COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Opens Weak, Turns Strong and Closes Somewhat Higher.

QUIET CORN MARKET FOLLOWS WHEAT LEAD

Oats Are Generally Neglected and Finish Session Slightly Advanced —Provisions Lack Life, Lard Showing Much Weakness.

CHICAGO, Sept. 21.—After a weak beginning today wheat turned strong and October closed ¼c over yesterday. Corn closed ⅛@⅛c and oats ⅛c higher. Provisions closed 5c lower to 10c higher.

With Liverpool only ¼d lower, in the face of the slump here yesterday, there was some buying of wheat when the market opened, October at 76@77⅞c. The steadiness was short-lived, however, for heavy amounts were for sale, under the influence of clear and cool weather in the northwest. The stuff bought early was unloaded with a rush later and October went to 77⅞c. A good shipping demand here made its appearance. Commission houses had heavy buying orders, which has been waiting for the market to get under 77c. Northwestern markets easily turned strong and damage reports from the spring wheat were numerous and very gloomy. Estimates of a 50,000,000 bushel crop were made and a French crop organ estimated a shortage in the world's crop of 120,000,000 bushels. Local shorts, moved by these considerations, found wheat hard to get and a sharp rally to 78⅝@78⅞c for October followed. The close was strong, October ⅞c over yesterday, at 78⅝c. New York reported 30 loads taken for export and local sales for the other side were fair at 30,000 bushels No. 1 northern. Clearances at the seaboard were equal in wheat and flour to 320,000 bushels. Primary receipts aggregated 1,025,000 bushels, compared with 1,082,000 bushels last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 400 cars, against 623 last week, and 906 a year ago. Local receipts, 605 cars.

Corn was weak early, strong later and at all times quiet. The weakness early was with wheat and the recovery resulted from the selling of shorts. Offerings were light and a sharp rally took place. The close being firm. October sold between 38⅛c and 38⅝@38¾c and closed 38⅞c higher at 38⅝@38¾c. Receipts were 746 cars. The bulge cut off shipping business.

Oats gave another exhibition of standing in their own tracks and were generally neglected. October sold between 21⅞c and 21⅞@22c and closed firm, at 21⅞@22c, or ⅛c up. Receipts were 327 cars.

Provisions were quiet and irregular, lard showing up as the weak sister of the triumvirate. The lard selling had the appearance of a hammer-out for the purpose of making somebody loosen up on October lard. October pork sold between $12.05 and $12.20 and closed 5c higher, at $12.15; October lard, between $7.05 and $7.15, closing 10c lower, at $7.07½ and October ribs between $7.37½ and $7.42½, with the close 2½c better, at $7.40.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 310 cars; corn, 600 cars; oats, 250 cars; hogs, 16,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
Sept.	77	78½	77	78⅛	77⅞
Oct.	77⅞@78	78⅝@⅞	76⅞	78⅝	77⅞
Nov.	78½@⅝	79⅛	77⅞	79 @⅛	78⅛@⅜
*Corn—					
Sept.	39⅛@⅞	40⅞	39⅛	40⅛@⅛	39⅞
Oct.	38⅛@38⅜	38⅝@⅞	38⅛@⅛	38⅝@⅞	38⅛
Nov.	38⅝	39⅛	38⅛	39⅛@⅜	38⅛
*Oats—					
Sept.	21⅛	21⅛@⅜	21⅛	21⅛@⅜	21⅛@⅜
Oct.	21⅝@⅞	21⅞@22	21⅝	21⅞@22	21⅝@⅞
Nov.	22⅛	22⅝@⅞	22	22⅝@⅞	22⅛
Pork—					
Oct.	12 15	12 20	12 05	12 15	12 10
Jan.	11 50	11 55	11 42½	11 45	11 52½
Lard—					
Oct.	7 15	7 15	7 05	7 07½	7 17½
Nov.	7 15	7 15	7 02½	7 05	7 15
Jan.	6 80	6 80	6 72½	6 75	6 80
Ribs—					
Sept.	7 80	7 85	7 70	7 70	7 77½
Oct.	7 40	7 42½	7 37½	7 42½	7 40
Jan.	6 12½	6 15	6 07½	6 10	6 15

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; winter patents, $3.80@4.00; straights, $3.50@3.70; clears, $3.10@3.50; spring specials, $4.50; patents, $3.90@4.50; straights, $3.60@3.80; bakers, $2.50@2.75.

