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Strong Outside Markets and the Government Crop Report Aid Wheat.

THAT CEREAL STARTS OUT NERVOUS

Good Buying by Shorts, Light Offerings and Sympathy with Corn All Combines to Make the Oats Market Active.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—Strong outside markets and the government crop report aided wheat to recover from the early depression caused by large northwestern receipts, December closing at an advance of 1¼c. Corn was similarly aided and advanced from ¼c to ⅜c. Oats closed ⅜c higher. Provisions suffered as usual from too much hog and closed slightly lower.

Wheat was rather nervous at the outset. The government crop report substantially met the expectations which had been formed of it, but its effect had already been largely discounted, and an advance of only ⅜c in the opening figures was shown, and this strength was only momentary. Minneapolis and Duluth reported the reception of 1,143 cars, or 86 more than last year. This was a stunner, and December, which had opened at from 58¼c to 58⅜c, dropped in a hurry to 57⅝c. The failure of another New Orleans bank was not at all reassuring to speculators and aided in creating the general scramble to unload. Gradually, however, the excitement subsided. St. Louis became strong even when prices were still on the down grade. Not only that, but the people there sent a flood of buying orders here. The cables also came strong, and there were indications of large clearances again from the seaboard. The government crop report also began to have the bullish influence it seemed entitled to. Stocks in New York were all higher, and there were reports of larger imports of gold and a rapidly improving money market. Atlantic port exports, as finally reported, comprised about 420,000 bu. in wheat and flour. This kind of news could have but one effect. Early short sellers began to scramble to get back their wheat, and there was considerable excitement for a time, resulting in a recovery from the low point of nearly 2c. The market was buoyant during the last hour. The strength was due to the generous export business reported at the seaboard, and at Duluth, December sold up to 59⅝c and closed firm at from 59⅜c to 59½c.

Corn was firm, partly because of the decline in the condition reported in the government report, but more on account of the bullishness of wheat, the strength of that market causing corn to make a very substantial advance, considering the dullness of trade. May opened about ⅛c higher at 24⅛c, declined to 23⅞c and reacted to 24⅛c, closing firm at that figure.

Good buying by shorts, light offerings, a bullish government report and sympathy with corn all combined to make the oats market an active one, with a firm feeling existing and prices higher. Besides an urgent short demand there were good outside buying orders. May opened unchanged at 18⅝c, eased off to 18½c, then advanced and closed steady at 19⅛c.

Provisions were heavy and inanimate. Pork closed lower. Packers were active sellers and this, with continued heavy hog receipts, prevented any benefit which might have been derived from the firmness of grain. January pork closed unchanged at $6.62½; January lard, 5c lower at $3.60; January ribs, 2½c lower at $3.32½.

Estimated receipts Saturday are: Wheat, 225 cars; corn, 525 cars; oats, 315 cars; hogs, 14,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Sept.	56¼	57⅜	56¼	57⅜
Dec.	58¼@⅜	59⅜	57⅝	59⅜@½
May	62¼@⅜	63⅜	62⅛	63⅜
Corn, No. 2.				
Sept.	20⅛	20⅜	20¼	20⅜
Oct	20⅛	20⅜	20⅛	20⅜
Dec.	21⅛	21⅜	21⅛	21⅜@¼
May	24⅛	24¼	23⅞	24¼
Oats, No. 2.				
Sept	15¼	15¾	15⅛	15¾
Oct	15⅛	15¾	15⅛	15⅞
May	18¾	19⅛	18⅝	19⅛
Pork, per bbl				
Sept.				5 70
Oct.	5 65	5 70	5 60	5 70
Jan.	6 62½	6 65	6 55	6 62½
Lard, 100 lbs				
Sept.				3 20
Oct	3 30	3 30	3 25	3 25
Jan.	3 62½	3 62½	3 57½	3 60
Short Ribs—				
Sept.	3 05	3 05	3 05	3 05
Oct.	3 15	3 15	3 10	3 10
Jan.	3 30	3 30	3 27½	3 30

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy; winter patents, $3.20@3.40; straights, $3.00@3.20; special spring, $3.45; spring patents, $2.90@3.30; straights, $2.40@2.90; bakers, $1.90@2.25.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 57⅜c; No. 3 spring, 51@53½c; No. 2 red, 61¼@61½c.

CORN—No. 2, 20⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 21¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 15⅜@15⅞c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 18⅜@20½c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 14¾@19½c.

RYE—No. 2, 31c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 23@30c; No. 4, f. o. b., 30c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, 64⅝c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.60.

PROVISIONS—Pork, mess, per bbl., $5.70@5.75. Lard, per 100 lbs., $3.22½. Short ribs sides (loose), $3.10@3.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $3.75@4.00; short clear sides (boxed), $3.17½@3.50.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.18.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, unchanged.

POULTRY—Steady; turkeys, 7@10c; chickens, 7@8½c; ducks, 7@8½c.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	8,000	12,000
Wheat, bu	118,000	95,000
Corn, bu	289,000	366,000
Oats, bu	362,000	238,000
Rye, bu	11,000	
Barley, bu	18,000	12,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 9@15c; dairy, 9@13c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 13c. Cheese, steady; 7½@8¼c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Choice stock, 11@12c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 7c; choice to fancy, country, 11@12c; separator creamery, 15@16c; gathered cream, 12@13c.

CHEESE—Domestic brick, 10c; Edam, per doz., $9.50; club house, 1-lb. jars, per doz., $3.50; Limberger, fancy, per lb., 9½c; Roquefort, ½-lb. jars, per doz., $3.60; Young Americas, 8¾c; twins, fancy, 8½c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., is quoted at 7@8c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

POULTRY—Live hens, 6c; cocks, 3c; spring chickens, 6½@7½c; spring ducks, 7@7½c.

PIGEONS—Live, 90c; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $5.00; midland, $4.50; lowland, $4.00; rye straw, $4.00; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best; only top grades bring top prices.

BROOM CORN—Extremely slow sale; new crop, delivered on track in country; choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2½c; choice green, running to hurl, 2¼c; common, 1¾c.

VEGETABLES.

WATERMELONS—Per doz., crated, according to size, $2.00@2.25.

CANTALOUPES—Per crate, 75@80c.

TOMATOES—Per ½-bu. basket, 35@40c.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 20@25c.

NEW ONIONS—Good stock, per bu., 35@50c.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 4c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., $1.40@1.50.

CABBAGE—Home grown, per hundred, 75@90c.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; fancy mammoth, 45c.

POTATOES—New potatoes, per bu., 25@30c.

FRUITS.

GRAPES—Home grown grapes, 15@16c; large lots, 15c.

CALIFORNIA PEACHES—Freestones, $1.00; clings, 90c.

PLUMS—Oregon, $1.25; California fancy, $1.25@1.35.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—Muscats and other fancy varieties, $1.15@1.25; Tokays, $1.30@1.40; black Ferrara, $1.10.

APPLES—Cooking, per bbl., $1.50; eating, $1.75; Jonathans, fancy, $2.25@2.50.

EASTERN PEACHES—Michigan and Ohio baskets, fifths, 30c.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—Bartletts, $1.50@1.65; Buerre Hardy, $1.40@1.50; Buerre Clairgeau, $1.40@1.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—None.

LEMONS—Messinas, $6.00; California lemons, $5.25@5.50.

BANANAS—Choice large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; medium-sized bunches, $1.50@2.00.

PINEAPPLES—No shipping stock.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—New York counts, per can 38c; Branch & Co., New York selects, per can, 33c; extra selects, per can, 30c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25; per 1,000, $11; New York selects, per gal., $2; per tub, $11.

HONEY—Fancy white, per lb., 14c; choice, 13c; California, amber color, 10c.

CIDER—Clarified juice, per half bbl., $3; per bbl., $5.

PRESERVES—Assorted, 20-lb. pails, each, $1.49.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five gal. cans, each, $2.75; gal. cans, per doz., $12; ½ gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

FIGS—Imported fancy, 5 crown, 30-lb. boxes, 14c; choice, 10-lb. boxes, 3 crown, 9@10c.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., medium size, 10c; Tarragona almonds, per lb., large, 12½c; Brazils, per lb., 8c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 12c; medium size, 10c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished medium, 8c; large, 10c; peanuts, raw, 6¼@6c; roasted, 7½c.

