COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Promise of Bad Weather Helps to Maintain Wheat Prices.

ALARMED CORN SHORTS COVER FREELY

Oats and Provisions Both Remain Dull, Though Values Increase Slightly During a Day of Small Sales.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—A good cash and export demand, together with prospects of unfavorable weather, caused a firm tone to wheat today and December closed ¾c higher. December corn was 1⅜c higher, while oats were unchanged. January provisions closed from 2½@6c to 15c higher.

The wheat market in Liverpool showed considerable strength today in face of the weakness here yesterday, and this fact, together with predictions of rains in the northwest, resulted in higher prices here. Strength in corn was also a supporting factor. A report that a large volume of wheat was under contract at Duluth to come to Chicago had a depressing influence on December, which was relatively weaker than May. Prominent longs were active buyers of the latter month. The market closed steady. December opened a shade to ⅛@¼c higher at 72⅝@72¾c and after an early decline to 72¼c a stronger tone prevailed, the market at one time touching 73c. The close was ⅝c higher at 73⅜@72¾c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 403,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 1,296,000 bushels, compared with 955,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 981 cars, which with local receipts of 103 cars—6 of contract grade—made total receipts for the three points of 1,084 cars, against 968 cars last week and 668 cars a year ago.

The feature in corn was the announcement that the warehouse commissioners had decided to stand by the inspection and that there would be no change—no lowering of the standard. This fact, together with the predictions for unfavorable weather, caused a strong feeling in the pit and shorts took alarm and began covering freely, and one or two longs added to their lines. Offerings, however, were light and the market held strong. December closed 3⅝c higher at 51⅝@51¾c, after selling between 50½c and 51¾c. Local receipts were 236 cars, with 56 of contract grade.

Oats were dull and featureless and prices fluctuated within a narrow range. May closed a shade higher, with December unchanged, at 31⅜c, the latter ranging between 31¼c and 31½c. Local receipts were 243 cars.

Provisions ruled dull and steady the greater part of the session except on January lard, which was about 10c higher throughout the day. Higher prices for hogs, with lighter receipts, were the sustaining features. The close was firm, with January pork 10c higher at $15.77½, January lard 15c higher at $9.20 and ribs 2½@5c higher at $8.30@8.32½.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 80 cars; corn, 225 cars; oats, 245 cars; hogs, 13,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Oct.	71	71¼	71	71	70⅝@7⅜
Dec.	72⅝@¾	73	72¼	72⅝	72¼@⅝
May	73⅞@¾	74⅜	73⅞	74⅜@½	73⅞
*Corn—					
Oct.	58	58	57	57	56
Dec.	50½@⅝	51⅞	50½	51⅝@¾	50¼@⅝
May	43½	44	43½	43⅞	43¼@⅜
*Oats—					
Oct.					31¼
**Dec.	31⅜	31½	31¼	31⅜	31⅜
May	33⅛	33⅜	32⅞	33¼@⅜	32 @¼
Pork—					
Oct.	16 82½	16 82½	16 80	16 80	16 90
Jan.	15 70	15 77½	15 62½	15 77½	15 67½
May	14 80	14 87½	14 75	14 87½	14 77½
Lard—					
Oct.	11 00	11 00	11 00	11 00	10 70
Nov.				10 35	10 20
Jan.	9 10	9 20	9 10	9 20	9 05
May	8 45	8 55	8 42½	8 55	8 40
Ribs—					
Oct.				11 50	11 50
Jan.	8 27½	8 32½	8 27½	8 32½	8 27½
May	7 80	7 82½	7 80	7 82½	7 80

*No. 2. **New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; winter patents, $3.40@3.60; straights, $3.10@3.30; clears, $2.70@3.00; spring specials, $4.20@4.30; patents, $3.40@3.70; straights, $3.20@3.30.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 72c; No. 3, 68@71½c; No. 2 red, 71@71½c.

CORN—No. 2, 57c; No. 2 yellow, 59½c.

OATS—No. 2, 28¾c; No. 3 white, 31@32½c.

RYE—No. 2, 49½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 40@42c; fair to choice malting, 44@48c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, $1.21; No. 1 northwestern, $1.23.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $16.85@16.90. Lard, per 100 lbs., $11.00@11.02½. Short ribs sides (loose), $11.20@11.40. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $9.75@10.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $11.87½@12.00.

