CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Long C[illegible] ued Warm Weather Injuring Business Considerably.

MARKETS FIRM, GENERALLY UNCHANGED

Jobbers Counting on a Big Trade as Soon as More Favorable Conditions Put in Their Appearance.

The volume of trade last week did not show up quite as well as during the early part of October. The long continued warm weather has prevented retailers from selling as many winter goods as they should at this season of the year and as a result their stocks are still quite complete. They naturally do not place orders for more goods until they have seen of them and consequently jobbers in most lines have not been doing a very rushing business. The rains helped out the demand for wet weather goods to some extent but did not help to move winter clothing. What is needed is cold weather and until that does put in an appearance there is not not to be much of a revival in trade conditions.

Another factor that doubtless tended to curtail trade was the near approach of election. While politics has not interfered this year as much as is generally the case during a presidential campaign still players are they have felt the effect of the election to some extent during the last few weeks. The general impression seems to be that with favorable weather after election trade will be quite satisfactory.

There have been very few important changes in the market since last report. The feeling seems to be firm all along the line and everything points to present prices being maintained for some time to come and some lines may even go higher.

Groceries Active and Fair.

There has been a good active market for groceries the last week warm weather for anything else especially being able to shut off the demand. Jobbers say that compared with a year ago they are now doing more business and they look for a continued increase over last year for some time to come. The market as a whole is in a good healthy condition but there has been no special feature. Coffee last week the coffee market continues unchanged. Canned goods are very heavy and it is predicted that there will be a big increase in the visible supply when the figures for October are compiled. The market is very dull and comparatively little business is being transacted.

Sugar is one of the features of the situation. It was to a week ago. The demand continues exceptionally heavy for this season of the year.

In farinaceous goods oatmeal has advanced 10c per barrel and beans have also gone up a little. Canned goods are beginning to move very satisfactorily and the market seems to be a little firmer. This is particularly true of small fruits, as Halifax more nearly approaching from 2½@3c per dozen more than they were a week ago. The season for canning oysters is now on and packers are giving their attention to that part of the trade. It is expected that the new pack will begin to arrive on the market within the next ten days.

The cheese market is also in a good strong condition and jobbers are expecting the first allotments of fancy October stock to arrive in a short time and they say that owing to the good condition of the pastures this fall the quality of the cheese will be excellent. Eastern cheese, however, have been held last about where they were at last report.

Dry Goods Market Unsettled.

The cotton goods market is still in a very unsettled condition and those who are best acquainted with the situation seem to know very little more about it than they did some weeks ago. In view of recent developments a majority of the jobbers do not seem to feel so sure that the cotton market will stay up where it has been for the last few weeks which would necessitate an advance in the fabrics and they are very careful, however, about making predictions. Eastern markets are very dull and in fact almost nothing is being done. Jobbers, however, look for a revival this week.

The local market is also very quiet owing largely to the warm weather. Almost no buyers have been in the market and the number of mail orders being received is much smaller than it should be at this season of the year. Traveling men say that trade out through the country is very light and that retailers still have a good many and that retailers still have a good many goods on their shelves. That being the case jobbers are not anticipating on doing very much until there is more seasonable weather.

Light Demand for Leather Goods.

Boot and shoe dealers have had the same trouble as dry goods jobbers. Merchants are not selling out their stocks and consequently they are not buying more goods. A few orders, of course, are being received, but then not as many as usual at this time of year.

Jobbers, however, are meeting with good success in spring business and as a general thing are doing very little complaining. They all figure that when trade does set in it will come with a rush and consequently they are waiting for the proper conditions to arrive.

Rubber goods men have been doing a fair business on account of merchants anticipating their wants before the 5 per cent advance went into effect the first of this month. Then, too, the rains brought in a good many orders for rubber clothing and also for rubber footwear, but from now on there will be almost nothing doing, unless the thermometer takes a drop or there should be a snowstorm.

Hardware Moves Freely.

