COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Hold: Firm on Uspal Unfeverable Weather Items

CORN FAIRLY ACTIVE, BUT CLOSES WEAK

Onto Dull and Easy-Provisions Surpassingly Dull Greater Part of Session and Show Slight Decrease in Prices.

CHICAGO, May 21.-Wheat held firm today on the usual batch of unfavorable weather items. July closing unchanged, Corn closed 14974c and cats 14974c under yesterday. Provisions at the close were practically unchanged from yesterday. The rather bearish tone of the "Price Current" weekly crop summary, being taken in the wheat pit in lieu of other news, had a slightly bearish effect at the opening. July beginning the sension 1497140 under yesterday at 67c. Liverpool and Paris were both celebrating and the absence of quotations from these centers of the grain trade had a quicting effect on the trade here. Soon after the opening old items made their usual appearance and were absorbed to such an extent that the market railled. It was impressed upon the speculators that the northwest needed rain—needed it badly. One expert said the country in places was dry as a bone. Illinois, Kansas, Onto and other states continued to compain of fly and one Kansas man sent in a sample of badly yellowed wheat to show what the rains had done in his state. Under these considerations July advanced to 61-500 page 19-70 profit-taking and the failure of a prominent New York cotton firm sent July back to 67c, but the close was firm, July unchanged at 67-50-600 per was firm. July unchanged at 67-50-600 per with 522-600 but less year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 432 cars, against 255 last week and 350 a year ago. Local receipts were 57 cars, none of which graded contract. Clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 527-600 bu. New York reported 11 loads taken for export. were absorbed to such an extent that the

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Forn was fairly active and in sympathy with wheat, firm, antil the Price-McCormick failure in New York unexpectedly threw considerable quantities upon the market. Then it broke and the close was weak. There was also considerable selling for the local account and the demand generally was slack, so it is possible that the market might have broken anyway, but the failure of the New York firm at least urged the selling along. There was a fair shipping demand, but the export inquiry was curtailed by the holidays abroad. The weather was reported favorable. Country offerings, save in Illinois, where there was some increase, were small. Receipts were 156 cars. July sold between 375/358c, having attained that price early in sympathy with wheat, and 374c, closing 4378c down at 378c. at 37%c. Oats were dull and easy. Western of-ferings were freer and the corn easiness was an influence. July sold between 22c and 21%c, closing 460%c under yesterday

and 21%c, closing 1497%c under yesterday at 21%0/21%c.
Provisions were surpassingly dull the greater portion of the session and to this condition of affairs was due a slight recession in prices. July pork ranged from \$11.50 to \$11.42% and closed 21%5%c under yesterday at \$11.42% and closed 21%5%c under yesterday at \$11.42% and closed 21%5%c under yesterday at \$11.42% and closed 21%5% under yesterday at \$15.5%, closing unchanged at \$6.5%, and July ribs from \$6.57%66.60 to \$6.5% with the close unchanged at \$6.5%.
Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 30 cars; corn. 275 cars; oats, 250 cars; hogs. 26.000 head.
The leading futures ranged as follows: The leading futures ranged as follows: Articles. | Open | High | Low. | Close. | Yest'y

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May	374-921/2	37%	3656	367a	37%014
July Sept.	381, 61	377±6138	3714 374	37%	375,015
•Oats— May	22	99	2174	2174	22
July Sept.	20%	20%	20%	215,613,	2074
Pork- July Lard-	11 47%	11 50	11 42%	11 45	11 47%
July Sept.	6 971 ₂ 6 96	6 9715	6 95	6 95 6 90%	6 95
Ribs-	6 5716	6 60	6.55	6 5714	6 5734
Sept.	6 571/2	6 5712	6 55	6 56	6 55

*No. 2 Cash quotations were as follows: FLOUR—Steady and dull; winter patents, 1806/3.70; straights, \$2.906/3.40; clears, \$2.707 1.20; spring specials, \$3.8092.30; patents, \$3.00 #3.40; straights, \$2.6092.50; bakers', \$2.009 WHEAT-No. 3, 629766c; No. 2 red, 729 725c. CORN-No. 2, 375c; No. 2 yellow, 375@ 373.c. No. 2. E¹2@23¹2c: No. 2 white, 251.4#26¹1.c. No. 3 white, 211.2#25¹2c.

OATS-No. 2. 22-2623-2c. No. 2 white, 254-264c. No. 3 white, 214-2625-2c.

RYE-No. 2, 564c.

BARLEY-Good feeding, 364-2c; fair to choice malting, 3864-2c.

SEEDS-No. 1 flax, \$1.80; No. 1 northwestern, \$1.80; prime timothy, \$2.45; clover, contract grade, \$7.50.

PROVISIONS-Mess pork, per bbl., \$10.35 will be contract grade, \$7.50.