The following were the receipts and shipments of grain yesterday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	19,700	21,500
Wheat, bu	130,600	60,700
Corn, bu	226,900	122,800
Oats, bu	212,200	166,700
Rye, bu	14,400	2,200
Barley, bu	55,900	16,400

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 16@24½c; dairies, 15@21c. Eggs, firm, loss off, cases returned, 22c. Cheese, steady, 10½@11¾c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—FLOUR—Receipts, 20,010 bbls.; exports, 13,267 bbls.; quiet at the advance asked by holders; winter patents, $3.55@3.85; winter straights, $3.40@3.45; winter extras, $2.50@2.60; winter low grades, $2.65@2.85. Minnesota patents, $3.90@4.00; Minnesota bakers, $3.15@3.30. Rye flour, dull; fair to good, $3.15@3.40; choice to fancy, $3.50@3.55. Buckwheat flour, dull at $2.30@2.40, spot and to arrive.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, $1.30; city, $1.28. Brandywine, $3.40@3.55.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 58½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2, 54½c; track state, 54½c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 41c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 49@61c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 246,000 bu.; exports, 90,483 bu.; spot firm; No. 2 red, 73c elevator and 73¾@73½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 82¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 84¼c f. o. b. afloat. With few exceptions bulls had control of wheat all day, the market advancing steadily as an outcome of friendly sentiment, supplemented by threatening weather west, stronger foreign markets, a big cash demand everywhere, partly for export and strength in corn. The close was ⅝c higher than last night; May, 1-16@⅞¾c, closed at 78⅝c; December, 77 15-16@78 13-16c, closed at 78¾c.

CORN—Receipts, 44,750 bu.; exports, 2,790 bu.; sales, 210,000 bu. futures; spot, steady; No. 2, 67c elevator and 67½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 70c; No. 2 white, 70c. Strengthened by prospects of stormy weather west, higher cables, good speculative support, light offerings and indications that grading at Chicago will not be changed, corn was firm all day, closing ½@⅝c net higher; January, 51⅝@52¼c, closed at 52¼c; May, 48½@48⅞c, closed at 48⅝c; October, closed at 56½c; November, 63⅝c, closed at 63¾c; December, 56 5-16@56⅝c, closed at 56⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 98,600 bu.; exports, 1,365 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2, 34c; standard white, 36½c; No. 2 white, 36½c; No. 3 white, 36c; track, white, 34@40c. Option market, while quiet, was firm with corn; December closed at 30⅝c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 95c@$1.

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice 1902 crop, 30@35c; 1901 crop, 24@28c; olds, 7@12½c; Pacific coast, 1902 crop, 25@30c; 1901 crop, 22@27c; olds, 7@12½c.

HIDES—Quiet; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 36 lbs., 14c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 24@25½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $15.00@16.00; mess, $12.00@12.50; beef hams, $21.00@21.50; packet, $14.50@15.50; city extra India mess, $24.00@26.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, $13.00@14.00; pickled shoulders, 9c; pickled hams, $12. Lard, steady; western steamed, $11.20. October closed at $11.30 nominal; refined, steady; continent, $11.50; South America, $12; compound, 7.50@7.75. Pork, firm; family, $22; short clear, $20.00@22.00; mess, $15.50@19.00.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 6⅛@6⅜c; country 6@6½c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair at 4¼@6¾c; Japan, 4⅝@4¾c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 3,484 pkgs.; steady; state dairy, 18@24c; creamery, extra, 25c; creamery, common to choice, 19@24½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 7,135 pkgs.; quiet; fancy, large and small, 11⅜@11⅝c.

EGGS—Receipts, 7,130 pkgs.; steady to firm; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 22@25c; western, candled, 22@24c.

POULTRY—Alive, dull, but prices firm; chickens, 11½c; turkeys, 9c; fowls, 9½c. Dressed, irregular; western chickens, 9@12½c; western fowls, 10@12c; spring turkeys, 14c.

