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California Crop Reports Influence the Market.

JULY WHEAT IS CLOSED AT AN ADVANCE

Corn and Oats Are Helped by Wheat, and Are Higher, But Provisions Are Dull and Leave Off at a Decline.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Wheat today closed at an advance of 1⅝@1⅞c for July. For the second day in succession California crop damage reports of a sensational character had an important influence. The California reports and an enormous continental demand made a strong market. Corn and oats were helped by the strength of wheat and closed at a slight advance. Provisions were dull and left off at a trifling decline.

The government crop report, showing a condition of 86, compared with 81.5 last year, was responsible in the main for the easy feeling which marked the opening in wheat. The report did not estimate the area planted, but it is generally believed to be larger than last year, and the comparatively high condition figures caused quite a light scattered liquidation at first. Another bearish factor was the perfect weather prevailing in the winter wheat country. Opening trades in July ranged from 83¾c to 83¾c, compared with yesterday's closing price of 82¾c. For a brief time the market held around those figures. Then the northwest markets, light receipts in that section and liberal commission house buying, supposed to be for St. Louis shorts, resulted in hardening of prices and a slow advance, which was continued for nearly two hours. Minneapolis and Duluth receipts continue to fall off, 181 cars today, against 650 last week and 984 a year ago. Chicago receipts were 119 cars. The addition to contract stocks today amounted to 106,000 bu. Before 11:30 the market had advanced to 84⅝c. This was close to "call" price and selling against those privileges, coupled with considerable liquidation of a general nature on the sweep, sent July back to 84¼c. In this reaction the influence of Bradstreet's visible report, showing an increase of 1,176,000 bu., was felt. As there was a decrease last year the big increase caused a good deal of short selling. But before noon the market had begun to recover. The advance was slow until reports from California, even more sensational than those received yesterday, came in. Large exporters of wheat in San Francisco said there would be no further exports from there for fifteen months and a Chicago firm had sold for it in San Francisco December wheat at a price 2¼c per bu. over yesterday. The weather in California was still unfavorable, with no prospects of relief. Kansas also complained of drouth. The market after the noon hour rapidly grew stronger. Besides the support received from the California news the market was aided by the enormous continental demand for cargoes, Liverpool and Paris advices both stating 5,000,000 bu. had been sold last week. The last hour of trading was quite active, buying being general and heavy, and prices advanced sharply. The strength was maintained to the close, July finally advancing to 85⅝c and closing firm at 85½@85¾c.

Corn was weak most of the day. Favorable weather and some increase in western offerings caused an increase in the May liquidation, and very little demand was manifested until late in the session. The strength of wheat finally overshadowed everything else and drove shorts to cover, corn becoming steady near the close, with all the decline recovered. May ranged from 29⅝c to 29¾c and closed a shade higher at 29¾c.

Oats was steady for May, but easy on the more distant futures, fine weather being responsible for this. Trade was slow and of a professional character. Everything closed strong with wheat. There being generally good buying late in the session. May ranged from 25¾c to 25½c and closed ⅛c higher at 25¾c.

Provisions were dull. Packers did most of the business and dealt only in small lots. The feeling was steady, with fluctuations narrow in all products. A slump in hog-purk was 5c lower at $5.75. May lard unchanged at $5.17½ and May ribs 2½c lower at $5.15.

Estimated receipts Wednesday: Wheat, 75 cars; corn, 155 cars; oats, 231 cars; hogs, 29,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
*Wheat—					
May...	1 06	1 07	1 06	1 07	1 06
July...	83⅝@⅝	85⅝	83⅛	85⅛@⅜	83¼
Sept...	76⅝	77⅛	76⅜	77⅛	77
Dec..	77	77⅝	77	77¼	77⅜
*Corn—					
May...	29⅝@⅜	29¾	29⅝	29¾	29⅝@¾
July...	30⅛	31@31¼	30½@⅝	30¾-31	30⅜
Sept...	31⅜	32@32¼	31⅜	32¼	32
*Oats—					
May...	25¾	25⅝	25½	25¾@¾	25⅝
July...	23	23@23¼	22¾-23	23	23
Pork—					
May...	9 80	9 85	9 75	9 75	9 80
July...	9 00	9 90	9 85	9 85	9 82½
Lard—					
May...	5 15	5 17½	5 15	5 17½	5 17½
July...	5 22½	5 25	5 22½	5 25	5 25
Ribs—					
May...	5 17½	5 17½	5 15	5 15	5 17½
July...	5 25	5 27½	5 22½	5 22½	5 25

