COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Dullness is the Feature on the Board of Trade.

WHEAT OPENS EASY AND CLOSES LOWER

Owing to Scarcity of Old Corn the Market is Firm but Dull—Trade in Provisions Quiet—Oats Close Higher.

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—The feature of the speculative markets on the Board of Trade was dullness. The tone, however, was steady. Wheat closed ½c lower, corn ⅛c higher, oats a shade up and provisions principally unchanged.

Wheat opened easy; the northwest rains had about ceased and the Illinois state report made the yield 22,000,000, compared with the government estimate of 15,000,000. This gave the selling a majority when trading began and September opened at 74⅝@74⅞c, ⅝c under the closing price yesterday. Liverpool meanwhile was showing firmness, opening ¼@¼d higher and advancing fractionally later. This was encouraging to the bulls and induced covering by scalping shorts. Corn was exhibiting strength which proved influential. Trading was mostly local and on scalping orders, but the market managed to ascend by slow degrees, September rallying to 75⅝c. On the bulge scalpers took profits and some reaction followed, the closing being easy, September ¼c under yesterday at 74⅝@75c. The cash business was not brisk, 200,000 bushels were worked. The seaboard reported 46 loads taken for shipment. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 325,000 bushels. Primary receipts aggregated 1,074,000 bushels, compared with 512,000 bushels last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 309 cars, against 210 last week and 298 a year ago. Local receipts were 596 cars, 53 of contract grade.

Corn was firm, but dull; the strength was almost entirely due to the scarcity of old corn and not to unfavorable prospects for the next crop, such news as came to the board concerning the coming crop being favorable. Contract corn for the week showed a decrease of 900,000 bushels, which leaves about 250,000 bushels, not including corn loaded or being loaded. To this and the excellent spring demand traders were inclined to pay considerable attention and the result was an advance, a good part of which was held. September sold between 37⅞c and 38¼c, closing ⅛c improved, at 37⅞c. Receipts were 219 cars. Country accounts showed some falling off.

Oats were dull, but steady, in sympathy with corn, and receipts continued large, but so did the shipments. Receipts today were 303 cars. September sold between 21⅝c and 21⅞c, closing a shade up, at 21⅝@21¾c.

Provisions had the assistance of the corn firmness, light hog receipts and advance at Liverpool of 6d for Cumberland cut bacon and a better demand for hogs, but at that the market did not improve materially. Trade was quiet, although the cash demand for lard was reported better. September pork sold between $11.52½ and $11.65 and closed a shade higher, at $11.60. September lard between $6.60 and $6.65, closing a shade up, at $6.62½@6.65, and September ribs between $6.95 and $7.00, with the close 2½c lower, at $6.97½.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 290 cars; corn, 150 cars; oats, 400 cars; hogs, 23,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
*Wheat—					
Aug.	74⅞	75	74⅝	74⅝	74⅞
Sept.	74⅝@75	75⅝	74⅝	74⅞@75	75⅛@¼
Oct.	75⅝	76¼	75⅝	75⅝@¾	76
*Corn—					
Aug.	38¼	38⅝	38¼	38⅝	37⅝@⅞
Sept.	37⅛@⅜	38¼	37⅝	37⅞	37⅝
Oct.	36⅝	37⅝	36⅝	37	36⅝@¾
*Oats—					
Aug.	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛
Sept.	21⅝	21⅞	21⅝	21⅝@¾	21⅝
Oct.	22⅛	22¼	22	22	22
Pork—					
Sept.	11 65	11 65	11 52½	11 60	11 60
Oct.	11 67½	11 67½	11 57½	11 65	11 65
Lard—					
Sept.	6 65	6 65	6 60	6 65	6 62½
Oct.	6 70	6 70	6 62½	6 70	6 67½
Jan.	6 50	6 52½	6 47½	6 52½	6 50
Ribs—					
Sept.	7 00	7 00	6 95	6 97½	7 02½
Oct.	6 97½	6 97½	6 92½	6 95	6 97½
Jan.	5 95	5 97½	5 95	5 95	5 97½

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Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.80@4.00; straights, $3.20@3.30; spring specials, $4.40@4.50; spring patents, $3.70@4.10; straights, $3.30@3.60; bakers, $2.90@2.75.

