OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Moderate Cattle Receipts and Desirable Grades Sold Strong to Ten Higher.

HOGS ADVANCED FIVE TO TEN CENTS

Quality of Sheep and Lambs on Sale Not Very Good, but Market Could Be Quoted Just About Steady with Close of Last Week.

SOUTH OMAHA, Sept. 1.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	4,937	1,570	10,694
Same day last week	11,071	2,586	19,960
Same week before	7,956	7,165	14,018
Same three weeks ago	5,717	4,309	11,092
Same four weeks ago	4,906	3,543	12,959
Same day last year	4,834	2,543	8,266

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE.

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at South Omaha for the year to date and comparisons with last year:

	1902.	1901.	Inc.
Cattle	521,437	467,961	54,476
Hogs	1,667,181	1,641,838	25,273
Sheep	744,740	727,553	17,187

The following table shows the average price of hogs sold on the South Omaha market the last several days, with comparisons with former years:

Date.	1902.	1901.	1900.	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.
August 1	7 41¼	5 66¼	5 15¼	4 13¼	3 79¼	*	3 77
August 2	7 39¾	5 70	5 18	4 26	3 74	3 45	*
August 3	*	5 79	5 15½	4 33	3 67	3 47	2 80
August 4	7 39½	*	5 10	4 43	3 61	3 57	2 85
August 5	7 32¼	5 84	*	4 45	3 71	3 53	2 86
August 6	7 30⅛	5 80	5 04	*	3 77	3 43	2 92
August 7	7 27½	5 65	5 14	4 35	*	3 45	2 92
August 8	7 17½	5 65	5 15	4 37	3 81	*	2 78
August 9	7 15½	5 74	5 04	4 32	3 67	3 42	*
August 10	*	5 74	5 09	4 28	3 67	3 53	2 75
August 11	7 04	*	4 99	4 29	3 27	3 51	2 80
August 12	6 78¼	5 74	*	4 35	3 48	3 56	2 80
August 13	6 81¼	5 78	4 95	*	3 74	3 64	2 74
August 14	6 73½	5 74	4 97	4 43	*	3 68	2 83
August 15	6 68¾	5 78	4 97	4 44	3 73	*	2 83
August 16	6 67⅞	5 77	4 98	4 32	3 78	3 70	*
August 17	*	5 83	5 00	4 36	3 74	3 71	2 84
August 18	6 67½	*	4 96	4 47	3 66	3 86	2 92
August 19	6 72½	5 89	*	4 50	3 67	3 73	2 88
August 20	6 79½	5 87	5 03	*	3 75	3 70	2 79
August 21	6 86½	5 78	5 02	4 42	*	3 76	2 85
August 22	7 00½	5 87	5 01	4 42	3 69	*	2 97
August 23	6 98½	5 91	4 97	4 41	3 74	3 83	*
August 24	*	5 91	5 02	4 42	3 81	3 79	2 86
August 25	7 10½	*	5 05	4 40	3 75	3 81	2 79
August 26	7 30½	5 97	*	4 38	3 72	3 91	2 76
August 27	7 29¼	6 01	4 98	*	3 70	4 02	2 75
August 28	7 26¼	6 00	5 02	4 40	*	3 97	2 80
August 29	7 18¾	6 03	5 02	4 42	3 70	*	2 84
August 30	7 26½	6 11	5 00	4 40	3 75	3 91	*
August 31	*	6 12	5 06	4 27	3 63	3 99	2 81
Sept. 1	7 32½	*	5 04	4 20	3 61	3 99	2 77

* Indicates Sunday.

SATURDAY'S SHIPMENTS.

The following list shows the number of cars of feeders shipped to the country Saturday and their destination:

CATTLE.	Cars.
Warwock & Co., Wayne, Neb.—M. & O.	2
Frank Lanning, Eagle, Neb.—M. & O.	1
J. P. Milligan, Wisner, Neb.—F. E.	1
S. T. Bordner, Pilger, Neb.—F. E.	1
C. A. Cline, Billings, Mont.—I. C.	2
E. E. Roisby, Billings, Mont.—I. C.	2
John Bremmer, Prairie City, Ia.—R. I.	7
G. H. Estes, Pacific Jct., Ia.—Q.	1
Norcutt & Strain, Nodaway, Ia.—Q.	1
A. W. Turner, Bartlet, Ia.—K. C.	1
E. F. Maxey, Edina, Mo.—K. C.	4
SHEEP.	D.D.
C. W. Likes, Schuyler, Neb.—U. P.	1
Payne & L., Leetor, Ia.—Mil.	1

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H'r's.
C., M. & St. P. Ry.	..	1	..	..
O. & St. L. Ry.	..	1	..	..
Union Pacific system	55	1	23	5
C. & N. W. Ry.	..	2	..	..
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	108	7	8	3
C., St. P., M. & O.	..	1	..	..
B. & M. R. Ry.	74	4	11	21
C., B. & Q. Ry.	1	..	..	..
C., R. I. & P., east	..	6	..	..
C., R. I. & P., west	2	..	..	..
Illinois Central	1	1	..	..
Total receipts	236	24	42	29

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.	221	....	....
Swift and Company	735	427	2,174
Cudahy Packing Co.	722	740	750
Armour & Co.	336	483	1,234
G. H. Hammond Co.	75	....	....
R. Becker & Degan	268	....	....
Vansant & Co.	147	....	....
Carey & B.	296	....	....
Lobman & Co.	365	....	....
W. I. Stephen	8	....	....
Hill & Huntzinger	96	....	....
William Underwood	28	....	....
Livingstone & Schaller	250	....	....
Hamilton & Rothschild	532	....	....
L. F. Huss	94	....	....
Wolf & M.	59	....	....
Other buyers	370	....	5,145
Totals	4,591	1,650	9,333

CATTLE—There was quite a decrease today in cattle receipts, as compared with the last two weeks, but still there is an increase over the same day of last year. The general opinion was that shippers were rather afraid of a Labor day market and as a result many kept away that otherwise would have been here.

As has been the case for some time past there were not enough cornfed steers in the yards to tell anything about the market and as a result the only thing to be said is that prices are practically unchanged. Packers, though, all claim they want more cornfeds to go with their westerns and that they will pay strong prices for desirable grades.

The cow market was quite active this morning and anything desirable was strong to a dime higher than at the close of last week. Good fleshy heavy cows seem to be selling to the best advantage, but still even the medium grades and canners brought a little better prices than they did last week.

Bulls, veal calves and stags were fully steady today and anything desirable met with ready sale.

