GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Bears Have One-Sided Game and Prices Steadily Sent Downward.

FAIL TO BID THE PRICES UP

Influx of Northwest Wheat Crop Offers Efforts of Those Who Have Long Interests to Raise Market.

OMAHA, Aug. 24, 1908.

The bears had a one-sided affair today and values were slowly, but steadily sent downward. There are some long interest who are standing for higher values and are willing to bid prices up, but with the moving of the northwest wheat crop and a spurt of old corn moving the market weakened and support was not strong enough to sustain it.

Wheat started weak on heavy selling and larger receipts. Demand was good, however, and cash stuff was quickly cleaned up. Late buying firmed values and closing prices were steady at Saturday's close. September wheat opened at 89⅝c and closed at 90¼c.

Corn weakened with wheat early in the session, but firmed up after the first rush of selling and later offerings were better taken and demand some higher.

September corn opened at 73½c and closed at 73¾.

Primary wheat receipts were 1,217,000 bushels and shipments were 495,000 bushels, against last year of 435,000 bushels and shipments of 452,000 bushels.

Corn receipts were 996,000 bushels and shipments were 418,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 877,000 bushels and shipments of 290,000 bushels.

Clearances were none of corn, none of oats, and wheat and flour equal to 515,000 bushels.

Liverpool closed ⅛d lower on wheat and ¼d lower and corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
Sept...	89⅝	90	89⅝	90	89⅞
Dec...	90⅞	90⅞	90⅜	90⅝	90⅞
Corn—					
Sept...	73¼	.....	.....	73¼	73½
Dec...	60⅝	60⅝	60¼	60¼	60⅝
Oats—					
Sept...	47⅛	47⅛	46⅝	46⅝	47⅛
Dec...	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 90½@91½c; No. 3 hard, 89½@91c; No. 4 hard, 86@87c; no grade, 80½c.

CORN—No. 2, 71¾@72¼c; No. 3, 71¼@72¼c; No. 2 yellow, 72¼@72½c; No. 3 yellow, 72¼c; No. 3 white, 72½@72¾c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 46½@46¾c; No. 3 yellow, 46¾c; No. 3 white, 47@47½c; No. 4 white, 46½@47½c.

RYE—No. 2, 75@76c; No. 3, 73@74c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	104	350	166
Minneapolis	155	...	...
Omaha	64	77	68
Duluth	9	...	...

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Aug. 24.—Bearish weekly statistics and an increased movement of the new crop were insurmountable obstacles to any advance in wheat prices on the local exchange today, the market closing heavy, with prices unchanged to ¼c below the final quotations of the previous session. Corn and oats were also weak, but provisions closed firm.

The wheat market opened weak under the weight of lower cables, an increase of 1,992,000 bushels in the amount on passage, world's shipments and a marked increase in the movement in the northwest. The last factor was, perhaps, the most important. Receipts at Minneapolis today were 374 cars, of which number about 200 cars were from the new crop. Initial quotations showed losses of ⅛@⅜c, compared with Saturday's close. September opening at 92⅞@92¾c and December at 92¾c. Business was very quiet at all day and, although prices rallied slightly several times, the upturn failed to increase the volume of trade, the impending movement of the new crop seeming to prohibit any great activity. Arrivals of wheat today at Kansas City were 467 cars and the cash market there was very heavy. This had a depressing effect on the local market during the last half of the session. The absence of any export business here also tended to weaken prices. The range on September for the day was 92⅞@93¼c, while December sold between 93⅜@94¼c. There was a little better demand in evidence late in the day and the market closed steady, with prices unchanged to ⅛c lower, final figures on September being at 93c and on December at 93⅞@94c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 515,000 bushels. The visible supply decreased 634,000 bushels, compared with an increase of 565,000 bushels the corresponding time a year ago. Primary receipts were 1,217,000 bushels, against 993,000 bushels last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 485 cars, against 332 cars last week and 371 cars a year ago.

Continuance of favorable weather for the maturing of the new crop caused weakness in the corn market. The market closed weak with prices off ¼@⅝c to ¼c. Local receipts were 350 cars, with 93 cars of contract grade.

