STAGNANT ON 'CHANGE

Chicago Gas and Sugar Trust Stocks Lead the Share List.

Important Changes During Day About Evenly Divided—Grain Business Dull from This Point.

At New York, Saturday, money on call was easy at 1 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 2½@5 per cent.

Sterling exchange was steady with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.88½@4.88¾ for demand, and at $4.87¼@4.87½ for demand, and at $4.87¼@4.87½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.88½@4.90; commercial bills, $4.86¼@4.86½.

Silver certificates, 64@65c. Bar silver closed at 62¾c per ounce; at London, 28¾d.

The New York weekly bank statement shows the following changes:

Reserve, decrease	$2,173,575
Loans, increase	2,323,100
Specie, increase	368,800
Legal tender, decrease	2,434,600
Deposits, increase	431,100
Circulation, decrease	42,700

The banks now hold $80,634,575 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

Total sales of stock amounted to only 60,000 shares. The stock market was dull even for a Saturday, the only animation displayed being in Chicago Gas. Most of the list opened at an advance, the improvement being of only a small fraction. The early dealings were strong in tone and under good buying said to be for inside interests. Chicago Gas sold up 1⅜ per cent. and the rest of the list ⅛@¾ per cent., the latter being Sugar and Illinois Central. Shortly before 11 o'clock a drive was made against Sugar, which broke that stock 1¼ per cent. The active list receded a fraction in sympathy, and Toledo & Ann Arbor declined, but the depression was of brief duration and the speculation recovered its tone the early reactions being very generally recovered and some of the inactive shares scoring material advances. The market continued firm to the close, except for Sugar, which closed within ¼ per cent. of the lowest point touched, but still ⅛ per cent. above Friday's final sales. Chicago Gas showed an advance of 1 per cent; Rubber, 1⅞; Mobile & Ohio, 2; C., C., C. & St. L. preferred, 2⅞; Consolidated Gas, 1; St. Paul & Omaha, ⅞, and grangers, ½@1⅞ per cent. There were a few exceptions to the improvement, all of which were the smaller fractions, except Toledo & Ann Arbor, which shows a decline of 1. Compared with the closing prices of Saturday last the closing figures showed considerable irregularity, the more important changes being as follows:

Declines—St. Paul & Duluth preferred, 7; Manhattan and Erie preferred, each, 3; Evansville & Terre Haute, 2½; General Electric, 2⅜, and Louisville & Nashville, 1⅝ per cent. Advances—Interior Conduit, 4¾; C., C., C. & St. L. preferred, 2⅞; American Cable, Chicago Gas and Mobile & Ohio, each, 2½.

The bond market was strong in tone on a fairly active business. The important changes on the week are: Advances—Toledo & Ann Arbor, Grand Trunk firsts, 6. Declines—Northern Pacific and Montana firsts, 5½; Atchison, Colorado & Pacific firsts, 4; Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern division income firsts, series B, and Central Pacific land grant fives, each, 3 per cent.

Government bonds were steady. State bonds were dull.

The following table, prepared by James E. Berry, Room 16, Board of Trade, shows the range of quotations:

Name.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Adams Express	....	....	....	148
Alton & Terre Haute	....	....	....	30½
Alton & T. H., pref.	....	....	....	152
American Express	....	....	....	112
Atchison	12⅝	12⅝	12⅜	12⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	....	....	....	74½
Canada Pacific	....	....	....	66¼
Canada Southern	51	51	51	51
Central Pacific	....	....	....	14
Chesapeake & Ohio	....	....	....	18
Chicago & Alton	....	....	....	139
C., B. & Q.	78¾	79⅛	78¾	79⅛
C. & E. I. pref.	....	....	....	93
Chicago Gas	66¼	67¼	66¼	66⅞
C., C., C. & St. L.	37⅝	38	37⅝	37¾
Cotton Oil	29	29	29	29
Delaware & Hudson	....	....	....	139
D., L. & W.	....	....	....	160¾
Dis. & C. F. Co.	23⅝	23¾	23⅝	23¾
Edison Gen. Elec.	35⅜	36⅛	35½	36
Erie	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
Erie, pref.	....	....	....	30
Fort Wayne	....	....	....	153
Great Northern, pref.	....	....	....	104
Hocking Valley	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝	16⅝
Illinois Central	....	....	....	93
Lake Erie & W.	....	....	....	15¾
L. E. & W., pref.	....	....	....	66¾
Lake Shore	....	....	....	130⅝
Lead Trust	39¾	39⅞	39¾	39⅞
Louisville & Nash.	47⅝	47½	47¼	47½
Louis. & New Albany	....	....	....	8¼
Manhattan	122¾	123¾	122½	123
Michigan Central	....	....	....	96
Missouri Pacific	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
National Cordage	....	....	....	24⅝
National Cord., pref.	....	....	....	47
New Jersey Central	109	109	109	109
New York Central	....	....	....	98½
N. Y. & N. E.	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞	6⅞
Northern Pacific	....	....	....	4⅝
Northern Pac., pref.	18	18	17⅞	17⅞
Northwestern	108½	108¾	108½	108¾
Northwestern, pref.	....	....	....	142
Pacific Mail	14¾	14¾	14½	14½
Peoria, D. & E.	....	....	....	4
Pullman Palace	....	....	....	165
Reading	17¼	17¼	17¼	17¼
Rock Island	69¼	69¾	69¼	69¾
St. Paul	61⅛	61⅜	61⅛	61¼
St. Paul, pref.	....	....	....	119
Sugar Refinery	106⅛	106⅞	105⅝	106¼
U. S. Express	....	....	....	50
W., St. L. & P.	....	....	....	7¼
W., St. L. & P., pref.	....	....	....	16¼
Wells-Fargo Express	....	....	....	122
Western Union	85	85	84⅞	84⅞
U. S. Fours, reg.	....	....	....	113⅜
U. S. Fours, coup.	....	....	....	113⅝