The demand for stockers and feeders was fully as active today as it was a week ago and owing to the more limited offerings prices firmed up. The better grades were about a dime higher than on Friday of last week and even the commoner grades were fully steady and in some cases a little higher.

Packers took hold of the western beef steers in good shape this morning and the desirable offerings sold strong to a dime higher than the close of last week. There did not seem to be any more than enough to meet the local demand. Common grades did not show so much improvement. Choice western dehorned feeders were also about a dime higher, while the common and especially the common horned cattle were not much more than steady and somewhat neglected, the same as they have been right along. Range cows that had any kill to them were in active demand and sold strong to 10c higher. The medium grades and canners also brought fully as good prices as they did last week. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	780	4 75	21	996	5 75

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1120	3 50	14	1117	3 30
10	1037	1 85	4	1110	3 50
2	1090	2 85	10	1153	4 00
3	893	2 75	1	1200	4 00
1	1090	3 35			

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.
1	830	3 00

COWS AND BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.
21	981	1 50

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1290	3 50	1	1030	3 00
1	1540	2 70	1	970	3 35

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.
1	210	3 50

STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.
1	550	3 60

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	665	3 00	4	755	3 65
1	750	3 25	30	826	3 65
1	860	3 40	1	920	4 00
1	860	3 40	1	840	4 35
1	810	3 40	1	940	4 35
1	600	3 40	2	951	4 25
2	610	3 50	13	971	4 30
1	570	3 40			

NEBRASKA.

2 feeders	950	4 15	17 cows	915	3 25
1 feeder	1270	3 75	9 cows	1068	3 20
3 feeders	1046	4 15	1 cow	1130	2 50
2 cows	920	2 50	1 cow	1050	3 25
12 steers	942	3 30	1 cow	1140	3 35
77 feeders	990	4 20	2 feeders	990	3 50
22 feeders	963	4 15	1 cow	970	2 75
1 feeder	1120	4 15	1 cow	1050	2 40
2 feeders	775	3 25	1 cow	1150	2 50
9 calves	306	3 65	1 heifer	780	3 25
15 calves	491	3 65	11 heifers	655	2 65
20 cows	988	2 50	2 bulls	1440	2 60
11 cows	888	2 90	1 calf	290	4 00
8 cows	985	2 90	1 calf	280	3 00
1 cow	760	2 40	1 calf	250	4 50
1 cow	780	1 60	12 heifers	460	2 60
10 cows	1072	3 20	10 feeders	665	2 60
16 cows	967	3 10	7 feeders	760	4 40
17 cows	980	3 10	1 feeder	480	3 00
4 cows	905	3 10	1 feeder	550	3 00
4 cows	975	3 10	1 feeder	620	3 00
1 cow	1050	3 00	2 steers	1015	3 50
1 cow	1290	3 25	2 feeders	675	3 85
4 cows	1042	2 50	3 feeders	690	3 85
1 cow	1040	2 50	2 feeders	750	3 85
3 cows	843	3 25	1 feeder	900	4 45
1 bull	1500	2 40	2 feeders	605	3 85
1 bull	1260	2 75	11 feeders	609	3 85
1 bull	1530	3 00	21 feeders	733	3 85
1 bull	1210	2 60	28 feeders	980	4 25
2 cows	995	3 15	65 feeders	713	3 85
2 cows	875	2 50	9 feeders	711	3 00
1 cow	1040	2 75	2 heifers	666	2 35
4 cows	1140	3 35	1 heifer	730	2 35
6 cows	1103	2 60	2 heifers	756	4 85
4 cows	1155	2 00	13 feeders	1130	4 40
7 cows	877	2 35	1 bull	1330	3 25
1 cow	900	2 35	1 bull	1300	3 25
2 cows	840	2 75	1 feeder	1020	4 10
4 cows	965	3 00	7 feeders	1000	4 10
1 cow	860	2 75	5 calves	278	4 60
5 cows	850	3 00	3 calves	290	3 75
3 cows	1033	3 00	1 stag	1320	3 65
5 cows	1040	3 00	2 cows	980	2 90
5 cows	1000	2 75	1 cow	1100	2 90
1 cow	1220	2 85	3 cows	920	3 35
1 cow	870	1 50	1 cow	1030	3 00
1 cow	770	2 85	1 cow	900	2 25
7 cows	831	2 50	3 cows	980	2 85
1 cow	730	2 00	2 cows	970	3 15
1 cow	760	2 00	1 cow	1040	2 40
23 feeders	883	4 40	1 steer	1020	3 00
10 feeders	803	3 75	6 cows	883	3 00
1 feeder	590	2 75	1 cow	950	2 50
21 cows	1001	3 10	4 cows	1055	3 10
7 cows	735	2 60	1 cow	850	3 00
9 heifers	364	2 90	10 feeders	448	3 50
24 heifers	627	2 80	6 feeders	615	3 25
6 calves	171	3 50	2 calves	110	2 50
13 cows	896	3 10	10 feeders	803	3 70
1 feeder	1040	4 75	5 feeders	1170	4 65
1 feeder	970	4 65	5 feeders	1060	4 65

WOYMING.

106 steers	1064	4 15	30 steers	1052	4 15
1 steer	980	4 15			

MONTANA

33 steers	1306	5 05	1 steer	900	4 15
1 steer	1160	4 15			

SOUTH DAKOTA.

3 cows	970	3 25	19 feeders	1000	3 85
1 steer	1040	3 90	1 feeder	1020	3 85
2 steers	1310	3 90	25 feeders	1012	4 20
75 steers	1106	2 90	1 steer	1140	2 50

