COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Reaches Up Toward the Dollar Mark, but Falls Back.

LACK OF CASH DEMAND THE FACTOR

Corn Loses a Small Fraction in Sympathy, but Oats Goes Up a Fourth —Provisions Suffer from Heavy Selling.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Had there been any demand for spot wheat today it is probable that the speculative market would have reached $1 again. As it was December sold up to 98⅝c, but had declined to 96⅝c at the close, or ⅜c under yesterday's close. Shorts covered very freely during the morning. Reports of poor crop prospects abroad and light receipts were influential in the early firmness. Corn followed wheat and closed ⅛@¼c lower. Oats was independently strong and showed ¼c advance at the close. Provisions suffered from general selling and declined 7½@10c for ribs to 30c for pork.

There was a little hesitation at the opening in wheat on account of the weakness at Paris, as shown by the early cables. Wheat was quoted 10 centimes lower and flour 20@25 centimes lower. Outside of that news was all in favor of higher prices. The result was that December, which left off yesterday at 97⅛c, started today at from 97⅛c to 97⅜c and was advanced to 98⅛c in the first half hour's trading. Liverpool was ½d higher to begin with and advanced ½d more during the day, the latter rise doubtless because of the additional advance here this forenoon. The weather throughout the winter wheat country was still suffering from drouth and reports were quite unanimous as to the ill effects of the dry weather. The domestic receipts at Chicago and in the northwest were again much heavier. Chicago got 140 cars, against 147 the last year. The number of cars of contract grade in today's inspection was 16 and of these 6 were from local clearing houses. The quantity withdrawn from the store was 212,000 bu. Minneapolis and Duluth together received 853 cars, against 1,16 a year ago. Duluth alone on the corresponding day of 1896 got 618 cars; today Duluth receipts were only 190 cars. New York reported liberal acceptances of cable offers made to the continent last night and 200,000 bu. were reported having been bought for shipment to France early in the session. Clearances from the Atlantic, including some flour from New Orleans, amounted to 525,000 bu. After the advance to 98⅛c the market commenced to decline. Holders took profits to a considerable extent and the market yielded to the pressure of such sales. The decline which thus ending of the long wheat started brought out short sellers and the market gradually grew very weak. The short sellers were encouraged by working of another 100,000 bu. of Duluth wheat for shipment to Chicago and by the fact that offerings of No. 2 Kansas hard continue to be pressed from Kansas City in practically unlimited quantity at 6c under Chicago December price laid down here. Good accounts of winter wheat in the fields from Kentucky and Nebraska likewise aided in creating the weakness that developed in the afternoon. December dropped in a very irregular way to 96⅝c and closed at 96⅞c.

Corn ruled high early in sympathy with wheat, on the small receipts, 390 cars, and on the strong cash position. Shorts covered freely and there was fair investment buying. When wheat commenced to weaken general realizing occurred, several good sized long lines being liquidated and all the early advance was lost and a small reaction besides. There was considerable changing done, buying of May and selling of December, the spread at times being 3⅝c. Cables were ½d higher. Receipts at Chicago were 191,000 bu. December ranged from 27c to 26½c, closing 3-16c lower at 26½c.

Oats was firm right up to the close, notwithstanding the break in the other grain markets. A feature was the buying of a prominent commission house firm, their purchases amounting to about 1,000,000 bu. The bulge in the price was the result of this. The market sagged somewhat late in the session, following wheat and corn. Cash market continued strong. Receipts were 203 cars. December ranged from 19⅞c to 18⅞@18c and closed ¼c higher at 19⅝c. Early good business was done in provisions, but the feeling was weak. Packers were credited with selling freely and stop loss orders assisted materially in weakening the market. Heavy hog receipts and a probable continuance of the same next week, was a weakening factor. At the close December pork was 30c lower at $7.47½, December lard 10@12½c lower at $4.12½ and December ribs 7½@10c lower at $4.40.