WEEKLY REVIEW.

Henry Clews's weekly financial review says of operations in Wall street last week:

"In Wall-street circles there are symptoms of the beginning of an improvement of tone in both investment and speculative operations. The change does not yet show itself in any increase of transactions, nor in any material advance of quotations; at present it rather prefigures than realizes such effects. Every day that shortens the tedious paralysis attending the prolongation of tariff legislation is so much gain for business, and, as the time comes more clearly in sight when that bugbear will disappear, hope revives and there is more disposition to discount the great revival which that relief will bring. The country has had such a schooling in waiting that the deferment of hope no longer breeds distrust; on the contrary, men of business are cherishing a strong confidence that, when these temporary obstacles are removed, they will be followed by a very pronounced and thorough revival in all interests. Americans know how to patiently tolerate restraint of enterprise, but when such restraints are removed there is no limit to their energy, and, for that reason, it is safe to calculate upon an unusual activity of business when the present legislative obstacles are removed. Wall street is not likely to overlook this fact, and is already getting ready to discount it in advance.

"The concessions to manufacturers in the Senate modifications of the tariff bill have produced a marked change in estimates as to the working of that measure. They lift the cloud of apprehension that has rested on our industries for twelve months and open the way to a quicker and more general resumption of production than has been hoped for, and, provided there be no important retractions of these changes in the later discussions, there is likely to be an important revival of business even before the new duties take effect.

"In the circles that initiate the larger movements of capital there is a growing impatience at the postponement of new undertakings. During the long months of idleness plans have been devised for enterprises that would give employment to the vast amount of now idle capital, and it would require no great further recovery of confidence to start up this class of operations. From what is known or surmised of preparations of this character it would not be surprising if, within the next twelve months, we witness an unprecedented launching of corporate enterprises. The time has rarely been more promising for floating new undertakings, provided they are framed upon such conservative ideas as late experience has taught investors to respect and insist upon. For not only is the accumulation of idle funds unprecedented and the rate of interest abnormally low in the home market, but the same state of things exists throughout Europe. In Europe and here promoters are hungry after their long starvation, and bankers and great speculators are eager for opportunities to make up for the losses and the dull times under which they have been suffering. These classes are waiting for indications of the arrival of the biting mood among the fish of which they are anglers, and they may be expected to be soon seen throwing out their lines. This, at least, we augur from present symptoms, and the starting time is likely to date from the passing of the tariff bill or its near prospect.

"The exports of gold continue, without any symptoms of immediate cessation, but have little or no effect upon the stock market for the reason that the money can be well spared, and that its transfer may stimulate an ultimate European demand for our securities by increasing the ease on the foreign bourses. The banks rather welcome the outflow than otherwise, as it will help to reduce the superabundance of cash at this center and stiffen rates. It is not a welcome incident that the gold should have to be supplied from the treasury with the result of cutting down its coin reserve. The banks, however, scarcely feel it to be their concern that the treasury resource is thus drawn upon. They reason that last year the government had experience enough to open its eyes to the danger of carrying the present large liabilities payable on demand in gold, and that, if it is not thought necessary to take steps either to diminish them or to protect them in some surer way, there is all the more necessity why the banks should husband their own resources. This seems to be a wise policy, and it is to be hoped that it may impress the administration and Congress with the gravity of the responsibilities borne by the government in becoming so large an issuer of credit currency. It is very clear, however, that if the treasury is to be expected to satisfy the future requirements of gold for export, it is imperative that some means must be taken to enable it to meet that demand, which has been heretofore mainly supplied by the banks. Congress cannot too soon bestow earnest attention upon this question."