DATES—Halloween, per lb., 5c; fards, 10-lb. boxes, per lb., 7c.

DRESSED MEATS.

BEEF—Dressed steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 6½@7c; western steers, 4¾@5½c; good cows and heifers, 4¾@5½c; medium cows and heifers, 4½@6c; good forequarters, cows and heifers, 3½@4c; good forequarters, native steers, 4½@5c; good hindquarters, cows and heifers, 7@7½c; good hindquarters native steers, 8½c; cow rounds, 5c; cow plates, 3c; boneless chucks, 4c; cow chucks, 3@3½c; steer chucks, 3½c; beef tenderloins, 19c; beef rolls, boneless, 9c; sirloin butts, boneless, 8½c; loin backs, boneless, 9c; loin backs, 7c; cow ribs, No. 3, 6c; cow loins, No. 3, 8c; beef trimmings, 3c; rump butts, 5c; shoulder clods, 5c.

MUTTON—Dressed lambs, 8c; dressed mutton, 6c; racks, 10c; legs, 8c; saddles, 8c; stews, 2½c; sheep plucks, 3c; sheep tongues, per doz., 25c.

PORK—Dressed hogs, 4½c; pork loins, 8c; spare ribs, 3½c; ham sausages, butts, 4½c; pork shoulders, 4½c; pork shoulders, skinned, 4½c; pork trimmings, 3c; leaf lard, not rendered, 4c.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 5½c; No. 2 green hides, 2½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 4½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 3½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 5c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 4c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 6@7c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 5@6c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 5c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 25@60c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 2½c; tallow, No. 2, 1⅝c; grease, white A, 2⅜c; grease, white B, 1¾c; grease, yellow, 1½c; grease, dark, 1½c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 15@22c; rough tallow, 1¾c.

BONES—In car lots, weighed and delivered in Chicago: Dry buffalo, per ton, $12.00@14.00; dry country, bleached, per ton, $10.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meaty, per ton, $6.00@8.00.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine heavy, 6@7c; fine light, 8@9c; quarter blood, 10@12c; seedy, burry and chaffy, 8@9c; cotted and broken, coarse, 7@9c; cotted and broken, fine, 6@8c. Fleece washed—Medium, 15@18c; fine, 14@16c; tub washed, 16@18c; black, 8c; bucks, 6c; tag locks, 2@3c; dead pulled, 5@6c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—FLOUR—Receipts, 29,400 bbls.; exports, 12,266 bbls. Market more active and firmer, in sympathy with wheat; city mill clears, $3.80@3.85; Minnesota patents, $3.40@3.65; Minnesota bakers, $2.30@2.90; winter patents, $3.30@3.60; winter straights, $3.20@3.25. Rye flour, dull; superfine, $2.40@2.60; fancy, $2.60@2.75.

CORN MEAL—Easy; yellow western, 55c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 38½@39c.

BARLEY—Quiet; western, feeding, 30@31c.

BARLEY MALT—Firm; western, 50@55c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 118,200 bu.; spot strong; No. 1 hard, 68⅛c. Options opened steady, and after selling off on a bank failure in New Orleans and big spring wheat receipts, advanced suddenly on the strength in St. Louis, continuing strong all the afternoon, and closing 1@1⅛c net higher; No. 2 red, September, 63⅞@64⅛c, closed at 64⅛c; December, 64⅞@65½c, closed at 66⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 115,100 bu.; exports, 10,882 bu.; spot quiet but firm; No. 2, 25⅞c in elevator. Options generally firm and higher on light receipts, bullish government report and the advance in wheat, closing ⅜@½c net higher; September closed at 25⅛c; December, 27⅝@27⅞c, closed at 27⅞c.

OATS—Receipts, 41,760 bu.; exports, 10,392 bu.; spot firmer and higher; No. 2 options fairly active and firmer, with the other markets, closing at ½c advance; September, 20c, closed at 20c; December, 20⅝@21c, closed at 21c.

HAY—Weak; shipping, $6.00@6.50; good to choice, $7.50@8.00.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1894 crop, 2½@4½c; 1895 crop, 3@7c.

HIDES—Steady; New Orleans selected and Galveston, 10½c.

LEATHER—Quiet; hemlock sole, 20@21c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $8.00@9.00; extra mess, $6.50@7.00; beef hams, $15.50@16.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 5@6c; pickled shoulders, 3⅝c; pickled hams, $9.25@10.00. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $4.40; tongues, $3.75; ribs, $4; shorts, $4.12½. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders and longs, $3.50; ribs, $2.75; shorts, $3.87½. Lard, steady; western steam, $3.60 asked; refined, firmer; continent, $1.05; South American, $4.40; compound, $3.87½@4.00. Pork, quiet; family, $10.50.

TALLOW—Firm; city ($2 per package), 3⅛c; country (packages free), 3⅛c.

OILS—Petroleum, firm; United closed at $1.13½. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.60@1.62½. Turpentine, steady, 24@24½c. Cottonseed oil, firm; prime crude, 14@16c; yellow, 21½@22c; prime summer yellow, 23@23½c; butter grades, 26@27c, nominal; prime white, 25½@28c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, 3⅜@6c; Japan, 4@4½c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, 29@37c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,825 pkgs.; western dairy, 8@12c; western creamery, 11½@16½c; Elgins, 16½c; factory, 10½@11¼c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 6,266 pkgs.; dull; large, 6@8⅛c; small, 6¼@8⅞c; part skims, 2@5½c; full skims, 1@1½c.

EGGS—Receipts, 7,455 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 15½@16½c; western, 15@16c.

METALS—Pig iron, quiet; southern, $10.25@12.00; northern, $10.75@12.50. Copper, quiet; brokers, $10.62½; exchange, $10.65@10.85. Lead, quiet; brokers, $2.60; exchange, $2.77½@2.82½. Tin, steady; straits, $13.10@13.20. Plates, steady. Spelter, dull; domestic, $3.50@3.60.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 11.—WHEAT—Speculation was dead during the forenoon and a general weakness was felt. A sudden demand developed locally about 11 o'clock, and so little wheat was to be had that the effort to buy short put the price up about 1c in quick time. Late cables were firm, and all domestic markets, following St. Louis, advanced stiffly. There was an active realizing at the higher prices, but buyers were more plentiful, the great strength in cash locally having a favorable effect, and futures closed higher than yesterday. Spot, higher; No. 2 red, cash, 59⅞@60¼c, elevator; 59⅞@61c, track; No. 2 hard, 53⅛c; September, 60⅛c; December, 63⅛c.

CORN—The strong advance in wheat had a bullish effect, and there was quite an upturn in prices, but the trading was light. Spot, higher; No. 2, cash, 19c; September, 19c; December, 19⅝c; May, 22⅝c bid.

OATS—Futures, firm, but quiet; spot, lower; No. 2 cash, 17c bid; September, 17⅛c bid; May, 19¾c bid.

RYE—29c bid.

BARLEY—Nominal.

CORN MEAL—$1.30.

FLAXSEED—Steady; 60½c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.60.

HAY—Choice timothy in good demand and scarce, but no prairie sold; prairie, $5; timothy, $3.00@10.00, this side.

EGGS—Firm; 10c.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, old, 6½c; spring, 7c; turkeys, spring, 9c; ducks, spring, 7c; geese, spring, 6c.

WHISKY—$1.18.

LEAD—Quiet; buyers at $2.57½, but none obtainable below $2.60.

SPELTER—Dull; $3.35 asked.

COTTON TIES—In demand; $1.45.

BAGGING—5¾@6¾c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, easier; standard mess, jobbing, $5.90@6.25. Lard, easier; prime steam, $3.10; choice, $3.17½. Bacon, (boxed) shoulders and longs, $4; ribs, $4.12½; shorts, $4.25. Dry salt meats, (boxed) shoulders, $3.62½; longs and ribs, $3.62½; shorts, $3.75.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 31,000 bbls.; wheat, 54,000 bu.; corn, 55,000 bu.; oats, 87,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 18,000 bu.; corn, 58,000 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—COFFEE—Options opened steady, with prices 10@15 points lower; ruled irregular and generally weak under weak cables and the heaviest movement at Rio and Santos ever recorded; closed steady at 5 points advance to 5 points decline; sales, 22,250 bags, including: September, $8.95@9.25; December, $8.40@8.55. Spot coffee, Rio, dull and nominal; No. 7, jobbing, $10.50; invoice, $10. Mild, quiet; Cordova, $15.00@16.25; sales, 3,000 bags Bucaramanga, p. t.; 1,000 bags Maracaibo, p. t. Total warehouse deliveries from the United States, 111,780 bags, including 19,699 bags from New York; New York stock today, 203,880 bags; United States stock, 232,219 bags; afloat for the United States, 271,750 bags; total visible for the United States, 503,969 bags, against 577,772 bags last year.

