

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS

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—**Cables Were Much Higher Throughout the Day.**

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 7.—A strong feeling pervaded the wheat market during the early part of the session today and prices for the first hour or so were about as active as could be expected. Late afternoon sales were very quiet, but the advance was gradually less. The principal factor of strength was the dry weather in the winter wheat sections and the confirmatory reports of damage to the crop. As this was supplemented by strong and higher cables and some improvement in the scattered markets, the local feeling was for a time quite bullish. Shorts were good buyers for the purpose of covering their outstanding contracts, and there also a fair amount of buying came from the selling of a few well-limited and cautious.

Ccarriages from the seaboard were also larger than usual, the reported movement in wheat and flour topping up over \$8,000,000, though there were not a few who questioned the accuracy of the report from Baltimore, which showed exports of \$7,000,000 bushels of flour equal to nearly 100,000 bu. of wheat. But finally Partridge began to sell consistently and steadily, and the advance was gradually less. The principal factor of strength was the dry weather in the winter wheat sections and the confirmatory reports of damage to the crop.

New York, Oct. 7.—**PETTERSON**—Opened with a quiet market, but the day's decline in the stocks of oil spot sales more November option sales, 6,000 bushels at \$1.45; lime oil, no sales.

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