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\$1.45 Lard, per 100 lbs., \$6.80.26.55. Short ribs sides (loose), \$6.50.26.55. Short clear sides (boxed), \$7.00.27.10. sides (boxed), \$7.00@7.10. WHISKY-Distillers' finished goods, on National Distillers finished goods, on basis of high wines, \$1.25.
SUGAR-Cut loaf, \$5.98; granulated, \$5.42; confectioners A. \$5.38; off A. \$5.25.
Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Receipts. Shipments Articles. Flour bus Wheat, bu 10,000 20,000 118,000 212,000 2,000 14,000 14,000 On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 15719 e; dairies 132/2017c. Cheese, slow at 85779 e. Eggs, strong; fresh, 111-c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET. Quotations for the Day on Various

Commodities. NEW YORK, May 21 -FLOUR-Exports 19,540 bbls.; sales, 8,860 pkgs.; receipts, 16,481 bbls.; more active on spring patents and generally firm all day without change Minnesota patents, \$1.6093.85; Minnesota bakers, \$2.6562.95; winter patents, \$2.6093.85 winter straights, \$3.45000.35; winter extra, \$2.50@2,85; winter low grades, \$2.25@2.40. Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, \$2.2002.15; choice to fancy, \$3.2502.50.
CORNMEAL.—Easy; yellow western, \$2c; elty, \$1c. Brandywine, \$2.2502.45.
BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, \$32502.6c, c. i. f. New York, malting, \$60050.c. c. i. f. New York.

f. New York, malting, 500/53c, c. 1. f. New York.

BARLEY MALT-Dull; western, 550/55c, RYE-Firm: No. 2 western, 50c f. o. b., afloat; state, 580/53c c. 1. f. New York.

WHEAT-Receipts, 355/55c bu; exports, 211,556 bu Spot, firm: No. 2 red, 75tg, elevator, and 80/2c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 57/3c, f. o. b., afloat. No. 1 hard, Duluth, 77/3c, f. o. b., afloat. Options were generally firm all day with a little buying for southwest and foreign accounts as the principal trading feature. Firmness was inspired by bullish crop news from spring wheat states, the southwest frimness was inspired by bullish crop news from spring wheat states, the southwest and central winter wheat sections. Closed steady and unchanged. May closed at 71%c; July. 72%n772 la-lie; closed at 72%c; September, 73%g732/sc, closed at 73%c.

CORN—Receipts 41,225 bu. exports, 34,721 bu. Spot, casy. No. 2, 422c, f. o. b. and 42c. elevator. Option market opened steady and advanced with wheat, only to meet liberal offerings on long accounts which weakened the afternoon market. Clearances were smaller, crop news favorable and carrior resembler, crop news favorable and carrior resembler.

LEATHER - Steady; hemlock sole. Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweight, 2:3 Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweight, 252 254c; acid, 266726/gc.
PROVISIONS—Reef, steady, family, \$12.00 212.50; mess, \$10.00010.50; beef hams, \$20.50 212.00; packet, \$11.00012.00; city, extra india mess, \$17.00019.00; City extra india mess, \$12.00019.00; City extra india mess, \$12.00019.00; City extra india mess, \$12.00019.00; City extra india mess, \$12.000117.50; South America, \$10.00019.00; city extra india mess, \$12.000117.50; city extra india mess

EGGS-Receipts moderate; seconds, 100 10 km; good stock, flc. LIVE POULTRY—Henn, 71405c; roosters. according to age and size, 197c; brollers, 17
The ducks force geese, 5554gc; turkeys, 8c;
Fixel DrissED PoullTRY-Hens, 9c;
resters, 197c; ducks and geese, 1931ic;
brollers, 11g to 2 ibs., per doz. \$1; turkeys,

BUTTER-Common to fair, 127He; choice, 50 No; separator, 29c; gathered creamery, FISH—Trout, Se; blue fish, 10c; pickerel, Se; carfish, 12c; dressed buffalo, Se; roe shad, carh, 45c; whitefish, 11c; herring, Se; black bars, He; salmon, He; white bars, 9c; cropple, 10c; pike, 10c.
PIGEONS—Live, per doz., \$1.
VEALS—Choice, 28710c.

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VEALS-Choice, 59710:. Upland, choice, 11AY-Per carload lots: Upland, choice, 5.50; lowland, choice, 5.50; lowland, choice, 5.50; rye straw, choice, \$6; No. 3 corn, 344;c; So. 3 white cats, 244;c; cracked corn, per on, \$14; corn and cats, chopped, per ton, 11.50; bran, per ton, \$12; shorts, per ton, 12.50. VEGETABLES.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., \$1.0071.25. ASPARAGUS—Home grown, per doz., 25 NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 40c. SPINACH—Per box, 40360c. NEW REETS—Per doz. bunches, 35340c. LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 3935c. RADISHES—Home grown, per doz., 153

PEAS-Per L-bu, basket 50c. WAX BEANS-Per L-bu, box. 11. SEED SWEET POTATOES - Per bbl., 2.0962.25: Kausas, eating, \$3.
POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 25640c.
NEW POTATOES—Per lb., 2963c.
CABBAGE—California, per lb. 2563c.
CAULIFLOWER—Per doz. \$1.2561.50.
TOMATOES—Florida, per six-basket rate, \$4.60.

