CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Jobbers All Report a Very Satisfactory Consuming Demand.

MONEY MUCH EASIER IN THE COUNTRY

New Enterprises Talked Of on Every Side as Confidence in the Future Becomes Stronger—Lower Prices on Live Stock.

Great things were expected of the month of June in the way of trade revival, and thus far these expectations have been fully realized. Business, locally, and in the state and surrounding country generally, is much improved, both wholesale and retail coming in for its due share of the benefit. The jobbers of Omaha have about all the business that they can attend to, and it has been some time since any complaints as to a lack of buying have been heard from that source.

Collections are also very satisfactory in the country, indicating that money is easier and that the farmers are able not only to buy for cash, but even pay up some of their old accounts. The situation in regard to collections is, in fact, most gratifying to jobbers and retailers alike.

In the city there has been a very fair week's business in most lines. The change to warm weather has brought a large demand for summer clothing of all kinds, and most houses handling lines that would come under that head report having done a very satisfactory business for the six days just passed.

MANY NEW ENTERPRISES.

A noticeable feature of the present business situation is the talk about new enterprises which is heard on every side. Men with money, and men who think they know where to get money, are planning various enterprises and schemes, a sure sign that business is improving and that confidence is being rapidly restored. For the past three years no one has felt like venturing into new or untried fields, and men who had investments were well satisfied if they could take care of what they had without trying to increase their risks by branching out in new directions.

Surely commercial enterprise has undergone an exhilarating change and a feeling of confidence is once more abroad in the land. The whole western country feels the effects of this change. With continued seasonable weather and fair crop prospects the retail trade must continue to show activity the balance of this month, at least, which in turn must be reflected in a steadily increasing demand of jobbers and manufacturers. The spirit of economy has been abroad for so long a time that consumers have allowed their wardrobes to run down to the very lowest point, and they must be replenished as rapidly as possible, and upon that fact the all handlers of goods and wearing apparel are basing their hopes of a continued active trade for some time to come.

MANY NEW BUILDINGS.

During the three years past property owners have expended just as little as possible in repairs and improvements of all kinds have been allowed to go with the very smallest expenditure for repairs, but painters and paper hangers, and all the different branches represented by the building trades, as well as the dealers who handle the supplies, are feeling a decided improvement in their lines. While the prospects would seem to indicate still greater activity in the future. Already there is considerable new building going on and the dealers in lumber and hardware are reaping the benefit, which promises to become still greater before the summer is passed. In every department there is improvement.

It is not easy to realize at first what a change has taken place in the past few weeks in the consuming demand for merchandise which bids fair to continue until the summer is well over. As to the autumn there is every reason to believe jobbers are anticipating a very active business. Winter merchandise of all kinds is in very light supply among retail dealers, as they bought very sparingly last year, and only as the goods were needed so that the quantity carried over was unusually light. With small stocks of goods in retail hands, and with a large consuming demand, the jobbers in this city bid fair to have a very busy fall.

The only feature in the local situation that is not reassuring is the rapid fall in prices of live stock during the past week, cattle, hogs and sheep all suffering a reverse, but this is looked upon generally as only of a temporary nature. Most live stock men have confidence in the future of the market and are not at all dismayed by the sharp reactions always to be met with at times when there has been an upward movement in values.

NEBRASKA SHOWS UP STRONG.

Business Improvement in the State is Quite Marked.

W. H. Roberson, local manager of R. G. Dun & Co.'s Mercantile agency, says:

"Your readers will have noted that the telegraphic report quoting from Dun's Review gives facts and figures showing an improvement in conditions throughout the country, and especially the marked falling off in the number of business failures for 1897 to date as compared with the corresponding period of 1896. Last year there were 276 failures in the states and Dominion of Canada. This year the number is 198.

"For my district I can say reports from every county in the state and from every town and village are favorable. Saving in this immediate vicinity, there is no demand for rain and crops are coming forward in the most promising way barring occasional fields where some local disaster has overtaken the people. The prospect for small grain and corn was never better at this season.

"The building inspector is authority for the statement that more building enterprises are now under way and in contemplation than at any time since 1892.