Oats were bearishly affected by the weakness of wheat and corn and by a decline of ⅛@⅛c in the price of the cash grain. Trade was very quiet and the close was easy at losses of ¼@½c. Local receipts were 166 cars.

Buying of provisions by local packers held the market firm despite the weakness of grain. The market closed firm, with prices unchanged to 15c higher.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 123 cars; corn, 532 cars; oats, 250 cars; hogs, 13,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Sept.	92⅝@⅞	93⅛	92⅝	93	93
Dec.	93⅝	94⅛	93⅝	93⅞@94	94
May	95 @⅛	95¼	94⅞	95	95¼
*Corn—					
Sept.	76⅝	77	76⅛	76½	77
Dec.	65½	65½@⅝	64⅝	65⅝	65⅝@⅞
May	64 @⅛	64⅛	63⅝	63⅞@64	64⅝
*Oats—					
Sept.	49	49¼	48⅛	48⅝	49⅛
Dec.	48½@⅝	48⅝@⅞	48⅛	48½	48⅝
May	50½@⅝	50⅝	50⅛@¼	50⅝@⅞	50⅝@⅞
Pork—					
Sept.		14 17½			
	14 07½	@17 20	14 00	14 17½	14 10
Oct.	14 25	14 32½	14 12½	14 30	14 20
Jan.	15 35@				
	15 37½	15 55	15 35	15 55	15 37½
Lard—					
Sept.	9 12½				
	@9 15	9 15	9 10	9 12½	9 12½
Oct.			9 17½		
	9 22½	9 22½	@9 20	9 22½	9 20
Jan.			9 02½		
	9 07½	9 07½	@9 05	9 05	9 02½
Ribs—					
Sept.	8 55	8 60	8 52½	8 60	8 55
Oct.		8 67½		8 67½	
	8 65	@8 70	8 62½	@8 70	8 65
Jan.	8 05	8 12½	8 02½	8 10	8 02½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows.

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $4.10@4.60; straights, $4.00@4.35; spring patents, $5.50@6.70; straights, $4.00@5.20; bakers, $2.70@4.00.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.12@1.16; No. 3, 98c@$1.10; No. 2 red, 93¼@94¼c.

CORN—No. 2, 77¼@78c; No. 2 yellow, 78¼@79c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 48½@50½c.

RYE—No. 2, 76½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 61@63c; fair to choice malting, 64@65c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $1.31. Timothy, prime, $3.60@3.65.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs, sides (loose), $8.87½@9.00. Mess pork, per bbl., $14.20@14.25. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9.15. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.75@9.00.

Receipts and shipments of flour and grain were as follows:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	21,200	17,700
Wheat, bu.	106,000	120,900
Corn, bu.	320,900	318,900
Oats, bu.	214,500	133,000
Rye, bu.	10,000	27,000
Barley, bu.	60,500	1,900

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 19@22½c; dairies, 17@20c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 14@17c; firsts, 18½c; prime firsts, 20c. Cheese, steady; 11½@12c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 24.—WHEAT—Lower; track, No. 2 red, 93@95c; No. 2 hard, 94@96c; September, 93½@93¾c; December, 94½c.

CORN—Lower; track, No. 2 cash, 78c; No. 2 white, 78@78½c; September, 75c; December, 61½@61¾c.

OATS—Firm; track, No. 2 cash, 47½c; No. 2 white, 50@50½c; September, 47½c; May, 49½c.

RYE—Lower at 80c.

BRAN—Easy; sacked east track, $1.02@1.05.

SEED—Timothy, lower, $2.60@3.60.

FLOUR—Lower; red winter patents, $4.40@4.75; extra fancy and straight, $3.80@4.30; clear, $3.15@3.60.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.50.

HAY—Steady; timothy, new, $7.50@12.00; prairie, $7.50@9.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.00.

BAGGING—7 15-16c.

