FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Aug. 16.

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 4s, reg.	112½	—	U. S. 6s, 1895	112¾	—
U. S. 4s, c'p.	112¾	—	U. S. 6s, 1896	115	—
U. S. 4½s, reg.	109	124¾	U. S. 6s, 1897	117¾	—
U. S. 4½s, c'p.	109½	124¾	U. S. 6s, 1898	119¾	—
			U. S. 6s, 1899	123	—

RAILROAD AND OTHER BONDS (IN $1,000s).

34 Atchison 4s	84¾	5 N. Y., C. & W. en.	97¾
10 Atchison inc.	45¾	10 Or. R. & N. Con. 5s	104¾
8	86	10 Oregon & T. C. 1st	106½
5	66¾	8 Reading gen. 4s	81¾
4	60¾	1 Read. 7s pf. inc	48¾
44	66¾	5 Shenandoah V. gu.	58
1 Atl. & Pac. in.	17	16 solidiz. V. N. E. 4s	70
4 Atch. & C. 1st	94¾	9 St. P. con.	125¾
2 Ches. & O. cn. 5s	105	15 Tex. Pac. 2d inc.	40¾
4	106¾	2 T. St. L. & K. C. 1st	99
10	107¾	1 Union Pac. S. F.	114
1 C., B. & Q. 4s, Lvia	95¾	2 Union Pac. 1st	108¾
1 Del. & H. 1st	107¾	2 U. P., D. & G. 1st	98
3 Iron Mt. 2d	108	1	87¾
8 Iowa Cent. 1st	85	1	88¾
2 Kan. & T. 4s	75	1	89¾
2 Kan. & N. 1st	110¾	10 Wabash 1st	101
2	100	2 Wabash 2d	79¾
10 La. St. L. & Tex. 1st	109¾	15 West Shore 4s	105
2	109¾	2	104¾
1 Met. El. 2d	107	6 Wis. Cent. 1st	90
1 Nor. & W. C.V. div.	90¾		

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $204,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open.	High.	Low.	Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.
550	Atch., T. & S. Fe	42¾	43⅝	42¾	43½	43¾
200	Brunswick Co.	29¾	29¾	29	29¾	30¾
400	Can. Southern	58¾	58¾	58¾	58¾	59
2810	Canadian Pacific	83	84¾	83¾	84¾	84¾
2	Ches. & Ohio	22¾	22¾	22¾	22¾	23¾
7	Chi. & E. Ill.	45¾	45¾	45¾	44¾	45¾
10	Chi. & E. Ill. pf.	93¾	93¾	93¾	93	95
400	Chicago Gas	55¾	55¾	55	54¾	55¾
1450	C., C., C. & St. L.	71¾	72	71¾	71¾	71¾
100	C., B. & Q.	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾	101¾
725	C., R. I. & P.	102¾	103	102¾	102¾	102¾
595	C., M. & St. P.	71¾	72¾	71¾	71¾	72
100	C., R. I. & St. L.	118¾	118¾	118¾	118	119
125	C., H. & D.	89¾	89¾	89¾	89	90
100	Colorado Coal	50¾	51¾	50¾	51	51¾
190	Col. H. V. & Tol.	80	80	80	80	80¾
500	Col. & Hock. Coal	39¾	40	39¾	40	40¾
700	Consol. Gas of B.	80¾	80¾	80	80¾	80¾
1000	Delaware & Hud.	143¾	143¾	143¾	143¾	143¾
1600	Den. & R. G. pf.	56¾	57¾	56¾	57¾	58
100	Flint & P. M. pf.	90	90	90	90	90
200	Iowa Central	8¾	8¾	8¾	8¾	9¾
370	L. E. & West. of	63¾	63¾	63¾	63¾	63¾
600	Lake Shore	109¾	109¾	109	109¾	109¾
100	Laclede Gas	20	20¾	20	20¾	21
2481	Louis. & Nash.	87¾	88¾	87¾	88¾	88¾
100	L. E. & St. L. pf.	65	65	65	65	70
1	Manhattan Consol.	125¾	126¾	125¾	126¾	128¾
3740	Missouri Pacific	71¾	72	71¾	71	71¾
800	Mo., K. & T.	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	21¾
470	Mobile & J. 1st	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾	94¾
100	N. Y. Central	107	107	107	106¾	107¾
1200	N. Y. & New Eng.	40	40¾	40¾	40¾	40¾
3440	N. Y., L. E. & W.	26¾	26¾	26¾	26¾	26¾
200	Norfolk & W. pf.	50	50	50	50	50
2	Nor. & W. of	63¾	63¾	63¾	63¾	64
750	Northern Pacific	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
1890	Northern Pac. of	62¾	63¾	62¾	62¾	62¾
100	Ohio & Miss.	24¾	24¾	24¾	24	25
250	Ontario & West	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
210	Oregon Imp.	46	47	46	47	48
100	Oregon R. & N.	44	44	43¾	43¾	44
580	Ore. & Trans. Y. R.	47¾	47¾	47¾	47¾	47¾
610	Pacific Mail	44¾	45¾	44¾	45¾	45¾
10	Peo., Dec. & Evv.	20	20	19¾	19¾	20¾
3000	Phila. & Reading	44	44	43¾	43¾	43¾
250	Pitts & W.	27	27	27	27	30
600	Quicksilver	7¾	8	7¾	7¾	8¾
1475	Quicksilver pf.	42¾	42¾	42¾	42¾	43
1520	Rich. & W. P.	21¾	21¾	21¾	21¾	21¾
400	Southern Pac.	29¾	30¾	29¾	29¾	30¾
1475	Texas Pacific	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
700	Tol. A. A. & N. M.	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	21
5800	Union Pacific	60¾	61¾	60¾	61¾	60¾
600	W., St. L. & P.	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾	13
2420	W., St. L. & P. pf.	27¾	28	27¾	28	27¾
460	Western Un. Tel.	84	84¾	84	84	84¾
800	Wheeling & L. E.	38¾	39¾	38¾	39¾	39
1100	Wheel. & L. E. pf.	70¾	70¾	70¾	70¾	70¾
20	Wis. Central	27¾	27¾	27¾	27	27¾