"Among the wholesale dealers without a single exception the report comes that business is away ahead of last year. Among the retail dealers the head men talk in precisely the same tone. Even the excessive heat of the week has not discouraged shoppers.

"The packing industries at South Omaha are in excellent condition. One of the largest is arranging for two additional buildings, having just completed one. The season's pack of hogs is a clean 100,000 ahead of one year ago, and the ranges were never before so promising for fall cattle. The sheep business has taken phenomenal strides, and one house is now forwarding several carloads of fresh mutton daily to eastern markets.

"The controversy between the Union Pacific has been worth something to South Omaha, too, for it opens Nevada, California and southern Oregon to this stock market upon terms with which other markets our commission men to get their share of the heavy shipments from a wide area of cattle and sheep growing ranges.

"It is perhaps necessary only to remark that the extension union depot and other large undertakings are moving forward satisfactorily, and to say that if the supreme court will dispose of the city charter controversy promptly a good deal of public work will immediately be undertaken."

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, June 19.—FLOUR—Receipts, 18,202 bbls.; exports, 8,613 bbls. Quiet and steady at former prices; Minnesota patents, $3.55@4.20; Minnesota bakers, $3.35@3.55; winter patents, $4.45@4.75. Rye flour, dull; superfine, $2.10@2.30; fancy, $2.35@2.45.

CORN MEAL—Quiet; yellow eastern, 57c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 36½@36⅝c; car lots, 38@40c.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 27½@28c; malting, 35@36c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 42@54c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 128,025 bu.; exports, 205,902 bu. Spot, firm. Options opened barely steady and eased off under weak cable news and fine weather reports, later rallying on liberal clearances and a demand for shorts; closed ⅛@⅜c net higher; No. 2 red, June, closed, 75⅞c. Spot, easier, No. 2 red, 76½c; closed, 76½c.

CORN—Receipts, 202,250 bu.; exports, 100,149 bu. Spot, No. 2, 22½@22¾c; dull and featureless, closing unchanged.

HAY—Dull; shipping, 50c; good to choice, 60@70c.

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 2@4c; 1896 crop, 6@9c; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 3@4c; 1896 crop, 6@10c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 16c; Buenos Ayres, dry, 18@19c; Texas City, 15c; California, 16c.

LEATHER—Quiet; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 19@22c.

WOOL—Steady; domestic fleece, 18@23c; pulled, 18@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $8.50@10.50; extra mess, $7.50@8.00; beef hams, $24.00@25.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $5.25@5.50; pickled shoulders, $3.50; pickled hams, $9.00@9.50. Lard, steady; western steam, $4.35; refined, steady. Pork, steady; mess, $8.25@8.75; short clear, $9.00@10.50; family, $9.25@10.00.

BUTTER—Receipts, 6,090 pkgs.; quiet; western creamery, 11@16c; Elgins, 15c; factory, 7½@10½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 955 pkgs.; quiet; state, large, 8½@8⅝c; state, small, 7½@8c; part skims, 4@5½c; full skims, 2½@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 6,090 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 12@12½c; western, 10½@11½c; per dozen, in short 32 per dozen cases.

TALLOW—Quiet; city ($2 per package), 2½@3c; country (packages free), 2½@3⅛c, as to quality.

OILS—Petroleum, dull; United closed with no market; Pennsylvania crude, steady; July, 85c bid. Rosin, steady; fair to extra, 4½@85c; Japan, 85@95c. Cottonseed, steady; prime crude, 20c nominal; f. o. b. mills, 16@17½c; prime summer yellow, 21½@22½c; butter grades, 23@28c; prime white, 29@30½c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 22@26c.

METALS—Pig iron, quiet; southern, $9.50@18.50; northern, $10.50@12.00. Copper, strong; brokers, $11.12½. Lead, steady; brokers, $3.20. Tin, plates quiet.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Bulk of sales, 7c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 7½c; choice to fancy, 10@12c; separator creamery, 15c; gathered creamery, 12c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 6@6½c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, per pound, 9@10c; spring chickens, per lb., 12@16c; ducks, 6c.

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

HAY—Upland, $8.00; midland, $4.50; lowland, $4.00; rye straw, $4.50; robe makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best, only top grades bring top prices.