WHEAT—No. 3, 72@73c; No. 2 red, 78@79½c.

CORN—No. 2, 40¼@40½c; No. 2 yellow, 40¾@41c.

OATS—No. 2, 21⅝@22c; No. 2 white, 25¼@26c; No. 3 white, 24@25¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 53c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 39½c; fair to choice malting, 52@56c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.51; No. 1 northwestern, $1.52; prime timothy, $4.30@4.40; clover, contract grade, $10.00.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.15@12.20. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.07½@7.17½. Short ribs sides (loose), $7.00@7.85. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), 7½@7.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.10@8.20.

WHISKY—Basis of high wines, $1.26.

SUGAR—Cut loaf, unchanged.

Following are the receipts and shipments of the principal grains:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	31,000	8,000
Wheat, bu.	227,000	8,000
Corn, bu.	538,000	557,000
Oats, bu.	312,000	379,000
Rye, bu.	11,000	4,000
Barley, bu.	60,000	12,000

On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 15@21c; dairies, 15@18c. Cheese firm, at 10¼@11½c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 15½@16c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—FLOUR—Receipts, 24,551 bbls.; sales, 7,500 pkgs.; market was quiet, but fairly steady, without much change, except a slight decline in spring patents; Minnesota patents, $4.20@4.50; winter patents, $3.70@4.00; winter straights, $3.55@3.65; Minnesota bakers, $2.75@3.30; winter low grades, $2.40@2.65. Rye flour, firm; sales, 500 bbls.; fair to good, $3.40; choice to fancy, $3.50@3.65.

SEEDS—Quiet; timothy, October, $6.40; clover, October, $10.25.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, 88@89c. Brandywine, $2.45@2.55.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2 western, 60c f. o. b. afloat; state, 55@56c.

BARLEY—Quiet; malting, 57@59c c. i. f.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; west, 65@68c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 24,050 bu.; sales, 250,000 bu. futures; 160,000 bu. exports; Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 83⅞c f. o. b. afloat, and 81⅝c elevator; No. 1 northern Duluth, 87½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Duluth, 91⅝c f. o. b. afloat. Options, after steady opening, declined rather sharply from the effects of further liquidation and weakness in northwestern markets. This was followed late in the day by a full recovery and active demand from all sides, based on favorable weekly wheat and flour clearances and a sharp jump in corn; closed firm, 1⅛c net advance; March, 86⅞@ 7⅛c, closed 87½c; May, 86 -16@ 7-16c, closed 87c; September, 81⅝@82⅝c, closed 82⅝c; October, 82⅛@82⅝c, closed 82⅝c; December, 83 9-16@84⅛c, closed 84⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 45,825 bu.; exports, 157,222 bu.; sales, 145,000 bu. futures; 200,000 bu. spot. Spot, firm; No. 2, 47½c elevator, 48c f. o. b. afloat. Option market opened steady with wheat. It then eased off on light receipts at Chicago, but finally turned strong on a squeeze of September shorts in the west; closed firm, ¼c net advance; May, 41⅞@41⅞c, closed 41⅞c; September, 47⅛@47⅜c, closed 47⅜c; October, 46⅞@47⅛c, closed 46⅞c; December, 46⅞@46⅞c, closed 46⅞c.

OATS—Receipts, 17,000 bu.; exports, 5,215 bu.; sales, 30,000 bu. spot; steady; firm. No. 2, 26c; No. 2, 24⅝c; No. 2 white, 27½@27⅝c; No. 3 white, 26⅝c; track mixed western, 24½@26c; track white western, 26½@30c; track white state, 25@32c.

FEED—Firm; spring bran, $17.00; middling, $17.00@19.50; winter bran, $17.50@18.00; city, $17.00@17.50.