HEMP TWINE—7c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $16.00. Lard, steady; prime steam, $8.87½@9.02½. Dry salt meats, firm; boxed extra shorts, $9.62½; clear ribs, $9.62½; short clears, $9.87½. Bacon, easy; boxed extra shorts, $10.50; clear ribs, $10.50; short clears, $10.75.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 9c; springs, 12c; turkeys, 14c; ducks, 7@8c; geese, 8c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@22c.

EGGS—Higher at 16c, case count.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing standard mess, $15.00. Lard, steady at $8.87½@9.02½.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	14,000	17,000
Wheat, bu.	15,000	31,000
Corn, bu.	111,000	18,000
Oats, bu.	235,000	74,000

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—FLOUR—Receipts, 15,600 bbls.; exports, 14,900 bbls.; sales, 5,250 bbls.; market easier to sell and quiet; Minnesota patents, $5.40@5.75; winter straights, $4.00@4.15; Minnesota bakers, $4.10@4.20; winter extras, $3.40@3.60; winter patents, $4.40@4.75; winter low grades, $2.90@3.50. Rye flour, easy; fair to good, $4.15@4.30; choice to fancy, $4.35@4.75.

CORNMEAL—Steady; fine white and yellow, $1.70@1.75; coarse, $1.65@1.70; kiln dried, $4.25.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 84c, f. o. b., New York.

BARLEY—New, quiet; malting, 68c, c. i. f., Buffalo; feeding, 75c, asked, c. i. f., New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 86,000 bu.; exports, 50,122 bu.; sales, 1,300,000 bu. futures and 24,000 bu. spot. Spot, weak; No. 2 red, 99½c@$1.00, elevator, and $1.00@1.00½, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.13, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 hard winter, 96½c, f. o. b., afloat. During the early part of the day wheat was weaker and from ⅝c to ¼c net lower, because of larger receipts, poor outside support and liquidation. Rallying later on big clearances and covering, it closed practically unchanged. September, $1.00⅝@1.01, closed at $1.01; December, $1.01⅝@1.02¼, closed at $1.02¼; May, $1.04½@1.04⅝, closed at $1.04⅝.

CORN—Receipts, 8,600 bu.; exports, 1,300 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 80c, elevator, and 90½c, delivered. The option market was without transactions, closing ¼@¾c net lower. September closed at 86⅝c, December at 76¼c and May at 72⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 108,000 bu. Spot, barely steady; mixed, 26 to 32 lbs., 52½c; natural white, 26 to 31 lbs., 54½@56c; clipped white, 32 to 40 lbs., 56@62c.

FEED—Easy; spring bran, $24.00; middlings, $26.85; city, $24.00.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 80@85c.

HIDES—Steady; Bogota, 20c; Central America, 20½c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 24½@29½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $18.75@21.00; mess, $14.50@15.50; hams, $23.00@30.00; packet, $15.00@16.00; city extra India mess, $26.00@35.50. Cut meats, dull; pickled bellies, 49-75@10.00; pickled hams, $13.00. Lard, steady; western, $9.40@9.50; refined, quiet; continent, $9.25; South America, $10.50; compound, $7.87½@8.15. Pork, barely steady; family, $18.00@18.50; short clears, $17.50@18.50; mess, $16.50@17.25.

TALLOW—Quiet; city ($2 per package), 5⅝c; country (packages free), 5⅝@5¾c.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@7c; Japanese, nominal.

BUTTER—Irregular; creamery specials, 24c; creamery extras, 23½c; creamery thirds and firsts, 18@22½c; state dairy, common to finest, 18@22c; process, common to specials, 15@21½c; western factory, firsts, 19c; western imitation creamery, firsts, 19½@20c.

CHEESE—Quiet and steady; state, full cream, specials, 12¼@12½c; state, full cream, small, colored or white, fancy, 12c; large, colored or white, fancy, 11⅞c; large, good to prime, 11@11½c; large, common to fair, 9¼@10¾c; skims, 1½@9½c.

EGGS—Strong; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy, selected white, 28@29c; fair to choice, 23@26c; brown and mixed, fancy, 26c; fair to choice, 22@25c; western firsts, 21@22c; seconds, 19½@20½c.