WHEAT—No. 3, 70@73½c; No. 2 red, 76¼@77½c.

CORN—No. 2, 38⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 38¾@39c.

OATS—No. 2, 22@22½c; No. 2 white, 22¾@24½c; No. 3 white, 23½@24½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 36c; fair to choice malting, 43@47c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.37; No. 1 northwestern, $1.37; prime timothy, $3.60; clover, contract grade, $8.50@8.60.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.55@11.60. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.60@6.62½. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.90@7.25. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.75@7.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.45@7.55.

WHISKY—Basis of high wines, per gal., $1.23½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.88; granulated, $6.32; confectioners' A, $6.28; off A, $6.13.

The following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	15,000	16,000
Wheat, bu.	209,000	65,000
Corn, bu.	140,000	227,000
Oats, bu.	780,000	352,000
Rye, bu.	9,000	.....
Barley, bu.	12,000	7,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 16@20c; dairies, 14½@18c. Cheese, firm, 9¾@11c. Eggs firm; fresh, 12c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK—FLOUR—Receipts, 33,115 bbls.; exports, 14,211 bbls.; barely steady and still very dull. The only demand was for spring patents; winter patents, $3.80@4.20; winter straights, $2.50@2.65; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.35; Minnesota bakers, $2.90@3.30; winter extras, $2.50@2.60; winter low grades, $2.40@2.70. Rye flour dull; fair to good, $3.00@3.20; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.35.

CORNMEAL—Quiet; yellow western, 38c; city, 38c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 western, 57 f. o. b. afloat; state, 53c c. i. f. New York car lots.

BARLEY—Firm; feeding, 42¼@43½c c. i. f. New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull.

WHEAT— Receipts 143,000; exports, 63,799; spot, easy; No. 2 red, 81¼c f. o. b. afloat and 78⅝c elevator; No. 1 northern Duluth, 83¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Duluth, 86c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened easy in consequence of disappointing cables and immediately rallied on covering influenced by the strength of corn. Southwest receipts, moreover, were not as large as yesterday, while northwest crop news showed more bullishness. Late in the day they eased off under realizing and closed easy at ⅛c net decline. September, 80⅛c; December, 81⅝@82 5-16c, closed 81 7-9c.

CORN—Receipts 429,100 bu.; exports, 149,722 bu.; spot firm; No. 2, 44⅝c f. o. b. afloat and 44c elevator. Options developed strength and activity in the early session, owing to reports of hot winds in Kansas, higher cables and covering. Later, through realizing, part of the improvement was lost, but the market closed steady at ⅝@⅞c net advance. May, 40¼@40⅜c, closed 40⅛c; September, 42@42⅝c, closed 42⅛c; December, 40@40½c, closed 40⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 270,200 bu.; exports, 34,884 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2, 25¼c; No. 3, 25c; No. 2 white, 28½c; No. 3 white, 27¾c; track mixed western, 25½@29c; track white, 27@33c; options dull, but fairly steady.

HAY—Dull; spring, 72½@73c; good to choice, 80@82½c.

HOPS—Steady, 1899 crop, state, 16@21c; old, 22@6c; Pacific coast, 1899 crop, 19@13c; old, 22@5c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 13½c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 22½@23½c; acid, 22½@23½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, dull; family, $10.50@12.00; hams, $20.00@21.00; packet, $10.00@11.00; city, extra India mess, $16.00@17.50. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $8.50@10.50; pickled shoulders, $6.50; pickled hams, $10.00@10.75. Lard, easy; western steamed, $6.95. August closed at $7.00@7.50 nominal; refined, dull; continent, $7.25; South America, $8.10; compound, $6.25@6.37½. Pork, quiet; family, $14.50@15.50; short clears, $13.00@15.00; mess, $12.75@13.50.

