COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Business is More Active and Prices Higher on Board of Trade.

DAMAGED CROPS AID GRAIN SELLERS

Provisions Rule Firm, Being Helped by Higher Hogs and Big Packing House Demand for Lard.

CHICAGO, May 15.—Business was more active on the Board of Trade today and the inclination in leaning was toward higher prices, July wheat closing ⅛@¼c higher, July corn 4c higher and oats up ⅜@⅝c, while September provisions were from 5c to 7½c higher.

Trading in wheat was of a broader character than of late and the prevailing sentiment was a bullish one. Opening prices were firm, due to small receipts and better cables, July being a shade to ⅛@¼c higher at 72⅝@72¾c, and on a good commission house demand the market soon became quite strong. Numerous reports of damage to the crop by the Hessian fly throughout Kansas were responsible for much of the early buying. Selling by scalpers caused a little reaction, July declining to 72⅜c, but the weakness was only temporary, the market quickly responding to the bullish foreign news reports from Paris stating that the import duty on wheat was likely to be repealed within a short time, which was taken as a confirmation of a shortage in that crop. There was some liquidation late in the afternoon and after selling up to 73⅛@73¼c, July closed at 72¾c, a gain of ⅛@¼c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 308,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 199,500 bushels, against 167,700 bushels a year ago. Exports of wheat and flour of the week as reported by Bradstreet's were equaled 4,090,000 bushels. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 108 cars, which, with local receipts of 28 cars, three of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 136 cars, against 113 cars last week and 109 cars a year ago.

Reports of delayed seeding continued to annoy the shorts in the corn pit and caused considerable covering early in the day, while commission houses also had plenty of buying orders. Opening prices were a trifle easier on favorable weather, but the loss was quickly regained on the good demand and with a steady cash demand the market became strong. The close was firm, with July ⅛c higher at 45¾c, after selling between 44¾c and 45¾c. Local receipts were 126 cars, ten of contract grade.

Oats furnished considerable excitement early in the day, when a large portion of a big line of a prominent operator was covered through brokers and commission houses. There was a good trade all day and the sentiment was bullish on crop prospects. The close was strong, July ⅝@⅝c higher at 33c, after selling between 32½@32¾c, and 33¼c; local receipts were small at 80 cars.

Provisions were firm, being helped by a 5@10c advance in prices for hogs. There was a considerable demand for lard, a large part of which was from packers. The selling was mostly by outsiders.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 50 cars; corn, 235 cars; oats, 145 cars; hogs, 16,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
May	73½	73⅝	73	73⅝	73⅛
July	72⅜@72⅝	73⅛@73¼	72⅜	72⅞@73	72⅝@72⅝
Sept.	70¼@70⅝	70⅝	70¼	70½	70¼
*Corn—					
May	45@45¼	45¾	45	45⅛	45
July	44⅞@45	45⅝	44⅞	45⅞	45
Sept.	44¼@44⅜	44⅝	44¼	44⅝	44⅜
*Oats—					
May	35⅛	36⅛	35⅝	36⅛	35⅝
July	32½@32⅝	33⅜	32½@32⅝	33	32½@32⅝
Sept.	30¼@30⅜	30⅝	30¼	30⅝@30⅝	30¼
Pork—					
May	18 85	18 90	18 85	18 90	18 80
July	17 10	17 20	17 10	17 17½	17 10
Sept.	16 60	16 67½	16 60	16 65	16 60
Lard—					
May	.....	.....	.....	8 85	8 80
July	8 87½	8 95	8 87½	8 95	8 87½
Sept.	8 95	9 00	8 85	9 00	8 92½
Ribs—					
May	9 30	9 30	9 27½	9 30	9 30
July	9 35	9 40	9 25	9 40	9 35
Sept.	9 17½	9 25	9 17½	9 22½	9 17½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull, steady; winter patents, $3.50@3.60; straights, $3.30@3.40; spring patents, $3.35@3.90; straights, $3.10@3.40; bakers, $2.30@2.85.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 78¼@80c; No. 3, 72@79c; No. 2 red, 78@78¾c.