SANTOS, Sept. 11.—COFFEE—Quiet; good average Santos, 9,800 reis; receipts, 33,000 bags; stock, 516,000 bags.

HAMBURG, Sept. 11.—COFFEE—Dull at ½ pfg. decline; sales, 18,000 bags.

HAVRE, Sept. 11.—COFFEE—Closed weak at 2@2¼f net decline; sales, 46,000 bags.

RIO, Sept. 11.—COFFEE—Quiet; No. 7, Rio, 9,250 reis; exchange, 8 11-16d; receipts, 23,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 8,000 bags; for Europe, 7,000 bags; stock, 301,000 bags.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 11.—WHEAT—Hard, steady, later advanced ½c; soft, firm and active; No. 2 hard, 51@52c; No. 3, 47½@50½c, latter for fancy; No. 2 red, 56c; No. 3, 53@54c; No. 2 spring, 49c; No. 3, 48@48½c.

CORN—Rather slow, about unchanged; No. 2 mixed, nominally, 18½c; No. 2 white, 20½@21c.

OATS—Poor grades about steady; choice firm; No. 2 mixed, nominally, 15@17c; No. 2 white, 21@22½c; poor grades, 15@19c.

RYE—No. 2, 29c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $7.50@8.00; prairie, choice, $4.50@5.00.

BUTTER—Weak; creamery, 12½@13½c; dairy, 9@12c.

EGGS—Firm at 10½c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Sept. 11.—CORN—Steady; No. 2, 19½c; No. 3, 19c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 18½@19⅛c; No. 3 white, 17@17½c.

RYE—Dull, nominal.

WHISKY—Market steady; finished goods on the basis of $1.18 for high wines.

RECEIPTS—Corn, 90,150 bus.; oats, 93,650 bus.; rye, 1,200 bus.; whisky, none; wheat, 9,000 bus.

SHIPMENTS—Corn, 38,900 bus.; oats, 79,300 bus.; rye, none; whisky, 945 gals.; wheat, 8,400 bus.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—It has been a good market for bleached and brown cottons, and sales have been good, or in proportion to the limit of stocks, of which many are disappearing. Printed cottons and dress fabrics are in large scales, and of dress goods the takings were fairly large. Printing cloths were in demand at 2 11-16c, with sales of 45,000 pieces, and fair sales of 64-square wide goods at 3⅛c.

MANCHESTER, Sept. 11.—Cloths and yarns quiet but steady.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—SUGAR—Raw, dull; fair refining, 2 13-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3⅛c asked; refined, steady; crushed, 5⅜c; powdered, 5c; granulated, 4⅞c.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—SUGAR—Cane, very dull; centrifugal Java, 11s; Muscovado, fair refining, 9s 3d. Beet sugar, firmer; September, 9s; October, 9s 3d.

Oil City Market.

OIL CITY, Pa., Sept. 11.—Credit balances, $1.12; certificates opened at $1.13½; highest, $1.13½; lowest and closed at $1.13; shipments, 69,359 bbls.; runs, 85,811 bbls.

PRICES STILL MOVE UPWARD

Cottons Have Advanced More Than Five Per Cent in Five Weeks.

LARGE BUYING OF RAW MATERIALS

Demand for Finished Product Is Not Yet Great, but Every One Seems to Expect Recuperation After the Elections.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade tomorrow will say: Better prospects and relief from monetary anxiety do not yet bring larger demands for finished products, though large buying of pig iron, wool, leather, hides, cotton and other materials continues to show a growing belief that a general upward movement in prices will come with the replenishment of dealers' stocks this fall. Most prices are extremely low, so that nothing more than ordinary demand would advance them. But bank failures at New Orleans cause temporary hesitation, crop returns indicate disappointment in some cotton and some spring wheat states, prices of corn and oats make it unprofitable to sell at present. The number of manufacturing works and mines in operation does not gain, but rather decreases; reductions of wages are somewhat numerous, occasionally resisted by strikes, and all these conditions diminish for a time the buying power of the people. While many think general improvement cannot come until the election has removed political uncertainties, others expect soon to see the result anticipated in trade.

The weekly output of pig iron decreased 26,578 tons in August, a shrinkage of 40 per cent. Unsold stocks increased 62,067 tons in August, exclusive of those accumulating in the hands of the great steel companies. Strictly, not half the iron market or iron working capacity is now employed, and the demand for finished products does not grow, but heavy speculative purchases of pig, especially from southern works, have sustained prices. The output of Connellsville coke was 65,997 tons weekly, against 166,000 tons October 6 last year, and 3,640 ovens are at work, against 13,511 then, with 10,000 workers now idle.

Sales of wool for the week have about equaled the normal consumption, for the first time in several months, not because manufacturers have more orders, or are doing more work, for no gain is seen in the demand or output. The buying is mainly speculative, based on the belief that prices must advance. No considerable decrease appears in the enormous stock of print cloths, although the output has been reduced about one-half for two months, and a fifth of the year's productions remains in the hands of makers, but they have advanced the price 3-16c during the week. For other goods there is a better demand, and manufacturers have advanced prices because of the rising cost of material, the average for all cottons having risen 5.3 per cent since August 6, but stocks of many kinds are large.

Wheat declined 1 cent, but then advanced closing 1 cent up for the week. Western receipts still exceed last year's, having been in two weeks 11,229,338 bu., against 10,323,258 bu. last year, while Atlantic exports, flour included, have been for the same weeks 3,933,265 bu., against 2,417,872 bu. last year. Accounts of disappointing relations in spring wheat states are numerous, but it is difficult to reconcile short estimates with heavy marketing at low prices.

Corn is almost wholly out of danger, and the yield is generally expected to be the largest, as the price here is the lowest, ever known.

Failures for the week have been 315 in the United States, against 187 last year, and 47 in Canada, against 64 last year.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TOTALS.

Aggregate of Business Transacted by the Associated Banks.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, shows the total clearances at the principal cities and the percentage of increase or decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.	Clearings.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$420,395,251		26.9
Chicago	68,091,900		21.5
Boston	64,478,503		27.7
Philadelphia	43,875,612		28.3
St. Louis	19,615,918		22.2
San Francisco	10,275,705		4.6
Baltimore	11,953,264	12.2	
Pittsburg	11,278,191		11.1
Cincinnati	8,705,620		23.8
Kansas City	8,729,388		15.3
New Orleans	6,906,039	9.0	
Buffalo	3,749,685		14.6
Milwaukee	3,997,788		22.3
Detroit	4,065,526		36.0
Louisville	4,545,194		9.5
Minneapolis	5,525,087		24.9
OMAHA	2,828,432		2.5
Providence	3,379,900		25.9
Cleveland	6,309,084	3.7	
Houston	6,930,689	45.9	
St. Paul	3,337,359		8.9
Denver	1,726,820		34.8
Indianapolis	2,896,421	5.1	
Columbus, O.	2,763,400		7.8
Hartford	1,727,216		20.0
Richmond	1,565,233		28.1
Washington	1,457,883		14.7
Dayton	498,836		
Dallas	2,096,532	3.9	
St. Joseph	1,090,354		23.2
Peoria	1,386,053		17.7
Memphis	1,904,056	13.8	
Portland, Ore.	1,026,665		13.5
Rochester	1,391,436		2.8
New Haven	1,157,571		31.1
Savannah	3,332,310	12.4	
Springfield, Mass.	1,217,822		7.6
Worcester	1,052,782		22.8
Portland, Me.	1,219,268		11.5
Atlanta	1,215,742		
Fort Worth	1,090,220		15.5
Waco	2,293,307		
Syracuse	775,476		24.7
Des Moines	604,391		24.0
Grand Rapids	501,882		38.0
Seattle	452,903		11.4
Rockford	162,283		15.7
Lowell	443,971		28.6
Wilmington, Del.	578,000		26.2
Norfolk	743,694		12.1
Sioux City	308,739		40.5
Los Angeles	855,292		26.6
Tacoma	421,437		31.8
Toledo	1,281,965		34.3
Spokane	367,766		16.6
Jacksonville	292,185	28.0	
Lincoln	327,375		1.5
New Bedford	296,966		37.0
Wichita	261,813		17.8
Birmingham	373,282		23.9
Topeka	288,354		9.4
Lexington, Ky.	281,041		11.3
Binghampton	283,100		17.0
Davenport	491,779		78.8
Bay City, Mich.	203,627		50.7
Fall River	525,890		25.5
Akron, O.	229,090		26.1
Springfield, O.	157,797		29.2
Canton, O.	161,000	11.0	
Sioux Falls	50,188		16.6
Fremont, Neb.	57,012	14.0	
Hastings, Neb.	80,125	11.1	
Chattanooga	431,591	1.7	
Fargo	240,726		9.4
Nashville	785,287		14.2
Galveston	5,025,070		6.6
Knoxville	338,781		
Salt Lake	832,542		27.6
Scranton	822,320	32.1	
Helena	284,531		49.0
Augusta	1,076,344	158.6	
Kalamazoo	201,366		22.7
Totals, U. S.	$759,929,234		24.2
Exclusive of N. Y.	338,723,982		21.5
DOMINION OF CANADA.			
Montreal	$10,316,899		
Toronto	4,798,779		16.2
Halifax	1,081,993		12.9
Hamilton	637,637		3.4
Winnipeg	962,432	2.8	
St. John	586,736		
Totals	$17,797,770		11.6