Estimated receipts Saturday: Wheat, 140 cars; corn, 400 cars; oats, 225 cars; hogs, 22,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open	Higa.	Low.	Close.	Yesterdy
*Wheat-					
Oct....	.....	.....	.....	96¾	97⅛
Dec....	97⅛@⅜	98⅛	96⅝	96⅞	97⅞
May...	93¾ 4⅛	94⅝	93⅝	93¾	94
*Corn-					
Oct....	26	26⅛	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝@⅝
Dec....	26⅝ 4⅛	27	26⅛	26⅛	26⅝@⅝
May...	30⅝@⅝	30⅝	30⅛	30⅛@¼	30½
*Oats-					
Oct....	18⅝	18¾	1 8	18⅝	18
Dec....	19	19⅜	18⅞@⅞	19⅛	18⅝
May...	21⅝	22	21⅝	21⅝	21⅝
Pork-					
Dec....	7 67½	7 70	7 45	7 47½	7 77½
Jan....	8 60	8 60	8 45	8 45	8 67½
Lard-					
Dec....	4 17½	4 20	4 12½	4 12½	4 25
Jan....	4 32½	4 35	4 27½	4 27½	4 40
Sh'Ribs					
Dec....	4 45	4 45	4 40	4 40	4 50
Jan....	4 47½	4 50	4 40	4 40	4 52½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Strong; spring patents, $4.90@5.00; bakers', $3.60@3.80; straights, $4.40@4.70.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 88@88¾c; No. 3 spring, 87@93c; No. 2 red, 96⅝c.

CORN—No. 2, 26c; No. 2 yellow, 26c.

OATS—No. 2, 18 fc; No. 3, No. 2 white, 19½@22c; No. 3 white, 19½@22c.

RYE—No. 2, 37½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, 30@44c; No. 4, 20@24c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed, $1.03@1.07½; timothy seed, prime, $2.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess Pork, mess, per bbl., $7.45@7.50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4.17½. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.35@4.70; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00; short clear sides (boxed), $5.00@5.50.

SUGAR—Cut loaf, $5.84; granulated, $5.21.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.....	10,000	9,000
Wheat, bu.....	86,000	160,000
Corn, bu.....	298,000	107,000
Oats, bu.....	225,000	9,000
Rye, bu.....	25,000	29,000
Barley, bu.....	83,000	105,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 15@22c; dairy, 12@20c. Cheese, firm, 8½c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 15c. Live poultry, steady; turkeys, 8@9c; chickens, 6½c; springs, 7½c; ducks, 7½@8c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Receipts, 32,507 bbls.; exports, 29,975 bbls.; firm and fairly active, closing unsettled with the final break in wheat. Minnesota patents, $5.20@5.50; Minnesota bakers', $4.35@4.60; winter patents, $5.00@5.25 winter straights, $4.70@4.80; winter extras, $3.30@3.80; winter low grades, $3.00@3.15. Rye flour, quiet; fancy, $3.60@3.80. Buckwheat flour, quiet, $1.80@1.85.

BUCKWHEAT—Steady; 37½@38½c.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, 59c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 50½c.

BARLEY—Firm; 28½c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull western, 57@63c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 262,975 bu.; exports, 118,562 bu. Spot, easier; No. 2 red, $1.03⅝@1.03¾. Options opened steady and advanced sharply on active covering accounts, assisted by drouth news and small northwestern receipts, but gradually sagged off in the afternoon under realizing, closing ⅛c net lower and 1⅝c off from the top; October closed at 99c; December, 99½@99⅞c, closed, 99⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 295,875 bu.; exports, 73,324 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2, 32½c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened steady, advanced on light receipts and the rise in wheat, but finally broke under realizing and closed ⅝@¾c net lower. November, 31⅝@31¾c; closed, 30⅝c; December, 31⅝@31¾c; closed, 31⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 220,200 bu.; exports, 219,457 bu. Spot, stronger; No. 2, 24½c. Options were quiet but firmer on the strength of cash property, closing ⅜@⅝c net higher. October closed at 24½c; December closed at 24½c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, $4.00@4.50; good to choice, $5.0@97.00.