METALS—The markets were generally quieter today. Tin in London closed at a decline of about 2½d, or at £119 2s 6d for spot, while futures advanced 2s 6d to £117 12s 6d; locally tin was weak, owing to a reduction in the views of holders, though the bid price was a shade higher than yesterday's; spot closed at $26.50@26.75. Copper remained at yesterday's quotations in the London market for futures at £52 12s 6d, but spot advanced 1s 3d to £53 8s 9d; on this side copper was dull; standard closed at $11; lake at $11.25@12.00, electrolytic at $11.70@11.80 and casting at $11.75@11.80. Lead was unchanged at £10 15s in the London market, and locally at $4.12½. Spelter was also unchanged in both markets, closing here at $5.50 and in London at £19 5s. Iron was lower in the English markets, Glasgow closing at 57s 2d and Middlesborough at 52s 11½d. There was no change in the New York market, which continues quiet but steady. Warrants were unchanged. No. 1 northern foundry is quoted at $22.00@22.00; No. 2 foundry, northern, No. 1 foundry, southern, and No. 1 foundry, southern, soft, at $22.00@23.00.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Candled stock, 20c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7½@8c; roosters, according to age, 4c; turkeys, 11@12c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 5@6c; spring chickens, per lb., 9@9½c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 16c; choice dairy, in tubs, 18@20c; separator, 24@25c.

FRESH CAUGHT FISH—Trout, 11c; herring, 7c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 10c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed, 7c; sunfish, 5c; bluefins, 3c; whitefish, 10c; salmon, 16c; haddock, 11c; codfish, 12c; redmapper, 10c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 30c; lobsters, green, per lb., 28c; bullheads, 10c; catfish, 13c; black bass, 20c; halibut, 11c.

CORN—54c.

OATS—32c.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 65c.

RYE—43c.

BRAN—Per ton, $13.00.

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

OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 23c; extra selects, per can, 35c; New York counts, per can, 42c; bulk, extra selects, per gal., $1.75; bulk, standards, per gal., $1.30.

VEGETABLES.

NEW CELERY—Kearney, per doz., 30@35c; Kalamazoo, per doz., 25c.

POTATOES—New, per bu., 25@30c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per lb., 2c; Virginia, per bbl., $3; home-grown, per bu., 90c@$1.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 30c.

BEETS—Per basket, 40c.

CUCUMBERS—Hot house, per doz., $1.50.

WAX BEANS—Per bu. box, $1.50; string beans, per bu. box, $1.50.

CABBAGE—Home-grown, new, 1c.

ONIONS—New home-grown, in sacks, per bu., 50@60c; Spanish, per crate, $1.50.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.15.

FRUITS.

PEACHES—California, late Salways, $1.

PRUNES—Utah, per 4-basket crate, 90c.

PEARS—Fall varieties, per box, $1.75@2.00; Bartlett's, per box, $2.25; Kieffers, per bbl., $3.75.

APPLES—Cooking, per bbl., $2.25; eating, $2.25@2.50; Jonathans, $3.25; New York stock, $3.25.

GRAPES—New York, 24c; Tokays' per crate, $1.75.

CRANBERRIES—Per bbl., $7.00@7.50; per box, $2.50.

QUINCES—Per box, $1.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

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

LEMONS—California fancy, $4.00@4.25; choice, $3.50@3.75.

ORANGES—Valencias, $4.50; New Jamaica, any size, $4; Mexicans, any size, $4.

DATES—Persian, in 70-lb. boxes, per lb., 6c; per case of 30-lb. pkgs., $2.25.

FIGS—California, per 10-lb. cartons, 95c; Turkish, per 35-lb. box, 18c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—New Utah, per 24-frame case, $3.60.

CIDER—New York, $4.50; per ½-bbl., $2.75.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 7c; No. 2 green, 6c; No. 1 salted, 8¼c; No. 2 salted, 7¼c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12½ lbs., 8¼c; 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., 3c; shelled, 4c.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft shell, per lb., 13c; hard shell, per lb., 12½c; No. 2 soft shell, per lb., 11c; No. 2 hard shell, per lb., 10c; Brazils, per lb., 11c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft shell, per lb., 16c; hard shell, per lb., 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 14c; small, per lb., 13c; cocoanuts, per doz., 50c; chestnuts, per lb., 16c; peanuts, per lb., 6½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 8c.

OLD METALS—A. B. Alpern quotes the following prices: Iron, country mixed, per ton, $11; iron, stove plate, per ton, $8; copper, per lb., 9½c; brass, heavy, per lb., 8½c; brass, light, per lb., 5½c; lead, per lb., 3c; zinc, per lb., 2½c; rubber, per lb., 6½c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash and elevator, 69½c asked; track, 70@70½c; December, 69¾@69⅞c asked; May, 73⅝c bid; No. 2 hard, 68@71c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 56c; track, 57½c asked; December, 49⅝c bid; May, 39½c bid.

