COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Closes at an Advance of One Cent.

EASIER TONE OF MONEY THE CHIEF REASON

Liverpool Cables Quoted that Market Irregularly Lower, Notwithstanding the Advance of One Cent Thursday.

CHICAGO, Oct. 30.—Wheat closed at an advance of 1c today after a session marked by the frequency and wideness of its fluctuations. Perhaps the chief reason for the advance was the easier tone of the money market, though there were other good and substantial reasons for a display of strength. Other markets were very dull, but fairly steady, and show but little change in prices.

Wheat opened today with some show of weakness. Liverpool cablegrams quoted that market irregularly lower, notwithstanding the advance of 1c here yesterday, that market being evidently affected more by the tight money market in New York than by the higher prices for wheat. This naturally created a weak feeling here to begin with and it was not until it was seen that the men with the greatest stakes in the market were seizing the opening opportunity of lower prices to add to their line that general confidence was restored and the bullish aspect of the market fully re-established. December wheat, which closed yesterday at 71¾c, opened this morning at from 71¾c to 72c. Only one or two brokers parted with any wheat for less than 72¾c, at which rate the bulk of the first transactions took place. After playing around 71¾c and 72¼c for about a minute, it began to advance strongly—not that so very much wheat was wanted, but because so little was for sale. On that, its first rise, it stopped at 72¾c, and then, after a short reach to windward of the buyers, which brought it back to 72c, and after another tack to 72¾c, it set all sail and did not put about again until it had touched 73¾c. The bulls got but little encouragement from the Minneapolis and Duluth receipts, which amounted to 1,135 cars, as compared with 1,250 last year. Notwithstanding the heavy receipts at these points the market for wheat there was much stronger to begin with than at Chicago and the greater advance there was the first cause for the stimulus given to the buying here. The news from San Francisco was quite bullish and buying orders from there were numerous. A continuation of the Australian demand was reported. The New York money market was the weak factor early, as the stringency was said to continue with rates about as sensational as they were yesterday. But before noon the situation had improved and the rate had fallen from 100 per cent to 25, and this was an important help to the wheat market. There was considerable nervousness during the last hours. Following the rise to 73¾c there was a long, stiffly contested decline to 72¾c, but closed up with a snap at 73c. Five minutes from the end of the session the price was at 72¾c, the lowest point of the last long drawn out decline. As the closing bell rang December was bringing from 72¾c to 73c.

Corn was quiet and while somewhat lower early, when wheat was at the low point, it recovered ½c on the subsequent bulge in the principal speculative cereal and held fairly steady and a fraction above yesterday's closing. The falling off in receipts was also a strengthening factor. May opened 4c lower at 29@29¼c, ranged between 29c and 29¾c, closing steady at 29¾c bid.

Oats were extremely quiet, scarcely any disposition to trade being manifested. The feeling was firm throughout in sympathy with the average tone in wheat and prices were above yesterday's closing quotations all day. Previous to the close the early gain was lost and the finish was just about the same as on yesterday. May opened unchanged at 21½c, advanced to from 21¾c to 21¾c, and closed steady at the opening price.

Provisions ruled easy during the greater part of the forenoon, but became firmer later in the day and in the end closed higher than they did yesterday, with the exception of lard, which left off at a decline of 2½c for the day. Pork and ribs worked up with 5c gain. The slight decline early was caused by some selling by packers, but the strength of wheat was influential enough to cause a reaction. The closing was steady.

Estimated receipts for Saturday: Wheat, 105 cars; corn, 465 cars; oats, 315 cars; hogs, 18,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Oct.	69@69¼	71¾	69	71
Dec.	71¾@71¾	73¾	71¾	72¾@73
May	75¾@76	78¾	75¾	77¾
Corn, No. 2				
Oct.				23¾
Dec.	24¾	25¼	24¾	25
May	28¾@29	29¾	28¾	29¾
Oats, No. 2				
Oct.	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
Dec.	18¾	19¾	18¾	18¾@19
May	21¾	21¾@21¾	21¾	21¾
Pork, per bbl.				
Dec.				6 95
Jan.	7 72½	7 87½	7 72½	7 80
Lard, 100 lbs				
Dec.	4 17½	4 22½	4 17½	4 22½
Jan.	4 40	4 45	4 37½	4 42½
Short Ribs				
Dec.				3 92½
Jan.	3 82½	3 90	3 82½	3 90