The total sales of stocks were 69,559 shares.

UNLISTED DEPARTMENT TRANSACTIONS.

Sales.		Open'g.	High't.	Low't.	Clos'g.
400	Amer. Cot. Oil ctfs.	29¾	29¾	29¾	29¾
2350	Sugar Refineries	82	82¾	81¾	82
100	National Lead Trust	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
200	Tol., St. L. & K. C.	18	18	18	17
200	Con. Cal. & Va.	3.55	3.55	3.55	3.55
500	Horn Silver	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.50
$2000	Georgia Pac. 1st	111¾	111¾	111¾	111¾
$39.00	Kan. & Tex. 4s, W. I.	79¾	79¾	79¾	79¾
$4000	St. L., Ark. & Tex. 4s W. I.	73¾	73¾	73¾	73¾
27000	Pine Line ctfs.	.02	.02	.01½	.02

LATEST QUOTATIONS FOR BANK STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
America	215	219	Mercantile	220	—
Am. Exch'ge	160	161	Mer. Exch'ge	127	129
Asbury Park	—	70	Metropolitan	6	—
Broadway	290	—	Metropolis	—	400
Central	139	145	Mt. Morris	375	—
Chase	275	—	N. Y. County	550	—
Chemical	4,700	—	Ninth Nat.	100	—
Commerce	209	208	Park	312	—
Continental	—	143	Phenix	141	145
Depositt	110	—	Republic	190	—
Fourteenth St.	170	—	Second	220	—
Fourth	172	175	Seventh Nat.	140	—
Imp. and Trad.	555	570	Shoe & Leath.	100	—
Leather Manf.	232	—	State of N. Y.	104¾	—
Manhattan	—	160½	Tradesmen's	101	—
Mechanics'	214	—	W. National	107	107¾

OTHER INACTIVE STOCKS.

	Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.		Closing. Bid.	Closing. Asked.
Adams Exp.	148	153	Maryland Coal	12¾	15
Albany & Sus.	171	—	Mexican Nat.	—	6
Alton & T. H.	—	41	Minn. Iron	85¾	88
Alton & T. H. pf.	125	—	Nassau Gas	—	40
Amer. Cable	82¾	86¾	Nat. B. & Unk.	—	145¾
Amer. Dist. T.	—	83	Mil., L. S. & W.	91	93
American Ex.	114	117	Mil., L. S. & W. pf.	128¾	111
Atlantic & Pac.	6¾	7¾	Minn. & St. L.	3¾	7
Boston A. L. pf.	105	107	Minn. & St. L. pf.	13	18
Buff., Roch. & P.	38¾	86	New Cent. Coal	9	12
Buff., Pitts. & R.	70¾	75¾	N. Y. Central	122¾	123¾
Bur., C. R. & N.	75	80	N. Y. & H.	255	265
Com. Cable Co.	101¾	104	N. Y., O. & St. L.	10¾	17
Cameron Coal	4	7	N. Y., O. & St. L. pf.	70	71¾
Cedar Rapids M. J.	2	6	N. Y., C. & St. L.	29	30
Central Pac.	32¾	33¾	N. Y. S. & W.	7¾	8
C. & O. 1st pf.	90	92	N. Y. S. & W. pf.	31	33
C. & O. 2d pf.	41¾	43	Ohio Southern	21	22¾
Chic. & Alton	128	134	Ontario & Min.	44	45¾
Chi. & N. W. pf.	144	144¾	Oregon Imp. pf.	95	99
C., St. L. & P.	14¾	17	Oregon R. & N.	96¾	101
C., St. L. & P. pf.	34	43	Peo. & E.	18	21
Cleve. & Pitts.	155	—	Penna. Coal	260	300
Col. & Cin'lle pf.	35	37	Phila. Gas	62¾	62¾
Com. Cable Co.	125	154	Pullman Palace	—	154
Con. Gas Co.	98¾	—	Pull. Pal. Car Co.	218	217¾
Del. & Hudson	142¾	145	Pitts. & W. pf.	35	38¾
Den. & R. G.	19	19¾	Scein. & Sar.	180	—
Des M. & Ft. D.	6	20	Rio Grande	20	22
D. M. & F. D. pf.	15	30	Rio G. W. pf.	50	52
E. T., V. & G.	9	9¾	Rich. & W. P. pf.	76¾	82
E. T., V. & G. pf.	70	72¾	St. L. & S. F.	8	11¾
Edison L. Co.	105	107	St. L. & S. F. pf.	32	—
Evans. & T. H.	122	126	St. L. & S. F. gu.	61	—
Gt. Nor. Ry. pf.	82	82¾	St. L. & S. F. 1st	92	—
Green B. & Wn.	8	11	St. L. & Iron Mt.	38	38¾
Homestake	10¾	11	St. P. & Dul. pf.	92¾	94
Houston & Tex.	2	3¾	St. P. & Om.	92¾	92¾
Illinois Central	115	116	St. P. & M.	115¾	117¾
Iowa Cent. pf.	24¾	27¾	South Carolina	3	4
Kinc. & Pem.	13	16	St. Jo. & Gr. I.	12¾	14¾
Keokuk & D. M.	8	7	Tenn. C. & I.	48	49
K. & D. M. pf.	7	16	Tenn. C. & I. pf.	89	97¾
L. E. & West.	17¾	18	Tol. & O. C.	69	80
Leads. & St. L.	30	32	Tol. & O. C. pf.	93	100
Laclede Gas pf.	70	71	Texas Pacific	20¾	21
Long Island	68¾	69¾	Un. Pac., D. & G.	38¾	34
Lou., N. A. & C.	42¾	45	U. S. Express	70	72
Manhattan con.	109¾	109¾	Wells, Fargo & Co.	140	145
Manhattan B.	131	—			

LATEST CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos. & Albany	—	231	West End Land	2¾	2¾
Eastern	171¾	—	Bos. & Mont.	79¾	80¾
Hoosac	80¾	80¾	Butte & Bos.	19¾	—
N. Y. & N. E. pf.	—	120	Calumet & Hec.	—	501
Old Colony	172	—	Santa Fe M. Co.	—	65
Am. Bell Tel.	172	173	A., T. & S. F. 5s	94¾	—
Bos. Ext. Tel.	51	52	A., T. & S. F. 1s	66¾	67

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Pa. & R. m. s.	8¾	8¾	Lehigh Valley	50	53¾
Phil. & R. 1st pf.	71¾	—	L. C. & N.	51¾	—
Phil. & R. 2d pf.	53	54	Pennsylvania	53¾	53¾
Phil. & R. 30 pf.	42¾	43¾			