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 6@9c; 1897 crop, 14@16c; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 6@9c; 1897 crop, 14@16c; London market, 3?@60s.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 19@25c; Texas, dry, 18@19c; California, 19@25c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 20@22c; acid, 20@21c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, 19.00@19.50; extra, $7.50@8.50; beef hams, $24.00@25.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, $6.37½@6.87½; pickled shoulders, $5.75; pickled hams, $8.00. Lard, easy; western steam, $4.30; refined, easy. Pork, steady; old mess, $8.50@9.00; new mess, $9.00@9.50. Tallow, dull; city, 3¼c; country, 3½@3¾c.

OILS—Petroleum, quiet; United, no market; Pennsylvania crude, no market. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.40@1.45. Turpentine, quiet, 31@32c. Cottonseed, dull; prime summer yellow, 27½@29c; off summer yellow, 27½@27½; prime summer white, 29@27c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4¾@6c; Japan, 3¾@3⅞c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 25@32c.

FREIGHTS—Quiet and steady.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,125 pkgs.; steady; western creamery, 16@21½c; Elgins, 23½c; factory, 8@12c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 5,000 pkgs.; quiet; large, white, 8⅛c; small, white, 9¼c; large, colored, 8⅝c; small, colored, 9¼c; part skims, 6½@7c; full skims, 2½@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 2,343 pkgs.; steady; state and Pennsylvania, 16@20½c; western, 18½c.

METALS—Pig iron, warrants dull, $6.90 bid, $7 asked. Lake copper, quiet and unchanged, $10.87½ bid and $11 asked. Tin, quiet, $13.70 bid and $13.75 asked. Spelter, quiet, $4.15 bid and $4.25 asked. Lead, exchange steady, $3.97½ bid and $3.95 asked; brokers' quiet at $3.87½.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock weak at 14c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 10@11c; choice to fancy, 14@15c; separator creamery, 23c; gathered creamery, 21c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 95 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8c; large and coarse, 4@6c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 5½c; cocks, 3@4c; spring chickens, per lb., 6c; ducks, 6@7c; turkeys, 8@9c.

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

HAY—Upland, $7.50; midland, $6.00; lowland, $4.50; rye straw, $4; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best, only top grades bring top prices.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—Good stock, large, 40c; small, 25@30c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 45@55c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.40.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.25.

CABBAGE—Home grown, per lb., 1¼@1½c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 40@55c; western stock, 60@70c.

FRUITS.

QUINCES—California, per box, $1.25.

APPLES—Winter stock, $2.75@3.00; Jonathans and fancy varieties, $3.25; California Bellflower, boxes, $1.60; Colorado Jonathans, boxes, $1.65.

GRAPES—California, $1.25@1.35.

NEW YORK GRAPES—Per 9-lb. basket, 13@15c; large lots, 12½@13c.

PLUMS—Idaho and Oregon, 75@$1.00.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, per bbl., $5.50; Wisconsin, boxes, $1.00@1.10.

CALIFORNIA AND COLORADO PEARS—Good winter nelis, $2.00@2.25; other varieties, $1.90@2.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $4.50.

LEMONS—Messinas, $4.25@4.50; choice California, $4.00.

BANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; medium-sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., large size, 12c; Brazils, per lb., 10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, 13c; standards, 10@11c; filberts, per lb. 11c; pecans, polished, large, 9@10c; jumbo, 11@12c; large hickory nuts, $1.25 per bu.; cocoanuts, 4@5c each; peanuts, raw, 5@6c; roasted, 6@7½c.

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

HONEY—Choice white, 12c.

KRAUT—Per bbl., $4.00; half bbl., $2.25.