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; hard spring patents, quotable at $3.70@4.35; in wood; winter patents, $3.50@3.85; straights, $3.20@3.60; spring specials, $3.50@4.00; spring patents, $3.80@3.80; straights, $3.60@3.70; bakers, $2.50@2.90.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 70c; No. 3 spring, 64½@69c; No. 2 red, 75½@76c.

CORN—No. 2, 25¾@25¾c; No. 2 yellow, 25¾@26c.

OATS—No. 2, 17½c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 20@20c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 19@21c.

RYE—No. 2, 36½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, 24@36c; No. 4, 17@24c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, 79@80c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.50.

POULTRY—Steady; turkeys, 8½@9½c; chickens, 6@6c; ducks, 8@9½c.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $6.90@7.00; lard, per 100 lbs., $4.37½; short ribs, sides, loose, $3.60@3.80; dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4.00@4.25; short clear sides, boxed, $4.00@4.12½.

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

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	10,000	5,000
Wheat, bu.	114,000	80,000
Corn, bu.	441,000	243,000
Oats, bu.	506,000	262,000
Rye, bu.	12,000	
Barley, bu.	226,000	115,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creamery, 9@14c; dairy, 9@12c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 17c. Cheese, steady, 8@8½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19,806 bbls.; exports, 17,778 bbls.; held 30c higher, with little or no response from buyers; city mill patents, $4.00@4.35; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.25; winter straights, $3.10@4.30; winter patents, $4.45@4.60; winter extras, $3.00@3.30; Minnesota bakers, $2.25@3.80; winter low grades, $2.30@3.00. Southern flour, steady; packed goods, $4.00@4.25. Rye flour, firm; superfine, $2.75@2.90; fancy, $3.00@3.25.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 52c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2, western, 57½@58½c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 219,000 bu.; exports, 32,246 bu.; spot, dull; No. 2 red, 84½c; No. 1 hard, 82¾c f. o. b., afloat. Options were generally strong all day, except for an opening decline, which was promptly recovered. This rise was attributed to easier money, reported further sales of Australia and firmer late receipts. The local statement was very strong; closed 9@9½c net advance; May, 83½@84c, closed 84c; December, 79¼@80 5-16c, closed 79¾c.

CORN—Receipts, 157,000 bu.; exports, 32,546 bu.; spot, quiet; No. 2, 30½c, elevator. Options were very quiet, opening easier, but recovering later with wheat and closing at ½@¾c net advance; October closed 30¾c; December, 27¼@27½c; closed 27½c.

OATS—Receipts, 127,500 bu.; exports, 1,362 bu.; spot, dull; No. 2, 22½c. Options were dull but steady and closed ½c higher; December closed 21½c; December, 22½@22¾c, closed 22¾c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 70@82½c.

HEATHER—Firm at 20@22c; hemlock side, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 17½@18c; acid, 20@22c.

HOPS—Steady; Pacific coast, 1894 crop, 2½@4c; 1896 crop, 6@10c; 1896 crop, 7@10c.

HIDES—Firm; California, 24 to 25 lbs., 15c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,580 pkgs.; steady; western dairy, 9@12½c; western creamery, 12½@20c; Elgins, 20c; factory, 14@18c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 4,625 pkgs.; steady; state, large, 7½@10½c; small, 7½@10c; part skims, 3½@7c; full skims, 2½@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4,567 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 18½@20c; western, 16@19c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $5.00@8.00. Beef hams, $16.00@17.00; packet, $8.00@9.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, 3½@4c; pickled shoulders, 4½c; pickled hams, 6½@6¾c. Lard, easy; western steam closed at $4.45 asked; October, $4.35; nitv, $4.40; refined, firm. Pork, firm; mess, $8.75@9.50; short clear, $8.00@10.50; family, $10.50@11.00.

