20c; standards, per can, 24c; bulk standard, per gal., $1.25; extra selects, per can, 32c; extra selects, per gal., $1.75; New York Counts, per can, 40c; New York Counts, per 100, $1.25.

HAY—Upland, choice, $6.50; midland, choice, $6.00; lowland, choice, $5.00; rye straw, choice, $5.50; No. 3 corn, 27c; No. 3 tame oats, 22½c; cracked corn, per ton, $12; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $12.50; bran, per ton, $13; shorts, per ton, $14.

VEGETABLES.

TOMATOES—Per crate, 55@65c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $1.75@2.00.

POTATOES—Per bu., 20@25c.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, $5.25@5.50.

ONIONS—Retail way, 50@60c.

CELERY—Per doz., 20@35c.

FRUITS.

PLUMS—Oregon, per crate, $1.00@1.25.

CALIFORNIA PEACHES—No good shipping stock.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $3.25; Johnathans and Grimes' golden, $3.50@4.00; New York stock, $3.75@4.00.

GRAPES—New York, 18@20c; California Tokays, $1.15@1.25.

PEARS—Western varieties, $2.25@2.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $4.50@5.00.

LEMONS — California fancy, $4.75@5.00; choice California, $4.25@4.75; Messina, fancy, $5.00@5.50.

BANANAS—Choice, crated, large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.50; medium-sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 8c; No. 2 green hides, 7c; No. 1 salted hides, 9¾c; No. 2 salted hides, 8¾c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3¾c; tallow, No. 2, 3¼c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2¾@3¼c; yellow and brown grease, 2½@3c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.00@3.50.

NUTS—Hickory nuts, per bu., $1.00.

PIGS—California layers, per 10-lb. box, $1.15; California cartons, per 10-lb. box, $1.25.

MAPLE SUGAR—Per lb., 9c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 69½c; track, 71@72c; December, 70⅜c; May, 75⅜c; No. 2 hard, 68@69c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 31c; track, 32c; December, 30⅝c; May, 31½c.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 22½c; track, 23¾@24c; December, 23½c; May, 25⅝c; No. 2 white, 26@26½c.

RYE—Steady at 56c.

METALS—Lead, steady at $4.47½@4.50. Spelter, nominal; ask at $5.15@5.20.

SPELTER—Steady at $5.15@5.20.

POULTRY—Steady to easy; chickens, old, 6c; young, 7c; turkeys, 7c; ducks and geese, 5½@6c.

FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; patents, $3.45@3.60; extra fancy, $3.10@3.20; clear, $2.80@3.00.

SEEDS—Timothy seed, steady at $1.90@2.25. Flax, nominal, $1.22.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $1.75@1.80.

BRAN—Stronger; sacked, east tracks, 63½@64c.

HAY—Firm; timothy, $9.00@11.50; prairie, $8.00@8.50.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.23.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.10.

BAGGING—5⅞@6⅝c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt meats, firm; boxed shoulders, $4.75; extra shorts, $5.37½; clear ribs, $5.50; clear sides, $5.62½. Bacon, dull; boxed shoulders, $5.50; extra shorts, $5.75; clear ribs, $5.87½; clear sides, $6.12½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 38,000 bu.; corn, 116,000 bu.; oats, 72,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 8,000 bbls.; wheat, 17,000 bu.; corn, 73,000 bu.; oats, 29,000 bu.

Butter, Egg and Cheese Market.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@24c; dairy, 14@19c.

EGGS—Steady at 15c.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 23.—EGGS—Market steady and supply about equals demand; fair shipping inquiry; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, firsts, 14c doz., cases returned.

BUTTER—Creamery, 19@22c; dairy, 16c.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—BUTTER—Receipts, 8,022 pkgs.; steady; western creamery, 17@24c; factory, 14½@17c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 3,112 pkgs.; dull; large, white, 12@12¼c; small, 13¼c; large, colored, 12½@12½c; small, 12¾c.

EGGS—Receipts, 7,993 pkgs.; steady; western, 14@18c.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23.—BUTTER—Dull and unchanged; fancy western creamery, 23½@24c; fancy western prints, 24c.

EGGS—Firm and good demand; fresh nearby, 20c; fresh western, 19½@23c; fresh southwestern, 19c; fresh southern, 17c.

CHEESE—Firm.