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; winter patents, $4.65@4.90; straights, $4.50@4.60; spring specials, $4.40@4.50; spring patents, $4.50@5.00; straights, $4.40@4.50; bakers, $3.40@3.75.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 90@93c; No. 2 red, $1.06.

CORN—No. 2, 29¾@30c.

OATS—No. 2, 25¾c, f. o. b.; No. 3 white, 29½c; No. 3 white, 28@28c.

RYE—No. 2, 62c.

BARLEY—No. 2, f. o. b., 36@40c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.22½@1.23½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.75@2.80.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $5.75@9.80; lard, per 100 lbs., $5.15; short ribs, sides (loose), $5.05@5.35; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@4.87½; short clear sides (boxed), $5.50@5.55.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.22.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.69; granulated, $5.13@5.38.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	10,000	11,000
Wheat, bu	48,000	451,000
Corn, bu	315,000	705,000
Oats, bu	209,000	632,000
Rye, bu	5,000	55,000
Barley, bu	20,000	28,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was quiet; creameries, 14@20c; dairies, 11@18c. Cheese, quiet at 8@9¼c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 9c. Live poultry, market steady; turkeys, 9@10c; chickens, 8@9½c; ducks, 8c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 12.—FLOUR—Receipts, 22,545 bbls.; exports, 15,117 bbls.; dull but steadily held with old prices; winter straights, $4.50@4.65; Minnesota patents, $5.10@5.70; winter ex tra, $3.55@4.10; Minnesota bakers', $3.25@4.45; winter low grades, $2.90@3.00. Rye flour, dull at $3.25@3.30. Buckwheat flour, $1.30@1.50.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, 70c.

BUCKWHEAT—Nominal at 45c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 western, 59½c.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 32c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; Western, 53@55c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 51,800 bu.; exports, 125,064 bu; spot, strong; No. 2 red, $1.06⅝, nominal, f. o. b. afloat, spot; options opened weak under disappointing cables, but speedily developed strength, which they held all day, closing ⅞@1⅛c higher. The southwest and the shorts were the best buyers, the latter on heavy export business and firmer late cables; No. 2 red, $1.01⅛@1.03, closed $1.03.

CORN—Receipts, 291,525 bu.; exports, 179,650 bu; spot, firm; No. 2, 36½c; options very steady all day on favorable Liverpool news and export buying, but mainly with wheat, closing ⅛c not higher; May, 34½@34⅝c, closed 34½c.

OATS—Receipts, 225,600 bu.; exports, 182,549 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2, 28½c; No. 2 white, 32½c; options, dull all day and subject to some pressure, which closed prices ⅛c net lower; May, 29¼@29⅝c, closed 29¼c.

HAY—Quiet; spring, 30@35c; good to choice, 55@70c.

HOPS—Quiet; 1896 crop, 4@5c; 1896 crop, 8@9c; 1897 crop, 15@17c; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 4@5c; 1896 crop, 8@9c; 1897 crop, 15@17c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 15½c; Texas dry, 12½c; California, 17@19½c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, 19½@29½c.

WOOL—Quiet; fleece, 17@22c; Texas, 12@14c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $11.00@11.75; extra mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $23@24; packet, $10.25@11.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, 5.75@6.50; pickled shoulders, 4½ 50; pickled hams, 7.50@7.75. Lard, dull; western steamed, $5.45; May, $5.52½; refined, quiet. Pork, quiet; mess, $9.75@10.00; short clear, $10.25@13.50; family, $11.00@11.50. Tallow, quiet; city, 3 9-16@3⅜c; country, 2¾@3¼c, as to quality.

