THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS.

Nervous and Flighty Trading in the Chicago Wheat Pit.

OTHER CEREALS ACT IN SYMPATHY.

Range of Leading Futures—New York Grain Active with Prices Slightly Lower—Chicago Live Stock Market Firm.

CHICAGO, May 8.—The day was a lively one in the wheat pit. The price plunged up and down with a rapidity to satisfy the most exacting devotees of action in the market. The market opened in a weak, almost panicky, condition and was nervous and flighty with a weak undertone all day. It was reported that the great grain firm of Ephriusse & Co. of Paris had failed, and this was taken as an indication of coming trouble among the wheat bulls elsewhere. So much grain came on the market at the start that July closed at 99¼c yesterday and opened at 98⅞c this morning and broke with one or two minor reactions to 97¾c. At this point the bears began to take their profits. There was some buying against puts and the story of the Paris failure was denied. The shorts took fright and began to cover with the result of lifting the price to 99¾c. On reports that the New York houses were selling, the big local bears began to put out short wheat again and the market collapsed. This time it touched 97¾c, but subsequently made a rally to 99c and broke to 97¾c again. The close was firm at 99¾c.

Berlin and Antwerp prices were lower, though the closing Paris and London quotations were unchanged. It was the latter fact, together with a London cable saying that the Paris failure was not the great grain merchant but a small house of a similar name, which caused the rally to 99c.

The reports that $4,000,000 of gold would clear from New York for foreign contracts tomorrow had a bearish effect. The failure of a small bank in Philadelphia also counted against the market.

Corn was active, fluctuating frequently within the established range, sentiment prevailing being early about equally divided. There was no new or important features presented, the market sympathizing with wheat to a great extent. Ramsey and Congdon lead the early buying and the shorts followed. July opened at 61⅞c, sold off to 60¾, rallied to 61c, broke to 60¼c, advanced to 61¾c, dropped to 58¾c, rallied and closed to 59¼c. Toward the close of the day several large lines of long property came on the market, shippers selling freely, which induced other selling. The local crowd took advantage of the situation and the sharp break of the day was the result.

Oats were rather dull and steady for a time but when corn broke, that cereal receded in sympathy with it, going from 46⅞c for July to 45¾c.

Provisions weakened early under raiding by Reas, Cudahy and Baldwin who were meanwhile covering shorts. Thereafter the offerings were scarce, the demand good and prices improved until near the close when they eased off with corn and wheat. The close was at slightly lower prices than on yesterday.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.
WHEAT—No. 2—				
May	1 01¼	$ 1 02	1 00⅛	$1 01⅛
June	1 00⅛	1 01⅛	1 00	1 01¼
July	98⅝	99¾	97⅜	98¾
CORN—No. 2—				
May	65¼	65¾	63⅝	64
June	62	62⅜	59⅞	60⅛
July	61⅜	61¾	58¾	59½
OATS—No. 2—				
May	51½	57¾	50	50¼
June	50½	50⅝	49	46⅝
July	46¾	47⅜	45¾	46
MESS PORK—				
May	$11 80	11 90	$11 70	$11 90
July	12 12½	12 15	11 90	12 10
September	12 40	12 42½	12 20	12 35
LARD—				
May	6 55	6 55	6 50	6 50
July	6 77½	6 77½	6 72½	6 77½
September	7 02½	7 05	6 97½	7 02½
RIBS—				
May	6 07½	6 07½	6 00	6 05
July	6 30	6 30	6 17½	6 25
September	6 57½	6 57½	6 47½	6 52½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; spring, $5.00@5.50; winter, $5.00@5.20; straits, $4.00@5.00; bakers, $4.25@4.50.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring wheat, $1.01¾@1.02; No. 3 spring wheat, 95@98c; No. 2 red, $1.02½@1.05.

CORN—No. 2, 65c.

OATS—No. 2, 50¼c; No. 2 white, 53@54¼c; No. 3 white, 52@53½c.

RYE—No. 2, 85c.

BARLEY—No. 2 barley, nominal; No. 3, 70@76c; No. 4, 65@71c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.14.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $1.27.

PORK—Mess pork per barrel, $11.00; lard per cwt, $6.50@6.55; short ribs sides (loose) $6.00@6.05; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.25@5.25; short clear sides (boxed), $6.50@6.60.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods per gallon, $1.17.