There is still a very satisfactory demand for hardware, though trade is not as active on cold weather goods as it was a few weeks ago. There is more doing, though, than would naturally be expected under the circumstances. The rains rather shut off the demand for barbed wire temporarily, but as long as the weather continues pleasant there will be an immense trade in that line. More of it has been sold already this year than for some time past. In making comparisons with October of last year it is found that in spite of the favorable conditions this year trade is much heavier than it was last year at this time, which speaks well for what jobbers may expect when cold weather does set in.

The market is in very satisfactory condition and no important changes have taken place since last report. All lines are being held good and firm and as far as any one can tell at the present time there is every reason to look for good firm markets for some time to come. A number of the staples are still short and jobbers are experiencing considerable difficulty in getting enough stock to supply their customers. The manufacturers seem to be turning out the goods as rapidly as possible, but owing to the enormous demand and the fact that stocks were light all over the country at the opening of the season they got behind at the start and have been unable to catch up.

Fruits and Produce.

There has been a good lively demand for all kinds of fruits and vegetables during the last week. Prices, however, have not fluctuated to any great extent and just about the same lines are on sale now as were offered a week ago. California fruit is very scarce and prices are some higher. The grape season is also coming to a close, but prices are about the same. Apples are now in good demand and the quality of the stock offered is now very good. Oranges are selling well at $4.50 per box.

There is beginning to be considerable trade in potatoes and prices remain at 60c to 65c per bushel. There is some Idaho stock on sale now and it is good enough to bring 75c per bushel. They are about the best of good potatoes as anything seen here in a long time. Utah celery is in big demand and the mammoth size is selling as high as 40c.

Eggs are a trifle higher than they were a week ago as a glance at the quotations will show. Poultry is also commanding good strong prices, particularly spring chickens, while butter remains just about the same. There is no change in game or oysters.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 3.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 75c; track, 75¾@76c; November, 75c; December, 75¾c; May, 79¾c; No. 3 hard, 69@70c.

CORN—Better; No. 2 cash, 35c; track, 35½c; November, 34½c; December, 34½@34¾c; May, 37¾c.

OATS—Weaker; No. 2 cash, 22c; track, 22½c; November, 22¼c; December, 22¼c; May, 24c; No. 3 white, 25½@26c.

RYE—Steady, 49½c.

LARD—Unchanged.

SEEDS—Timothy, steady, at $3.75@4.20. Flax, nominally lower at $1.77.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.

BRAN—Steady, sacked, east track, $6.85.

HAY—Timothy, firm at $8.75@12.00; prairie, steady at $7.00@12.50.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.27.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.32.

BAGGING—4½c to 5c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady, nobbing, $13. Lard, steady, choice, $6.80. Dry salt meats, boxed, clear extra shorts, $7.30; clear ribs, $7.55; clear sides, $7.75. Bacon (boxed), quiet, extra shorts, clear ribs and clear sides, $8.25.

METALS—Lead, steady, $4.37½@4.42½. Spelter, quiet, $4.00.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, fowls, young, 9½@10c; turkeys, 10@11c; ducks, 7c; geese, 6c.

EGGS—Steady, 20c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@25c; dairy, 17@19c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 10,000 bbls.; wheat, 6,000 bu.; corn, 70,000 bu.; oats, 29,000 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu.; barley, 3,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 19,000 bu.; corn, 31,000 bu.; oats, 12,000 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu.; barley, 1,000 bu.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts light, good stock, 19½@20c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 6@6½c; roosters, 3@4c; spring chickens, 9@9½c; ducks, 6@7c; geese, 6@7c; turkeys, 9@9c.

FRESH DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 6@7c; roosters, 3@4c; ducks and geese, 8@10c; broilers, per doz., $2; spring chickens, per lb., 8@9c; turkeys, 9@10c.

GAME—Prairie chickens, per doz., $3.00@3.50; mallard ducks, per doz., $1; teal, $1.50@2; mixed, $1.25@1.50; jacksnipe, $1.25@1.50.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 12@[illegible]c; choice, 15@16c; separator, 21c; gathered creamery, 18@19c.

