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Bright Prospects for the Fall-Sown Crop Weaken Wheat Market.

CORN'S UPWARD COURSE IS ALSO CHECKED

Bears Also Enjoy Profitable Day in Oats and Provisions, All Things Seemingly Working for Their Good.

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—Liquidation, encouraged by the bright prospects of the fall sown crop, coupled with an oversupply on hand for export, weakened wheat today and December closed with a loss of ⅛c. Corn weakened under large new crop estimates and closed ⅛c lower. Oats declined ⅛c. Provisions were flat and closed with little alterations in values.

Wheat opened weak and after a feeble rally near the commencement on covering showed a declining tendency for the remainder of the session. Nearly everything combined to create a bearish sentiment. Argentine shipments for the week were unusually large, amounting to 1,072,000 bu. Crop conditions in that country were reported promising, the scarcity of ocean vessels alone preventing enormous exports. Such evidence of the undiminished shipping capacity of the South American republic, coupled with a steady increase in the domestic visible supply, disheartened holders of long wheat, who unloaded freely. There was also considerable selling for the short account and as the demand was sluggish the market sagged steadily until near the end, when covering started an upturn. The improvement was only temporary, however, as liquidation on a heavy scale followed, and the market closed weak within a fraction of the bottom of the day's range. A slack cash demand and reports of the excellent condition of the winter wheat, as a result of the recent heavy rains, stimulated the selling movement. December opened ⅛@¼c lower at 70⅝@70¾c, touched 70⅜@70⅜c, declined to 70¼c, advanced to 70⅝c and declined to 70⅜c at the close. Chicago received 105 cars, 1 of which graded contract. Minneapolis and Duluth got 613 cars, compared with 1,083 cars for the corresponding day a year ago. Total western primary receipts were 932,000 bu. Atlantic port clearances in wheat and flour equalled 786,000 bu. Argentine visible was reported at 5,220,000 bu., against 425,000 bu. the same period a year ago.

Corn was active and strong early, but eventually weakened under liquidation, encouraged by an estimate by an authoritative statistician that the total yield would amount to 2,200,000,000 bu. instead of 2,000,000,000 bu. as predicted by the government bureau. A disappointing poor cash demand was also against the market, but the country buying, owing to wet weather and moderate receipts, prevented any important break and the market closed steady. Receipts, 402 cars. December opened a shade higher at 32⅝@32⅞c, advanced to 32¾@32¾c, declined to 31½@31⅝c and closed with buyers at 31¾c.

Oats was extremely dull and lost a fraction in sympathy with corn. Receipts, 266 cars. December opened uncharged at 22⅞c, declined to 22⅝@22⅝c and closed at 22¾c.

Provisions were flat and entirely without incident, the range being just wide enough to permit of an occasional quotation. January pork and lard closed a shade higher at $9.57½@9.60 and $5.37½@5.40, respectively. January ribs unchanged at $4.95@4.97½.

Estimated receipts for Saturday were not posted.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y
*Wheat					
Oct.	69¼	69¼	68¾	68⅞	69⅝
Dec.	70⅝@⅝	70¾@⅞	70¼	70⅜	70⅞
May	74⅛@⅜	74⅝	73⅞	74	74⅝
*Corn—					
Oct.	32 @¼	32⅛@¼	31½@⅝	31¾	31¾
May	33¼@⅜	33⅜@½	32¾	33	33⅛
*Oats—					
Dec.	22⅝	22⅞	22⅝@⅞	22¾	22⅞
May	24½	24½	24¼@⅜	24¼@⅜	24½
Pork—					
Dec.	8 02½	8 05	8 00	8 05	8 02½
Jan.	9 65	9 69	9 55	9 60	9 57½
Lard—					
Dec.	5 20	5 20	5 20	5 20	5 20
Jan.	5 37½	5 40	5 37½	5 40	5 37½
Ribs—					
Dec.	4 80	4 80	4 80	4 80	4 80
Jan.	4 95	4 97½	4 95	4 97½	4 97½

*No. 2

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $3.30@3.40; clears, $3.20@3.30; spring specials, $4.10; patents, $3.40@3.70; straights, $2.90@3.20; bakers, $2.30@2.60.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 69@72c; No. 3 spring, 64@70c; No. 2 red, 71c.