SUGAR—Cut loaf, unchanged.

Receipts and shipments today were as follows:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS.
Flour, barrels	14,000	10,000
Wheat, bushels	24,000	360,000
Corn, bushels	276,000	415,000
Oats, bushels	254,000	256,000
Rye, bushels	1,000	4,000
Barley, bushels	9,000	2,000

On the produce exchange today, the butter market was lower; Extra creamery, 20@22c; extra firsts, 20@24c; firsts, 19@21c; extra dairy, 20@23c.

EGGS—13¼@14c.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, May 8.—FLOUR—Receipts, 8,104 packages; exports, 10,129 barrels, 5,414 sacks; market dull, heavy; sales, 15,000 barrels.

CORNMEAL—Dull, steady.

WHEAT—Receipts, 134,400 bushels; exports, 128,953 bushels; sales, 19,040,000 bushels futures; 193,000 bushels spot. Spot market unsettled, closing fairly active, chiefly exports; No. 2 red, $1.12¾@1.12¾ in store; $1.13@1.13¾ afloat; $1.11@1.14⅜ f. o. b.; ungraded red, $1.06@1.13½; No. 1 northern, to arrive, $1.12; No. 1 hard, to arrive, $1.14½; No. 2 Milwaukee, $1.07½; No. 2 Chicago, $1.14¼@1.14⅝. Options declined 1⅝@1¾c on rumors of financial troubles in Paris and in Philadelphia. Then prices advanced ⅝@1⅜c with the better feeling and more export demand, although cables were generally weak. The close was steady at ⅛@⅜c under yesterday; No. 2 red May, $1.10¼@1.11⅝, closing, $1.11¼; June, $1.08⅜@1.09¼, closing at $1.09; July, $1.06@1.07⅝, closing at $1.07; August, $1.03⅝@1.04⅝, closing at $1.04⅜; September, $1.03@1.04, closing at $1.03½; October closed at $1.03⅞; December, $1.04@1.06, closing at $1.04⅝; May (1892), $1.08⅛@1.09, closing at $1.08¾.

BARLEY MALT—Dull.

CORN—Receipts, 6,500 bushels; exports, 23,070 bushels; sales, 3,016,000 bushels of futures; 54,000 bushels spot. Spot market scarce and higher; No. 2, 82c in elevator; 83c afloat; ungraded mixed, 79@82c. Options opened 1¼@1½ lower, reacted 1¾c, declined 1¼@1c; on longs selling freely at Chicago and closed weak at 1¼@1⅜c under yesterday; May, 73@74¼c, closing at 73c; June, 68½@70¼c, closing at 68¾c; July, 66@68c, closing at 66¾c; August, 65¼@66⅞c, closing at 66c.

OATS—Receipts, 60,000 bushels; exports, 620 bushels; sales, 225,000 bushels futures; 8,000 bushels spot. Spot market dull and lower; options lower and dull; May, 58¼c, June, 55@55¾c, closing at 55½c; July, 54¼@55¼c, closing at 55; August, 42¾@43½c; spot No. 2 white, 60@60¾c; mixed western, 56@62c; white western, 61c; No. 2 Chicago, 60c.

HAY—Firm and quiet; spring, 80@85c; good to choice, 90@80c.

HOPS—Firm and quiet.

SUGAR—Raw, dull and steady; refined, quiet, 1-16@1⅛ lower; No. 6, 3⅝c; No. 7, 3 13-16c; off A, 3½@4c; standard A, 4 5-16c; granulated, 4⅝c; cubes, 4⅝c.

MOLASSES—Foreign, dull; New Orleans, quiet.

RICE—Firm, quiet.

PORK—Quiet and steady; old mess, $11.75@12.25; new mess, $13.50@14.25; extra prime, $11.75@12.25.

CUT MEATS—Inactive, steady; middles, quiet and firm.

LARD—Easier and quiet; western steam, $6.87½; options sales, 4,000 tierces; May, $6.80; July, $6.97@6.99, closing at $6.87 bid; August, $7.12; September, $7.24@7.25, closing at $7.24; October, $7.34 asked.

BUTTER—Good demand; firm; western dairy, 15@23c; western creamery, 23@30c; western factory, 15@20c; Elgin, 31@31½c.