Clearings at Bay City, Fall River, Akron, Springfield, Canton, Sioux City, Fremont, Hastings, Chattanooga, Fargo, Nashville and Galveston not included in the totals.

VOLUME OF SALES INCREASES.

Bradstreet's Reports Improvement All Around in Trade Conditions.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: The feeling among jobbers and manufacturers last week that an improvement in demand for seasonable staples was in sight was evidently well founded, for at more than a dozen centers, south and west, the demand is now more active, the volume of sales has increased and the general outlook is much more favorable for business later in the autumn. Notwithstanding the Labor day interruption, the week's volume of business is slightly heavier, several cities reporting a larger demand this week to replenish depleted stocks than during the two preceding months, notably among jobbers in groceries, hardware, dry goods, millinery, hats and shoes. The most marked improvement is at Chicago, St. Louis, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Pittsburg, Charleston and Augusta, although other cities have reported a better feeling and prospects for more active demand. No such gain has taken place in financial as in commercial circles. New Orleans bank failures have resulted in restricted loans and volume of trade at a time when the early movement of cotton and sugar prospects had stimulated trade.

The shrinkage of production of pig iron in the United States from a rate equal to 10,000,000 tons per annum to less than two-thirds that quantity is proving an effective remedy for stagnation in the iron and steel industries, and already demand has begun to reassert itself.

There is a more encouraging look to the price movement also.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal, this week amount to 3,799,141 bu., as compared with 3,369,000 bu. last week, 1,810,000 bu. in the corresponding week one year ago, 2,769,000 bu. two years ago, and with 5,357,000 bu. in the like week of 1893.

Business failures in the United States this week number 308, which, while twenty-eight fewer than last week, is ninety-five more than in the like week of 1895, eighty-five more than in the corresponding period of 1894, and eight more than in the second week of September, 1893, after three months of panic. More than twice as many failures are reported this week as in the corresponding week of 1892. Business failures in the Canadian Dominion this week number forty-one, against thirty last week, twenty-two in the week a year ago, thirty-eight two years ago, and thirty-six three years ago.

PUBLIC NOT DEALING IN STOCKS.

Stock Market Has Been Strong in Spite of Reactionary Impulses.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—Bradstreet's review of the New York stock market will tomorrow say: In spite of some reactionary impulses, the tone of speculation during the week has been strong. The market is in every way a narrow one, depending upon the professional dealing for its activity. Outside participation, however, by our own public or London, cuts little figure, and the short interest has been so greatly reduced that buying to cover outstanding bear contracts is no longer capable of affording much support to prices. It would seem, however, that large interests which parted with their holdings have continued to buy back their securities. Part of the reactionary tendencies on Wednesday and Thursday was due, it seems, to the bank failures at New Orleans, but the unfavorable developments were in the main offset by the continued receipts of gold from Europe. Moreover, the prompt decline of exchange here when the Bank of England on Thursday raised its discount rates and advanced the selling prices for American gold coin affords a promise of the continuance of the inflow, the shipments of gold by steamers leaving for this country today being, so far as known, about $3,500,000. The money market continues firm, but has lost the nervous and disturbed tone that characterized it a fortnight ago, although the scarcity of time money continues, and the few loans reported are on a basis of 6 per cent, plus a commission, which rates are naturally an obstacle to business. The better supply of call money is, however, noticeable, and the extreme rate this week has been 6 per cent. Money has, therefore, ceased to be a disturbing factor in speculation, and while the "street" has been inclined to wait for a reaction after the advances that have been scored in the last two weeks, there is an idea prevalent that further improvement is in sight.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Volume of Business Only Moderate with Speculative Temper Cheerful.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—Although the volume of business in stocks today was only moderate, the speculative temper was cheerful and prices, with momentary exceptions, worked toward a higher plane. Outside buying, however, was chiefly conspicuous by its absence. The tone in financial circles is becoming unqualifiedly bullish, although the market fluctuations were practically controlled by a few of the more important professional dealers, who have recently been playing for turns, with the scalpers following in their wake. An encouraging development was the news of a mandatory order from the court forbidding the operation of the reduced rates put in effect by the southern transportation companies. The heavy grain movement in the northwest was urged as a bull argument on the grangers, and in most instances the traffic returns rendered were satisfactory.

As usual recently, the attention of the street was largely turned on the ever-swelling gold engagements and arrivals. In conservative circles it is now believed that the $40,000,000 mark will be reached. The arrivals today footed about $4,297,000, and there was deposited at the subtreasury $5,000,000, of which sum about $3,500,000 will accrue to the treasury gold reserve. The actual gold holdings at the close of business tomorrow will not be known until Monday, but are expected to come close to $113,000,000. Rumors were current of preparations in London to ship about $20,000,000 additional gold to this country. The street discount rate at that center today was marked up to 2 per cent, but actual sterling rates for 60-day bills in this market fell to $4.81½ on heavy increased offerings of commercial bills, with the only important buying being for account of the gold importers. Later in the day, call money rates were offered down to 3 per cent, and the final loan was made at that figure, as against 5 per cent, the maximum rate of the day. London figured both as a buyer and seller. The traders at the close were engaged in discussing the probable showing of the associated banks tomorrow. The theory is that the resources of the banks have been swelled by about $14,000,000, and shipments of funds to the interior for the week were about $3,000,000. In addition, the subtreasury transferred about $2,500,000. The extreme gains in prices extended from 1 to 3 per cent in the general list, with Lackawanna, on light dealings, rising 8 per cent. The closing was strong at about the best prices of the day. Railroad bonds were quiet, but generally higher, on transactions of $659,000. Governments were lower for the new 4s, with other issues steady. The transactions were $53,000.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: This was another flat day in the stock markets on dearer money and the idea that the banks' rate of discount may go to 3 per cent next week. Prices, however, closed above the worst, and with rather a more assured tone. Consols and other gilt-edged stocks naturally experienced the sharpest fall, but other markets sympathized, and Kaffirs had a little scare on the disappointing results from a deep level mine. Americans were dull until New York prices arrived, when there was a sharp rally. The close was about the best. There is more buying of bonds here, although not yet on a large scale. The Chinese loan is out tonight. Details are as cabled yesterday. It will help to harden the money market here and in Berlin. Continental exchanges have not fully responded to the rise in the bank rate. The Paris bourse opened flat, but closed better. The Berlin market was weak. America is still nibbling for gold, but I gather that scarcely any will go from the Bank of England tomorrow. Stocks are flat. No gold was taken from the bank today. The Times' money article says that after the gold movement at the bank was announced yesterday another £100,000 in eagles was sold. This is correct. None, however, believes that the American demand for gold is yet over.