CORN—No. 2, 46¼@46½c; No. 2 yellow, 47½c.

OATS—No. 2, 36½c; No. 3 white, 34½@37½c.

RYE—No. 2, 50@50½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 40@41c; fair to choice malting, 50@56c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, $1.11; No. 1 northwestern, $1.16; prime timothy, $3.50; clover, contract grade, $11.50@11.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $17.37½@17.50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $8.80@8.85. Short ribs sides (loose), $9.25@9.35. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.25@8.37½. Short clear sides (boxed), $9.50@9.62½.

Following are the receipts and shipments of flour and grain yesterday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	11,300	6,500
Wheat, bu.	38,200	207,700
Corn, bu.	204,800	575,600
Oats, bu.	169,700	143,800
Rye, bu.	1,000	31,300
Barley, bu.	44,000	.....

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 19@21½c; dairies, 15@18c. Eggs, easier, at mark, cases included, 14¼@14½c. Cheese, weak, 12¾@12¾c to 13¼@13¾c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, May 15.—FLOUR—Receipts, 20,133 bbls.; exports, 27,968 bbls. Fairly active and firmer. Winter patents, $3.70@4.00; winter straights, $3.50@3.60; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.30; winter extras, $2.80@3.10; Minnesota bakers, $3.20@3.40; winter low grades, $2.60@2.80. Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, $2.80@3.20; choice to fancy, $3.25@3.45.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, $1.06; city, $1.04; Brandywine, $3.40@3.55.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 59¾c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 59@60½c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 45c, f. o. b., Buffalo; malting, 62@68c, f. o. b., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 125,250 bu.; exports, 168,678 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 83¾c, elevator, 83¾c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 87½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 85¾c, f. o. b., afloat. Options had a rather strong tone on small Argentine specials, early export talk, complaints of fly in Kansas, drouth in California and southwest buying of options. The close was very steady at ¼@¾c net advance. May, 83¼@83¾c, closed 83¾c; July, 78½@79¼c, closed 78¾c; September, 76 1-16@76 5-16c, closed 75¾c; December, 76¾@76¾c, closed 76¾c.

CORN—Receipts, 132,300 bu; exports, 86,467 bu. Spot firm; No. 2, 54¾c, elevator, and 54c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 yellow, 55c; No. 2 white, 55c. The market developed activity and strength on a scare of local shorts, firmness abroad and the wheat strength, closing ½c up on May and ¼@¾c higher otherwise. May, 53¾@53¾c, closed 53c; July, 52@52 7-16c, closed 52¾c; September, 50¾@50¾c, closed 50¾c.

OATS—Receipts, 128,600 bu.; exports, 14,635 bu. Spot firmer; No. 2, 33½c; standard white, 41c; No. 3, 37¼c; No. 2 white, 41c; No. 3 white, 35¾c; track white, 38@46c. Options quiet but firmer, with other markets; May closed 41c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 70@75c; good to choice, $1.00@1.50.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, olds, 6@10c; Pacific coast, 1902 crop, 19@24c; 1901 crop, 15@18c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 16c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 24@25½c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@7c; Japan, nominal.

PROVISIONS—Beef, easy; family, $11.00@12.00; mess, $9.00@10.00; beef hams, $20.00@21.00; packing, $10.50@11.00; city extra India mess, $11.75. Cut meats, easy; pickled bellies, $9.00@13.50; pickled shoulders, $8.75; pickled hams, $11.50@11.75. Lard, steady; western steamed, $9.55; refined, steady; continent, $9.65; South America, steady. Pork, dull; family, $19.00; short clear, $18.50@20.25; mess, $18.25@18.75.

TALLOW—Steady; country packages, 5¼@5½c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,378 pkgs.; firm; extra creamery, 22c; common to choice, 18@21½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 4,495 pkgs.; firm; state, full cream, 13@15c; large, colored and white, old, 14@14¼c; small, colored and white, new, 13c.