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MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.
RHUBARB—Per lb., 1½%2c.
ONIONS—New Bermuda, per 50-lb. crate, \$2.40; new southern per 70-lb. sack, \$2.25.
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30. GOOSERERRIES-Per 24-qt. case, \$2. CHERRIES - California, per 19-1b. box, CRANBERRIES-None on the market. APPLES-About out of market. TROPICAL FRUITS.

PINEAPPLES—Fer doz., \$2,00@2.50.
ORANGES—California, navels, per box.
\$1,7504.00; Mediterranean sweets, per box.
\$3,2503.50; budded seedlings, \$2,7503.00.
LEMONS—California, fancy, \$3,75; choice. BANANAS-Per bunch, according to size,

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Hickory, large, per bu. \$1.25; shellbarks. \$1.25; English walnuts, per lb. 122/33c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, per lb., 149/15c; peanuts, raw, per lb., 54/26c.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, \$3.5093.75.

St. Louis*Grain and Provisions. ST. LOUIS. May 24.—WHEAT-Lower: No. 2 cash, elevator, 70½c; track, 71@72c; May, 72½c; July, 67¾@67%c; August, 67½c; September, 68½c; No. 2 hard, 64@65c. CORN-Lower; No. 2 cash, 37½c; track, 35½c; May, 35%c; July, 36½c; September,

FLAX—Dell at \$1.77
CORNMEAL—Steady, \$1.95@2.00.

BRAN—Quiet; sacked, cast track, \$9c.
HAY—Steady; prairic, \$8.00@8.75; timothy, \$10.00@12.50.

WHISKY—Steady, \$1.25.
IRON COTTON TIES—Bagging and hemp twine, unchanged.
PROVISIONS—Pork: Steady; jobbing, \$12.00. Lard: Quiet; prime steam, \$6.80.
Choice, \$6.85. Dry salt boxed meats, firm; extra shorts, \$6.87½; clear ribs, \$7.00; clear sides, \$7.12½. Bacon; Boxed firm; extra shorts, \$7.37½; clear ribs, \$7.50; clear sides, \$1.62½. Bacon; Boxed firm; extra shorts, \$7.37½; clear ribs, \$7.50; clear sides, \$1.62½. Bacon; Boxed firm; extra shorts, \$7.37½; clear ribs, \$7.50; clear sides, \$1.62½. Bacon; Boxed firm; extra shorts, \$6.87½; clear ribs, \$7.50; clear sides, \$1.62½. Bacon; Boxed firm; extra shorts, \$6.87½; clear ribs, \$7.50; clear sides, \$1.62½. Bacon; Boxed firm; extra sides, \$1.62½. Baco

EGGS-Steady at 10c. BUTTER-Steady: creamery, 17@20c; Tairy, 146/17c.

RECEIPTS—Flour. 4,000; wheat, 18,000; st. 1. & S. F., corn. 18,000; oats, 34,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour. 8,000; wheat, 10,000; do 2d pfd. str. 6,000; oats, 24,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions. KANSAS CITY, May 24.—WHEAT—July, illsc; September, 624,66234c; cash, No. 2 st. and 614,4624c; No. 3, 59,661c; No. 2 red, 67c; No. 3, 63,6634c. No. 3, 63,6374c; No. 2 white, rash, No. 2 mixed, 363,6374c; No. 2 white, rash, No. 2 mixed, 363,6374c; No. 2 white, rash, No. 2 white, 25c. RYE—No. 2, 52c. HAY—Choice timothy, \$10,50,611.60; choice prairie, \$7,00,6750.

BUTTER—Creamery, 15,617c; fancy dairy, 4c.

te. EGGS—Half cent lower on liberal re-eipts: fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, the dozen, loss off, cases rearried; southern ggs, 75,685-c. new white wood cases in-RECEIPTS-Wheat, 39,000; corn, 25,300; SHIPMENTS-Wheat, 65,400; corn, 13,600;

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour. MINNEAPOLIS, May 24. — WHEAT — In tore: No. 1 northern, 64%; July, 65% 65%; c. leptember, 63% 66%; c. On track: No. 1 hard, 67%; c. No. 1 northern, 65%; c. No. 2 ard. 87%c; No. 1 northern, 56%c; No. 2 orthern 64%c.
FLOUR-5c higher; first patents. \$3.55; second patents. \$3.5; first clears. \$2.56; second clears. \$2.56.
BRAN-in bulk. \$11.00@11.75.

Toledo Market.

