COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Market Breaks Away from Joseph Leiter's Control.

JULY AND SEPTEMBER SHOW A DECLINE

All Other Markets Are Followers, Corn and Oats Each Showing a Loss, and Provisions Being Lower.

CHICAGO, May 26.—Despite Mr. Leiter's efforts the wheat market broke away from him today as far as July, September and later futures were concerned. July shows a decline of 2¼c and September is off 2½c. Corn is down 1@1 1-8c and oats 3-8@½c. Pork and ribs are 5c lower and lard 2½c.

There was a good deal or excitement in wheat, but the actual trading was somewhat limited. The sentiment of the crowd was unquestionably bearish, but the position of Leiter and the danger of bull manipulation held the selling impulse in check and as a consequence the business was light in volume. Leiter took hold of the buying side at the start, more especially of May and July, bidding the former up to $1.75 and the latter to $1.11½. This made the shorts in September and December somewhat fearful that the prices for those months might advance in sympathy and there was an effort to cover that sent September up to 89c. Later the buying operations of Leiter were perceptibly lessened and with the loss of this support and the unfavorable cables the market turned weak and the bears began to show courage and acted on their convictions. The market near the close of the session became heavy on old crop futures. Leiter continued to hold May and June, July, however, got so much too heavy for the lifting power which he exerted in its favor, or so slippery in the end from the melting around it of September and December prices, that it went down in the melee. Texas was said to be offering new wheat freely for early June shipment. The great overshadowing fact kept in mind by the traders was the magnificent crop prospects of the world, and more especially east of the Rockies in the United States and Canada. Otherwise sentiment would apparently have been all that the most ardent bull could have desired. The receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth were only 316 cars, against 404 cars a year ago, and as the price of cash wheat in those markets today was from $1.55 to $1.58 it is evident that wheat in first hands in the northwest is about exhausted. In fact, the larger part of receipts at Minneapolis are now said to come from the southwest. Chicago receipts were 216 cars, 141 cars of which were contract. The receipts a year ago were 4 cars. Exports from the Atlantic seaports were equal in wheat and flour to 541,000 bu. July opened ⅝@1¼c higher at $1.13¾@1.13½, sold up rapidly to $1.14¾, declined to $1.09½ and rallied to $1.10 asked at the close. September started ⅝c lower at 81 7-8@88c, advanced to 89c, sold off to 85 5-8c and rose to 89⅛@89 3-8c, the closing figure. May ranged between $1.70 and $1.75.

Bull support steadied corn for a while, but this was offset by lack of shipping demand and the general disbelief in the theory that the chances for the next crop have been as yet jeopardized to any extent by backward weather. The break in wheat also carried corn down. Receipts, 678 cars. July opened ¼@5-8c lower at 33 7-8@34c, sold up to 34⅛@34 3-8c, then back to 33c and up to 33 1-8@33¼c at the close.

There was a good cash demand in oats today and prices ruled higher until the break in corn. Receipts, 239 cars. July opened 1-8c lower at 24⅜@24 7-8c, advanced steadily to 25@25 1-8c, then fell off to 24¼c at the close.

Early in the session provisions were firm and at times decidedly strong. They finally yielded some with grain. Lard was firmer comparatively than pork or ribs. The crowd thought that there was Armour buying and Cudahy selling. Hogs were 5c higher. July pork opened 15c higher at $11.95@11.97½, advanced rapidly to $12.50, dropped to $11.72½ and then rose to $11.77½ bid at the close. July lard began 7½@10c higher at $6.30, advanced to $6.32½, fell back to $6.20 and at the close was quoted at $6.22½. July ribs were 2½c up at the opening at $5.97½, rose to $6.02½ and declined to $5.90, the final quotation.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 300 cars; corn, 1,100 cars; oats, 415 cars; hogs, 23,000 head.