EGGS—Receipts, 14,952 pkgs; weak; western, storage packed, 16½@16¾c; western, firsts, 15¼@18½c.

METALS—The London tin market was 15s higher for spot, which closed at £126, and 12s 6d higher for futures, which were quoted at £124 7s 6d. The local market was quiet at $29.62½@29.75. Copper in London closed unchanged at £62 10s for spot and £62 2s 6d for futures. Locally copper was dull. Lake, electrolytic and casting are quoted at $14.75. Lead was unchanged at $4.37½ in New York, but was 1s 3d lower in London at £11 16s 3d. Spelter was unchanged at £21 2s 6d in London and also locally, where the price is held at $5.75. Iron closed at 61s 9d in Glasgow and at 46s in Middlesborough. Iron was quiet and unchanged in New York. No. 1 foundry, northern, is quoted at $20.75@21.00; No. 2 foundry, northern, is quoted at $19.75@20.25; No. 1 foundry, southern, and No. 1 foundry, southern, soft, at $20.50@21.00.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, 14c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 11@11½c; spring chickens, per lb., 25c; roosters, according to age, 5@6c; turkeys, 13@16c; ducks, 10@11c; geese, 9@10c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 13c; choice dairy, in tubs, 15@17c; separator, 22@23c.

FRESH FISH—Fresh caught trout, 9@10c; pickerel, 9c; pike, 11c; perch, 6c; buffalo, 7c; bluefish, 11c; whitefish, 13c; salmon, 16c; haddock, 11c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 10c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 27c; lobsters, green, per lb., 25c; bullheads, 10c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 17c; halibut, 11c; shad roe, 35c each; roe shad, 15c each.

BRAN—Per ton, $15.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $8.50; No. 2, $8; medium, $7.50; coarse, $7; Rye straw, $6. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

CORN—40c.

OATS—35c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Per bu., 30@35c.

NEW POTATOES—Southern, per lb., 4½c; per bbl., $6.50.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 35@40c.

PARSLEY—Per doz. bunches, 30c.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 30@40c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $1.25.

GREEN ONIONS—Southern, per doz. bunches, 45c; home grown, 12½@15c.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 15@20c.

SPINACH—Home grown, per bu. basket, 40c.

BEANS—Wax, per bu. box, $4; string, per bu. box, $3.00@3.50.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, per lb., 2½c; new California, per lb., 3c.

TOMATOES—New Florida, per 6-basket crate, $3.50@3.75.

RHUBARB—Per lb., 1c.

ASPARAGUS—Per dozen bunches, 45@50c.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.50.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Arkansas, per 24-quart case, $2.25@2.50.

CHERRIES—California, per box, $1.75.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

FIGS—California, per 10-lb. cartns, 90c; Turkish, per 18-lb. box, 18c.

ORANGES—California navels, fancy, for 176 and smaller sizes, $2.75; for 150 and larger sizes, $2.25; Mediterranean, all sizes, $2; Jaffa, $3; fancy blood, per half box, $2.00.

LEMONS—California fancy, all sizes, $3.50@4.00.

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

PINEAPPLES—Cuban, $2.25.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MAPLE SUGAR—Ohio, per lb., 10c.

POPCORN—Per lb., 3c; shelled, 4c.

HIDES—No. 1, green 6½c; No. 2, green, 5½c; No. 1, salted, 7½c; No. 2, salted, 6½c; No. 1, veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8½c; No. 2, veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6½c; dry salted hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 25@35c; horsehides, $1.50@2.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1, soft shell, per lb., 16c; hard shell, per lb., 14c; No. 2, soft shell, per lb., 13c; No. 2, hard shell, per lb., 12c; Brazils, per lb., 12c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft shell, per lb., 16c; hard shell, per lb., 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 12½c; small, per lb., 11c; cocoanuts, per doz., 61c; chestnuts, per lb., 10c; peanuts, per lb., 5½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c; black walnuts, per bu., $1; hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50.

OLD METAL, ETC.—A. B. Alpirn 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.