Tol.EDO. May 24.—WHEAT—Dull and unchanged: No. 2 cash and May. 75c.
CORN—Dull and higher: No. 2 cash, 394c.
OATS—Dull and higher: No. 2 cash, 244c.
CATS—Dull and unchanged: No. 2 cash, 55c.
CLOVERSEED—Active and higher; prime ash, old, \$1.0; prime, new, \$5; October, \$2.2. Toledo Market.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, May 24—WHEAT—No. 1 hard.

ash, 624,c. May, 634,c. July, 634,c. Septem.

er, 634,c. No. 1 northern, cash, 674,c. May,

7-3c. July, 674,c. No. 3 spring, 624,c.

CORN—324,c. M.

Milwankee tirain Market. MILWAUKEE May 21 - WHEAT-Firm; o. I northern, 6P-9653b; RYE-Steady; No. 1, belog, BAPLEY-Steady; No. 2, 42%kic; sample.

PEORIA, May 24.-CORN-Inactive; No. OATS—inactive: No. 3 white, 235-6234c, WHISKY-Lower, on the basis of \$1.22 for finished goods.

Liverpool Markets Closed. LIVERPOOL. May 24.—The cotton, grain and provision exchanges are closed today on account of the queen's birthday.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS. Market Excited by Pailure of Price.

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state and Pennsylvania, 14911;c. western, loss off, 151911s; southern at mark, 1528 12c.

PREIGITHS—Quiet; cotton by steam. 2c; grain by steam, 15c.

WINTALS—Trading was rather quiet and universaring in he market for metals. The continues to decline influenced by less far verorable values from multipated and the large receipts. The close was very weak at \$20.09042.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and rather oncy for futures, closing at \$150.09022.00. Lake copper was steady for spot and the vice on the future of the last two developments of the future of the last two developments and the vice of the last two developments and the vice of the las

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their deposit rates 1/2 to 2 per cent call, 214

Following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange today: TROPICAL FRUITS.
PINEAPPLIES—Per doz., \$2.00\frac{3}{2}.50.

ORANGES—California, navels, per box. \$1.5\tilde{3}.400.

LEMONS—California, fancy, \$3.5\tilde{6}.60.

Ches. & Ohio. \$3.5\tilde{6}.60.

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Chicago, Ind. & 1.2 C. & St. L. do do So. 6 Amer. Colorado So 42 do pfd.... 1619 Amer. S & R. 11234 do pfd.... 177 Amer. Spirits 15% do pfd.... 67% Amer. B. Hoop do pfd......
Erie do ist pfd...
Gt. Nor. pfd...
Hocking Coal
Hocking Valley
Illinois Central
Iowa Central do pfd...... 1115 do prd.... 153 do pfd 15 Amer Tin Plate. 3714 à do pfd 1124 Amer Tobacco pfd...

OATS—Weak: No. 2 cash. 23½c; track, 24724¼c; May. 23½c; July. 21½c; September. 21½c; No. 2 white 25½c. RYE—Firm at 55½c. RYE—Firm at 55½c. RYE—Firm at 55½c; extra steady and strong. \$1.1563.25; clear ribs. \$2.7063.00. SEED—Timothy. \$2.0062.20. FLAX—Dull at \$1.77. CORNMEAL—Steady. \$1.9562.20. BRAN—Quiet: sacked, cast track, \$9c. HAY—Steady; prairic, \$3.0068.75; timothy, \$10.00612.50. May 1256. See 1.006.

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28 do pfd.
56 Pullman P. Car.
57% Standard R. & 7
5% Sugar
57% do pfd.
33% Tenn Coal & I.
11 U. S. Leather
15 do pfd.
115% U. S. Rubber
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*Offered. New York Money Market NEW YORK. May 24.—MONEY—On call. easy at 14.62 per cent; last loan at 2 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 31-611-2 per STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers bills at \$4.87% for demand and at \$4.84% [4.84% for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.85 and \$4.83% [4.89]; commercial bills, \$4.84% \$44% SILVER—Certificates, 60% fol; bar, 60c; Mexican dollars, 47% BONDS—Governments, strong; state, inactive; railroad, irregular.

The closing prices on bonds today are as follows.

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*U. S. 2s. ref. 1004 N. Y. C. 1s. 11054
do 2s. reg. 9974 N. J. C. gen. 5s. 12175
do 1s. reg. 1054 No. Carolina 6s. 130
do coupon 10015 do 4s. 1500
do new 4s. reg. 1314 No. Pacific 2s. 675
do coupon 13475 do 4s. 19454
do old 4s. reg. 11554 N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s. 106
de coupon 11555 Norfolk & W. 4s. 9575
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PHILADELPHIA, May 21.—BUTTER—
Firm, good demand; fancy western creamcry, 2040; fancy western prints, 21c.
EGGS—Firm; nearby and western, 14c; nearby and southern, 121-gillo, nearby and south