OATS—Higher; track, 30@31c; December, 29c bid; May, 30c; No. 2 white, 34c.

RYE—Higher at 49c.

FLOUR—Steady; red winter patents, $3.40@3.55; extra fancy and straight, $3.10@3.30; clear, $2.95@3.05.

SEED—Timothy, firm, $2.50@3.50.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 73@75c.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.90.

HAY—Steady to firm; timothy, $9.00@13.00; prairie, $9.00@11.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.07½.

BAGGING—6 5-16@7 1-16c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, old, $16.95; new, $17.25. Lard, higher at $10.80. Dry salt meats, lower; boxed extra shorts, $11.25; clear ribs, $11.50; short clear, $11.50. Bacon, lower; boxed extra shorts, $12.25; clear ribs, $12.37½; short clear, $12.50.

METALS—Lead, steady at $4; spelter, quiet at $5.20.

POULTRY—Easy; chickens, 9½c; springs, 9@10c; turkeys, 9½c; ducks, 10½c; geese, 6½c.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 18@26c; dairy, 18@21c.

EGGS—Firm at 19½c, loss off.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	8,000	9,000
Wheat, bu	170,000	97,000
Corn, bu	21,000	27,000
Oats, bu	112,000	55,000

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 2 red western, winter, quiet at 5s 8¾d; No. 1 northern, spring, quiet at 6s 6½d; No. 1 California, quiet at 5s 4¾d. Futures, quiet; December, 5s 10¾d; March, 5s 11d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, 5s 5½d. Futures, steady; October, nominal; January, 4s 2¾d; March, 4s 1d.

PEAS—Canadian, quiet at 6s 6½d.

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

PROVISIONS—Beef, strong; extra India mess, 115s. Pork, strong; prime mess, western, 95s. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., firm, 55s. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs., firm at 63s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., quiet, 66s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs., quiet, 62s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., quiet, 61s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., firm, 65s. Shoulders, square cut, 11 to 13 lbs., quiet, 51s. Lard, prime western, in tierces, steady, 55s; American refined, in pails, quiet, 56s 9d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), firm, £6 12s@£7.

BUTTER—Nominal.

CHEESE—Firm; American finest white and colored, strong at 55s.

TALLOW—Firm; prime city, 29s 6d; Australian, in London, firm, 33s 9d.

Receipts of wheat during the last three days, 424,000 centals, including 174,000 American.

Receipts of American corn during the last three days, 14,200 centals.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—December, 66⅝@66½c; May, 69¼@69⅛c; cash, No. 2 hard, 66c; No. 3, 67½@68c; No. 2 red, 67@67½c; No. 3, 66½@67c.

CORN—October, 56c; December, 38¼@38⅛c; May, 47⅝@47⅜c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 49@50⅝c; No. 2 white, 56½c; No. 3, 56c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 33½c.

RYE—No. 2, 46c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.00@10.50; choice prairie, $9.50@10.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, 22@23c; fancy dairy, 20c.

EGGS—Fresh, 17½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	125,800	41,600
Corn, bu	28,000	5,000
Oats, bu	23,000	28,000

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 1 northern, 71½@74½c; No. 2 northern, 72½@73c; December, 72¾c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 51½c.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, 64c; sample, 36@58c.

CORN—December, 51½c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Cash, No. 1 hard, 74c; No. 2 northern, 72½c; No. 1 northern, 72½c; November, 72c; December, 70½c; May, 73c.

OATS—December, 31c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Ill., Oct. 23.—CORN—Inactive and steady; No. 3, 58½c.

OATS—Quiet and irregular; No. 3 white, 31½c, billed 11-rough.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Oct. 23.—WHEAT—December, 71½@71¾c; May, 72½@72¾c. On track: No. 1 hard, 73½c; No. 1 northern, 72½c; No. 2 northern, 70½c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.10; second patents, $3.90@4.00; first clears, $2.90@3.00; second clears, $2.45@2.55.

BRAN—In bulk, $1.25.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23.—BUTTER—Firm and active; extra western creamery, 25½c; extra nearby prints, 27c.

EGGS—Firm, with a good demand; fresh nearby, 24½c, loss off; fresh western, 23½c, loss off; fresh southwestern, 23c, loss off; fresh southern, 22c, loss off.

