COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Market Opened Firmer, but Failure to Support Sent Prices Down.

PRICE OF CORN HAD A WIDE RANGE

Oats, in Sympathy with Other Grains, Developed Weakness and Packers Made Active but Weak Produce Market.

CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—Wheat was steady to firm early, but turned weak and closed with December ⅛c lower. Corn was unsettled, but the late market was very weak; December finished 1⅝c under yesterday. Oats ruled weak and closed ⅜c lower, with provisions down 10@70c.

The northwest markets showed strength and St. Louis had better demand, and this, with relative firm cables, started shorts to covering. There was a fair demand for the long account. December opening about steady at 77¼@77⅜c, was bulled to 77⅝c early and the general tone showed improvement. It soon became apparent, however, that there was no outside support and general liquidation began and only ceased when the December option had receded to 76¼c. The weakness in corn had an influence on wheat values and the general news was bearish. Some buying on the decline, influenced to some degree by an urgent cash demand from Minneapolis, caused part of the loss to be regained, at the close, with a steadier tone. December finished at 76⅝@76½c, a loss of ⅞c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 178,000 bu., with primary receipts 974,300 bu., against 1,374,100 bu. last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 625 cars, which, with local receipts of 90 cars—none of contract grade—made a total for the three points of 715 cars, against 650 last week and 1,060 a year ago.

There was firmness in corn at one time, and after an early slump prices went slightly over the opening. Commission house buying on the decline, with light offerings, were the influences, and aside from these there was little to give strength to the market. Long holders put out large lines on the failure of crop damage reports to appear and, with lack of outside support, extreme weakness developed. December sold off to 45¾c from 47⅜@47½c, the highest point reached on the bulge, and closed only a shade above the bottom at 45⅝@45¾c, a net loss of 1⅝c. Cables were a little lower and receipts fair—483 cars, of which 43 graded contract.

In sympathy with other grains oats developed weakness and prices broke materially. On the decline stop-loss orders came out. The early demand was excellent and with offerings light a fair advance was scored, but the close showed December off ⅝c at 37⅝@37¼c, after ranging between 38⅛c and 37c. Local receipts were 94 cars.

Packers were heavy sellers of provisions and the market was weak, although quite active at times. Trading consisted chiefly of covering by shorts in the nearby months and liquidation in the distant future, but prices throughout the list ruled lower. October pork being down 70c at $12.30, with ribs 12½c lower at $7.62 and ribs off 10c at $9.30.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 70 cars; corn, 470 cars; oats, 125 cars; hogs, 14,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Sept.	75⅝@7⅝	76¼	74½	74½	75⅞
Dec.	77⅛@⅞	77⅝	76⅛	76⅝@½	77⅛
May	79⅛@⅞	79⅝@⅝	78⅛	78½@⅛	79¼@⅝
*Corn—					
Sept.	47⅛	47⅛	45	45⅝	47⅛
Dec.	47⅝@47⅞	47⅝@½	45⅝	45⅝@⅛	47⅝@½
May	47⅛@⅞	47⅝@½	45⅝	45⅞	47½
*Oats—					
Sept.	37¼	37¼	36	36½	36⅞
Dec.	37⅛@38	38@38⅛	37	37⅛@¼	37⅜@⅞
May	38⅝@39	39⅛	37⅞	38⅛	38⅝
Pork—					
Sept	.....	.....	.....	12 20	12 90
Oct.	12 75	12 75	12 75	12 75	13 00
May	12 97½	12 97½	12 57½	12 57½	12 97½
Lard—					
Sept.	9 90	10 10	10 00	10 05	9 82½
Oct.	7 70	7 75	7 55	7 62½	7 90
Jan.	7 07½	7 07½	6 92½	6 92½	7 02½
Ribs—					
Sept	.....	.....	.....	9 20	9 30
Oct.	9 30	9 42½	9 17½	9 30	9 40
Jan.	6 72½	6 72½	6 55	6 63½	6 70

*No. 2. a New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easier; winter patents, $3.90@4.10; straights, $3.50@3.90; spring patents, $4.20@4.30; straights, $3.80@4.00; bakers', $2.60@3.40.

WHEAT—No. 2 red, 74¼@78½c.

CORN—No. 2, 45¾c; No. 2 yellow, 47¾c.