POULTRY—Dressed, easy; western spring chickens, 13@19c; spring turkeys, 25c; fowls, 13@13½c.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair Tuesday, with the Temperature on the Rise.

OMAHA, Aug. 24, 1908.

Light showers were general during Saturday night and Sunday morning throughout the mountains and east over the central valleys. The weather continues cool and generally cloudy in the central valleys this morning. It is warmer in the northwest and the outlook is favorable for fair in this vicinity tonight and Tuesday, with slowly rising temperature. Heavy rains have fallen in the southern and south Atlantic states within the last twenty-four hours and generally cloudy weather prevails throughout the eastern and southern states this morning.

Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.
Minimum temperature ...	65	62	66	70
Precipitation ...	.00	.00	.61	T

Normal temperature for today, 73 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, .09 of an inch.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, 5.03 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1906, 3.88 inches.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Corn and Wheat Region Bulletin.

For the twenty-four hours ending at 8 a. m., 75th meridian time, Monday, August 24, 1908:

Stations.	—Temp.— Max.	Min.	Rain fall	Sky.
Ashland, Neb.	74	54	1.05	Raining
Auburn, Neb.	71	56	.00	Cloudy
†Brok'n B'w, Neb.	69	52	.24	Cloudy
Columbus, Neb.	73	49	.10	Cloudy
Culbertson, Neb.	76	55	.94	Cloudy
Fairbury, Neb.	76	52	.62	Pt. cloudy
Fairmont, Neb.	69	53	.16	Cloudy
Gr. Island, Neb.	69	55	.08	Cloudy
Hartington, Neb.	71	52	T	Cloudy
Hastings, Neb.	68	53	T	Cloudy
Haldrege, Neb.	75	56	T	Pt. cloudy
Oakdale, Neb.	70	53	.20	Cloudy
Omaha, Neb.	70	55	.04	Raining
Tekamah, Neb.	80	55	.05	Cloudy
Alta, Ia.	69	49	.02	Cloudy
Carroll, Ia.	73	51	T	Cloudy
Clarinda, Ia.	74	54	.00	Cloudy
Sibley, Ia.	69	44	.04	Cloudy
*Sioux City, Ia.	68	54	.18	Raining

†Received late, not included in averages.
*Minimum temperature for twelve-hour period ending at 8 a. m.

DISTRICT AVERAGES.

Central.	No. of Stations.	—Temp.— Max.	Min.	Rain, Inches.
Chicago, Ill.	25	78	50	.00
Columbus, O.	18	84	56	.01
Des Moines, Ia.	13	72	50	T
Indianapolis, Ind.	12	86	54	.00
Kansas City, Mo.	14	80	60	.12
Louisville, Ky.	19	88	66	.04
Minneapolis, Minn.	50	72	42	.00
Omaha, Neb.	18	72	52	.16
St. Louis, Mo.	13	86	60	T

The weather is cooler in the western portion of the corn and wheat region. Frost occurred in northern Minnesota. Showers occurred in all except the Chicago, Indianapolis and Minneapolis districts.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 24.—WHEAT—1c to 3c lower; September, 87½c; December, 88⅝c; May, 89¼c; cash, No. 2 hard, 90@96c; No. 3 hard, 88@96c; No. 2 red, 95@96c; No. 3 red, 92@94c.

CORN—1@1½c lower; September, 70½c; December, 57⅝c; May, 58⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 71½@71¾c; No. 2 white, 72½c; No. 3 white, 72c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 47½@50c; No. 2 mixed, 46½@47½c.

RYE—76@80.

HAY—Firm; choice timothy, $8.50@10.00; choice prairie, $7.25@7.50.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery extra, 22c; packing stock, 16c.