CORN—No. 2, 32¾c; No. 2 yellow, 33c.

OATS—No. 2, 23c; No. 2 white, 24c; No. 3 white, 23½@25½c.

RYE—No. 2, 54½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 39@43½c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.39½. Prime timothy seed, $2.30. Clover, choice, $7.60.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $8.00@8.05. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.22½@5.25. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.70@5.10. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.75@5.87½. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.35@5.45.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.24.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.70; granulated, $5.18. Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	21,000	20,000
Wheat, bu.	123,000	34,000
Corn, bu.	355,000	448,000
Oats, bu.	307,000	267,000
Rye, bu.	9,000	2,000
Barley, bu.	91,000	50,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was slow and weak; creameries, 15@22c; dairies, 14@19c. Cheese, strong; fresh, 11@11½c. Cheese, strong, creams, 12@12½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—FLOUR—Receipts, 13,040 bbls.; exports, 18,692 bbls.; sales, 9,000 bbls.; market firm, notwithstanding the decline in wheat, western holders offering sparingly and refusing to consider lower offers; closed firm for low grades and steady for others. Rye flour dull and nominal; good, to fair, $3.40@3.45; choice to fancy, $3.45@3.75. Buckwheat flour steady.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, 80@82c; city, 80@81c; Brandywine, $2.30@2.35.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 60c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 65c, f. o. b., afloat, to arrive; state, 62@63c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 41c c. i. f. Buffalo; malting, 46@50c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

BARLEY MALT—Steady; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 42,550 bu.; exports, 151,425 bu.; sales, 1,625,000 bu. futures, 96,000 bu. spot. Spot, weak; No. 2 red, 75½c f. o. b. afloat spot; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 78⅝c f. o. b. afloat; new No. 1 hard, Duluth, 80½c to arrive; No. 2 red, 73¾c, elevator. Options opened weak at a decline of ⅛c lower, under increased northwestern receipts and poor export, and further declined ½@¾c, liquidation being active in anticipation of an increase of 1,500,000 bu. in the visible supply by Monday. Closed weak at a net decline of ¾@⅞c; March, 78⅜@79½c, closed, 78⅝c; May, 76⅞@77 13-16c, closed, 77⅝c; December closed at 75½c.

CORN—Receipts, 184,550 bu.; exports, 101,738 bu.; sales, 20,000 bu. futures, 1,000,000 bu. spot. Spot, easy; No. 2, 41¾c spot f. o. b. afloat; 39¾c elevator. Options opened steady at ⅛c advance on cables, but weakened ¼@⅝c under predicted heavier movement and Snow's crop report pointing to a yield of over 2,000,000,000 bu. Decline arrested by heavy export demand. Closed steady at a net decline of ⅛@⅜c; May, 38⅝@39¼c, closed, 38⅞c; December, 40@40¼c, closed, 40c.

OATS—Receipts, 65,800 bu.; exports, 2,360 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2 white, 31½c; No. 3 white, 30½c; track, white state, 30½@35c; track, white state, 30½@35c. Options quiet and steady.

HAY—Dull; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 75@82½c.

HOPS—State, common to choice, 6@7c; Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1897 crop, nominal; 1898 crop, 10@13c; 1899 crop, 12@14c.

HIDES—Steady; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 23c.

LEATHER—Quiet; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 24@24½c; acid, 24@24½c.

WOOL—Quiet; domestic fleece, 21@26c; Texas, 14@17c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $11.00@12.50; mess, $9.50@11.00; beef hams, $21.00@23.00; packet, $11.50@12.00; city extra India mess, $16.00@18.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled shoulders, $7.00; pickled hams, $8.75. Lard, steady; western steamed, closed at $5.60; city, $5.30@5.35; October closed at $5.30, nominal; refined, steady. Pork, dull; mess, $9.00@9.50; short clears, $10.25@12.00; family, $11.75@12.00. Tallow, steady; city (2 per package), 4⅝c; country, 4⅝c.

