THE CONDITION OF TRADE

The Jobbing Business of Omaha Continues Most Satisfactory.

MONEY FAIRLY PLENTY IN THE COUNTRY

The Transition from Ice to Coal—A Glance at the Condition of the Business During the Past Summer—Outlook for the Future.

Business in the jobbing circles of Omaha still continues very active, with no essentially new features to note. Orders are received about as fast as they can be readily filled. Collections continue very satisfactory, showing that money is comparatively easy in the country. Upon the whole present conditions and future prospects are about as good as any one could ask for. Values on most lines of goods do not show much change.

At this season of the year a transition takes place in two very important lines of trade, the ice and coal business. All summer the ice men have been occupied in selling their stock harvested last winter and are now wondering what the next harvest will be. The coal men, who have been idle all summer, are now ready to enter upon their active season.

As to the ice business the past season has been a good one in some respects. There has been a good deal of warm weather which has increased the consumption of ice very materially, so much so that the stocks of ice are practically exhausted. Some companies have been forced to buy in order to keep their customers going, and none of the companies are likely to have any old ice left on their hands. Another reason for the increased consumption of ice is to be found in the fact that the price has been lower the past season than ever before. As compared with the year before there was a decrease in the selling price of ice amounting to $1.50 per ton. The reason for the decline is probably to be found in the competition between the numerous ice companies.

Taking the past season as a whole it does not appear to have been a very profitable one for the dealers, and in that respect not as good as past seasons. The cutting and selling of ice has come to be a great industry in Omaha. Last winter thirteen different firms put up ice. Some idea of the extent of the business may be gained from the fact that one packing house, that of Swift & Co., harvested last winter 150,000 tons of ice. As the city grows in wealth and population and as those industries increase which require large quantities of ice it is very likely that more ice will be harvested every season.

The Board of Health proposes to take a hand in the ice business the coming season. They have had a man investigating the matter with a view to guarding against the harvesting of impure ice this winter. It has been claimed that sometimes in the past ice has been sold which was unfit for use owing to its having been cut where the water was impure. Another cause for impure ice is the slovenly manner in which it is sometimes handled and stored. The most frequent cause, however, is the habit of continuing the harvest while it is thawing. It is a well known fact that when the weather is warm enough to cause the ice to thaw slightly on the surface, that all particles of dust or dirt that may have been blown onto it will work their way down into the ice and remain there. For that reason it is said that ice to be pure and fit for general use should be harvested only in cold weather.

The ice business is something concerning which it is almost impossible to make any predictions, as it is entirely dependent upon the weather, but it can safely be said that if the ice is to be had, more will be harvested the coming winter than ever before.

The coal men are looking forward to a fairly good season to come. They claim that the high price of hard coal will delay purchases somewhat, as people will put off buying until the last minute in hopes that something may turn up to give them cheaper fuel. Consumers talk a good deal about not buying hard coal, of keeping warm from the kitchen range and of burning soft coal. While the weather is warm it is easy enough to do without hard coal, but when the weather becomes severe it is another thing. Dealers anticipate that consumers will economize in the use of coal at the commencement of winter but that before the season is far advanced they will be using as much as ever. It is not expected that soft coal will be substituted to any great extent for hard coal, as that would necessitate the change in heating stoves which would cost more than would be saved on the price of the coal.

While dealers expect to sell about as much coal as they did last season they claim that the conditions are not as favorable as they were then. Although the price of hard coal is so high as to make consumers complain very loudly the retail dealers claim that they are not making as much per ton as they did last season, that the profit is going into the pockets of the eastern coal barons.

AS DUN SEES IT.

General Business Outlook Bright and Omaha's Prospects Excellent.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s mercantile agency, through W. H. Roberson, the Omaha manager, furnishes the following review of the local trade:

"Manager Babcock of the Union stock yards says October stock receipts will exceed those of any preceding month in the history of South Omaha. The increased facilities for handling stock promise to be in demand by the end of next year. Unless all signs fail the coming year will surprise some of the more conservative friends of South Omaha and realize the expectations of others who are now thought too sanguine. Receipts for the week have been in excess of last week and the cooler weather appears to have stimulated shipments from the ranges. The feature of the month and of the season has been the heavy demand for hogs for eastern packers which has aided materially in maintaining the exceptionally high prices.