WEARE GRAIN COMPANY.

Omaha Branch 110-111 Board of Trade Building.

CHICAGO, May 15.

WHEAT—Helped by the continued reports of damage to the crop by fly in the southwest, which reports were borne out by largely increased volume of business, almost wholly on the buying side from this direction, wheat has scored another advance of from ½c to ¾c. The main help was undoubtedly the big increase in the outside interest, but the cables and statistical news also of a bullish nature. Argentine shipments were 2,104,000 bu., about as expected. Clearances were 495,000 bu. There were 50,000 bu. of red wheat sold here, and at the seaboard 28 loads were reported for export. Receipts this morning were 28 cars, with three of contract grade, and there are 50 cars estimated for tomorrow.

CORN—Notwithstanding the fine weather, the corn market, both for cash and futures, has been higher. The most important help seems to be sympathy with wheat and the disposition on the part of shorts to cover their lines. There is even some talk emanating from southern Illinois and eastern Missouri of need of rain, but this has not gained much credence, as these same localities complained of excessive moisture within a fortnight. Corn shipments were 445,000 bu., 159,000 of it being taken out of our contract stock. This business is daily making considerable inroads in what is already a very light supply of contract corn. Argentine shipments were moderate, 694,000 bu. Clearances were 110,000 bu. This was a slightly increased, acceptances from the country aggregating about 500,000 bu. This morning's receipts were 126 cars, with 10 contract, and 100,000 bu. sold to the east and five loads taken at New York for export. Estimated receipts for tomorrow, 225 cars.

OATS—Have been strong and have advanced steadily throughout the session, May scoring the high point of 36¼c, and holding it all. Reports of dry weather noted in the corn letter have had some effect here, although it does not seem probable that the damage from this cause has been material. There has been evidence of covering by Patten on a larger scale than for the past few days, and opinion seems to be that he has about covered his short line. Receipts were 86 cars, with six contract. Cash market was strong and advanced with the futures. Seventy-five thousand bu. were sold for shipment east. Clearances were 20,000 bu. Estimated receipts for tomorrow, 145 cars.

PROVISIONS—Market opened strong, helped by the grain markets. There was fair buying, although scattered. Packers were not much interested one way or the other. We have had quite a break from top prices and the future outcome of the hog market will depend upon receipts. There were 17,000 hogs and the market opened fairly active, with estimates heavy and mixed lots 5@10c higher; other grades steady; estimated for Saturday, 10,000 hogs. Hogs in the west today, 65,300 head, against 52,200 last week and 75,500 last year.

WEARE GRAIN COMPANY.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, May 15.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, nominal; track, 74¾@75¼c; May, 74¼c; July, 69c; September, 67¾c; No. 2 hard, 72@73c.

CORN—Weak; No. 2 cash, 44½c, nominal; track, 46½c; May, 44½c; July, 42c; September, 41¾@41¾c.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 34c; track, 34½@35c; July, 32¼c; September, 29¾c; No. 2 white, 38c.

RYE—Steady at 45¼c.

FLOUR—Firm. Red winter, patents, $3.40@3.55; extra fancy and straight, $3.10@3.45.

SEED—Timothy steady, $2.00@2.40.

CORNMEAL—Steady to firm, $2.40.

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

HAY—Stronger; timothy, $10.00@16.00; prairie, $7.00@11.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—5½@6½c.

HEMP TWINE—8c.

PROVISIONS—Pork: Stronger; jobbing, standard mess, $17.62½. Lard: Higher at $8.60. Dry salted meats stronger; boxed, extra shorts, $9.25; clear ribs, $9.50; short clears, $9.62½. Bacon stronger; boxed, extra shorts, $10.37½; clear ribs, $10.62½; short clears, $10.75.

METALS—Lead: Dull at $4.17½. Spelter: Firm at $5.40@5.50.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 10½c; springs, 15@20c; turkeys, 10c; ducks, 11c; geese, 8@9c.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 16@23c; dairy, 15@16c.