POTATOES—Steady; Jerseys, $1.12½@1.40; New York, $1.12½@1.25; Long Island, $1.20@1.25; Jersey sweets, $1.25@2.00; southern sweets, 75c@$1.05.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 4⅝@7¼c; Japan, 4⅝@5⅝c.

METALS—Today's market was an uninteresting one. Buyers held aloof in the absence of important news from abroad and the west, and in view of a concessionary attitude of sellers. The undertone of the market was weak, though prices as a rule were nominally unchanged. At the close the Metal exchange called pig iron warrants very dull at $17.00@18.00; lake copper quiet at $17.50; tin unchanged at $31 bid and $31.20 asked; lead unchanged at $4.37½ bid and $4.37½ asked; spelter weak, with $5 bid and $5.10 asked. The brokers' price for lead is $4.40 and for copper $17.50.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts liberal; good stock, 15½@16c.

POULTRY — Hens, live, 6@6½c; spring chickens, 7c; old and staggy roosters, live, 3½@4c; ducks, and geese, live, 6@7c; turkeys, live, 10c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 15c; choice, 16@17c; separator, 22@23c; gathered creamery, 19@20c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 75c.

VEALS—Choice, 9c.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 20c; standards, per can, 24c; bulk standard, per gal., $1.25; extra selects, per can, 32c; extra selects, per gal., $1.75; New York Counts, per can, 40c; New York Counts, per 100, $1.25.

HAY—Upland, choice, $6.50; midland, choice, $6.00; lowland, choice, $5.00; rye straw, choice, $5.50; No. 3 corn, 27c; No. 2 white oats, 22½c; cracked corn, per ton, $12; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $12.50; bran, per ton, $13; shorts, per ton, $14.

VEGETABLES.

TOMATOES—Per crate, 55@65c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.00.

POTATOES—Per bu., 30@35c.

CRANBERRIES—Cape Cod, $5.50.

ONIONS—Retail way, 65@75c.

CELERY—Per doz., 20@40c.

FRUITS.

PLUMS—Oregon, per crate, $1.00@1.25.

CALIFORNIA PEACHES—No good shipping stock.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $3.00; Jonathans and Grimes' golden, $3.50@4.00; New York stock, $3.75@4.00.

GRAPES—New York, 20c; per 50-basket lots, 19c; California Tokays, $1.15@1.25.

PEARS—Western varieties, $2.25@2.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $4.50.

LEMONS — California fancy, $4.75@5.00; choice California, $4.25@4.75; Messina, $5.00@5.50.

BANANAS—Choice, crated, large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.50; medium-sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 8c; No. 2 green hides, 7c; No. 1 salted hides, 9¾c; No. 2 salted hides, 8¾c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3¾c; tallow, No. 2, 3¼c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2¾@3¼c; yellow and brown grease, 2½@3c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.00@3.50.

NUTS—Hickory nuts, per bu., $1.00.

FIGS—California layers, per 10-lb. box, $1.15; California carton, per 10-lb. box, $1.25.

MAPLE SUGAR—Per lb., 9c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 69¾c; track, 72@72½c; December, 70⅛c; May, 74¾c; No. 2 hard, 68@69c; receipts, 25,031 bushels.

FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; patents, $3.45@3.60; extra fancy, $3.10@3.20; clear, $2.90@3.10.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 32c; track, 33c; May, 31½c.

OATS—Easy; No. 2 cash, 23¾c; track, 24@24¼c; December, 23½c; May, 25½c; No. 2 white, 26@26½c.

RYE—Firm, 56c.

SEEDS—Timothy, firm at $2.30; flaxseed, better at $1.37.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $1.75@1.80.

BRAN—Higher; sacked, east track, 65½@66c.

HAY—Timothy, steady at $7.50@10.50; prairie, firm at $7.50.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.24.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.10.