Golden Sa. 114 Was Shore 48
La Central 18 ... 114 Was Central 19
K. C. P. & G. 18-71 Va. Central 19
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M. K. & T. 28 ... 602 So. Pacific 48
do 48 ... 83 ·When issued. London Stock Quotations. LONDON, May 24.-4 p. m.-Closing: Cons. money. 1015-16 Erie 125, do account 1015a do 1st pfd 17 1 Atchison 264, Pennsylvania 864; Canadian Pacific 378 Reading 88, St. Paul 1816 No. Pa life pfd 1814; Illinois Central 1155 Grand Trunk 75; Louisville 52 Anaconda 88, Union Pac pfd 758 Rand Mines 285; N. Y. Central 1248; BAR SILVER—Firm at 27 9-16d per ounce. MONEY—2 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills 18 per cent. Cons., money.... 10) 5-16 Erie ...

New York Mining Quotations. McCormick & Co.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Interest was still today:

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NEW YORK, May 24—The rotton market was one great sensation today. No official record of the transactions was kept, but conservative estimates placed the aggregate of the day's dealings at considerably above the million-bale mark. From the start to the finish of this most extraoridhary session there was one enormous outpour of long cotton, supplemented by the most aggressive conduct on the part of the bears, who added largely to their short interest. While the primary cause to fine decline might be traced to the brilliant character of the crop advices from the cotton belt, the immediate reason for today's callapse was the tremendous selling for the account of a banking firm, or its day's callapse was the tremendous selling for the account of a banking firm.

Total receipts. originally very successful on the long side of the account and for months quoted as the leading factor in the ups and downs of the market. This concern, Price, Mc-Cormick & Co., failed today. The announcement of their inability to respond to calls for margins reached the exchange at 12.37 p. m. and immediately the market became a vortex of excitement. This firm had for months dictated the price of cotton the world over, with attention dihad for months dictated the price of cotton the world over, with attention directed chiefly to the summer positions and more especially to May and August contracts. Today May contracts broke 78 points, selling down to \$8.48. This was a decline of 129 points from the high water mark. August broke to \$8.25, a decline of 125 points from the best prices current when the firm that failed today appeared to be in absolute control of the market. The decline on other positions was generally 19 to 43 points. There were rumors pointing to other suspensions. The close was at the lowest. Futures closed irregularly; May, 38.48; June, 58.45; July, 58.43; August, 58.29; September, 57.50; October, 57.51; November, 57.50; December, 57.55; January, 57.51; February, 57.53; March, 57.55. Spot closed nominal, 4c decline; middling uplands, 9.5-16c; middling uplands, 9.

really 10 to 43 points. There were rumors pointing to other suspensions. The closed was at the lowest. Futures closed irregularly: May. 33.48; June. 38.45; July. 38.43; June. 38.45; July. 38.44; June. 38.45; July. 38.45; June. 38.45; July. 38.45; June. 38.45; July. 38.45; June. 38.45; July. 38.45; July. 38.45; June. 38.45; July. 38.45; June. 38.45; July. 38.45; July.

Wool Market.

LONDON, May 24.—The offerings at the wool auction sales today numbered 5.859 bales. The attendance was light, but prices were fairly steady, under good competition. Good greasy crossbreeds were in request for the home trade and the continent. American representatives paid full rates for good wool. Following are the sales in detail: New South Wales, 800 bales; scoured, 9½dg is id; greasy, 8½dgis. Queensland, 1,600 bales; scoured, 11dgis 3d; greasy, 8½dgis. Queensland, 1,600 bales; scoured, 11dgis 3d; greasy, 8½dgis. Queensland, 1,600 bales; scoured, 12dgis 3d; greasy, 8½dgis. Queensland, 1,600 bales; scoured, 12dgis 3d; greasy, 8½dgis 4d; greasy, 12dgis 3d; greasy, 8½dgis 3d;

Coffee Market. NEW YORK, May 34 - COFFEE - Futures opened dull at unchanged prices to 5 points decline, ruled inactive and nominal, with exdecline, ruled inactive and nominal, with exceptionally small transactions, owing to the absence of cables from Havre and Hamburg and none to come tomorrow from Rio and Santos. Weak undertone on a slight pressure in the entire absence of public support, with spot buyers indifferent. Closed quiet at unchanged prices to a decline of 5 points. Total sales, 5,500 bags, including June and July, 36,7c; August, 38,75; September and October, \$6,85; December, \$7,15; March, \$7,20. Spot. Ele, quiet, No. 7 invoice, 75c; mild quiet; Cordova, 26,4013bsc. The, mild, quiet; Cordova, 35 @131cc

California Dried Fruits. NEW YORK. May 24—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Ruled dull and feature-less. The market for evaporated apples was weak, owing to a lack of buying orders, owing to large receipts. But there was very little doing. Prices were not quotably lower: State. 41-25c; prime. 51-26c; choice, 63-27c; fancy. 51-267c. California Dried Prunes—51-267c per pound, as to size and quality. Apricotz—Royal, 125-27c life; Moor park, 15-218c. Peaches—Pecled, 15-220c; unpeeled, 72/9c.