ELGIN, Oct. 23.—BUTTER.—Steady at 23½c; offerings, 88 tubs; sales, 58 tubs; bid of 22½c on 30 tubs refused.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Spot, easy. Futures, steady; December, 5s 11½d; March, 6s 3⅜d; May, 6s 1¼d. Imports of wheat into Liverpool during the last week from Atlantic ports, 65,700 quarters; from Pacific ports, none; from other ports, 45,000 quarters.

CORN—Futures, quiet; November, 3s 7¾d; December, 3s 8½d; January, 3s 7¼d. Imports of American corn into Liverpool from Atlantic ports during the last week, 83,000 quarters.

PROVISIONS—Beef, extra India mess, strong at 76s 3d; prime mess, strong at 71s 3d. Pork, prime mess, western, strong at 55s. Hams, short cut, steady at 47s. Bacon, Cumberland cut, steady at 36s; short ribs, steady at 34s 6d; long clear middles, light, 32s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 31s 6d; short clear backs, 31s. Shoulders, firm; square, 30s. Lard, steady; prime western, in tierces, steady at 27s 9d; American refined, in pails, steady at 29s 9d.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—December, 64⅝c; May, 69c; cash, No. 2 hard, 63c; No. 3, 60@62c; No. 2 red, 66c; No. 3, 63@66c; receipts, 309 cars.

CORN—December, 27⅝c; May, 29¼c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 29@29⅛c; No. 2 white, 30c; No. 3, 29½@29⅝c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 24½c.

RYE—No. 2, 54c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $8.25@8.50; choice prairie, $6.75@7.00.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 185,400 bu.; corn, 42,200 bu.; oats, 19,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 48,600 bu.; corn, 5,800 bu.; oats, 5,000 bu.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—In store; No. 1 northern, October, 67¾c; December, 67c; May, 70⅝c. On track: No. 1 hard, 69⅝c; No. 1 northern, 67½c; No. 2 northern, 65½c.

FLOUR—Nothing doing in flour; first patents, $3.75@3.85; second patents, $3.55@3.65; first clear, $2.50@2.60.

BRAN—Unchanged at $10.50@10.75.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat on Saturday, October 21, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, is as follows:

Wheat, 48,555,000 bu.; increase, 1,266,000 bu. Oats, 6,724,000 bu.; decrease, 327,000 bu. Rye, 1,063,000 bu.; increase, 244,000 bu. Barley, 2,516,000 bu.; increase, 409,000 bu. Corn, 14,099,000 bu.; decrease, 966,000 bu.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Higher and firm; No. 2 cash, 70½c; December, 72½c bid.

CORN—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 34c.

OATS—Dull and lower; No. 2 mixed, 25c.

RYE—Unchanged; No. 2 cash, 60c.

SEEDS—Cloverseed, dull and lower; prime cash and October, $5.90; December and March, $5.40.

American Wheat in Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 23.—The imports of wheat into Liverpool during the past week: From Atlantic ports, 65,700 quarters; from Pacific ports, none; from other ports, 45,000 quarters. The imports of American corn into Liverpool from Atlantic ports during the past week were 83,000 quarters.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 23.—WHEAT — Firmer; No. 1 northern, 69½@70c; No. 2 northern, 66@67½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 57@57½c.

BARLEY—Steady; samples, 38@45c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 68c; No. 1 northern, cash, 68c; December, 68c; May, 72c; No. 2 northern, 65c; No. 3 spring, 61½c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Oct. 23.—CORN—Higher; No. 2, 32c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 24@24½c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.24 for finished goods.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

First Appearance of Animation in Market Since the Violent Break.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The market gave convincing evidence today of a substantial growth of bull sentiment in Wall street. The dealings took on more appearance of animation than at any time since the violent downward course of prices when the money situation first began to awaken anxiety. Dealings were very well distributed in that almost every department of the securities market was represented in the advance. Handsome gains in price were achieved in many prominent stocks and in a large number of cases the last prices were the best. In other cases profit taking made notable inroads upon the day's highest prices and some effort was obvious in the same influences, would remain quiescent and almost immovable. Thus while Louisville and the Norfolk stocks advanced vigorously other conspicuous southern lines of railways were quite unaffected. Again, while the grangers also as a rule were strong and active, Northwestern scarcely moved and the Pacific stocks, including Southern Pacific, showed very slight response to the prevailing strength. The New York, Chicago & St. Louis stocks were subjected to rather palpable manipulation, the first rising an extreme 8 points and the second preferred 6 points. New York Central was also vigorously bulled to a maximum price of 140. The high-priced specialties, including Sugar, Tobacco and People's Gas, and the local traction stocks were all of them quite aggressively strong. The largest activity was in the Leather stocks and the buying in them continued until the close, the common crossing 19 and the preferred touching 81. This enumeration includes the most conspicuous instances of strength. There was at the same time a notable backward movement in Pullman, Laclede Gas and Anaconda, which show net declines, respectively, of ½, 6 and 2 points. American Malting and one or two of the iron and steel stocks also reacted and Glucose Sugar preferred dropped 3 points in spite of the strength of the common stock.