TALLOW—Dull; city, 3½c; country, 3¾c.

OILS—Petroleum, firm; United closed at $1.25½ bid. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.05. Turpentine, dull at 24½@25c. Cottonseed oil, about steady; prime crude, 19½c; prime summer yellow, 20@21c; off summer yellow, 21½c; prime white, 24@25c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, 29@32c.

FREIGHTS TO LIVERPOOL—Firm; cotton, by steam, 9-16d; grain, by steam, 3d.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@4c; Japan, 3¾@4¼c.

METALS—Pig iron, quiet; southern, $10.50@11.75; northern, $10.50@12.50. Copper, easy; lake brokers, $10.75; exchange, $10.62½@10.75. Lead, firm. Tin, steady and easy; straits, $12.90@13.10; plates, firm. Spelter, firm; domestic, $3.80@3.87½.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 15@16c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 8@7c; choice to fancy country, 11@12c; separator creamery, 15@16c; gathered cream, 12@13c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, per doz., $3.75@4.00; quail, $1.75@2.00; teal ducks, $1.50; red heads and mallards, $2.75@3.00.

CHEESE—Domestic brick, 9c; Edam, per doz., $9.25; club house, 1-lb. jars, per doz., $2.10; Limburger, 12½c; per lb., 9c; Imported, 1-lb. jars, per doz., $3.00; Young American, 10½c; twins, fancy, 9½c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 6 to 12 lbs., are quoted at 7@7½c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Spring chickens, fat, all sizes, 6½@7c; turkeys, 10@11c; geese, 10c; ducks, 10c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 6½c; cocks, 5c; spring chickens, 9½c; spring ducks, 7@9c; turkeys, 9@10c.

PIGEONS—Live, 75@80c; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $5; midland, $4.50; lowland, $4; rye straw, $3; baler 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, 2½c; common, 1½c.

VEGETABLES.

SWEET POTATOES—On orders, per bbl., $1.65@1.75.

TOMATOES—Per 4-lb. basket, 10@20c.

ONIONS—Good stock, per bu., 20@30c.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 4c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., $1.40@1.45.

CABBAGE—Home grown, per hundred, 75@80c.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; fancy, large, 40@50c.

POTATOES—Good stock, per bu., 25@30c.

FRUITS.

GRAPES—New York, 15@c; large lots, 12c.

CALIFORNIA PEACHES—None.

PLUMS—No shipping stock.

CALIFORNIA GRAPES—Tokays and other fancy varieties, $1.40@1.50.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, per bbl., $3.00@3.25.

APPLES—Cooking, per bbl., $1.75; eating, $1.85@2.00; Jonathans, fancy, $2.25; fancy New York, $2.00.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—Per box, $2; New York, per bbl., $1.50@2.

QUINCES—Per bbl., $4.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, $4.

LEMONS—Messinas, $3.00@3.50; California lemons, $4.00@5.25.

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

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—New York counts, per can, 45c; New York selects, per can, 40c; extra selects, per can, 35c; standards, per can, 30c; mediums, per can, 25c; New York counts, per gal., $1.25; per 1,000, $11; New York selects, per gal., $1, per bbl., $11; bulk standards, per gal., $1.00.

HONEY—Fancy white, per lb., 14@15c; choice, 13c; fancy dark, amber or buck, 10c.

CIDER—Clarified cider, per half bbl., $2.75; per bbl., $4.50@4.75.

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

FIGS—Imported fancy, 1 crown, 36-lb. boxes, 24c; choice, 30-lb. boxes, 2 crown, 18@20c.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., medium size, 12c; Tarragonia, Spanish, per lb., large, 17@c; Brazils, per lb., 8c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 12c; medium size, 10c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished medium, 8c; large, 9c; peanuts, raw, 6½@7c; roasted, 7@8c; chestnuts, 10c.

FRESH MEATS.