OILS—Petroleum dull. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.42½@1.45. Turpentine, quiet, 31¼@31¾c. Cottonseed, steady but quiet; prime crude, 19½@20c; prime crude f. o. b. mills, 14½@15c; prime summer yellow, 22@22½c; off summer yellow, 22c; butter oil, 25@27½c; prime winter yellow, 27½@28c.

RICE—Steady; fair to extra, 4¼@5¼c; Japan, 4¼@4¼c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 29@33c.

METALS—Aside from copper, which has shown a decided turn for the better, the local market ruled dull and featureless. The metal exchange calls pig iron warrants at the close dull and unchanged, with $8.00 bid and $8.10 asked; lake copper, very firm, with buyers at 11.00; tin, quiet, with $14.25 bid and $14.40 asked; spelter, firm, with $4.25 bid and $4.35 asked; lead, steady, with $3.85 bid and $3.90 asked; lead is still quoted at $3.90 by the firm fixing the setting price for miners and smelters in the west.

BUTTER—Receipts, 9,224 pkgs.; market weak; western creamery, 17@20c; Elgins, 21c; factory, 12½@16c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,729 pkgs.; market steady; September, 7½@7¾c; part skims, 4@6c; full skims, 2@3c.

EGGS—Receipts, 17,749 pkgs.; market steady; western, 10½c; southern, 9½@9¾c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 8½c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 9@11c; separator creamery, 20c; gathered creamery, 15@16c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8@9c; large and coarse, 6@7c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, 6½@7c; old roosters, 3c; young roosters, 6@6½c; ducks, 7c.

GAME—Mallards, $2.50@2.75; teal, $1.15@1.25; brants, $2.00@3.00; Canada geese, $4.50@6.00; mixed ducks, $1.00@1.25.

PIGEONS—Live, $1.15@1.25; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $7; midland, $6; lowland, $5.50; 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, 50c; small, 25@20c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 75@85c.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.25@1.30.

SWEET POTATOES—Kansas, 10-peck bbls., $3.50; seed sweet potatoes, $2.

CABBAGE—Good stock, per lb., 1¼@1¾c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 50@55c; Colorado stock, 70c.

TOMATOES—Per crate, seven baskets, $3.50.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 45@50c.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 25@30c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 30@35c.

CRESS ONIONS—Per doz., 15c.

WATERCRESS—Per 15-qt. case, $1.60.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., $1.25@1.50.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Per 24-pint case, $2.25@2.50; 24-qt. case, $1.50@5.00.

APPLES—Winter stock, $3.00@3.50; boxes, $1.25@1.50.

CRANBERRIES—Fancy Jersey, per bbl., $10.

GRAPES—Malagas, $5.00@6.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California navels, $2.75@3.00; fancy seedlings, $2.25@2.50; choice, $2.

LEMONS—California fancy, $3; choice, $2.50; fancy Messina, $3.00@3.50.

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

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 12@13c; small, 11c; Brazils, per lb., 9½@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 10@11c; standards, 8@9c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 6@7c; extra large, 8@9c; large mixed nuts, $1.00@1.10 per bu.; small, $1.25@1.35 per bu.; cocoanuts, per 100, $4; peanuts, raw, 5@6½c; roasted, 6@8½c.

FIGS—Imported, fancy, 3-crown, 14-lb. boxes, 10c; 5-crown, 14-lb. boxes, 13c; 2-lb. boxes, 22½c per box; California, 10-lb. box, $1.

HONEY—Choice white, 12c; Colorado amber, 10@11c.

KRAUT—Per bbl., $3.50; half bbl., $2.25.