MAPLE SYRUP—Pure gal. cans, each $2.25; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12.00; half-gal. cans, $6.25 quart cans, $3.50.

DATES—Per 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5c; Ford 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 7c; good forequarters, steers, 6c; good hindquarters, 9c; western steers, 6@6½c; fancy heifers, 6½c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters, heifers, 5½c; good hindquarters, heifers, 8½c; good cows, 5¾c; fair cows, 5@5½c; common cows, 5¼c; cow forequarters, 3@5½c; cow hindquarters, 7½@8c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, 18c; boneless strips, 8c; strip loins, 7c; rolls, 8½c; sirloin butts, 8½c; shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 6½c; steer shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 8½c steer chucks, 5½c; cow chucks, 4½c; boneless chucks, 4½c; cow plates, 3c; steer plates, 3½c; flank steak, 8½c; loins, No. 1, 18c; loins, No. 2, 10½c; loins, No. 3, 8c; sirloin ends, No. 1, 8c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; ribs, No. 2, 8½c; ribs, No. 3, 6c; steer rounds, 7½c; cow rounds, 7c; cow rounds shank off, 8c; trimmings, 6½c; beef shanks, 3c; brains, per doz., 25c; sweetbreads, per lb., 10c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each 4c; livers, per lb., 3c; hearts, per lb., 2½c; tongues, per lb., 12½c.

MUTTON—Lambs, 7c; sheep, 6c; market racks (long), 8c; hotel racks (short), 11c; legs and saddles, 9c; lamb legs, 9c; breasts and stews, 5c; tongues, each 3c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 6c; dressed hogs, 5¾c; tenderloins, 7c; loins, 7½c; spare ribs, 4½c; ham sausage, butts, 6½c; shoulders, round, 5c; shoulders, skinned, 5½c; trimmings, 5c; leaf lard, not rendered, 3¾c; heads, cleaned, 3c; snout and ears, 1½c; hearts, 2c; cheek meats, 2c; neck bones, 2c; pigs' tails, 2c; plucks, each 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each 3c; tongues, each 7c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 25c; livers, each 3c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 6c; No. 1 salted hides, 8¼c; No. 2 green salted hides, 7½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 11@13c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 8@10c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 9@10c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each 15@75c; 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, 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.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Firm, unchanged; patents, $4.85@5.00; straights, $4.50@4.65; clear, $3.15@4.30; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Lower, closing ⅜c for December and 1½c for May below yesterday. December, the active option, opened ¼c higher, advanced ¼c more, declined 2⅞c, recovered ¾c and closed ⅛c above the bottom. May ranged 3c to 2½c below December. Spot, dull, higher; No. 2 cash, elevator, $1.01; track, $1.02@1.03; No. 2 hard cash, 88c; December, $1.02¼; May, 93¾c bid.

CORN—Futures followed the decline in wheat, closing ¼@¾c below yesterday. Spot, firm; No. 2 cash, 24½c; December, 24⅝c asked; May, 27¼@27½c.

OATS—Futures weakened early, but closed fractions above yesterday. Spot, higher; No. 2 cash, elevator, 18½c bid; track, 19½@19½c; No. 2 white, 21½@21½c; December, 19⅝c; May, 21⅞c.

RYE—Higher, 37@37½c.

CORNMEAL—$1.45.

BRAN—Firm, in good demand; east track sacked, 47@48c; east track, this side, 50c.

FLAXSEED—Nominal, $1.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.65.

HAY—Strong, trading being confined to the best grades; prairie, $7.50@8.00; timothy, $7.00@10.00.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 19@24½c; dairy, 12@19c.

EGGS—Firm, 13c.

WHISKY—$1.19.

POULTRY—Chickens, steady at 7c; ducks, steady at 6@6½c; geese, steady at 6c; turkeys, steady at 7@8c.

COTTONTIES—8½c.

BAGGING—6¼@7½c.