Saturday's Bank Clearings.

At St. Louis—Clearings, $4,099,687; balances, $753,356.

At New Orleans—Clearings, $1,276,491.

At Chicago—Clearings, $12,658,000. New York exchange, 20c premium. Sterling exchange steady; actual, $4.87½@4.90. Money easy at 6 per cent.

At Philadelphia—Clearings, $10,962,990; balances, $1,876,940.

At New York—Clearings, $78,888,781; balances, $7,034,424.

At Boston—Clearings $13,232,042; balances, $1,805,448.

At Baltimore—Clearings, $2,048,065; balances, $346,398.

At Cincinnati—Money, 2½@6 per cent.; New York exchange, 40@50c premium. Clearings, $1,995,750.

LOCAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Trade a Little Off with Prices Less Steady in Some Lines.

The trade of the second week in May, 1894, was by no means as satisfactory as the first week. Collections were good, however. There is no stocking up in anticipation of an advance in prices, as the retail merchants know advances are not liable to occur under present conditions. On Commission row the dullness was felt less than on other business streets, for the reason that they are now handling a large quantity of vegetables and fruits, but at prices which it is difficult to follow, being governed by receipts of not only each day, but each half day. Vegetables are weaker and lower prices indicated, especially on Irish potatoes and cabbage. Poultry is easy at quotations. Eggs and butter are weak. The provision market the last two weeks has been the steadiest in many months. The hide market is tame. Leather dealers report trade improving. Grocers are having an average trade, with prices unusually steady. With dry goods it was a quiet week, and the same is true of millinery. The seed market is slow after several weeks of unusually good trade.

In the local grain market it has been a bad week. Unsettled east-bound rates out of Chicago and Peoria have demoralized business at Indianapolis, as the agents are not meeting such rates as are given at those points. Track bids yesterday ruled as follows:

Wheat—No. 2 red, 52½c; No. 2 red, 46c; rejected, 40@50c; wagon wheat, 54c.

Corn—No. 1 white, 41c; No. 2 white, 41c; No. 3 white, 41c for one color, 40c for grade; No. 4 white, 37c; No. 2 white mixed, 39½c; No. 3 white mixed, 39½c; No. 4 white mixed, 37c; No. 2 yellow, 39½c; No. 3 yellow, 39½c; No. 4 yellow, 37c; No. 2 mixed, 39½c; No. 3 mixed, 39½c; No. 4 mixed, 37c; ear corn, 43c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 37½c; No. 3 white, 36½c; No. 2 mixed, 35½c; No. 3 mixed, 34½c; rejected, 32@34c.

Rye—No. 2, 52c for car lots; 45c for wagon rye.

Bran, $12.

Hay—Choice timothy, $11.75; No. 1, $11; No. 2, $9; No. 1 prairie, $6.50; mixed, $8; clover, $7@7.50 per ton.

Poultry and Other Produce.

(Prices Paid by Shippers.)

Poultry—Hens, 6c per lb; spring chickens, 1894, 12@15c; turkeys, old toms, 3c per lb; hens, 7c per pound; ducks, 6c per lb; geese, $4.20@4.80 per doz for choice.

Eggs—Shippers paying 8c.

Butter—Choice, 6@8c; common, 3@4c.

Honey—16@18c.

Feathers—Prime geese, 40c per lb; mixed duck, 20c per lb.

Beeswax—20c for yellow; 15c for dark.

Wool—Tub-washed, 20@23c; medium unwashed, 13@15c; coarse or braid wool, 12@14c; fine merino, 9@10c; burry or cotted wool, 8@10c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

Tallow—No. 1 tallow, 4½c; No. 2 yellow, 4c.

Grease—White, 4½c; yellow, 3½c; brown, 3c.

Bones—Dry, $12@13 per ton.

Hides—No. 1 green hides, 2½c; No. 1 G. S. hides, 3½c; No. 2 G. S. hides, 2½c; No. 1 calf hides, 5c; No. 2 calf hides, 3½c.

THE JOBBING TRADE.

(The quotations given below are the selling prices of wholesale dealers.)

Canned Goods.