BROOMCORN—Extremely slow sale; new crop, delivered on track in country; choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2@2½c; choice green, running to burl, 2@2½c; common, 1½c.

VEGETABLES.

GREEN PEAS—Per ½-bu. basket, 50@60c.

PIE PLANT—Per lb., 3c.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 10@40c.

TOMATOES—Per 4-basket crate, $1.25.

RADISHES—Per doz., 10@15c.

LETTUCE—Per doz., 10@35c.

WAX BEANS—Per ½-bu. box, 60@$1.00.

STRING BEANS—Per ½-bu. box, 75c.

PARSLEY—Per doz., 20@25c.

ONIONS—Per lb., 2c.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 3c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.10.

CABBAGE—California, 2c.

POTATOES—New, per bu., 90c; old native stock, per bu., 30@35c.

FRUITS.

APRICOTS—Per case, $1.25.

CALIFORNIA CHERRIES—Per 10-lb. box, $1.00.

STRAWBERRIES—Fancy, $2.00.

BLACK RASPBERRIES—Per 24-pint case, $1.50.

BLACKBERRIES—Per 24-qt. case, $2.00@2.25.

APPLES—No shipping stock.

RED CURRANTS—Per 24-qt. case, $2.75.

GOOSEBERRIES—Per 24-qt. case, $1.50@1.75.

SOUTHERN PEACHES—Per ½-bu., 75c@$1.00.

RED RASPBERRIES—Per 24-pint cases, $2.25@2.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Seedlings, $2.25; Mediterranean sweets, $2.50@2.75.

LEMONS—Messinas, fancy, $4.00@4.25; choice, $3.50; choice California, $3.00.

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

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, Tarragona, per lb., large size, 13c; Brazils, per lb., 5c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, 12@13c; standards, 10@11c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, large, 9@10c; jumbo, 11@12c; large hickory nuts, $1.25 per bu.; cocoanuts, $4.50 each.

FIGS—Imported fancy 4 crown, 20-lb. boxes, 12c; 5 crown, 50-lb. boxes, 13@14c.

HONEY—Choice, 12@15c.

CIDER—Clarified juice, per half-bbl., $2.35; per bbl., $4.00@4.25.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.25; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 7c; good forequarters, steers, 5½c; good hindquarters, 8½c; western steers, 6½c; fancy heifers, 6½c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters heifers, 5c; good hindquarters heifers, 8c; good cows, 6c; fair cows, 5½c; common cows, 5c; cow forequarters, 4½c; cow hindquarters, 7½c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, 18c; boneless strips, 10c; strip loins, 8c; rolls, 9c; sirloin butts, 9c; Chicago and western, 7½c; Texas butts, 8c; steer chucks, 4½c; cow chucks, 4c; boneless chucks, 6½c; cow plates, 3½c; steer plates, 3½c; flank steak, 6c; loins, No. 1, 14c; loins, No. 2, 11c; loins, No. 3, 9c; No. 1 short loins, 16c; No. 2 short loins, 13c; No. 3 short loins, 11c; sirloin ends, 8@10c; ribs, No. 1, 12c; ribs, No. 2, 9c; ribs, No. 3, 7c; steer rounds, 7c; cow rounds, 6½c; cow rounds, shank off, 7c; cow rounds, shank and rump off, 7½c; trimmings, 3½c; beef shanks, 2½c; brains, per doz., 25c, sweetbreads, per lb., 25c; livers, calves, per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 20c; livers, per lb., 12½c; hearts, per lb., 12½c; tongues, per lb., 12c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5½c; dressed hogs, 5c; tenderloins, 10c; loins, 8½c; spare ribs, 3½c; ham sausage, tutts, 5c; sausage, rough, 5c; shoulders, skinned, 5½c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5c; heads, cleaned, 3c; snout and ears, 3c; backbones, 2c; cheek meats, 3c; neck bones, 2½c; pigs' tails, 3c; plucks, per set, 25c; stomachs, each, 5c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each, 3c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 30c; livers, each, 3c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 5½c; No. 2 green hides, 4½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 6½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 5½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 7c; No. 2 veal calf, 7 lbs. 15 lbs., 4c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 9@10c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 8@9c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 8@9c; part cured hides, 1c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 25@50c; green salted, shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 18@5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 20@4c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 40@5c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 30@4c; per cent off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 2¾c; tallow, No. 2, 2c; grease, white A, 3c; grease, white B, 2c; grease, yellow, 2c; grease, dark, 1½c; oil stock, 2@2½c; breaking, prime, 15@22c; rough tallow, 1c.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine heavy, 6@7c; fine light, 8@9c; quarterblood, 10@12c; seedy, burry and cheaty, 8@9c; cotted and broken, coarse, 7@9c; cotted and broken, fine, 8@9c. Fleece washed, medium, 15@18c; fine, 14@17c; tub washed, 16@18c; black, 8c; bucks, 6c; tag locks, 2@3c; dead pulled, 5@6c.