EGGS—Firmer; fair demand; western, 16¾@17c; receipts, 5,062 packages.

CHEESE—Quiet; weak; skims, 7@10¼c.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, May 8.—WHEAT—Lower; cash, $1.01¼; July, 94⅝c.

CORN—Lower; cash, 61½c; July, 57¾c.

OATS—Irregular; cash, 35¼c; July, 42¾c.

PORK—Weak at $12.00.

LARD—Heavy at $6.37½.

WHISKY—$1.18.

Milwaukee Markets.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 8.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 spring, cash, 99c@$1.00; July, 98¾c.

CORN—Easier; No. 2, white, 54½c.

PROVISIONS—Quiet; pork, July, $12.05.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 8.—WHEAT—Better prices received for No. 1 northern wheat; poor grades very dull; No. 1 hard and No. 2 northern slow; receipts, 175 cars; shipments, 70 cars. Close: No. 1 hard May, $1.04; on track, $1.04@1.04½; No. 1 northern, May, $1.01½; July, $1.01½; on track, $1.01@1.01½; No. 2 northern, May, 99½c; on track, 99½@$1.01.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, May 8.—WHEAT—Holders offer moderately. Receipts of wheat the past three days were 182,000 centals, including 86,000 American.

CORN—Quiet but steady; mixed western, 5s 6½d per central. Receipts of American corn the past three days were 17,500 centals.

LARD—Prime western, 35s per cwt.

BEEF—American refrigerator beef, fore quarters, 4c, hind quarters, 5½d per pound.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 8.—WHEAT—Quiet; No. 2 hard, cash, 92c; No. 2 red, cash, 94c.

CORN—Lower to sell; No. 2 mixed, 69c.

OATS—Easy; No. 2 mixed, 56¾@56¾c.

WHISKY—$1.17.

Toledo Markets.

TOLEDO, O., May 8.—WHEAT—Firmer; cash and May, $1.06¾.

CORN—Steady; cash, 70¼c.

OATS—Quiet; cash, 51¾c.

London Markets.

LONDON, May 8.—American refrigerator beef quarters, 4½@5d; hind quarters, 8s 4d per 8 lbs. by the carcass.

Miscellaneous Markets.

NEW YORK, May 8.—PETROLEUM—Steady; quiet; United closed at 72¾d for June.

COTTON SEED OIL—Strong and quiet.

TALLOW—Strong; city (2.00 for packs) 5 5-16@5⅜c.

ROSIN—Steady and quiet.

TURPENTINE—Quiet and firmer at 30½@30¾c.

PIG IRON—Dull at $16.00@18.00.

COPPER—Dull; lake, May, $13.75.

LEAD—Nominal; domestic, $4.25.

TIN—Quiet and easier; straits, $19.00.

LIVERPOOL, May 8.—CALCUTTA LINSEED—14s per quarter; linseed cake, 47 per ton.

SUGAR—Cuba, centrifugal, 96 test, 14s 9d@15s per cwt; Muscovado, centrifugal, 96 test, for refining, 13s 6d.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The stock market was still a hesitating one, the two principal influences upon it pulling in opposite directions, and while there was considerable disposition to buy stocks on the progress made at the railroad meeting yesterday, the continued gold exports with its consequent hardening of the money rates encouraged short selling as well as realizations. The course of prices was feverish and unsettled throughout the day, while in the absence of pressure to sell there was an inclination to return to dullness. Common houses are yet moderate buyers of stocks, and the bearish elements seem for the time being at least confined to the room. The continued heavy outgo of gold is beginning to have its effect and is now the principal arguments against any further movement in the market. The favorites of the Chicago party still lead in both activity and strength. St. Paul and Chicago Gas being most prominent, but the heaviest movements today were in the low price shares of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois and Tennessee Coal was especially weak. The market opened with a spurt of activity on the selling of stocks by both London and the traders, but there was good support recorded and all of the fractional losses sustained were soon reversed, while the cessation of the pressure to sell resulted in comparative dullness and stagnation in prices, which were held at about the best figures until well into the forenoon. Further demoralization was caused by the announcement of the extraordinary large shipments of gold. The selling was heavy for both the Chicago people and the local operators, and as the amount to be sent on Saturday grew, prices reached still lower figures. There was no cessation of the selling and the losses extended to large amounts in almost all active stocks, those which suffered most being Chicago & Eastern Illinois, Missouri Pacific, Lackawanna, Rock Island, Burlington and Tennessee Coal. On the other hand, Lake Shore, Union Pacific and the Wheeling & Lake Erie stocks were remarkably well held and these flurries are measured by fractions. In others, however, they were generally large fractions. The downward movement met with no check and the market closed active and weak at the lowest prices of the day. While present prices for stock are generally considered below their actual value no marked advance is looked for until a stop has been put to the heavy shipments of gold. The final changes of note include losses as follows: Chicago & Eastern Illinois, 4 per cent; Tennessee Coal, 2¾; Louisville, New Albany & Chicago, 1¾; Sugar, 1½; Missouri Pacific, 1½; Chicago Gas, Rock Island and Southern Pacific each 1⅜; Burlington and New England, 1¼; Reading, 1⅛, and Union Pacific and Northern Pacific, each 1 per cent. The railroad bond market was affected by the same influences which were powerful to cause a reaction in shares, and the selling extended to many of the more active issues with the same result. The business done was largely in excess of that of the past few days, reaching $1,760,000, which was well and widely distributed. The declines, however, were in general for insignificant amounts.