BAGGING—5⅝@6⅝c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt meats, quiet; boxed shoulders, $4.50; extra shorts, $5.37½; clear ribs, $5.37½@5.40; clear sides, $5.50. Bacon, quiet; boxed shoulders, $5.50; extra shorts, $5.75; clear ribs, $5.87½; clear sides, $6.12½.

PULTRY—Steady; chickens, old, 6½c; young, 7c; turkeys, 7@7½c; ducks, 5½@6½c; geese, 6@6½c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 25,000 bu.; corn, 34,000 bu.; oats, 49,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 10,000 bbls.; wheat, 25,000 bu.; corn, 79,000 bu.; oats, 32,000 bu.

Butter, Egg and Cheese Market.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 27.—BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@24c; dairy, 15@20c.

EGGS—Not quoted.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 27.—BUTTER—Creamery, 19@22c; dairy, 18c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, firsts, 14c doz., cases returned.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—BUTTER—Receipts, 3,081 pkgs.; firm; western creamery, 17@24c; June creamery, 19@22½c; factory, 14½@17c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 5,728 pkgs.; steady; large, white, 12¼c; small, white, 12¼c; large, colored, 12¼@12½c; small, colored, 12¾c.

EGGS—Receipts, 5,531 pkgs.; dull; western ungraded at mark, 14@18c.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 27.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy western creamery, 23½@24c; fancy western prints, 25c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh nearby, 20½c; fresh western, 20c; fresh southwestern, 14c; fresh southern, 18c.

Baltimore Flour and Grain.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 27.—FLOUR—Quiet, steady and unchanged; receipts, 7,193 bbls.; exports, 280 bbls.

WHEAT—Very dull; spot and month, 70⅛@70⅝c; November, 70¾@71c; December, 72½@72⅝c; steamer, No. 2 red, 66½@66⅝c; receipts, 27,194 bu.; exports, none; southern by sample, 65@72c; southern on grade, 68@71½c.

CORN—Dull and easy; mixed, spot, November and November, 38¾@39c; December, 38@38⅜c; November or December, new or old, 37½@37¾c; January, 37½@37¾c; receipts, 198,154 bu.; exports, 151,000 bu.; southern white corn, 36@40c, new; southern yellow, 38c asked, new.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 30@31c; No. 2 mixed, 28c bid.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—Steady; spot, No. 2 red western, winter, 5s 10½d; No. 1 northern, spring, 6s 1d. Futures quiet; December, 5s 11½d; March, 6s 2¾d; May, 6s 1d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, 3s 7d; American mixed, old, steady at 3s 7d. Futures, November, 3s 7½d; December, steady at 3s 8½d; January, 3s 7½d.

RECEIPTS—Wheat during the last three days, 137,000 centals, including 134,000 centals; corn during the last three days, 201,000 centals. Weather rainy.

PEAS—Canadian, 6s 5½d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, firm; short ribs, 34s 6d; clear bellies, 36s; shoulders, firm; square, 31s 6d.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—December, 64½c; May, 68¼c; cash, No. 2 hard, 62½@66c; No. 3, 61@65c; No. 2 red, 69c; No. 3, 66@68c; receipts, 140 cars.

CORN—December, 28⅝c; May, 29⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 30⅝c; No. 2 white, 31½@31½c; No. 3, 31@31½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 25c.

RYE—No. 2, 53½c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $8.25@8.50; choice prairie, $7.00@7.25.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 84,000 bu.; corn, 26,000 bu.; oats, 13,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 45,000 bu.; corn, 15,630 bu.; oats, 5,000 bu.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—Dull and lower; No. 2 cash, 70½c bid; December, 72½c bid.

CORN—Active and steady; No. 2 mixed, 34c.

OATS—Dull and steady; No. 2 mixed, 26c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 cash, 60c.

SEEDS—Clover, active and higher; prime October, $6.10; December, $5.42½.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, October, 68c; December, 67c; May, 70⅝c. On track: No. 1 hard, 69½c; No. 1 northern, 68c; No. 2 northern, 66c.