HAY—Firm; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 82½@85c.

HOPS—Quiet, state, common to choice, 1899 crop, 10@13c; old olds, 2@10c; Pacific coast, 1899 crop, 10@16c; old olds, 2@7c.

HIDES—Firm; California, 25 to 35 lbs., 26c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 24c; Texas, dry 24 to 30 lbs., 18½c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 22½@27½c, acid, 21½@23½c.

WOOL—Dull; domestic fleece, 25@28c; Texas, 15@16c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¾@6¼c; Japan, 4¾@5c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 32@35c.

TALLOW—Firm; city, $2, for packages; country, packages free, 4⅝@4¾c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $18.00@21.00; packet, $10.00@10.50; city, extra India mess, $16.00@17.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 9@9½c; pickled shoulders, $ 6½c; hams, 12 lbs., 13@13.75. Lard, firm; western steamed, $7.30 nominal; refined, firm; continent, $7.85; South America, $8.50; compound, 6@6½c. Pork, stronger; family, $13.25@16.00; short clear, $13.25@16.00; mess, $12.75@14.00.

BUTTER—Receipts, 2,310 pkgs.; creamery, 16@22½c; June creamery, 15½@22c; factory, 14@16½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,111 pkgs.; irregular; large, colored, 11¼c; small, colored, 11¼c; large, white, 11c; small, white, 11c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4,482 pkgs.; strong; western, regular packing, at mark, 12½@17½c; western, loss off, 19½c.

METALS—Tin experienced another setback in the local market for metals, falling off some 25@37½ points, on London cables showing a loss of £1 there, which closed our market with a lower tendency of $27.50@28.00. Aside from this there were no material changes in the rest of the list. Pig iron warrants, dull, at $16.25@ Lead, dull at $4.32½. Lake copper, though a shade steadier, was not quotably higher, closing at $16.75@17.00. Spelter ruled quiet, at $4.30@4.35. The brokers' price for lead was $4.00 and for copper, $16.75.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts light; good stock firm at 15c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7c; roosters, 5@6c; spring chickens, 8c; ducks, 4@6c; geese, 6@8c; turkeys, 8c.

FRESH DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 8@9c; roosters, 5@6c; ducks and geese, 10@10c; broilers, per lb., 12@c; turkeys, 12@c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, per doz., $2.00@4.00.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 12@c; choice, 15@16c; separator, 21c; gathered creamery, 19@20c.

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

FRESH OYSTERS—First grade, solid packed, New York counts, per can, 40c; extra selects, 35c; standards, 30c. Second grade, slack filled, New York counts, per can, 20c; extra selects, 24c; standards, 20c.

PIGEONS—Live, per dozen, 90c.

VEAL—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers' association: Choice upland, $8.50; No. 1 upland, $8.00; medium, $7.50; coarse, $6.50. Rye straw, $5.50. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and prices steady. Receipts, 7 cars.

OATS—No. 3 white, 26c.

CORN—No. 3, 38c.

BRAN—$12.75.

VEGETABLES

CUCUMBERS—Per dozen, 20@25c.

NEW TURNIPS—Per bushel basket, 60c.

NEW BEETS—Per dozen bunches, 15@20c.

NEW CARROTS—Per dozen bunches, 25c.

LETTUCE—Per dozen, 10@15c.

RADISHES—Home grown, per dozen, 15c.

WAX BEANS—Per half bushel basket, 40c; string, 35c.

POTATOES—Per bushel, 40@50c; sweet potatoes, per pound, 2c.

CABBAGE—Home grown, per pound, 1½c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per dozen, $1.

TOMATOES—Home grown, per half bushel basket, 40c.

ONIONS—Home grown, per bu., 50@60c.

CELERY—Nebraska, 30@40c.

FRUITS.

PEACHES—California freestones, 80c; clings, 70c.

PLUMS—California, per crate, $1.10@1.25.

PRUNES—Utah and Colorado, per crate, $1.00; per box, 60c.

PEARS—Per box, $1.75@2.00.

GRAPES—California Tokays, 4-basket crate, $1.50; Concords, home grown, 15c; Delaware and Niagara, per 5-lb. basket, 15c.