EGGS—Higher at 14c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	6,000	7,000
Wheat, bu.	23,000	60,000
Corn, bu.	67,000	50,000
Oats, bu.	76,000	29,000

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—BUTTER—Steady; extra creamery, 22½c; nearby prints, 24c.

EGGS—Dull and ½c lower; fresh nearby, 15½c at mark; western, 16c; southwestern, 15c; southern, 15c.

CHEESE—Steady; New York full creams, choice small, 14¼@15c; fair to good, 14@14½c; choice large, 14¼c; fair to good, 14@14½c; new, best here, 12¾@12¾c; fair to good, 11¾@12c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, May 15.—WHEAT—½c higher; No. 1 northern, 83½c; No. 2 northern, 82c; July, 72¾c.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 52½@54c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 58@60c; sample, 46@56c.

CORN—July, 45¼c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, May 15.—WHEAT—Spot: No. 2 red, western winter, firm, 6s 4d; No. 1 northern, spring, quiet, 6s 7½d; No. 1 California, quiet, 6s 8d. Futures: Quiet; May, 6s 5½d; July, 6s 4d.

CORN—Spot: American middling, new, steady, 4s 7d; old, quiet, 5s 3d. Futures: Quiet; June, 4s 5½d; July, 4s 4½d.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, May 15.—WHEAT—Cash, 75¾c; May, 77¾c; July, 76¾c. On track: No. 1 hard, 79@79¾c; No. 1 northern, 78¾c; No. 2 northern, 77¾c; No. 3 northern, 75¾@76¾c.

FLOUR—Strong; first patents, $3.95@4.05; second patents, $3.80@3.90; first clears, $2.75@2.85; second clears, $1.75@1.85.

BRAN—In bulk, $12.25@12.50.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Minn., May 15.—WHEAT—To arrive, No. 1 hard, 80¾c; No. 1 northern, 78¾c; May, No. 1 hard, 79¾c; July, 77¾c.

OATS—May, 34c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, May 15.—CORN—Steady; No. 3, 44c; No. 4, 43c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white, 34c; No. 4, 32½c.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, May 15.—SEED—Clover, unchanged; rejected, $6.10; N. E. G., $4.00@5.85; No. 3, $5.30; prime October, $5.45.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Harriman's Illness of None Effect, Southern Pacific Slumps.

NEW YORK, May 15.—There was some further liquidation of stocks today, which seemed due much to the mere lapse of time without any stock market awakening as to any positive development in the situation. Selling by tired holders in Wall street's expressive phrase for this class of liquidation. It was not in large volume today, but it was effective in depressing prices on account of the almost total absence of any buying demand. There was some demand at the lower level for bear account to cover contracts. So considerable a price movement as that of today has come to be so rare an occurrence that the professional element is anxious to avail itself of it to take quick profits. The activity was relatively much greater on the decline than on the recovery and the recovery was not well held, prices sagging again toward the last, making a lifeless and heavy closing. Today's declines carried a number of prominent stocks to the low level for the year, including St. Paul, New York Central, Pennsylvania, Southern Pacific and the United States Steel stocks. The previous low level was at the time of the break in connection with the Northern Securities decision, and today's low prices were only fractionally below those at that time, except the United States Steel stocks, in which low prices were touched Wednesday. The Steel stocks were notably firm today, although the dealings in them were small and the price variation very narrow. Reports of further reduction in the price of iron did not affect them, although the condition of the iron market was a continued incentive in the market. Reports that the Lehigh Valley had determined to curtail its intended improvements, owing to the high cost of material and labor, were accepted as a symptom which promises badly for the further demand for finished iron products, however much benefit may accrue to net earnings of railroads. The fear of a general diminution of consumption of all products on account of the high level of prices plays a strong part in the hesitation now ruling in the speculative market. Of today's more immediate future the forecast of a weak bank statement was the foremost. The loss of the banks to the subtreasury amounting to $1,356,000, and today's engagements of $1,250,000 gold to be shipped to Argentina tomorrow, make an aggregate which is scarcely offset by the estimated receipts of the banks on balance from the interior. It is feared that the process of loan expansion by the banks has been proceeding on a liberal scale during the week in the course of the buying of foreign indebtedness. It will be seen that the net result upon the surplus reserve promises to decrease that item. Reports of damage to the wheat crop by the Hessian fly played a part in the selling of the grangers. The news of the illness of E. H. Harriman did not cause any special effect on stocks in which he is largely interested. The bond market continued irregular today, but the general tone was heavy. Total sales, par value, $1,705,000.