FRESH OYSTERS—Plain, per can, 20c; extra selects, 25c; standards, 25c; medium, 20c. Second grade, stack filled, New York counts, per can, 20c; extra selects, 25c; standards, 20c; bulk standards, per gal., $1.25.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 90c.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Price quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers' association. Choice upland $8.00; No. 1 upland, $7; medium, $5.50; coarse, $3.50. Rye straw, $6. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair. Receipts, 4 cars.

OATS—No. 3 white, 26c.

CORN—No. 2, 28c.

BRAN—$13.

VEGETABLES.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 20@25c.

TURNIPS—Per bu. basket, 50c.

BEETS—Per bu., 40c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 50c.

LETTUCE—Per doz., 10@15c.

RADISHES—Per doz., 15c.

BEANS—Wax, per 1-2 bu. basket, 90c; string, 75c.

POTATOES—Per bu., 40@50c; Idaho, per bu., 75c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bu., 75@90c.

CABBAGE—Per lb., 3½c; Holland seed, 1½c.

TOMATOES—Per ½-bu. basket, 50c.

ONIONS—Per bu., 50@60c.

CELERY—Nebraska and Utah, 30@45c; extra mammoth, 65c.

FRUITS.

PEACHES—California freestones, $1.25.

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

PEARS—Per box, $2.00@2.25.

GRAPES—Delaware and Niagara, per 5-lb. basket, 15c; eastern Concords, 17@18c.

WATERMELONS—As to size, 10@15c each.

APPLES—Native, 75c@$1.00 per bu.; per bbl., $3.50; eastern, $2.50@3.00.

CRANBERRIES—Per bbl., $7; per crate, $2.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $4.50.

LEMONS—California, extra fancy, $4.50; choice, $4.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.00@2.50.

FIGS—California, new cartons, 90c; layers, 85c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—English walnuts, per lb., 13c; filberts, per lb., 13c; almonds, per lb., 15@20c; raw peanuts, per lb., 5@5½c; roasted, 6@7c; Brazils, 13c; Pecans, 9@10c.

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

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—FLOUR—Receipts, 16,821 bbls.; exports, 7,264 bbls.; sales, 4,500 pkgs.; market dull and nominal in absence of traders; winter patents, $3.70@4.00; straights, $3.50@3.60; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.35; winter extras, $2.60@3.00; Minnesota bakers, $3.00@3.40; winter low grades, $2.45@2.60. Rye flour, quiet; sales, 450 bbls.; fair to good, $3.00@3.20; choice to fancy, $3.25@3.60. Buckwheat flour, dull at $2.10@2.20.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet but firm at 55@60c, c. i. f., New York.

CORNMEAL—Quiet; yellow western, 86@88c; Brandywine, $2.45@2.60.

RYE—Dull; northwestern, 59½c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 51@52c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 42@46c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 50@56c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 62@68c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 234,000 bu.; sales, 610,000 bu. futures and 20,000 bu. spot. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 79¼c, f. o. b., afloat, and 77½c, elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 84½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 86c, f. o. b., afloat. Options opened steady on expectations of bullish statistics Monday and after a slight setback under realizing recovered on demand inspired by fears that Argentine news might become unfavorable by the opening of the new week. Closed firm at ¼c net advance. Sales included No. 2 red, March, 82⅝@82⅞c, closed at 82⅝c; May, 81⅝@81⅞c, closed at 82⅛c; November closed at 77⅞c; December, 78⅝@78⅞c, closed at 78⅞c.

CORN—Receipts, 262,825 bu.; exports, 142,156 bu.; sales, 50,000 bu. futures and 60,000 bu. spot. Spot, firm; No. 2, 45½c, elevator, and 46½c, f. o. b., afloat. Option market was steady all the morning on light offerings, a well sustained cash position and small receipts west, closed firm and ¼c net higher. May, 42½c, closed at 42½c; December, 42½c, closed at 42½c.

OATS—Receipts, 85,400 bu.; exports, 25 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 25½c; No. 3, 25c; No. 2 white, 28c; No. 3 white, 27½c; track white western, 27@33c; track mixed western, 25½@26½c; track white state, 27@33c. Options, dull and almost unchanged.