FLOUR—Trade quiet; first patents, $3.75@3.85; second patents, $3.55@3.65; first clears, $2.60@2.70.

BRAN—In bulk, $10.50@10.75.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, 70@70½c; No. 2 northern, 67@68c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 57½c.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, 47@48½c; sample, 39@46c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Oct. 27.—CORN—Higher; No. 3, 32½c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 24½@25c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.24 for finished goods.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, Oct. 27.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 69c; No. 1 northern, cash, 68c; October, 68c; December, 68c; May, 71⅝c; No. 2 northern, 65c; No. 3 spring, 61½c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—COFFEE—Options opened quiet with prices unchanged to 5 points higher and ruled about steady all day, with exchanges of the November position for the latter months the only feature of business. Selling was checked by evidences of a better feeling in European and Brazilian markets. Receipts were heavier, but offset by larger American warehouse withdrawals. Closed steady, unchanged to 5 points higher. Sales, 24,250 bags, including November, $4.90; December, $5.10; January, $5.15; March, $5.25; May, $5.35; September, $5.55.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Realizing in Last Hour Eats Into Early Gains of the Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—The stock market made a considerable display of strength during the early hours of the day. Later there were occasional advances by individual stocks or groups, some of which saved gains on the day, but in the majority of cases the active selling movement of the last hour wiped out the earlier gains and carried prices in some cases sharply below last night's level. The motive of the selling was the fear of an unfavorable bank statement tomorrow, as well as to take attractive profits on the week's advance. The high-priced industrial specialties and the iron and steel stocks were conspicuous in the late reaction. The most notable movement of the day was the rise in some of the railroads running through the south and southwest. Louisville & Southern Railway led with an extreme advance of 1½. Missouri Pacific was a close second. There was notable firmness also in Mobile & Ohio, Chesapeake & Ohio, Texas & Pacific, St. Louis & Southwestern, after early weakness and the Baltimore & Ohio stocks. The larger railroad earnings shown by monthly returns caused the movement. The same motive advanced the price of Atchison preferred and Northern Pacific.

The speculation was mixed during the greater part of the day, many of the leading industrials drifting up and down at a level either side of last night's prices. This was true of Sugar, Tobacco, Manhattan and the leather stocks. The last named were reactionary early in the day, but the preferred stock came into active demand late in the day, with a rise of 2½. Other points of strength at different times were Rubber, Republic Steel, General Electric, Laclede Gas, Tennessee Coal, Colorado Fuel and Chicago & Eastern Illinois preferred. New York, Chicago & St. Louis first preferred dropped over 5 points on a single transaction without exciting any attention. There were various points of weakness in the minor specialties. Stocks of companies having to do with the metal industries were all inclined to heaviness on account of the reactionary tendency in the price of the metals. The iron and steel stocks were not exempt. Steel and Wire dropped an extreme 2⅝, with only a feeble rally.

Call money flurried to 10 per cent, with the late demand for loans to carry over till Monday and was quite firm at 6@7 per cent all day. According to statements by the leading banks the net shipments of currency to the interior, both by express and by deposits, at the subtreasury for telegraphic transfer amounted to about $2,500,000. After allowing for receipts of a considerable sum in gold from the assay office by the banks their loss to the subtreasury still amounts to upward of $1,000,000. Tomorrow's statement is therefore expected to show a loss in cash of fully $3,500,000. Unless the loan account of the banks has been largely diminished it is evident that the surplus reserve, which stood last Saturday at only $1,441,075, must have been wiped out and a deficit incurred.

The bond market eased off late in the day in sympathy with stocks, but earlier gains were not in all cases wiped out. Total sales, par value, $1,915,000. United States bonds were unchanged in bid quotations.