BEEF—Good native steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 5½@5¾c; western steers, 500@600 lbs., good cows and heifers, 4@4½c; medium cows and heifers, 4@4½c; good forequarters native steers, 5c; good hindquarters native steers, 6½c; cow rounds, 5c; cow plates, 3c; boneless chucks, 4c; cow chucks, 3c; steers rounds, 6c; steer tenderloins, 10c; beef rolls, boneless, 9c; sirloin butts, boneless, 6½c; loin backs, boneless, 9c; loin backs, 7c; cow ribs, No. 1, 6c; cow loins, No. 1, 8c; beef trimmings, 2½c; rump butts, 5c; shoulder clods, 3c.

PORK—Dressed hogs, 5c; pork loins, 7c; pork tenderloins, 13c; spare ribs, 5c; ham sausage, butts, 10c; pork shoulders, rough, 4½c; pork shoulders, skinned, 5c; pork trimmings, 3½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 6½c.

MUTTON—Dressed lamb, 7c; dressed mutton, 6c; racks, mutton, 3c; legs mutton, 8½c; saddles, mutton, 8½c; stew, 3c; sheep plucks, 3c; sheep tongues, per doz., 25c.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 3c; No. 2 green hides, 4c; No. 1 green salted hides, 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 4c; No. 1 veal calf, 4 to 12 lbs., 6c; No. 2 veal calf, 4 to 12 lbs., 4c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 8@9c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 7@8c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 8@9c; part cured hides, 5c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 20@30c; green salted shearings (short wooled early skins), each, 10c; dry shearings (short wooled early skins), each, 5c; dry shearings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c; 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.

RENDERED AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 3c; tallow, No. 2, 2½c; grease, white A, 3c; grease, white B, 2c; grease, yellow, 2c; grease, dark, 1¾c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 19@22c; rough tallow, 1c.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 30.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; demand moderate. No. 2 red, spring, 6s 2½d; No. 1, California, 7s 3d. Futures opened easy, with near and distant positions ½@¾d lower; closed firm, with January ½d lower and other months ¾@1 lower; business about equally distributed; October and November, 6s 2¾d; December, 6s 4d; January, February and March, 6s 3½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, new, 3s 3d. Futures opened steady, with near and distant positions ¼d lower; closed steady, with near positions unchanged to ¼d lower and distant positions ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; October, nominal; November, 3s 2¾d; December, 3s 2d; January, February and March, 3s 1½d.

FLOUR—Dull; demand poor; St. Louis fancy, winter, 4s 4d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, easy; demand poor; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 34s; short ribs, 26 to 26 lbs., 30s; long clear, light, 35 to 38 lbs., 31s; long clear, middle, 40 to 45 lbs., 29s 6d; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 29s; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs., 29s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 30s. Shoulders, square, 12 to 13 lbs., 28s 6d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 48s 6d. Tallow, fine North American, 23s. Beef, extra mess, prime mess, 49s. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 47s 6d; medium, western, 46s. Lard, dull; prime western, 25s 3d; refined, in pails, 25s 6d.

CHEESE—Firm; demand moderate; finest American, white (August), 49s; finest American, colored (August), 50s.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 86s; good, 68s.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, old, 5c; spring, 10½c; turkeys, steady at 6½c; ducks, steady at 9½@9½c; geese, steady at 6½c.

OILS—Turpentine, spirits, 25s; rosin, common, 5s 10½d. Cottonseed oil, Liverpool refined, 25s 6d; linseed oil, 26s; petroleum, refined, 6½d.

REFRIGERATOR BEEF—Forequarter, 3¾d; hindquarter, 5¾d.

BLEACHING POWDER—Hardwood, f. o. b., Liverpool, 4s.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), £3 5s.

The receipts of wheat during the past three days were 257,000 centals, including 146,000 centals American. The receipts of American corn during the past three days were 84,000 centals.

Weather fine.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 30.—FLOUR—Dull, easy; patents, $4.00@4.10; extra fancy, $3.60@3.70; fancy, $3.40@3.50; choice, $3.00@3.05.