FEED—Quiet; spring bran, $16.20@16.35; middlings, $17.00@19.50; winter bran, $17.00@19.00; city, $17.00@17.25.

HAY—Dull; shipping, 75@77½c; good to choice, 82½@92½c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1899 crop, 10@13c; olds, 2@6c; Pacific coast, 1899 crop, 10@13c; olds, 2@5c.

HIDES—Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 49@55 lbs., 18½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 13@13½c.

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

WOOL—Dull; domestic fleece, 25@27c; Texas, 15@16c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, dull; family, $10.50@11.75; mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $20.00@21.00; packet, $10.00@10.50; extra India mess, $16.00@17.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $9.25@11.00; pickled shoulders, $6.25@6.50; pickled hams, $9.25@9.75. Lard, quiet; western steamed, $7.45; October closed at $7.45, nominal; refined, market quiet; continental, $7.55; South America, $8.25; compound, $6.12½@6.25. Pork, dull; family, $16.00@16.50; short clear, $14.25@17.00; mess, $12.25@13.50.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 16@22½c; factory, 13@16c; June creamery, 18@21c; imitation creamery, 14½@18c; state dairy, 15@21c.

CHEESE—Irregular; large white, 10¾c; small white, 11¼c; large colored, 10¾c; small colored, 11c.

EGGS—Steady; state and Pennsylvania, 20@23c; western, regular packing, at mark, 17@20c; western, loss off, 22c.

POTATOES—Quiet; Jerseys, $1.87½; New York, $1.25; Long Island, $1.50@1.75; Jersey sweets, $1.50@2.00.

TALLOW—Quiet; city, 4½c; country, 4½@4¾c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4¾@6¾c; Japan, 4¾@5c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 42@53c.

METALS—Pig iron, dull; northern, $14.00@16.00; southern, $13.50@15.50. Copper, dull; brokers, $16.75@16.87½. Lead, dull; brokers, $4. Tin plate, dull.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 3.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 2 red western winter, steady at 5s 2½d; No. 1 northern spring, steady at 6s 2½d; No. 1 California, steady at 6s 4d. Futures, quiet; December, 5s 11½d; January, 6s 1d, March, 6s 1d.

CORN—Spot dull; American mixed, new, 4s 2½d. Futures, quiet; December, 4s ½d; January, 3s 9½d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, steady at 8s 6d.

PROVISIONS—Beef, extra India mess, easy at 69s for prime mess; western, firm at 72s. Lard, American refined, in pails, 38s 9d; prime western tierces, steady at 27s 9d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., steady at 43s. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., firm at 47s; short ribs, 18 to 22 lbs., firm at 47s; long clear middles, light, 30 to 35 lbs., steady at 48s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lbs., firm at 47s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., firm at 52s 6d; shoulders, square, 12 to 14 lbs., steady at 32s 3d. Cheese, American finest, white, firm at 55s 6d; finest colored, firm at 54s 6d. Tallow, prime, steady at 28s 9d; Australian, in London, firm at 27s 6d.

ROSIN—Common, firm at 15s.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), steady at 2 lbs. 5s to 2 lbs. 5s.

BUTTER—United States finest, quiet at 90s. United States colored, easy at 82s 6d.

PEAS—Canadian, quiet at 5s 7½d.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Nov. 3.—CORN—Steady; No. 2, 38c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 26½c, track.

WHISKY—On the basis of $1.27 for finished goods.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Nov. 3.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, 75½@75¾c; No. 2 northern, 73@74½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 56½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 58@60c; sample, 32@67c.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat is Inactive, but Advances on Argentine Advices.

CORN RULES QUIET, BUT STIFF IN PRICE

Speculation in Oats is at a Standstill and Market is Bare of Feature—Provisions Are Generally Dull.

CHICAGO, Nov. 3.—Wheat advanced ⅝c today on bullish Argentine advices. Corn closed ¼c higher and oats unchanged. Provisions at the close were 2½c lower.