Government bonds were dull and steady.

State bonds were entirely neglected.

Petroleum opened firm and slowly moved up ⅜ on a few buying orders from the west. Then it became dull and remained so until the close.

Pennsylvania Oil closing 71⅛; June option opened 71⅝, highest, 72¼; lowest, 71⅝; closing 72¼. Tot sales, 24,000 barrels.

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

Atchison	32¼	do preferred	134⅝
Adams Express	142	N. Y. Central	102⅝
Alton & Terre Haute	55	N. Y. C. & St. L	15
do preferred	125	do preferred	66⅜
American Express	113	Ohio & Mississippi	17¼
B. C. R. & N	20	do preferred	85
Canada Pacific	78	Ontario & Western	16¾
Canada Southern	49	Oregon Improve	21
Central Pacific	31	Oregon Nav	74
Ches. & Ohio	17⅜	Oregon Trans	16⅝
do 1st preferred	48	Pacific Mail	39¾
do 2nd preferred	30	Peoria, Dec. & Evans	19¾
Chicago & Alton	143	Pittsburg	149¾
C. B. & Q	86¾	Pullman Palace	187
C. C. C. & St. L	65¾	Reading	32½
Delaware & Hudson	131¾	Rock Island	70¾
Del. L. & W	137	St. P. & S. P. 1st pfd	67½
D. & R. G. preferred	38½	St. Paul	72¾
East Tenn	9¾	do preferred	112⅜
do 1st preferred	55	St. P., Minn. & Man	105¾
do 2d preferred	15	St. Paul & Omaha	26
Erie	25¾	do preferred	95¾
do preferred	52½	Tenn. Coal & Iron	33¼
Fort Wayne	150	Texas Pacific	14
Ohi. & East. Ill	60	Tol. & O. Cen. pref'd	80
Houston & Texas	20¾	Union Pacific	48
Houston & Texas	48	U. S. Express	68
Illinois Central	99	W. St. L. & P	10¾
St. Paul & Duluth	28	do preferred	21
Kansas & Texas	15	Wells-Fargo Ex	140
Lake Erie & West'n	13⅜	Western Union	84¼
do preferred	57	Am. Cotton Oil	24⅜
Lake Shore	110	Colorado Coal	36¾
Louisville & Nash	78	Homestake	9½
Louisville & N. A	75⅜	Iron Silver	100
Memphis & Char	31	Ontario	38½
Michigan Central	92	Quicksilver	5½
Mil., L. S. & W	75	do preferred	38
do preferred	100¾	Sutro	6
Minn. & St. L	4	Bulwer	35
do preferred	19¾	Rich & W. P. Ter	16⅞
Missouri Pacific	69	Wisconsin Central	19¾
Mobile & Ohio	40	Great Northern pfd	70
Nashville Chat	93	Chicago Gas	74¾
N. J. Central	118	Lead Trust	18⅞
Norfolk & West pfd	33½	Sugar Trust	86⅞
Northern Pacific	25⅜	Southern Pacific	30¾
do preferred	58	Ore S. L. & Utah Nor	39¼
Northwestern	108⅝	do preferred	91
do preferred	142		

The total sales of stocks today were 337,157 shares, including Atchison, 37,636; Lackawanna, 6,635; Louisville & Nashville, 14,100; North American, 3,303; Northern Pacific, preferred, 14,540; Richmond & West Point, 6,246; St. Paul, 53,356; Union Pacific, 16,455; Missouri Pacific, 12,200.