United States 2s, coupon, declined ½ per cent on the last call.

The following are the quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	78¾	Texas & Pacific	34¼
do pfd	96¾	Toledo, St. L. & W.	34⅝
Bal. & Ohio	91⅝	do pfd	62⅞
do pfd	93	Union Pacific	88½
Canadian Pacific	130¾	do pfd	90⅝
Canada So.	70	Wabash	18
Ches. & Ohio	42	do pfd	37
Chicago & Alton	70¾	Wheeling & L. E.	43⅝
do pfd	60¾	do 2d pfd	25
Chicago & G. W.	22	Wis. Central	24
do 1st pfd	75	do pfd	46
do 2d pfd	34¼	Adams Exp.	220
Chicago & N. W.	178	American Ex.	202
Chicago Ter. & Tr.	16	United States Ex.	118
do pfd	28½	Wells-Fargo Ex.	200
C., C., C. & St. L.	83½	Amal. Copper	69¾
Colorado So.	23¼	Amer. Car & F.	36
do 1st pfd	63	do pfd	90¼
do 2d pfd	34¼	Amer. Lin. Oil	14¾
Del. & Hudson	172	do pfd	40
Del. L. & W.	350	American S. & R.	49¾
Denver & R. G.	34¼	do pfd	94⅛
do pfd	85¼	Anac. Mining Co.	102
Erie	33⅝	Brooklyn R. T.	64⅞
do 1st pfd	66⅞	Colo. Fuel & I.	68¾
do 2d pfd	50¾	Cont. Tobacco	54¼
Great Nor. pfd	185	Cont. Tobacco pfd	112½
Hocking Valley	101	Gen. Electric	167
do pfd	94	Hocking Coal	17½
Illinois Central	137	Inter. Paper	16½
Iowa Central	24¾	do pfd	70
do pfd	57	Inter. Power	42
Lake Erie & W.	39	Laclede Gas	97
do pfd	100	National Biscuit	42
L. & N.	110	National Lead	19¾
Manhattan L.	140¼	No. American	96
Met. St. Ry.	130¾	Pacific Coast	56
Mex. Central	27½	Pacific Mail	30½
Mex. National	23⅝	People's Gas	101¾
Minn. & St. L.	90	Pressed S. Car	39¾
Mo. Pacific	111	do pfd	91½
M., K. & T.	25½	Pullman P. Car	215
do pfd	66⅞	Republic Steel	18
N. J. Central	170½	do pfd	77
N. Y. Central	139¾	Sugar	127½
Norfolk & W.	70	Tenn. Coal & Iron	61
do pfd	86½	Union Bag & P.	9
Ontario & W.	28¾	do pfd	68
Pennsylvania	132¾	U. S. Leather	13¾
Reading	82¾	do pfd	82¾
do 1st pfd	83	U. S. Rubber	16¾
do 2d pfd	68¾	do pfd	52½
St. L. & S. F.	77½	U. S. Steel	33⅝
do 1st pfd	80	do pfd	94¾
do 2d pfd	67¾	Western Union	84¾
St. L. S. W.	22½	Amer. Locomotive	25½
do pfd	53	do pfd	92¼
St. Paul	154½	K. C. Southern	29
do pfd	182½	do pfd	61¾
So. Pacific	43⅝	Rock Island	41¾
So. Railway	29⅞	do pfd	75⅜
do pfd	92⅜		

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, May 15.—MONEY—On call steady at 2@2½ per cent, closing 2@2½ per cent. Time money steady; sixty days, 3½@4 per cent; ninety days, 3¾@4 per cent; six month, 4¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady at 4.88 for demand and 4.85 for sixty days; posted rates, 4.85@4.88½; commercial bills, 4.84¾@4.84¾c.