METALS—Lead, firm, $3.77½@3.80. Spelter, nominal, $4.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; standard mess, jobbing, $8.25. Lard, lower; prime steam, $4.10; choice, $4.12½. Bacon, extra short clear (boxed lots), 5¼c; ribs, 5¾c; shorts, 5¾c. Dry salt meats (boxed shoulders), $5.25; extra short clear, $5.12½; ribs, $5.25; shorts, $5.37½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 42,000 bu.; corn, 251,000 bu.; oats, 17,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 59,000 bu.; corn, 56,000 bu.; oats, 7,000 bu.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Firm, unchanged; receipts, 19,459 bbls.; exports, 17,800 bbls.

WHEAT—Easy. Spot, $1.00½@1.00¾; December, $1.00¾@1.01; steamer, No. 2 red, 94½@95c; receipts, 48,778; southern wheat by sample, 95@98c; $1.01; southern, on grade, 96c@$1.01.

CORN—Steady. Spot, 31¼@31½c; December, new or old, 31@31¼c; steamer mixed, 29¼@29½c; receipts, 98,413 bu.; exports, 34,489 bu. Southern white corn, 31@32c; southern yellow, 32@33c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 26¾@27c; receipts, 62,759 bu.; exports, 30,000 bu.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2 western, 54c; receipts, 32,900 bu.; exports, 17,142 bu.

HAY—Steady to firm for the best grades; choice timothy $13.00@13.50.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Quiet, unchanged.

EGGS—Firm and unchanged; fresh, 15½@17c.

BUTTER AND CHEESE—Steady, unchanged.

New Orleans Markets.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 29.—HOG PRODUCTS—Steady; pork, old, $8.37½. Lard, refined tierce, 4¾@4½c. Cured meats, dry salt shoulders, $5.25; sides, 4¾@4⅞c. Bacon, clear ribs sides, $5.75. Hams choice sugar cured, $8.50@9.00.

COFFEE—Rio, ordinary to low fair, $8.75@10.75.

FLOUR—Higher; extra fancy, $4.70@4.80; patents, $5.20@5.30.

CORNMEAL—Quiet, $1.60.

BRAN—65c.

HAY—Steady; prime, $10.00@11.00; choice, $13.00@14.00.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 sacked, white, 36c; mixed 36@37c; yellow, 38@38c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2, sacked, 25½@26c.

RICE—Firm; ordinary to good, 4@4¾c.

Cincinnati Markets.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 29.—FLOUR—Steady.

WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, 97c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 25½c.

OATS—Firmer; No. 2 mixed, 20½@20¾c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 46c.

PROVISIONS—Steady. Bulk meats, $4.60. Bacon, 5¾c. Sugar cured hams, 8½c.

WHISKY—Firm, $1.19.

BUTTER—Steady; fancy Elgin creamery, 25c; Ohio fancy separator, 20@22c; gathered creams, 16@17c; fancy dairy, 12@14c.

SUGAR—Dull; hard refined, $4.10@5.85.

EGGS—Firm at 14c.

CHEESE—Firm; good to prime Ohio flat, 9c.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 29.—PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut steady, 27s 6d.

CHEESE—American finest, white and colored, dull, 45s.

WHEAT—Spot No. 1 red northern spring, firm 7s 8d; October, steady, 3s 1½d November, steady, 3s 1¾d; December, steady, 3s 2¾d; spot, American mixed, 2s 1¾d.

FLOUR—St. Louis, fancy winter, firm, 19s.

CORN—October, steady at 2s 1¼d.

Toledo Markets.

TOLEDO, Oct. 29.—WHEAT—Active and lower; No. 2 cash, 97⅝c; December, 99⅝c.

CORN—Active and lower; No. 2 mixed, 26c.

OATS—Dull and steady; No. 2 mixed, 18c.

RYE—Higher and steady; No. 2, cash, 49c.

CLOVERSEED—Active and steady; prime cash and October, $3.32½.