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

DATES—Hallowee, 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5½c; Sair, 5c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

CIDER—Per half-bbl., $3; bbl., $5.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 7c per lb.; good forequarters steers, 6c; good hindquarters steers, 9c; western steers, 6¾c; native heifers, 6¾c; western heifers, 6½c; good forequarters heifers, 5½c; good hindquarters heifers, 8½c; native cows, 6½c; western cows, 6½c; far cows, 6c; cow forequarters, 5c; cow hindquarters, 8c; backchalys, 6@6½c; triangles, 4½c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, fresh, 15c; frozen, 12c; boneless strips, fresh, 10c; frozen, 9c; strip loins, fresh, 8½@9c; frozen, 6½c; rolls, boneless, frozen, 9c; fresh, 10c; rolls, Spencer cuts, frozen, 9c; fresh, 10c; sirloin butts, boneless, frozen, 9c; fresh, 10c; shoulder clods, boneless, 6¼c; rump butts, boneless, 5½c; No. 1 chucks, 5¼c; No. 2 chucks, 4¾c; No. 3 chucks, 4½c; boneless trimmings, frozen, 4½c; fresh, 5¼c; cow plates, 2½c; steer plates, 4c; flank steak, 7c; prime ribs, No. 1, frozen, 12c; fresh, 14c; loins, No. 2, frozen, 10c; fresh, 12c; loins, No. 3, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10c; short loins, market style, 2c above loins; hotel style, 1c above loins; ox tails, 3c; kidneys, No. 1, 2½c; rounds, 8½c; hanging tenderloins, 4½c; ribs, No. 1, frozen, 10c; fresh, 12½; ribs, No. 2, frozen, 8c; fresh, 10c; ribs, No. 3, frozen, 6c; fresh, 8c; rounds, No. 1, 7c; No. 2 rounds, 6¾c; No. 3 rounds, 6½c; beef rolls, shank and rump off, 7½c additional; beef rounds, shank and rump off, 7½c additional; trimmings, 4½c; beef shanks, 3c; brains, per doz., 75c; sweetbreads, per lb., frozen, 10c; fresh, 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 25c; ox tails, 3c; livers, per lb., 2½c; hearts, per lb., 2½c; tongues, per lb., 12c; calf livers, each, 35c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 10½c; calf head and feet, sold in pairs, per set, 75c.

MUTTON—Fancy lambs, 8c per lb.; regular lambs, 8c; sheep, 7½c; market racks done, 7c; Hotel racks (short), 11c; loins, 9c; saddles, 9c; backs, 8c; hind legs, 10c; breasts and stews, 4c; tongues, each, 2c; forequarters, 5½c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5¼c per lb.; dressed hogs, 5c; tenderloins, 15c; loins, small, 6½c; large, 6½c; spare ribs, 4½c; ham sausage butts, 5½c; boston butts, 5c; shoulders, 4½c; leaf lard, in shoulders, skinned, 5c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5½c; heads, cleaned, 3c; snouts and ears, 3c; fresh hams, 16 to 18 lbs., 7½c; fresh hams, short cleats, 5½c; cheek meats, 4c; neckbones, 2c; pigs' tails, 3c; plucks, each, 5c; stomachs, each, 3c; tongues, each, 2c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 30c; livers, each, 3c; hog rinds, 3c; blade bones, 3c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 6c; No. 2 green hides, 5c; No. 1 salted hides, 8c; No. 2 green salted hides, 7c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 7c.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 15@75c; green salted shearings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearings (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.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3c; tallow, No. 2, 2½c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@2¾c; yellow and brown grease, 1½@2¼c.

FURS—Bear (black or brown) $5.00@20.00; otter, $1.50@8.00; mink, 15@65c; beaver, $1.00@6.00; skunk, 15c, 25c, 50c; muskrat, 3c, 5c, 10c, 15@30c; red fox, 25c@$1.25; gray fox, 25@50c; wolf, (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c; silver fox, $5.00 @75.00.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, April 12.—FLOUR—Slow and easier; patents, $4.70@4.80; straights, $4.30@4.45; clears, $3.90@4.25; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Higher, closing steady for May, with July 1½@1⅝c and September ⅞c above yesterday; spot dull but higher; No. 2 red, cash, in elevator, 98c bid; on track, $1.00; April, 98¼c; May, $1.00½ bid; July, 79¾c bid; September, 75¾c bid.

