COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Several Conditions Contribute to Rally Prices of Wheat.

COARSE GRAIN MARKETS ARE STRONGER

Corn and Oats Each Show an Improvement, but Provisions, with the Exception of Lard, Record a Loss.

CHICAGO, May 25.—Profit-taking by shorts, better Liverpool cables and the assumption that the fireworks were probable in the May deal, caused a rally in wheat today. July gained 1 1-8c, corn is 1-8c higher and oats showed an improvement of ¼c. In provisions pork shows a loss of 5c and ribs 2½c. Lard is up 2½@5c.

There was some recovery in wheat today from the depression and weakness which ruled yesterday. The Liverpool cables came higher, which was quite unexpected in view of our recent weakness and suggested the idea of manipulation, especially as the continental markets were all lower. The trade was dull, but the late bearish news and the bearish statistics seemed to have been partly forgotten, and there was a good deal of profit-taking. Another reason for strength was the nervous feeling over May and the general expectation that Leiter was sure to put the price of that month materially higher. The inference was that all the futures would be bullishly affected by the excitement and high prices in May, and this, with the higher prices abroad, started shorts to cover and added somewhat to the advancement. There was an effort to put more vigor and strength into July, and the effort was in a measure successful, being helped by the general expectation of bull manipulation by the party in control of May and June. The weather was much cooler, but quite favorable for growing wheat. Liverpool cables are 1d higher. Chicago got 236 cars, against seven last year, and of today's number 164 were contract. Minneapolis and Duluth receipts were moderate, 323 cars. The Atlantic port clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 636,000 bu. July opened ⅛@¼c higher at $1.10 @1.12½, sold off to $1.09¾, up to $1.11¾, back to $1.10, then rallied to $1.12¼ at the close. September began 5-8c higher at 87 7-8@88c, rose to 88½c, fell back to 87¼c and advanced to 88 3-8@88½c, the final quotation. May ranged between $1.57 and $1.70, the latter the closing figure.

At the opening corn was firm, but lost for a time the advance it started with, and again near the close recovered it. Both periods of firmness were caused by the strength in wheat. Receipts were 474 cars. July opened 1-8@¼c better at 34⅛@34 3-8c, sold down to 33 5-8@34¼c and advanced again to 34¾c asked at the close.

Covering by shorts helped oats today. Receipts were 228 cars. July opened 1-8c higher at 24¾c, advanced to 24 7-8@25c, declined to 24½c and rallied at the close to 24 7-8@25c.

The firmness of the speculative articles in provisions today was hard. There was a good deal of commission house selling of pork and some of it was on stop loss orders. Hogs are off 10@15c. July pork opened 7½ @10c lower at $11.77½@11.80, sold up to $11.85, fell off to $11.57½, then advanced to $11.82½ at the close. July lard started 5c lower at $6.12½, advanced to $6.22½, declined to $6.10 and firmed up to $6.20@6.22½, the closing price. July ribs opened 2½c lower at $6.20, sold up to $5.95@5.97½, fell back to $5.80@5.82 and advanced at the close to $5.95.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 217 cars; corn, 640 cars; oats, 340 cars; hogs, 38,000 head.

Leading futures range as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
*Wheat—					
May	1 61	1 70	1 57	1 70	1 65
July	1 12½	1 12¼	1 09¾	1 12¼	1 09¾
Sept	87⅞@88	88½	87⅞	88⅜@⅝	87⅞@⅝
Dec	82⅝@⅞	83½	82⅝	82⅝	82⅝
*Corn—					
May	34¼	34¼	33⅝	34	34⅛
July	34¼@⅜	34¾	33⅞@⅝	34¾	34⅛
Sept	35⅛@¼	35¼	34¼@⅜	35⅛	35
*Oats—					
May	28	28	26¾	27½	28¼
July	24¾	24⅞@25	24½	24¾@25	24⅜
Sept	22⅝@⅝	22⅝@⅝	22	22⅝@⅝	22½
Pork—					
July	11 77½	11 85	11 57½	11 82	11 87½
Sept	11 90	11 97½	11 70	11 95	12 00
Lard—					
July	6 12½	6 22½	6 10	6 22½	6 17½
Sept	6 20	6 30	6 17½	6 30	6 27½
Short Ribs—					
July	5 95	5 97½	5 80	5 95	5 97½
Sept	6 00	6 05	5 87½	6 00	6 05