"Among banks the feeling is better. Local business shows a marked improvement and money is in more active demand, though rates continue a little below 10 per cent for best short time loans. On real estate loans 6 per cent is not uncommon, and an 8 per cent loan is exceptional. Commercial paper is in good demand and brokers in bonds, warrants and gilt edged securities find more called for than they can supply.

"Two new banking enterprises have been under discussion the past week. Both will be organized under the state law, if arrangements are completed, and among the stockholders and officers will be some of the best known business men of the city. Outside capitalists are back of one proposed bank and local business men will furnish all the capital for the other.

"Work has actually commenced on the East Omaha railway bridge enterprise, and considerable interest is noted in real estate in localities which this undertaking is expected to benefit. The disposition to speculate is dormant, however, and it will take something especially promising to renew interest in unimproved property. A banker of this city speaking to visitors in regard to the prospect of investments and business generally in Omaha said: 'The people of this city, after struggling for nearly five years, have got within sixty days to the point where they can measure the extent of their indebtedness and make calculations to meet it. Hitherto the people were in beyond their depth and foreclosures were inevitable. We have reached a more normal condition, and unless some great catastrophe overtakes the country at large, debts will be paid more promptly, foreclosures will be less frequent and times, generally, will be much better. We notice a marked improvement in the matter of interest payments. They no longer drag.'

"The building and public improvements began late this year, but the open fall has enabled contractors to accomplish a great deal in the last sixty days. As a consequence money is circulating more freely among workingmen, and retail trade is better with the promise of further improvement as the season advances. Down town stores generally report more activity in clothing, dry goods, shelf hardware, groceries, furnishing goods, household supplies and furniture. The stores farther out have had a great week.

"In the jobbing district no complaints are heard except among the clothing men who are anxious for cold weather. The traveling salesmen of the boot and shoe houses are coming in as the season is practically over for the present, but mail orders continue heavy. One of the largest houses says October shows 40 to 50 per cent increase over the same month in 1891. The fame of Omaha as a jobbing center has extended to the Pacific coast, and recently one of the heaviest tea importing houses of San Francisco has established an agency here, and rumors are rife of several new jobbing houses in other lines.

"Oysters have dropped another 5 cents per can, and the lowest grades are sold to the trade for 5 cents, while the best bring but 25 cents. These prices are away below cost and illustrate the virulency of the oyster fight. The big eastern houses are determined to force settlement upon their own terms.

"The election is having less effect upon business in Nebraska and the country generally than was expected. For some reason the usual stagnation incident to a national campaign is wanting. This leads conservative business men to expect a steady improvement in business generally for the next year. Confidence is apparently reestablished and the reaction incident to boom times is over.

"There have been no failures reported in Nebraska this week."

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Milwaukee's Great Fire Was Expected to Have a Bear Influence.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The opening of the stock market this morning was awaited with no little anxiety by the bulls, as it was feared that the great fire in Milwaukee would have a bear influence on prices. The unexpected, however, happened again, and outside of St. Paul, which fell off ⅜ to 79 on a report that the company had sustained damages by the fire, the market was tolerably steady, while New England was exceptionally strong. It was subsequently stated by Vice-President Bond of the St. Paul road that this company had not lost a dollar as its property is not situated in the burned district. After the opening Distilling and Cattlefeeding was subjected to a severe raid and there was a break from 64 to 61¾. The old reports about a fresh issue of stock to pay for new property were revived and again denounced. One per cent was bid for the next quarterly dividend. It was noticed that the demand for the stock in the loan crowd was decidedly better than for some days past, which indicates an oversold condition of the market. Chicago Gas was also hammered down from 67¾ to 67¼. The general list weakened sympathetically.