The following were the closing quotations on the leading stocks of the New York exchange today:

Atchison	12	N. Y. Central	92
Adams Ex	142	N. Y. & N. E.	20
Alton, T. H.	55	Ontario & W.	13
Am. Express	107	*Oregon imp.	½
Baltimore & Ohio	14	Oregon Nav.	12
Canada Pacific	57¾	O. S. L. & U. N.	13
Canada Southern	44	Pacific Mail	18¾
Central Pacific	13¾	Peoria Dec. & E.	1¾
Ches. & Ohio	13⅞	Pittsburg	155
Chicago & Alton	152	Pullman Palace	142
C., B. & Q.	67½	Reading	15¾
Chicago Gas	60½	*R. G. W.	15
Consolidated Gas	146	*R. G. W. pfd	40
C., C., C. & St. L.	25½	Rock Island	60⅝
Colo. Coal & Iron	3⅜	St. Paul	71⅝
Cotton Oil Cert	32	do pfd	126½
Delaware & Hud.	121	St. P. & Omaha	37¾
Del., Lack. & W.	155	do pfd	117
D. & R. G. pfd	41½	Southern Pacific	16
East Tenn.	12¾	Sugar Refinery	115¾
Erie	29	Tenn. Coal & Iron	21½
do pfd	17½	Texas Pacific	6¼
Fort Wayne	145	T. & O. Cent. pfd	50
G. Northern pfd	112	Union Pacific	5¾
C. & E. I. pfd	90	U. S. Express	35
Hocking Valley	15	W. St. L. & P.	5⅞
Illinois Central	88	W. St. L. & P. pfd	13¾
St. P. & Duluth	15	Wells Fargo Ex.	80
K. & T. pfd	22	Western Union	80¾
Lake Erie & West	15	Wheeling & L. E.	6⅛
do pfd	65	do pfd	24
Lake Shore	143	M. & St. L.	14¼
Lead Trust	20½	D. & R. G.	10½
Louisville & N.	41½	G. E.	27⅜
L. & N. A.	2½	N. L.	14
Manhattan Con.	83¾	C. F. & I.	18¾
*Memphis & C.	15	*do pfd	90
Michigan Cent.	87	T. St. L. & K. C.	4½
Missouri Pacific	19	T. St. L. & K. C. pfd	10
Mobile & Ohio	16	S. R. R.	7¾
Nashville Chat.	68	S. R. R. pfd	21½
National Cordage	3⅜	Am. Tob. Co.	64⅝
Nat. Cordage pfd	7¼	do pfd	95
N. J. Central	101	Am. Tel. & C. Co.	85
N. & W. pfd	12¾	Com'l Cable Co.	125
North Am. Co.	4¼	Am. Sugar pfd	100¾
Northern Pacific	12¼	U. S. Cordage pfd	14
N. Pacific pfd	19⅝	U. S. Leather pfd	49½
U. P. D. & G.	1¾	U. S. Rubber	18
Northwestern	98	do pfd	70
do pfd	142		

* offered.

The total sales of stocks today were 174,793 shares, including: American Tobacco, 5,500; American Sugar, 38,300; Burlington & Quincy, 17,500; Chicago Gas, 5,600; Louisville & Nashville, 15,000; Manhattan, 7,300; Reading, 4,700; Rock Island, 4,800; St. Paul, 36,900; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 5,500.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Sept. 11.—Call loans, 7@8½ per cent; time loans, 6½@8 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	12	W. Elec. pfd.	49
Am. Sugar	115⅝	Wis. Central	1⅝
Am. Sugar pfd	100⅝	Gen. Elec. pfd	65
Bay State Gas	7⅛	Atchison 2d	17⅝
Bell Telephone	205	Atchison 4s	74½
Boston & Albany	204½	New England 6s	109
Boston & Maine	155	Gen. Electric 5s	85
C. B. & Q.	67½	Wis. Cent. 1sts	30
Fitchburg	87	Allouez Mining Co	50
Gen. Electric	27⅛	Atlantic	16¼
Illinois Steel	37½	Boston & Montana	79⅝
Mexican Central	8	Butte & Boston	1¼
N. Y. & N. E.	60	Calumet & Hecla	303
Old Colony	173	Franklin	8½
Ore. Short Line	13	Kearsarge	10¼
Rubber	18	Osceola	23½
San Diego	5	Quincy	105
Union Pacific	5⅛	Tamarack	72
West End	60¼	Wolverine	6½

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	7	Gould & Curry	59
Alpha Con	16	Hale & Norcross	15
Andes	31	Kentucky Con	7
Belcher	55	Mexican	62
Best & Belcher	105	Mono	20
Bodie Con	62	Occidental Con	56
Bullion	9	Ophir	105
Bulwer Con	45	Overman	150
Caledonia	12	Potosi	100
Chollar	230	Savage	66
Confidence	140	Sierra Nevada	80
Con. Cal. & Va.	190	Union Con	47
Con. Imperial	2	Utah Con	8
Crown Point	33	Yellow Jacket	35
Exchequer	4		

Silver bars, 65¾c; Mexican dollars, 51½@52c.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Bulwer	50	Ontario	1000
Chollar	210	Ophir	100
Crown Point	30	*Plymouth	20
Con. Cal. & Va.	180	Quicksilver	150
Deadwood	105	*Quicksilver pfd	1500
Gould & Curry	60	Sierra Nevada	70
Hale & Norcross	145	Standard Con	110
Homestake	2900	Union Con	40
Iron Silver	28	Yellow Jacket	30
Mexican	60		

* offered.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—MONEY ON CALL—Easier at 3@4 per cent; last loan, 3 per cent; closed at 3@4 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—Market nominally 7@9 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.83¾@4.84 for demand and $4.81½@4.82 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.82½@4.84 and $4.84½@4.85; commercial bills, $4.81.

BAR SILVER—66⅝c.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—65¼@66½c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Weak for the new 4s; others steady; state bonds, dull; railroad bonds, firm.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. 4s, reg. new	115⅜	C. P. 1sts of '95	98¾
U. S. 4s coup. new	115⅜	D. & R. G. 7s	113
U. S. 5s, reg	110¼	D. & R. G. 4s	87
U. S. 5s, coup	110¼	*Erie 2ds	59¾
U. S. 4s, reg	100	*G. H. & S. A. 6s	102⅝
U. S. 4s, coup	107¼	*G. H. & S. A. 7s	100
U. S. 2s, reg	91	*H. & T. C. 5s	106
Pacific 6s of '95	100⅜	*do 6s	102
*Ala. class A	101	M. K. & T. 1st 4s	80¾
*Ala. class B	101	do 2d 4s	50¾
Ala. class C	90	Mutual Union 6s	105
*Ala. Currency	95	N. J. C. Gen. 5s	113¾
La. New Con. 4s	90	No. Pacific 1sts	114
Missouri 6s	100	do 2ds	105⅜
N. C. 6s	110	N. W. Consols	132¾
N. C. 4s	90	do S. F. Deb. 5s	106½
*S. C. nonfund	2	R. G. West. 1sts	69¾
Tenn. new set 6s	70	St. P. Consols 7s	123
*Tenn. new set 5s	108	do C. & P. W. 5s	110
Tenn. old 6s	60	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	68
Va. Centuries	55	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 1	102
do deferred	4	Texas Pac. 1sts	80
Atchison 4s	74¾	Texas Pac. 2ds	18¾
Atchison 2d A	34	U. P. 1sts of '95	101¼
Canada So. 2ds	100	West Shore 4s	102⅝
L. & N. unified 4s	72	O. R. & N. 1sts	109
Southern 5s	84⅛	N. Pac. 3ds	65

* offered.

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—4 p. m. closing:

Consols, m'y	110 15-16	Mexican ordinary	19¾
Consols, acc't	111 1-16	St. Paul com	72¾
Can. Pacific	59⅞	N. Y. Central	94⅛
Erie	13¾	Pennsylvania	52⅜
Erie 1st pfd	30	Reading	7⅜
Ill. Central	91¼	Mex. Cen. new 4s	68⅜

BAR SILVER—30⅝d per oz.

MONEY—1 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short and three months' bills, 1⅝@1⅞ per cent.

Financial Notes.