Ira Hawthorne—Neb.					
33 cows	950	3 50	4 cows	965	2 00
1 cow	1060	3 50	1 cow	1030	3 00
9 feeders	1040	4 30			
W. A. Vanatta—Neb.					
18 cows	963	3 20	4 feeders	945	4 00
3 cows	966	2 75	1 feeder	1010	4 00
2 cows	935	3 20			
Charles Tromfouer—Neb.					
24 feeders	718	3 60	1 feeder	580	2 50
Rye & Irwin—Neb.					
20 feeders	998	4 35	1 cow	900	3 30
3 feeders	996	3 50			
W. A. Wiker—Neb.					
10 feeders	1007	4 30	1 cow	1260	2 60
8 feeders	962	4 30	2 cows	1275	2 60
3 feeders	1016	4 30	9 cows	784	3 15
2 feeders	960	4 30	2 cows	1215	3 15
1 feeder	810	3 50	2 cows	1000	3 15
1 feeder	900	3 50	7 steers	1228	4 25
2 steers	1190	4 25			
G. D. Nicholson—Neb.					
1 cow	700	2 50	1 heifer	980	3 00
3 cows	1073	3 00	16 heifers	715	3 00
1 cow	930	3 00	1 heifer	530	2 50
5 cows	954	3 00	1 cow	560	3 00
4 cows	925	3 00	1 bull	1250	2 65
19 cows	938	3 10	5 feeders	712	4 00
4 cows	932	3 10	4 feeders	730	4 00
1 feeder	600	3 25	1 feeder	840	4 20
7 feeders	814	4 20	1 feeder	650	3 25
G. C. Davis—Neb.					
16 feeders	860	4 15	14 cows	980	3 65
G. W. Smith—Neb.					
4 cows	1030	2 80	1 heifer	750	2 25
1 cow	930	3 00	3 heifers	686	2 65
9 cows	844	3 00	1 bull	1460	2 65
2 cows	1050	2 80	4 cows	1167	2 80
1 cow	840	1 50	1 cow	880	4 00
R. H. Hall—Wyo.					
23 steers	1219	4 65	17 feeders	879	4 30
11 steers	981	3 55	2 feeders	985	3 75
1 steer	1330	5 25	1 steer	1080	4 00
31 feeders	703	4 20	1 feeder	780	3 50
1 feeder	770	4 20			
M. F. Brown—Wyo.					
61 feeders	939	4 10	1 cow	1020	4 75
8 feeders	931	4 30	1 cow	940	2 60
8 feeders	940	4 60	1 cow	1100	4 50
13 steers	1190	4 55	1 steer	1010	3 90
23 feeders	1020	4 50	3 feeders	850	3 75
27 feeders	1039	4 75	1 feeder	1030	4 00
29 feeders	672	4 45	1 feeder	550	4 45
3 feeders	640	4 45	1 feeder	520	4 45
2 feeders	630	4 45	1 feeder	1060	3 50
1 feeder	590	4 45			
George Smith—Wyo.					
18 feeders	1037	4 60	2 feeders	1037	4 00
Johnson Bros.—Wyo.					
29 feeders	1196	4 90	2 feeders	1196	4 15
13 cows	981	2 75	51 feeders	1069	4 40
2 cows	1085	3 60	10 feeders	1061	3 40
24 feeders	1039	4 40			
16 feeders	1063	4 15			
M. B. O. Rutherford—Wyo.					
52 feeders	1038	4 60	25 feeders	1040	4 60
Tom Snavely—Wyo.					
11 feeders	1070	3 65	5 cows	880	2 80
30 feeders	894	4 00	2 cows	875	2 50
10 feeders	776	3 30			
Sam Pyle—Wyo.					
7 cows	848	2 65	1 calf	320	3 25
3 cows	896	2 65	1 calf	460	3 00
1 cow	720	2 25	4 feeders	982	4 00
1 cow	950	3 25	18 feeders	846	3 50
3 cows	973	2 25	3 feeders	720	2 50
7 feeders	875	4 00	11 feeders	888	4 00
4 feeders	890	4 00	1 feeder	1000	4 00
W. T. Wolf—Wyo.					
2 cows	850	3 15	13 steers	1316	4 90
1 cow	710	2 65	1 steer	1060	4 90
4 cows	942	3 45			
George McFarland—Wyo.					
14 cows	1000	3 90	4 steers	1061	4 25
1 cow	1060	3 25	2 cows	945	2 90
7 cows	1040	4 00			
Charles McGinnis—Wyo.					
16 feeders	868	4 10	2 cows	810	3 10
2 feeders	1010	4 10	1 cow	900	3 10
1 feeder	1140	4 10	1 bull	1210	2 40
1 steer	900	2 50			
John Ehlers—S. D.					
1 cow	960	3 50	1 feeder	790	4 40
5 cows	916	2 85	19 feeders	967	4 35
5 cows	1012	3 50	2 feeders	955	4 35
1 feeder	770	4 35	1 feeder	710	3 75
1 feeder	1000	3 50	17 feeders	990	4 15
1 feeder	1260	4 15	1 feeder	1030	3 75
22 feeders	913	4 40			
J. M. Holt—S. D.					
48 feeders	1066	4 25			
Sheidley Cattle Co.—S. D.					
101 steers	1153	4 35	7 steers	1177	4 50
1 steer	1250	5 00	7 steers	1145	4 35
J. H. White—S. D.					
44 steers	1168	4 55			
M. Keilher—S. D.					
13 cows	920	3 30	10 steers	1110	3 85
1 cow	1100	2 75			
N. Bullen—Idaho.					
58 feeders	935	4 05	37 cows	928	3 15
R. Hodley—Idaho.					
74 feeders	858	4 00	42 cows	1003	3 00
35 feeders	841	3 70	16 cows	920	2 60
5 feeders	858	3 25			
C. H. Desch & Bros.—Colo.					
4 cows	885	2 75	6 cows	896	2 75
8 cows	887	2 75	6 feeders	923	4 10
H. and A. Davis—Colo.					
14 feeders	840	4 00	3 cows	920	2 90
36 feeders	798	4 15	3 cows	1060	3 25
34 cows	939	2 90	1 feeder	700	3 50
1 feeder	780	3 00			
H. and G. Stockan—Colo.					
2 cows	935	2 75	15 feeders	753	4 20
1 cow	970	3 25	7 feeders	741	4 20
2 cows	930	2 75			
J. C. Reagan—Colo.					
26 cows	1086	3 30	9 cows	1046	3 00
16 cows	953	2 85	2 bulls	1415	2 25
T. R. Wolf—Kan.					
1 cow	1000	3 30	2 steers	1150	3 40
1 bull	1520	3 10	10 feeders	830	3 50
20 feeders	1029	4 25	1 feeder	1150	3 50
16 feeders	692	4 25			

HOGS—There was a very light run of hogs here today and the quality was poor. The market opened rather slow, but 5@10c higher than Saturday. There was very little change from start to finish, but owing to the poor quality and to the fact that none of the packing houses were killing today trading was rather slow. The bulk of the hogs sold from $7.30 to $7.35 and as high as $7.40 was paid. Practically everything was disposed of in good season.