The wheat market was inactive throughout the session, traders as usual being inclined to keep their trades evenly balanced against developments during the Sunday rest. Operations by scalpers formed most of the business, but there was some buying by the northwest from local interests bearishly inclined. December opened a shade lower at 73⅝c to 73¼c because of the excellent weather and a decline at Liverpool, which, however, was only equal to the drop here yesterday. At the start the market touched 73⅝@73¾c, but eased off again to 73¼c. At this point shorts were moved to cover their sales by an Argentine cable estimating the exportable surplus from the coming crop of 48,000,000 bu., or 27,000,000 bu. less than the surplus of the crop at present moving. December advanced to 73⅞c and closed firm at that figure, ⅝c over yesterday. New York reported 4 loads taken for export. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 424,000 bu. Primary receipts were 752,000 bu., compared with 710,000 bu. last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 563 cars, against 506 last week and 722 a year ago. Local receipts were 120 cars, 2 of contract grade.

Corn ruled quiet but stiff in price. Country offerings were small and there was a good cash demand, two factors which, combined with the wheat strength, sustained prices in the face of the excellent weather. Receipts were 101 cars. December opened a shade higher at 35¼@35⅜c, touched 35⅝@35¾c and then rallied to 35⅝c, at which the market closed, ¼c higher than the close yesterday.

Oats were inactive and bare of feature. Speculation was at a standstill. Prices were steady, however, on small acceptances and a fair shipping demand. December sold between 21⅞c and 22c, closing unchanged at 22c. Receipts were 137 cars.

Provisions were generally dull. The market opened lower because of liberal hog receipts, lower prices at the yards and a liberal estimate of the receipts for next week. There was a good cash demand for lard, but the opening loss was not entirely regained. January pork sold between $11.22½ and $11.17½ and closed 2½c lower at $11.22½; January lard, between $6.70 and $6.72½ and $6.67½, closing 2½c down at $6.67½, and January ribs, between $5.97½@6.00 and $5.92½, with the close 2½c depressed at $5.97½.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 95 cars; corn, 175 cars; oats, 160 cars; hogs, 29,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Nov.	72¾@⅞	72⅞@⅞	72¼	72¼@⅜	72¼
Dec.	73¼@⅜	73¾	73¼	73¾	73⅝
Jan.	74¼	74½	73¾@74	74½	74¼
*Corn—					
Nov.	37¼@⅜	38⅛	37¼	38⅛@⅜	37½
Dec.	35¼@38	35½	35¼@¼	35½	35¼
May	36⅝@⅞	36⅞@⅞	36⅝@⅞	36⅞@⅞	36⅝@⅞
*Oats—					
Nov.	21¼@⅜	21⅜	21¼@⅜	21⅜	21¼@⅜
Dec.	22	22	21⅞	22	22
May	23⅝@⅞	23⅞@24	23⅝@⅞	23⅞@24	23⅝
Pork—					
Nov.				10 70	10 62½
Jan.	11 17½	11 22½	11 17½	11 22½	11 25
Lard—					
Nov.	7 00	7 07½	7 00	7 02½	7 00
Dec.	6 77½	6 85	6 77½	6 80	6 82½
Jan.	6 70	6 72½	6 67½	6 67½	6 70
Ribs—					
Nov.				6 77½	6 25
Jan.	5 97½	5 97½	5 97½	5 97½	6 00

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Quiet; winter patents, $3.70@3.90; straights, $3.10@3.60; bakers, $2.20@2.75.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 72¾c; No. 2 red, 73¼@73½c.

CORN—No. 2, 37¾c; No. 2 yellow, 38¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 22½c; No. 2 white, 26c; No. 3 white, 24½@26½c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 50@58c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1, $1.78@1.80; No. 1 northwestern, $1.80@1.81. Prime timothy, $4.25. Clover, contract grade, $10.00@10.25.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $10.40@10.50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.07½@7.10. Short ribs, sides (loose), $6.55@6.75. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.00@6.25. Short clear sides (boxed), $6.60@6.70.

WHISKY—Basis of high wines, per gal., $1.27.