Peaches — Standard 3-pound, $1.85@2; 3-pound seconds, $1.65@1.70; 3-pound pie, $1.15@1.20; California standard, $2.25@2.50; California seconds, $1.85@2. Miscellaneous—Blackberries, 2-pound, 90@95c; raspberries, 2-pound, $1.20@1.35; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, $1.25@1.35; choice, $2@2.25; cove oysters, 1-pound full weight, 90@95c; light, 65@70c; 2-pound full, $1.80@1.90; light, $1.10@1.20; string beans, 85@95c; Lima beans, $1.10@1.30; peas, marrowfat, $1.10@1.20; early June, $1.25@1.50; lobsters, $1.85@2; red cherries, $1.20@1.25; strawberries, $1.20@1.30; salmon (lbs), $1.45@2.20; 3-pound tomatoes, $1.05@1.10.

Candies and Nuts.

Candies—Stick, 6½c per lb; common mixed 6½c; G. A. R. mixed, 7½c; Banner mixed, 10c; cream mixed, 10c; old-time mixed, 7½c.

Nuts—Soft-shelled almonds, 18c; English walnuts, 15c; Brazil nuts, 12c; filberts, 11c; peanuts, roasted, 7@8c; mixed nuts, 14c.

Dried Fruits.

Figs—Layer, 14@15c per lb.

Peaches—Common sun-dried, 8@10c per lb; California, 14@15c; California fancy, 15@18c.

Apricots—Evaporated, 16@18c.

Prunes—California, 7@12c per lb.

Currants—3½@4c per lb.

Raisins—Loose Muscatel, $1.10@1.25 per box; London layer, $1.25@1.35 per box; Valencia, 8@8½c per lb; layer, 9@10c.

Coal and Coke.

Anthracite coal, all sizes, $7.50 per ton; Pittsburg and Raymond City, $4.25 per ton; Jackson, $4.25; block, $3.25; Island City, $3; Blossburg and English cannel, $5. All nut coals 50c below above quotations.

Coke—Connellsville, $3.75 per load; crushed, $3.25 per load; lump, $3 per load.

Drugs.

Alcohol, $2.20@2.40; asafetida, 40c; alum, 4@5c; camphor, 60@65c; cochineal, 50@55c; chloroform, 60@65c; copperas, bris, 85c@$1; cream tartar, pure, 26@28c; indigo, 65@80c; licorice, Calab., genuine, 30@40c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz, 25@35c; morphine, P. & W., per oz, $2.60; madder, 14@15c; oil, castor, per gal, $1.28@1.30; oil, bergamot, per lb, $3.25; opium, $3.25; quinine, P. & W., per oz, 35@40c; balsam copaiba, 60@65c; soap, castile, Fr., 12@16c; soda, bicarb., 4½@6c; salts, Epsom, 4@6c; sulphur, flour, 5@6c; saltpeter, 8@20c; turpentine, 36@40c; glycerine, 14@20c; iodide potassium, $3@3.10; bromide potassium, 40@45c; chlorate potash, 20c; borax, 12@14c; cinchonida 12@15c; carbolic acid, 22@26c.

Oils—Linseed, 51@54c per gal; coal oil, legal test, 7@14c; bank, 40c; best straits, 50c; Labrador, 60c; West Virginia lubricating, 20@30c; miners', 45c. Lard oils—Winter strained in barrels, 75c per gal; in half barrels, 3c per gal extra.

Dry Goods.

Bleached Sheetings—Amoroscoggin, L 6c; Berkeley, No. 60, 8c; Cabot, 6½c; Capital, 6½c; Cumberland, 6¾c; Dwight Anchor, 7¾c; Fruit of Loom, 7½c; Farwell, 7c; Fitchville, 6½c; Full Width, 5½c; Gilt Edge, 5½c; Gilded Age, 5c; Hill, 7c; Hope, 6½c; Linwood, 7½c; Lonsdale, 7½c; Lonsdale Cambric, 10c; Masonville, 7½c; Peabody, 5¾c; Pride of the West, 11½c; Quinebaugh, 6½c; Star of the Nation, 6c; Ten Strike, 5½c; Pepperell, 9 ,4-18c; Pepperell, 10-4, 20c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 20½c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 22½c.

Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 6½c; Argyle, 5½c; Boott C, 4¾c; Buck's Head, 6c; Clifton CCC, 5½c; Constitution, 40-inch, 7½c; Carlisle, 40-inch, 7c; Dwight Star, 7½c; Great Falls E, 6c; Great Falls J, 5c; Hill Fine, 7c; Indian Head, 6½c; Lawrence LL, 4½c; Lockwood B, 5½c; Pepperell R, 5½c; Pepperell E, 6¼c; Pepperell, 9-4, 16c; Pepperell, 10-4, 18c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 18½c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 20½c.