*No 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; special brands, $7.40; winter patents, $6.60@6.90; winter straights, $6.25@6.50; winter clears, $6.00@6.20; spring patents, $6.75@7.00; bakers', $5.00@5.25.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.20; No. 3 spring, $1.10@1.20; No. 2 red, $1.65.

CORN—No. 2, 36c.

OATS—No. 2, 27c; No. 2 white, 31c; No. 3 white, 29@30c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 40@51c.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, No. 1, $1.33; prime timothy seed, $2.80@2.85.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.60 @11.70. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.10@6.12½. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.90@6.10; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.00@5.25; short clear sides (boxed), $6.25@6.35.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.88; granulated, $5.25; standard A, $5.25.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	18,000	14,900
Wheat, bu	176,800	309,300
Corn, bu	560,900	492,300
Oats, bu	442,000	316,200
Rye, bu	8,700	1,200
Barley, bu	25,100	5,000

On Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 12@15½c; dairies, 11@13. Eggs, firm; fresh, 10@11c. Cheese, quiet; 60@9½c. Live poultry, good demand; spring chickens, 8½@10c; ducks, 6@ 6½c; turkeys, 6@8c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, May 25.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19,711 bbls.; exports, 4,868 bbls.; strong and higher with wheat; winter patents, $6.60@ 7.00; winter straights, $6.25@6.50; Minnesota patents, $6.90@7.40; winter extras, $4.75@5.50; Minnesota bakers, $5.40@5.75; winter low grades, $2.90@3.00. Rye flour, quiet, $3.65@ 4.15.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 80c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 66@67c.

BARLEY—Nominal; feeding, 42c.

BARLEY MALT—Nominal; western, 62@ 75c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 476,375 bu.; exports, 413,987 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2 red, $1.51½ f. o. b. afloat, export grade; No. 2 red, 95½c f. o. b. afloat, September 1 to 15. Options opened higher on Liverpool news and there after was strong, but dull all day, led by July, of which shorts were anxious buyers at times; trade getting quite bullish on July, but opposes late deliveries on the splendid crop prospects. Prices were 7c off on May, 1¾c on July and 5-8@7-8c on later months. No. 2 red, May, $1.53@1.60; closed at $1.53; July, $1.16⅝@1.18⅝; closed at $1.18½.

CORN—Receipts, 200,850 bu.; exports, 105,-022 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 45 1-8c. Options sold off all the forenoon under liquidation, but rallied later with wheat and closed only 1-8@¼c net lower; May, 38 5-8@38 7-8c; closed at 38 5-8c; July, 34 3-8@34½c; closed at 39 1-8c.

OATS—Receipts, 296,400 bu.; exports, 4,575 bu.; sales, 70,000 bu. Spot, weak; No. 2, 33c; No. 2 white, 34½c. Options dull and weak all day, closing ½c net lower; May closed at 33c.

HAY—Lower; shipping, 35@40c; good to choice, 45@75c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1895 crop, 3@4c; 1896 crop, 6@7c; 1898 crop, 6@7c. Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 3@4c; 1896 crop, 6@7c; 1897 crop, 12@14c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 16c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 15c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 17c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 19@20½c.