Today's advance carries the market back to the highest point reached since August 6. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
56	290	40	7 30	71	234	80	7 32½
61	240	80	7 25	74	247	80	7 32½
63	244	160	7 30	63	268	40	7 32½
77	247	...	7 30	64	235	200	7 35
48	240	160	7 30	64	212	80	7 35
56	269	...	7 30	68	226	...	7 35
57	268	120	7 30	25	228	...	7 35
69	221	200	7 30	61	233	160	7 35
72	245	...	7 30	64	237	80	7 35
72	236	80	7 32½	69	232	80	7 35
62	233	...	7 32½	37	219	...	7 35
73	253	80	7 32½	72	230	40	7 40

SHEEP—There were not as many sheep on sale today as have arrived on Monday for the last several weeks, but as compared with the corresponding day of last year there is a good increase. The quality of the offerings was not very good and in fact the bulk of the receipts consisted of feeders.

Packers took hold fairly well of the fat stuff and anything desirable sold at about steady prices. The scarcity of good stuff, however, made the market appear rather dull. Packers, though, claimed that they wanted good killers and that if anything choice was offered they would pay fully steady prices.

There were quite a few feeder buyers on the market this morning and besides that there were a good many standing orders in the hands of commission men, so that the desirable bunches met with ready sale at steady prices. The common kinds, though, were neglected, the same as was the case with the fat sheep and lambs.

Quotations for clipped stock: Good to choice yearlings, $3.90@4.15; fair to good, $3.60@3.90; good to choice wethers, $3.40@3.60; fair to good wethers, $3.25@3.40; choice ewes, $3.00@3.25; fair to good ewes, $2.50@2.90; good to choice lambs, $5.00@5.35; fair to good lambs, $4.60@4.90; feeder wethers, $2.75@3.40; feeder yearlings, $3.25@3.60; feeder lambs, $3.75@4.50; cull lambs, $3.00@3.50; feeder ewes, $1.25@2.50. Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
475	cull ewes	78	2 00
1	cull ewe	70	2 60
57	Wyoming ewes	95	2 75
566	Wyoming ewes	106	3 60
254	Wyoming feeder lambs	41	3 40
252	Wyoming wethers	94	3 50
276	Wyoming feeder yearlings	75	3 55
173	Wyoming wethers	84	3 65
12	bucks	110	2 00
33	Idaho culls	95	2 40
4	cull ewes	82	2 60
122	feeder ewes	86	2 60
62	Idaho ewes	105	3 00
141	feeder ewes	77	3 15
103	wethers	80	3 40
146	feeder yearlings	68	3 50
46	Wyoming wethers	114	3 50
627	feeder lambs	54	3 60
68	Idaho yearlings	85	3 75
434	Wyoming yearlings	89	3 75
134	cull lambs	60	4 25
365	Idaho lambs	66	4 75
37	Wyoming cull ewes	86	2 75
216	Wyoming yearlings	74	2 50

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Cattle Market Steady—Hogs Steady to Higher—Sheep Steady.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 15,000 head, including 500 Texans and 5,500 westerns; market steady; good to prime steers, $7.75@8.60; poor to medium, $4.10@7.50; stockers and feeders, $2.50@5.40; cows, $1.50@5.50; heifers, $2.50@6.50; canners, $1.50@2.50; bulls, $2.25@5.25; calves, $2.75@7.25; Texas fed steers, $3.00@5.00; western steers, $4.00@6.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 18,000 head; estimated tomorrow, 15,000; left over, 1,500; steady to 10c higher; mixed and butchers, $7.20@7.80; good to choice heavy, $7.50@7.82½; rough heavy, $7.00@7.40; light, $7.25@7.65; bulk of sales, $7.35@7.60.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 18,000 head; market steady; good to choice wethers, $3.50@4.10; fair to choice mixed, $2.50@3.50; western sheep, $2.50@3.75; native lambs, $3.50@5.75; western lambs, $4.00@5.60.

Official Saturday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Cattle	735	476
Hogs	7,531	717
Sheep	1,571	1,810

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 9,000 natives, 3,000 Texans, 600 Texas calves and 500 native calves; steady to 10c higher; choice export and dressed beef steers, $7.40@8.05; fair to good, $4.55@7.35; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.70; western fed steers, $3.50@5.60; Texas and Indian steers, $2.50@3.75; Texas cows, $2.00@2.90; native cows, $1.75@5.25; native heifers, $3.25@4.75; canners, $1.50@2.40; bulls, $2.00@4.25; calves, $2.50@5.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,900 head; market 5@10c higher; top, $7.75; bulk of sales, $7.45@7.65; heavy, $7.65@7.75; mixed packers, $7.45@7.60; light, $7.35@7.60; yorkers, $7.30@7.60; pigs, $6.85@7.15.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 3,800 head; market firm; native lambs, $3.25@3.60; western lambs, $3.00@5.00; native wethers, $3.40@4.00; western wethers, $2.50@3.95; Texas clipped yearlings, $3.00@3.85; Texas clipped sheep, $2.90@3.10; stockers and feeders, $2.30@3.30.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 6,500 head, including 5,300 Texans; market steady; native shipping and export steers, $6.00@7.75; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.75@7.35; steers under 1,000 lbs., $4.25@6.00; stockers and feeders, $3.50@4.75; cows and heifers, $2.25@5.50; canners, $1.75@2.75; bulls, $2.50@4.50; calves, $4.75@7.00; Texas and Indian steers, $2.85@5.00; cows and heifers, $2.65@3.40.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,000 head; market 10c higher; pigs and lights, $7.45@7.60; packers, $7.50@7.65; butchers, $7.65@7.82½.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,800 head; market steady; native muttons, $3.65@4.45; lambs, $4.50@5.60; culls and bucks, $2.50@4.50; stockers, $1.50@2.50; Texans, $3.30@4.00.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

SOUTH ST. JOSEPH, Sept. 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,606 head; steady to 10c higher; natives, $4.35@8.35; cows and heifers, $1.75@6.15; veals, $2.75@6.25; bulls and stags, $2.50@6.15; stockers and feeders, $2.75@5.35.

HOGS—Receipts, 1,097 head; market 5@10c higher; light and light mixed, $7.42½@7.65; medium and heavy, $7.62½@7.75; pigs, $3.75@7.00; bulk of sales, $7.55@7.65.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 995 head; market steady to 10c lower.

Stock in Sight.

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the five principal markets for September 1:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha	4,937	1,570	10,694
Chicago	15,000	18,000	18,000
Kansas City	12,000	1,900	3,800
St. Louis	6,500	2,000	1,800
St. Joseph	3,606	1,097	995
Totals	42,043	24,567	45,289

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Candled stock, 16c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 9½@10c; roosters, according to age, 4@5c; turkeys, 8@10c; ducks and geese, 5@6c; spring chickens, per lb., 11@12c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 12½c; choice dairy, in tubs, 13@16c; separator, 20@21c.