EGGS—½c higher; fresh extras, 21c; current receipts, 16½.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	467,000	228,000
Corn, bu.	42,000	32,000
Oats, bu.	16,000	4,000

Kansas City range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
September	87½	87½	86⅝	87⅛@⅛
December	88⅝@½	88⅝	88⅛	88⅝
Corn—				
September	71	71	70⅛	70⅝@¾
December	57⅝@½	57⅝	57⅛	57⅝

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 24.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, $1.01⅛; No. 1 northern, $1.05⅛; No. 2 northern, $1.02⅛; No. 3 northern, 98⅛@1.00⅛; September, 98⅛c; December, 87⅛@87½c; May, $1.01⅛.

BRAN—In bulk, $19.00@19.50.

FLOUR—Unsettled; first patents, $5.25@5.60; second patents, $5.15@5.40; first clears, $4.25@4.40; second clears, $3.60@3.80.

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows.

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SEED—Timothy, lower, $2.60@3.60.

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CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.50.

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IRON COTTON TIES—$1.00.

BAGGING—7 15-16c.

HEMP TWINE—7c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $16.00. Lard, steady; prime steam, $8.87½@9.02½. Dry salt meats, firm; boxed extra shorts, $9.62½; clear ribs, $9.62½; short clears, $9.87½. Bacon, easy; boxed extra shorts, $10.50; clear ribs, $10.50; short clears, $10.75.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 9c; springs, 12c; turkeys, 14c; ducks, 7@8c; geese, 8c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@22c.

EGGS—Higher at 16c, case count.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing standard mess, $15.00. Lard, steady at $8.87½@9.02½.

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NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Discussion of Saturday's Sensational Market Feature of the Day.

EXCHANGE TO INVESTIGATE

Market Opens Lower, with Weakness Throughout Active List—Southern Pacific Rallies Near Close, with Others Generally Lower.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Discussion in the financial district today had to do mainly with last Saturday's sensational market and announcement that the Stock exchange had determined to take immediate official cognizance of the episode was received with general approval.

A closer study of the day's business was said to have heightened the impression that in a very large part it represented neither genuine short covering nor legitimate trading of any kind. It is the avowed purpose of the governing body of the exchange to probe the matter to the bottom and preparations to that end are already well under way. That traders and the speculative faction as a whole have taken warning was clearly evident from the character of today's operations. Business during the early session was less than one-fifth of that transacted in the same period Saturday and throughout the day the market had frequent periods of utter inertia. Reports dealing with general business conditions were rather conflicting. Railroad officials west of Chicago admitted that long-haul traffic continued disappointing, with the grain movement much below expectations. From the southern mercantile centers came advices of slow recovery. The coal, lumber and live stock movements are somewhat better, but still much below normal. Grain receipts at Chicago last week were 750,000 bushels less than the previous week and 1,057,000 bushels under the same week last year. The same falling off applies in greater or less degree to other foodstuffs. Other developments having direct relation to the stock market were Candidate Taft's pledge to an early tariff revision in the event of his election and the inauguration of an action by the attorney general of this state against the various companies engaged in the transportation of hard coal within its boundaries. The defendants to this action embrace fully a score of the better known roads, and they are charged with having formed a monopoly of the business. There was also talk to the effect that the Texas railroad committee had urged the state's legal authorities to institute proceedings against the Rock Island and other lines traversing the commonwealth.

Lower prices were recorded in the local market at the opening, the greatest loss being sustained by Northern Pacific. General weakness was shown throughout the active list, with occasional fitful rallies, resulting chiefly from the support accorded United States Steel and the Harriman issues. By noon the market had improved, with quotations, however, still below Saturday's. Last week's pressure on New York Central and the Rock Island issues was renewed and had the effect of curtailing business elsewhere. The strength of Southern Pacific was the most conspicuous feature of the late trading, the balance of the active list showing a weak undertone. From an authoritative source it was learned that several of the large commission houses recently committed to the short side had, up to the close today, failed to make delivery of all of the stocks sold by them last Saturday. This was not regarded as an indication of financial embarrassment, but rather of an overtaxing of their clerical forces resulting from the huge volume of business. London's business here was small, moderate purchases of Steel common and Union Pacific being reported. The market abroad was slightly affected by our weakness, together with fears of Paris selling because of recent events in Morocco. The Bank of Germany strengthened its position by a cash gain of over $11,000,000. Further cash gains and the resultant increase in surplus reported last Saturday by our banks caused money to work lower here today. Some prime mercantile paper was made at 3½ per cent and plenty of call money was offered at ⅞ per cent. Chicago, contrawise, reported a hardening tendency, the marking up of rates suggesting a change in the monetary conditions there. Estimates of interest and dividend disbursements for September are placed at $73,400,000.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,244,000. United States 3s advanced ½ per cent on call.