BOSTON, Sept. 11.—Clearings, $12,206,739; balances, $1,484,204.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 11.—Clearings, $3,085,197; balances, $358,182.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—Clearings, $86,118,225; balances, $5,888,122.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 11.—Clearings, $8,931,426; balances, $1,344,961.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 11.—Clearings, $3,895,965; balances, $343,189; money, steady; call loans, 5@6 per cent; time loans, 7@8 per cent; New York exchange, $1.25 discount bid; $1 discount asked.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, Sept. 11.—Exchange on London, eight days' sight, 20 marks 37 pfg.

PARIS, Sept. 11.—Three per cent rentes, 102f 92½c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 17½c for checks.

LONDON, Sept. 11.—Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 176; Madrid, 19.25; Lisbon, 29¾; Rome, 106.92½. The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance today was £27,000. The price of bar gold has declined ½d to 77s 11½d.

WOOL IS TAKING ON STRENGTH.

Holders Decline Large Offers, as the Prices Are Not Satisfactory.

BOSTON, Sept. 11.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter says of the wool trade: "There has been a marked improvement in the number of manufacturers in the market looking for wool. Had all the offers been accepted, the sales would aggregate quite an enormous figure. The Vermont election greatly improved the feeling on all sides, and manufacturers seem to have become imbued with the idea that the improving political outlook is diminishing their opportunities for picking up the raw material at their own prices. The general tendency the last week has been to hold wool more firmly at the quoted prices. Sales in Boston have been nearly double what they were the week before. Large orders from abroad for domestic wool have been a feature of the market, and there have been a number of shipments. Sales in Boston, New York and Philadelphia the past week aggregate 6,569,400 lbs., 5,736,000 lbs. being domestic and 833,400 lbs. foreign. Sales since January 1 aggregate 127,497,546 lbs., against 235,659,224 lbs. during the corresponding period of last year.

"We were convinced when we wrote last that the Boston market had seen its worst, and subsequent events have deepened that conviction. The Vermont election has greatly improved the feeling in all lines of trade, and has unquestionably sent more woolen and worsted manufacturers into the raw material market than were before noticed. Dealers are more independent as regards prices than they were a week ago, and it would appear as if the manufacturers were conscious that they had obtained their best bargains. Many houses still report that they are doing only a comparatively small business (by reason of their unwillingness to sell at the present low figures), but in other quarters some very good sales are reported. The offers for wool the last week aggregate, it is claimed by some, 15,000,000 lbs., and sales for the week amount to 5,403,000 lbs. There have been orders for at least 1,000,000 lbs. of domestic wool from Bradford and other European localities, most of which have been declined, owing to a difference of ¼c between buyer and seller in the matter of price. Exports probably have not exceeded 400,000 lbs., principally Idaho, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah wool. Sales of the week aggregate 5,403,000 lbs., 4,815,000 lbs. being domestic and 588,000 lbs. foreign. Sales since January 1 aggregate 68,643,000 lbs., against 137,002,779 lbs. last year.

"While the aggregate sales for the week at Philadelphia are below the one preceding, there is more looking around by local mills and some large blocks of territory have been sold to mills who have had the money to put into wool; they believe stock will not be any cheaper this year. There is more confidence expressed regarding future conditions. Several local mills have been represented that have not been in before for two months. There has been less disposition on the part of sellers to make concessions. Sales of the week were 746,000 lbs. domestic and 105,400 foreign, making a total of 851,400 lbs. Sales since January 1 aggregate 30,920,066 lbs., against 48,927,145 lbs. last year.

"At New York there has been a little more inquiry for certain kinds of stock, and as the mills are generally inoperative, such trade as for the moment obtains must be mainly speculative. There are some negotiations on foot, which, if completed, will result in increased sales next week. Dealers in the main are very firmly holding their merchandise. Sales of the week were 315,000 lbs. Sales since January aggregate 27,924,450 lbs., against 49,093,900 lbs. last year.

"More wool has moved this week again at St. Louis than would be expected from appearances, as considerable stock has changed hands in round lots from commission houses to dealers, and also graded wools have been sent out, sold to mills mostly. Some scoured pulled wools have also been sold and sample lots of all kinds have been sent out that indicate a chance for orders later on. The market is practically unchanged, though certainly a more hopeful tone is manifest. However, the majority are not asking more money than they have been lately."

The Boston Commercial Bulletin will say of the wool market: The negotiations noted last week have been consummated, and over 1,000,000 lbs of fine and medium territory wool has been exported to Bradford during the week past. The wool cost 30c and 31c clean, delivered in Bradford. It was Utah and Wyoming wool almost entirely. Another sale for export was 200 bales of cape at 31c clean, delivered in Bradford. The sales of the week are 3,690,500 lbs. domestic and 808,000 lbs. foreign, against 2,895,700 lbs. domestic and 240,000 lbs. foreign last week, and 2,299,000 lbs. domestic and 3,034,000 lbs. foreign for the same week last year. The sales to date show a decrease of 47,800,463 lbs. domestic and 25,800,900 lbs. foreign from the sales to the same date in 1895. The receipts to date show a decrease of 138,584 bales domestic and 119,729 bales foreign.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—WOOL—Dull; domestic fleece, 14@18c; pulled, 15@20c.

South Dakota Crops.

HURON, S. D., Sept. 11.—Weather crop bulletin No. 23 of the South Dakota section of the climate and crop service of the weather bureau for the week ending September 7, says: The temperature during the week averaged somewhat below the normal, with generally cool nights. Frost occurred in a number of localities on the 3d and 6th. Over the greater portion of the state it was light, doing little or no damage, except cutting the vines a little. In some northern localities, however, it was heavy enough to kill vines and cut the leaves of the latest and most tender corn. Monday, the 7th, was a very warm day generally and aided considerably in maturing and hardening corn. Fair to very good rains occurred in many counties, and were very beneficial in moistening the soil for fall plowing, which is now progressing in the central and southern counties. There was somewhat more than the average amount of sunshine during the week. The maturing of corn has not been as rapid as warmer weather would have made it, but it has progressed steadily. About all of the early, and much of the later, corn is now safe from frost and considerable is already in shock. From one week to ten days more of immunity from heavy frost will insure the safety of the later corn. The latest is now in the advanced roasting ear stage, and reports indicate that only heavy frosts could injure or affect the yield materially. The crop is generally very good, and most reports indicate that it promises the most abundant yield for many years. Threshing of small grain is still in progress, and the weather has been favorable for this work, except that some interruption was caused in localities by high winds. Millet and flax harvesting is almost completed, and the threshed flax shows good results and very good seed. Both millet and flax have been secured in good condition quite generally. Late potatoes are all about matured, and reports still indicate that, as a rule, they are a fair to good crop, and of good quality. Most of the garden truck is about matured. Haying continues in many counties east of the Missouri river. The recent rains have freshened up the prairie grasses and pastures, and the shorter grasses are in many localities still green. The foliage of trees continues green and rank, and the season has produced the most luxuriant growth of any for years, in most varieties.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—Futures opened irregular; January, $8.47; February, $8.50; March, $8.45; April, $8.56; May, $8.60; February, $8.20; October, $8.40; November, $8.36; December, $8.43; closed steady; sales, 304,400 bales: January, $8.40; February, $8.44; March, $8.48; April, $8.52; May, $8.55; September, $8.19; October, $8.23; November, $8.23; December, $8.32.

Middling, 8⅝c; net receipts, none; gross, 2,868 bales; forwarded, 700 bales; sales, 572 bales, all spinners; stock, 71,081 bales.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 11.—COTTON—Steady and unchanged; middling, 8⅜c; sales, 50 bales; receipts, 293 bales; shipments, 363 bales; stock, 16,224 bales.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Only a Few Cattle Offered for Sale During the Day.

SALES MADE SHOW PRICES STEADY

Cows and Feeders Make Up the Bulk of the Business—Hogs Gain Another Strong Nickel.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
September 11	2,077	2,447	2,470	1
September 10	2,060	3,284	1,801	....
September 9	3,715	3,297	1,913	36
September 8	2,035	4,854	2,120	2
September 7	2,130	930	2,897	52
September 5	1,111	2,269	1,653	....
September 4	2,818	3,031	1,321	....
September 3	1,884	4,044	2,458	....
September 2	2,741	4,452	93	....