Financial Review.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The Post says: The decline in exchange to $4.88 for demand bills at which price it was offered before 1 o'clock, was merely the effect of the sale of the bills against exports of gold yesterday, and did not have the anticipated effect of stopping the exports of more gold. The sale of bills against the gold exports at $4.88 implies a loss of ⅜ of 1 cent on the pound, or say .6 of 1 per cent on the dollar on the transaction. This, in fact, is so small a premium to pay for the gold that if it was not for the idea of paying a "premium" at all, it would not excite much comment. It merely shows that money is scarce in Europe and that, as we owe Europe a large trade balance, bankers there are willing to pay a little over ½ of 1 per cent to have the money now, rather than wait for the settlement of our indebtedness by the exports of the other products about two or three months hence. It is in fact, not so much a "premium" on gold, as it is "discount" for cash on the present payment of our indebtedness. The fact that this cash goes in gold has no particular significance, because there is no other kind of "cash" in which the international trade balances can be paid. Of course, the movement of so much ready cash from there will advance the rates for money a little. The banks here are all ready enough to seize upon any argument advancing the rates for money, for the lending of money is their business and they want to get all the interest they can. In this particular it will have some effect on the stock speculation. In London, however, it has the reverse effect of easing the money market and the effects of the prospective arrival of the gold shipped from here this week was seen in the free buying of stocks from foreign houses, presumably for London account today, notably of Union Pacific, Louisville and St. Paul.

The Money Market.

NEW YORK, May 8.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy, ranging from 3@6 per cent; last loan at 3 per cent; closed at 4 per cent bid.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4½@5½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet and weak at $4.84¼ for sixty-day bills and $4.88¼ for demand.

The following were the closing prices on bonds:

U. S. 4s, registered	120	Mutual Union 6s	103½
U. S. 4s, coupons	120	N. J. Cent 1st Cert	111
4½s, registered	101	Northern Pac. 1sts	105¾
4½s, coupons	101	do 2ds	111¾
Pacific 6s of '95	113	Northwest consols	136½
Louisiana Stamp 4s	88	do debenture 5s	103½
Tennessee N. S. 6s	103	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	85
do 5s	101	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M	106¾
do 3s	70	St. Paul consols	123
Canada Southern 2ds	97	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	117
Central Pacific 1sts	107¼	T. P. L. G. Tr. Rcts	89½
D. & R. G. 4s	114⅝	T. P. R. G. Tr. Rcts	42⅜
do 4s	82½	Union Pacific 1sts	108¾
Erie 2ds	101¾	West Shore	102¾
M. K. & T. Gen'l 6s	78	D. & R. G. West 1sts	77
M. K. & T 5s	42¾		

Bank Clearances.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Bank clearings today, $115,658,103; balances, $4,726,856.

BALTIMORE, May 8.—Bank clearings today, $2,012,078; balances, $319,942. Rate, 6 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, May 8.—Bank clearings today, $9,257,589; balances, $1,653,749. Money at 4@6 per cent.

NEW ORLEANS, May 8.—Clearings, $1,163,105. New York exchange commercial paper 35c; bank, $1.00 per 1,000 premium.

BOSTON, May 8.—Bank clearings today, $17,202,769; balances, $1,569,380. Rates for money 5@6 per cent. Exchange on New York, 5c to 5½c discount.

CHICAGO, May 8.—Bank clearings were $15,300,000. New York exchange was 40@55c premium. Rates on money 5½@6 per cent. Sterling exchange steady and unchanged.

Boston Stock Market.

BOSTON, Mass., May 8.—The following were the closing prices on stocks in the Boston stock market today.