Leading futures range as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
*Wheat—					
May...	1 70	1 75	1 75	1 75	1 70
July...	1 13⅜@¼	1 14¾	1 09½	1 10	1 12¼
Sept...	87⅞-88	89	85⅝	86¼@⅜	88⅛@⅜
Dec...	.....	.....	.....	.....	83⅞
*Corn—					
May...	34¼	34¼@⅜	33⅛	33⅝	34
July...	33⅞-34	34⅛@⅜	33	33⅛@⅜	34¼
Sept...	34⅞-35	35⅛	33⅞	34@⅛	35⅛
*Oats—					
May...	27½	27¾	27½	27¾	27⅝
July...	24⅝@⅞	25⅛	24¼	24¼	24⅞-25
Sept...	22⅝	22⅝@⅞	21⅞	21⅞	22⅝@⅞
Pork—					
July...	11 95	12 50	11 72½	11 77½	11 82
Sept...	12 15	12 17½	11 85	11 87½	11 95
Lard—					
July...	6 30	6 32½	6 20	6 22½	6 22½
Sept...	6 32½	6 40	6 27½	6 30	6 30
Ribs—					
July...	5 97½	6 02½	5 90	5 90	5 95
Sept...	6 05	6 12½	5 97½	6 00	6 00

*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@1.30; No. 2 red, $1.09@1.70.

CORN—No. 2, 34 1-8@34¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 27½c; No. 2 white, 31c; No. 3 white, 29½@30c.

RYE—No. 2, 65c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 38@51c.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, No. 1, $1.31; prime timothy seed, $1.75@2.85.

PROVISIONS—Pork, mess, per bbl., $11.65@11.70. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.20@6.25. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.85@6.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.00@5.25; short clear sides (boxed), $6.30@6.40.

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

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	8,500	16,200
Wheat, bu	103,200	452,700
Corn, bu	473,400	622,400
Oats, bu	372,300	27,400
Rye, bu	8,400	.....
Barley, bu	25,500	3,600

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 13@15½c; dairy, 11@13c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 10c. Cheese, unchanged. Live poultry, active; spring chickens, 8½@10½c; ducks, 6@6½c; turkeys, 6@8c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, May 26.—FLOUR—Receipts, 23,411 bbls.; exports, 12,023 bbls.; shade weaker with wheat and less active; winter patents, $6.50@6.90; winter straights, $6.25@6.45; Minnesota patents, $6.90@7.35; Minnesota bakers, $5.30@5.65. Rye flour, dull at $3.65@4.10.

CORNMEAL—Easier; yellow western, 79c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 70@71c.

BARLEY—Nominal; feeding, 72c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 63@75c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 512,456 bu.; exports, 288,622 bu.; spot steady; No. 2 red, $1.04½ f. o. b. afloat; export grade, 94½c f. o. b. afloat, September 1 to 15. Options opened easy under selling pressure, but rallied in all months on favorable Liverpool cables and a scarcity of July shorts. Succeeding this came a late break under liquidation and short selling in all months but May, which closed 3c higher, against May 1 7-8c decline in late positions; No. 2 red, $1.43@1.56, closed at $1.56; July, $1.16⅛@1.20, closed at $1.17.

CORN—Receipts, 231,075 bu.; exports, 229,425 bu.; spot weak; No. 2, 32 3-8c. Options steady at first on wet weather news, but yielded later to liquidation and weak cables, closing 7-8@⅞c net lower; May closed at 37 5-8c; July, 33 1-8@33 1-8c, closed at 33 1-8c.

OATS—Receipts, 247,800 bu.; exports, 125,025 bu.; spot dull; No. 2, 33¼c; No. 2 white, 34½c. Options dull and unchanged without trading feature; 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., 13c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 18c.

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, $12.00@14.00; 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, active; prime crude, 21@22c, nominal; prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 16½@17½c; prime summer yellow, 26c; off summer yellow, 25@25½c. Butter oil, dull at 28@29c; prime yellow winter, 30@31c.

RICE—Firm; fair to extra, 5 1-8@5¾c; Japan, 5 1-8@6c.