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Atlantic & Gt. W. 1st	88¾	89¾	Lou. & Nashville	80¾	80¾
Atlantic & Gt. W. 2d	5¾	5¾	N. Y. Central	110¾	—
Canadian Pacific	85	—	Northern Pacific pf.	84¾	—
Central Pacific	94	—	Norfolk & W. pref.	50¾	—
Erie common	27	—	Pennsylvania	54¾	—
Erie 2d consols	105¾	—	Reading	22¾	—
Illinois Central	116	—	St. Paul common	73¾	—
Kansas & Texas	2¾	—	Union Pacific	60¾	—
Lake Shore	114¾	—	Wabash pf.	31¾	—

SATURDAY, Aug. 16.

To-day's bank statement supplies conclusive evidence of the necessity for a fresh supply of money at this centre. The resources of the banks have been depleted to the extent of about $4,000,000, which has been taken about equally by the Sub-Treasury and the interior. Both will continue to absorb money, and every business man is concerned as to the manner in which the resources of the banks are to be replenished. The banks have been unable to keep their reserves up to legal requirements this week by contracting their loans to about the same extent that they have been drawn upon. The same operations continued next week mean a further contraction of the loans. This occurs at a time when the country, already transacting a very large volume of business, is entering upon the season of greatest business activity, that is, a season when nearly every industry and every branch of trade demands the use of more money than at any time during the year.

A Washington despatch says that the Acting Secretary of the Treasury discussed this situation with the President to-day, and the result of their conference was a decision not to change the fiscal policy of the Government at present. It is worth something to know that the Chief Executive officer of the Government has had this matter directly brought to his attention, since it will enable the business community to place the responsibility for whatever may occur in consequence of the narrow policy of the Treasury exactly where it belongs. A year ago the available surplus of the Treasury was approximately 65 million dollars, of which about 43 million dollars was on deposit with the National banks. The available surplus to-day, as swollen by the National Bank Note Redemption Fund and by the Treasury holdings of subsidiary silver coin, is 131 million dollars, of which only 25 million dollars is in the National banks. And only a small proportion of that is available for general business purposes, as the bulk of it consists of money placed to the credit of disbursing officers and Post Office accounts. Mr. Windom, following the orders of his superiors in the Administration, has shut one door of the Treasury through which he could place a part of the surplus at the disposal of business, and left open one through which relief can come only by the condescension of the holders of Government bonds. Plenty of those bondholders would be willing to lend their bonds to the banks to be used as security for Government deposits in an emergency like the present, but they are manifestly unwilling to part with them at the prices the Treasury is now paying. As long as the Treasury persists in keeping shut the channel that it can control it should make the one that it leaves open sufficiently attractive to insure the outward flow of money, which, under the present Sub-Treasury system should be continuous as long as Government collections are overwhelming in excess of its needs.

The issue is now squarely presented, and it is for the Government to determine whether it will throttle or facilitate the business of its people at the most critical period in the year. The issue is in no sense a local one, for the drafts that the interior makes upon this centre are prima facie evidence that the resources of other centres are fully employed, without satisfying the demand. It is an issue that comes home to every merchant and manufacturer, for all know that a stringent money market means a curtailment of operations and diminished profits. That condition of business reduces the number of those employed and may in many cases result in a reduction in wages. If these things were inevitable it would be useless to dwell upon them. But they can be averted, for there is at least $100,000,000 of idle money lying in the Treasury, a part of which could be easily and reasonably placed at the service of the people. Under the circumstances the redemption of a part of the 4½ ₰ cent. bonds is the alternative which presents itself with the greatest force to every one whose opinion of financial matters is worth considering. An offer to redeem a fifth or a quarter of that issue would doubtless meet with success. The purchases of silver afford very slow relief. A more liberal treatment of the surplus is demanded.

To-day's stock market was moderately active and strong, as the poor showing by the banks was offset by general speculations of an announcement this afternoon of a change in the fiscal policy of the Government. The most conspicuous feature of the dealings was a sharp advance in the price of Silver bullion certificates, resulting from a clearer appreciation of the ultimate effect of the Government purchases upon the price of silver. A better feeling has developed in Wall street during the week, which may prove to be simply the natural reaction from the despondency of a week ago.