WATERMELONS—As to size, 20@25c each.

CANTALOUPE—Gems, per dozen, 40@50c; large sizes, 60@75c.

APPLES—Native, 75@$1.00 per bu.; per bbl., $2.50@3.00.

CRANBERRIES—Per bbl., $6.00; per crate, $2.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS

ORANGES—Valencias, $4.2@4.75.

LEMONS—California, extra fancy, $5.25; choice, $4.00@5.00.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.00@2.25.

FIGS—California, new cartoons, $1.00; layers, 90c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—English walnuts, per lb., 12@13c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, per lb., 14@15c; peanuts, 4½@5c; roasted, 6½@7½c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7½c; No. 2 salted, 6½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 21.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 76½c; track, 77@78c; September, 76c; October, 76¾c; December, 78⅛c. No. 2 hard, 72½c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 39c; track, 39½c; September, 39½c; October, 39½c; December, 33⅝@33½c.

OATS—Stronger; No. 2 cash, 21¾c; track, 22@22½c; September, 21¼c; December, 22⅝c; May, 24½c; No. 2 white, 25½@26c.

RYE—Higher, 54½c.

FLOUR—Firmer; patents, $3.75@3.90; extra fancy and straight, $3.40@3.50; clear, $2.85@3.10.

SEEDS—Timothy, steady; $3.75@4.30. Flax, nominal, $1.50.

CORNMEAL—Steady; $2.00@2.05.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 70@72c.

HAY—Timothy, stronger, $8.50@12.50; prairie, firm, $7.50@8.00.

WHISKY—Steady; $1.26.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.20.

BAGGING—$8.10@8.85.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

METALS—Lead, dull at $4.32½. Spelter, firm at $3.95.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 7½c; young, 8½c; turkeys, 7c; young, 9c; ducks, 7½c; geese, 6½c.

BUTTER—Higher at 14c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $12.75. Lard, lower; choice, $6.97½. Dry salt meats (boxed), higher; extra shorts, $8.25; clear ribs, $8.37½; clear sides, $8.50. Bacon (boxed), higher; extra shorts, $9.00; clear ribs, $9.12½; clear sides, $9.25.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 11,000 bbls.; wheat, 165,000 bu.; corn, 34,000 bu.; oats, 38,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 16,000 bbls.; wheat, 55,000 bu.; corn, 36,000 bu.; oats, 26,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 21.—WHEAT—December, 70½c; May, 75⅞@75¾c; cash, No. 2 hard, 70@70½c; No. 3, 69@69½c; No. 2 red, 74@75c; No. 3, 72@73½c.

CORN—December, 33¾c; May, 37⅛@37¼c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 38c; No. 2 white, 39¼c; No. 3, 38¾c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 25@25½c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50; choice prairie, $7.50@8.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, 18@20c; dairy, fancy, 17c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 13c, loss off, cases returned; new whitewood cases included, ½c more.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 116,000 bu.; corn, 18,800 bu.; oats, 12,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 207,200 bu.; corn, 9,800 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 21.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 2 red, western winter, 6s 3d; No. 1 northern, spring, 6s 2½d; No. 1 California, 6s 6d@6s 6½d. Futures, quiet; September, 6s 2¾d; December, 6s 1½d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, new, 4s 2¾d. Futures, steady; October, 4s 2¾d; November, 4s 2¾d; December, 4s 2½d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy, winter, firm, at 8s 3d.

PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut, steady, at 45s. Shoulders, square cut, firm, at 31s 6d. Lard, American refined, firm, at 33s 6d; prime western, firm, at 38s. Tallow, prime city, firm, at 25s 3d.

Receipts of wheat during the last three days, 362,000 centals, including 322,000 centals American. Receipts of American corn during the last three days, 97,800 centals.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 21.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy creamery, good, 22½c; fancy prints, 24c.

EGGS—Firm, ½c higher; fresh nearby and western, 18½c; fresh southwestern, 17c; fresh southern, 16c.