How far the day's strength was due to covering by the short interests, which common credence places at still larger proportions, it would be difficult to say. The public had little to do with today's rise. But professional operators of a large caliber took a conspicuous and confident part in the market. The continued downward course of sterling exchange affords relief from all apprehension of gold exports. But no more recent is discernible of easier money conditions. Call money today was stiffer at 6 and 7 per cent and time loans for all periods again came back to 6 per cent. The exchanges continued to move in favor of the interior as against New York. Recent large expenditures by the government show no decided tendency and thus threaten a renewed drain on the New York banks in taking up the government surplus. Today's movement of stocks demonstrates how completely the money outlook was ignored.

There was very heavy buying of Green Bay preferred Bs at an advance of 2¼. The bond market otherwise was moderately active at advancing prices. Total sales, par value, $3,845,000. United States 3s advanced ⅛ and old 4s, registered, declined ⅛ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The session here today was a repetition of Saturday afternoon, Africans booming and other securities being quiet and cheerful under the influence of the news of further British victories in South Africa. Investment securities reappeared in the afternoon on apprehensions of the effect of the new budget to be presented this evening, which, it is understood, will call for £10,000,000. The chancellor of the exchequer in the House of Commons made a statement to the effect that the estimated surplus for the fiscal year ending March 31 next, would accordingly proposed to raise £3,000,000 by treasury bills, suggesting that there will be no new taxation at present. This announcement came late in the afternoon. Consols touched 104⅞ and closed at 104.

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

Atchison	21⅝	Union Pacific	45⅝
do pfd	65¼	do pfd	77⅝
Balti. & Ohio	52⅝	Wabash	7¼
Can. Pacific	94½	do pfd	21⅝
Can. Southern	53	W. & L. E.	11½
Ches. & Ohio	26⅛	do 2d pfd	30⅝
Chicago & Alt.	168	Wis Central	16⅝
C., B. & Q.	133⅛	Adams Express	115
Chi., I. & L.	11¾	Amer. Express	148
do pfd	42	U. S. Express	51
Chi. & E. I.	96½	Wells-Fargo Ex.	130
Chi. & N. W.	171½	A. Cot Oil	19⅝
C., R. I. & P.	114⅝	do pfd	95
C., C., C. & St. L.	59⅛	Amer. Malting	12½
Colo. Southern	5	do pfd	54¼
do 2d pfd	17	Amer. S. & R.	35⅞
do 1st pfd	45½	do pfd	86¾
Del. & Hudson	103⅝	Amer. Spirits	4
Del. L. & W.	190¾	do pfd	17
Den. & Rio G.	21⅝	Amer. S. & H.	43½
do pfd	75⅝	do pfd	83¾
Erie	13	Amer. S. & W.	50⅞
do 1st pfd	37⅛	do pfd	95
Gt. Nor. pfd	174	Am. Tin Plate	35
Hocking Coal	18½	do pfd	83½
Hocking Valley	34	Amer. Tobacco	123⅞
Illinois Central	115½	do pfd	144
Iowa Central	13⅞	Anaconda M. Co.	44
do pfd	36½	Brk. Rap. Tr.	86⅞
K. C., P. & G.	3⅝	Colo. F. & I.	55⅝
L. E. & W.	18	Con. Tobacco	43⅞
do pfd	79½	do pfd	92⅞
Lake Shore	198	Federal Steel	56
L. & N.	84⅜	do pfd	79
Manhattan L.	110⅝	Gen. Electric	127
Met. St. Ry.	197⅞	Glucose Sugar	50⅝
Mex. Central	14	do pfd	95
Minn. & St. L.	71	Int'n'l Paper	26
do pfd	94¾	do pfd	70
Mo. Pacific	45⅛	Laclede Gas	74
Mobile & Ohio	45	National Biscuit	40⅛
M., K. & T.	12½	* do pfd	96
do pfd	38¾	National Lead	29¼
N. J. Central	94¼	do pfd	108¼
N. Y. Central	139¾	National Steel	41
Nor. & West	24¾	do pfd	94
do pfd	70¾	N. Y. Air Brake	147
No. Pacific	54	No. American	12¾
do pfd	75¾	Pacific Coast	59⅛
Ore. R. & N.	42	do 1st pfd	91
do pfd	76¾	do 2d pfd	67⅛
Pennsylvania	133¼	Pacific Mail	40¾
Reading	21	People's Gas	114
do 1st pfd	59⅛	Pressed S. C.	56½
do 2d pfd	32	do pfd	89½
R. G. W.	37½	Pullman P. C.	206
do pfd	81	Standard R. & T.	6¾
St. L. & S. F.	17⅞	Sugar	151
do 1st pfd	70	do pfd	117
do 2d pfd	36½	Tenn. C. & I.	118¼
St. L. S. W.	11	U. S. Leather	19
do pfd	32½	do pfd	84
St. Paul	126¾	U. S. Rubber	46½
do pfd	171	do pfd	112
St. P. & O.	122	Western Union	87¾
So. Pacific	38⅛	Republic I. & S.	26⅝
So. Railway	12⅝	do pfd	70½
do pfd	53⅞	P., C., C. & St. L.	75
Texas & Pacific	18		