BUTTER—Firmer; creamery, 17@19½c; factory, current packed, 14@15c; imitation creamery, 15@18c; state dairy, 16@19½c.

CHEESE—Steady; large colored, 10⅛@10⅜c; small colored, 10¼@10⅜c; large white, 10⅛c; small white, 10⅛@10⅜c.

TALLOW—Dull; city ($2 per package), 4 7-16@4½c; country packages free, 4⅛@4⅜c.

METALS—Stagnation was the rule in all iron and metal markets; absolutely nothing doing. Pig iron warrants were quoted nominally at $11.50. Lead and spelter were dull and nominally unchanged, at $4.25 and $4.17½@4.22½ respectively. Tin in London declined £1 10s to £141 10s for spot and £136 10s for futures. The local market was again lower and closed easy, at $31.35@31.55. Copper was dull and unchanged here, but declined 7s 7d abroad; sellers at the decline. The brokers' price for lead was $4.00 and for copper $16.62½.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts liberal; good stock firm at 11½c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7@7½c; roosters, according to age and size, 3@4c; broilers 10c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 6@7c; turkeys, 8c.

FRESH DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 9c; roosters, 5@6c; ducks and geese, 9@10c; broilers, per lb., 12@12½c; turkeys, 12@14c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 13c; choice, 15@16c; separator, 20c; gathered creamery, 17@18c.

FISH—Trout, 10c; blue fish, 12c; pickerel, 8c; catfish, 12c; dressed buffalo, 6c; whitefish, 9c; herring, 6c; black bass, 10c; salmon, 13c; white bass, 10c; croppie, 10c; pike, 10c; halibut, 12c; bullheads, 10c; ring perch, 6c; lobsters, green, 22c; boiled lobsters, 25c; mackerel, 20c; codfish, 10c; yellow perch, 6c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 90c.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $7.50; midland, choice, $6.50; lowland, choice, $5.50; rye straw, choice, $6; No. 3 corn, 37c. No. 3 white oats, 24c; cracked corn, per ton, $15; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $15.50; bran, per ton, $12.50; shorts, per ton, $12.50.

VEGETABLES.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 20@25c.

ASPARAGUS—None on the market.

NEW TURNIPS—Per bu. basket, 75c.

NEW BEETS—Per dozen bunches, 15@20c.

NEW CARROTS—Per doz. bunches, 25c.

LETTUCE—Per doz., 15c.

RADISHES—Home-grown, per doz., 15c.

PEAS—Per ½-bu. basket, 50c.

WAX BEANS—Per half-bushel basket, 40c.

NEW POTATOES—Per bu., 30@40c.

CABBAGE—Home-grown, per lb., 1½@1¾c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per doz., $1.

GREEN CORN—Per doz., 10c.

TOMATOES—Home-grown, per ½-bu. basket, 50c.

RHUBARB—Per lb., 1c.

ONIONS—Home grown, per lb., 1½@1¾c.

CELERY—Michigan, 25@30c.

FRUITS.

BLACKBERRIES—Per 16-qt. case, $2.00.

BLUEBERRIES—None in market.

CURRANTS—Out of the market.

PEACHES—California, per box, 90c@1.00; Texas, per 4-basket crate, $1.

APRICOTS—None on the market.

PLUMS—California, per crate, $1.15@1.25.

PRUNES—California, Tragedy, per crate, $1.25; Kelsay, Japan, per crate, $1.25.

BARTLETT PEARS—California, per box, $1.75@2.00.

GRAPES—California, 4-basket crate, $1.50; Tokays, $2; Concords, home grown, 30c.

NECTARINES—California, 4-basket crate, $1.25.

GOOSEBERRIES—Out of the market.

CHERRIES—California, per 40-lb. box, $1.10@1.25; Missouri, per 24-qt. case, $2.25; 8-lb. baskets, 50@60c.

WATERMELONS—As to size, 20c to 25c each.