CHEESE—Firm; New York full creamery, fancy small, 11½c; New York full creamery, fair to choice, 10½c; Ohio flats, 9@10c.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 21.—WHEAT—Active, higher; spot, 80⅝c; October, 81¼c; November, 81c; December, 82½c.

CORN—Dull, higher; No. 2 cash and September, 43c; December, 34⅝c.

OATS—Dull, unchanged; No. 2 cash, 22½c; September, 22½c; December, 23½c.

RYE—Dull, unchanged; No. 2 cash, 54½c.

CLOVERSEED—Active, lower; October, $6.70; December, $6.57½; No. 2, $5.75@6.15.

Duluth Market.

DULUTH, Sept. 21.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 81½c; to arrive, 81½c; No. 1 northern, cash, 82½c; to arrive, 82½c; September, 82½c; October, 82½c; December, 81¾; May, 84½c; No. 2 northern, 77½c; No. 3 spring, 74½c.

CORN—40½c.

OATS—22½c.

RYE—52c.

BARLEY—37@48c.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 21.—WHEAT—September, 78½c; December, 79⅞c; May, 82⅝@82¾c; to arrive, 82⅝c. No. 1 northern, 80⅝c, No. 2 northern, 78⅝c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.40@4.50; second patents, $4.20@4.30; first clears, $3.10@3.20; second clears, $2.10@2.20.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 21.—WHEAT—Easy; No. 1 northern, 80@80½c; No. 2 northern, 77@80½c.

RYE—Easy; No. 1, 55½c.

BARLEY—Easier; No. 2, 57c; sample, 37@56c.

Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—SUGAR—Raw strong; fair refining, 4¼c; centrifugal, 96 test, 5c; molasses sugar, 4c; refined, firm.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 21.—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 4¾c; centrifugal, yellow, 5@5¼c; seconds, 3¾@4½c.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—SUGAR—Raw, centrifugal, 12s 9d, beet, 11s 11¼d.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE

Business is Disturbed by Strike in Anthracite Coal Region.

DEMAND FOR LABOR GENERALLY GREAT

Hesitation Incident to the Presidential Campaign is Reflected in Decrease in Bank Clearings of the Large Cities.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

The strike in the anthracite coal region, which has involved about 120,000 miners and probably 30,000 others, is the overshadowing influence in business. This conflict disturbs business and interferes with calculations of merchants over a large part of the Atlantic seaboard, and is only the only tangible check to the general recovery which set in with the larger demand for iron and steel products. Outside of the anthracite industry enforced idleness of hands is an exception, and even in the Pennsylvania coal region other employes would gladly take on thousands of more intelligent miners.

The Doscher sugar refinery closed down on account of the scarcity of raw sugar, of which all refiners are estimated to hold only 40,000 tons, but the Loraine Steel company, idle three months, is starting its furnaces, with others to follow. Hesitation incident to the presidential campaign is reflected in bank clearings, which for New York show 58.8 per cent and for other large cities 7.8 per cent loss from last year.

Wheat advanced sharply to 82c on last Wednesday, helped by gloomy reports from growing districts and free purchases at northwestern cities. Sensational gains in price stopped foreign buying, which led to heavy liquidation and a reaction almost as large as the previous movement. Cotton has felt the loss of consumption, declining heavily, both in spot cottons and option trading. Brighter crop news from Texas also had a depressing effect. The cotton goods market for a few days continued the strong movement of last week, but became quiet and weak. Prices were nominally closed less excited, though bare of goods at first hands. Heavy curtailment of production is still the rule. Standard brown sheetings again advanced ⅛c, with other goods following.

Last week's improvement in the boot and shoe market caused an increase in shipments from Boston to 79,929 cases, against 67,142 the previous week. Further inquiries by jobbers have appeared and requests for prompt shipment reflect the desire to fill out stocks, business continued for fall and winter goods, spring business being backward. Shops are more actively employed.

Sales of wool at the three chief markets were only 2,815,500 pounds, against 11,015,500 a year ago. Holders continue confident and stubbornness fails to cause lower prices. Foreign conditions are unsatisfactory, especially in France, but fair prices are expected at the London sale next week.