The following are the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	19,000	18,000
Wheat, bu.	143,000	116,000
Corn, bu.	188,000	290,000
Oats, bu.	162,000	159,000
Rye, bu.	1,000	3,000
Barley, bu.	85,000	20,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was quiet; creamery, 15@21½c; dairy, 13@18c. Cheese, firm at 10¼@11½c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 18c.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Attention of the Traders Is Diverted by the Political Parade.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The attention of Stock exchange brokers was largely diverted to the political parade today and trading was almost entirely confined to the closing up of contracts over Sunday, or until after election. The bears were disposed to cover evidently, as prices moved upward for the most part. Inspired statements regarding the heavy earnings shown from operations of some of the great steel corporations and a report that a large contract in South Africa had been secured by the Pressed Steel Car company helped the latter stock to the extent of 3 points and other members of the group 1 to 1½. There was an urgent demand from a short interest in Sugar and some of the New York public utilities shot upward buoyantly. In the railroad list gains were smaller but general. Louisville sold in small quantities at 1% over last night's level and only a few other railroad stocks gained as much as a point. Just before the close prices ran off sharply on profit taking, which was conspicuous in Sugar and Rapid Transit. The tone was easy at the end. Sentiment was not much discomposed by yesterday's flurry in the call loan market, as it was attributed in part to manipulation. The conditions which made the manipulation effective are felt to be temporary and the quick weakening of sterling exchange yesterday in response to the rise in money gave confidence that any requirement for money would draw additional gold from Europe. The Stock exchange seemed to expect a gain in cash to be shown in the bank statement, as there was a failure to take account of last Saturday's statement having anticipated the effect of large payments for gold which are made to figure again in this week's statement of subtreasury operations. Had it not been that the gain on the interior movement ran up considerably over yesterday's preliminary estimates the loss would have been considerable. The decline in the loan and deposit items made the decrease in the surplus merely nominal. A feature in the outside market was buying of Standard Oil up to 606 and 610 bid. The previous high record for the stock was 609.

Last week's rapid speculative gait has been checked this week. The volume of dealings has fallen off to near the point of midsummer dullness. There is a disposition in Wall street to attribute this to a judicious curbing process by what are called "the controlling interests," meaning the interests which are deeply committed to speculative ventures. This is so far true that the inordinate manipulation, which was the feature of last week's dealings, has been largely discontinued.

The advance in the money rate during the latter part of the week shows the wisdom of precautionary measures adopted. Had there been much large money borrowed for speculation the disturbance of money rates would have been more severe and the forcing of liquidation on a much larger scale. The stiffening of the call loan rate is attributed to the exigencies of the monthly settlement, and it is hoped that with the redistribution of the amounts thus borrowed in the form of dividends the interior will be returning ease of money next week. Needless to say the "controlling interests" also hope there will be a renewal of speculative demand for stocks with the easier money market. A renewal of the movement to the interior of currency is among the possibilities. Bankers point out that owing to the high price at which cotton has been marketed larger amounts of money will be retained at the south after the process has been completed than for several years. It is expected that when the time comes for the reflux of money from the interior channels the first result will be seen in the presentation of bank notes for redemption and their consequent retirement.

French markets are unfavorably affected by political troubles in Spain and by uneasiness over the course of domestic events following the close of the exposition, which has been a period of commonly recognized truce in French politics. The German money markets have made good progress towards recuperation, but are not expected to be in condition to meet foreign requirements for the present. Those who seek light on the future of the stock market by the analogy of events in 1896 would find that after rising from early in October high prices were touched generally within a week after election, after which they declined until late in December to near the early October level again.

Business in bonds has been on a declining scale and largely concentrated in a few mortgages of speculative values. Prices have receded. United States new and old 4s advanced ⅜ and all other issues ⅛ per cent over the call price a week ago.

Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The stock market was extremely quiet today. Prices were irregular in their movements. The American department was as still as the rest of the list. Everybody is waiting for the election. Prices of American shares were above parity, however. Southern Pacific issues were again the main feature, but they closed below the highest for the day, few dealers waiting for the opening in Wall street. Money was easier. Call money, 1½@2½ per cent.