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

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, June 19.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; patents, $3.40@4.00; extra fancy, $4.10@4.20; fancy, $3.50@3.60; choice, $3.10@3.20.

WHEAT—Speculation was almost at a standstill, the market ruling weak and lower, closing ¼@⅜c under yesterday. Spot, dull and neglected; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 81½c asked; track, 81@81½c; No. 2 hard, cash, 75c asked; July, 68⅝@68⅞c; August, 67⅝c asked; September, 67½c bid.

CORN—Futures dull and a shade easier in sympathy with wheat. Spot, higher; No. 2, cash, 23½c; July, 22⅝c bid; September, 24½c.

OATS—Spot, dull and firm. Spot, easy; No. 2 cash, 17½c bid; July, 18½c.

RYE—Lower; 31½c track.

BARLEY—Nominal.

CORN MEAL—$1.65@1.70.

BRAN—Dull, weak and unchanged.

FLAXSEED—Nominally 72½c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.50@2.60.

HAY—Dull, steady and unchanged; prairie, $4.00@8.00.

BUTTER—Dull; creamery, 10@15c; dairy, 6@12c.

EGGS—Steady at 9½c.

WHISKY—$1.19.

COTTON TIES—65c.

BAGGING—5½@6c.

METALS—Lead, higher, $3.25 bid. Spelter, firm; $4.05.

PROVISIONS—Pork, standard mess, jobbing, $7.00@8.00. Lard, prime steady, $3.50; choice, $3.55. Bacon, boxed, shoulders, $5.25; extra short clear, $5.25; ribs, $5.45; shorts, $5.60. Dry salt meats (boxed), shoulders, $4.87½; extra short clear, $5.00; ribs, $4.85; shorts, $5.00.

POULTRY—Chickens, 17 lbs. hens, firm at 5½c; springs, steady at 9@11c; ducks, springs, quiet at 6c; geese, springs, slow at 4c.

Receipts: Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 10,000 bu.; corn, 6,000 bu.; oats, 14,000 bu.

Shipments: Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 2,000 bu.; corn, 9,000 bu.; oats, 15,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, June 19.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 2 red, western winter, no stocks; No. 1 red northern, spring, steady at 5s 10d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, steady at 2s 9¼d; American mixed, old, firm at 2s 9½d. Futures, June, steady at 2s 4½d; July, firm at 2s 8¾d; August firm at 2s 9d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy, winter, dull at 7s 6d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), steady at 50@70s.

PROVISIONS—Beef, dull; extra India mess, 55s; prime mess, 46s 3d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 46s 3d; medium western, 45s 9d. Hams, short cut, steady at 4lb. Bacon, firm at 27s; short ribs, steady at 26s; long clear middles, light, steady at 28s; long clear middles, heavy, steady at 24s 6d; short clear middles, heavy, steady at 24s 6d; clear bellies, steady at 25s. Shoulders, square, firm at 26s 3d. Lard, prime western, dull at 19s.

CHEESE—American finest, white and colored, firm at 44s.

TALLOW—Prime city, steady at 17s.

OILS—Cottonseed, Liverpool refined, steady at 15s 3d. Turpentine spirits, firm at 21s 3d. Rosin, common, firm at 4s 7½d.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, June 19.—The dry goods market closed the week with receipts of fair sized orders and a fairly good tone prevailing. The week was generally satisfactory, both in the local and outside markets. The demand showed a growth. In departments there have been varied conditions. Woolen goods showed a steady feeling. Staple cottons, on the other hand, are slower in responding to general conditions. Coarse colored cottons are the subject of a steady, though conservative request. Prints in all grades are improved. Fall demands are heavy and increasing. Ginghams and woven shirtings are in steady request among manufacturers for spring use. The print cloth market, while showing a nominal decline, is in reality as firm as at the week's opening.