CORN—Futures dull but strong and fractions above yesterday; spot firm; No. 2 cash, 27¾c bid; April, 27¾c bid; May, 27¾c bid; July, 28¾ @28¾c; September, 29¾c bid.

OATS—Futures firm; spot higher; No. 2 cash, 26¼c; on track, 27¼c; April, 26¼c; May, 26½c bid; July, 23¾c bid; September, 21¼c bid; No. 2 white, 29@29½c.

RYE—Strong at 53c.

FLAXSEED—Nominal at $1.18.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.90@3.00.

CORNMEAL—Firm at $1.50@1.55.

BRAN—Dull; sacked, east track, 55c.

HAY—Scarce and firm for choice timothy; prairie, scarce and wanted; prairie, $6.50@8.25; timothy, $7.00@11.00.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 16@21c; dairy, 9 @15c.

EGGS—Steady at 8½c.

WHISKY—$1.20.

COTTONTIES—20c.

BAGGING—5¾@6½c.

METALS—Lead, lower and dull at $3.45@3.47½. Spelter, nominal at $4.05.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; standard mess, jobbing, $9.75. Lard, steady; prime steam, $5.00; choice, $5.07½. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $4.87½@5.00; extra short clear, $5.25; ribs, $5.37½; clears, $5.50.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 11,000 bu.; corn, 58,000 bu.; oats, 31,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 3,000 bu.; corn, 241,000 bu.; oats, 15,000 bu.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, April 12.—FLOUR—Dull; western superfine, $2.50@3.10; western extra, $3.25@4.00; western family, $4.25@4.50; winter white, $4.30@5.10; spring wheat straight, $5.00@5.15; receipts, 6,706 bbls.; exports, 388 bbls.

WHEAT—Firmer; spot and month, $1.06¾@1.06¾; May, $1.06⅝@1.06¾; July, 84½; steamer No. 2 red, 97@97¼; receipts, 49,359 bu.; exports, none; southern wheat, by sample, 97c@$1.01; southern wheat, on grade, 96@98c.

CORN—Firmer; receipts, 185,976 bu.; exports, 284,423 bu.; southern white corn, 36c asked; southern yellow corn, 36c asked.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 23@23½c; No. 2 mixed, 20@23½c; receipts, 63,534 bu.; exports, 22,299 bu.

RYE—Strong and higher; No. 2 nearby, 56½@57c; No. 2 western, 58c sales; receipts, 13,502 bu. exports, 25,714 bu.

HAY—Firm; choice timothy, $12.50@13.00.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Very dull; steam to Liverpool, per bu., 2½d May; Cork, for orders, per quarter, 2s 2½ April.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 21@22c; fancy imitation, 17@18c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh, 10c.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York, large, 9¼ @9½c; fancy New York, medium, 9½@10c; fancy New York, small, 10¼@10½c.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, April 12.—FLOUR—Quiet; fancy, $4.25@4.45; family, $3.60@3.90.

WHEAT—Nominal; No. 2 red, 95c.

CORN—Easy; No. 2 mixed, 31@31½c.

OATS—Active; No. 2 mixed, 28c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2, 52c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, quiet at $5.02½. Bulk meats, easier at $5.25. Bacon, easy at $6.00.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.20.

BUTTER—Steady; Elgin creamery, 16c; Ohio, 12@16c; dairy, 10@12c.

SUGAR—Firm; hard, refined, $4.35@5.37.

EGGS—Dull at 8½c.

CHEESE—Quiet; good to prime Ohio flat, 8½ @9c.

Detroit Market.