*Offered.

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	104 1-16	N. Y. Central	142¼
do account	104⅛	Pennsylvania	68
Canadian Pacific	87⅝	Reading	10⅞
Erie	13⅞	No. Pacific pfd	77½
do 1st pfd	38	Atchison	21⅞
Illinois Central	118⅜	Louisville	86⅛
U. P. pfd	79	Grand Trunk	7⅜
St. Paul, com	129¼	Anaconda	9⅝

BAR SILVER—Steady at 26⅝d per ounce.

MONEY—¼ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 4@4¼ per cent and for three-months' bills 4½@4⅝ per cent.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $292,487,241; gold reserve, $235,752,769.

Cotton Market.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 7 1-16c; sales, 50 bales; receipts, 7,579 bales; shipments, 6,936 bales; stock, 77,569 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 23.—COTTON—Futures, steady; October, $6.70 bid; November, $6.69@6.70; December, $6.73@6.74; January, $6.77@6.78; February, $6.80@6.81; March, $6.83@6.84; April, $6.86@6.87; May, $6.89@6.90; June, $6.91@6.93; July, $6.92@6.94. Spot cotton opened steady, 2c higher and closed easier; sales 10,400 bales; ordinary, 5¾c; good ordinary, 5¾c; low middling, 6 5-16c; middling, 6⅛c; good middling, 7⅜c; middling fair, 7 7-16c; receipts, 11,812 bales; stock, 279,223 bales.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The cotton market made a poor showing today, regarded from any standpoint. Around the opening all signs pointed to healthy trade conditions and a substantial advance in prices, but after a brief period of steadiness business began to drag heavily and soon prices were sinking rapidly under speculative neglect. Opening sales showed an advance of 1 to 5 points on Saturday's prices. Subsequent events proved these figures to be the top for the day, with the greatest decline a matter of 8 points. During the first fifteen minutes shorts, Wall street and Europe purchased quite freely. New Orleans and the more cautious long sold. Even scalpers showed hesitation later in the day, with trading at times particularly at a standstill. At the close the market was steady at a net loss of 6 to 8 points.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 23.—COTTON—Spot, fair demand; prices 1-32d higher; American middling, fair, 4 7-16d; good middling, 4 7-32d; middling, 4d; low middling, 3 13-16d; good ordinary, 3⅝d; ordinary, 3 7-16d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export, and included 9,500 bales American; receipts, 14,000 bales, including 13,500 bales American. Futures opened steady and closed barely steady: American middling, l. m. c., October, 3 58-64@3 59-64d, buyers; October and November, 3 57-64@3 58-64d, buyers; November and December, 3 57-64d, sellers; December and January, 3 56-64d, buyers; January and February, 3 55-64@3 56-64d, sellers; February and March, March and April, 3 55-64d, sellers; April and May, 3 55-64d, value; May and June, June and July, July and August, 3 55-64@3 56-64d, sellers; August and September, 3 54-64d, sellers.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—COFFEE—Options opened firm at an advance of 5 to 15 points on active covering, good foreign buying and a revival of speculative interest in outside circles, all based on sudden advances in European markets. Bullish sentiment was intensified at small receipts at Brazilian ports; closed steady at 10 to 15 points net higher; sales, 24,250 bags, including December, $5.00@5.05; January, $5.10@5.15; March, $5.20@5.25; May, $5.35; July, $5.45; August, $5.50; September, $5.55. Spot coffee, Rio, firmer and tending upward. Mild, firm and advancing.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—DRY GOODS—Advances in wide sheetings have been the chief feature today. In bleached cottons some good odds turned down for forward deliveries at current prices. Chances are in favor of a further general advance. Brown sheetings and drills are strong, but the demand hardly up to recent proportions. No quotable change in prices. Denims show further advance of ⅛c in several leading makes and other coarse colored cottons very firm. Prints cloths firm but quieter. Prints are in good general demand.