Prints—Allen dress styles, 4½c; Allen's staples, 4½c; Allen TR, 5c; Allen robes, 5½c; American indigo, 4½c; Arnold LLC, 7½c; Arnold LCB, 8½c; Arnold Gold Seal, 9½c; Cocheco fancy, 5c; Cocheco madders, 4½c; Hamilton fancy, 5½c; Manchester fancy, 5½c; Merrimac fancy, 5½c; Merrimac pinks and purples, 6c; Pacific fancy, 5½c; Pacific robes, 6c; Pacific mourning, 5½c; Simpson Eddystone, 5½c; Simpson Berlin solids, 5½c; Simpson's oil finish, 6c; Simpson's grays, 5½c; Simpson's mournings, 5½c.

Ginghams—Amoskeag staples, 5½c; Amoskeag Persian Dress, 6½c; Bates Warwick Dress, 6½c; Johnson BF Francis, 8½c; Lancaster, 5½c; Lancaster Normandies, 6½c; Carrolton, 4½c; Renfrew Dress, 7½c; Whittenton Heather, 6½c; Calcutta Dress styles, 5½c.

Kidfinished Cambrics—Edwards, 4c; Warren, 3¾c; Slater, 3¾c; Genesee, 3¾c.

Tickings—Amoskeag, ACA, 12c; Conestoga, BF, 13c; Cordis, 140, 13½c; Cordis, FT, 12½c; Cordis, ACE, 12½c; Hamilton, awning, 10c; Kimono Fancy, 17c; Lenox Fancy, 18c; Methuen, AA, 12c; Oakland, AF, 6c; Portsmouth, 11c; Susquehanna, 13c; Shetucket SW, 7½c; Shetucket F, 8c; Swift River, 5½c.

Grain Bags—Amoskeag, $13.50; American, $13.50; Franklinville, $16.50; Harmony, $13.50; Stark, $17.50.

Groceries.

Sugars—Hard sugars, 4⅝@5¼c; confectioners' A, 4¼@4⅝c; off A, 4⅛@4½c; A, 4@4⅛c; extra C, 3⅞@4c; yellow C, 3¼@4¼c; dark yellow, 3¼@3½c.

Coffee—Good, 20½@21c; prime, 22@23c; strictly prime, 24@26c; fancy green and yellow, 26@27c; ordinary Java, 29@30c; old government Java, 32@33c; roasted, 1-pound packages, 23¾c.

Molasses and Syrups—New Orleans molasses, fair to prime, 30@40c; choice, 40@45c; syrups, 20@25c.

Spices—Pepper, 16@18c; allspice, 12@15c; cloves, 20@25c; cassia, 10@12c; nutmegs, 70@80c per lb.

Rice—Louisiana, 4½@5½c; Carolina, 4¾@6¾c.

Honey—New York stock, 1-pound sections, 16@18c per lb.

Beans—Choice hand-picked navy, $2.10@2.20 per bu; medium hand-picked, $2@2.10; limas, California, 5c per lb.

Salt—In car lots, 90@95c; small lots, $1@1.05.

Shot—$1.15@1.20 per bag for drop.

Lead—6½@7c for pressed bars.

Twine—Hemp, 12@18c per lb; wool, 8@10c; flax, 20@30c; paper, 15c; jute, 12@15c; cotton, 16@25c.

Wooden Dishes—No. 1, per 1,000, $2.20; No. 2, $2.50; No. 3, $2.80; No. 5, $3.50.

Flour Sacks (paper)—Plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, $3.50; 1-16 brl, $5; ⅛ brl, $8; ¼ brl, $16; No. 2 drab, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, $4.25; 1-16 $6.50; ⅛, $10; ¼, $20; No. 1 cream, plain, 1-32, per 1,000, $7; 1-16, $8.75; ⅛, $14.50; ¼, $28.50. Extra charge for printing.

Woodenware—No. 1 tubs, $6.50@7; No. 2 tubs, $5.50@6; No. 3 tubs, $4.50@5; 3-hoop pails, $1.60@1.65; 2-hoop pails, $1.35@1.40; double washboards, $2.25@2.75; common washboards, $1.50@1.85; clothes pins, 50@85c per box.

Flour.

Straight grades, $2.50@2.75; fancy grades, $2.75@3; patent flour, $3.25@3.75; low grades, $1.50@2.

Iron and Steel.

Bar iron, 1.50@1.60c; horseshoe bar, 2¾@3c; nail rod, 6c; plow slabs, 3c; American cast steel, 8c; tire steel, 2⅝@3c; spring steel, 4½@5c.

Leather.