OATS—No. 3 white, 39¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 53½@56c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 48@50c; fair to choice malting, 53@60c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, 99½c; No. 1 northwestern, $1.02. Prime timothy, $3.10. Clover, contract grade, $9.75@9.90.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.25@12.75. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10.00@10.80. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.87½@9.12½. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.50@8.75; short clear sides (boxed), $8.75@9.25.

The following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	39,191	18,885
Wheat, bu.	143,300	244,136
Corn, bu.	257,000	296,199
Oats, bu.	155,075	152,670
Rye, bu.	3,500	.....
Barley, bu.	65,511	7,035

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady to firm; creameries, 16@21½c; dairies, 14@18½c. Cheese, steady, 10½@11½c. Eggs, firm at mark, cases included, 18@19c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—FLOUR—Receipts, 18,963 bbls.; exports, 9,131 bbls.; neglected and easier; winter patents, $3.90@4.10; winter straights, $3.70@3.90; Minnesota patents, $4.70@4.90; winter extras, $2.60@2.85; Minnesota bakers, $3.85@4.10; winter low grades, $2.70@3.00. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $3.15@3.40; choice to fancy, $3.40@3.60.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, $1.10; city, $1.08.

RYE—Easier; No. 2 western, 61½c f. o. b. afloat.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 52c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 56@63c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 29,875 bu.; the market for spot was easier; No. 2 red, 80¾c elevator and 81⅛c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 86¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 90¼c f. o. b. afloat. On rumors of big export orders in the market, wheat ignored all bear news this morning and ruled firmer at a slight advance; after midday, however, it collapsed under a bear raid and was weak all the afternoon, closing ⅝@⅞c net lower; May, 83@84½c, closed at 83⅛c; September, 82⅝@83⅜c, closed at 82⅝c; December, 82 9-16@83 13-16c, closed at 83⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 142,250 bu.; exports, 4,210 bu.; the market for spot was easy; No. 2, 53c, nominal, elevator and 53½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 56c; No. 2 white, 54c. The option market was at first affected by prospects for warmer weather and an absence of crop damage news; rallying for a time with wheat, it again became heavy under liquidation and closed 1⅛@1⅛c lower; May, 51⅝@52⅜c, closed at 51⅞c; September, 52⅝c, closed at 53⅜c; December, 52⅝@53⅜c, closed at 53⅜c.

OATS—Receipts, 261,000 bu.; exports, 7,173 bu.; spot oats were neglected; No. 2, 41½c; standard white, 42⅜c; No. 3, 40½c; No. 2 white, 43c; No. 3 white, 42½c; track white, 42@46c.

HAY—Easy; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 85@90c.

HOPS—Steady; 1903 state and Pacific coast, medium to choice, 26@30c; 1902 common to choice, 21@26½c; olds, 20@13c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 22@25½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $10.50@11.50; mess, $8.00@8.50; beef hams, $21.50@22.00; packet, 29.00@10.00; city extra India mess, $14.50@16.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 9¼@9½c; pickled shoulders, 6c; pickled hams, 12¼@12c. Pork, steady; family, $18.50@19.00; short clear, $17; mess, $14.75@15.50. Lard, easy; western steamed, $8.60; refined, easy; continent, $9.80; South America, $9.50; compound, $7.50¼.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4@6¼c; Japan, 5¾@6c.

TALLOW—Dull; city, 4⅜@4¼c; country, 4⅜@4¾c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 6,750 pkgs.; steady; state dairy, 15@20c; creamery, 16@21½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 6,500 pkgs.; firm; state, full cream, fancy, small, colored and white, 11¼c; large, colored, 11⅛c; large, white, 11⅛c.

EGGS—Receipts, 5,300 pkgs.; quiet; western, 17@24c.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; western chickens, 14½c; fowls, 14½c; turkeys, 13c. Dressed, firm; western broilers, 15c; fowls, 14½c; turkeys, 15@20c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Sept. 24.—WHEAT—On track: No. 1 northern, 79½c; No. 2 northern, 76½c; December, 75½c.

OATS—36½c.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 24.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 1 red, western, winter, dull, 6s 2d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 6d. Futures, quiet; September, 6s 2¾d; October, 6s 3¼d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, quiet at 4s 5d. Futures, quiet; September, 4s 4¾d; October, 4s 4½d.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, loss off, 19c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 9½@10c; spring chickens, per lb., 10½@11c; roosters, according to age, 4@5c; turkeys, 11@12c; old ducks, 6c; young ducks, 8@9c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 15c; choice to fancy dairy, in tubs, 16@18c; separator, 21c.