DETROIT, April 12.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, 95c; No. 2 red, 96½c; May, 96¾c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 32c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 30½c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 12.—WHEAT—Market active, closing firm; No. 1 hard, 76c; No. 2, 73@75c; No. 3, 87@93c; No. 1 red, 94@95c; No. 2, 93c; No. 3, 90½c; No. 2 spring, 87@88c; No. 3, 87c.

CORN—Market active and about steady; No. 2 mixed, 27c.

OATS—Market active and steady; No. 2 white, 27c.

RYE—Market steady; No. 2, 47c.

HAY—Market firm; choice timothy, $9.50; choice prairie, $7.50.

BUTTER—Market unchanged; creamery, 16@19c; dairy, 13@16c.

EGGS—Market weak; fresh, 8½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 20,000 bu.; corn, 20,100 bu.; oats, 7,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 11,400 bu.; corn, 31,200 bu.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, April 12.—PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut, fine, 34s 6¼d; shoulders, square, firm, 22s 6d.

WHEAT—Spot, No. 2 red western winter, steady, 5s 4½d.

CORN—Spot American mixed, new, steady, 2s 3½d; April, steady, 2s 2¾d; May, steady, 2s 3¾d; July, steady, 2s 2¾d.

Imports of wheat into Liverpool for the week from Atlantic ports, 51,200 quarters; from Pacific ports, 25,000 quarters; from other ports, 25,000 quarters. Imports of corn into Liverpool from Atlantic ports for the week, 76,700 quarters.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

CHICAGO, April 12.—Receipts today: Wheat, 105 cars; corn, 331 cars; oats, 251 cars. Estimated tomorrow: Wheat, 75 cars; corn, 155 cars; oats, 231 cars.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 12.—Receipts: Wheat, 83 cars.

DULUTH, April 12.—Receipts: Wheat, 82 cars.

KANSAS CITY, April 12.—Receipts: Wheat, 34 cars.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, April 12.—WHEAT—Higher; cash, 99¾c; May, 99¾c.

CORN—Active and steady; No. 2 mixed, 30½c.

OATS—Dull and steady; No. 2 mixed, 27c.

RYE—Dull and unchanged; No. 2, cash, 52c.

CLOVERSEED—Steady; prime, cash and April, $2.90.

Buffalo Market.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 12.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.07½; No. 2 winter, $1.00.

CORN—No. 2, 24c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 31½c.

BARLEY—Firm.

RYE—No. 2, on track, 96c.

Philadelphia Produce.

PHILADELPHIA, April 12.—BUTTER—Fancy western creamery, 20½c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh western, 10½c.

San Francisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 12.—WHEAT—Steady; December, $1.53¾.

BARLEY—Steady; December, $1.35¼.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, April 12.—CORN—Firm; No. 2, 29c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white, 28½c.

WHISKY—High proof spirits, $1.20½.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Prevailing Sentiment in Wall Street Is Not Hopeful.

NEW YORK, April 12.—The day's stock market was listless and the movement of prices exceedingly sluggish. As heaviness was the prevailing tone and the net results are in nearly all cases losses, it is evident that the prevailing sentiment in Wall street is not hopeful. Doubt and uncertainty prevailed in all quarters and reports from foreign bourses indicated the same uncertain feeling in every market in the world as to the outcome of the controversy between the United States and Spain. If transactions in a few speculative leaders were taken out of today's market the dimensions of the trading would appear almost ludicrously small. Even such speculative favorites as the grangers showed comparative apathy. There was a lively movement in Tobacco, which carried the price up nearly 4 points, owing to the confidence in the speedy settlement of the controversy in the trade over the plug tobacco business. The advance in the price was also said to be directed against an outstanding short interest. There was large buying of the coalers on the strength of the further rise of 4 per cent in its price. Rubber preferred was lifted 3 points on very limited transactions. In the railroad list Northwest was the only prominent feature which showed any strength. Rock Island was at one time a shade above yesterday's close. The entire lines of Americans in London were below the New York parity, which resulted from the early selling, and were a disturbing influence on the market in stocks in New York yesterday. Opening prices here were not as low as the London parity and there was selling in consequence for arbitrage account. The market closed dull and heavy, with a slight rally in the first hour on buying attributed to Washington account. The bull theory was that differences in congress would beget delay and that delay added to the chances of peaceful settlement. The volume of the buying was not impressive and it had ceased before noon. For the rest of the day the market was to all intents and purposes lifeless and the last sales were for fractions below the lowest of the day. Speculation awaits the formulation by congress of its intentions on the Cuban question. Both the money and exchange markets were dull and steady today and $1,000,000 in gold was engaged for import. The movement of currency to the interior was unabated. The bond market was intensely dull and showed slight recovery in some cases from early weakness. Total sales, $800,000. United States new 4s advanced ¼ on the bid price. Government bonds otherwise were unchanged.