WOOL—Quiet; fleece, 16@22c; Texas, 12@ 14c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $12.50@ 13.00; extra mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $23.50@24.00; packet, $11.50@12.00; city extra India mess, $18.00@19.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $6.50@7.50; pickled shoulders, $7.50; pickled hams, $7.75@8.50. Lard, steady; western steamed, $6.45; refined, quiet. Pork, steady; mess, $11.75@12.00; short clear, $12.50@14.50; family, $13.00@14.00. Tallow, steady; city, 4c; country, 3¾@4 1-8c, as to quality.

OILS—Petroleum, steady. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.42½@1.45. Turpentine, steady at 29@29½c. Cottonseed oil, inactive; prime crude, 21@22c, nominal; prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 16½@17½c; prime summer yellow, 26c; off summer yellow, 25@25½c. Butter, dull at 28@29c; prime yellow winter, 30@31c.

RICE—Firm; fair to extra, 5 1-8@7¼c; Japan, 5 7-8@6c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle good to choice, 28@32c.

METALS—Today's metal market developed pronounced strength on scarcity of sellers and increased demand and pig iron warrants showed a steadier undertone. Aside from this the situation locally was featureless. At the close pig iron warrants were called steady by the Metal exchange at $6.80 bid and $7 asked; lake copper, very quiet, at $12 bid and $12.10 asked; tin, higher and firm, with $14.80 bid and $14.87½ asked; spelter, quiet, with $4.25 bid and $4.30 asked, and lead inactive, with $3.90 bid and $3.95 asked. Lead is still quoted at $3.50 by the firm fixing the settling price for miners and smelters in the west.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 9½c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 9@11c; separator, 15c; gathered creamery, 13@14c.

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

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, 7@7½; old roosters, 3½@5½c; young roosters, 6@6½c; spring chickens, 20@22c.

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

HAY—Upland, $7.00; midland, $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.

ONIONS—New southern, per lb., 2½c.

CABBAGE—Mississippi, per crate, $2.25.

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

POTATOES—Home grown, 30@35c; Colorado stock, 70c; northern fancy early Ohio seed potatoes, 85c; new, potatoes, per bbl., $3.50; bushel boxes, $1.25.

TOMATOES—Per crate, $3.00@3.25.

BEETS—New, per bu. box, $1.00.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 25@30c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 20@25c.

GREEN ONIONS—Per doz., 10c.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 75c.

WAX BEANS—1-3 bu. box, 75c.

PEAS—Per 1-3 bu., 65@75c.

PIEPLANT—Home grown, per lb., 1c.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Missouris, $4.00.

APPLES—Genetons, $3.75.

GOOSEBERRIES—Per 24-qt. case, $2.00@ 2.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Seedlings, $2.50; Mediterranean sweets, $2.50@2.75.

LEMONS—California, $3.00@3.25; fancy Messina, $3.50@4.00.

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

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 12@ 13c; small, 11c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 11@ 11c; standards, 8@9c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 8@7c; extra large, 8@9c; California 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.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. can, each, $2.75; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

PIGS—Imported, per doz., 3-crown, 14-lb. boxes, 10c; 5-crown, 44-lb. boxes, 13c; 2-lb. boxes, 22@23c per box; California, 10-lb. box, $1.

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

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

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.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3c; tallow, No. 2, 2½c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@2¾c; yellow and brown grease, 1½@2¼c.

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.