FRESH FISH—Fresh caught trout, 11c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 10c; perch, 6c; buffalo, 7½@8c; bluefish, 15c; whitefish, 10c; salmon, 11c; haddock, 10c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 11c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 20c; lobsters, green, per lb., 18c; bullheads, 11c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 20@22c; halibut, 9c; crappies, 12c; herring, 6c; white bass, 10c; bluefins, 8c.

OYSTERS—New York counts, per can, 45c; per gal., $2.15; extra selects, per can, 37c; per gal., $1.90; standard, per can, 30c; per gal., $1.50.

BRAN—Per ton, $14.00.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $9.50; No. 2, $9.00; medium, $8.50; coarse, $8.00. Rye straw, $7.00. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

CORN—48c.

OATS—38c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Utah and Dakota, per bu., 85@90c.

SWEET POTATOES—Home grown, per basket, 60c; Virginias, per 3-bu. bbl., $3.50.

CUCUMBERS—Home grown, per basket, 50c.

BEANS—Home grown, wax, per market basket, 40@50c; string, per market basket, 40@50c.

GREEN CORN—Per doz., 10c.

TOMATOES—Home grown, per basket, 35@40c.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.65.

CELERY—Michigan, per doz., 30@35c; large western, 45c.

ONIONS—New home grown, dry, per lb., 1½c; fancy Washington stock, per lb., 2c; Spanish, per crate, $1.75.

EGG PLANT—Per doz., $1.00.

FRUITS

PLUMS—Utah and Colorado, $1.25.

PRUNES—Italian, per box, $1.00; Silver, $1.25.

PEACHES—California Salaways, 95c; California clings, 95c; Utah freestones, 90c; Colorado Albertas, $1.00@1.10.

CRABAPPLES—Per bbl., $4.00.

PEARS—Colorado and Utah Sheldon, Dutches and Flemish Beauties, per box, $1.00@1.75; Colorado and Utah Bartletts, $2.00@2.75.

CANTALOUPE—Rocky Ford, per standard crate, $2.00; home grown, per crate, $1.25.

APPLES—Weltheys and other varieties, per 3-bu. bbl., $2.50@3.00; Snows, $3.25; Michigan strawberry, $3.00; California Bellflowers, per box, $1.50@1.60; New York stock, $3.50.

GRAPES—California Tokays, $1.50; Corinchoin, $1.50; Black Ferara, $1.50; Muscats, $1.50; home grown, per 8-lb. basket, 22@23c.

WATERMELONS—Missouri, 25c each; crated, net, 75c per 100 lbs.

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

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Valencias, all sizes, $4.00@4.25.

BANANAS—Per bunch, $2.00@2.50; jumbos, $3.00.

LEMONS—California fancy, 300 to 360 sizes, $4.25; choice, 240 to 270 sizes, $4.00@4.25.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEESE—Wisconsin twins, full cream, 12½c; Wisconsin Young Americas, 13½c; black Swiss, 15c; Wisconsin brick, 12½c; Wisconsin limberger, 12c.

HONEY—Nebraska, per 24 frames, $3.50; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, $3.50.

POPCORN—Per lb., 2½c; shelled, 3@3½c.

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@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft-shell, per lb., 17c; 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; peanuts, per lb, 5½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 24.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 80c; track, 84@86c; September, 79½c; December, 80¼c; May, 82⅝c; No. 2 hard, 77@79½c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 44c; track, 47½c; December, 42⅝c; May, 43⅝c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 cash, 38c; track, 38½@39½c; December, 36c; May, 37c; No. 2 white, 41½c.

RYE—Steady at 58c.

FLOUR—Steady; Red winter patents, $4.00@4.10; extra fancy and straight, $3.70@3.95; clear, $3.20@3.40.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $2.75@5.25.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.50.

BRAN—Steady; sacked east track, 76@80c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $8.00@12.50; prairie, $7.50@10.00.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.29.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—5¾@6½c.

PROVISIONS — Pork, lower; jobbing, standard mess, $12.60. Lard, lower at $7.62½. Bacon, steady, boxed extra shorts and clear ribs, $10.00; short clear, $10.50.

POULTRY — Steady; chickens, 8½c; springs, 10c; turkeys, 15c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 4@5c.

BUTTER — Quiet; creamery, 16@22½c; dairy, 13@17c.