OIL—Unchanged.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 29.—BUTTER—Firm, good demand; fancy western creamery, 24c.

EGGS—Firm and active; fresh nearby, 20c; fresh western, 19c.

CHEESE—Steady, fair demand.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

CHICAGO, Oct. 29.—Receipts: Wheat, 140 cars; corn, 390 cars; oats, 202 cars. Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 140 cars; corn, 400 cars; oats, 225 cars.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 29.—Receipts: Wheat, 242 cars.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 29.—Receipts: Wheat, 772 cars.

DULUTH, Oct. 29.—Receipts: Wheat, 190 cars.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 29.—Receipts: Wheat, 61 cars.

PEORIA, Oct. 29.—Receipts: Corn, 44,550 bu.; oats, 21,000 bu.; rye and whisky, none; wheat, 4,200 bu. Shipments: Corn, 4,800 bu.; oats, 48,250 bu.; rye, none; whisky, 1,645 bbls.; wheat, none.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 29.—WHEAT—Irregular, about 1c higher; rather slow; No. 1 hard, 86c; No. 2, 85@88c; No. 3, 82@84½c; No. 4, 80@83c; No. 1 red, 95c; No. 2, 94c; No. 3, 92@92½c, one car poor, 87c; No. 4, 85@87c; No. 2 spring, 82@84c; No. 3, 79@80c.

CORN—About steady, fairly active; No. 2 mixed, 23¾@24½c.

OATS—Slow, steady; No. 2 white, 20@21c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 42c.

HAY—Very firm, active; choice timothy, $8.50; choice prairie, $7.50.

BUTTER—About steady; creamery, 21@25c; dairy, 16@20c.

EGGS—Firm; 13½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 145,200 bu.; corn, 58,500 bu.; oats, 8,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 76,800 bu.; corn, 21,800 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Oct. 29.—CORN—Market firm and higher; No. 2, 25½c.

OATS—Market firm and higher; No. 2 white, 21½@21¾c.

RYE—Market firm; No. 2, 48c.

WHISKY—High proof spirits, $1.19.

Detroit Grain Market.

DETROIT, Oct. 29.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, 95½c; No. 2 red, 96⅝c; December, 98c; May, 98⅝c; No. 3 red, 92⅝c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 25¾c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 22c.

RYE—No. 2, 49c.

San Francisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 29.—WHEAT—Steadier; December, $1.49; May, $1.47¾.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market is Neglected for the Sake of Local Politics.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—The stock market was apathetic and almost stagnant today, brokers and operators apparently being taken up with politics and the complications precipitated into the approaching local contest by the day's events. The recent and continuing strength in the wheat market has also tended to divert some share of speculative activity into that channel. Though trading was restricted in volume, the market was quite strong throughout and only once during the day did prices sag a shade below last night's level. Sugar gave some evidence of weakness and it was a decline of nearly 2 points in this specialty which weakened the general list. Consolidated Gas was also weak and lost 2 points on the day. Otherwise there was no stock which manifested special weakness and Sugar recovered before the close. The grangers were strong on the Burlington statement for September, showing an increase for gross earnings of nearly $1,250,000, and an increase in the surplus after charges of nearly $650,000. Reports were current also of continued heavy earnings during the current month. Nevertheless, Omaha led the grangers with a net gain of over a point. The southwestern stocks and anthracites were quite strong on the belief that the yellow fever outbreak would soon be ended by frost. A number of these stocks show net gains of a point. The coalers recovered during the day all the losses which they suffered yesterday, their net gains running between 1 and 2 points, and in the case of Lackawanna extending to 3 points. Union Pacific rallied somewhat from its recent depression, influenced by London's example and by a rumor that a large short interest had been created in London in connection with plans for an opposition syndicate to bid at the foreclosure sale. London was a buyer of various other stocks also in this market. The exchange market held about steady at the recent decline and the money market continued easy. Foreign houses were inclined to hold back pending the completion of the arrangements for the payment of the government's claim on Union Pacific and of its returned obligations on maturing bonds. The total sales today of all stocks were only about 125,000 shares, which is a smaller figure than has been shown for many months. Sugar, Burlington, St. Paul and Union Pacific absorbed considerably over a half of this total.