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, 50c; muskrat, 3c, 5c, 7c; raccoon, 15@60c; red fox, 25c@$1.25; gray fox, 25@50c; wolf (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c; silver fox, $5.00@75.00.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 7½c; good forequarters steers, 6c; good hindquarters steers, 9c; western steers, 7c; native heifers, 6½c; good forequarters heifers, 5½c; good hindquarters heifers, 8½c; native cows, 6½c; western cows, 6½c; cow forequarters, 3½c; cow hindquarters, 5½c; backhalves, cow, 6½c; steer, 7c; triangles, cow, 4½c; steer, 5½c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, fresh, 18c; frozen, 16c; boneless strips, fresh, 11c; strip loins, fresh, 9c; frozen, 7½c; rolls, boneless, fresh, 8c; frozen, 7c; sirloin cuts, fresh, 11c; sirloin butts, boneless, fresh, 11c; shoulder clods, boneless, 6½c; rump butts, boneless, 6c; No. 1 chucks, 5½c; No. 2 chucks, 5½c; No. 3 chucks, 5c; boneless chucks, frozen, 5c; fresh, 5½c; cow plates, 4½c; steer plates, 4½c; flank steak, 8c; loins, No. 1, 20c; frozen, 10½c; ribs, No. 1, frozen, 10c; fresh, 12½c; ribs, No. 2, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10½c; ribs, No. 3, frozen, 6c; fresh, 8½c; No. 1 rounds, 7½c; No. 2 rounds, 7½c; No. 3 rounds, 7c; beef rounds, shank off, ¾c additional; beef rounds, shank and rump off, 1½c additional; trimmings, 4½c; beef shanks, 3c; brains, per doz., 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., frozen, 10c; fresh, 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 3c; livers, per lb., 3c; hearts, per lb., 3c; tongues, per lb., 12c; calf livers, each, 35c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 10½c; calf head and feet, scalded, per set, 75c.

MUTTON—Spring lambs, 10c; regular lambs, 9c; sheep, 8c; market racks (long), 9c; hotel racks (short), 11c; loins, 9½c; saddles, 10c; legs, 10½c; lamb legs, 12c; breasts and stews, 3c; tongues, each, 3c; forequarters, 6c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5½c; dressed hogs, 5½c; tenderloins, 12c; loins, small, 7½c; large, 7½c; spare ribs, 4½c; ham sausage butts, 6c; Boston Butts, 5½c; shoulders, rough, 5½c; shoulders, skinned, 5½c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 4½c; cleaned lard, 3c; snouts and ears, 3c; fresh hams, 16 to 18 lbs., 7½c; fresh short clears, 5½c; cheek meat, 4c; neckbones, 2c; pigs' tails, 3c; plucks, each, 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each, 3c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 30c; livers, each, 3c; hog rinds, 3c; blade bones, 5c.

St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—FLOUR—Quiet and lower; patents, $6.00@6.25; straights, $5.50@ 5.75; clear, $5.00@5.25; medium, $4.50@4.75.

WHEAT—Higher, closing strong at the top, with the exception of May, which was lie off; July closed 2 1-8c, September 1 1-8c and December 1c above yesterday; spot higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, $1.25; track, $1.26; May, $1.27; July, 99 1-8c bid; September, 85 1-8c bid; December, 83c; No. 2 hard cash, $1.25½.

CORN—Futures firm, with only fractional changes from yesterday; No. 2 cash, 32c; May, 32 2-8c bid; July, 32¼c bid; September, 33 3-8c asked.

OATS—Futures weak and fractionally lower than yesterday; spot lower; No. 2 cash, 30c; track, 29½@29¾c; May, 30c asked; July, 24¼c; September, 22½c. No. 2 white, 31@32c.

RYE—Nominal at 61c.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, nominally lower at $1.07@1.08; prime timothy seed, $2.60@2.65.

CORNMEAL—Strong at $1.90@2.00.

BRAN—Dull; sacked, 60@62c.

HAY—Strong and scarce; prairie, $7.50@ 10.00; timothy, $8.50@12.50.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 14@16c; dairy, 10@14c.

EGGS—Steady at 9½c.

WHISKY—Nominal at $1.23.

COTTON TIES—70c.

BAGGING—5 1-8@6 3-8c.

METALS—Lead, firm at $3.47½@3.50. Spelter, nominal at $4.10.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; standard mess, jobbing, $11.75@11.80. Lard, quiet; prime steam, $6.00; choice, $6.15 bid. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.87½; extra short clear, $6.75; ribs, $6.87½; shorts, $7.00. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $5.37½; extra short clear, $6.25; ribs, $6.37½; shorts, $6.50.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 30,-000 bu.; corn, 92,000 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 26,000 bu.; corn, 140,000 bu.; oats, 10,000 bu.