EGGS—Firm at 19½c, loss off.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	6,000	16,000
Wheat, bu.	90,000	74,000
Corn, bu.	30,000	89,000
Oats, bu.	43,000	18,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 24.—WHEAT—September, 65⅞c; December, 66⅛@66½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 72½@73½c; No. 3, 67@69½c; No. 4, 60@62½c; rejected, 58@60c; No. 2 red, 80½c; No. 3, 78@79c.

CORN—October, 40½c; December, 39½c; May, 39½@39⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 43@43½c; No. 2 white, 44c; No. 3, 42@43½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 39@40c; No. 2 mixed, 38c.

RYE—No. 2, 55c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50@10.00; choice prairie, $8.25@8.50.

BUTTER—Creamery, 18½@19½c; fancy dairy, 17c.

EGGS—Firm; Missouri and Kansas, cases returned, 18c; new No. 2, whitewood cases included, 18½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	156,000	233,600
Corn, bu.	24,800	2,400
Oats, bu.	11,000	10,000

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 24.—BUTTER—Steady, with a good demand; extra western creamery, 22c; nearby prints, 22c.

EGGS—Firm, good demand; fresh nearby, 25c, loss off; western, 24c; southwestern, 21@22c; southern, 20@21c.

CHEESE—Firm, good demand; New York full creams, fancy, 12c; choice, 11½@11¾c; fair to good, 10¾@11¼c.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 24.—WHEAT—December, 75½@75¾c; May, 77½@77¾c. On track: No. 1 hard, 83c; No. 1 northern, 82c; No. 2 northern, 76½c; No. 3 northern, 74@75½c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.30@4.40; second patents, $4.20@4.30; first clears, $3.40@3.50; second clears, $2.70@2.80.

BRAN—In bulk, $13.70@14.00.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 24.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 1 northern, 85@88c; No. 2 northern, 83@85c; new December, 76½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 57½@58c.

BARLEY—Lower; No. 2, 65c; sample, 46@61c.

CORN—December, 46½c.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Sept. 24.—CORN—Steady; No. 3, 47½c; No. 4, 46½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white, 37@38c; No. 4 white, 37½c.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, Sept. 24.—SEEDS—Clover, January, $6.22½. Timothy, $1.55. Alsike, $1.75.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—TIN—Market about 15s higher in London at £118 10s for spot and £119 10s for futures.

COPPER—Prices were higher in London, advancing 5s to £55 12s 6d for spot and 10s to £55 12s for futures. Locally copper was quiet and more or less nominal; lake and electrolytic are quoted at $13.50 and casting at $13.12½.

LEAD—Market unchanged here at $4.50 and abroad at £11 2s 6d.

SPELTER—Market unchanged at $6 in New York and at £21 in London.

IRON—Market closed at 50s 3d in Glasgow and at 44s 10½d in Middlesborough. Locally iron was unchanged; No. 1 northern foundry is quoted at $17, No. 2 northern foundry at $16.50, No. 1 southern foundry and No. 1 soft southern foundry at $16.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 24.—LEAD—Firm at $4.40.

SPELTER—Steady at $5.60.

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—EVAPORATED APPLES—Market quiet. Arrivals of new crop continue light and of unattractive quality. Old fruit is in light demand and rules about steady. Common are quoted at 4@6c; prime, 5¾@6¾c; choice, 6@6½c; fancy, 6¾@7½c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Spot prunes attract a moderate jobbing inquiry and rule steady to firm; quotations range 3½c to 7c for all grades. Apricots steady to firm; choice quoted at 9¼@9½c; extra choice at 9¾@10¼c and fancy at 10½@12c. Peaches in fair demand; extra choice, 7¾@8¼c.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Prices Crumble as Market Wallows in Slough of Despond.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—The stock market wallowed in a slough of despond today. Prices crumbled away first here and then there, and the closing showed a resumption of the tone of demoralization which characterized the markets of July. The break in prices was unaccounted for by any news developments. All news, whether good or bad, was interpreted in an unfavorable way by discouraged traders.

The relief measure of the United States treasury announced yesterday, which seems to make $20,000,000 readily available to the money market, was used by the traders on the Stock exchange to insinuate dark possibilities disclosed in the situation which made necessary this unexpected measure of relief. The air was full of rumors of "something overhanging the market." Diligent inquiry in the banking community and in brokers' offices failed to disclose any definite information of this mysterious something.