The feature of the bond market was the sharp decline in Kansas Pacific consols, which sold at 86, a decline of 3½ per cent. The Union Pacific 6s of '96 trust receipts also lost 2½ per cent. Total sales, $6,615,000. United States new 4s coupons were advanced ⅛c bid.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: "The stock markets were idle and features today. Consols were again better on the belief that the worst of the monetary stringency is over for the moment. Americans opened dull, rallied sharply on Henry George's death, but closed dull on New York selling. Prices were very flat. It is impossible to say whether gold will leave here in connection with the Union Pacific sale. Well informed persons think not. The London Times alludes to a possible immense Indian loan, but I gather that such may not come this year, money being raised on Indian treasury bills. Paris and Berlin markets are dull. Both bourses are unsatisfactory and feeling the effects of weaker money. There are weak spots at each place."

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

Atchison	13¾	do pfd	10
do pfd	29	St. Paul	93
Baltimore & Ohio..	14	do pfd	139¾
Canada Pacific.....	77½	St. P. & Om.....	79½
Canada Southern...	54½	do pfd	140
Central Pacific.....	14	St. P. M. & M.....	121
Ches. & Ohio.....	21⅞	So. Railway.....	20
Chicago & Alton....	160	So. Railway.....	9⅝
C., B. & Q.....	101½	Texas Pacific.....	30¼
C. & E. I.....	54	Texas & Pacific.....	13¾
C. C. C. & St. L....	44⅞	Union Pacific t. r..	22½
do pfd.....	80	U. P. D. & G.....	7⅝
Del. & Hudson.....	113½	Wabash.....	7⅝
Del. L. & W.....	153	do pfd.....	21
Den. & Rio G.....	11½	Wheel. & L. E. pfd.	11¼
do pfd.....	44½	Adams Ex.....	162
Erie (new).....	15⅝	American Ex.....	116
Erie 1st pfd.....	39¾	United States.....	44
Ft. Wayne.....	167	Wells Fargo Ex....	108
Great Northern pfd.	130	A. Cot. Oil.....	21
Hocking Valley.....	6¾	Am'n Spirits.....	10
Illinois Central....	101½	do pfd.....	27½
Lake Erie & W.....	17½	Am. Tobacco.....	82⅝
do pfd.....	74¼	do pfd.....	103
Lake Shore.....	171	Chicago Gas.....	96⅞
Louisville & Nash..	57¼	Cons. Gas.....	202
Manhattan con....	94½	Consolidate Co....	175
Met. Traction.....	101	Col. F. & Iron.....	23¾
Michigan Central..	90⅝	do pfd.....	90
Minn. & St. L.....	23½	Gen. Electric.....	33⅛
do 1st pfd.....	84	Illinois Steel.....	43
Mo. Pacific.....	30¾	La Clede Gas.....	42
Mobile & Ohio.....	25	Lead.....	34¾
Mo. K. & T.....	13¾	do pfd.....	101
do pfd.....	32½	Nat. Lin. Oil.....	16⅝
Chicago, Ind. & L.	8	Oregon Imp Co.....	15⅝
do pfd.....	30	Pacific Mail.....	30
N. J. Central.....	97	Pullman Pal.....	171
N. Y. Central.....	108¾	Silver Certificates.	71⅛
N. Y. C. & St. L..	15¾	Sugar.....	140⅝
do 1st pfd.....	75	do pfd.....	113¾
do 2d pfd.....	35	T. C. & Iron.....	26⅝
Norfolk & Western	14⅝	U. S. Leather.....	7¾
No. Am. Co.....	5¾	do pfd.....	63
No. Pacific.....	18¾	U. S. Rubber.....	16
do pfd.....	42⅝	do pfd.....	63
Ontario & W.....	16⅝	Western Union.....	88
Ore. R. & Nav.....	35	Chi. Gt. Western..	15¾
Ore. Short Line...	19	Northwestern.....	102¾
Pittsburg	165	do pfd.....	162½
Reading.....	23¾	Rio Grande West..	22
Rock Island.....	80¼	do pfd	54¾
St. Louis & S. F....	5		

* second assessment paid.