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H'r's.
C., M. & St. P. Ry.	3	1	..	..
Missouri Pacific Ry	16	1	..	..
Union Pacific sys'm	6	9	10	..
B. & M. R. R. R.	31	8	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., e.	..	2	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., w.	..	2	..	..
C., St. P., M. & O.	1	4	..	1
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	20	12	..	..
Total receipts	77	39	10	1

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.
Omaha Packing Co.	4	125
G. H. Hammond Co.	282	580
Swift and Company	346	500
Cudahy Packing Co.	137	1,155
R. Becker & Degan	106	.....
Vansant & Co.	20	.....
J. L. Carey	42	.....
Lobman & Rothschilds	254	.....
W. I. Stephens	100	.....
Hill & Lewis Co.	20	.....
Benton & Underwood	55	.....
Huston & Co.	37	.....
Cudahy, from K. C.	418	.....
Layton & Co.	.....	100
Sperry & Barnes	.....	247
Other buyers	521	.....
Left over	.....	500
Total	2,342	3,207

CATTLE—The receipts today numbered 2,077 head, as against 2,060 yesterday and 2,818 on Friday a week ago. While about the average number of cattle were received today the actual number on sale was very small. Of the seventy-seven cars reported in sixteen were consigned direct to packers, and of the twenty-eight loads of the Ogallalas here thirteen loads were not offered until late in the day, so that at the opening of the market the total offerings were only forty-eight cars.

There were no native cornfed cattle in the yards and only a very few loads of common to fairish westerns. The kind of cattle here sold at about steady prices, but any really desirable fat cattle would probably have brought strong prices.

Cows and heifers also sold at about steady prices. There were only fourteen or fifteen loads in the yards all told.

A considerable proportion of the cattle here were stockers and feeders. The market did not show any material change, though common light cattle were a little slow. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1110	$2 85						

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	900	1 50	1	960	2 15	1	910	2 60
1	1020	1 75	1	1000	2 25	10	1000	2 65
1	990	2 00	3	1183	2 40	11	1005	2 75
2	1075	2 00	14	911	2 45	2	1215	2 85
1	940	2 15	1	1200	2 50			

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	700	2 15	2	490	2 50	3	466	2 65
1	740	2 40	23	630	2 60	9	666	2 75

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1230	1 85	2	975	2 40	1	1110	2 45
1	1220	2 20						

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	380	3 50	2	380	3 75	14	318	4 50

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	490	2 50	2	475	3 00	48	921	3 20
1	670	2 50	5	574	3 10	24	916	3 25
8	766	2 75	37	667	3 10	2	1160	3 30
1	1000	2 75	2	950	3 15	37	571	3 30
1	990	3 00	5	940	3 20	24	772	3 30
1	580	3 00	4	607	3 20	2	590	3 40

WESTERNS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
8 feeders	1060	3 00			
P. E. Wantz.					
4 cows	1040	$2 00	3 heifers	606	$2 60
1 feeder	1000	2 50	23 feeders	873	3 10
John Pfeifer.					
1 cow	1000	2 00	4 heifers	767	2 75
2 cows	790	2 35	11 feeders	761	2 85
4 cows	1077	2 40			
OREGON. Miller & L.					
2 steers	1095	2 50	31 feeders	1073	3 00
SOUTH DAKOTA. John Tinnin.					
1 cow	960	2 60	10 steers	1093	2 60
COLORADO.					
205 feeders	1055	3 00	80 yearlings	549	3 20
WYOMING. G. H. Ames.					
2 cows	935	2 10	18 cows	926	2 55
6 cows	890	2 10			
Guthrie Bros.					
1 cow	920	2 25	1 feeder	1140	3 20
5 cows	1044	2 75	6 feeders	1020	3 20
Ogallala L. & C. Co.					
13 bulls	1317	1 50	153 cows	1003	2 70
17 cows	910	2 05	1 steer	1000	3 00
1 steer	1120	2 25	67 steers	1231	3 05
8 steers	1191	2 25			
W. C. Irvine.					
5 cows	866	2 60	2 cows	910	2 75
1 cow	760	2 25	1 feeder	780	3 00
9 heifers	664	2 35	7 steers	1357	3 10
1 cow	1080	2 65	5 steers	1236	3 10
3 cows	1000	2 65	3 calves	383	3 85
6 cows	1025	2 75	6 calves	216	4 25
UTAH. Webster City Cattle Co.					
54 feeders	902	3 00			

HOGS—The hog receipts today numbered 2,235 head, as against 3,284 yesterday, and 3,031 on Friday of last week. The market as a whole was in fairly satisfactory condition, viewed from a seller's standpoint. It opened about 5c higher, and the most of the hogs sold on that basis. It eased off toward the last and closed weak on coarse heavy weights. The demand was good and the market reasonably active, so that an early clearance was affected.

Extreme heavy hogs sold down to $2.75, and good heavy up to $2.80@2.90. Medium weights brought $2.90@3.00, and light mixed, $3.00@3.05. The best light hogs here sold at $3.10. Owing to the quality of the hogs on sale today and the very small proportion of lightweights the sales do not show on their face any material advance, and the average of all the sales was only 2½c above yesterday's figure. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
56	401	...	$2 70	125	284	560	$2 90
44	345	200	2 75	55	286	80	2 90
55	360	...	2 75	58	271	...	2 90
58	315	120	2 80	49	273	160	2 90
58	317	160	2 80	78	261	120	2 90
49	333	...	2 80	60	273	440	2 90
52	343	80	2 80	77	266	120	2 90
60	327	...	2 80	47	274	40	2 90
51	335	40	2 80	42	292	120	2 90
57	337	...	2 82½	55	260	200	2 95
58	279	120	2 85	65	272	80	2 95
62	311	...	2 85	65	293	160	2 95
47	287	200	2 85	13	257	...	3 00
67	286	360	2 85	65	260	...	3 00
58	293	280	2 85	60	244	120	3 00
48	330	120	2 85	71	224	120	3 05
66	248	240	2 85	73	244	200	3 10
58	273	80	2 85	71	190	160	3 10
38	255	120	2 85	76	285	40	2 85

PIGS—ODDS AND ENDS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
7	421	...	2 55	4	270	...	2 85
6	310	...	2 50	9	265	...	2 85

SHEEP—There were more sheep here than anything else today, but the market was slow. The offerings were mostly of lambs, of which there has been an oversupply this week. The packers were all filled up with lambs, but were all in need of good heavy muttons. Salesmen were generally asking strong prices for their lambs, which contributed to make the market slow. Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
300	Utah stockers	53	$3 00

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Trade in Cattle Quite Dull, Except for Some Few Lines.

CHICAGO, Sept. 11.—Trade in cattle was dull today at easy prices except for the few choice lots for sale. Fancy steers sold at from $5.25 to $5.30, reaching the highest price of the year. Sales of beef steers covered an extreme range of $2.20 per 100 lbs., the poorest selling at $3.10, with the bulk of the sales between $4 and $5. The stocker and feeder trade was active and prices ruled steady at from $2.50 to $3.80. Bulls sold very well, a few prime ones going at from $3.25 to $3.40, and cows and heifers remained steady and active. Calves were active, and the best brought $5.85, an advance of 10c. Texas grass steers were about 15c lower, with sales at from $2.25 to $3. Western rangers declined from 15c to 20c, sales ranging at from $2.75 to $3.85 for steers, chiefly at from $3 to $3.60.

In hogs there was the usual local and shipping demand, and prices were strong for good medium weights, but weak for common lots, whether heavy or light. Heavy sold at from $2.50 to $3.25, medium at from $2.90 to $3.35, light at from $2.90 to $3.40, and pigs at from $2 to $3.30. Heavy packing hogs sold largely at from $2.85 to $2.95.

Sheep prices are still suffering from large receipts from the western ranges. Western sheep sold slowly at from $2.50 to $2.85, and $3 was an extreme price for prime natives. Some few inferior lambs went at $2.10, but most of the lambs were taken at from $3 to $3.75, and fancy flocks were largely nominal at from $3.85 to $4. Good sheep sold for export at $2.80, and a few sales were made of feeding sheep at from $2.40 to $2.70.

Receipts: Cattle, 3,000 head; hogs, 23,000 head; sheep, 5,000 head.