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

METALS—The feature of today's metal market was a decided improvement in the lead department. Aside from this the situation remains about the same as yesterday. The Metal exchange reports pig iron warrants unchanged, with $6.50 bid and $7.00 asked; lake copper unchanged, with $12.00 bid and $12.10 asked; tin unchanged, with $14.30 bid and $14.37½ asked; spelter firm, with $4.25 bid and $4.30 asked; lead firmer, with $3.65 bid and $3.70 asked. The firm fixing the settling price for leading miners and smelters in the west quotes lead at $3.50.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5,052 pkgs.; market firm; western creamery, 14@16½c; Elgins, 16½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,075 pkgs.; market quiet; light skims, 5½@6c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 3,855 pkgs.; market firmer; western, 12c; southern, 11½c.

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, 50@55c; Colorado, stock, 70c; northern fancy early Ohio seed potatoes, 55c; 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—1-2 bu. box, 75c.

PEAS—Per 1-2 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, 10c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 11@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.

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

FIGS—Imported, fancy, 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, 3½@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@80c; wolf (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@10c; 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, 8½c; 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, 11c; rolls, Spencer 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, 3½c; plank steak, 6c; loins, No. 1, frozen, 12c; fresh 14½c; loins, No. 2, frozen, 10c; fresh, 12½c; loins, No. 3, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10½c; short loins, 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, 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, 1c; 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, 5¾c; 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, 5¾c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 6c; heads, cleaned, 3c; snouts and ears, 3c; fresh hams, 16 to 18 lbs., 7½c; fresh short clears, 5¾c; 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 General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, May 26.—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—Closed firm but lower, except for May, which was 2c higher than yesterday; July closed 1⅛@¼c, September 2½c and December 1½c under yesterday; spot, steady; No. 2 red cash, elevator, $1.25; track, $1.25@1.28; May, $1.29 asked; July, 97½c bid; September, 83 3-8c bid; December, 81¾c; No. 2 hard cash, $1.25, nominal.

CORN—Futures unsettled and fractionally over 1c lower than yesterday, in sympathy with wheat; spot, steady; No. 2 cash, 32c bid; May, 32c bid; July, 31 1-8c; September, 32 1-8c bid.

OATS—Futures exceptionally lower; spot, nominal; No. 2 cash, track, 29½@30c; May, 29c bid, 30¼c asked; July, 24c asked; September, 22¼c bid; No. 2 white, 31@32c.

RYE—Steady at 3c.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, nominal at $1.28; prime timothy seed, $2.60@2.65.

CORNMEAL—Strong at $1.90@2.00.

BRAN—Quiet but firm; sacked, east track, 58c.

HAY—Firm; prairie, $7.50@10.00.

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

EGGS—Steady at 9½c.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.23.

BAGGING—5 7-8@6 3-8c.

METALS—Lead, steady at $3.55. Spelter, strong and higher at $4.15@4.17½.

PROVISIONS—Pork, quiet and steady; standard mess, jobbing, $11.75. Lard, dull and easier; prime steam, $5.95; choice, $6.00@6.10. 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, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 23,000 bu.; corn, 85,000 bu.; oats, 27,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 2,000 bbls.; wheat, 15,000 bu.; corn, 115,000 bu.; oats, 38,000 bu.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, May 26.—FLOUR—Firm; western superfine, $3.75@4.00; western extra, $4.60@5.25; western family, $5.85@6.25; winter wheat, $6.50@6.85; receipts, 2,539 bbls.; exports, 16,832 bbls.

WHEAT—Dull; spot, $1.25 bid; month, $1.25½@1.26; July, $1.14@1.14½; steamer, No. 2 red, $1.20 bid; receipts, 65,405 bu.; exports, none; southern wheat, by sample, $1.30@1.36; southern wheat, on grade, $1.31¼@1.32¼.

CORN—Firmer; spot, month and July, 28 1-8@28 3-8c; July, 28½@28¾c; steamer mixed, 27 1-8@27 3-8c; receipts, 223,161 bu.; exports, 77,143 bu.; southern white and yellow corn, 29@30c.

OATS—Easier; No. 2 white, 27@27½c; No. 2 mixed, 25½@25¾c; receipts, 42,115 bu.; exports, none.

RYE—Dull and easier; No. 2 nearby, 67½c; No. 2 western, 68½c; receipts, 6,225 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@3s 4d. June.