New York Produce Market.

NEW YORK, May 25.—BUTTER—Receipts, 12,211 pkgs.; western, 12@16c; Elgins, 16c; factory, 12½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 3,933 pkgs.; market weak; light skims, 5@6c; part skims, 5@5½c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 1,064 pkgs.; market steady at 10@11½c.

SUGAR—Market firm; raw strong; fair refining, 3⅝c; centrifugal, 4⅝c; refined, powdered, 5 5-8c; granulated, 5 3-8c.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

ST. LOUIS, May 25.—Receipts: Wheat, 16 cars.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 25.—Receipts: Wheat, 185 cars.

CHICAGO, May 25.—Receipts today: Wheat, 236 cars; corn, 474 cars; oats, 228 cars. Estimated tomorrow: Wheat, 217 cars; corn, 640 cars; oats, 340 cars.

DULUTH, May 25.—Receipts: Wheat, 138 cars.

KANSAS CITY, May 25.—Receipts: Wheat, 78 cars.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, May 25.—WHEAT—Market very dull, 2@3c lower; No. 1 hard, $1.22; No. 2 hard, $1.24½; No. 3, $1.16½@1.18; No. 4 red, $1.25; No. 2, $1.24½ for fancy; No. 3, $1.16@1.17; No. 2 spring, $1.18@1.19; No. 3, $1.14@1.16; one car white mixed at $1.08.

CORN—Market slow and lower; No. 2 mixed, 30¾@31½c; No. 2 white, 32½@32c; No. 3, 31½c.

OATS—Market slow and about steady; No. 2 white, 31c.

RYE—Market weak; No. 2, 56c.

HAY—Market active; prairie lower; choice, $9.50@9.75; timothy about steady; choice, $10.00.

BUTTER—Market steady; creamery, 12½ @14c; dairy, 10@12c.

EGGS—Market firm; fresh, 8½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 46,800 bu.; corn, 58,500 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 73,600 bu.; corn, 63,-000 bu.; oats, 14,000 bu.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, May 25.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 1 red northern, spring, steady, 11s; July, 10s 7d; September, 7s 7½d; December, 7s 1d.

CORN—Spot American mixed, new, steady, 3s 6½d; futures, quiet, May, 3s 6 1-8d; July, 3s 6¾d; September, 3s 7d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, dull, 12s 9d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), dull £3@4.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; extra India mess, 58s; prime mess, 68s. Pork, prime mess, medium western, 53s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., dull, 34s. Bacon, dull, 33s 6d; short ribs, 34s; long clear middles, light, 35s; long clear middles, heavy, 34s 6d; shoulders, clear, 34s 6d; clear bellies, 34s. Shoulders, square, dull, 26s 6d. Lard, prime western, dull, 31s 6d. Tallow, prime city, firm.

CHEESE—Dull; American finest white, 40s; finest colored, 42s.

OILS—Cottonseed oil, Liverpool refined, steady, 16s 9d. Turpentine spirits, steady, 26s 9d. Rosin, common, firm, 5s 7½d.

Imports of wheat into Liverpool for the week: From Atlantic ports, 73,900 quarters; from Pacific ports, none; from other ports, 17,000 quarters. Imports of corn into Liverpool from Atlantic ports for the week, 55,-000 quarters.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, May 25.—FLOUR—Firm; western superfine, $3.75@4.00; western extra, $4.00@5.25; western family, $5.35@5.35; winter wheat, $6.50@6.85. Receipts, 3,640 bbls.; exports, 832 bbls.

WHEAT—Unsettled; spot and the month, $1.34½@1.34 5-8; July, $1.12¾ asked; steamer No. 2 red, $1.28½@1.28 5-8. Receipts, 63,388 bu.; exports, none; southern wheat by sample, $1.30@1.35½; southern wheat on grade, $1.30@1.35.