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—BEEVES—Receipts, 1,273 head; slow; native steers, steady; others lower; rough stock slow and dry cows lower; native steers, $4.00@4.65; Colorados and half breeds, $3.15@4.25; stags and oxen, $3.50@4.45; bulls, $2.20@2.70; dry cows, $1.25@2.60. European cables quote American steers at 10@11c, dressed weight; sheep, 9@9½c; refrigerator beef, 7½@8½c; exports tomorrow, 651 beeves and 4,413 quarters of beef.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 6,523 head; dull and weak to a shade easier all around; sheep, $2.25@3.25 all around; lambs, $4.00@4.90.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,814 head; firm at $3.60@4.10.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 11.—CATTLE—Receipts, 9,000 head; shipments, 8,300 head; best grades, steady; others dull to 5@10c lower; Texas steers, $2.50@3.05; Texas cows, $1.60@2.25; beef steers, $3.00@4.80; native cows, $1.00@3.00; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.65; bulls, $1.50@2.60.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,500 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market opened steady, closed 5@10c lower; bulk of sales, $2.85@3.10; heavies, $2.75@3.05; packers, $2.80@3.05; mixed, $2.85@3.15; lights, $2.85@3.22½; Yorkers, $3.10@3.22½; pigs, $3.05@3.15.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,500 head; shipments, 400 head; market steady; lambs, $2.70@3.80; muttons, $2.00@2.80.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts at the four principal markets for Friday, September 11, 1896:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	2,077	2,235	2,470
Chicago	3,000	23,000	5,000
Kansas City	9,000	6,500	1,500
St. Louis	2,000	5,000	1,000
Totals	16,077	36,735	9,970

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 11.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,000 head; market steady; native shipping steers, $3.50@4.75; Texas steers, $2.40@3.40.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000 head; market steady; light, $3.10@3.35; mixed, $2.90@3.20; heavy, $3.00@3.20.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,000 head; market firm.

GOVERNMENT WEATHER BULLETIN.

Climatic and Crop Conditions of Country for Last Week Summarized.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—The week ending September 7 was cooler than usual over the northern districts from the Missouri valley eastward to the middle Atlantic and New England coasts. The week was also slightly cooler than usual along the immediate east gulf and central California coasts, where the average daily deficiency ranged from 1 to 2 degrees. From the lower Missouri valley eastward to the New England and middle Atlantic coasts the temperature deficiency averaged from 3 to 7 degrees per day, being greatest in the upper Ohio valley and lake region.

In the southern states, except along the east gulf coast, throughout the Rocky mountain regions, and on the north Pacific coast, the week averaged warmer than usual. The temperature excess ranged from 3 to 6 degrees per day over the southwestern portions of the country from Arkansas and Louisiana westward over Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, southern Colorado and Arizona, and also over northern California and portions of Nevada, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. Over a limited area, including the western portions of the Carolinas and northern Georgia, the week averaged from 3 to 4 degrees per day warmer than usual, the excess being less marked elsewhere east of the Mississippi river.

The temperature extremes of the week ranged from 36 degrees in the Dakotas and northern Minnesota to 100 degrees in southern Kansas, Oklahoma and northern California, and 104 degrees in east-central Texas and southern Arizona. The highest maximum records of former years for the first decade of September were reached or exceeded in western Kansas, central Texas and northern Georgia; the maximum temperature at Palestine, Tex., on the 5th being 8 degrees higher than any previously recorded at that station during the first decade of September.

While more than the usual amount of rain fell in New England, over portions of the lake region, middle Atlantic states, limited areas in the central valleys and on the gulf coast, the week was drier than usual over the greater part of the country. The deficiency in rainfall exceeded one inch on the south Atlantic coast, and ranged from one-half to three-fourths of an inch over the greater part of the southern states, in which section extensive areas received no rain during the week. In the central valleys there was a general deficiency, but good showers, giving a slight excess over limited areas, were quite general. Eastern Montana, northern Wyoming, western South Dakota and limited areas in Minnesota, Iowa and Colorado received more than the usual amount of rain, while no appreciable amount fell in the Pacific coast states.

The week has been very favorable for general farm work and maturing crops.

Corn cutting has progressed favorably and the late crop is mostly safe. Although the maturity of late corn in Iowa and Missouri has been retarded by recent cool weather, the bulk of the crop will be safe by September 12, as foreshadowed by the Bulletin of August 25. In the principal corn states of the central valleys an excellent corn crop is now practically assured. In Kansas corn is being cribbed, and some has been marketed.

Cotton picking has progressed rapidly under favorable conditions, and is now well advanced over the northern portion of the cotton belt. About half of the crop has been gathered in Tennessee and Georgia, and picking is being pushed to completion in Mississippi. There has been no improvement in this crop during the week, and rains would not now prove beneficial. There will be very little top crop, and all reports indicate that the bulk of the crop will be picked by October 1, much earlier than usual.

Most of the tobacco crop has been cut and housed, except in Virginia, where considerable yet remains in the fields. In Maryland late tobacco has been cut short by drouth, but a fair crop is assured. The reports generally indicate that the crop is curing well.

Plowing for fall seeding has made good progress during the week, and the general condition of the soil is now very favorable for this work. Winter wheat seeding has made good progress in Iowa and Michigan, but has been much delayed in Nebraska, portions of Missouri and in Pennsylvania.

Frost occurred in the Dakotas, Montana, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and New England. Damage generally very slight.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 11.—WHEAT—Spot firm; demand poor; No. 2 red, winter, stock exhausted; No. 2 red, spring, 5s 11½d; No. 1 California, 5s 6d. Futures opened steady and unchanged and closed steady, with January ¼d higher, and other months unchanged from yesterday's closing prices; business about equally distributed; September, 5s 1¾d; October, 5s 2d; November, 5s 2¼d; December, 5s 2½d; January, 5s 3d; February, 5s 3¼d.

CORN—Spot firm; American mixed, new, 2s ¾d. Futures opened steady; distant positions ¼d higher; next closed unchanged from the opening; business about equally distributed; September, 2s 9½d; October, 2s 9¼d; November, 2s 9¼d; December, 2s 9½d.

FLOUR—Firm; demand fair; freely supplied; St. Louis fancy winter, 7s.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, steady; demand moderate; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 28s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs., 29s; long clear, light, 35 to 38 lbs., 25s 6d; long clear, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs., 25s; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 24s 6d; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs., 21s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 28s. Shoulders, square, 12 to 18 lbs., 23s. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 42s 6d. Tallow, fine North American, 17s 9d. Beef, extra India mess, 46s 3d; prime mess, 36s 3d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 45s; medium western, 38s 9d. Lard, steady; prime western, 18s 6d; refined, in pails, 19s.

CHEESE—Quiet; demand poor; finest American, white, 40s; finest American, colored, 42s.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 80s; good, 60s.

PETROLEUM—Refined, 6⅛d.

REFRIGERATOR BEEF—Forequarter, 3¾d; hindquarter, 5½d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), 1s.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, three days, 195,000 centals, including 94,000 centals American; American corn, three days, 110,300 centals.

WEATHER—Showery.

'Frisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 11.—WHEAT—Steady; December, $1.06⅝.

Tied by Telephone.

A unique and romantic wedding was performed at Tulare, Cal. The minister lived at Santa Cruz, 250 miles away, and was unable to attend. The telephone was brought into requisition. The bride and groom uttered their responses ove two separate telephones and the Santa Cruz clergyman declares that he heard them quite distinctly. Each of the witnesses were provided with a telephone receiver and the ceremony was concluded without a hitch. The happy couple also received many congratulations from Santa Cruz friends through the medium of the telephone.

THE REALTY MARKET.

INSTRUMENTS placed on record Friday, September 11, 1896:

WARRANTY DEEDS.

L A Groff and wife to P H Dempsey, n 33 feet lot 2, Nelson's add	$ 700
M T Schroeder to Omaha Savings bank, lot 12, block 65, South Omaha	1,000
S D Patton and husband to H S Boyle, lot 6, block 2, Van Camp's add	500
H S Boyle and wife to D O Smith, same	675
A B Ross to M A B Howell, lot 18, block 2, Kilby Place	1,500
Same to R B Howell, lot 2, block "C," Prospect Place	500
F E Cutler and wife to J C Baines, lot 4, block 6, Walnut Hill	3,000
W A Higgins and wife to Hugh McKay, lots 1 and 2, block 7, subdiv of J I Redick's add	14,000

DEEDS.

Special master to E E Fay, lot 4, E S Dundy, jr., subdiv	901
Sheriff to N O Lee, s 64 feet lot 4, Reed's 1st add	1,250
Total amount of transfers	$24,026

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