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

EGGS—Weak; fresh, 10c.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, May 26.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 1 red northern, spring, steady, 11s; July, 10s 6d; September, 7s 7½d; December, 7s 4½d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, steady, 3s 6d; futures, quiet; May, 3s 6 1-8d; July, 3s 6¼d; September, 3s 6d.

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

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

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; extra India mess, 55s; prime mess, 63s 9d. Pork, prime mess, medium western, 52s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., dull, 33s. Bacon, dull, 32s; short ribs, 34s; long clear middles, light, 35s; long clear middles, heavy, 34s 6d; short clear backs, 34s 6d; clear bellies, 33s. Shoulders, square, dull, 26s. Lard, prime western, dull, 31s 6d. Tallow, prime city, steady, 25s 6d.

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

OILS—Cottonseed oil, Liverpool refined, steady, 16s 9d. Turpentine spirits, steady, 26s 3d. Rosin, common, firm, 5s 7½d.

Imports of wheat into Liverpool for the week: From Atlantic ports, 73,000 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.

Wool Market.

BOSTON, Mass., May 26.—The following are the quotations for leading descriptions:

Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces: X and above, 25@26c; XX and XX and above, 25c; delaine, 30c; No. 1 combing, 30c; No. 2 combing, 28c. Michigan, Wisconsin, etc.: X Michigan, 23c; No. 1 Michigan combing, 28c; No. 1 Illinois combing, 29c; No. 2 Michigan combing, 25c; No. 2 Illinois combing, 26c; X New York, New Hampshire and Vermont, 22@23c; XX New York, New Hampshire and Vermont, 23c; unwashed medium, Kentucky and Indiana quarter-blood combing, 22@23c; Kentucky and Indiana three-eighths-blood combing, 22@23c; Missouri quarter-blood combing, 21@22c; Missouri three-eighths-blood combing, 22@23c; braid combing, 20c; lake and Georgia, 19@20c. Texas wools: Spring medium (twelve months), 16@18c; scoured, 40@42c; spring, fine (twelve months), 16@17c; scoured, 43@45c. Territory wools: Montana, fine medium and fine, 15@18c; scoured, 45c; staple, 48c; Utah, Wyoming, etc., fine medium and fine, 14@15c; scoured, 43@45c; staple, 48c. Australian wools: Scoured basis, combing superfine, 70@72c; combing, good, 65@68c; combing, average, 62@65c; Queensland combing, 65c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, May 26.—WHEAT—Hard, sold higher, closing weak; soft, unsalable; No. 1 hard, $1.22; No. 2, $1.20@1.22½; No. 3, $1.15@1.20½; No. 1 red, $1.20@1.25; No. 2, $1.20; No. 3, $1.17@1.20; No. 2 spring, $1.17@1.18; No. 3, $1.16.

CORN—Active, higher; No. 2 mixed, 31@31¼c; No. 2 white, 33@33½c; No. 3, 32½c.

OATS—Dull, steady; No. 2 white, 31c.

RYE—Weak; No. 2, 56c.

HAY—Dull, lower; choice timothy, $10.25; choice prairie, $9.50.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 12½@14½c; dairy, 11@12c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh, 8½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 41,400 bu.; corn, 60,400 bu.; oats, 6,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 51,600 bu.; corn, 55,900 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI, May 26.—FLOUR—Dull; fancy, $5.25@5.40; family, $5.00@5.25.

WHEAT—Easier; No. 2 red, $1.20@1.25.

CORN—Dull and lower; No. 2 mixed, 36½c.

OATS—Weak and lower; No. 2 mixed, 30½c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2, 58c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, steady at $6.05; bulk meats, steady at $6.25; bacon, steady at $7.15.

WHISKY—Quiet at $1.21.

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

SUGAR—Easy; hard refined, $4.47@6.10.

EGGS—Quiet at 9c.

CHEESE—Easy and lower; good to prime Ohio flat, 7@7½c.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

ST. LOUIS, May 26.—Receipts, wheat, thirty cars.

CHICAGO, May 26.—Receipts today: Wheat, 216 cars; corn, 687 cars; oats, 286 cars. Estimated tomorrow: Wheat, 310 cars; corn, 110 cars; oats, 415 cars.