In iron and steel products greater activity at former prices was the rule. New contracts were for moderate amounts, but a large order for machable Bessemer pig iron at southern points makes the outlook more encouraging and a Scotch concern recently prevented from closing a very large contract for billets by the high ocean freight rates in prevalence. The break in Scotch pig iron warrants had an international significance. Pudllers and puddler's helpers are still waiting their turn for wage settlement. Orders for railroad equipment for September are expected to include fully 8,000 freight cars. A sharp break in tin was added by heavy shipments from the straits.

Lumber is in a stronger position, spruce selling at $3.75 per 1,000, an advance of 25 cents for the month.

Failures for the week were 211 in the United States, against 154 last year and thirty-three in Canada, against eighteen last year.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TABLE.

Aggregate of Business Transacted by the Associated Banks.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended September 21, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.		P.C. Inc.	P.C. dec.
New York	$ 764,615,957	.....	38.6
Chicago	126,064,389	.....	5.4
Boston	97,823,590	.....	20.4
Philadelphia	86,583,951	.....	4.2
St. Louis	33,883,675	5.8	.....
Pittsburg	27,018,859	.....	.....
San Francisco	23,156,508	13.9	.....
Baltimore	19,547,743	.....	1.6
Kansas City	16,565,958	10.9	.....
Cincinnati	13,728,900	.....	2.4
Minneapolis	13,080,156	7.6	.....
New Orleans	11,371,568	44.8	.....
Houston	11,053,824	21.4	.....
Cleveland	10,384,478	.....	3.1
Savannah	8,293,467	167.0	.....
Detroit	8,075,990	.....	4.5
Louisville	6,504,068	.....	.....
Indianapolis	6,170,720	16.6	.....
OMAHA	5,854,866	.....	13.6
Milwaukee	5,577,961	.....	4.3
Providence	5,414,500	.....	17.5
Buffalo	5,290,179	1.3	.....
Columbus, O.	4,973,400	.....	11.7
St. Paul	4,511,562	.....	18.7
Denver	4,303,234	6.0	.....
St. Joseph	3,511,851	.....	3.6
Portland, Ore.	2,894,297	47.3	.....
Seattle	3,377,577	.....	21.1
Richmond	3,059,024	.....	15.5
Toledo	2,540,557	10.3	.....
Salt Lake City	2,532,758	2.1	.....
Los Angeles	2,411,509	42.8	.....
Augusta, Ga.	2,209,667	27.2	.....
Hartford	2,226,883	.....	4.5
Memphis	2,053,313	7.9	.....
Peoria	2,005,245	.....	4.6
Washington	1,920,174	.....	3.4
Rochester	1,813,560	.....	.....
Des Moines	1,385,896	.....	3.2
New Haven	1,304,715	14.9	.....
Grand Rapids	1,297,593	4.5	.....
Worcester	1,560,462	.....	.....
Atlanta	1,812,519	14.1	.....
Fort Worth	1,695,232	26.2	.....
Norfolk	1,396,878	16.6	.....
Nashville	1,241,536	.....	4.6
Dayton, O.	1,219,180	43.5	.....
Springfield, Mass.	1,163,856	.....	15.7
Portland, Me.	1,045,267	.....	23.1
Syracuse	1,052,261	.....	6.3
Tacoma	1,293,715	2.9	.....
Spokane	1,258,859	.....	4.7
Sioux City	1,223,074	12.7	.....
Topeka	1,092,482	62.2	.....
Wilmington, Del.	912,169	2.7	.....
Fall River	655,251	2.0	.....
Scranton	905,478	.....	6.1
Lowell	436,899	.....	19.7
New Bedford	386,483	.....	13.1
Knoxville, Tenn.	675,254	.....	.....
Birmingham	748,056	18.1	.....
Wichita	472,980	3.9	.....
Binghamton	356,700	.....	18.1
Lexington, Ky.	396,582	2.8	.....
Jacksonville, Fla.	180,904	.....	13.4
Kalamazoo	350,916	.....	1.4
Akron	486,200	35.7	.....
Chattanooga	486,438	52.3	.....
Rockford, Ill.	244,136	.....	.....
Canton, O.	263,000	3.1	.....
Springfield, O.	310,510	13.3	.....
Fargo, N. D.	307,927	59.0	.....
Sioux Falls, S. D.	139,420	15.9	.....
Hastings, Neb.	131,854	.....	.....
Fremont, Neb.	134,841	4.6	.....
Davenport	808,800	16.4	.....
Helena	622,959	.....	3.5
Evansville	809,218	16.2	.....
Macon	881,000	33.7	.....
Little Rock	519,407	69.4	.....
Springfield	418,559	.....	.....
Youngstown, O.	307,923	.....	1.9
Totals U. S.	$1,539,648,678	.....	27.7
T'ls outside N. Y.	775,032,721	.....	6.2