NEW YORK, May 24.—DRY GOODS— There has been a slight improvement in the volume of business doing in some quarters in cotton goods, but general buy-ing continues light on home trade account. Exports have been moderate at previous prices. Print cloths continue idle in regu-lars and unchanged in odd goods. Prints steady for staple lines. No change in ginghams. Cotton linings in quiet request and irregular. Dry Goods Market.

OH Market. OIL CITY, May 24.—Credit balances, \$1.33; certificates, no bid. Shipments, 51.219; average, 85.317; runs, 103.422; average, 91.833 bbls.

NEW YORK, May 24.—Standard Oil, \$5.4525.48.

LONDON, May 24.—OILS—Calcutta linseed, spot, 568 9d. Linseed oil, 348 6d. Petroleum, American refined, 654. Turpentine spirits, 448 3d.

Sugar Market. NEW ORLEANS, May 11.—SUGAR—11. Steady; open kettle, 23,24 3-15c. Open ket-tle, centrifugal, 44,2442c; centrifugal, yel-low, 45,24 13-16c; seconds, 25,2445c.

The Pueumonia Shirt. With his padded allk upper garment the Chinese minister goes about his social duties and pleasures regardless of weather, reports the Globe-Democrat. The costume is odd in a gathering of "immaculate shirt fronts." but it has its advantages. Minister Wu is not at all envious. He has no hankering for the American full dress. At a gathering not long ago something was said in the minister's presence about a public man who had taken a heavy cold in going home from an evening entertainment, and who was laid up, with the prospect of serious complications.

"Ah" commented Minister Wa, sagely complications.

"Ah" commented Minister Wu, sagely shaking his head, "It is not surprising. That pneumonia shirt did it."

And now in Washington society the costume de rigueur passes by the minister's description, "the pneumonia shirt."

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Fair Run of Steck of All Kinds fer a Thursday.

MOST EVERYTHING SOLD IN GOOD SEASON

Hogs Show Some Little Improvement in Matter of Values as Compared with Yesterday-Fat Cattle in Very Good Demand.

SOUTH OMAHA, May 24. Receipts were: Official Monday Official Tuesday Official Wednesday... Official Thursday Cattle Hogs Sheep 2,421 4781 2,527 3,428 10,412 4,772 4,301 11,195 2,080 3,898 13,187 2,447 Four days this week, 14,018 42,575 11,528 Same days last week, 14,114 72,771 17,188 Same days week before 14,941 21,185 18,198 Same three weeks ago, 10,993 28,391 10,519 Same four weeks ago, 12,172 25,451 19,531 Average price paid for hogs for the last several days with comparisons: [1900. [1899.] 1894. [1897. [1896.] 1896. [1894.

ber of head indicated:

Buyers. Cattle. Hogs Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co. 344 1.645
G. H. Hammond Co. 370 1.157 322
Swift and Company 571 1.209 15
Cudahy Packing Co. 131 5.416 614
Armour & Co. 523 5.825 625
Omaha P. Co., from K. C. 240
Cudahy P. Co., from K. C. 240
Cudahy P. Co., from K. C. 523
Vansant & Co. 68
Hill & Huntzinger. 29
Livingstone & Schaller 2
Hamilton & Rothschild 22
H. L. Dennis & Co. 37
Other buyers. 176

..... 2,923 13,146 2,569 12

STEERS AND HEIFERS

COWS

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HEIFERS.

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SHEEP—As was the case yesterday there was very little here that could be considered from a packer's point of view. The demand continues very fair for desirable mutton grades of both sheep and lambs and the market today could be quoted as steady to strong on anything that would answer to that description. At the present time thin and half-fat stuff does not move off very freely.

Quotations: Clipped wethers \$5.15@6.35; clipped yearlings \$5.40@6.60; clipped ewes, good to choice \$4.50@5.00; fair to good clipped ewes. \$4.25@4.50; good to choice Colorado wooled lambs, \$6.75@7.00; good to choice clipped lambs, \$6.75@7.00; fair to good clipped g 1114 4 90 1180 4 60

218 120

1 buck
1 western wether
217 western wethers
25 cull lambs
30 native mixed
539 western lambs
539 Colorado lambs, wooled CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Steers Strong-Hogs Active-Sheep and Steers Strong-Hogs Active-Sheep and

Lambs Lower.

CHICAGO, May 24.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,000. Steers strong; butchers' stock steady to strong. Natives, best on sale today, one carload, 5,70. Good to prime steers, 5,100, 5,89. Peor to medium, 44,556,495. Selected feeders, steady to slow, 14,490,50. Mixed stockers weak, 3,75674,55; cows, 51,2504,65; helfers, 3,5075,55; canners, \$2,6093,25; buils, 32,0094,40. Culves atronger, 55,0075,00. Texans, receipts, 260, including 400 grassers. Best on sale today, one carload helfers, 5,500, Texas-fed steers, 34,0005,25; Texas buils, 51,2563,75.