In the last hour of business there was a distinct change for the better, owing to the favorable exhibit of the associated banks. The street had expected a loss of about $500,000 in reserve, whereas a gain of $1,560,250 was reported. This places the amount held in excess of legal requirements at $4,805,675. In 1891 it was $12,338,525, and in 1890 $71,980. As the morning drew to a close bulls became more confident and advanced prices right through the list. Distilling and Cattlefeeding recovered the early loss and sold up to 64¾. Chicago Gas and the grangers rallied sharply, while New England lost part of the early gain of ¾ per cent. A conspicuous feature of the later trading was the activity in the specialties. New York & Northern preferred was the first to start and on large transactions for that stock advanced from 20¾ to 23¼. The rise was attributed to statements that the road will be taken into the latest Reading deal, because of its connection at Brewsters in this state, with the New York & New England. Manhattan was firmer at 161. It is stated that Mr. William C. Whitney, who is also largely interested in the New York & Northern and Metropolitan Traction companies, will be given a place in the Manhattan directory at the annual election on November 9. Ontario & Western rose from 19 to 20¾ on rumors that Vanderbilts had acquired a block of the stock. New York, Susquehanna & Western common moved up to 19¾ and the preferred jumped from 68½ to 71. It is currently reported that this road is also to figure shortly in another railroad deal. General Electric advanced to 115¾. The market closed strong. The total sales of stocks were 165,964 listed and 22,491 unlisted stocks.

The Post says: The course of the local money market is puzzling to those who have reckoned on a growing stringency. But to those who have realized the part played in the recent advance of rates by the expectation of continued bull movement in the stock market this week's slackening in demand is not at all a surprising. It is the diminished demand for money and for a diminished supply that the decreased loan account of the day's bank statement is attributable. The increase in specie and legal tenders, moreover, reflect a decided change in the movement of currency. A decreasing demand from the interior has been noted for a fortnight past. Nothing indeed, has proved the change in this regard more clearly than the slower increase in the treasury gold supply.

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

Atchison	30⅜	Norfork & W. pfd.	59½
Adams Express	150	North American Co.	12⅜
Alton, T. H.	55	Northern Pacific	18⅛
do preferred	120	do pfd.	60⅜
American Express	120	U. P. Den. & Gulf	21¼
Baltimore & Ohio	94	Northwestern	115⅝
Canada Pacific	82½	do pfd	142½
Canada Southern	57	N. Y. Central	110
Central Pacific	29¾	N. Y. & N. Eng.	46¾
Ches. & Ohio	22⅞	Oregon & Western	25⅛
Chicago Alton	145	Oregon Imp.	20
Chi. Bur. & Quincy	101	Oregon Nav.	74
Chicago Gas	93¾	O. S. L. & U. N.	23
Consolidated Gas	118	Pacific Mail	31½
C. C. C. & St. L.	64½	Peoria Dec. & E.	15¾
Colo. Coal & Iron	41	*Pittsburg	156
Cotton Oil Certif's	46	Pullman Palace	169
Del. Hudson	133¾	Reading	55
D. L. & W.	153⅜	Richmond Ter.	18⅝
D. R. & G. pfd	51½	do pfd	87
D. & E. T. Co.	64	Rio Grande West.	30
East Tenn.	8⅜	do pfd	69½
Erie	25⅝	Rock Island	82¼
do pfd	62	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd.	75
Fort Wayne	175	St. Paul	79⅝
Great Northern pfd.	134⅜	do pfd.	122¾
C. & R. pfd.	48⅜	St. Paul & Omaha	52½
Hocking Valley	30⅝	do pfd.	113¾
Illinois Central	99⅛	Southern Pacific	30⅜
St. Paul & Duluth	43⅜	Sugar Refinery	109¾
Kan. & Tex. pfd	25⅛	Tenn. Coal & Iron	37⅜
Lake Erie & West	19⅝	Texas Pacific	10⅝
do pfd	77	T. & O. Cen. pfd.	75
Lake Shore	133¾	Union Pacific	48¾
Lead Trust	47¾	U. S. Express	61
Louis. & Nash.	69	*St. L. & P.	11
Louis & New Alb'y	23¾	do pfd	23¾
Manhattan Con.	153⅞	Wells Fargo Exp.	145
Memphis & C.	50¾	Western Union	83⅜
Michigan Central	107	Wheeling & L. E.	23⅝
Missouri Pacific	93⅜	do pfd	69¾
Mobile & Ohio	35½	M. & St. L.	16
Nashville Chatt.	83	D. & R. G.	16
National Cordage	154⅛	Gen. Elec	115⅜
do pfd	106	National Linseed	40⅞
N. J. Central	128⅝		

*bid.

The total sales of stocks today were 164,000 shares, including: Atchison, 27,700; Burlington, 8,300; Chicago Gas, 11,000; Distillers, 47,800; New England, 18,500; Ontario & Western, 16,200; Reading, 6,400; St. Paul, 7,000.