CHEESE—Steady; New York full creams, prime small, 12½@12¾c; fair to good small, 11½@12¼c; prime large, 12@12¼c; fair to good large, 11¼@11¾c.

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, O., Oct. 23.—WHEAT—Dull and strong; cash, 70½c; December, 77¾c; May, 77¾c.

CORN—Active and strong; December, 44½c; May, 43½c.

OATS—Dull, firm and higher; December, 32½c; May, 33c.

RYE—52½c.

SEED—Clover, dull and firm; October, $6.80; January, $6.90 bid.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Foreign Exchange Governs Market, Which Speculates Considerably.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Foreign exchange was again the governing feature of the stock market today. There was considerable speculation in exchange because of the slightly higher rate for sterling at Paris and the resistance of the local market to the volume of bankers' bills put out during the morning. These offerings, it was believed, represented accumulations of bills held in reserve for such an emergency. Most of the day's business was done at $4.8675 for Saturday's steamer. Experts intimated that an outward gold movement might soon be inaugurated, although actual negotiations could not yet be consummated on a profitable basis. Later in the day demand sterling broke 20 points, and was offered at $4.8660. Little can be said for the stock market, which was duller and more narrow than on the previous days of the week. Some speculative activity was shown at the opening in Baltimore & Ohio, Reading, Erie, Atchison, Pennsylvania, St. Paul, Missouri Pacific and the St. Joseph & Grand Island securities, all of which scored slight advances. The rest of the list was fairly firm, with practically no demand for the industrials. Further activity was shown during the morning session when Louisville & Nashville advanced 2 points, but elsewhere the list made no material change. Operations continued almost altogether professional, and some traders covered their short contracts on the theory that the market had been oversold. The early gains, with few exceptions, were soon lost, but such issues as Louisville & Nashville, St. Paul, Illinois Central and Erie held steady. Sugar and International Power were about the only industrials dealt in up to this time, and transactions in the latter stock were believed to be for pool account.

Up to the final hour there was no decided pressure to sell, but in the late trading such stocks as Lackawanna, Baltimore & Ohio, Kansas City Southern and a few industrials were hammered down to the lowest prices of the day. The liquidation in Northwestern was believed to result largely from the unfavorable view taken by traders of the new relations of the Union Pacific road with St. Paul, Rock Island and Illinois Central. As proof of the extreme tenderness of the market a sale of 500 shares of Northwestern early in the day caused a drop of almost 4 points. The uncovering of stop-loss orders in the same stock caused a further decline of almost 3 points, with a net loss of 2½ points, the stock recovering on buying orders at the close. For the first time in over a week London was a buyer on balance, but even this fact, together with the ease of Paris sterling and another Australian gold importation, failed to awaken any enthusiasm. The closing was weak and the day's business was under 400,000 shares. One of the disturbing features was a report of labor troubles on the Southern Pacific system. Call money ruled at from 4 to 5½ per cent, most of the day's loans being made at the higher figure. No change was reported in time money rates. Two important financial transactions will have to be met in the market within the next fortnight. On Saturday the first payment for one-half on the Baltimore & Ohio road's increase of $42,500,000 capital stock falls due. On November 1 the second installment of about $27,000,000 of the Pennsylvania road's stock increase will have to be met.

Some of the speculative issues in the bond market were heavy, but the movements were without importance except in the Wabash debentures.

The general list was irregular and dull. Total sales, par value, $1,786,000. United States 2s and 3s advanced ¼ and the new 4s declined ¼ per cent on the last call.