APPLES—Native, 75c@$1.00 per bu.; per bbl., $3.50@3.60.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., $1.50@1.75.

ORANGES—Mediterranean sweets, per box, $4; Valencias, $4.25@4.50.

LEMONS—California, fancy, $5.50; choice, $5.00.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.25@3.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Hickory, large, per bu., $1.25; shellbarks, $1.35; English walnuts, per lb., 12@13c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, per lb., 14@16c; raw, per lb., 5½@6c; roasted, 6½@7½c.

HIDES.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 6c; No. 2 green hides, 5c; No. 1 salted hides, 6¾c; No. 2 salted hides, 5¾c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 7c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 5c.

CHANGES IN AVAILABLE SUPPLIES.

Cable and Telegraphic Reports of Grain Afloat and Ashore.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Cable and special telegraphic communications to Bradstreet's show the following changes in the available supplies from the last account:

Wheat, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase 1,106,000 bu.; afloat for and in Europe, decrease 200,000 bu.; total supply, increase 906,000 bu.

Corn, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, decrease 1,160,000 bu.

Oats, United States and Canada, east of the Rockies, increase 410,000 bu.

Among the more important increases reported exclusively to Bradstreet's are those of 153,000 bu. at St. Joseph, 103,000 bu. at Chicago private elevators, 62,000 bu. at Louisville, 54,000 bu. at Joliet and 50,000 bu. each at Cincinnati and Chattanooga. The leading decreases include those of 125,000 bu. in Manitoba, 90,000 bu. at Depot Harbor, 60,000 bu. at Fulton, 55,000 bu. at Coteau and 50,000 bu. at Winnipeg. The combined stock of wheat at Portland, Ore.; Seattle and Tacoma, Wash., decreased 196,000 bu. last week.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Aug. 14.—FLOUR—Dull; heavy patents, $3.50@3.70; extra fancy and straights, $3.20@3.35; clear, $3.00@3.15.

SEEDS—Timothy in demand; prime, to arrive, $3.40.

CORNMEAL—Lower, $2.10@2.15.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, east track, 65c.

HAY—Easy; timothy, $10.50@11.50; prairie, $6.00@7.50.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.23.

JUTE COTTON TIES—$1.20.

BAGGING—$8.10@8.85.

TWINE—Item, 9c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salt meats (boxed), slow; extra shorts, $7.62½; clear ribs, $7.87½; clear sides, $8.12½. Bacon (boxed), steady; extra short, $8.25; clear ribs, $8.37½; clear sides, $8.62½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 234,000 bu.; corn, 29,000 bu.; oats, 38,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 11,000 bbls.; wheat, 94,000 bu.; corn, 33,000 bu.; oats, 32,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 14.—WHEAT—September, 64⅞c; December, 67⅝@67¾c; cash, No. 2 hard, 65½@67c; No. 3, 64½@65½c; No. 2 red, 79@71c; No. 3, 67@69c.

CORN—September, 34⅞c; December, 32¼@32¼c cash, No. 2 mixed and white, 36c; No. 3, 35½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 22c.

RYE—No. 2, 47@47½c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50; choice prairie, $6.25.

BUTTER—Creamery, 15@18c; dairy, fancy, 15c.

EGGS—Higher; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 12c dozen, loss off, cases returned; new whitewood cases included, ½c more.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 194,500 bu.; corn, 11,100 bu.; oats, 6,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 358,800 bu.; corn, 9,800 bu.; oats, none.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 14.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 2 red, western, winter, 6s 2½d; No. 1 northern, spring, 6s 3½d; No. 2 California, 6s 4@6s 4½d. Futures, firm; September, 6s 4¾d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, new, 3s 11¼d; old, 4s 1¼d. Futures, firm; September, 3s 11¾d; October, 3s 11⅝d; November, 3s 11¾d.

Receipts of wheat during the last three days, 42,000 centals, including 29,000 centals American. Receipts of American corn during the last three days, 197,600 centals.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, Cumberland cut, firm, at 35s.