HOGS—Receipts today, 25,000; tomorrow, 22,000; left over, 3,000, Active, averaging fully 50 higher; top, 5,35; closing strong, Mixed and butchers, 5,0505,30; mood to choice heavy, 5,2565,30; builk of sales, 45,200, 57%, 51,164, 5,55675,30; builk of sales, 45,200, 57%, 51,164, 5,55675,30; builk of sales, 45,200.

SHEEP AND LAMBS Receists, 12,000.
Market steady to 10c lower, lambs, 109/20c lower, some grassers arrived. Good to choice wethers, \$1,559.5.25, fair to choice mixed, \$4,359.5.00; western sheep, \$1,559.5.55 ve_prlings, \$2,595.50 Native lambs, \$4,599.7.50; western lambs, \$5,000.6.00.

New York Live Stock NEW YORK, May 24 — REEVES — Receipts, 1,000 head; comminally no trading; cables weak; refrigerator beef, lower at 1009 1014c per lb: exports, today, 28 head cattle; tomorrow, 261 head cattle and 29 head sheep, CALVES — Receipts, 184 head; firmer; about all sold; poor to prime yeals, \$1,000 6.25; choice, \$6.40.

SHEEP AND LAMBS — Receipts, 2.157 head; 15 cars on sale; dull for all grades; Direct wires to Chicago and New York

off; 9 cars of stock unsold; culls, \$2.50; year-lings, \$4.75 m.so.; culls, \$4; southern lambs, \$7.50 m.so.; culls, \$6; southern lambs, \$1.50 m.so.; culls, \$6; 10 m.s. — Receipts, 2.54 head; nominally steady steady.

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COWS AND HEIFERS.

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STEERS AND STAGS.

STOCK CALVES.

STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS.

Isansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, May 21.—CATTLE—Receipts, 6.500 natives, 200 Texans. Desirable grades arctive, firm, native steers, heavy, \$1.5095.50; stockers and feeders \$1.0095.50; butchers cows and heiters, \$5.5095.50; canhers, \$2.0095.50; fed westerns, \$1.3595.00; Texans, \$1.009.175.

TiOGS—Receipts, 12.000. Market netive, 55:10c higher, Heavy, \$1.0095.20; mixed, \$3.0095.15; fed westerns, \$2.509.80; SHEEP AND LAMES—Receipts, 2.500. Mostly Texans. Fair to choice grades, steady; plain and hulf fed grassers slow to 10c lower; spring lambs, \$7.0097.50; chipped lambs, \$3.909.60; good Texas grass muttons, \$1.4094.75; common, \$1.1094.40; feeders, \$3.0094.50; culls, \$2.7593.50.

St. Louis Live Stock.

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ST. LOUIS, May 21.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,100, including 2,000 Texans. Market strong for natives a shade lower for Texans. Native shipping and export steers, \$1,8593.61; dressed beef and butcher steers, \$1,903.60; steers, under 1,000 pounds, \$1,203.00; stockers and feeders, \$1,0004.50; cows and helf-crs, \$2,0004.55; canners, \$1,5002.55; bulls, \$3,2504.00; Texas and Indian steers, \$1,2504.40; Texas and Indian steers, \$1,250.45; cows and helfers, \$2,8504.60; HOGS-Receipts, 7,300, Market strong, closing 5c higher; pigs and lights, \$1,000.515; packers, \$5,1005.25; butchers, \$5,000.25; colls packers, \$5,000.25; colls and bucks, \$5,000.400; stockers, \$2,4002.50.

St. Joseph Live Stock.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Mo., May 24—(Special.)—The Journal quotes:
CATTLE—Receipts, 1,500, Market active and steady: natives, \$4,10 to \$5,45; Texas and westerns, \$4,600,530; cows and helfers, \$2,25 to \$4,85; bulls and stags, \$2,25 to \$5,60; yearlings and calves, \$4,25 to \$5,25; stocker, and feeders, \$5,75 to \$5,00; veals, \$6,00 to \$7,00.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,600, Market standy to \$7.00.
HOGS-Reccipts, 5,600. Market steady to 50 bigher; all grades, \$1.25 to \$3.20; bulk of sales, \$6.025; to \$5.10.
SHEEP AND LAMBS-Reccipts, 1,700.
Market active and steady; quality fair; Colorado lambs, \$7.15.

Stock in Sight. Chleago 9,000
Kansas City 6,700
St. Louis 4,100

MEMORABLE BATTLEFIELDS.

Historic Contests That Were Fought in Spottsylvania County, Virginia. In view of the near approach of the annual reunion of the confederate veterans at Louisville, says the New Orleans Pica-yune, the main provisions of a bill now before concress, to create in Virginia a national park, embracing the battlefields adjacent to Fredericksburg, will be interesting.