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

Atchison	85½	So. Pacific	71⅝
do pfd	97	So. Railway	37½
Bal. & Ohio	108⅝	do pfd	94
do pfd	94	Texas & Pacific	43⅝
Canadian Pacific	123⅝	Toledo, St. L. & W.	31⅝
Canada So	70½	do pfd	70½
Ches. & Ohio	51⅝	Union Pacific	104⅝
Chicago & Alton	36½	do pfd	91
do pfd	72	Wabash	23½
Chicago, Ind. & L.	71½	do pfd	44⅝
do pfd	91	Wheeling & L. E.	27
Chicago & E. Ill	213	do 2d pfd	38½
Chicago & G. W.	30	Wis. Central	27⅝
do 1st pfd	90	do pfd	65½
do 2d pfd	44⅝	Adams Ex	200
Chicago & N. W.	229	American Ex	235
C., R. I. & P.	199	United States Ex	142½
Chicago Ter. & Tr.	20½	Wells-Fargo Ex	250
do pfd	51½	Amal. Copper	64½
C. C. C. & St. L.	100	Amer. Car & F.	35⅝
Colorado So	23	do pfd	91⅝
do 1st pfd	75½	Am. Lin. Oil	29
do 2d pfd	67	do pfd	46
Del. & Hudson	169½	Amer. S. & R.	47
Del. L. & W.	256	do pfd	95½
Denver & R. G.	41	Amer. Smelting	91
do pfd	91	do pfd	82½
Erie	38	Anac. Mining Co.	97
do 1st pfd	68	Brooklyn R. T.	62½
do 2d pfd	52½	Colo. Fuel & I.	85
Great Nor. pfd	185	Cons. Gas	218
Hocking Valley	90	Cont. Tobacco pfd	121½
do pfd	91	Distillers' Sec.	26
Illinois Central	148½	Hocking Coal	23½
Iowa Central	34½	Inter. Paper	19⅝
do pfd	78	do pfd	72
Lake Erie & W.	56	Lead	24½
do pfd	120	Laclede Gas	95
L. N.	140½	National Biscuit	46½
Manhattan L.	194½	National Lead	28⅝
Met. St. Ry.	129	No. American	121½
Mex. Central	25⅝	Pacific Coast	75
Mex. National	18⅝	Pacific Mail	42
Minn. & St. L.	110	People's Gas	103½
Mo. Pacific	110⅝	Pressed S. Car	40⅝
M., K. & T.	29½	do pfd	95½
N. Y. Central	155½	Pullman P. Car	230
Norfolk & W.	77½	Republic Steel	32½
do pfd	78½	do pfd	79½
Ontario & W.	33½	Sugar	122⅝
Pennsylvania	163⅝	Tenn. Coal & I.	64⅝
Reading	67⅝	Union Bag & P.	17½
do 1st pfd	77½	do pfd	70½
do 2d pfd	77½	U. S. Leather	14½
St. L. & S. F.	75	do pfd	90½
*do 1st pfd	84	U. S. Rubber	33½
do 2d pfd	70	do pfd	85½
St. L. S. W.	31½	Western Union	91
do pfd	68⅝	Amer. Locomotive	34½
St. Paul	191½	do pfd	94
do pfd	185	K. C. Southern	35
		do pfd	55

*Offered. **Ex-dividend.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—MONEY—On call, 4@5 per cent; closing offered at 5 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86500@4.86625 for demand and at $4.83625 for sixty day bills; posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.87½; commercial bills, $4.8275@4.8425.

SILVER—Bar, 50⅝c; Mexican dollars, 39⅝c.

BONDS—Government, irregular; state, strong; railroad, irregular.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref 2s, reg	110	L. & N. uni. 4s	101
do coupon	110	Mex. Central 4s	80⅞
do 3s, reg	108	do 1s inc	28½
do coupon	108⅝	Minn. & St. L. 4s	102⅝
do new 4s, reg	136½	M., K. & T. 4s	93½
do coupon	137½	do 2d	84½
do old 4s, reg	111	N. Y. Central 3s	102
do coupon	111	do gen. 3½s	107
do 5s, reg	104½	N. J. C. gen. 5s	138
do coupon	106½	No. Pacific 4s	105⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	101⅝	do 3s	73⅝
do adj. 4s	96½	N. & W. con. 4s	100⅝
Bal. & Ohio 4s	109⅝	Reading gen. 4s	97⅝
do 3½s	94½	St. L. & I. M. 5s	110½
do conv. 4s	109	*St. L. & S. F. 4s	101
Canada So. 2s	106	St. L. S. W. 1s	99⅝
Central of Ga. 5s	111	do 2s	87
do 1s inc	36	St. A. & A. P. 4s	87
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	105½	So. Pacific 4s	94
Chicago & A. 3½s	80½	So. Railway 5s	119½
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	96½	Texas & Pacific 1s	120
C. M. & St. P. g. 4s	113	do 2s	90
C. & N. W. c. 7s	135	Union Pacific 4s	104
C., R. I. & P. 4s	108⅝	do conv. 4s	109½
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s	101	Wabash 1s	120
Chicago Ter. 4s	101½	do 2s	101½
Colorado So. 4s	82⅝	do deb. B	86½
Denver & R. G. 4s	101	West Shore 4s	113
Erie prior lien 4s	99½	W. & L. E. 4s	92
do gen. 4s	83	Wis. Central 4s	92
F. W. & D. C. 1s	114½	Cons. Tobacco 4s	67⅝
Hocking Val. 4½s	109		