Total sales of stocks today were 181,400 shares, including: Atchison preferred, 2,500; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 32,465; Missouri Pacific, 8,150; Northern Pacific preferred, 8,255; Reading, 5,475; St. Paul, 19,890; Union Pacific, 19,210; Bay State Gas, 5,400; Chicago Gas, 11,100; Consolidated Gas, 3,932; Sugar, 22,225.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 29.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1½@2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; closed at 2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3¾@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.83¼@4.85⅞ for demand and $4.87⅛ and $4.88⅝ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.83½@4.85 and $4.86@4.86½; commercial bills, $4.81@4.81⅛.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—81½@60c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45½c.

BAR SILVER—59⅝c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Firm.

STATE BONDS—Dull.

RAILROAD BONDS—Firm.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s cou.....	127⅛	N. J. C. 5s.....	113¼
U. S. new 4s reg.....	126⅛	N. C. 6s.....	132½
U. S. 4s reg.....	112¾	N. C. 4s.....	102⅛
U. S. 4s coup.....	113¾	No. Pacific 1sts.....	120
U. S. 2s reg.....	99	No. Pacific 3s.....	59
U. S. 5s reg.....	111½	No. Pacific 4s.....	90¼
U. S. 5s coup.....	113⅝	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s.	104
District 3.65s.....	10⅝	N. & W. 6s.....	123⅛
Ala., class A.....	108	N. W. Consols	144½
Ala., class B.....	108	N. W. Deb. 5s.....	117⅝
Ala., class C.....	100	Ore. Nav. 1sts.....	114¼
Ala. Currency.....	98	Ore. Nav. 4s.....	92
Atchison 4s.....	86¾	O. S. L. 6s. t. r.....	110
Atchison adj. 4s...	58⅝	O. S. L. 5s. t. r.....	92¾
Canada So. 2nds...	106¼	O. Imp. 1st s. t. r...	107
Chic. Term.....	45	O. Imp. 5s. t. r.....	109⅝
C. & O. 5s.....	112¼	Pacific 6s of '95....	102⅝
C. H. & D. 4½s.....	104⅝	Reading 4s.....	84
D. & R. G. 1sts.....	111⅞	R. G. W. 1sts.....	81½
D. & R. G. 4s.....	88	St. L. & I. M. C. 5s.	94½
East Tenn. 1sts.....	108	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6.	116⅝
Erie gen. 4s.....	79½	St. P. C. & P. 5s....	133½
F. W. & D. 1s. t. r..	68	St. P. C. & P. 1sts...	119¾
Gen. Elec. 5s.....	101⅛	St. P. C. & P. 5s....	115⅝
G. H. & S. A. 6s.....	106	S. C. nonfund.....	¼
G. H. & S. A. 2ds...	102¾	Southern Ry. 5s....	94
H. & T. Cent. 5s....	111⅝	S. R. & T. 6s.....	60
H. & T. C. con 6s...	104	Tenn. new set 6s...	83
Iowa C. 1sts.....	97½	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts	96
K. P. 1sts. t. r.....	86¾	Tex. Pac. Rg. 2ds..	27⅝
K. P. con. t. r.....	11¼	U. P. 1sts.....	102
La. New Con. 4s....	94	U. P. D. & G. 1sts..	48⅝
L. & N. Uni. 4s.....	84	Wab. 1st 2s.....	107¾
Missouri 6s.....	100	Wab. 2ds.....	79
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