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI, June 19.—FLOUR—Easy.

WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, $1@82c.

CORN—Firmer; No. 2 mixed, 26½c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 19½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 36@37c.

PROVISIONS—Easy. Bacon, $5.40@5.45. Lard, $3.50.

WHISKY—Quiet at $1.19.

BUTTER—Weak.

SUGAR—Firm.

EGGS—Weak at 7½c.

CHEESE—Easy.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Absence of Activity Enables Prices of Grains to Sag.

WHEAT LOSES ABOUT A QUARTER CENT

July Corn and Oats Are Unchanged, but September Corn and Provisions Show Net Losses on the Day's Dealings.

CHICAGO, June 19.—Business was very dull today on the Board of Trade and prices all suffered from the lack of interest in the trade. Wheat declined ⅛c, corn unchanged for July, but ⅛c lower for September. Oats closed about unchanged and provisions showed from 2½c to 7½c declines.

In wheat Liverpool was again the controlling factor at the opening. Futures were quoted ¼d lower there than they closed Friday, and the disappointing weakness of the English market resulted in free offerings here of both July and September. The closing price of July yesterday was from 68⅝c to 69c, and the starting figures today were from 68⅛c to 68⅜c. It kept yielding slowly for a few minutes and until it had sold down to from 68⅛c to 68⅛c. It was helped down by some selling on account of St. Louis reporting a carload of new wheat in there from Charleston, Mo. It reacted after the selling of perhaps 2,000 carloads for July and September. The advance, which carried the market back to about the original prices of the opening, was caused by a sale of 50,000 bu. of No. 2 spring wheat for direct immediate shipment from Chicago to Liverpool. Chicago receipts of fifteen carloads of wheat, with Minneapolis and Duluth got 281 against 238 a week ago, and 507 the corresponding day of the previous week. The week's shipments of wheat and flour from both coasts were equal to 2,317,000 bu. against 1,896,000 bu. the week before and 3,020,000 bu. the corresponding week of last week. Argentina did not ship any wheat to Europe this week. The day's clearances from Atlantic ports were equal to 342,000 bu. Business, always dull on a half holiday, was duller than usual today, about all the business transacted being confined to the first hour. July was selling at 69⅝c at the close.

Corn was weak for September and rather steady for July. The opening was weak on the favorable weather. Some recovery followed on the lighter receipts than expected and reports of decreased country offerings. There was considerable changing from July to September by shorts. Receipts amounted to 400 cars. July opened about ¼c lower at from 24⅝c to 25c, advanced to from 25⅛c to 25½c and closed at 25¼c.

Oats was almost without fluctuation. There was very little trade and less news and prices held at about Friday's figures. Local receipts were 258 cars. Charters were for 125,000 bu. July opened unchanged at 18⅛c and held at from 18⅛c to 18¼c all day, that being the closing price.

There was little life in the trading in provisions. Hog receipts overran the estimates by about 6,000 head and this fact was responsible for the weak feeling which prevailed in the market. At the close July pork was 7½c lower at $7.32½; July lard 5c lower at from $3.62½ to $3.65, and July ribs 2½c lower at $4.32½.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 5 cars; corn, 430 cars; oats, 275 cars; hogs, 44,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'dy.
Wheat-					
July...	68⅝@68¾	68⅝@⅝	68⅛@⅛	68⅝	68⅝-69
Sept...	64⅝@⅝	64⅝	64⅛@⅛	64⅛@⅛	64⅝-65
Dec..	66⅝	67	66⅝@⅝	66⅝@⅝	67
Corn-					
June...	24⅝@⅝	25	24⅝	24⅝@⅝	24⅝
July...	24⅝@25	25⅛	24⅝	25⅛@⅛	25⅛
Sept...	25⅛-20	25⅛⅝	25⅛	25⅛@⅛	26⅛⅝
Oats-					
July...	18⅛	18⅛@¼	18⅛	18⅛@¼	18⅛
Sept...	18⅝	18⅝@¾	18⅝	18⅝@¾	18⅝@¾
Pork-					
July...	7 32½	7 35	7 30	7 32½	7 40
Sept...	7 42½	7 50	7 40	7 40	7 50
Lard-					
July...	3 65	3 65	3 62½	3 65	3 67½
Sept...	3 75	3 75	3 72½	3 75	3 77½
Sh'rt Ribs					
July...	4 32½	4 32½	4 30	4 32½	4 35
Sept...	4 37½	4 40	4 37½	4 40	4 42½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull; winter patents, $4.20@4.40; straights, $3.60@4.10; spring specials, $4.40@4.45; spring patents, $4@4.25; bakers, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 68⅝@69c; No. 3 spring, 62@66c; No. 2 red, 73⅝@76⅝c.