CORN—Weak and lower; spot and June, 34@38c; July, 38¼@38 3-8c; steamer mixed, 36¾@37c. Receipts, 26,245 bu.; exports, 257,-537 bu.; southern white corn, 40c asked; southern yellow, 39@40c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 2 white, 37½@38c; No. 2 mixed, 34c. Receipts, 43,646 bu.; exports, 40,025 bu.

RYE—Dull and lower; No. 2 nearby, 63c; No. 2 western, 65c. Receipts, 11,928 bu.; exports, none.

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

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Demoralized; rates generally nominal; steam to Liverpool, per bu., 4d, June; Cork for orders, per quarter, 38@38 4d, June.

BUTTER—Steady; fancy creamery, 17c; fancy imitation, 16c; fancy ladle, 15c; good ladle, 14c; store packed, 12@13c.

EGGS—Weak; fresh, 10c.

New Orleans Market.

NEW ORLEANS, May 25.—HOG PRODUCTS—Quiet and easier; pork, standard mess, $12.00@12.25. Lard, refined tierce, 4 3-8 @4½c; pure lard, 6 5-8@6¾c. Box meats, dry salt shoulders, 6 [illegible] ¾c; sides, 6 5-8@6¾c. Bacon, clear ribs, [illegible]-8@7½c. Hams, choice sugar cured, 9@10½c.

COFFEE—Firm; Rio, ordinary to good, 4 5-8@5½c.

FLOUR—Steady; fancy extra, $6.00@6.10; patents, $6.25@6.37½.

CORNMEAL—2@10c.

BRAN—80c.

HAY—Prime, $15.00@16.00; choice, $17.00@ 17.50.

CORN—No. 2 sacked, medium mixed, 44½c; white and yellow, 45c.

OATS—No. 2 sacked, 37½c.

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI, May 25.—FLOUR—Dull; fancy, $5.35@5.70; family, $5.00@5.25.

WHEAT—Easier; No. 2 red, $1.25.

CORN—Quiet; No. 2 mixed, 37c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 31 1-8@31¼c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2, 58c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, quiet, $6.00. Bulk meats, steady, $6.40. Bacon, quiet, $7.00.

WHISKY—Firm; $1.23.

BUTTER—Firmer; Elgin creamery, 17½c; Ohio, 12@15c; dairy, 9½c.

SUGAR—Easy; hard refined, $4.47@6.10.

EGGS—Quiet at 9c.

CHEESE—Dull; good to prime Ohio flat, 8@8½c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, May 25.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Apples, strong and other fruits steady; evaporated apples, common, 6@8c; prime wire tray, 9@9½c; choice, 9½@ 10c; fancy, 10c. Prunes, 4@5½c. Apricots, Royal, 8@10c; Moore Park, 10@12c. Peaches, unpeeled, 5@9c; peeled, 12@16c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, May 25.—CORN—Market lower; No. 2, 33½c.

OATS—Market dull and lower; No. 2 white, 29½c.

WHISKY—Market firm; high proof spirits, $1.22½.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., May 25.—WHEAT—Active and firm; No. 2 cash and May, $1.41.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 35½c.

OATS—Dull and lower; No. 2 mixed, 29c.

CLOVERSEED—Dull; prime clover, $3.60.

San Francisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 25.—WHEAT—Weak; December, $1.52 3-8c; May, $1.59.

BARLEY—Quiet; December, $1.21 3-8c.

Sugar Market.

NEW ORLEANS, May 25.—SUGAR—Open kettle, strong, 3¾c; white, 4⅛@4 5-8c; yellows, 4¼@4½c; seconds, 2½@3 7-8c. Molasses, steady; centrifugal, 5@13c.