FRESH CAUGHT FISH—Trout, 10c; herring, 6c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 9c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed, 7c; sunfish, 5c; bluefins, 3c; whitefish, 11c; catfish, 13c; black bass, 18c; halibut, 11c; salmon, 16c; haddock, 11c; codfish, 12c; red snapper, 10c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 27c; lobsters, green, per lb., 25c; bullheads, 10c.

CORN—62c.

OATS—Old, 48c; new, 35c.

BRAN—Per ton, $14.00.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers' association: Choice, No. 1 upland, $7.50; No. 1 medium, $7.00; No. 1 coarse, $6.50. Rye straw, $6.50. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair; receipts light.

OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 30c; extra selects, per can, 37c; New York counts, per can, 45c.

VEGETABLES.

NEW CELERY—Kalamazoo, 30c.

POTATOES—New, per bu., 25@35c.

GREEN ONIONS—Per doz., according to size of bunches, 15@20c.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 30c.

BEETS—Per basket, 40c.

GREEN CORN—Per doz., 5c.

CUCUMBERS—Per bu., 25c.

RADISHES—Per doz., 10c.

WAX BEANS—Home grown, per market basket, 25c; string beans, per market basket, 25c.

CABBAGE—California or home grown, new, 1c.

ONIONS—New home grown, in sacks, per bu., 65c.

TOMATOES—Per market basket, 45@50c.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.15.

FRUITS.

PEACHES—California Late Crawfords, 90c.

PLUMS—California, per four-basket crate, fancy, $1.25; Japanese, in peach boxes, $1; Kelsey, Japan, per four-basket crate, $1.25; Tragedy, $1.25; peach plums, $1; P. D. plums, $1.

PRUNES—Per box, $1.

PEARS—California, per box, $1.75; Clapp's Favorite, Colorado, $1.25.

APPLES—Summer varieties, per bbl., $2.20.

CRABAPPLES—Per bbl., $3.00.

CANTALOUPE—Genuine R. F. cantaloupe, per crate, $3.00.

WATERMELONS—Crated, 15@20c.

GRAPES—Southern Catawbas, per 20-lb. crate, $1.50; home grown, per 3-lb. basket, 25c; Tokay's, per crate, $1.75.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.25@2.75.

LEMONS—California Limoneira, $4.00@4.25; Messinas, $4.50@5.00.

ORANGES—Valencias, $4.75@5.00; Mediterranean sweets, $4.00@4.25.

PINEAPPLES—Per crate, $4.25@4.50.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CIDER—New York, $3.75.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6¾c; No. 2 green, 5¾c; No. 1 salted, 8c; No. 2 salted, 7c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12½ lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

POPCORN—Per lb., 5c; shelled, 6c.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft shell, per lb., 12c; hard shell, per lb., 11½c; No. 2 soft shell, 10c; No. 2 hard shell, 9c; Brazils, per lb., 14c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft shell, 16c; hard shell, 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 12c; small, 10c; cocoanuts, per doz., 50c.

OLD METALS—A. B. Alpern quotes the following prices: Iron, country mixed, per ton, $11; iron, stove plate, per ton, $8; copper, per lb., 8½c; brass, heavy, per lb., 8½c; brass, light, per lb., 5½c; lead, per lb., 3c; zinc, per lb., 2½c; rubber, per lb., 6¼c.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Sept. 1.—4 p. m.—Closing:

*Consols for money	94	New York Central	168
*do account	94¼	Norfolk & Western	75
Anaconda	5⅜	do pfd	95
Atchison	96	Ontario & Western	37¼
do pfd	107½	Pennsylvania	82⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	118	Rand Mines	11⅝
Canadian Pacific	148¼	Reading	36
Chesapeake & Ohio	57½	do 1st pfd	44½
Chicago G. W.	35½	do 2d pfd	39
Chicago, M. & St. P.	191½	Southern Railway	41½
DeBeers	22⅜	do pfd	99½
Denver & R. G.	50½	Southern Pacific	79½
do pfd	97¼	Union Pacific	114⅝
Erie	42	do pfd	94½
do 1st pfd	73¼	United States Steel	42¼
do 2d pfd	58½	do pfd	92½
Illinois Central	176½	Wabash	35
Louisville & Nash	159	do pfd	49½
Missouri, K. & T.	34⅝	Spanish 4s	82½
do pfd	66		

*Ex-interest.

BAR SILVER—Steady at 24⅛d per ounce.

MONEY—2½@2¾ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for both short and three months' bills is 2⅝ per cent.

Statue of Flower Unveiled

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Sept. 1.—A statue of the late Governor Roswell Flower was unveiled here today in the presence of thousands of people. The statue, which is of heroic size and made of bronze, was erected by popular subscription.

You Risk Your Life

If you neglect piles. They will cause fatal diseases, but Bucklen's Arnica Salve positively cures or no pay. 25c.

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Labor Day Parade Yesterday Proves a Notable Demonstration.

FINE LOOKING LOT OF WORKINGMEN MARCH

Splendid Appearance of the Union Men in Line a Subject of General Comment Among Those Who Watched.

Yesterday's Labor day parade was the best seen in South Omaha for a long time. All of the local unions were in line and a fine showing was made. Four bands were in the procession and each division carried the Stars and Stripes at its lead.

Every union presented a fine front. All were fine appearing men neatly dressed, and they marched with precision through the streets. Chief of Police Briggs and Captain Troutan rode at the right of the line and were followed by a platoon of police. All of the police were in full dress uniform and wore white gloves. Later on came the fire department with Chief Etter riding in a buggy decorated with the national colors. Following the chief came the three companies of the fire department. All of the wagons were gaily decorated.

As soon as the parade passed the corner of Twenty-fourth and N streets the crowd which lined the streets moved to Syndicate park, where there was a general jollification. While no set addresses were planned for several were delivered, among the prominent speakers were M. F. Harrington and Bernard McCaffrey. All the afternoon and evening the park was crowded with members of the local labor unions and their families and upon leaving at night all reported having spent a most enjoyable day.

They Want Water.

Persons living on Missouri avenue, east of Sixteenth street are going after the city council with a view to getting water mains and hydrants. It is asserted by Judge Breen and others that there is a need of more water in this locality, and the only way that the Omaha Water company can be induced to lay mains is for the council to order fire hydrants. At the present time two dozen families on Missouri avenue are taking water from a one-inch pipe line laid by John N. Westerfield. This line is private property and the water goes through a meter. The other day there was a break in the line caused, so it is stated, by some repairs being made to the street and the residents from Sixteenth street east to Thirteenth street were deprived of water. When the council meets again there will be a husky delegation of east siders in attendance to insist that something be done to relieve the present condition of affairs.