CHEESE—American, finest colored, strong, at 51s 6d.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Aug. 14.—WHEAT—Dull, unchanged to lower; spot, 77¾c; August, 77¾c; September, 78¼c; October, 78⅝c; December, 80¼c.

CORN—Dull, higher; No. 2 cash, 42c; September, 38¼c.

OATS—Dull, lower; No. 2 cash, 22c; September, 22½c.

RYE—Dull, unchanged; No. 2 cash, 51c.

SEED—Clover, active, higher; '98 prime, $5.10; '99 prime, $5.65; October, $5.90; No. 2, $4.80.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 14.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy western creamery, 21½c; prime, 20c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh nearby, 15c; fresh western, 15c; fresh southwestern, 13c; fresh southern, 11c.

CHEESE—Firm, higher; New York full cream, fancy small, 10¼c; good to choice, 10@10¼c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, Aug. 14.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 79⅝c; No. 2, 78½c; December, 79⅝c; No. 1 northern, cash, 77⅝c; August, 76⅝c; September, 76⅞c; December, 77⅝c; No. 3 spring, 75⅝c.

OATS—23⅝@24c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 14.—WHEAT—Market firmer; No. 1 northern, 76@76½c; No. 2 northern, 74¼@75c.

RYE—Quiet. No. 1, 51c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 50c; sample, 35@48c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 14.—WHEAT—In store, No. 1 northern, August, 74⅝c; September, 74¼@74⅝c; December, 75⅝c. On track, No. 1 hard, 77½c; No. 1 northern, 75½c; No. 2 northern, 75⅝c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—COFFEE—Spot Rio barely steady; No. 7 invoice, 9c. Mild, quiet; Cordova, nominal. Futures opened steady, 10 points decline, and ruled quiet, with a weak undertone, foreign adverse European and Brazilian cables, heavier receipts at Rio and Santos, small warehouse delivery, slack spot demand, an absence of public speculation and the increased desire to liquidate long accounts. Closed steady in tone, 10@20 points off. Total sales, 26,000 bags, including September at 7.60@7.65; October, 7.50@7.55; November, 7.55@7.80; December, 7.55@7.85; January, 8.00; March, 8.00@8.10; April, 8.05@8.10; May, 8.10.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Trade in All Lines Shows Animated and Upward Movement.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Today's stock market made a marked exhibition of strength, reflecting as it did an upward movement in all classes of securities. No doubt the chief impetus to the rise was manipulative orders, particularly in the Steel group. Reports of a possible amicable adjustment of the wage schedule was responsible for a rise of 3 points in American tinplate and 15¼ in kindred properties. The buoyancy of this group radiated throughout the entire market and influenced pool operations in other stocks. As yesterday the leading railroad shares occupied a commanding position in the market, exceptionally large blocks of the Atchisons, Grangers and Pacifics being taken at improvements, ranging from a large fraction to 1⅝c in St. Paul. Practically the only laggards to the upward trend of railroad stocks were Baltimore & Ohio and Southern Pacific. The first mentioned was sold heavily on its July earnings, which fell off $239,236 net. An effort was made to raid Southern Pacific on the announcement of the death of its president, C. P. Huntington, but the opening of a block or two at 33¾, which was ¾ of 1 point under yesterday's close, was readily absorbed. Indications that the stock was to be supported and influence the bears to transfer the attack to Sugar. The stock displayed a good deal of irregularity and ended 1⅛ off. As the effective buying of the railroad stocks became more marked many of the usually inactive stocks precipitated in the dealings and improved materially. Despite the exceptionally heavy gold engagements for export tomorrow, aggregating $8,162,000, no change in the local monetary situation occurred. Abroad, however, a reflection of the gold drain from this country was noted in a decline in money and discounts in London, and exchange on London at Paris and Berlin also yielded. Some recovery was made early in the day in sterling exchange quotations, but subsequently the market became easier on sales of bills against tomorrow's shipments. The subtreasury statement showed a net cash gain of $761,000 on yesterday's operations, while its debit balance with the clearing house today increased to $1,936,716.