Number of sales and leading quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amalgamated Copper	25,600	77⅝	76¼	76⅝
Am. C. & F.	600	40	39½	39⅝
Am. C. & F. pfd.	200	102¼	102¼	102
American Cotton Oil	300	33⅞	33½	33½
Am. H. & L. pfd.	.....	.....	.....	20
Am. Locomotive	1,500	38½	36½	36⅝
Am. Linseed Oil	.....	.....	.....	10
Am. Locomotive	600	55¼	55	55
Am. Locomotive pfd	.....	.....	.....	106
Am. S. & R.	38,600	94⅝	90⅞	93¼
Am. S. & R. pfd.	200	107¼	107	107
Amer. Sugar Refining	100	134	134	134
Am. Tobacco pfd	.....	.....	.....	93½
American Woolen	100	28⅞	28⅞	28⅞
Anaconda Mining Co.	12,400	46¼	45¼	46¼
Atchison	1,000	87½	87	87½
Atchison pfd	300	94½	94½	94½
Atlantic Coast Line	200	90	90	90
Baltimore & Ohio	1,300	98⅝	98	98⅛
Bal. & Ohio pfd	.....	.....	.....	98
Brooklyn Rapid Tr.	1,700	82¼	80⅝	81½
Canadian Pacific	3,500	173½	171⅝	173
Central Leather	700	28⅛	28	28⅛
Central Leather pfd	100	97	97	96⅞
Central of New Jersey	.....	.....	.....	298
Chesapeake & Ohio	300	41⅝	41¼	41⅝
Chicago Gt. W.	100	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝
Chicago & N. W.	200	158	158⅛	158⅛
C., M. & St. P.	9,500	142	140⅝	141⅝
C., C., C. & St. L.	100	94¼	94¼	94¼
Colorado F. & I.	1,300	33⅝	32⅞	32⅞
Colorado & So.	1,600	34	33½	33½
Colo. & So. 1st pfd	.....	.....	.....	61½
Colo. & So. 2d pfd	100	53⅝	53⅝	53⅝
Consolidated Gas	400	134⅝	134	134⅛
Corn Products	500	13	12⅞	12⅞
Delaware & Hudson	.....	.....	.....	168½
Denver & R. G.	.....	.....	.....	36
D. & R. G. pfd.	.....	.....	.....	66½
Erie	200	25⅝	25½	25½
Erie 1st pfd	2,200	42⅝	42⅝	42½
Erie 2d pfd	100	38½	38½	37
General Electric	200	128	128	127½
Great Northern pfd	7,400	136⅝	135¼	135⅝
Gt. Northern Ore ctfs	300	65¼	65¼	65¼
Illinois Central	100	135½	135½	135½
Interborough Met.	400	11¼	11¼	11¼
Int. Met. pfd	100	32	32	31½
International Paper	.....	.....	.....	10
Int. Paper pfd	.....	.....	.....	58
International Pump	100	34	34	34⅝
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	17
Kansas City So.	.....	.....	.....	34½
K. C. So. pfd	.....	.....	.....	57
Louisville & N.	1,000	109	108¼	109
Mexican Central, offered	.....	.....	.....	109
Minn. & St. L.	100	118⅝	118⅝	118
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	.....	.....	.....	118½
Missouri Pacific	800	55¼	54⅝	54⅝
M., K. & T.	1,800	31¼	31	31⅛
M., K. & T. pfd	200	63½	63½	63
National Lead	14,800	82	81	81⅝
New York Central	15,300	104⅝	102⅝	103⅝
N. Y., O. & W.	400	42	41¼	41
Norfolk & W.	200	73¼	73	73
North American	.....	.....	.....	42½
Northern Pacific	11,200	143⅝	140⅞	142
Pacific Mail	.....	.....	.....	24⅝
Pennsylvania	2,900	123⅝	122⅞	123⅛
People's Gas	.....	.....	.....	96½
Pc., C., C. & St. L.	.....	.....	.....	75
Pressed Steel Car	100	33¼	33¼	33¼
Pullman Palace Car	.....	.....	.....	165
Railway Steel Spring	100	41½	41½	41½
Reading	38,400	124	122⅝	123⅝
Republic Steel	700	22⅝	22¼	22¼
Republic Steel pfd.	400	77⅝	76⅝	77½
Rock Island Co.	3,700	17⅛	16	16⅝
Rock Island Co. pfd	4,800	31	29⅞	30⅝
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	1,000	72⅝	71⅝	72
St. Louis S. W.	.....	.....	.....	34½
St. L. & S. W. pfd	.....	.....	.....	71
Sloss-Sheffield S. & I.	100	61	61	61½
Southern Pacific	61,000	99⅝	97½	99⅝
So. Pacific pfd	300	119	118½	118½
So. Railway	400	18⅝	18⅝	18½
So. Railway pfd	300	48	48	47
Tennessee Copper	500	36⅞	36½	36½
Texas & Pacific	200	28⅝	28⅛	28⅛
T., St. L. & W.	.....	.....	.....	15½
T., St. L. & W. pfd	300	56½	55⅝	55⅝
Union Pacific	89,200	157⅝	154⅞	157½
Union Pacific pfd	700	85⅝	85	85
U. S. Rubber	2300	53	52	52
U. S. Rubber 1st pfd	200	100½	100½	100½
U. S. Steel	56,200	45⅝	44⅝	45
U. S. Steel pfd	1,800	108½	107½	107½
Utah Copper	600	43⅞	43½	43½
Va.-Carolina Chemical	300	27	26⅝	26½
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd	.....	.....	.....	106
Wabash	.....	.....	.....	12
Wabash pfd	100	25⅝	25⅝	25⅝
Westinghouse Electric	400	72⅝	70⅝	70½
Western Union	100	55	55	55
Wheeling & L. E.	.....	.....	.....	9
Wisconsin Central	600	24	22	23½