SILVER—Bar, 64½c; Mexican dollars, 43c.

BONDS—Government easier; railroad irregular.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s	105¼	L. & N. uni. 4s	101¼
do coupon	105¾	Mex. Central 4s	80
do 3s, reg.	107½	do 1s inc.	27¾
do coupon	107½	Mo. & St. L. 4s	100⅜
do 4s, reg.	135	*M., K. & T. 4s	95¾
do coupon	135¾	*do 2s	65
do old 4s, reg.	110¾	*N. Y. C. gen. 3½s	102¼
do coupon	111¾	*N. J. C. gen. 5s	132½
do 5s, reg.	103½	No. Pacific 4s	102⅞
do coupon	103½	do 3s	71¾
Atchison gen. 4s	100¾	N. & W. con. 4s	100
o. aj. 4s	91¾	Reading gen. 4s	97¼
Bal. & Ohio 4s	103½	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	112½
*do 3½s	94	St. L. & S. F. 4s	96½
*do conv. 4s	100	St. L. S. W. 1s	25
Canada So. 2s	104¾	**do 2s	83
Central of Ga. 5s	106¾	S. A. & A. P. 4s	80
do 1s inc.	70	So. Pacific 4s	90¾
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	104¾	So. Railway 5s	116¾
Chicago & A. 3½s	77	*Texas & Pacific 1s	33
C., B. & Q. 4s	94¾	*T., St. L. & W. 4s	75
C., C., C. & St. L. 4s	104¾	Union Pacific 4s	102¾
*C. & N. W. con. 7s	131½	do conv. 4s	94⅞
C., R. I. & P. 4s	106	Wabash 1s	113¼
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s	100	do 2s	107
*Chicago Ter. 4s	89¾	do deb. B.	77
Colorado 4s	100	*Wis. Central 4s	100¾
*Denver & R. G. 4s	99	Wheel. & L. E. 4s	87
Erie prior lien 4s	99½	Wis. Central 4s	82
*do general 4s	85¾	Con. Tobacco 4s	61¾
F. W. & D. C. 1s	111	Colo. Fuel 5s	97
Hocking Val. 4½s	107¾	Rock Island 4s	85
Man. con. mtg. 4s	102		

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, May 15.—Call loans, 3@4 per cent; time loans, 4@5 per cent. Official closing prices on stocks and bonds:

Atchison 4s	95½	*Calumet & Hecla	531
Mex. Central 4s	78	Centennial	23¼
Atchison	78¾	Copper Range	62
do pfd	96¾	Dominion Coal	102
Boston & Albany	250	Franklin	16
Boston Elevated	145	Isle Royale	39
N. Y., N. H. & H.	210	Mohawk	59
Fitchburg pfd.	140	Old Dominion	17¼
Union Pacific	88¾	Osceola	63½
American Sugar	134½	Parrot	27
do pfd	121	Quincy	165
American T. & T.	155¼	Santa Fe Copper	4
Dominion I. & S.	28	Tamarack	20
Gen. Electric	180	Trimountain	33
Mass. Electric	30	Trinity	8¼
United Fruit	103	United States	23¾
U. S. Steel	33⅛	Utah	24¾
do pfd.	93¾	Victoria	5¼
Westingh. Common	100	Winona	10¼
Allouez	8¼	Wolverine	70
Amalgamated	51¾	Daly West	17
Bingham	29½		

*Asked.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, May 15.—Money was superabundant in the market today and rates very easy. Business on the Stock exchange was depressed. Consols relapsed. Americans opened heavy and later became heavy. St. Paul was the feature of the dealings, which were professional. Prices then weakened and closed steady. Rio tintos were offered from Paris. Kaffirs were weak at first, but improved somewhat on the statement that permission had been given by the authorities to import Chinese labor into South Africa. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £20,000. The sum of £5,000 was withdrawn for shipment to South America. American eagles, 76s 4½d.