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The bill provides that for the purpose of preserving and suitably marking for historical and professional military study the famous battlefields in Spottsylvania county. Virginia, known as Fredericksburg, Salem church, Chancellorsville, the Wilderness and Spottsylvania Courthouse, all of them within a radius of eight miles, and on which limited territory the late distinguished union general, John C. Newton, after careful investigation, declared that more great battles were fought, more men engaged and more execution was done than on any similar area in the world.

The report made on the subject by the house committee on military affairs recommended the passage of the bill. It sets forth that it is proposed to set apart 6,000 acres in Spottsylvania county. Virginia, embracing the area on which were fought the area on which were fought the area thattles of Fredericksburg Chancellorsville, the Wilderness and Spottsylvania Courthouse, also Marye's Heights, Ha silton Crossing, Salem Church, Laurei Grove, the Bloody Angle, Tod's Pavern and Po and Ny rivers. The land may now be purchased at an average of \$5 per acre.

Troops from every state, north and south, were here arrayed in battle to the number of at least \$60,000, and more men were here engaged than in any battle in the world's history. The losses in killed, wounded and missing on both sides aggregated 125-5%, to wit: Fredericksburg, December 14, 1862, union loss 12,281; Wilderness, May 5 to 18, 1864, union loss 25,481, confederate loss 9,000. Of the aggregate of 120,828 the union loss was 22,581, while the confederates loss 13,257. In the national cemetery on Marye's Heights, the largest in the nation, there lie buried 15,500 union soldiers and frequent additions are made from the exhumations on the battlefields. A Sh Pr 250 280 5 0214 251 80 5 0214 261 80 5 0214 261 5 05 261 5 05 262 5 05 263 5 05 265 5 05 the confederates lost 37,257. In the national cemetery on Marye's Heights, the largest in the nation, there lie buried 15,500 union soldiers and frequent additions are made from the exhumations on the battlefields.

The general officers who here offered up their lives a sacrifice to their convictions were, on the union side, Major Generals John Sedgwick, Hiram G. Berry and Amiel W. Whipple, Brevet Major Generals James S. Wadsworth and Alexander Hays, Brigadier Generals George D. Bayard, Conrad F. Jackson, Edmund Kirby, James C. Rice and Thomas J. Stevenson, and, on the confederate side, Lieutenant General Thomas J. (Stonewall) Jackson, Brigadier Generals Thomas R. R. Cobb, Junius Danie, Abner Perrin, Maxey Gregg, E. F. Paxton, J. M. Jones, Lerov A. Stafford and Micah Jenkins. Over the entire field the entrenciments are in a remarkable state of preservation, protected in large part by a heavy growth of timber.

Captain John Smith, within the limits of what is now Fredericksburg, fought the Indians in 1698. Here Washington's boyhood days were spent and from Fredericksburg he went to join the army of Braddock. Near the city was opened the first from the product of which the cannon and cannon balls used in the revolutionary war were made.

Preserving the Peace.

The woman rushed up to the policeman enjoying his offum cum dignitate on the street corner, reports the Washington Star. "Say, she exclaimed impulsively, as woman sometimes do, "I want you to come

street corner, reports the Washington Star.

"Say," she exclaimed impulsively as woman sometimes do, "I want you to come around to our house quick."

"What's the matter?" inquired the policeman with provoking imperturbability. "It's my husband."

"What is he doing?"

"He's drunk again."

"Well, what is he doing? Smashing the furniture?"

furniture?"
"No, he ain't," she said.
"Has he swung an ax?"
"Of course not." "Nor pulled a gun?"

"No."
"Is he chewing the rag?"
"No, he isn't."
The woman was getting more nervous the policeman.
No; he's just sitting there in the "Is he doing any harm?"
"He dusn't."
"Then what do you want me to go there

for ""
"To arrest him."
"What for ""
"To preserve the peace."
"But you say he isn't disturbing it."
"He ain't." she snapped, with a thrust of her jaw forward, "but if he sets around that kitchen much longer in my way I'll be disturbing it, and when I get through with him. Mr. Policeman, you'll have to come after him with an ambulance. Lo you understand."

Poverty.

Detroit Journal: "Oh." sang the poet,
"how sweet is poverty!"

Now it chanced that the Parcae or Fates
had some leisure time on their hands. The
Porto Rican tariff was res adjudicata and
the Dewey boom was hardly yet in a condition to take up.
"Let us play a practical joke on this
poet" said the Fates.

Accordingly they bestowed upon him six

Detroit Journal: "Um a man-killer!" roared the Tiger, feroclously.
The Lady, who was from the Occident, regarded the beast through her lorgnette, "Well, don't get fresh!" she retorted, icily, "I have had eight husbands without recourse to divorce, myself.
This fable teaches that th methods of homocide are often the effective.



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