NEW YORK, May 25.—SUGAR—Raw, strong, tending upward; fair refining, 3⅞ @3 3-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 5-16c; refined, in mould A, 5 5-8c; standard A, 5¼c; confectioners' A, cut loaf, 5 7-8c; crushed, 5 7-8c; powdered, 5 5-8c; granulated, 5 3-8c; cubes, 5 5-8c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bears Attack the Market with the Result of Livening Some Prices.

NEW YORK, May 25.—It was a day of maneuvering for position between the opposing elements among the traders on the Stock exchange. The bear faction took heart and tested the market at various points with a view of dislodging some of the stocks which were bought yesterday in the excitement over the supposed victory in Cuban waters. The complete discrediting of yesterday's flood of rumors made the market seem vulnerable this morning. Declines of Americans in London added to this appearance, and there was selling for London account in the early dealings in place of the rather urgent buying which was a feature of yesterday's market. The completion of the settlement on the London exchange apparently ended the demand, which was distributed to a large outstanding short interest. But the early reaction did not go far and was checked by the vigorous support and stimulated rise of a number of the leading specialties, including Manhattan and Metropolitan Street Railway, on revived rumors of consolidation. Sugar, People's Gas and New Jersey Central were also strong, and shortly after the market, and a little later Third Avenue joined the local traction stocks with a jump of 6 points. Most of the Vanderbilt stocks developed strength after buying of New York Central had lifted its price to 117½. A number of trunk lines and coalers shared in the strength, but the railroad list as a whole continued sluggish and did not respond readily to the impetus which it was sought to impart by this lifting of special stocks. The demand proved light and prices drooped. The bears were thus encouraged to more vigorous measures to bring about a decline. Their attack was directed against the specialties with a view to uncovering stop loss orders. This they succeeded in doing in Metropolitan Street Railway, Tobacco and one or two other specialties. Declines in these stocks ranged from 1 to 4 points and railroads were extended to a point. No general liquidation was induced, however, and there was some covering at the decline, so that the market rallied and closed dull and firm. Manhattan showed good resistance and retained a good part of its advance. In the railroad list some of the Vanderbilts and the coalers are closed higher. Minneapolis Iron, Third Avenue and Great Northern continued to show conspicuous strength. Otherwise net losses were the rule. From the speculative point of view the bottling up of the Spanish fleet in Santiago seems to be considered the next best thing to the defeat of the fleet in battle. The issuance of the president's call for 75,000 more volunteers was made use of by the bears in their afternoon raid. There was not much doing in the bond market, but prices were firmly held. Total sales, $2,400,000. United States old 4s, registered, advanced ¼ per cent and 4s, coupon, 1 per cent in the bid price. The new 4s were bid up 3-8 per cent, but declined again.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram: The Epsom races and the coming holidays made all the stock markets there stagnant and featureless today. Brazils have fallen on realization selling by those who had early information of the debt arrangements. Americans were quiet. Mines were dull on President Kruger's refusal to recognize British suzerainty in the Transvaal. The London statement that the Bank of England had reduced the buying price of American coin was incorrect. The London discount rate fell today to 2 3-8 per cent. This continued weakness is partly caused by the death of American bills, but it is believed that the New York money market may yet harden. Options as to a change in the Bank of England discount rate tomorrow are evenly divided.