KANSAS CITY, May 26.—Receipts: Wheat, 69 cars.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., May 26.—WHEAT—Active and lower; No. 2 cash and May, $1.38 bid.

CORN—Active and weak; No. 2 mixed, 35½c.

OATS—Dull and lower; No. 2 mixed, 28c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 cash, 61c.

CLOVERSEED—Dull and higher; prime October, $3.67.

Buffalo Market.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 26.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 60c; No. 1 winter, 40c.

CORN—No. 2, 38c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 33½c.

BARLEY—Western offering at 48@52c.

RYE—No. 2, in store, 68c.

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, Mich., May 26.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, $1.15; No. 2 red, cash and May, $1.20.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 37½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 31½c.

RYE—No. 2, 60c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, May 26.—CORN—Easy, lower; No. 2, 33½c.

OATS—Dull, lower; No. 3 white, 27c.

WHISKY—Steady; $1.22.

San Francisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—WHEAT—Firm; December, $1.48 1-8; May, $1.50.

BARLEY—Firm; December, $1.19¾.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Movement of Prices is Confined to a Few Special Stocks.

NEW YORK, May 26.—The movement of prices worthy of particular note in the stock market today was confined to a few special stocks, as was also a large part of the activity in the trading. A majority of the list was somewhat dull and neglected. This was due to the contract movement of the few stocks that showed pronounced activity, but also to the arrival of the Spanish fleet in the harbor of Santiago and its consequent sealing up. The fact of the matter is that the market has for some time been expecting a sensational naval victory and its failure to respond to the more prosaic results of naval strategy is a disappointment to the bulls and gives some encouragement to the bears. There were very positive elements of strength in the market which served to lift prices at one time quite materially above last night's close. The mainstay of the market was Rock Island, which rose at one time 2½ points. The approaching meeting of the directors to act on the dividend and the various rumors as to the rate of the dividends and as to the measures for the distribution of the surplus were motives for the buying. Little profit-taking in this stock had any small part in the final reaction in the market. Its early result was supplemented by buying for London account of the international stocks and by commission house buying of the grangers. The local traction stocks enjoyed their season of strength as well. Great Northern preferred rose nearly 4 points to 171, a new high level, on the generally accepted belief that a distribution of new stock and the retirement of the debenture bonds are imminent. Illinois Steel mounted over 4 points with subsequent reaction. The reactionary tendency centered in Manhattan, which was active and feverish all day and fell an extreme 2¾ points with a net loss of nearly a point. Metropolitan Street Railway sympathized in this movement, declining 3 points from the top and 10½ net. This weakness, combined with the profit-taking in Rock Island, unsettled the market and almost wiped out the earlier gains in the general list. Net changes are in consequence small. There is a constantly increasing supply of money offering and the small demand for it indicates some halting in the business activity of the country. There was no marked activity in the bond market, but prices were firmly held. Total sales, $2,175,000. United States old 4s, coupon, advanced ½ per cent, the 5s ¼ per cent and the new 4s 1-8 per cent in the bid price.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: The stock markets here were good but quiet today, with the exception of stocks leading the rise on the reduction from 4 to 3½ per cent in the Bank of England rate of discount and cheap money. Argentines, Brazils and other foreign stocks were all strong on the improvement on the Paris bourse. Americans opened dull on President McKinley's call for additional volunteers, but soon rallied, being led by New York Central and Central Pacific. The former was bought by New York operators and the latter by Amsterdam. Grand Trunk was strong on good traffic reports and on a well informed belief that the differences with the Canadian Pacific will be soon arranged, irrespective of the general transcontinental rate war.