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Montreal	$ 15,574,248	.....	8.4
Toronto	9,596,613	.....	1.2
Winnipeg	1,655,360	.....	12.2
Halifax	1,141,779	.....	1.7
Hamilton	955,261	5.6	.....
St. John, N. B.	916,723	30.4	.....
Vancouver	1,042,353	.....	20.1
Victoria	553,600	.....	36.8
Totals	[illegible]	.....	6.2

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—Money was wanted today for the repayment to the bank of large amounts borrowed and the week-end tenders of treasury bills increased with the demand. The gold withdrawn went to Germany. Business on the stock exchange was almost featureless. Favorable incidents had but little influence and had news easily depressed, owing to the absence of support. The strength of the bank steadied listless investment securities. Breakfast-time brought improved exchanges. Americans progressed downward, but closed better, being entirely subject to the movements in New York. The amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today was £391,000. Stands at 77⅞. Gold premium at Buenos Ayres, 136.60.

BERLIN, Sept. 21.—Business was dull on the bourse today, operators being discouraged by the uncertain attitude of the New York market and the difficult situation in the German iron trade. On the street, after the close of regular business on the bourse, a more cheerful feeling prevailed, owing to the receipt of more satisfactory western advices, and prices recovered. Exchange on London, 20m 4pfgs for checks. Discount rates for short bills, 3⅝ per cent, for three months bills, 0⅛ per cent.

PARIS, Sept. 21.—On the bourse today prices were firm. Rentes and locals advanced. International securities were inanimate. The political situation was regarded as being more reassuring, but the fear in regard to the strikes in America caused a disturbance. At the close, the market was fairly firm. Three per cent rentes, 1pf 25c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 15c for checks. Spanish 4s closed at 32⅞.

MADRID, Sept. 21.—Spanish 4s closed today at 32⅝. Gold was quoted at 32.94.

BUENOS AYRES, Sept. 21.—The gold quotation today was 229.30.

BRADSTREET'S REVIEW OF TRADE.

Strike of Miners Has Given Appearance of Irregularity to Trade.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Bradstreet's of tomorrow will say:

The unfavorable turn given the general industrial situation by the strike of anthracite coal miners and the possibility of wage disputes in the iron trade, with rather less activity in the latter industry, and some increase of weakness in the prices of cruder forms, have given an appearance of irregularity to the general trade and business situation. On the other hand the course of staple prices has been very generally upward this week, fall distribution of dry goods, clothing, hats and millinery has been of large volume at nearly all markets; there is a decidedly better tone noted in the boot and shoes and kindred trades and the strength of cotton goods, but apparently in excess of that shown by the raw material, has been regarded as indicative of confidence on the part of manufacturers. Premature opening, due to hot, dry weather, is responsible for a portion of the heavy movement of cotton to market, but back of this, of course, is the desire to profit by the exceedingly good prices ruling. The rush of receipts has been too much for the ball movement, however, and the price is materially lower on the week. Raw cotton and cotton goods have started company as to price this week. Rush of buyers to secure stocks has advanced print cloths, ginghams, bleached goods, prints and, in fact, nearly all classes of cottons, while materially reducing stocks in the hands of commission men and jobbers. Most manufacturers are refusing to take orders ahead, except "at value," based upon the cost of the raw material. A little more is reported doing in raw wool, but it is mostly to supply current needs of manufacturers and no large amounts of wool seem to be moved, even at concession. The spring business in men's woolens is still disappointing.