London Financial Review.

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LONDON, Oct. 29.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to THE BEE.]—As usual the last day in this week was especially weak when it immediately follows the completion of the settlement, there has been little inclination to enter into new engagements in the Stock exchange today. Funds have been steady. Indian rupee paper closed a shade harder. Foreign government securities leave off dull as regards international descriptions, some degree of weakness being reported on the continental bourses. American railways close with a better tendency than they opened. Dealings were on a very small scale. Compared with last night nearly a general decline is established, including ½ per cent in Chicago & Milwaukee and Northern Pacific preference, ¼ per cent in Atchison and Wabash debenture and ⅛ to ¼ in others. Erie shares were well maintained. Canadian lines have been neglected. Beyond a rise of ¼ per cent in Grand Trunk guarantee and ⅛ per cent in Grand Trunk first preference prices have not moved. Foreign railways have met with less than usual attention. There has been very little inquiry for money. Short loans have been easily obtained at 1 to 1¼ per cent. The discount market continues firm, two and three months bills being quoted at 2⅞ to 2¾ per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 2½ to 3 per cent; last loan, 3 per cent; closed at 2½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet at $4.83 for sixty-day bills and $4.85¾ for demand.

The closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 4s reg	114⅝	Mutual Union 6s	111⅝
U. S. 4s coup	114⅝	N. J. C. Int. Cert	111
U. S. 4½s reg	103⅝	North. Pacific 1sts	117
*Pacific 6s of '95	107½	North. Pacific 2nds	111¼
Louisiana st'pd 4s	94	N. W. Consols	135¾
Missouri 6s	103	N. W. Con. Deb. 5s	126¾
Tenn. new set 6s	101⅛	N. Y. L. & W. Gen 5s	107⅝
Tenn. new set 5s	101½	*St. L. & S. F. Gen. M. 6s	112
Tenn. new set 3s	76	St. Paul Consols	128
Canada So. 2nds	101¼	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	117
*Central Pacific 1sts	106⅜	Tex. P. L. G. Tr. Rcts	84⅜
*D. & R. G. 1sts	88¾	Tex. P. R. G. Tr. Rcts	39
D. & R. G. 4s	85⅝	Union Pacific 1sts	107½
Erie 2nds	100⅜	West Shore	103¾
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s	80	D. & R. G.	78⅛
M. K. & T. Gen. 4s	46		

*bid.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 29.—The following are the closing stock quotations:

Atch. & Top.	30¾	Catalpa	17
Boston & Albany	200	Kearsarge	11
Boston & Maine	181	Osceola	33
C. B. & Q.	99	Tamarack	155
Fitchburg R. R. pfd	85	Anniston Land Co.	25
Little Rock & Ft. S.	22½	Boston Land Co.	3¾
Mass. Central	18⅜	San Diego Land Co.	14
Mex. Cen. com.	15½	West End Land Co.	17⅜
N. Y. & N. England	46	Bell Telephone	207½
N. Y. & N. E. 7s	119	Lamson Store Service	16
Wis. Cen. com.	16	Water Power	2⅜
Allouez M. Co. (new)	1	C. M.	7⅜
Atlantic	16½	N. E. T. & T.	61
Boston & Mont.	315	B. & R. C.	9
Calumet & Hecla	287		

THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS

Wheat Rallies at Last After Touching the Lowest Point.

HEAVY EXPORTS WARNED THE SHORTS

There Was Especial Weakness Early in December Wheat, Which Was Sold Heavily by Armour and Others—Stocks and Bonds.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 29.—Wheat rallied at last today, after having touched the lowest point reached in five years. Heavy exports acting as a warning signal to shorts produced the upward change. On the final break the price went ½c under to 73c a bushel for December delivery, a drop of 1⅝c in an hour. Compared with yesterday's closing figures wheat tonight shows from ⅛c to ⅜c gain, while corn is off from ⅛c to ¼c. Provisions generally exhibit a substantial advance, particularly October ribs.

Wheat for a time seemed utterly demoralized, cables were generally lower, the receipts were heavy everywhere and holders were discouraged and general liquidation was the rule. Numerous stop-loss orders became operative and country selling orders were numerous.