The Evening Post's London financial cable-gram says: The stock markets here were unimportant today, business being scarcely resumed after the holidays. Such speculative position as existed had been adjusted previous to the Easter holidays and there was no inclination to reopen commitments pending the settlement of the apparent reason why prices here were slightly under those at New York is that there is no bear account here, whereas it is believed one exists in New York and there was also a little from all of the continent. Americans were flat here. Investment stocks are still falling on dearer money. The settlement to begin tomorrow is likely to show very small contangos, but continuations may be higher, because of the rise in money. Gold is easier at 77s 11d, at which price gold from the Cape was bought for New York, as also all full weighted sovereigns received from Australia.

Following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York market today:

Atchison	11⅛	St. P. & Om	68⅝
do pfd	26	do pfd	145
Baltimore & Ohio	10⅝	St. P. M. & M	130
Canada Pacific	103	So. Pacific	13
Canada Southern	11⅜	So. Railway	2⅞
Central Pacific	19	do pfd	26⅝
Ches. & Ohio	21⅛	Texas & Pacific	10⅝
Chicago & Alton	157	Union Pacific	32⅝
C., B. & Q	93⅜	U. P. D. & G	6⅜
C. & E. I	51⅝	Wabash	6
C. C. C. & St. L	44⅜	do pfd	15⅜
Del. & Hudson	104	Wheeling & L. E	1⅜
Del. L. & W	144½	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	9
Den. & Rio G	10⅜	Adams Ex	100
do pfd	43¾	American Ex	120
Erie (new)	13⅝	United States Ex	58
Erie 1st pfd	32⅜	Wells Fargo Ex	115
Ft. Wayne	168	Am. Cot. Oil	17
Great Northern pfd	147	A. Cot. Oil pfd	68
Illinois Central	100	Am. Spirits	9
Illinois Central	100	do pfd	21
Lake Erie & W	20	Am. Tobacco	109¼
do pfd	73¾	do pfd	117
Lake Shore	191½	People's Gas	103⅛
Louisville & Nash	47⅝	Cons. Gas	180
Manhattan L	97⅜	Co. Cable Co	15
Met. St. Ry	140⅝	Col. F. & Iron	18
Michigan Central	98½	do pfd	90
Mo. Pacific	27⅜	Gen. Electric	32¾
Mobile & Ohio	27	Illinois Steel	45
Mo. K. & T	10⅜	La Clede Gas	40¼
Mo. K. & T. pfd	34	Lead	103¼
Chi., Ind. & L	23	do pfd	113⅝
do pfd	92	Nat. Lin. Oil	26⅜
N. J. Central	112	Pullman Pal	172⅝
N. Y. Central	111⅜	Silver Certificates	55⅜
N. Chi. & St. L	102⅜	Stand. Rope & T	5⅝
Sugar	119¼	do pfd	107½
do 2d pfd	29	T. C. & Iron	20⅜
Norfolk & Western	12⅜	U. S. Leather	5⅜
No. Amer. Co	5¼	do pfd	65⅜
No. Pacific	22⅝	U. S. Rubber	19⅛
do pfd	62⅜	do pfd	67
Ontario & W	14⅜	Western Union	80⅜
Ore. R. & Nav	43⅜	Northern Securities	110⅜
Ore. Short Line	29	do pfd	172⅞
Pittsburg	168	Rio Grande West	23
Reading	16⅞	do pfd	54
Rock Island	86¼	Chicago Great W	5⅛
S. L. & S. F	6⅝	St. L. & S. W	4
do 1st pfd	56⅜	do pfd	9
St. Paul	89⅛	Reading 1st pfd	39¼
do pfd	142		
Hawaii C. Co	20		