Reports of damage to grain in shock in the northwest reinforced by northwestern buying at Chicago, furnished the key to advances of nearly 2 cents in wheat this week, followed by a gain of 20@25c in flour and of 7½c in corn. Some of this advance in wheat was afterward lost in realizing. Other farm products were higher, lard advancing on other export buying and both cheese and eggs on improved weather. Iron and steel are rather quieter, as a whole, and some weakness is noted in southern pig and steel billets at Pittsburg. On the other hand finished products are as a rule, firm and bars are to be advanced $1 at Chicago. In the meanwhile, American bars and plates are underselling British and Scotch goods at the latter points of production. The next week will probably see final action taken as to the remaining wage scales, as to which depressing reports are current. In the general metal market the feature was the collapse of tin prices proceeding from abroad, due to reports of the smashing of the tin cartel.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 2,523,857 bu., against 4,095,982 bu. last week, 4,639,705 bu. in the corresponding week of 1899, 2,214,798 bu. in 1898, 5,798,525 bu. in 1897 and 3,559,966 bu. in 1896. From July 1 to date this season wheat exports were 38,519,690 bu., against 46,279,959 bu. last season, and 41,604,03 bu. in 1898-99.

Corn exports for the week aggregate 2,134,285 bu., against 2,042,794 bu. last week, 2,750,985 bu. this week a year ago, 2,623,200 bu. in 1898, 4,022,142 bu. in 1897, and 2,619,479 bu. in 1896. From July 1 to date this season corn exports were 39,294,241 bu., against 53,155,528 bu. last season, and 33,565,162 bu. in 1898-99.

Business failures for the week in the United States number 183, as against 197 last week, 147 in this week a year ago, 182 in 1898, 257 in 1897 and 321 in 1896.

Canadian failures number 21, as against 24 last week, 22 in this week a year ago, 19 in 1898, 35 in 1897 and 31 in 1896.

BRADSTREET'S FINANCIAL REVIEW.

Market Early in Week is in the Hands of Professionals.

NEW YORK, Sept. 21.—Bradstreets' Financial Review tomorrow will say:

A more decidedly reactionary disposition showed itself in speculation this week. Prices were decidedly weak last Saturday and though support was extended to the market on Monday and Tuesday and the short interest covered contracts rather extensively on those days, the improvement was slight and the tone continued to be nervous. The developments in connection with the strike of anthracite coal miners, while inconclusive as to the question of a general stoppage of that industry, seemed to Wall street to point to a long and possibly troublesome struggle with labor and the market also takes into consideration the chances of an extension of labor disturbances to other trades, but the effects of such circumstances on the political situation. Indeed, politics are now receiving a degree of attention on the part of the speculative community, in contrast in a striking manner with the indifference about the presidential contest that has heretofore prevailed. The uncertainty attending the contest in November is receiving consideration and promises more conservatism on the part of financial houses and the stock market in general.

The situation of the money market was another bearish feature. The large decrease in cash and surplus averages shown by last Saturday's bank statement, reflects withdrawals of money to the interior for crop movement purposes plus the decreased disbursements of the treasury. These facts promise to result in another poor bank statement tomorrow and it is noted that the supply of time money had decreased, while lenders show a decided disposition to insist on higher rates. An unfavorable effect of a sentimental kind was produced by the successful placing here of the German 4 per cent loan, $20,000,000, one of the effects being to give Berlin power to draw gold from London and cause a hardening of interest rates at the latter city, while they declined at Berlin. The report that other foreign governments have been encouraged by the success of the British and German loans in our markets to undertake negotiations for similar operations on this side were also considered as pointing to decided efforts to take advantage of relatively easy and abundance of capital here and as possibly involving a diminution of the supplies of funds which have enabled Wall street to carry such immense masses of securities without difficulty. A retrenchment of loans was therefore considered a possibility, which had its effect on sentiment in the market. London has been very qui