There was especial weakness in December wheat, which was sold heavily by Armour, Counselman & Day, Edwards and Gibbs. Partridge sold May vigorously, and the crowd was generally on the selling side. During the first hour the market made the lowest record of the crop, but on the break the demand began to improve, and Logan, Bailey, Milmine-Bodman and others were liberal buyers, and the early short sellers began to take back what they had sold.

About the same time too, the news began to take on a more encouraging aspect. New York reported that 930,000 bu. had been taken there for export; 550,000 of Kansas wheat was said to have been sold at Kansas City for export, by the way of New Orleans and 1,500,000 bu. more was said to be under contract, and would go out as soon as the inspection could be secured. Bradstreet also reported the exports from the coasts for the week at 4,708,000 bu. against 3,070,000 bu. for the week previous. All this soon changed the sentiment. There was a decided rally and the market held quite steady at the advance, though it was said the business at Kansas City was only moderate. The estimate on the visible supply increase for Monday was reduced to about 2,500,000 bu. The opening was from ⅛c to ⅓c lower than yesterday's closing, ruled weak and prices further declined ⅓c or so, followed by an advance of ⅔c for May and 1⅛c for December, fluctuated some, and closing was from ⅛c to ⅓c from the top.

The corn market started out for a smash in prices this morning. The heavy movement, the bright and cooler weather, the panicky condition of wheat, the first hour contributed to the weakness. The receivers and shippers and things generally proceeded to dump corn in the pit. The selling was led by Hatton, Bartlett-Frazier and Andrews of the clique. The break was stopped by timely buying by a few parties. Not only was the decline checked, but Champlin, Boyden & Co. for Cudahy and Wright continued buying until the market was pushed up to the best figures of the day. At the opening initial trades were at from ⅛c to ¼c decline and on sales sold off ⅓c and reacted a trifle.

Oats followed corn closely all day. There was moderate selling on the soft spots and buying on the late advance. The bull clique in provisions again took hold of the market after letting it sag for several days and the result was a decided upturn in prices all around. The advance in January pork on the early trading was nearly 20c. Lard was bid up 15c for November and January. Ribs advanced 10c, those for January, but the fancy deal in October ribs was revived with considerable force. After midday all else was neglected and the whole body of traders massed around a few parties who were trying to effect trades in ribs for the month. Finally some one bought 50,000 at $11.50. This increased the interest and the close was at $11.75, a jump of 75c from last night. Shippers were unable to force a reduction from the previous rate of 2½c for wheat and 2c for corn to Buffalo.

Estimated receipts of hogs for next week, 150,000 head. Receipts for corresponding week last year, 232,335 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.
WHEAT No. 2				
October	$ 69¾	70¼	69⅜	69⅜
December	71@71⅛	72@72⅜	69⅞	71⅛@71⅜
May	77¼@77⅝	78	75¾	77¼@77⅜
CORN No. 2				
October	40⅜	40¾	39⅞	40⅜@40¾
December	41	41⅜	40¼	40⅞@41
May	45¾	45⅞	44⅜	45¼
OATS No. 2				
November	29¾	29¾	28⅜	29
December	30¼	30⅜	29⅞@30	30¼
May	34⅜	34⅝	34¼	34¼@34⅜
MESS PORK				
November	11 87½	11 90	11 87½	11 90
January	13 07½	13 25	13 07½	13 20
LARD				
November	7 70	7 87½	7 70	7 85
January	7 37½	7 52½	7 37½	7 47½
SHORT RIBS				
October	11 25	11 75	11 00	11 75
January	6 72½	6 80	6 72½	6 77½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull and unchanged.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 69¾c; No. 3 spring, 58@65½c; No. 2 red, 69¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 40⅞c; No. 3, 37½c.

OATS—No. 2, 29c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 34½@35c; No. 3 white, 31@32½c.

RYE—No. 2, 48½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 65c; No. 3, f. o. b., 41@56c; No. 4, f. o. b., 38@50c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.13¼.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $1.65.

PORK—Mess, per bbl., $11.87½@12.00; lard, per 100 lbs., $8.50; short ribs, sides (loose), $7.85@11.75; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $7.45@7.50; short clear sides (boxed), $8.10@8.15.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.15.

SUGARS—Unchanged; cut loaf, 5½@5¾c; granulated, 5⅜c; standard "A," 5⅛c.