The persistent and urgent character of the selling gave force to the rumors and kept sentiment disturbed and nervous all day. The futility of the treasury relief measure to afford comfort to holders of securities, as well as the prevailing low rate for money, is a pretty reliable indication that the trouble is not with the money condition. Those who can borrow money at all can borrow it on reasonable terms. This points to the conclusion that those who are being forced into liquidation are those who cannot borrow money on any terms, at least for employment in the projects for which they seek funds. The Consolidated Lake Superior episode is looked upon to some extent as symptomatic. Over-extension in new enterprises whose securities it is impossible to float is believed to be bringing a new crop of casualties into effect, which is reflected in the large selling of such stocks as have any market to make good these casualties. It was reported that some of the large commission houses which have carried long standing accounts have grown tired of failures to respond to repeated calls for additional margin and have been selling out some very extensive accounts.

United States steel preferred, which was the sensation of the day's market, was supposed to be affected in this way. The growing realization of the increasing frankness of the admissions as to the contraction in the iron and steel trade of course aggravated the weakness of this stock. All sorts of rumors were in circulation of cancellation of orders in different lines of industry. Sales for account of Philadelphia and Pittsburg were again reported to be on a large scale and were believed to be the effect in a general way of the iron and steel trade situation. The downward plunge in Steel preferred at the last carried it to 63, where it closed at a net loss of 4. Losses ran to about 3 points in Baltimore & Ohio, Reading, Union Pacific and St. Paul, which were among those most acutely affected. Losses of 1 to over 2 per cent were quite general throughout the list. The Grangers showed some early resistance, owing to the reported escape from damage to the corn crop from last night's frost, but they shared fully in the later weakness. The anthracite carriers were weak on reports of shutting down of collieries, while the argument for the selling of the bituminous carried was that the accumulation of steam sizes of anthracite threatened the extension of the soft coal trade which resulted from last year's anthracite strike.

A fall in New York exchange at Chicago to 15 cents discount pointed to the approach of the currency movement to the west, while the flow to New Orleans continues. But these various news items were used by the traders simply as surmises to explain the continuous liquidation, which seems due to the widespread impairment of values, which makes necessary the closing out of ventures for which no further support can be had from the financial world. The market closed active and weak at the lowest.

Bonds were weak, in sympathy with stocks. Total sales, par value, $2,760,000. United States 2s declined ½ per cent on the bid.

Following are the closing quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	62¾	St. Paul pfd	172½
do pfd	88	So. Pacific	40
Bal. & Ohio	74⅝	So. Railway	34¼
do pfd	85	do pfd	78⅝
Canadian Pacific	119⅝	Texas & Pacific	23
Central of N. J.	155	Toledo, St. L. & W.	152
Ches. & Ohio	23⅝	do pfd	50
Chicago & Alton	19⅝	Union Pacific	93
do pfd	71	do pfd	94⅝
Chicago & G. W.	14⅝	Wabash	19⅝
do pfd	35¼	do pfd	29⅝
Chicago & N. W.	154½	Wheeling & L. E.	15⅝
Chicago Ter. & Tr.	8¼	Wis. Central	16⅝
do pfd	16	do pfd	34
C. C. C. & St. L.	69⅝	Adams Ex.	222
Colorado So.	11⅝	American Ex.	175
do 1st pfd	61	United States Ex.	162
do 2d pfd	19¼	Wells-Fargo Ex.	196
Del. & Hudson	181	Amal. Copper	40½
Del. L. & W.	235	Amer. Car & F.	24⅝
Denver & R. G.	31½	do pfd	71½
do pfd	72¼	Amer. Lin. Oil	8
Erie	24	do pfd	23
do 1st pfd	43¼	Amer. Locomotive	15⅝
do 2d pfd	45¼	do pfd	82⅝
Great Nor. pfd	168	American S. & R.	41
Hocking Valley	65	do pfd	87¼
do pfd	75	Amer. Sugar Ref.	119⅝
Illinois Central	127¼	Anac. Mining Co.	42⅝
Iowa Central	18	Brooklyn R. T.	35¼
do pfd	32	Coal, Fuel & Iron	34⅝
K. C. Southern	19¼	Columbus & H. C.	12
do pfd	35	Cons. Gas	146
L. & N.	99¼	Gen. Electric	146½
Manhattan L.	121	Inter. Paper	11
Met. St. Ry.	151¼	do pfd	62
Minn. & St. L.	63	Inter. Pump	33⅝
Mo. Pacific	57¼	do pfd	70
M., K. & T.	17¼	National Biscuit	37
do pfd	35	National Lead	18
Nat. R. R. of M. pfd.	87½	No. American	70¼
N. Y. Central	115	Pacific Mail	17½
Norfolk & W.	58⅝	People's Gas	99½
do pfd	88	Pressed S. Car	22
Ontario & W.	29	do pfd	70¼
Pennsylvania	119⅝	Pullman P. Car	238
P., C. C. & St. L.	58	Republic Steel	9
Reading	45⅝	do pfd	61
do 1st pfd	70	Rubber Goods	15
do 2d pfd	66	do pfd	61½
Rock Island Co.	25¼	Tenn. Coal & Iron	32½
do pfd	69	U. S. Leather	7
St. L. & S. F.	34	do pfd	75⅝
do 1st pfd	65	U. S. Rubber	10
do 2d pfd	41	do pfd	37
St. L. S. W.	13¼	U. S. Steel	17
do pfd	29	do pfd	63
St. Paul	136⅝	Western Union	83