Oil Market.

TOLEDO, Oct. 23.—OILS—North Lima, $1.00; South Lima and Indiana, $1.04.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—OILS—Calcutta linseed, spot, 48s; linseed, 23s 9d.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—OILS—Cottonseed, steady; prime crude, 25@26c; prime yellow, 29c. Petroleum, strong; refined New York, $9.10; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $9.05. Rosin, quiet. Turpentine, quiet.

OIL CITY, Pa., Oct. 23.—OILS—Credit balances, $1.53; certificates, $1.52½ bid; shipments, 158,805 bbls.; average, 80,887 bbls.; runs, 113,146 bbls.; average, 82,270 bbls.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—WOOL—Steady; medium grades, 15@20½c; light fine, 15@17½c; heavy fine, 12@15½c; tub washed, 19@29½c.

Stock in Sight.

Following are the receipts at the four principal western markets for October 21:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	8,073	2,684	12,963
Chicago	19,000	30,000	18,000
Kansas City	10,000	4,240	5,300
St. Louis	4,000	3,900	1,300
Totals	41,073	40,824	37,563

Unprovoked Murder in Missouri.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 23.—A Star special from Lexington, Mo., says: Thomas Edwards of Waverly, Mo., has been placed in jail here to prevent his being lynched. At Waverly Saturday evening Erwards shot and fatally wounded Sam W. Allen, an aged man and road overseer. Allen had separated quarreling neighbors, when Edwards, who was a disinterested onlooker, called Allen aside and deliberately emptied his revolver into him. One shot struck Allen in the mouth, another shattered his jawbone, while a third struck him in the stomach and a fourth pierced his leg. Allen is dying. The feeling against Edwards is very bitter.

President King, Farmer's Bank, Brooklyn, Mich., has used De Witt's Little Early Risers in his family for years. Says they are the best. These famous little pills cure constipation, biliousness and all liver and bowel troubles.

Ontario	775	Ophir	70
Plymouth	8	Quicksilver	50
do pfd	700	Sierra Nevada	55
Standard	60	Union Con	27
Yellow Jacket	20		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The following are official closing quotations for mining shares:

Cholar	27	Ontario	775
Crown Point	12	Ophir	70
Con. Cal. & Va.	150	Plymouth	8
Deadwood	70	Quicksilver	50
Gould & Curry	25	do pfd	700
Hale & Norcross	30	Sierra Nevada	55
Homestake	6500	Standard	60
Iron Silver	50	Union Con	27
Mexican	29	Yellow Jacket	20

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, Oct. 23.—Prices on the bourse today were firm, being influenced by continued rise in Kaffirs on the London market and the strength shown by other bourses. International securities were inactive. Mine and bank shares were in good demand and higher. Transvaal bonds were strong. Americans were supported and Canadian Pacifics rose substantially.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—Business on the bourse today opened strong, influenced by the advance in Kaffirs. Afterward Rio Tintos, Spanish 4s and Kaffirs reacted. Near the close Kaffirs rallied sharply. Internationals were dull. Rio Tintos were weak. Spanish railroads recovered sensibly on account of the more favorable rates of exchange.

FRANKFORT, Oct. 23.—A firm feeling prevailed on the bourse, the boom in the London market having induced more buying here. Prices, however, closed below the best figures of the day, owing to realizations.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—American securities opened better and later advanced on the statement of the New York associated banks being more satisfactory than expected. The market closed strong with a moderate demand. Gold at Buenos Ayres, 157.10. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today, £76,000.

BERLIN, Oct. 23.—Exchange on London, 20 marks 6½ pfg. for checks.

PARIS, Oct. 23.—