*Offered.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The following are the closing prices on mining stocks:

Adams Con	20	Little Chief	16
Alice	40	Ontario	155
Breese	55	Ophir	85
Brunswick Con	8	Phoenix	5
Comstock Tunnel	4	Potosi	6
Con. Cal. & Va	1 10	Savage	1
Horn Silver	125	Sierra Nevada	10
Iron Silver	75	Small Hopes	25
Leadville Con	2	Standard	310

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Oct. 23.—Bank clearings, $1,111,544.33; corresponding day last year, $1,282,784.49; decrease, $172,240.16.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $27,969,057; balances, $1,681,668; New York exchange, 20c discount; foreign exchange, sterling posted at $4.84½ for sixty days and at $4.87½ for demand.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $260,019,960; balances, $11,545,753.

BOSTON, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $23,214,136; balances, $1,207,179.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $6,849,879; balances, $920,207; money, steady, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 15c discount.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $2,857,900; money, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 25c premium.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $23,404,877; balances, $621,719; money, 5 per cent.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23.—Clearings, $19,828,755; balances, $2,631,819; money, 6 per cent.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Oct. 23.—Call loans, 6@7 per cent; time loans, 5@6 per cent. Official closing of stocks and bonds:

Atchison 4s	100⅝	Amalgamated	64½
Atchison	85½	Bingham	28⅞
do pfd	100	Calumet & Hecla	520
Boston & Albany	258	Centennial	17½
Boston & Maine	197	Copper Range	58½
Boston Elevated	155½	Franklin	8½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	228	Isle Royale	13½
Fitchburg pfd	142	Mohawk	46
Union Pacific	104⅝	Old Dominion	16
Mex. Central	25½	Osceola	66
American Bagge	25	Parrot	25
do pfd	120½	Quincy	120
American B. & T.	156	Santa Fe Copper	1⅝
Dominion I. & S.	67½	Tamarack	185
Gen. Electric	184	Trimountain	99
Mass. Electric	27⅝	Trinity	10⅝
do pfd	81½	United States	44½
United Fruit	119½	Utah	21
U. S. Steel	40½	Victoria	4⅝
do pfd	88½	Winona	4⅞
Westingh. Common	132	Wolverine	84⅝
Adventure	21	Daly West	50
Allouez	7½		

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, for money	93 3-16	New York Central	160½
do account	93⅛	Norfolk & Western	77⅝
Anaconda	5	do pfd	94
Atchison	91⅝	Ontario & Western	34½
do pfd	103	Pennsylvania	84½
Baltimore & Ohio	112½	Rand Mines	11½
Canadian Pacific	140½	Reading	35
Chesapeake & Ohio	53⅝	do 1st pfd	48
Chicago G. W.	31½	do 2d pfd	40
C., M. & St. P.	196½	Southern Railway	35⅝
DeBeers (def.)	22⅝	do pfd	96⅝
Denver & R. G.	43⅝	Southern Pacific	74
do pfd	94⅝	Union Pacific	105⅝
Erie	40½	do pfd	93½
do 1st pfd	70⅝	United States Steel	41⅝
do 2d pfd	54	do pfd	91⅝
Illinois Central	153½	Wabash	24⅝
Louisville & Nash	141½	do pfd	50½
Missouri, K. & T.	30⅝	Spanish 4s	85⅝
do pfd	63½		

BAR SILVER—Dull at 23.5-16d per ounce.

MONEY—2 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3@3¼ per cent and for three-months' bills 3⅝@3 7-16 per cent.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Oct. 23.—The supplies of money were curtailed today and rates were firm. Operators on the Stock exchange were idle and most of the day was featureless. Consols hardened on the announcement of the postponement of the Transvaal loan. Spanish securities were weak at first, on Paris selling orders, but subsequently recovered somewhat. Rio tintos were supported by orders from Paris. Americans were mostly higher and irregular. They became stagnant, but grew firm later and closed dull. Grand Trunks hardened, Kaffirs were dull, owing to the postponement of the Transvaal loan. G