The commercial advertiser's London financial cablegram says: "The stocks here opened rather dull today, but became hard on the early news of the victorious sortie at Kimberley. The close was cheerful on an unconfirmed rumor of a fresh victory at Ladysmith. Consols responded with an advance of 3-16 to 104⅝. Confidence was imparted further by expression of the opinion now becoming general that there will be a money squeeze as a result of the war. American securities were hard throughout the session and closed at the best. They were fairly active. Favorites were Southern Railway issues, Louisville & Nashville and Chesapeake & Ohio. Spanish is were 61. It is rumored that the Bank of Paris is negotiating a big conversion of the Spanish loan. Tintos were 47¾. Anacondas 9 5-16, Utahs 7¼. The Bank of England bought £26,000 gold in German coin. £15,000 was engaged for South America and £15,000 for an undisclosed destination. Money was erratic and in bills the tendency was to greater ease.

The following are the closing quotations for the leading stocks on the New York exchange today:

Atchison	21¾	Texas & Pacific	19⅝
do pfd	65¼	Union Pacific	46⅝
Amer. Sugar pfd	117	do pfd	77½
Bell Telephone	373	Wabash	7¼
Boston & Alb'y	270½	do pfd	22¾
Boston Elevated	107½	Wheel. & L. E.	11¾
Boston & Maine	206	do 2d pfd	30
C., B. & Q.	132¾	Wis. Central	112
Ed. Elec. Ill.	203	Adams Ex.	114
Fitchburg pfd	139	American Ex.	151
Federal Steel	54	U. S. Express	52
do pfd	78¾	Wells-Fargo Ex.	130
Mexican Central	13¾	Amer. Cot. Oil	45½
Mich. Telephone	101	do pfd	95¼
Old Colony	206	Amer. Malting	1¾
Old Dominion	27	do pfd	31¼
Rubber	46	Amer. S. & R.	35¼
Union Pacific	46¾	do pfd	85½
Union Land	37⅝	Amer. Spirits	4
West End	93½	do pfd	17
do pfd	115	Amer. Steel H.	42
		do pfd	82
		Amer. S. & W.	47⅝
		do pfd	91
		Amer. Tin Plate	32¾
		do pfd	75¾
		Amer. Tobacco	122
		do pfd	144
		Anac. Min. Co.	42½
		Bk. Rap. Tr.	85⅝
		Colo. Fuel & I.	55¾
		Con. Tobacco	43
		do pfd	93
		Federal Steel	53¾
		do pfd	78¼
		Gen. Electric	120
		Glucose Sugar	59
		do pfd	98
		Int'n'l Paper	28½
		do pfd	71
		Laclede Gas	77
		National Biscuit	46½
		do pfd	88
		National Lead	28⅝
		do pfd	108½
		National Steel	48
		do pfd	93¾
		N. Y. Air Brake	142
		North American	12⅝
		Pacific Coast	50¾
		do 1st pfd	88
		do 2d pfd	66¾
		Pacific Mail	39¾
		People's Gas	113½
		Pressed S. Car	59
		do pfd	89¼
		Pullman P. Car	194½
		Standard R. & T.	3
		Sugar	152¼
		do pfd	117½
		Tenn. Coal & I.	118⅝
		U. S. Leather	21¼
		do pfd	82½
		U. S. Rubber	48¼
		do pfd	112¾
		Western Union	88
		Republic I. & S.	21
		do pfd	69½
		P. C. C. & St. L.	74

*Offered. **Bid.

Foreign Financial.

PARIS, Oct. 27.—Business was dull on the bourse today, owing to realization in view of the approaching declaration of options. Later, however, reports of a British victory at Kimberley caused a general recovery, which was accentuated on the street after the close of regular business on the bourse. International securities were heavy. Rio Tintos refused owing to the decline in copper. Kaffirs made a marked advance. Three-per cent rentes, 100f 37½c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 21c for checks.

BERLIN, Oct. 27.—Settlement money on the bourse today was easier, being offered at 5%, irregular. International securities were weaker on Paris advices. Americans and Canadian Pacifics were fairly steady. Local shares were in better demand. Exchange on London, 20m 46½pfg for checks.