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

Atchison	12⅝	St. P. & Om	78⅝
do pfd	31⅝	do pfd	140
Baltimore & Ohio	18⅝	St. P. M. & M	140
Canada Pacific	81⅝	So. Pacific	16
Canada Southern	52⅝	So. Railway	8⅝
Central Pacific	14	So. Railway pfd	30⅝
Chesa. & Ohio	21⅝	Texas & Pacific	11⅝
Chicago & Alton	150	Union Pacific	58⅝
*C., B. & Q	102	U. P. D. & G	7⅝
C. & E. I	53	Wabash	7⅝
C. C. C. & St. L.	34⅝	Wabash pfd	19⅝
do pfd	78	Wheel. & L. E.	2⅝
Del. & Hudson	108⅝	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	11
Del. L. & W.	152	Adams Ex	100
Den. & Rio G	11	American Ex	127
do pfd	47⅝	United States Ex	40
Erie (new)	12⅝	Wells Fargo Ex	117
Erie 1st pfd	35⅝	Am. Cot. Oil	22⅝
Ft. Wayne	168	A. Cot. Oil pfd	73⅝
Great Northern pfd	171⅝	Am. Spirits	12⅝
Rocking Valley	6	Am. Spirits pfd	33
Illinois Central	104⅝	Am. Tobacco	108⅝
Lake Erie & W.	19	do pfd	117
do pfd	80	People's Gas	91⅝
Lake Shore	189	Cons. Gas	191⅝
Louisville & Nash.	54⅝	Com. Cable Co.	160
Manhattan L.	105⅝	Col. F. & Iron	21⅝
Met. St. Ry	130⅝	do rcts	90
Michigan Central	104⅝	Gen. Electric	26⅝
Minn. & St. L	28	Illinois Steel	54
do 1st pfd	87	La Clede Gas	47⅝
Mo. Pacific	35⅝	Lead	33
Mobile & Ohio	29	do pfd	105⅝
Mo. K. & T.	11⅝	Nat. Lin. Oil	20⅝
Mo. K. & T pfd	35	Oregon Imp. Co.	28
Chi., Ind. & L.	9⅝	Pacific Mail	27⅝
do pfd	30	Pullman Pal	170⅝
N. Central	93	Silver Certificates	57⅝
N. Y. Central	116⅝	Stand. Rope & T.	6⅝
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	13	Sugar	137⅝
do 1st pfd	63	do pfd	113⅝
do 2d pfd	28⅝	T. C. & Iron	25⅝
Norfolk & Western	13⅝	U. S. Leather	8⅝
No. Amer. Co.	5⅝	do pfd	68⅝
No. Pacific	26⅝	U. S. Rubber	26⅝
do pfd	66	do pfd	79
Ontario & W.	15⅝	Western Union	91
Oregon Nav	51⅝	Northwestern	128⅝
Ore. Short Line	28	do pfd	170⅝
Pittsburg	168	R. G. & W	24
Reading	18⅝	R. G. & W. pfd	63⅝
Rock Island	103⅝	Readig 1st pfd	45⅝
S. L. & S. F.	7⅝	Chi. Gt. West	14⅝
do 1st pfd	61⅝	St. L. & S. W	4⅝
St. Paul	88⅝	do pfd	15⅝
do pfd	148	S. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	29⅝
Hawaii C. C.	19⅝		

Total sales of stocks today were 279,100 shares, including 6,256 Atchison preferred, 10,627 Burlington, 3,930 Louisville & Nashville, 16,315 Manhattan, 9,070 Metropolitan, 7,255 Missouri Pacific, 4,665 New York Central, 4,340 Northern Pacific preferred, 39,280 Rock Island, 33,881 St. Paul, 8,632 Southern preferred, 17,966 Union Pacific preferred, 3,900 American Spirits, 12,700 Tobacco, 3,025 Chicago Great Western, 11,440 People's Gas, 14,851 Sugar.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, May 26.—MONEY ON CALL—Nominally 1½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86¼@4.86½ for demand and $4.84@4.84¼ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.85@4.87½; commercial bills, $4.83¾.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—57 5-8@58½c.

BAR SILVER—57 7-8c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45½c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Market steady; new 4s, reg. and coupon, 121½; 4s, reg., 108½; coupon, 109½; 5s, reg. and coupon, 110½; Pacific 6s of '99, 103¼.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s, reg	121⅝	N. C. 6s	122⅝
U. S. new 4s coup	121⅝	N. C. 4s	105
U. S. 4s, reg	108⅝	No. Pacific 1sts	115
U. S. 4s, coup	111	No. Pacific 3s	69⅝
U. S. 2s, reg