WHEAT—Prices declined slightly on easier cables and as there were more buyers than sellers reactions soon followed. Throughout the remainder of the day the speculative market showed great strength, futures closing 2¼@2½c above yesterday. Spot buyers and sellers were by far too wide apart to permit of business. No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 74@75c; track, 76c; No. 3 hard, cash, 66c; December, 76c asked; May, 81¾c bid.

CORN—Futures advanced in sympathy with wheat, but speculation was sluggish; spot, dull and steady; No. 2 cash, 27½@27¾c; December, 27¾@27¾c.

OATS—Futures dull and unchanged; spot, dull; No. 2 cash, 16½c; May, 17½c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2, 40c.

BARLEY—Nominal.

CORN MEAL—$2.40.

BRAN—Strong; 60c bid for east track.

FLAXSEED—Better at 69c.

PRIME TIMOTHY—$2.50.

HAY—Steady; timothy, dull, except for finer grades; prairie, firm with a ready sale; timothy, $7.00@11.00; prairie, $5.50@7.00, this side.

BUTTER—Lower; creamery, 14@23c; dairy, 8@20c.

EGGS—Steady at 14c.

WHISKEY—$1.18.

LEAD—Steady at $3.62 for Missouri and $3.65 for Galena brands.

SPELTER—Firmly held at $3.60.

PROVISIONS—Pork, firm; standard mess, jobbing, $7.12½@7.25. Lard, firm; prime steam, $4.17½; choice, $4.35. Bacon, boxed shoulders and extra short clear, $4.50; ribs, $4.62½; shorts, $4.85. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders and extra short clear, $4.00; ribs, $4.12½; shorts, $4.25. Hams, $8.00@9.00.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 22,000 bu.; corn, 164,000 bu.; oats, 40,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 24,000 bu.; corn, 130,000 bu.; oats, 16,000 bu.

London Wheat Market.

LONDON, Oct. 30.—At the Baltic California wheat, which was very sparingly offered, was sold for 6d advance; other kinds were firm at yesterday's prices.

On Mark Lane holders asked for higher prices, but there were no buyers to test values.

Business at the Baltic closed steady and quiet. California wheat, November delivery, 29s 6d was asked.

Minneapolis Wheat.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 30.—WHEAT—October, 70½c; December, 72¾c; May, 76¾c; on track, No. 1 hard, 72¾c; No. 1 northern, 71½c; No. 2 northern, 68¾@69¼c; receipts, 498 cars.

Frisco Wheat.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 30.—WHEAT—Quiet; May, $1.44½; December, $1.38¾.

POLITICS RULE BUSINESS

Everything Possible Postponed Until Sound Money Victory is Won.

MEANING OF HIGH BIDS FOR CALL LOANS

Prospect of Practically Four Successive Holidays Has Resulted in a Condition of "No Market"—Failures Lower.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say: The market without anything but politics to rule it is not often seen. Business is almost abolished until after the election by the extraordinary pressure for money, by the indisposition of anybody to sell who thinks a great change for the better is near, by the feeling that it is now of no use to contract or buy when so little time remains before a decision, and by the general absorption of business men in political activity. The feature of the week has been the pressure in the New York money market, in spite of the heavy arrivals of gold. Quotations of call loans at 100 per cent or more have no real meaning, except that, with practically four holidays to come in succession, there is really no market.

Wheat has declined sharply, but is rising again, closing about ½ cent lower for the week. Heavy realizing of the spot sales, extreme monetary pressure in carrying supplies, and belief of foreigners that they can get what they want at lower prices by present abstention have materially helped the current changes which has ushered in depressed prices. But the evidence of great demand abroad grows clearer, and while western receipts are heavy, 7,962,827 bu. for the week and 28,756,664 for the year, four weeks' exports 21,352,964 last year, the enormous milling returns are of special value, showing that in anticipation of foreign orders the millers are preparing a great quantity of flour for export. These returns, not heretofore given elsewhere, are very significant in showing that the mills will turn on the foreign demand. Atlantic exports for four weeks, flour included, have been 4,026,358 bu., against 6,552,451 last year. Higher prices in India and general famine in parts of India have a speculative bearing, but it does not appear to the American more than the news of the decreasing supplies from Russia.