Boston & Maine	169	Huron	2½
Chi. Bur. & Quincy	86⅝	Kearsarge	2⅛
Fitchburg R. R	85	Osceola	35¾
Flint & P. M. pref	82½	Quincy	105
K. C., St. J. & C. B.	5	Santa Fe Copper	55
Mass. Central	20¾	Tamarack	148
N. Y. & N. Eng	45⅜	Anniston Land Co	40
do 7s	121	Boston Land Co	5¾
Old Colony	165¼	San Diego Land Co	
Wis. Cent. com. pref.	39	West End Land Co	22¾
Albany Mn Co new	234	Bell Telephone	207
Atlantic	20	Kansas State S	18¾
Boston & Mont	41	Water Power	5
Calumet & Hecla		C. & M	154
Catalpa	20	N. E. T	52
Franklin	18	H. B. & C	12¼

London Stocks.

LONDON, May 8.—Closing at 4 p. m.:

Consols, money	95 3-16	Illinois Central	102½
Consols, account	95 7-16	Mexican ordinary	40¾
U. S. 4s	122½	St. Paul common	65¾
U. S. 4½s	111¾	New York Central	104
N. Y., P. & O. 1sts	34¾	Pennsylvania	55¾
Canadian Pacific	80¼	Reading	16¾
Erie	21¾	Mexican Central n 4s	74¾
Erie 2ds	104		

Bar silver, 44¾d per ounce.

Money, 3@4½ per cent. Rate of discount in the open market for both short and three-month bills, 3⅞ per cent.

Paris Rentes.

PARIS, May 8.—Three per cent rentes, 96f 85c for the account. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase of 14,600,000 francs of gold and 11,875,000 francs of silver.

Bank of England Bullion.

LONDON, May 8.—The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balances today is £136,000.

Denver Mining Stocks.

DENVER, Col., May 8.—An advance of 3 cents in Century, 1 cent in Little Chief and a fractional gain in Diamond R were the only features in the mining stock market today. Business was very dull and the bears seemed to have things pretty much their own way. Bangkok and Potosi were the weakest stocks on the list. Neither received any support, consequently were not in favor with the crowd. Total sales, 21,800 shares. The following are the closing prices:

Alleghany	13	Justice	12¼
Amity	4	Legal Tender	4¾
Argonaut	15	Little Rule	108
Ballarat		Matchless	285
Smuggler	85	May Mazeppa	122
Bangkok	7¼	Morning Glm	40
Bates Hunter	68	Oro	49
Big Indian	8½	Pay Rock	3
Big Six	14	Potosi	6¼
Brownlow	12½	Seven Stars	19½
Calliope	17½	Reed National	56
Century	31	Rialto	96
Clay County	198	Running Lode	25
Cashing	26	Leavenworth	20
Diamond R	6¾	John J. pfd	6¾
Denver Gas & Oil	12½	Puzzler	7
Emmons	45	Claudia J	10¼
Gold Treasure	31	Gettysburg	20¾
Ironclad	8¾		

St. Louis Mining Quotations.

ST. LOUIS, May 8.—The mining exchange has frequently been dull, but this morning the record was broken, as not a sale of any kind was made, the brokers contenting themselves with making quotations. All were watching Elizabeth, which was low in price, the best bid being $2.10. The regular boom in this stock is expected shortly. The following bids were made on call today:

American	22¾	M. Breen	90
Buffalo	320	Hopes	95
Central Silver	2	Silverago	200
Granite Mountain	250	Elizabeth	210
L. Albert	10¼	Yuma	77½

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cala., May 8.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	115	Navajo	40
Belcher	40	Ophir	86
Best & Belcher	600	Potosi	870
Hale & Norcross Consolidated	130	Savage	275
Con. Cala. & Va	1172	Sierra Nevada	300
Crown Point	285	Union Con	470
Gould & Curry	370	Utah	130
Hale & Norcross	370	Yellow Jacket	340
Mexican	495	Commonwealth	90
Mount Diablo	225		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, May 8.—The mining quotations are as follows:

Alice	150	Iron Silver	100
Adams Con	175	Mount Diablo	300
Aspen	400	Ontario	3800
Deadwood	101	Ophir	725
Hale & Norcross	350	Standard	100
Homestake	875	Union Con	400
Horn Silver	350	Yellow Jacket	280

Coffee Options.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Coffee options opened steady at 5@10 points down, closing steady and unchanged to 5 points down. Sales, 14,500 bags, including May, $17.90@17.95; June, $17.00@17.05; July, $17.75@17.80; August, $17.25@17.30; September, $16.65@16.70; December, $15.25; March, $14.10; spot Rio, quiet and firm; fair cargoes, $20.00; nominal at $18.87½.