Business by the arbitrage brokers was on a large scale and for the long side of the account. It is estimated that the purchases on balance were fully 15,000 shares and embraced pretty much all the international issues. The government foreign trade statement for the month of July and the seven months of the calendar year showed an excess of exports over imports of merchandise and products of $36,575,248 and $369,402,972 respectively. This exhibit demonstrates anew the commanding position of the United States in the matter of trade and will insure a return in the autumn months of the present efflux of gold. Statements of the tonnage in eastbound shipments of provisions and cereals by the leading trunk lines indicate a heavy gain over the previous week's movement at the seaboard. In the closing dealings of the stock market there were indications that the short lines were being reduced and prices ended at about the highest.

An increase was noted in bond transactions today, but the inquiry was generally for the semi-speculative issues. The general tone was quite firm. Total sales, par value, $7,000,000. United States refunding 2s, when issued, and old 4s advanced ½ and the 3s ¼ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: Business increased slightly today. The money market was easy. Reports that General Dewet had been cornered in South Africa and the continued advance of the relief column toward Pekin stimulated the market generally. London bought some Americans, but sold on the news of C. P. Huntington's death, although later it was recognized that no stock would be thrown on the market in consequence of his demise. Paris continued to push tintos and Anacondas went up today in company with them. The bank bought $21,000 gold in bars.

Following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	23½	Union Pacific	69¾
do pfd	71¾	do pfd	76½
Baltimore & Ohio	74	Wabash	7¾
Canadian Pacific	89¾	do pfd	18½
Canada So.	49	Wheel. & L. E.	8¾
Ches. & Ohio	27¾	do pfd	23¾
Chicago G. W.	13¾	Wis. Central	19½
C., B. & Q.	127¾	Third Avenue	119½
Chi. Ind. & L.	10½	Adams Ex.	124
do pfd	31	American Ex.	151
Chicago & E. Ill.	96½	U. S. Ex.	45
Chicago & N. W.	166	Wells-Fargo Ex.	123
C., R. I. & P.	108¼	Amer. Cot. Oil	35½
C., C., C. & St. L.	58	do pfd	88½
Colorado So.	6¾	Amer. Malting	4¾
do 1st pfd	41½	do pfd	21½
do 2d pfd	18	Amer. S. & R.	37¾
Del. & Hudson	112	do pfd	89
Del. L. & W.	180	Amer. Spirits	3¾
Denver & R. G.	19¾	do pfd	17
do pfd	67¾	Amer. S. Hoop	20¾
Erie	30¾	do pfd	67
do 1st pfd	32¾	Amer. S. & W.	35¾
do 2d pfd	153	do pfd	79¾
Hocking Coal	14¾	Amer. Tin Plate	28
Hocking Valley	32½	do pfd	79¾
Illinois Central	118	Amer. Tobacco	98½
Iowa Central	18½	do pfd	128
do pfd	35	Anac. Mining Co.	46¾
K., C., P. & G.	15¾	Brooklyn R. T.	76¾
Lake Erie & W.	29	Colo. Fuel & Iron	36¾
do pfd	93	Con. Tobacco	26
Lake Shore	209	do pfd	79
L. & N.	72	Federal Steel	33¾
Manhattan L.	107	do pfd	67½
Met. St. Ry.	155½	Gen. Electric	41½
Mexican Central	12	Glucose Sugar	54¾
Minn. & St. L.	56	do pfd	93
do pfd	94	Inter. Paper	22¾
Mo. Pacific	51½	do pfd	75
Mobile & Ohio	37	Laclede Gas	74
M. K. & T.	20¾	National Biscuit	51¾
do pfd	50¾	do pfd	126
N. J. Central	130¼	National Lead	19¾
N. Y. Central	138½	do pfd	91
Norfolk & W.	24¾	National Steel	36¾
do pfd	75	do pfd	84
No. Pacific	64½	N. Y. Air Brake	124
do pfd	71¼	No. American	13¾
Ontario & W.	21¾	Pacific Coast	52½
Ore. Ry. & Nav.	42	do 1st pfd	85
do pfd	76	do 2d pfd	61
Pennsylvania	129¼	Pacific Mail	30½
Reading	18¾	People's Gas	98
do 1st pfd	59¾	Pressed S. Car	42¾
do 2d pfd	34¾	do pfd	90
Rio G. W.	69	Pullman P. Car	187
do pfd	90	S. R. & T.	5
St. L. & S. F.	9¾	Sugar	123¾
do 1st pfd	64	do pfd	116
do 2d pfd	34¾	Tenn. Coal & I.	71¾
St. L. Southwest	11½	U. S. Leather	11
do pfd	28	do pfd	68¾
St. Paul	114	U. S. Rubber	29¾
do pfd	171	do pfd	94
St. P. & Omaha	114	Western Union	81½
So. Pacific	33½	Republic I. & S.	11½
So. Railway	11½	do pfd	52½
do pfd	32¾	P. C. C. & S. L.	59
Texas & Pacific	14½		