Leather—Oak sole, 28@38c; hemlock sole, 22@28c; harness, 26@38c; skirting, 31@32c; single strap, 41c; black bridle, per doz, $60@96; fair bridle, $60@78 per doz; city kip, 55@75c; French kip, 85c@$1.10; city calfskins, 85c@$1; French calfskins, $1@1.80.

Nails and Horseshoes.

Steel cut nails, $1.25; wire nails, $1.25 rates; horseshoes, per keg, $3.75; mule shoes, per keg, $4.75; horse nails, $4@5.

Produce, Fruits and Vegetables.

Florida Oranges—$3.50@4.50 per box, according to size and quality; California navel, $2.75@3.25 per box; seedlings, per box, $2.75@3.

Kale—50c per brl.

String Beans—$2.50@2.75 per box.

Spinach—75c per brl.

Florida Cabbage—$1.75@2; Mobile, $2@2.25 per crate.

Sweet Potatoes—New, $3.50@4 per brl.

Florida Pineapples—Medium, $1 per doz; extra size, $2.

Bananas—$1.25@1.75 per bunch, according to size and quality.

Cheese—New York full cream, 12@14c; skims, 5@7c per lb.

Onions—New Bermudas, $2.50 per bu box; Southern onions, $2@2.25 per box.

Potatoes—From car, 80c per bu; from store, 85c per bu; Early Rose, 90c per bu.

Cucumbers—25@50c per doz.

New Irish Potatoes—$4.50@5 per brl.

Strawberries—Choice, $2@2.50 per case, 24 quarts; inferior stock, 75c@$1.

Maple Molasses—90c@$1 per gal.

New Potatoes—Bermudas, $5@5.50 per brl; second growth, $3@3.50.

Provisions.

Bacon—Clear sides, 40 to 50 lbs average, 8¼@8½c; 30 to 40 lbs average, 8½@8¾c; 20 to 30 lbs average, 8¾@9c; bellies, 25 lbs average, 8¼@8½c; 14 to 16 lbs average, 8⅝@9c; 12 to 15 lbs average, 9¼@9½c; clear backs, 20 to 25 lbs average, 8¼@8½c; 12 to 20 lbs average, 8½@8¾c; 9 to 10 lbs avergae, 8¾@9c.

Shoulders—English cured, 12 lbs average, 8¼@8½c; 16 lbs average, 8½@8¾c.

Hams—Sugar cured, 18 to 20 lbs average, 10¾@11c; 15 lbs average, 11½c; 12½ lbs average, 12c; 10 lbs average, 12½c; block hams, 11¼@11½c; all first brands; seconds, ½@¾c less.

California Hams—Sugar cured, 10 to 12 lbs average, 8¾c.

Boneless Hams—Sugar cured, 10c.

Pickled Pork—Bean pork, clear, per brl, 200 lbs, $15@16; rump pork, $13@13.50.

Breakfast Bacon—Clear firsts, 12½@13c; seconds, 10½@10¾c.

Lard—Kettle-rendered, in tierces, 8¾@9¼c; pure lard, 8¼@8¾c; cotton oleo, 6¼c.

Oil Cake.

Oil cake, $25.25 per ton; oil meal, $25.25.

Seeds.

Clover—Choice recleaned, 6-lb, $5.50@5.75; prime, $5.75@6; English, choice, $5.75; prime, $5.75@6; Alsike, choice, $8.25@8.75; Alfalfa, choice, $5.35@5.55. Timothy, 45-lb bu, choice, $2@2.15; strictly prime, $2@2.10. Bluegrass—fancy, 14-lb, $1.15@1.30; extra clean, 85@90c. Orchard grass—Extra, $1.65@1.75. Red top—Choice, 55@65c; extra clean, 38@40c. English bluegrass, 24-lb bu, $2.75@2.85.

Tinners' Supplies.

Best brand charcoal tin IC, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, $6.75@7; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, $8.50@9; IC, 14x20, roofing tin, $5.75@6; IC, 20x28, $11.50@12; block tin, in pigs, 25c; in bars, 27c. Iron—27 B iron, 3c; C iron, 4c; galvanized, 70 per cent. discount. Sheet zinc, 5½@6c. Copper bottoms, 20c. Planished copper, 24c. Solder, 15@16c.

REAL-ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Eleven Transfers Saturday, with a Total Consideration of $15,500.

Instruments filed for record in the recorder's office of Marion county, Indiana, for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m., May 12, 1894, as furnished by Theo. Stein, abstracter of titles, Hartford Block, No. 80 East Market street.