FRANKFORT, Oct. 27.—Owing to the absence of stimulus business on the bourse today was quiet, but prices were firm. Later there was a good demand for iron shares.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—American securities opened steady and were without decided feature, being influenced mainly by the movements in New York. The closing tone was firm. The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today, £4,000. Spanish 48, 81.

BUENOS AYRES, Oct. 27.—The gold quotation today was 141.30.

MADRID, Oct. 27.—Spanish is closed today at 70.65. Gold was quoted at 25.82.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Oct. 27.—Call loans, 5@6 per cent; time loans, 5@6 per cent. Official closing quotations of stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	21⅝	Westingh. Elec.	46
do pfd	65¼	Wis. Central	17
Amer. Sugar pfd	117	Dominion Coal	44
Bell Telephone	373	do pfd	117
Boston & Alb'y	270½	Atchison 4s	99
Boston Elevated	107½	Adventure	5¾
Boston & Maine	206	Allouez Min. Co.	4
C., B. & Q.	132¾	Atlantic	24
Ed. Elec. Ill.	203	*Boston & Mont.	321
Fitchburg pfd	139	Butte & Boston	66
Federal Steel	54	Calumet & Hec.	735
do pfd	78¾	Centennial	25½
Mexican Central	13¾	Franklin	15
Mich. Telephone	101	Humboldt	114
Old Colony	206	Osceola	83½
Old Dominion	27	Parrot	42
Rubber	46	Quincy	152
Union Pacific	46¾	Santa Fe Copper	9
Union Land	37⅝	Tamarack	210
West End	93½	Wolverines	39¼
do pfd	115	Utah	35

*Ex-dividend.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—The following are official closing quotations for mining shares:

Cholar	25	Ontario	800
Crown Point	10	Ophir	70
C. C. & Va.	155	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	75	Quicksilver	150
Gould & Curry	28	do pfd	700
Hale & Norcr'ss	27	Sierra Nevada	50
Homestake	650	Standard	270
Iron Silver	53	Union Con.	28
Mexican	20	Yellow Jacket	15

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	104 5-16	N. Y. Central	142¼
Cons., acct.	104 5-16	Pennsylvania	68⅛
Canadian Pacific	88⅝	Reading	11
Erie	13½	No. Pacific pfd.	77⅝
do 1st pfd	33½	Atchison	22⅝
Illinois Central	118½	Louisville	88
Union Pacific	70⅞	Grand Trunk	7⅝
St. Paul common	131	Anaconda	9⅝

BAR SILVER—Steady at 26⅝d.

MONEY—2@2½ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2¾@4 per cent and for three-months' bills 4⅛@4¼ per cent.

Bank Clearings.

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—Clearings, $20,875,331; balances, $1,949,938. Sterling exchange, $4.84½@4.88½. New York exchange, 50c discount.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Clearings, $190,137,549; balances, $8,090,261.

BOSTON, Oct. 27.—Clearings, $22,036,358; balances, $1,651,322.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 27.—Clearings, $2,938,945; balances, $437,294.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 27.—Clearings, $16,052,281; balances, $2,196,678.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 27.—Clearings, $5,161,432; balances, $468,356. Money, 4@8 per cent. New York exchange, $1.00 discount bid, 90c discount asked.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 27.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $202,540,919; gold reserve, $255,535,154.