Cotton has held up remarkably well, in spite of the large receipts, the year's crop now reaching 9,000,000 bales. The mills are selling staple goods somewhat freely and print cloths are a shade higher, but there is neither much selling for much effort to buy goods of other descriptions, while speculative markets, which sometimes has taken place during the past four weeks, 28,401,102 lbs., against 29,709,864 last year and 36,224,662 in 1892, although less than half the capacity of the mills is employed. It is a gratifying feature, however, that encouraging announcements have started during the week in confidence that business will be larger hereafter. There is as yet only a slight improvement in the demand for leather or boots and shoes.

Iron has been bought largely by speculators, 25,000 tons of Bessemer at Pittsburg, raising the price to $11.90, large quantities of grey forge, raising the price to $10.40, and 20,000 tons, nearly all of northern at Chicago. Finished products are unchanged, and quoted prices, although quotations are less shaded than of late, to customers' business, and there is strong belief that after a week there will be a marked change. The known orders deferred until after election would, by themselves, suffice to employ the works for a considerable time.

Failures for the week have been 279 in the United States, against 278 last year, and forty in Canada, against fifty-three last year.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TOTALS.

Aggregate of Business Transacted by the Associated Banks.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, shows the total clearances at the principal cities and the percentages of increase or decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.	Clearances.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$ 856,366,457		0.2
Chicago	80,300,452		2.2
Boston	82,731,487		9.7
Philadelphia	59,329,904		26.7
St. Louis	19,596,866		16.1
San Francisco	14,473,988		3.3
Baltimore	12,850,189		9.3
Pittsburg	12,498,592		21.6
Cincinnati	9,465,450		16.0
Kansas City	9,624,000		19.1
New Orleans	5,750,000		32.0
Buffalo	3,850,857		9.2
Milwaukee	4,671,852		19.2
Detroit	4,874,880		15.3
Louisville	4,704,830		17.2
Minneapolis	30,600,672		2.0
OMAHA	3,742,329		4.9
Providence	4,540,500		17.6
Cleveland	4,407,500		20.6
Houston	3,491,000	25.9	
St. Paul	3,042,825	8.1	
Denver	2,669,209		47.0
Indianapolis	2,516,642		20.3
Columbus, O.	2,502,100		21.1
Hartford	2,284,319		9.2
Richmond	1,880,209		7.2
Washington	2,574,622	2.6	
Toledo	1,462,000	4.6	
Dallas	1,230,550		22.3
St. Joseph	1,229,317		19.8
Peoria	1,462,01		8.3
Memphis	1,542,705	0.0	
Brunswick, Ore.	1,020,022	10.1	
Rochester	1,371,360		14.2
New Haven	1,202,000		10.0
Savannah	1,063,462		10.6
Springfield, Mass.	1,110,228		26.9
Worcester	1,237,013		12.3
Portland, Me.	1,200,358		1.6
Atlanta	1,054,265	4.6	
Fort Worth	1,340,519		37.9
Wilkesbarre	1,040,964		
Syracuse	840,622		20.2
Des Moines	800,000		10.0
Grand Rapids	625,667		20.0
Seattle	502,121	4.8	
Lowell	450,950		29.0
Wilmington, Del.	600,000		9.4
Norfolk	1,251,396		8.7
Sioux City	600,000		20.0
Los Angeles	1,000,000		19.1
Tacoma	617,323	4.9	
Knoxville	340,027		
Spokane	1,041,280	51.2	
Jacksonville	300,716		3.0
Lincoln	325,000		20.0
New Bedford	357,262		24.1
Wichita	1,000,000		30.1
Birmingham	432,274		7.0
Augusta, Ga.	430,000		20.0
Lexington, Ky.	260,823		3.1
Binghampton	293,200		20.0
Dayton	450,920		
Bay City, Mich.	204,781	24.4	
Fall River	331,598		12.6
Akron	277,400		21.5
Springfield, O.	191,667		20.0
Canton, O.	200,000	2.2	
Sioux Falls	66,619		20.0
Fremont, Neb.	67,102	24.7	
Hastings, Neb.	79,210	34.7	
Chattanooga	207,000		
Fargo	270,473		
Nashville	845,244		2.0
Galveston	1,740,100	12.2	
Salt Lake	1,540,651	11.0	
Scranton	476,130		1.3
Helena	409,180	16.8	
Augusta	1,210,763	22.8	
Kalamazoo	220,024		21.7
Rockford	262,096		24.7
Totals, U. S.	$ 966,760,556		10.6
Exclusive of N. Y.	412,421,099		13.9