The following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	24	Union Pacific	69⅝
do pfd	49	do pfd	46⅝
Baltimore & O.	42	Wabash	1
Canadian Pac.	87	do pfd	19
Canada So.	53½	Wheel. & L. E.	19⅝
Ches. & Ohio	39¼	do 2d pfd	26⅝
Chicago G. W.	11¼	Wis. Central	19½
C., M. & St. P.	128	Third Avenue	108
Chi. Ind. & L.	20	Adams Ex.	150
do pfd	64	American Ex.	154
Chicago & E. Ill.	92	U. S. Ex.	47
Chicago & N. W.	169½	Wells-Fargo Ex.	127
C., R. I. & P.	110¾	Amer. Tel. Chi.	30¼
C., C., C. & St. L.	69¼	do pfd	90½
Colorado So.	5⅝	Amer. Malting	5
do 1st pfd	9½	do pfd	24
do 2d pfd	4½	Amer. S. & R.	41¼
Del. & Hudson	167	do pfd	93⅝
Del. L. & W.	159	Amer. Spirits	14½
Denver & R. G.	20	do pfd	17
do pfd	70	Amer. S. H.	22
Erie	13¾	do pfd	74
do 1st pfd	34¼	Amer. S. & W.	34¼
do 2d pfd	19½	do pfd	77½
Gt. Nor. pfd	163½	Amer. Tin Plate	33
Illinois Central	116½	do pfd	82
Lake Shore	210¼	Amer. Tobacco	76¼
L. & N.	76	do pfd	130
Manhattan L.	99¼	Anac. Min. Co.	46½
Met. St. Ry.	158½	Brooklyn R. T.	61
Mex. Central	12½	Colo. Fuel & I.	28¾
Minn. St. L.	5¾	Con. Tobacco	12½
do pfd	97½	do pfd	84½
Mo. Pacific	56½	Inter. Paper	24
Mobile & Ohio	34½	do pfd	66¾
M., K. & T.	10½	Laclede Gas	68½
do pfd	36¾	National Biscuit	37⅝
N. Central	121½	do pfd	89½
N. Y. Central	132½	National Lead	17¼
Norfolk & W.	26¼	do pfd	93
do pfd	72½	National Steel	19½
No. Pacific	17⅝	do pfd	88
do pfd	73	N. Y. Air Brake	130
Ontario & W.	18½	No. American	13⅝
Ore. Ry. & Nav.	47	Pacific Coast	79
do pfd	90	do 1st pfd	81
Pennsylvania	143¼	do 2d pfd	65
Reading	17½	Pacific Mail	42⅝
do 1st pfd	27⅝	People's Gas	93⅝
do 2d pfd	27⅛	Pressed S. Car	47
Rio G. W.	20	do pfd	83½
do pfd	90	Pullman P. Car	188
St. L. & S. F.	11⅝	S. R. & T.	5
do 1st pfd	67	Sugar	124
do 2d pfd	37¾	do pfd	115
St. L. Southw.	14⅝	Tenn. Coal & I.	56
do pfd	32	U. S. Leather	11½
St. Paul	116⅝	do pfd	71
do pfd	171½	U. S. Rubber	37¼
St. P. & Omaha	112	do pfd	94½
So. Pacific	38	Western Union	89⅝
So. Railway	13⅝	Republic I. & S.	14
do pfd	56½	do pfd	56½
Texas & Pacific	17	P. C. C. & St. L.	50

*Asked.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The following are the closing quotations for mining shares today:

Chollar	12	Ontario	600
Crown Point	10	Ophir	15
Con. Cal. & Va.	100	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	70	Quicksilver	125
Gould & Currie	7	do pfd	650
Hale & Norcross	20	Sierra Nevada	20
Homestake	60	Standard	350
Iron Silver	68	Union Con.	15
Mexican	27	Yellow Jacket	15

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Nov. 3.—2 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	98⅝	Erie	12⅞
*do account	99⅛	do 1st pfd	35⅞
Atchison	23⅝	Pennsylvania	70
Canadian Pacific	89⅝	Reading	9
St. Paul	119¼	No. Pacific pfd	75
Illinois Central	125	Grand Trunk	6⅞
Louisville	7⅞	Anaconda	9¼
Union Pac. pfd	78	Rand Mines	39⅞
N. Y. Central	136¼		

*December.