Receipts and shipments today were as follows:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS.
Flour, bbls	16,000	22,000
Wheat, bu	250,000	32,000
Corn, bu	390,000	187,000
Oats, bu	288,000	245,000
Rye, bu	28,000	27,000
Barley, bu	145,000	56,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 20@28c; dairy, 18@25c. Eggs, steady. Strictly fresh, 20@21c.

St. Louis Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged.

WHEAT—Declined ⅝c early, then advanced 1¼@1¾c. Later it dropped again, but closed ⅝c above yesterday. Cash closed a shade off at 61½@62c; November, 65¾c asked; December, 67¼c; May, 75c.

CORN—Cash and October closed lower, at 37¼c. Options closed ½c off, but recovered and closed about as yesterday. November, 37½c; December, 37@37¼c; year, 36¾c; May, 41¼c.

OATS—Cash, firm; at 28@28½c; options a shade off; November, 27¾c bid; May, 33c.

RYE—Lower; offered at 50c.

BARLEY—Quiet; sample lots of Minnesota at 55c; Iowa, 62c.

BRAN—Dull at 53@54c east track.

HAY—Unchanged; prairie, $7.00@9.00; timothy, $9.00@13.00.

LEAD—$4.50@4.75; spelter quiet at $4.20.

FLAXSEED—Lower at $1.07.

BUTTER—Unchanged; creamery, 25@28c; dairy, 15@25c.

EGGS—Unchanged at 18½@19c.

CORN MEAL—Unchanged at $10.65@10.95.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.10.

BAGGING—Unchanged at 5.75@5.80.

COTTON TIES—Unchanged at $1.1⅛.

PROVISIONS—Dull and rather easy, but not quotably changed; only a small job trade done. Pork, jobbing, $12.80. Lard, $8.25@8.25. Dry salt meats, loose shoulders, $7.75; longs and ribs, $7.90; shorts, $8.10; strips, $6.62½. Boxed lots 15c more. Bacon, shoulders, $7.50; longs, $8.75; ribs, $8.87½; shorts, $9.12½; strips, $7.25. Sugar cured hams, $11.00.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 133,000 bu.; corn, 34,000 bu.; oats, 29,000 bu.; rye, 10,000 bu.; barley, 15,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 8,000 bbls.; wheat, 28,000 bu.; corn, 37,000 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.; rye, 6,000 bu.; barley, none.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Receipts, 32,927 pkgs; exports, 24,78; bbls.; market dull and weak; sales, 6,300 bbls.

CORN MEAL—Steady but dull; yellow western, $3.00@3.10.

WHEAT—Receipts, 201,050 bu.; exports, 161,997 bu.; sales, 3,240,000 bu. of futures. Spots dull but nominally steady; No. 2 red, 73½@73¾c in store and elevator; 74@74⅛c afloat; 74⅜@75½c f. o. b.; No. 3 red, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 81½@83½c; No. 2 northern, 73¼c. Options were fairly active, excited and rather irregular; opened weak and declined ⅝@⅞c with the west and realizing; advanced ⅛c on foreign buying and short covering; reacted ⅛c and closed steady and unchanged from yesterday; No. 2 red November, 73½@74c, closing at 73½c; May, 82 7-16@82 15-16c, closing at 82⅝c.

BARLEY—Quiet; western, 65@75c; No. 2, Toronto, 81c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; western, 75@80c; Canada, 85@95c; city made, Canada, $1.00@1.05.

CORN—Receipts, 137,000 bu; exports, 39,803 bu.; sales, 683,000 bu. of futures, 45,000 bu. of spot. Spots firm and quiet; No. 2, 49¾c in elevator; 49½@50c afloat. Options were quiet, advanced early ⅛@⅜c with the west and with wheat, reacted ⅛@⅜c on realizing, closing weak at ⅛c decline to ⅛c advance; December, 50¾@51¼c, closing at 51c; January, 49⅛@49⅝c, closing at 50c; May, 51@51½c, closing at 51⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 153,000 bu.; exports, 935 bu.; sales, 10,000 bu. of futures, 32,000 bu. spot. Spots dull and easier; options dull and weaker; December, 30@30⅛c, closing at 30¼c; May, 33@33¼c, closing at 33¼c; spot No. 3, 32½@32¾c; spot No. 3 white, 35½c; No. 2, 31½@31¾c; No. 2 white, 33c; mixed western, 31@36c; white western, 37@43c; state white, 37@43c; No. 2 Chicago, 35¼c.