PARIS, May 15.—After a heavy opening and inactivity on the bourse today trading took a favorable turn, internationals becoming particularly favored and stocks closed firm throughout. Three per cent rentes, 98f 5c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 17½c for checks.

BERLIN, May 15.—Business on the bourse today was depressed, some stocks being adversely affected by the Croatian troubles. Exchange on London, 20m 47½pfg for checks.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, May 15.—Closing quotations:

Consols, money	93 1-16	N. Y. Central	123
do account	93 3-16	Norfolk & Western	72¼
Anaconda	2⅝	do pfd	90½
Atchison	80¾	Ontario & Western	29¾
do pfd	98½	Pennsylvania	66
Baltimore & Ohio	92½	Rand Mines	10⅝
Canadian Pacific	134⅝	Reading	27
Chesapeake & Ohio	43	do 1st pfd	63
Chicago G. W.	22	do 2d pfd	35¼
C., M. & St. P.	163	Southern Ry.	30¾
De Beers	22⅛	do pfd	76
Denver & R. G.	36¼	Southern Pacific	61¼
do pfd	88⅝	Union Pacific	91¼
Erie	35	do pfd	93
do 1st pfd	68⅝	U. S. Steel	34⅝
do 2d pfd	57	do pfd	89¼
Illinois Central	141	Wabash	17⅞
Louisville & Nash.	119⅝	do pfd	40
M., K. & T.	26⅝		

BAR SILVER—Steady at 25 1-16d per ounce.

MONEY—1½@2¼ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for both short and three-months' bills is 3⅝ per cent.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, May 15.—The following are the quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

Adams Con	20	Little Chief	7
Alice	25	Ontario	325
Brunswick Con.	4	Ophir	70
Comstock Tunnel	5½	Potosi	30
Con. Cal. & Va.	115	Savage	15
Horn Silver	135	Sierra Nevada	60
Iron Silver	160	Small Hopes	40
Leadville Con.	3	Standard	250

*Asked.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, May 15.—COTTON—Dull; sales, 600 bales. Ordinary, 9¾c; good ordinary, 9¾c; low middling, 10¾c; middling, 11¼c; good middling, 11 13-16c; middling fair, 12⅜c. Receipts, 1,713 bales; stock, 96,216 bales. Futures barely steady; June, 11.70@18.00c; July, 11.85@11.86c; August, 11.29@11.30c; September, 9.70@9.72c; October, 8.85@8.86c; November, 8.71@8.75c; December, 8.11@8.12c.

Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton gives the total visible as 2,872,403 bales, of which 1,733,403 was American cotton.

NEW YORK, May 15.—COTTON—Opened easy with prices 3 points higher to 8 points lower and, notwithstanding the strength of Liverpool cables, showed still further weakness immediately following the call, under heavy realizing. The first rush of these orders over, however, the market was rallied a few points by south n buying, but various spot houses and European interests hammered the market and prices soon declined to a level net 9@10 points below the close of yesterday. At this time May was selling at 11.50c, compared with 11.49c earlier in the morning, and July, touching 10.73c, showed a decline from the best of the session of 24 points, and 27 points from the best price of yesterday. August meantime showed less weakness, selling down only 16 points from the best of the morning. Following this the list was rallied under clique support and it seemed that the room also was inclined to take the long side for a scalp. But Liverpool and New Orleans showed a reactionary tendency and the market responded slowly. Still prices were persistently forced upward until a level net 2@24 points lower had been reached. Speculation during this movement was not so active as during the last two days, but the market continued to reflect the utmost nervousness and irregularity were in pursuance was expecting that the clique would make a final wind up of the shorts just before the close for the purpose of affecting Liverpool tomorrow. Some buying may have been affected on this theory, which proved incorrect, however, for the clique brokers did not even heavily cover the last few minutes and prices eased off. The market was finally