Total sales for the day, 837,300 shares.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—Closing quotations on mining stocks:

Alice	300	Leadville Con.	2
Breece	8	Little Chief	4
Brunswick Con.	4	Mexican	3
Com. Tunnel stock	30	Ontario	350
*Com. Tunnel bonds	17	Ophir	200
Con. Cal. & Va.	83	Small Hopes	5
Horn Silver	30	Standard	185
Iron Silver	110	Yellow Jacket	55

*Offered.

Foreign Financial.

PARIS, Aug. 24.—Trading on the Bourse was firm at the opening, but became uncertain towards the close.

BERLIN, Aug. 24.—The tone on the Bourse today was weak.

Stock Brokers Suspend.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—The failure of Meadows, Williams & Co. was announced on the New York Stock exchange today. The firm has offices at 68 Wall street.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 24.—MONEY—On call, easy, ⅝@¾ per cent; ruling rate, 1 per cent; closing bid, 1 per cent; offered at 1 per cent. Time loans, dull, with bulk of business at six months; sixty days, 2 per cent; ninety days, 2½@3 per cent; six months, 3 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3¾@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84@$4.8450 for sixty-day bills and at $4.8596 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.83⅝@$4.83⅞.

SILVER—Bar, 51½c; Mexican dollars, 45c.

BONDS—Government, strong, railroad, irregular.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	104⅝	*Japan 4s	75½
do coupon	104	do 4½s	88½
U. S. 3s, reg.	104⅝	do 2d series	87
do coupon	104⅝	L. & N. uni. 4s	94½
U. S. 4s, reg.	112⅝	*Mex. c. s. 4s	98⅝
do coupon	113⅝	Mex. Central 4s	81
Am. Tobacco 4s	73	**M. & St. L.