HAY—Firm and fair demand; shipping, 60@70c; good to choice, 75@90c.

HOPS—Quiet but steady; state, common to choice, 18@25c; Pacific coast, 18@24c.

SUGAR—Dull; raw, easier; fair refining, 2 15-16@3c; centrifugals, 96 test, 3 7-16@3½c; refined in fair demand and steady; off A, 4 5-16@4 1-16c; mold A, 5@5 1-16c; standard A, 4 13-16@4¾c; cut loaf, 5 7-16@5¾c; crushed, 5 5-16@5½c; powdered, 4 13-16@5c; granulated, 4 13-16@5c; cubes, 4 15-16@5⅛c; confectioners' A, 4 13-16@4¾c.

MOLASSES—New Orleans dull but steady; common to fancy, 25@35c.

RICE—Active and firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@5c; Japan, 5@5¼c.

EGGS—Quiet, unchanged; western prime, 22½@23c.

HIDES—Fairly active, firm; wet salted, New Orleans selected, 45 to 60 lbs., 50@7c; Texas selected, 50 to 60 lbs., 50@7c.

WOOL—Quiet, firm; domestic fleece, 23@35c; pulled, 30@32c; Texas, 15@21c.

PORK—Quiet and weak; pickled bellies 5¼c; pickled shoulders, 4@4½c; pickled hams, 10@11c; middles, dull; short clear November, $8.50; lard, quiet but firmer; western steam closed at $8.00; October, $8.00 bid; November $8.25 bid; December, $7.85 bid; January, $8.82 bid.

BUTTER—Quiet, firmer; western dairy, 13@22c; western creamery, 20@29½c; western factory 14@17½c; Elgin, 29@29½c.

CHEESE—Moderate demand, firm; part skims, 3@7c.

PIG IRON—Steady, fair demand; American, $13.00@15.50.

COPPER—Quiet, easy; lake, $11.62½@11.75.

LEAD—Quiet; domestic, $4.30@4.35.

TIN—Steady; straights, $20.55@20.60.

Hides and Pelts.

Following are the prices paid by Omaha dealers for hides and pelts quoted subject to change without notice: No. 1 green salted hides, 4½@4¾c; No. 2 green salted hides, 3½@4c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4@4½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 3½@3¾c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5@6c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 3½c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 7c; No. 2 dry flint hides 5c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 5@5½c; part cured hides ½c per lb. less than fully cured. Sheep pelts—Green salted, each, 35@$1.25; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 15@35c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5@10c; dry shearlings short wooled early skins), No. 2, each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 10@14½c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 8@12c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 10@12½c; dry flint Colorado Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 8@10c; dry fleeces and bucks, actual weight, 7@9c. Have feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 29.—WHEAT—Active, in good demand and higher; No. 2 hard, 62@62½c; No. 2 red, 63½@66c.

CORN—Very dull; No. 2 mixed, 34@34½c; No. 2 white, 36@36½c.

OATS—Weak; No. 2 mixed, 25@25½c; No. 2 white, 27@27½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 44@46c.

FLAX SEED—Steady at 97@98c.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, 56@57c.

HAY—Strong, unchanged; timothy, $7.50@8.50; prairie, $6.50.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 23@29c; dairy, 16@24c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh candled, 18½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 93,000 bu.; corn, 15,000 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 59,000 bu.; corn, 10,000 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

Omaha Produce Market.

GAME—Prairie chickens are coming in freely and ducks are commencing to arrive. Quail are scarce. The cooler weather has improved the game situation. Prairie chickens, $4.00@4.25; grouse, $4.00; quail, $2.00; snipe, $1.00; jack snipe, $1.25@1.50; plover, $1.00; golden plover, $1.25@1.50; canvas-back ducks, $5.00@6.00; redhead ducks, $3.50; mallard ducks, $4.50; blue wing teal, $2.75; green wing teal, $1.50; mixed ducks, $1.50; jack rabbits, $1.00@4.25; small rabbits, $1.25@1.50; squirrels, $1.50; antelope saddles, 14@15c; deer saddles, 15@16c; antelope carcasses, 9@10c; deer carcasses, 10@12c; live pigeons, $1.25@1.50.

EGGS—18½@19c.