Schools Open Today.

The public schools will open today. As the teachers already have their assignments there will be little or no confusion. The janitors have been at work for a week or more cleaning up and all of the school houses are in good condition. As for the recently rented rooms there may be some little delay in securing supplies, etc., but by the middle of the week it is expected that all of the pupils who apply will be given admission. Superintendent McLean has the work well in hand and proposes to see to it that all of the pupils are given accommodations.

Donnelly Succeeds Milo.

James Donnelly has been named as the successor of George Milo, manager of the wholesale market at Armour's. Mr. Milo resigned two weeks ago and proposes going to Seattle, where he will engage in business with relatives. Mr. Donnelly is well known both in South Omaha and in Omaha.

Mrs. Bailey Dead.

Mrs. Edward Bailey died yesterday afternoon at her home three miles south of Gilmore. The deceased was the mother of Mrs. W. H. Lamphere. Funeral services will be held at the Union church, in Sarpy county Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be at the Bailey cemetery. George Brewer of this city has charge of the funeral.

Council Will Meet Again.

On account of it being a holiday the city council failed to meet last night. There seemed to be an understanding that the usual monthly session for the allowance will be held tonight. City Clerk Shrigley reported that there was little to do except the consideration of bills and these the finance committee will take up this afternoon.

Magic City Gossip.

Councilman Myles Welsh is home from a trip to Excelsior Springs.

George H. Brewer is in Lincoln today looking after business matters.

The local fire department showed up in great shape in the parade yesterday.

Frank J. Fitle came up from Lincoln yesterday to spend Labor day with his friends here.

W. P. McDevitt is back from a two weeks' visit with friends and relatives at Atlantic City, N. J.

John Carlow is down from Lyons, Neb., and will spend a day or so here looking after business matters.

Robert Maxwell was on the streets yesterday after having been laid up with rheumatism for several weeks.

On account of it being a holiday in Nebraska, there was no meeting of the Board of Education last night.

James Vail reported to the police yesterday that his store at Thirty-third and Q streets had been broken into and about $70 worth of tobacco and cigars taken.

A burning barn just west of the Ancient Order of United Workmen temple site called out the fire department yesterday afternoon. There was no damage to speak of.

UNION LABOR IS ON PARADE

Business Generally Suspended in Sioux Falls in Honor of the Day.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Business was generally suspended here today to give the labor organizations and people of Sioux Falls and opportunity to observe Labor day in a fitting manner. One of the features of the day was a parade, made up of about a score of labor organizations, and headed by Mayor Burnside and members of the city council. Each of the organizations was accompanied by a float representative of the trade or profession of the members. The procession passed in review in front of the Cataract hotel. A purse of $10 was awarded as a prize for the best float, and a prize of $7.50 was awarded for the most novel or best appearing union, numbers not being taken into consideration. No representatives of unorganized labor were permitted to participate in the parade, it being composed entirely of unions recognized by the American Federation of Labor.

LEAD, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Today is Labor day, and the city is practically deserted, all of the mines and mills having shut down in order to allow their employes to attend the picnic given by the miners' union and other labor organizations, which is being held at Spearfish. Every labor organization in the Hills is represented at the picnic, and the day is being observed as a holiday by every city and camp.

Means a New Depot.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The destruction by fire last Thursday of the Great Northern railroad depot in this city will result in the construction of a new and modern depot building at a central point of the city. The burned structure was situated in the extreme southeastern portion of the city, and, besides being in a very inconvenient location for the travelpublic, the building, which was of frame, would have been a disgrace to a town of 500 population. It is now said to be the purpose of the company to erect a modern brick passenger and freight depot building near the heart of the business district. Pending the erection of a new building the Great Northern company is temporarily operating its trains from the depot of the Omaha road.

EXPECT TO MAKE CLEAN SWEEP

South Dakota May Not Have an Anti-Republican in the Legislature.

PIERRE, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—While there is practically no organized opposition to republicanism in South Dakota, with the opening of the campaign, September 15, the work will be pushed as vigorously as if a hot campaign were on. A strong effort will be made to secure a majority of 20,000 or more, and the only thing which can possibly cause failure in this is the fact that republican voters will feel that it is not necessary for them to get out on account of the large majority expected, and will allow the vote to be light by neglect. The work of the campaign managers will be directed toward securing as heavy a vote as possible, and with it the large majority desired.

The last legislature did not contain enough of the opposition to republicans to even make political matters interesting, and the coming session promises to have even fewer of the opposition, as indications are in favor of carrying every county in the state this year. Codington county may be an exception, as a so-called non-partisan legislative ticket has been put in the field in that county by a few republicans, and in case they succeed in defeating the regular nominees, that county will probably have the only anti-republican delegation in the session, and be the only break in the solid line.

TEDDY IS HUNTING CHICKENS

Son of the President Goes with Friends on a Shooting Trip in South Dakota.

HURON, S. D., Sept. 1.—Marvin Hughitt, jr., and party of fifteen from Chicago and the east, with half dozen palace cars and horses and hunting equipment are sidetracked between Arlington and Hetland on the Northwestern.

In the party is Theodore Roosevelt, jr., and Chicago & Northwestern officials out for a week's sport. The open season commenced this morning, with the largest crop of prairie chickens ever known.

Harvest Festival at Garretson.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—At a meeting of business men and other citizens of Garretson, September 12 was selected as the time for a grand harvest festival to be held at that place. The program of attractions has not yet been completed, but arrangements have progressed to such an extent that it is certain there will be some spirited horse races, foot races, a ring ride, a merry-go-round, a ball game between first class teams, and various other sports. In the evening there will be a display of fireworks, followed by a bowery dance, which will conclude the day's festivities. It is expected that thousands of farmers and others from the surrounding country will be present to participate in the celebration.

Free Delivery at Lead.

LEAD, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The Postoffice department a few months ago made arrangements to install the free delivery system in this city, and today it was put into effect. There will be at the start five carrier routes, which have been established and men assigned to each, but it is not believed that this number will suffice to give the best of service, for since the order placing the city on the free delivery list was issued it has been found that the business can be handled only with the greatest difficulty by this number of carriers. Judging from the school census, recently taken, the city now contains a population of 8,200.

Award Free Scholarship.