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—MONEY—On call, steady at 2@2½ per cent, closing, 2 per cent bid; offer 2½ per cent. Time money, quiet; sixty days, 5½ per cent; ninety days, 6 per cent; six months, 6 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@6½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86@4 for demand and at $4.83@4.8355 for sixty-day bills; posted rates, $4.83 and $4.87½; commercial bills, $4.82@4.82⅝.

SILVER—Bar, 59⅝c; Mexican dollars, 46½c.

BONDS—Government, easier; railroad, weak.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	108⅛	Mocking Val. 4½s	105
do 2s, coup.	109	L. & N. un. 4s	98
do 3s, reg.	109⅛	Man. consol gold 4s	101¼
do coupon	109⅛	Mex. Central 4s	71⅛
do new 4s, reg.	135½	do 1s inc.	13½
do coupon	136⅛	Minn. & St. L. 4s	95⅝
do old 4s, reg.	111⅛	*M., K. & T. 4s	98
do coupon	111⅛	do 2s	77
do 5s, reg.	102½	Nat R R of M c. 4s	74½
do coupon	102½	N. Y. C. gen. 3½s	95⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	99⅝	N. J. C. gen. 5s	127⅛
do adj. 4s	89	No. Pacific 4s	101
Atlantic Coast L. 4s	90¼	do 3s	76½
Bal. & Ohio 4s	101½	N. & W. con. 4s	94⅝
do 3½s	92¼	Ore. S. L. 4s & F.	89
Central of Ga. 5s	104⅝	Penn. conv. 3½s	95¼
do 1s inc.	72	Reading gen. 4s	94⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	101	St. L. & S. F. fg. 6s	80
Chicago & A. 3½s	72⅝	St. L. S. W. 1s	92½
C., B. & Q. 4s	101	Seaboard Air L. 4s	74
C. M & St P s. 4s	104½	So. Pacific 4s	86¼
C. & N. W. con. 7s	140⅝	So. Railway 5s	112⅝
C., R. I. & P. 4s	71	Texas & Pacific 1s	114⅝
do col. 5s	74¼	T., St. L. & W. 4s	76
C. C. C. & St. L. 4s	93⅝	Union Pacific 4s	99¼
Chicago Ter. 4s	71	do conv. 4s	93
Cons. Tobacco 4s	53⅝	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	72
Colorado So. 4s	81½	Wabash 1s	114
Denver & R. G. 4s	90	do deb. B	63⅝
*Erie prior lien 4s	96⅝	Wheel. & L. E. 4s	94¼
do general 4s	81½	Wis. Central 4s	89
F. W. & D. C. 1s	102⅝		

*Offered.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—The demand for money was increased in the market today owing to payments for the new issue of £10,000,000 of treasury bills. Discounts were quiet. The dealings were nearly suspended pending the announcement of the bank of England's rate of discount rate; then rates became steadier. It is believed that an advance in the bank rate is unavoidable in the near future, although the bank will probably postpone this as long as possible in order to avoid further demoralization of the market. Demands for gold from various directions will be an inevitable drain on the reserves, although Secretary Shaw's refunding scheme is regarded as likely to avert the necessity for shipping the metal to America in addition to that from the crop movement. Business on the stock exchange was quiet and prices had an easier tendency. Consols at the opening maintained yesterday's advance which was due to anticipation that there would be no change in the bank rate, but they reacted later and closed dull. Americans were depressed to below parity, were inactive and continued unsettled to the close. Grand Trunk was weak on the traffic increase being disappointing.