BUTTER—Low grades, 14@16c; good dairy, 18@22c.

POULTRY—Chickens, 7c; geese and ducks, 8c.

Oil Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—PETROLEUM—Quiet and steady; crude in bbls., Parker's, $5.35; Parker's in bulk, $2.85; refined New York, $7.00; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $5.95; Philadelphia and Baltimore in bulk, $3.45@3.50.

COTTON SEED OIL—Firm and quiet; crude, 27½c; yellow, 30@31½c.

TALLOW—Quiet and strong; city (2.00 for packages), 4½@4¾c.

ROSIN—Dull but firm; strained, common to good, $1.30@1.34.

TURPENTINE—Quiet but firm; 13½@13⅝c.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 29.—WHEAT—Dull; holders offer freely; No. 1 California, 6s 9½@6s 10d per cental; red western spring, 6s 1½d@6s 2d; No. red winter, 5s 9½@5s 10d.

CORN—Quiet; demand fallen off; mixed western, 4s 5½d per cental.

BACON—Long and short clear, 55 lbs, 45s.

LARD—Prime western, 48s per cwt.

Omaha Fruit Market.

GRAPES—New York concords, 28@30c per 10-lb. basket.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—Per crate: $1.50 muscats; $1.75 Tokays.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—$2.50 per box.

APPLES—Western, $4.75@5.00; New York, $4.00@4.50.

QUINCES—Per box, $1.75@2.00.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—Options opened barely steady and unchanged to 10 points lower, closed steady at from 5 to 10 points down. Sales, 27,000 bags, including: October, $15.80; November, $15.50; December, $15.2 @15.35; January, $13.90@15.10; March, $14.90@15.55; May, $14.70@14.85; September, $14.60@14.70; spot Rio, dull and easy; No. 7, $16.50.

Traders Talk.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 29.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter: The market has been devoid of important features. It recovered from the little panic which prevailed on the curb yesterday afternoon and this morning but the trading has been largely professional and mainly on an evening character. The drouth is getting more serious daily and complaints increase as to the outlook for the next crop but traders are too busy looking after the last crop to pay much attention to next. There was some early selling of corn, some of which came from the clique that have been bulling it of late. The market subsequently recovered from its depression, on which the lowest prices of the fall were made, but it shows little strength compared with the feeling for the past few days. In provisions there was not much doing beyond the marking up of October ribs in anticipation of the settlement of the deal next week.

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 29.—F. G. Logan & Co. to Duncan, Hollinger & Co.: Wheat experienced a general selling wave around the opening. Liquidation was in order and besides a prominent bear operator sold a round 1,500,000 of May wheat. The buying seemed to be by three or four commission houses, who absorbed during the day a large quantity of both December and May wheat. The seaboard is reported as placing 1,000,000 bu. of wheat for foreign shipment. Charters from Chicago 210,000 bu. Indications point that the decline has run its course and we are more apt to have a rally than further weakness, today there being more pronounced advances that a very large proportion of wheat in first hands in the northwest has passed into the elevators control.

Corn had a soft spot from the opening simply in sympathy with wheat, but was bought liberally by the provision people, who have lately been so successful. The cash demand was fair. Oats firm, considerable doing in the way of changing cash demand for shipping oiled goods. Provisions opened about the same as the close yesterday, but under the good demand from local shorts and some buying by prominent holders the market ruled strong and closed at nearly the outside prices of the day.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Crown Point	115	Plymouth	60
Con. Cal. & Va.	280	Sierre Nevada	125
Deadwood	100	Standard	125
Gould & Curry	55	Union Con.	115
Hale & Norcross	115	Yellow Jacket	100
Homestake	1400	Iron Silver	40
Mexican	1350	Quick Silver	300
*North Star	650	do preferred	1600
Ontario	3000	Bulwer	25
Ophir	240		

*asked.

St. Louis Mining Quotations.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 29.—The mining stock market was dull. The following quotations were made on call:

Stock.	Bid.	Asked.	Stock.	Bid.	Asked.
American N	32	34	Silver Bell	..	15
P. Murphy	3	5½			

Financial Notes.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 29.—Clearings, $1,779,632.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Oct. 29.—Clearings, $1,407,679.

PARIS, Oct. 29.—Three per cent rentes, 95f 92c for the account.

BALTIMORE, Md., Oct. 29.—Clearings,