Cotton Market.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 27.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 7c; no sales; receipts, 5,739 bales; shipments, 4,558 bales; stock, 78,195 bales.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—COTTON—Steady; sales, 5,100 bales; ordinary, 5¼c; good ordinary, 5¾c; low middling, 6 5-16c; middling, 6 13-16c; good middling, 7 1-16c; middling fair, 7⅜c; receipts, 12,454 bales; stock, 283,227 bales. Futures, steady; October, nominal; November, $6.69 bid; December, $6.73@6.75; January, $6.78@6.79; February, $6.81@6.83; March, $6.84@6.85; April, $6.86@6.87; May, $6.89@6.91; June, $6.91@6.92; July, $6.92@6.94.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 27.—COTTON—Spot, fair demand, prices hardening; American middling fair, 4⅜d; good middling, 4 5-32d; middling, 3 31-32d; low middling, 3 25-32d; good ordinary, 3 19-32d; ordinary, 3 13-32d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 8,900 American. Receipts, 23,000 bales, including 19,100 American. Futures opened quiet and closed quiet, but steady. American middling, L. M. C., October, 3 56-64d sellers; October and November, 3 55-64d value; November and December, 3 54-64@3 55-64d sellers; December and January, 3 53-64@3 54-64d sellers; January and February, 3 52-64@3 53-64d sellers; February and March, March and April, April and May, 3 51-64@3 52-64d sellers; May and June, June and July, July and August, 3 51-64d buyers; August and September, 3 49-64@3 50-64d sellers.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—COTTON—Price variations in today's cotton market did not exceed 6 points and at no time could trading be termed active. The speculative hesitation was due largely to peculiarly conflicting ideas on the crop subject and as for the outstanding interest, though as to the latter it was quite generally admitted on the local exchange that the investment public held a large amount of January, March and May delivery staple. The opening was easy, with prices unchanged to 4 points lower, following disappointing English cables and under foreign selling pressure. An occasional effort was made later to dislodge loosely held long stuff, but these endeavors were feeble and therefore unsuccessful. Near the close shorts became nervous, the weekly statistical showing having averaged up in very bullish form. A turn to cover sent prices slowly upward, with the market finally steady in tone and prices 2 points lower to 1 point net higher.

Wool Market.

BOSTON, Oct. 27.—WOOL—The Commercial Bulletin tomorrow will say: All previous records of weekly sales have been eclipsed by the enormous business of the last six days. The sales for 1899 have not approached those of 1897, but they are more than twice as large as last year. The American Woolen company has been much in evidence as a buyer this week, but the demand has been general. An advance of at least 1c a pound had been made along the line. The Australian markets have advanced 5 per cent this week, and one big block of Australian wool purchased last spring by an English speculator, held in bond and sold this week at 15½d, or 42c duty paid to an American mill, netted the speculator a profit of more than $100,000. Ohio XX advanced to 33c and to 35c, with sales at both figures. Fine medium territory staple advanced to 62c clean, a higher price than it brought under the McKinley tariff.

The sales for the week are 14,316,000 bales domestic and 3,218,000 bales foreign, a total of 17,534,000 for the week, against a total of 7,944,000 bales last week and a total of 5,980,000 bales the corresponding week last year. The receipts to date show an increase of 216,515 bales domestic, a decrease of 27,452 foreign, against last year. The sales to date show an increase of 133,419,100 bales domestic and 14,700,000 bales foreign.

LONDON, Oct. 27.—WOOL—A sale of sheepskins was held in Mincing Lane today. The skins offered numbered 129,948 and were in good condition. There was a fair attendance and a strong demand. The quantity sold was 120,726. Long-wooled were ½d and short-wooled ¼d higher. The bulk of the skins offered went to the home trade.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—The demand for staple cottons is of average proportions; brown sheetings and drills very firm; leading makes of four-yard sheetings occasionally advanced ⅛c; print cloths inactive in regulars at 2⅞c; fair demand for narrow and wide odds at full prices; bleached cottons strong, further advances in some leading ticks impending. No further changes today; wide sheetings strong; coarse-colored cottons still tending upward; prints in good demand; linens scarce and strong; burlaps ⅛c higher and still advancing.

Review of Leather Trade.

CHICAGO, Oct. 27.—The Shoe and Leather Review tomorrow will say: The packers have secured an advance of ⅛c on Colorado steers and branded cows and native cow hides. Native steer hides brought ⅛c advance over the previous sales of October hides. This is a remarkable condition in view of the deterioration of quality that comes at this season. We quote native steers, 13½c; Texas, 13c; Colorado steers and branded cows, 11½c; native cows, heavy or light, 12c.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—SUGAR—Raw, firm and held higher; fair refining, 3 13-16c bid; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 5-16c bid; molasses sugar, 3 9-16c bid; refined firm.

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