*Offered.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—MONEY—On call, steady at 1¼ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Soft, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87½ for demand and at $4.83⅞ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.84½@4.85¼ and $4.88½@4.89. Commercial bills, $4.83¼@4.83¾.

SILVER—Certificates, 61½@62½c; bar, 61¼c; Mexican dollars, 48½c.

BONDS—Government, strong; state, inactive; railroad, firm.

The closing prices on bonds today are as follows:

*U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	104¼	do 4s	92
do coupon	104¼	N. Y. C. 1s	108¾
do 3s, reg.	110	N. J. C. gen. 5s	112
do 3s, coup.	110¾	No. Pacific 3s	73½
do coupon	109¾	do 4s	97¾
do new 4s, reg.	132½	N Y C & St L 4s	106½
do coupon	133½	N. & W. con. 4s	97¾
do old 4s, reg.	113½	Ore. Nav. 1s	109
do coupon	113½	do 4s	102½
do 5s, reg.	113	Ore. S. L. 6s	133¾
do coupon	113	do 1st con. 5s	111¾
D. of C. 3-65s	127	Reading gen. 4s	87
Atch. gen. 4s	100¾	Rio G. W. 1s	98½
do adj. 4s	84¾	St L & I M c. 5s	110¾
Ches. & O. 4½s	99¾	St L & S F g 6s	121½
do 5s	117	St. Paul consols	167
C. & N. con. 7s	142	**St. P., C. & P. 1s	114½
do S. F. deb. 5s	120¼	do 5s	117
Chicago Ter. 4s	93	So. Pacific 4s	78½
Colo. So. 4s	83	So. Railway 5s	108¾
D. & R. G. 1s	102	S. P. & T. 6s	68
do 4s	97½	Tex. & Pacific 1s	111¼
Erie general 4s	68	**do 2s	37
F. W. & D. C. 1s	72	Union Pacific 4s	106½
Gen. Electric 5s	115½	Wabash 1s	117¼
Ia. Central 1s	113	**do 2s	101½
**K. C. P. & G.	39	West Shore 4s	111¾
L. & N. uni. 4s	98	Wis. Central 1s	88½
M., K. & T. 2s	66¾	Va. Centuries	89½

*When issued. **Offered.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—The following are the closing quotations for mining shares today:

Cholar	19	Ontario	625
Crown Point	12	Ophir	55
Con. Cal. & Va.	125	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	45	Quicksilver	150
Gould & Curry	13	do pfd	600
Hale & Norcross	20	Sierra Nevada	30
Homestake	5000	Standard	375
Iron Silver	50	Union Con.	20
Mexican	25	Yellow Jacket	24

Financial Notes.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $5,937,219; balances, $729,007; money, 4@7 per cent; New York exchange, 25c discount bid, 15c discount asked.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $13,013,334; balances, $2,290,542.