New York Dry Goods.

NEW YORK, May 8.—Business in dry goods was of moderate character. The market is unchanged in a material way, but is expectant. With jobbers there was no particular movement except to drive in ginghams, ranging to 10½c to 15c from the uniform price of 8¼c.

New York Wool Market.

NEW YORK, May 8.—WOOL—Steady, but quiet; domestics, 34@35c; pulled, 26@33c; Texas, 17@24c.

Traders' Talk.

CHICAGO, May 8.—Logan & Co. to Toncray & Bryan—The business in wheat has been very heavy and general. Early cables weak and the latest showed no improvement. Rumors of financial difficulties with some Paris houses caused an uneasy and unsettled feeling. The clearances from our stock of wheat will show a million bushels or over for the week. This, with the report of good purchase for export added to the strength towards the close. It must not be lost sight of, although we have fine weather and prospect of a great crop that our invisible reserves are light, perhaps lighter than any previous year since 1866, and there is still a good two months to go before we reap any winter wheat that will be available for any foreign demand and fully five months before we can reap any spring wheat. There may not be any pinch for wheat, but we will be so near sweeping out the bins with all the chances of damage that wheat at $1.00 may look cheap. For the present we favor buying on all weak spots. Corn has been as unsettled as wheat. The decline in cash lots was the cause of the weakness. The trade in provisions light, considering the decline in corn.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 8.—Langenburg Brothers to Cockrell Brothers—Just had a talk with one of the largest exporters in this market and he tells me that barges are engaged for wheat for all they can carry from July 15 to October 1st. If this is true I don't think wheat will sell lower and would advise purchases on weak spots from now on. The bears tried hard today to break the market, but there seemed to be plenty of buying orders for every five that was sold. I think the elevator company has a big line of corn for July and August wheat sold against it at a point or two lower. They worked this last year and made good money out of it and unless the receipts are very large they will do the same this year. The following is the official range of prices at this point today.

COMMODITY	Open.	Highest.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y
WHEAT—					
July	94⅝	94⅝	93½	94⅜	
CORN—					
July	58¼	59¼	57	57¾	
OATS—					
July	42¾	43	42¾	42¾	

NEW YORK, May 8.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter—Large gold shipments have been the overruling influence in directing the course of today's stock market. These shipments have exceeded all expectations and as lot after lot was reported as engaged the market would yield but at all times stubbornly, over seven millions of gold have been shipped this week and that the effect produced has been so slight shows how strong stocks are held and how confident not only in their present value, but in their selling higher after awhile. There have been many disquieting rumors of financial troubles in Europe and still more fears expressed of pending disasters. No doubt the financial situation abroad is wholly unsatisfactory and the money which is being drawn from here is being taken to provide for possible contingencies. The outcome of the railroad meeting yesterday was about what had been expected and has not cut any figure in the market. The association seems to be entirely at the mercy and dictation of Mr. Gould, who has only to stay away with his following from any called meeting to prevent any business being done for lack of a quorum, so in reality he runs the whole concern. The money market shows firmness, as high as 6 per cent being paid, but towards the close some parties who had turned to get an extra rate were left with balances, and as borrowers wants were supplied the lenders were obliged to accept what they could get, so that the rate declined to about 3½ per cent. The stock market closed rather fagged at about lowest prices. Total sales, 348,772.

CHICAGO, May 8.—W. G. McCormick & Co. to F. C. Swartz & Co.—We have had a quick moving and very nervous wheat market that should have pleased the most exacting scalper. There have been six or eight ups and downs of nearly a cent. Warm, spring-like weather and lower cables created before the opening a very bearish feeling, which was increased by great weakness in other grain. It was stated that New York operators were selling in our market in large lines and this as much as anything else has caused rapid fluctuations. The large shipments of gold from New York, amounting to $1,000,000, was among the early bear factors. On the other side could be counted fair clearances of wheat from New York amounting to 120,000 bushels, and of flour from New York and Baltimore 20,000 packages, and the fact that shipments at the eleven primary points amounted to 622,000 against 469,000 bushels received. It is difficult to predict what tomorrow will do in a quick scalping market like the present. Corn has been very weak in consequence of the beautiful weather and largely increased receipts. An effort was made by local bulls to sustain prices but realizing on corn was too heavy for them. Oats were weak, sympathizing with corn. Provisions opened weak and lower, but reacted and were fairly firm until about noon, when the market was raided by bear scalpers and by those from the grain pit who were selling on the weakness of wheat and corn. The market, however, reacted sharply before the close, which was near top prices of the day. There has been some good buying today and the market looks as if purchases on breaks were still safe.