Total sales of stocks today, 219,700 shares, including: 14,100 Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 6,210 Louisville & Nashville, 7,750 Manhattan, 4,850 Northern Pacific preferred, 14,575 St. Paul, 23,855 Union Pacific, 55,524 Tobacco, 39,965 Sugar.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 12.—MONEY ON CALL—Market firm at 3 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 483¾@4 83½ for demand and $4.80¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.80½@4.81 and $4.84@4.84½; commercial bills, $4.80@4.83¾.

BAR SILVER—55⅞c.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—56¼c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45¼c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Market steady; new 4s, reg. and coupon, 121½; 2s, 97; 5s, reg., 111¾; coupon, 111¾; Pacific 6s, 103.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s coupon	121¾	N. C. 4s	102
U. S. 4s, reg	109¾	No. Pacific 1sts	113
U. S. 4s, coup	110¾	No. Pacific 3s	59¾
U. S. 2s, reg	97	No. Pacific 4s	93
U. S. 5s, reg	111¾	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	103⅝
U. S. 5s, coup	111¾	N. & W. 6s	118
District 3.65s	114	N. W. Consols	143
Ala., class A	108½	N. W. Deb. 5s	116
Ala., class B	108	Ore. Nav. 1sts	110
Ala., class C	93	Ore. Nav. 4s	92
Ala. Currency	93	O. S. L. 6s, 1st	102
Atchison 4s	84¼	O. S. L. 5s, 1st	99¾
Atchison adj. 4s	59	Tex. Pac. 1st	103
Canada So. 2nds	100	O. Imp. 5s, 1st	54
Chicago Ter'l 5s	82	Pacific 6s of '95	103
C. & O. 5s	113¾	Reading 4s	80¾
C. H. & D. 4½s	104¾	R. G. W. 1sts	81
D. & R. G. 1sts	108	St. L. & I. M. Con. 5	89
D. & R. G. 4s	89¼	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	115
East Tenn. 1sts	103	St. P. Consols	141
East Tenn. 5s	109	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	117
F. W. & D. 1st s. f	68	St. P. C. & P. 5s	115
Gen. Elec. 5s	101	Southern Ry. 5s	99⅜
G. H. & S. A. 6s	102	S. R. & T. 6s	55
G. H. & S. A. 2½s	73	Tenn. new set 5s	86
H. & T. Cent. 5s	112	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts	19
H. & T. C. con 6s	103	Tex. Pac. Ry. 2d 3	31
Iowa C. 1sts	99	U. P. D. & G. 1sts	54⅜
Iowa C. 2nds	70¾	Wab. 1st s. f	107
L. & N. Uni. 4s	86	Wab. 2ds	77
Missouri 6s	103	West Shore 4s	106⅜
M. K. & T. 2ds	60¾	Va. Centuries	67¾
M. K. & T. 4s	87	Va. deferred	3
M. Y. C. 1sts	113	Union Pacific 1sts	54⅜
N. C. 6s	122½	Union Pacific 4s	91⅜

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, April 12.—Amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance today, £125,000. The market for American securities moved but little all day, owing to the inactivity of operators. The closing tone was quiet but steady. There was no demand. Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 162.60; at Lisbon, 34.

BERLIN, April 12.—Prices on the bourse today opened firm, owing to the moderate tone of President McKinley's message to congress, but the contracts were limited, speculators hesitating, owing to the uncertainty of the measures which the United States may adopt to restore peace. American securities closed dull. Exchange on London, 20 marks, 55 pf