Bar silver, quiet at 29 15-16d per ounce. Money, 2½@3 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3¾@3 13-16 per cent; for 3 months' bills, 3⅞ per cent.

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The weekly statement of the averages of the associated banks shows: Loans, $792,330,300, decrease, $1,504,300; deposits, $841,775,200, decrease, $1,616,900; circulation, $30,717,800, increase, 157,800; legal tenders, $38,351,100, increase, $405,100; specie, $158,403,100, decrease, $880,600; total reserves, $216,394,200, decrease, $485,500; reserve required, $210,443,800, decrease, $404,075; surplus reserve, $5,950,400, decrease, $81,425.

New York Exports and Imports.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—Exports of gold and silver from this port to all countries for this week aggregate $1,023,558, silver bars and coin, and $13,145 gold. The imports of specie are $1,258,400 gold and $151,684 silver. Imports of dry goods and merchandise were valued at $10,857,526.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 3.—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 balances, $137,624,797; gold, $92,957,516.

Financial Notes.

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $1,623,308; balances, $610,733. Money, 5@7 per cent. New York exchange, 30c discount bid, 30 discount asked.

BALTIMORE, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $3,641,356; balances, $612,559.

CHICAGO, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $20,412,000; balances, $1,965,000; posted exchange, 4.81@4.86. New York exchange, 30c discount.

CINCINNATI, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $2,083,850; New York exchange, 150@25c discount; money, 3@6 per cent.

BOSTON, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $20,352,176; balances, $2,222,620.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $202,669,423; balances, $9,872,044.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 3.—Clearings, $15,365,194; balances, $2,885,016.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, Nov. 3.—The weekly statement of the Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash in hand, decrease, 25,000,000m; treasury notes, decrease, 600,000m; other securities, increase, 28,800,000m; notes in circulation, increase, 46,300,000m. Exchange on London, 20m; exports for checks. Discount rates: Short bills, 3½ per cent; three-months' bills, 4½ per cent.

PARIS, Nov. 3.—Prices were flat on the bourse today, owing to the continuous selling. Spanish is and Rio tintos were singled out for attack, increasing the downward movement. Later there was a rally and industrial securities were somewhat recovered. Kaffirs and Rio tintos were weak at the close. Three per cent rentes, 100f 57c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 3c for checks. Spanish is closed at 68.40.

LONDON, Nov. 3.—Gold premiums are quoted at Buenos Ayres at 132. Spanish 48, 65.75.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.—The cotton market opened firmer at an advance of 3@7 points on local and light foreign buying, chiefly for protection of oversold accounts, the motive being frost reports from the northern belt. All things considered the early advance was remarkable, as receipts overtopped estimates, the cables decidedly unfriendly and a substantial bull support was lacking. It later leaked out that prominent foreign agents were apprehensive of a "squeeze" in spot markets south and cold weather. After the call the sole feature of trading was the buying of November and January by a leading English house. The room trade was fairly well evened up and warehouses had generally anticipated a narrow market. The government chart reported freezes in the northwestern belt, but showed reasonably high temperature everywhere. Southern markets were steady to firm and unchanged. The market finally closed steady with prices 8@16 points higher than last night. NEW YORK COTTON—Steady; no sales; middling, 9 1-16c; receipts, 6,597 bales; shipments, 5,292 bales; stock, 50,551 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 3.—COTTON—Futures, steady; November, 8.81@8.82c; December, 8.80@8.82c; January, 8.81@8.82c; March, 8.85@8.86c; April, 8.86@8.88c; May, 8.86@8.87c; June, 8.87@8.88c.

LIVERPOOL, Nov. 3.—COTTON—Spot, limited demand; easier; American middling, 5 19-32c; good middling, 5¾c; middling, 5 1-32c; low middling, 4 31-32c; good ordinary, 4 23-32c; ordinary, 4 15-32c. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 5,200 American. Receipts, 30,000 bales, including 26,800 American. Futures opened quiet and ruled quiet, but steady; American middling, l. m. c., November, 5.03