CORN—No. 2, 24⅝@24¾c; No. 2 yellow, 25⅛@25½c.

OATS—No. 2, 18¼c; No. 2 white, 19@19½c; No. 3 white, 19c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 20@22½c.

RYE—No. 2, 34c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 28@29c; No. 4, f. o. b., 27@c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, 72½@73c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.75.

PROVISIONS—Pork, mess, per bbl., $7.30@7.35. Lard, per 100 lbs., $3.57½@3.60. Short ribs, sides (loose), $4.20@4.25; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 4@4½c; short clear sides (boxed), $4.62½@4.75.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.19.

SUGAR—Cut loaf, $5.59; granulated, $4.97. No 2

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	8,000	10,000
Wheat, bu	4,000	29,000
Corn, bu	313,000	156,000
Oats, bu	247,000	244,000
Rye, bu	2,000	34,000
Barley, bu	12,000	4,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm: creamery, 12@14½c; dairy, 9@12c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 8½c. Cheese, steady; 7¾@8½c. Live poultry, turkeys, 6@7c; chickens, 7c; spring, 15@18c; ducks, 7@8c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Prices Are Still Well Held in Spite of Heavy Profit Taking.

NEW YORK, June 19.—Today's stock market again reflected the constant watchfulness of the large professional traders for a reaction, the day's profit taking being on a very large scale. The net changes are small, owing to the early buying movement, which carried prices of most stocks quite sharply above last night's close. But the reaction brought about by the realizing movement and by sympathy with the heaviness in Sugar left most shares below last night's close. The trading was dull and showed a very marked diminution in the range of activity. The volume of the total dealings was small and one-third of the whole is credited to Sugar. Much of the selling of this stock was attributed to Washington orders, supposed to be based on information on the sugar schedule of the tariff bill being in danger in the conference stage. Chicago Gas showed a sharp fractional decline from the best price, adding to the heavy tone of the market. Northern Pacific preferred and Union Pacific were the most largely dealt in of the railroad shares, and each sagged a point at the lowest with only a feeble rally. The selling of these stocks was attributed to foreign orders to realize, the recent foreign buying having been quite heavy. St. Louis & San Francisco first preferred showed a notable reaction from its recent strength, falling off 1½ per cent, but a subsequent rally gave back almost all the loss. The Goulds were a weak spot in the market and showed a wide recession, but Western Union rallied to above last night's closing. On the other hand, Lake Erie & Western preferred and Minnesota Iron registered an advance of 2 points each, and Edison Electric of Brooklyn 1½ per cent. Sugar's extreme decline was 1⅝ per cent and the net loss 1⅛ per cent. The closing was firm and closing prices as a rule were above the lowest, but net losses were general throughout the list.