Charles H. McCarty to Sullivan M. Hilligoss, lots 10, 11, 13 and 14, McKernan & Yandes's subdivision of outlot 10, in Drake & Mahew's second addition	$600
Kate S. Lewis et al. to Joseph Staub, part of lot 2 in Fletcher's subdivision of outlot 54	2,700
Albert N. Bracken to C. B. Wadsworth, part of northwest quarter of section 23, township 17, range 4	350
Joseph H. Clark to Martin Sweeting, lot 23 in Clark's third addition to West Indianapolis	650
William J. Lowry, administrator, to Horace McKay, lots 30, 31, 32 and 33, in square 93	5,600
John A. Smith to James Marsh, lots 5 and 6 in Floral Park	1
Mathew C. Emerson to Mollie Vaughn lot 10 in Oxford place	2,500
Adam Kaufman to Adam Kaufman, lots 32 and 33 in A. C. Ayres's South Meridian-street addition	700
Margaret Mitchell to Aurilla M. Aldrich, lot 4 in Burkhardt estate subdivision, section 35, township 16, range 3	700
Minnie M. Newby to Charles L. Hutchinson, lot 220 in Allen, Root & English's second North Woodlawn addition	1,000
Elijah B. Martindale to Susan L. East, lot 2 in square 11 in second section Lincoln Park addition	1,100
Transfers, 11; consideration	$15,500

Tree Planting.

Writer, in Hartford Courant.

In planting trees never put manure of any kind at the roots, nothing but fine pulverized dirt, with possibly a little fine ground bone or ashes. But after the tree is planted pile on as much fertilizer as is desired on top of the ground.

Coarse manure answers as a splendid mulch for the retention of moisture, and at the same time enriches the ground.

About home grounds this is often unsightly, and if a mulch of fine manure is put on and on top of this a mulch of cobble stones, where it is desired to retain the moisture, can be used and not be unsightly.

I have a friend who annually does some planting in very dry sandy ground, and all trees and plants are mulched the first season with fine cobble stones. Nothing like it for the retention of moisture about young plants and trees.

Most of us are planting our gardens, either large or small, at this season of the year, and while the ground may be thoroughly prepared, well enriched, and best seed secured and any amount of pains taken in planting at a proper depth and distance and in nice straight rows, far too many of us make the mistake of not firming the ground enough for the seed, being inclined to leave it soft and mellow and free from tracks. Most seed should be thoroughly firmed after planting. If the ground is plowed or spaded deeply and otherwise properly prepared, after the garden is planted if the children want to play ball or marbles there for half a day, let them stamp it thoroughly over; it will do more good than harm. Of course, perhaps, this will not do to take literally, but the rows of seed should be trodden over several times for quick germination and growth.

Nothing like thoroughly firming over the seeds to bring them up quickly, but after the plants are well up the more thoroughly loosened the ground can be so much the better.

LOW RECORD BROKEN

May Wheat at Chicago Touched 55 3-8 Cents Yesterday.

All News Was Against the Bulls and the Bears Sold Heavily—Provisions Lower.

CHICAGO, May 12.—Wheat was very weak to-day, and after breaking the low price record for May at 55¾c closed with July ⅝c lower than yesterday. Favorable weather, indifferent cables and free liquidation were all against the price. Corn closed ½c lower, oats ⅛c lower and provisions slightly lower all around.

Wheat was active and very weak. Continued liquidation and a general desire on the part of local traders to even up were responsible in a measure for the easier tone, the crowd becoming discouraged owing to the weather, cables and prospects of a smaller decrease in the visible than usual. The principal factor was the fine weather all over the country and reports showing crop prospects were favorable in all sections. Room traders were the principal sellers at the start, the buying being confined to commission houses. The market declined all day with few reactions, and the close was but ⅛c from the bottom.

Corn was weak on the fine weather and in sympathy with wheat. Opening trades were at a trifle decline, the market selling down ⅜@½c and closing at the bottom.

Oats were weak on the fine weather, liberal receipts and in sympathy with the other grains. The close was near the bottom.

Provisions were weak in sympathy with wheat, the market declining with few reactions. Compared with last night July pork is 10c, July lard .07½c and July ribs .07½c lower.