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Montreal	$ 10,502,844		6.2
Toronto	6,196,270		
Halifax	1,206,730	12.3	
Hamilton	651,722	8.8	
Winnipeg	1,594,122		2.3
St. Johns	455,240		
Totals	$ 20,561,930		2.2

Clearings in Dayton, Knoxville, Waco, Houston and Galveston are not included in totals.

HAS NO FEAR OF BRYAN'S SUCCESS.

Conservatism on Wall Street is Noted Among Large Interests.

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: The condition of the market has been a dominating factor in stock speculation this week. It cannot be said that Wall street entertains doubts as to the defeat of the free silver cause next Tuesday. Nevertheless, the large interests in the street have taken a conservative attitude and are unwilling to encourage any extended bull speculation on the eve of an event with such far-reaching consequences. The banking community is imbued with the same ideas, though at the close of the week the fear of decided disturbance brought about concerted action by the banks and supplies of money from this source, though only put out at top rates, relieved the force on the market and caused prices to rally. The foreign markets have shown nervousness over the outlook here. London has been regaled with contradictory reports of the political probabilities in this country, some of these coming from sources friendly to free silver. The whole London stock market is waiting, and American stocks were depressed, while foreign representatives sold here to some extent, although on Friday there was a decidedly better feeling there and an improvement in quotations for our stocks. The money markets abroad are firm, and the Bank of England, while it did not advance its rate, has shown a disposition to keep the open market firm.

BUSINESS FAILURES ARE FEWER.

Coming Improvement Casts Its Shadow Before It.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: Business in staple lines is confined to immediate wants, the election absorbing attention. The volume of trade is smaller than a week ago and will continue restricted until the results of the election are known. Advices from important distributing centers report that leading commercial and financial houses take a hopeful view of the business outlook and expect an early revival of demand, based on the anticipated success of the sound money issue. An encouraging feature is a further advance in the prices of leather, wool, Bessemer, pig iron, wheat, Indian corn, lard, cotton and refined sugar are for crude and refined petroleum. Only moderate orders have been placed for woollen goods for spring delivery, but manufacturers are disposed to buy some raw material. The total exports of wheat, flour included as wheat, from both coasts of the United States, amount to 2,340,000 bu. this week, exclusive of shipments from Galveston, no report of which has been received, compared with 3,407,000 bu. last week, 1,742,000 in the last week of October, 1895, 1,954,000 bu. in the like week in 1894, 1,866,000 bu. in 1893, and as compared with 1,774,000 bu. in the corresponding period of 1892. Exports of Indian corn amount to 1,246,000 bu. this week, nearly 400,000 bu. less than last week, one-third more than in the corresponding week of 1895, fifteen times as much as in the corresponding period of 1894, and three times as much as in like weeks of 1893 and 1892.

Mercantile failures throughout the United States have declined in number this week, the total being 240, against 262 last week, 230 in the same week one year ago, 193 in the corresponding period two years ago and as compared with 203 in the like week of 1892. There are thirty-seven business failures reported from the Dominion of Canada this week, against forty-eight last week and a like number in the same week one year ago, but as compared with forty-six two years ago.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Prevailing Monetary Conditions Were Again the Dominating Influence.