The feature of the week has been the warm resistance of the market to the reactions of professional operators. Today and Wednesday there was considerable heavy selling to realize, some of the largest operators on the floor being credited with a complete turn in their holdings. These traders based their action on the theory that reaction was overdue in the market, because the advance had been so steady and so long continued, for a month nearly, without a break. The manipulators for a decline had no ground in the general conditions to offer as an argument, the general condition continuing much as it had been ever since the advance had begun. Their effort to break the market proved a signal failure, and they joined the long side on Wednesday. The changes in the general level of the market are indicated by the comparison of prices of some active shares at the close on Saturday, May 22, and today. Advances are New Jersey Central, 12½ per cent; Sugar, 12½ per cent (dividend on); Consolidated Gas, Chicago Gas and Burlington, a fraction over 7 points each; Rock Island and Tennessee Coal, over 6 points; Northwestern, Delaware & Hudson, Missouri Pacific and Western Union, 5 points or over, and St. Paul, Louisville, Lead preferred and Northern Pacific preferred, 4 points or over. The number of stocks showing a less gain are numerous, but closings are with a few exceptions higher. The finances of the economic immediately concerned are in better condition, but the higher prices do not by any means represent the immediate return in money hoped for from shareholders in the companies. They must be accepted rather as the barometer of expected and hoped-for improvement in the business of the country at large. It is certain that the business of the country at large has not increased in the last month in the same ratio as the prices of stocks, but the firm resistance of the price of stocks to reaction and the readiness of buyers to take them at the existing level is a measure of the confidence felt that business is about to improve in proportion. Probably the unimpeded progress of the tariff bill on the final stage of its disposal has been the most encouraging to Wall street of any one factor. The Hawaiian annexation treaty caused a momentary tremor to pass along the pocket nerve through the street, but the confident attitude assumed toward the matter by the powers of the world has quieted apprehension as to Japan's protest. The latter part of the week shows some growth of apprehension over the new impetus given to the gold movement, and the hardening for exchange is said to be due to the drawing of exchanges for tourists' accounts and for July settlements of dividend and interest payment on securities held abroad. But Wall street has taken note of the fact that the gold reserve in the treasury has remained almost stationary at a little above, and for two days a little below, $100,000,000 ever since May 22. The amount of specie held by the New York banks has increased since the date named from $93,923,900 to $96,600,200. The gold shipped from the country by gold exporting houses since the same date amounts to $24,937,524. The shipments today, amounting to $2,500,000, and those announced for next Tuesday, amounting to $1,550,000, have not yet appeared in the treasury statement. Not all of this gold will be taken from the treasury, but the withdrawals will probably be sufficient to bring the treasury reserve to the lowest point it has reached in the present gold movement. The increase of $792,100 in specie in New York banks this week, in view of the fact that $600,000 in gold shipped in on Thursday was all taken from the banks, is worthy of note. The week's advance in the prices of stocks has added strength from the fact that it has been made independently of London, where the dealings have been apathetic, owing to the dullness of trade, with the rest of the public in the jubilee celebration. The local gas stocks led the week's advance, consolidated gaining 6¾ per cent, East River 3¾ per cent, East River preferred 4½ per cent, and Brooklyn Union Gas 3½ per cent. The grangers have been strong and the gain in the group averages over a point. St. Paul preferred leading with 2½ per cent. Cotton Oil preferred is 4¾ per cent higher, Chicago Gas preferred, Minnesota Iron, Adams Express, Iowa Central preferred, Lake Erie & Western preferred and Susquehanna & Western preferred 3 points or over, Sugar, Union Oil, Pullman, St. Joseph & Grand Island first preferred and Western Union 2 points or over, and a large number of stocks a point or over. The declines were shown by Oregon Navigation preferred, 2 points, Union Pacific, 1⅝ per cent, Northern Pacific preferred, ¾ per cent, and Louisville & Nashville, ¾ per cent.