CHICAGO, May 8.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter.—It is ridiculous to claim that our wheat market is weak because of large stocks weakly held. There is not only no pressure of cash wheat but it is steadily held at a good premium over all features. There are no stocks of consequence anywhere except here and in the northwest, and these are being rapidly depleted. It is said about one million bushels have been chartered here this week, and it is believed our stocks will be reduced to less than 3,000 by June 1. When the grain once gets afloat it ceases to be a burden for it either goes into consumption enroute to the sea board, or, having reached the coast is exported in vessels already chartered to move it. It stops nowhere in the United States to clog up the avenues of commerce. Visible reserves are very low and the demand from abroad is unabated. The large amount on ocean passage seems to be no bar to further purchases and if this keeps on it is simply a question of a short time when there will not be a bushel to spare anywhere east of the Rocky mountains. Under these conditions the long side at present seems the only safe one. Wheat cannot be pounded much lower in any event and it is liable to sell this month or next higher than at any other time on the crop. The market has been subjected to persistent hammering today, but the lowest prices were made in the first half hour and further attempts to break it were abortive, the closing being about where it opened. We look for weak spots, but the prices will gradually work higher we think. Customers are advised to buy on all good breaks. The warm growing weather and the prospect of more liberal receipts have weakened the grasp of longs on corn. There was a general scramble to get out today and the bear sorely pressed the antagonists. Frequent rallies are to be expected, but lower prices in the end seem inevitable. Oats will hold up better for they are in a stronger position than corn, but we can see no particular encouragement to stay long of either. The weakness in grain did not have as much effect upon provisions as usual. When the market turned downward at the close a considerable break seemed imminent, but was inverted by heavy purchases for some of the large shorts. Ream and others. There have been heavy transactions in changing lots from July to September, showing the belief of large holders that carrying charges will be higher.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK.

OMAHA, May 8.

CATTLE—Official receipts of cattle 1,300 as compared with 1,261 yesterday and 1,243 Friday of last week. The market was about steady on handy fat cattle, slow and sagging on all other grades except heavy beeves, which were almost flat. Butcher stock was active and strong on all grades. Feeders were slow, dull and weak. The quality of the receipts was good, some of the finest beeves ever in the yards were on sale, $6.25 being asked for them.

HOGS—Official receipts of hogs 3,944, as compared with 4,132 yesterday and 4,552 Friday of last week. The market was active and 5@10c higher. All of the quality of the prices paid was $4.50@4.75; the bulk selling at $4.60@4.65. Light, $4.50@4.70; heavy, $4.65@4.75; mixed, $4.60@4.65. The average of the prices paid was $4.64½, as compared with $4.50 yesterday and $4.68½ Friday of last week.

SHEEP—Official receipts of sheep 179, as compared with 192 yesterday and 181 Friday of last week. The market was active and firm. Natives, $3.50@6.10; westerns, $3.00@6.00.

Receipts and Disposition of Stock.

Official receipts and disposition of stock as shown by the books of the Union stockyards company for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 o'clock p. m. May 8, 1891:

RECEIPTS.

CATTLE.		HOGS.		SHEEP.		H'S'S & M'LS	
Cars.	Head.	Cars.	Head.	Cars.	Head.	Cars.	Head.
54	1,200	54	3,944	1	179	....	....

DISPOSITION.

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co	4	502	
The G. H. Hammond Co	100	902	
Swift & Co	431	448	179
The Cudahy Packing Co	214	1,021	
Shippers and Feeders	306	1,029	
Left over	1,255		
Total	2,310	3,759	179

Representative Sales.

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	560	$4 25	2	1040	$5 00	44	1065	$5 25
13	958	4 50	18	1059	5 00	11	1277	5 35
2	1210	4 50	18	1119	5 00	20	1224	5 30
12	1153	4 60	18	1122	5 10	6	1168	5 30
6	740	4 75	23	1205	5 20	3	1172	5 35
2	1075	4 75	20	1080	5 20	56