NEW YORK, Oct. 30.—The prevailing monetary conditions were again the dominating influence in the stock market today. The rank and file of the traders, figuring upon even more stringent rates for call money than had ruled yesterday, were prepared to see a decline in stocks today. The actual movement, however, was aggressively strong, the course of prices being governed by the early intelligence received of powerful speculative interests that a combined effort would be made by the banks to prevent the recurrence of a point likely to precipitate disaster. London prices for American securities came higher and to this favorable development was soon added the inspiring semi-official news that a number of the leading bankers of the metropolis had pooled their surplus reserve resources, probably estimated at from $15,000,000 to $20,000,000 and would put out as much money as might be needed by legitimate borrowers, though at rates not low enough to encourage hoarding. The extreme fluctuations in call funds ranged from 60 per cent soon after the opening to 6 per cent at the close. In addition the bank syndicate of pool loaned money for three months at 6 per cent, equivalent to 20 per cent. Business was well distributed, with sugar leading in point of strength and activity. The stock scored an extreme advance of 4¾ per cent to 115¾. The rise was largely attributed to the covering of short sales based upon the reported improvement in trade conditions. The American Sugar Refining company was today reported a week overdue on the third grand duke of the refined. The low priced shares attracted attention on the part of commission houses and cash buying of odd lots of the high priced stocks were also reported. Further purchases were also made in the market. The bears, however, did not intimidate, and at intervals the bulls met practically no opposition in advancing prices. Aside from Sugar the extreme advances ranged up to 2¾ per cent and the best it, St. Paul, and the upward movement, along from the beginning of the week, was pushed continued. Chicago Gas rose 2¾ per cent to 75¾ on a report that a dividend of 1½ per cent would be distributed on November 21, and also a further distribution of 1½ per cent on January 15 next. The market closed at the highest prices of the day. Dealings in bonds were on an increased scale and decided strength was displayed. The Reading and Atchison issues were the most prominent features of activity and buoyancy of values. The sales were $1,225,000. The gains ranged between 1 and 3¾ per cent, the last in Reading second incomes. Government new issues rallied sharply, the other issues were unchanged. The rates represented from one to three per cent. Silver certificates were firm on dealings of $25,000.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: The stock markets were flat today, the weakness centering in Kaffirs, which were steadily pressed for sale. The failure of Nix, in view of the monthly settlement approaching. Brazil bonds were also marked by a very heavy fall. Americans alone were good, the market here responding to the quiet in New York, and closing at the best. The business here is practically suspended. The Paris Bourse was very flat, with a panicky fall in mines, mainly due to the gloomy views held there as to the Cape local gold mining. The Berlin market was dull. The following were the closing quotations at the leading stocks of the New York exchange today:

Atchison	14¾	N. Y. Central	95¾
Adams Ex.	145	N. Y. & N. E.	42½
Alton, T. H.	47	Ontario & W.	14
Am. Express	116	Oregon Imp.	1
Baltimore & Ohio	14¾	Oregon Nav.	18
Canada Pacific	87½	O. S. L. & U. N.	14½
Canada Southern	49	Pacific Mail	21¾
Central Pacific	13¾	Peoria Dec. & E.	9
Ches. & Ohio	19¾	Pittsburg	160
Chic. & Alton	158	Pullman Palace	170
C., B. & Q.	75¾	Reading	20¾
Chicago Gas	75¾	R. & W.	25
Consolidated Gas	247	Rock Island	60
Del. & Hud.	125	St. L. & San F.	5
Del., Lack. & W.	158¾	St. L. & San F. 1st pfd.	60
D. & R. G.	15¾	St. L. & San F. 2d pfd.	20
Erie	13¾	Southern Pacific	18½
Erie 1st pfd.	32¾	Sugar Refinery	115¾
Erie 2d pfd.	15¾	Tenn. Coal & Iron	24¾
Fort Wayne	170	Texas Pacific	5
Great Northern pfd.	118	T. A. O. Cent. pfd.	50
Illinois Central	94	Union Pacific	14
Lake Shore	145¾	U. S. Express	38
Lead Trust	21	U. S. Leather	7½
Louisville & N.	48¾	U. S. Leather pfd.	70
L. & N. A.	1	U. S. Rubber	15
Manhattan Con.	91¾	U. S. Rubber pfd.