The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the few changes. Total reserve increased £37,000; circulation decreased £248,000; bullion increased £130,914; other securities decreased £999,000; other deposits increased £808,000; public deposits increased £151,000; notes reserve increased £294,000; government securities decreased £265,000. The proportion of the bank's reserve to liabilities this week is 53.82 per cent as compared with 54.38 per cent last week. Bullion to the amount of £25,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England for shipment to South Africa.

PARIS, Sept. 24.—Three per cent rents 97 francs, 60 centimes for the account. Exchange on London 25 francs, 20½ centimes for checks. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes in the last statement: Notes in circulation decreased 108,950,000 francs; treasury accounts current decreased 1,575,000 francs; gold in hand decreased 8,100,000 francs; bills discounted decreased 5,500,000 francs; silver in hand increased 1,425,000 francs. Prices on the bourse today opened fairly strong and further improved in consequence of the Bank of England not raising its discount rate. Internationals closed very firm. Turks were in much demand. The private rate of discount was 2 11-16 per cent.

BERLIN, Sept. 24.—Transactions on the bourse today were light and prices generally were unchanged.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Sept. 24.—Closing quotations:

Consols for money	88 7-16	New York Central	119
do account	88 7-16	Norfolk & Western	61¼
Anaconda	5⅝	do pfd	90¼
Atchison	61⅝	Ontario & Western	21⅛
do pfd	91	Pennsylvania	61⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	78¼	Rand Mines	9⅛
Canadian Pacific	124¼	Reading	24⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	46¼	do 1st pfd	73
Chicago G. W.	15⅝	do 2d pfd	84¼
C. M. & St. P.	142⅛	Southern Railway	19⅝
DeBeers	19⅛	do pfd	83¼
Denver & R. G.	32	Southern Pacific	41½
do pfd	74¼	Union Pacific	72⅝
Erie	24⅝	do pfd	88
do 1st pfd	66¼	United States Steel	18
do 2d pfd	48⅛	do pfd	65
Illinois Central	157⅝	Wabash	20
Louisville & Nash	103	do pfd	32
Missouri, K. & T.	19		

BAR SILVER—Firm at 27 9-16d per ounce.

MONEY—@4 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 4 per cent and for three months' bills is 4@4⅛ per cent.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Sept. 24.—Call loans, 4@5 per cent; time loans, 5⅛@6 per cent. Official closing prices on stocks and bonds:

Atchison	62¾	Adventure	5
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe	72	Allouez	4⅛
Atchison	62⅝	Amalgamated	40⅝
do pfd	88½	Daly West	28½
Boston & Albany	246	Bingham	21½
Boston & Maine	167	Calumet & Hecla	430
Boston Elevated	136	Centennial	16
N. Y., N. H. & H.	193½	Copper Range	48
Fitchburg pfd	134	Dominion Coal	72⅛
Union Pacific	93	do pfd	117½
American Sugar	119⅝	Franklin	8
do pfd	118	Green Mountain	6
American T. & T.	125⅝	Old Dominion	74¼
Dominion I. & S.	31½	Parrot	17¼
Gen. Electric	146	Quincy	85
Mass. Electric	17⅝	Santa Fe Copper	1½
do pfd	77½	Tamarack	81
United Fruit	98	Trinity	5⅝
U. S. Steel	17	United States	18¼
do pfd	63	Utah	23⅝
Westingh. Common	70	Victoria	3¼
		Winona	6⅝
		Wolverine	62

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—The following are the quotations on mining stocks:

Adams Con.	14	Little Chief	6
Alice	17	Ontario	475
Breece	15	Ophir	160
Brunswick Con.	13	Phoenix	70
Comstock Tunnel	2½	Potosi	20
Con. Cal. & Va.	135	Savage	22
Horn Silver	100	Sierra Nevada	55
Iron Silver	190	Small Hopes	20
Leadville Con.	2	Standard	300

*Offered.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—COTTON—The market opened steady at a decline of 9 points to an advance of 1 point, but almost immediately showed weakness, breaking sharply under further liquidation and bear pressure encouraged by the weakness of Liverpool cables, the generally clear weather over the belt and expectations of further increase in movement. The early decline was led by September and October, while the winter months for a time showed resistance to pressure, but soon yielded with the other positions. September sold down