The bond market reflected fully the growing confidence in the general situation. Values in the leading issues moved up materially on extensive purchases. Trading for foreign account was in considerable volume, but was more generally centered in the low priced liens, which were taken for speculative and investment account. The operations in the gilt-edged issues were especially marked, with the St. Paul mortgages scoring the extreme vibrations. The aggregate sales were $10,445,000. The principal advances were Susquehanna & Western general, 7 per cent; Susquehanna & Western seconds, 6 per cent; Missouri Pacific consols 6s, Milwaukee, Lake Shore & Western firsts, Ashland division and Great Northern 3s, 5 per cent. Duluth & Iron Range firsts, Brooklyn Rapid Transit 5s, Keokuk & Des Moines firsts, Houston & Texas Central 5s, Kansas & Texas 5s, Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis firsts, St. Paul 5s and Union Pacific sinking fund 4s, trust accounts, 3 per cent and over; Colorado Coal 6s, Hocking Valley 5s, International & Great Northern seconds, St. Joseph & Grand Island firsts, Illinois Central 4s of 1951, Pacific Postal 5s, Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis firsts, New England 7s, Ohio & Mississippi seconds, People's Gas of Chicago consol 6s, Pittsburg & Western firsts, St. Paul seconds, St. Paul consol 5s, Scioto Valley & New England 4s, Toledo, Peoria & Western firsts, Utah Southern general 5s and Rock Island firsts, 2 per cent or over. Among the list of declines were: Flint & Pere Marquette 5s, Port Huron division, 4½s, Standard Rope 6s and Pennsylvania 4½s, 2½ per cent, and Fulton Elevator firsts, 2 per cent. Dealings in government securities were marked by general firmness, with the new 4s conspicuous for a rise to 125¼, the highest price yet attained for this issue. The improvements in other grades were less noteworthy, with the trading rates light.

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

Atch'son....	12	N. Y. & N. Eng....	37
Adams Ex....	150	Ontario & W....	14⅝
Alt. & T. H....	60	Oregon Nav....	20⅝
Am. Express....	111	O. S. L. & U. N....	19⅝
Baltimore & Ohio....	19⅝	Pacific Mail....	29
Canada Pacific....	61	Peoria, Dec. & E....	⅛
Canada Southern....	49¾	Pittsburg....	164
Central Pacific....	70	Pullman Palace....	164¾
Ches. & Ohio....	17⅝	Reading....	21¾
Chicago & Alton....	147	R. G. W....	12⅝
C. B. & Q....	81⅝	do pfd....	30⅝
Chicago Gas....	90⅝	Rock Island....	70⅝
Consolidated Gas....	167	St. Paul....	77⅝
C. C. C. & St. L....	27	do pfd....	134¾
Colo. Coal & I....	1	St. Paul & Omaha....	58⅝
Cotton Oil Cert....	34⅝	St. P. & O. pfd....	142
Delaware & Hud....	107¼	Southern Pacific....	15
Del. Lack. & W....	152	Sugar Refinery....	94⅝
D. & R. G. pfd....	14	Tenn. Coal & Iron....	24⅝
East Tenn....	14	Texas Pacific....	10¾
Erie....	32⅝	Tol. & O. Cen. pfd....	40
Erie pfd....	18⅝	Union Pacific....	6
Fort Wayne....	167	U. S. Express....	38
G. Northern pfd....	120	W. S. L. & P....	5⅝
C. & E. I. pfd....	93	W. St. L. & P. pfd....	15¾
Hocking Valley....	24⅝	Wells Fargo Ex....	105
Illinois Central....	96¾	Western Union....	83¾
St. P. & Duluth....	9⅝	Wheeling & L. E....	8⅝
do pfd....	80¾	W. & L. E. pfd....	71
Lake Erie & West....	15	Minn. & St. Louis....	19¾
do pfd....	66	Dea. & R. G....	11
Lake Shore....	171	Gen. Electric....	34
Lead Trust....	24⅝	Am. Cotton Oil....	12⅝
Louisville & N....	49¾	Colo. Fuel & Iron....	19⅝
L. & N. A....	¾	do pfd....	87
Manhattan Con....	87⅝	Tol. St. L. & K. C....	3
Memphis & C....	90	Columbia & Hocking....	18⅝
Michigan Central....	90¾	Southern pfd....	28⅝
Mo. Pacific....	18⅝	Tobacco....	78
Mobile & Ohio....	29	Tobacco pfd....	105
Nashville Chat....	66	C. C. C....	40
N. Y. Central....	99¾	Am. T. & C. Co....	90
N. & W. pfd....	20	Am. Sugar pfd....	106⅝
North Am. Co....	4⅝	Leather pfd....	58⅝
Northern Pacific....	14⅝	Rubber....	12⅝
N. Pacific pfd....	37	Rubber pfd....	71⅝
U. P. D. & G....	1⅝	Am. Spirits....	11⅝
Northwestern....	110⅝	do pfd....	30¾
do pfd....	138	P. C. C. & St. L....	45
N. Y. Central....	100¾		

Total