PIERRE, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Department Commander Blanchard of the Grand Army of the Republic has appointed Harvey D. Lewis of Madison, son of C. E. Lewis, to the free scholarship in the Sons of Veterans' Memorial university at Mason City, Ia. Another free scholarship to a son or daughter of a veteran is also offered to the Women's Relief Corps. Applications for this can be forwarded to Mrs. Mary N. Farr, department president, at Pierre. In this case, as the other, the appointee must pay for room and board.

Adding to School Facilities.

LEAD, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—At the last meeting of the school board of the city it was decided to erect an addition to the present school buildings of the city, and the contract for putting it up will be awarded at a special meeting to be held next week. The building will be a model one and erected on designs approved by the best authorities, and will contain all of the improvements to be found in such buildings in eastern cities. The building, which is just an addition, will cost $25,000.

Heavy Cattle Shipments.

PIERRE, S. D., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Seventy-five cars of cattle were shipped from this city yesterday, making the total shipments for August 315 cars, which is far above the average, and the probabilities at present are that the shipments for September will exceed those for August.

ALLEN ON CUBAN RECIPROCITY

Question of Sugar Tariff as Viewed by the Nebraska Beet Sugar People.

AMES, Neb., Aug. 30, 1902.—To the Editor of The Bee: With references to your editorial on Cuba in Thursday's Bee, will you not treat the matter analytically and candidly? I have read Senator Platt's statement in the North American and fairly well kept the run of the general argument over the country, but there is always something omitted. No one recalls that beet sugar people have always offered to give the desired aid to Cuba in the form of a rebate which would not so conspicuously hand over to the Sugar trust the control of the distribution of sugar in this country.

People forget that the reciprocity bill could have passed with the amendment abolishing the differential duty on refined sugar—that is, on condition of clipping the claws of the trust. When an envoy, minister of executive with limited power negotiates a treaty which must be ratified, should he charge the legislature with moral obliquity if it chooses not to ratify? I can and do see good reason and good morals in sustaining the executive in financial help to Cuba until its industries are duly developed and diversified and able to sustain its people. I do not care how the help shall be given provided it is not so designed as to build up in Cuba the sugar industry of some American citizens while it pulls down sugar production of other American citizens in the United States.

The argument of our gain in Cuban commerce is a feeble one; people who grow cane in Cuba are not nearly as valuable consumers of manufactured commodities as people who grow beets in Nebraska. In all the controversy nothing has been said more shamelessly unfair and ungenerous than the charge so often made by the Chicago Tribune, that traitor to western agriculture, that the small bulk of beet sugar does not entitle it to recognition.

We are not beet sugar alone, but cane in the south and beet in the north, and the aggregate of sugar of our brothers in Louisiana and Texas with beet sugar from California to New York is even now a total by no means negligible or contemptible. The statement by Senator Platt and others and so often repeated that Cuban reciprocity will not injure sugar production is simply preposterous. Cuban reciprocity means practically the extinction of all sugar production in this country, whether of cane or beet. The sugar consumed in all the world can be produced on 10,000,000 acres of land, and no staple commodity may be so easily raised in excess of the world's wants. The welfare of this state and this country is the important thing; and our ability to support in comfort in the future great numbers of families on small farms is of such transcendent value that this hitch over the manner in which we shall help the people of Cuba seems like the perplexity of children in a game of puzzle.

As to the opinion of the senator or the executive on the point of injury to our sugar production in the future, I beg leave to hold my own views. They are, after all, but men, and they may make a mistake. Now is the time for The Bee to illuminate our minds by an exhaustive treatment of this beclouded matter, piercing through the mists of political fancy work to the clear sky of pure reason. R. M. ALLEN.

OFFICER IS RATHER HASTY

Dazzle of a Twenty-Thousand-Dollar Reward Causes Him to Arrest Wrong Man.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Harry Smith, a resident of Lehigh, near this city, was called upon to face an awkward charge of murder today. He was arrested by Marshal Schoonover of that place on suspicion of being a man named Dunham, wanted for the murder of a family of five at San Jose, Cal., in May, 1896. A reward of $20,000 was offered for the arrest of Dunham.

Schoonover thought that he saw a resemblance between Smith's appearance and the published descriptions of Dunham, and put the handcuffs on his man without waiting to verify the story. Smith satisfactorily proved his identity and was released after a brief confinement.

It is thought that the dazzle of the $20,000 reward blinded the eyes of the vigilant officer to the real facts in the case, as Smith resembles the published description in only a few particulars.

New Town in Iowa.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The Des Moines, Iowa Falls and Northern Town Lot company has just bought thirty acres of land in Polk county and will plat a new town, which will be located on the new road now being built between this city and Des Moines. It will be situated in a valuable coal district and will be the shipping point for the Whitebreast and Des Moines Coal companies, which own valuable coal tracts adjacent to the new town. The town has not been named, but will be about five miles from Berwick, on the Chicago Great Western, and about the same distance from Elkhart, another new town on the Iowa Falls road.

Woman Brutally Assaulted.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—Mrs. W. A. Brown, a well known and respected lady living in this city, was brutally assaulted on Sunday evening. Mrs. Davis was returning to her home and was crossing a vacant lot when she was seized by the throat by an unknown man. She managed to scream, and help was speedily on the spot. As rescuers approached, her assailant struck her a stunning blow in the face and made his escape in the darkness. Mrs. Brown was badly shocked, but was otherwise uninjured. The police are working on the case.

Railroad Settles Damage Case.

WATERLOO, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—There is a report current that the Illinois Central road has settled with Engineer Frank Bender for his terrible injury of a year ago in the Fort Dodge yards. It is said he receives $7,500 in cash, life transportation for himself and family over all Illinois Central lines and his doctor bills paid for present and future. His attorney, J. T. Sullivan of this city, refuses to confirm the report, but says the company has offered to settle out of court the $50,000 damage suit now pending.

Woman's Relief Corps Convention.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The annual convention of the Eleventh district of the Woman's Relief corps of Iowa will be held at Humbolt on September 26. The district comprises twelve counties in this part of the state and twenty-three local corps. The following department officers will attend the convention: Department President Mira L. Parker of Des Moines, Department Treasurer Estella E. Plopper of this city and Department Chaplin Margaret Hinman of Belmond.

Leaves Accounts in Bad Shape.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—L. L. Sparks, agent for the Singer Sewing Machine company in this city, has absconded.

He left the city last week, leaving many creditors to mourn his going. General Agent Smith of the Signer company is in the city straightening out Sparks' business in connection with the company.

The amount involved by Sparks' crookedness is not yet known, but will likely reach a goodly sum.

To Inspect Mexican Plantation.