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

Atchison	12⅞	St. P. & Om	79
do pfd	31⅛	do pfd	148
Baltimore & Ohio	18⅞	St. P. M. & M	137
Canada Pacific	84	So. Pacific	15¾
Canada Southern	52⅝	So. Railway	8⅛
Central Pacific	13⅝	So. Railway pfd	29⅞
Ches. & Ohio	21⅝	Texas & Pacific	11⅝
Chicago & Alton	150	Union Pacific	58⅝
*C., B. & Q.	101⅛	U. P. D. & G.	7⅝
C. & E. I.	80	Wabash	7⅝
C. C. C. & St. L.	34⅛	Wabash pfd	19⅝
do pfd	75	Wheel. & L. E.	2⅞
Del. & Hudson	107	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	11⅝
Del. L. & W.	152	Adams Ex.	100
Den. & Rio G.	12	American Ex.	128
do pfd	47	United States Ex.	41
Erie new	12⅝	Wells Fargo Ex.	117
Erie 1st pfd	35⅝	Am. Cot. Oil	22
Ft. Wayne	168	A. Cot. Oil pfd	74⅛
Great Northern pfd	117	Am. Spirits	12⅝
Hocking Valley	6	Am. Spirits pfd	31⅛
Illinois Central	103⅛	Am. Tobacco	107⅝
Lake Erie & W.	15	do pfd	117
do pfd	72⅛	People's Gas	87⅝
Lake Shore	198	Tenn. Gas	193⅛
Louisville & Nash.	54⅝	Com. Cable Co.	160
Manhattan L.	100⅛	Col. F. & Iron	22⅛
Met. St. Ry.	160	do pfd	90
Michigan Central	103⅛	Gen. Electric	36⅝
Minn. & St. L.	27	Illinois Steel	51
do 1st pfd	80⅛	La Clede Gas	47⅝
Mo. Pacific	34⅝	Lead	33⅝
Mobile & Ohio	29	do pfd	104⅝
Mob. & Bir.	11	Nat. Lin. Oil	28
Mo. K. & T. pfd	35	Oregon Imp. Co.	28⅛
Chi., Ind. & L.	9	Pacific Mail	27⅛
do pfd	28	Pullman Pal.	189
N. J. Central	95⅛	Silver Certificates	57⅛
N. Y. Central	116⅝	Stand. Rope & T.	6⅝
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	13	Sugar	137⅝
do 1st pfd	65	do pfd	112
do 2d pfd	30	T. C. & Iron	25⅝
Norfolk & Western	13⅛	U. S. Leather	8⅝
No. Amer. Co.	5⅝	do pfd	68⅛
No. Pacific	26⅛	U. S. Rubber	20⅝
do pfd	60	do pfd	70
Oregon Nav.	51	Western Union	91⅛
Ore. Short Line	29	Northwestern	128
Pittsburg	168	do pfd	170⅛
Reading	18⅛	R. G. & W.	24⅛
Rock Island	101⅛	R. G. & W. pfd	64⅛
S. L. & S. F.	7⅝	Chi. Gt. West	14⅛
do 1st pfd	61⅛	St. L. & S. W.	4⅛
St. Paul	98⅝	do pfd	10⅛
do pfd	147	Reading 1st pfd	45⅝
Hawaii C. C.	19		

Total sales of stocks today, 370,600 shares, including 9,075 Atchison preferred, 10,275 Burlington, 10,720 Louisville & Nashville, 37,650 Manhattan, 15,559 Metropolitan, 17,255 Missouri Pacific, 17,211 New York Central, 4,800 Northern Pacific, 71,335 Northern Pacific preferred, 11,130 Rock Island, 13,290 St. Paul, 5,470 Southern preferred, 18,570 Union Pacific, preferred, 4,500 Wabash preferred, 30,232 Tobacco, 5,900 Chicago Great Western, 12,792 Peoples' Gas, 21,359 Sugar, 10,950 Leather preferred.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, May 25.—MONEY ON CALL—Nominally, 1½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4½@5½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86¾@ 4.88½ for demand and $4.84¼ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.85@4.87½; commercial bills, $4.82¼@4.83.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—57¼@58c.

BAR SILVER—57½c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45¼c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Dull, strong; new 4s, re. and coupon, 121 7-8c; 4s, reg., 108⅝; coup. n, 109½@111; 5s, 98 5-8c, reg. 110½; coupon, 110½@111½; Pacific 6s of '99, 103.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s, reg.	122⅝	N. C. ds	122⅝
U. S. new 4s cou.	122⅝	N. C. 4s	105
U. S. 4s, reg.	109⅝	No. Pacific 1sts	116⅛