Estimated receipts for Monday are: Wheat, 50 cars; corn, 50 cars; oats, 250 cars; hogs, 23,000. Freights were slow at 1½c for wheat and 1c for corn. Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—May	56	56⅛	55⅞	55⅞
July	58⅛	58⅛	57½	57⅞
Sept	59¼	59¼	58⅞	59
Corn—May	37⅝	37⅝	37½	37½
July	38¾	38¾	38⅜	38⅜
Sept	39¾	39¾	39¼	39⅜
Oats—May	33¾	33¾	33	33
June	33	33	32⅝	32¾
July	29⅞	30	29¾	29¾
Sept	25¼	25¼	25	25⅛
Pork—May	.....	.....	.....	$12.20
July	$12.35	$12.35	$12.17½	12.25
Lard—May	7.40	7.45	7.40	7.45
July	7.10	7.10	7.05	7.05
Sept	7.07½	7.07½	7.02½	7.05
S'ribs—May	6.37½	6.37½	6.37½	6.37½
July	6.37½	6.37½	6.32½	6.35
Sept	.....	.....	.....	6.32½

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour—Bakers', $1.70@2; winter patents, $2.80@3; winter straights, $2.40@2.75; spring patents, $3.20@3.50; spring straights, $2.20@2.60. No. 2 spring wheat, 55⅞c; No. 3 spring wheat, 61c; No. 2 red, 55⅞c; No. 2 corn, 37½c; No. 3 corn, 38⅜c; No. 2 oats, 33c; No. 2 white, 35¼@35½c; No. 3 white, 34¼@35½c; No. 2 rye, 46c; No. 2 barley nominal; No. 3, 53@56c; No. 4, 51@52c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.33; prime timothy seed, $4.20@4.25; mess pork, $12.25@12.27½; lard, 7.45@7.47½c; short-rib sides (loose), 6.37½@6.40c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 5.75@6c; short-clear sides (boxed), 6.87½@7.12½c; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.15.

One the Produce Exchange, to-day, the butter market was firm; creamery, 12@15c; dairy, 8@13c. Eggs steady; strictly fresh, 9½c.

Receipts—Flour, 9,000 brls; wheat, 11,000 bu; corn, 121,000 bu; oats, 333,000 bu; rye, 3,000 bu; barley, 19,000 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 21,000 brls; wheat, 9,000 bu; corn, 161,000 bu; oats, 267,000 bu; rye, 4,000 bu; barley, 4,000 bu.

AT NEW YORK.

Ruling Prices in Produce at the Seaboard's Commercial Metropolis.

NEW YORK, May 12.—Flour—Receipts, 31,700 brls; exports, 24,300 brls; sales, 2,100 packages. The market was dull and unsettled. To sell, concessions would have to be made. Some export business was done at 5c decline to-day. City mill patents, $4.05@4.30; winter patents, $3.25@3.35; city mill clears, $3.55@3.60; winter straights, $2.60@2.95; Minnesota patents, $3.40@3.85; winter extras, $2@2.50; Minnesota bakers', $2.10@3.40; winter low grades, $1.60@1.80; spring extras, $1.80@2.40. Rye flour firm. Superfine, $2.70@2.85; fancy, $2.85@3.05. Buckwheat flour nominal. Buckwheat dull; range on all grades, 68@75c. Corn meal steady; yellow Western, $2.65@2.70; Brandywine, $2.70. Rye nominal; carlots, 51@52c. Boat loads, 55@56c. Barley dull; No. 2 Milwaukee, 66@67c; two-rowed State, 66c nominal; ungraded Western, 60@85c. Barley malt held steady; Western, 65@85c; six-rowed, 80@85c.

Wheat—Receipts, 28,700 bu; exports none; sales, 2,020,000 bu futures and 40,000 bu spot. Spots were dull and weak; No. 2 red, in store and elevator, 58 13-16c; afloat, 60⅜c; f. o. b., 60½c; ungraded red, 59c delivered. Options opened weaker on liquidation of local long wheat, weak cables, disappointing weekly exports and fine weather. May and July made new low records, and then the market ruled dull all the morning, closing at ½@⅝c net decline. No. 2 red, May, 58⅝@59c, closing at 58¾c; June closed at 59¾c; July, 60⅝@60 11-16c, closing at 60½c; August, 61 9-16@61 11-16c, closed at 61½c; September, 62⅝@62 9-16c, closing at 62⅝c; December, 65½@66c, closing at 65⅝c.

Corn—Receipts, 23,400 bu; exports, 100 bu; sales, 235,000 bu futures and 8,000 bu spot. Spots were dull and weak; No. 2, 43¼@43⅜c in elevator; 44⅜c afloat; steamer mixed, 43c. Options weaker on renewed talk about large receipts, disappointing weekly exports and sympathy with wheat, closing at ⅛@⅜c net decline. May closing at 43¼c; July, 43⅞@44⅛c, closing at 43⅞c; September, 44⅞@45c, closing at 44⅞c.

Oats—Receipts, 93,600 bu; exports, 1,600 bu; sales, 20,000 bu futures and 30,