CHICAGO, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $19,712,102; balances, $1,569,930; posted exchange, $4.85@4.89; New York exchange, par.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $2,736,256; balances, $271,809.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $161,436,922; balances, $9,883,522.

BOSTON, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $17,140,021; balances, $2,265,359.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 14.—Clearings, $2,391,150; New York exchange, 15c discount; money, 2½@6 per cent.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Aug. 14.—Call loans, 2@3 per cent; time loans, 3@4½ per cent. Official closing:

A., T. & S. F.	26¾	Westing. Electric	45
do pfd	71¾	Wis. Central	19
Amer. Sugar	127¾	Atchison 4s	99¼
do pfd	134½	N. E. G. & C. 5s	64½
Bell Telephone	342	Adventure	2¼
Boston & Albany	248	Allouez Min. Co.	1
Boston Elevated	143½	Amal. Copper	69½
C., B. & Q.	127¾	Atlantic	25½
Dominion Coal	71¾	Boston & Mont.	43
do pfd	110¼	Butte & Boston	62
Federal Steel	35	Calumet & Hecla	750
do pfd	67	Centennial	17½
Fitchburg pfd	135¾	Franklin	13¾
Gen. Electric	134	Osceola	85
do pfd	139	Parrot	42
Eld. Elec. Ill.	211	Quincy	135
Mexican Central	11½	Santa Fe Copper	4½
Mex. Telephone	8¾	Tamarack	200
N. E. G. & C.	14½	Utah Mining	26½
Old Dominion	18¾	Winona	3¾
Rubber	29¾	Wolverine	40½
Union Pacific	69		
West End	93		

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons. money	98 9-16	Erie	17¼
do account	98⅞	do 1st pfd	32⅞
Atchison	26½	Pennsylvania	56
Canadian Pacific	91⅝	Reading	8⅝
St. Paul	116	No. Pacific pfd	72⅝
Illinois Central	140	Grand Trunk	6⅝
Louisville	74	Anaconda	9⅛
Union Pac. pfd	78	Rand Mines	4⅝
N. Y. Central	133¼		

BAR SILVER—Steady at 28⅛d per ounce.

MONEY—3¼@3½ per cent.

DISCOUNT—Short bills, 4 per cent; three months bills, 4 per cent.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The improvement on the Stock exchange previously noted was maintained today, chiefly owing to easier money and the absence of unfavorable Chinese or South African news. The business done, however, was small, there being no incentive for fresh engagements. Home railroads were irregular and foreigners were featureless. Americans were better in sympathy with the advices from New York, whence it was reported there were indications of a better market. Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, common and preferred; Union Pacific, common and preferred, and Denver & Rio Grande preferred were principally in demand. Subsequently they became easier, but closed steady. Pacifics were purchased on the strength of the satisfactory dividend report, and they closed fairly firm. Grand Trunk shares were supported, but were inactive. Kaffirs were stagnant, with prices weakening. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £117. Spanish is, 71¾. Gold premiums at Buenos Ayres, 138.50.

PARIS, Aug. 14.—Business on the bourse today commenced firm in sympathy with London. The declarations of options passed off favorably. Later there was a lack of animation, but the good tone was more extended. Money is expected to be easy for the settlement. Rio tintos were in exceptional demand for the account. Three per cents, 100f 40c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 17½c for checks. Spanish 4s closed at 71.80.

BERLIN, Aug. 14.—Exchange on London, 20m 49½ pfgs. for checks. Discount rates: Short bills, 3 per cent; three months' bills, 4¼ per cent. Prices on the bourse today were irregular. They opened with a hardening disposition, but closing weaker in sympathy with the decline in speculative industrials.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $142,575,840; gold, $73,373,134.

Wool Market.

BOSTON, Aug. 14.—The wool market continues to show a better tone. Values are no higher, but wools appear to have become established in price and there are fewer weak spots in the market. For good lines of territory, medium and fine, 56c is asked. Fleece wools continue quiet, but more sales of washed Ohio delaines are noted at 72c. Following are the quotations for leading descriptions: Oh