WATERLOO, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—S. F. Morrison has been selected by the Iowa Irrigation company as inspector for the plantation of 3,677 acres in Chiapas state, old Mexico. The company elects an inspector for each year to go over the plantation and make a report of his findings to the stockholders. The company has always paid good dividends. Rubber trees, pineapples and coffee are the products of the plantation.

New Copper Company Organized.

IOWA FALLS, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—The Erie Copper Mining company is the name of a new company organized in this county to develope 300 acres of copper lands in Beaver county, Utah. The officers of the company are the following well known residents of this city and Eldora: C. E. Albrook, W. J. Murry and J. D. Newcomer of Eldora and William Welden of this city.

Valuable Apple Orchard.

WATERLOO, Ia., Sept. 1.—(Special.)—James Van Ordsol of Rowley has a young orchard that has borne 300 bushels of apples this year, while last year not a bushel was produced. Mr. Van Ordsol says the only trouble with the apple crop here last year was the dry weather. The trees this year are producing immense and luscious fruit.

If you eat without appetite you need Prickly Ash Bitters. It promptly removes impurities that clog and impede the action of the digestive organs, creates good appetite and digestion, strength of body and activity of brain.

ANSWER IN MERGER SUIT

Hill and Defendant Roads Answer State of Minnesota.

DENY THE PRINCIPAL PROPOSITIONS

Affirm that Securities Company Has No Place of Business in Minnesota and that Railways Are Not Competitors.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 1.—The defendants in the merger suit brought by the state of Minnesota filed their answers today with the clerk of the United States court.

The suit was brought by the state against the Northern Securities company, James J. Hill, as president of that company; J. J. Hill, as an individual; the Great Northern Railway company and the Northern Pacific Railway company. There is one answer for the Securities company and Mr. Hill, one for the Great Northern and one for the Northern Pacific. The answer of the Securities company and of Mr. Hill sets up all the matters in the defense and the railways in their pleading simply follow the Securities company's answer, with some changes of phraseology, as are required by their diverse characters.

The main answer, that of the Securities company, is more than usually direct and plain for a legal pleading. It reads in part:

No Place of Business.

Defendants deny that the Northern Securities company has ever conducted any business in Minnesota or had any place of business or owned any property in the state, and the railways, the property of the Eastern railway of Minnesota, are operated by virtue of a lease. They also deny that James J. Hill has ever been the owner of or in the possession or control of or that they have at any time been subject to his control or disposition more than a matter of minority or a portion far less than a majority of the capital stock of the Great Northern company. They deny that the Northern Pacific Railway company ever became a corporation of or within the state of Minnesota or that it ever became subject to the laws thereof, except by filing a copy of its articles with the secretary of state and complying with the statutes relating to the admission to the state of railway companies organized under the laws of other states.

They also deny that the Northern Pacific company's lines since the organization of the Northern Securities company have been operated subject to the jurisdiction or control of the officers of that company and deny that the board of directors of the Northern Pacific company, when the bill was filed or at any time since, have been the persons stated in said bill. On the contrary, the board of directors of said company was, when the bill was filed and ever since, has been composed as follows: George F. Baker, Edward H. Harriman, William P. Clough, Brayton Ives, D. Willis James, John S. Kennedy, Daniel S. Lamont, William Rockefeller, Charles Steele, Samuel Spencer, James Stillman, Eben B. Thomas, Hamilton McTwombley, all of New York City; Charles S. Miller, St. Paul; Samuel Rea, Philadelphia.

They admit that cities and towns named in the bill are points on each of the two lines of railway, but deny that the lines between these points are parallel or that the lines competed for freight or passenger traffic between said points in any different manner or by any greater extent prior to the formation of the securities company than they have at all times done since the formation of that company, and will continue to do so in the future. They deny that the lines of the defendant companies between the state of Minnesota and Puget sound were or are parallel or have ever been competing lines, except at a few points, at nearly all of which points they competed and still compete with the lines of other companies.

Railways Are Not Competitors.

They deny that the defendant companies have competed with each other for passenger or freight traffic in any other or different manner or to any greater extent than they have continuously done since the formation of the securities company, and will continue to do in the future. They admit that the lines are the only lines of a single railway company traversing east and west all the northern tier of states west of the Mississippi river. They deny that these lines are the only lines crossing the state of Minnesota and connecting the Pacific ocean by rail with points in said state or that they are the only lines connecting the territory of the northern tier of states or the territory tributary thereto by rail with the Pacific ocean.

They deny that spur or branch lines built into territory adjacent to its railways or into new territory by reason of rivalry between the companies, or that the building of any such spur or branch lines has been or will be prevented or lessened or deferred or in any way affected by the formation of the securities company.

They say that except the grants of swamp lands the grants by the state in aid of railways in Minnesota were made by the territory and state of Minnesota merely in execution of trusts reposed in them, respectively, by acts of congress granting lands of the United States to aid in the construction of such railways.

None of said lands were ever the property of said territory or state, each of whom was a mere conductor to transfer the title of such lands from the United States to the respective corporations, by which such railways were built and said grants, whether congressional, territorial or state, were solely in consideration of the construction and not of the maintenance of such railways and none of said grants were made to either of the defendant railway companies.

Grants Are Not a Gift.

None of such grants nor either of said swamp-land grants was a gift to the company receiving the same, but each of them was made up on a valuable and full consideration furnished the company receiving the same.

They admit making large shipments of wheat and other products from and to the places named in the bill. They deny that competition between the defendant companies for traffic between said places was prior to the organization of the securities company any sharper or more active or more productive of lower rates for freight or passengers than it has been at all times since such organization, and still it, and deny that such rates have been at any time since the organization of the securities company or now or will be any higher than if said company had not been formed.

On the contrary, they say that since the formation of said company such rates have already been largely reduced and are now and will continue to be lower than those stated in the bill to have been secured by the sharp and active competition therein alleged.

They admit that after the formation of the securities company and on November 22, 1901, that company did request of the Great Northern company to purchase such of their shares as should be offered within sixty days from the date at $180 per share and pay therefor in shares of its own capital stock at par. Except as aforesaid, they say that the securities company has not offered or sought to purchase any stock of either of said railway companies in exchange for its own shares. They say that the securities company has also purchased for cash a large amount of the shares of the defendant railway companies and of other companies.

They deny that James J. Hill was at any time the principal or controlling stockholder of the Great Northern company and say that while said James J. Hill was for a short time nominally a director of the Northern Pacific company, he never cast any vote as director. The defendants deny unlawful combination and confederacy.

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