As compared with the final prices of last Saturday the entire list is higher. The more important net advances were in Canadian Pacific, 4¼ ₰ cent.; Denver and Rio Grande preferred, 4¾; Louisville and Nashville, 3¾; Northwest, 2¾; Missouri Pacific, 2¾; Atchison, 2¾; Northern Pacific preferred and Oregon Transcontinental, 2⅛ each; Chicago Gas and Wabash preferred, 2 each; Colorado Coal and Lackawanna, 1⅞ each; Canada Southern 1⅝; Richmond Terminal, St. Paul, Texas Pacific, and Union Pacific, 1¼ each; Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and Erie, 1⅛ each; Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis and Western Union, 1¼; Lake Shore, 1⅛; Pacific Mail and Southern Pacific, 1 each; Reading and Wheeling and Lake Erie preferred, ¾ each, and New England, ⅝ ₰ cent.

Final sales compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	Aug. 15.	Aug. 16.		Aug. 15.	Aug. 16.
A., T. & S. F.	42¾	43⅝	N. Y. Central	107¾	107
Canadian Pac.	82¾	84¾	N. Y. & N. Eng.	40¾	40¾
Can. Southern	58¾	59¾	Ontario & West.	10¾	10¾
C., C., C. & St. L.	71¾	71¾	Or. & Trans.	47¾	47¾
C., B. & Q.	102¾	102¾	Pacific Mail	44¾	45
Chicago Gas	55¾	56	Rock Island	89	89¾
Del., L. & W.	146¾	146¾	Rich. & W. P.	21¾	21¾
D. & R. G. pf.	56¾	57¾	Reading	43¾	43¾
Erie	26¾	26¾	St. Paul com.	71¾	71¾
Hocking Val.	80	80	St. Paul pf.	119	119
Kansas & Tex.	20¾	20¾	Tex. Pac.	20¾	20¾
Lou. & Nash.	87¾	88¾	Union Pacific	60¾	61¾
Lake Shore	108	109¾	Wab. & P. com.	10¾	10¾
Mich. Central	90¾	90¾	Wab. & P. pf.	28¾	28¾
Missouri Pac.	71¾	71¾	West. Un. Tel.	83¾	84¾
Northwest com.	110¾	111¾	W. & L. E.	38¾	39¾
Nor. Pac. com.	34¾	34¾	W. & L. E. pf.	70¾	70¾
Nor. Pac. pf.	82¾	82¾			

Government bonds firm at unchanged quotations. Railway bonds dull and without feature. The more important net advances were in Atchison incomes, 1⅛ ₰ cent., to 66⅞, and Chesapeake and Ohio consol 5s, ⅝ ₰ cent., to 100⅝.

In bank stocks 50 shares of Western National sold at 107@107¾.

Silver bullion certificates for 776,000 ounces sold at 115⅛@117⅛. Bar silver in London steady at 52¾d. ₰ ounce.

Money on call, nominal at 4 ₰ cent. Loans at the higher rates were exceptional. Time money 6 ₰ cent. for all periods on approved Stock Exchange collateral. Commercial paper quiet. The best double-name paper is quoted at 5¾@6 ₰ cent., and prime single name at 6@7 ₰ cent.

Sterling exchange featureless. Posted asking rates, $4.84½ for long bills and $4.88½ for demand. Actual rates, $4.83½@$4.83¾ for sixty-day bills, $4.87½@$4.87¾ for sight drafts, and $4.88½@$4.88¾ for cable transfers.

To-day's offers to sell United States bonds to the Government aggregated $382,500, of which $355,000 were 4s at 124, and $27,500 were 4½s at 109¾. All were accepted. Gen. Nettleton, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, spent some time to-day in consultation with the President upon the fiscal policy of the Government. It had been generally expected that some change would be announced to-day in the Government's policy with reference to bond purchases, but after leaving the President Gen. Nettleton said that there would be no change in the present policy of the Government's policy. There might be some modification of this policy in the near future, however, he said. Gen. Nettleton further stated that publicity would be given hereafter to the rates paid by the Government for silver.

The weekly bank statement shows:

	Aug. 9.	Aug. 16.	Changes.
Loans	$404,853,800	$402,153,000	Dec. $2,702,800
Deposits	407,900,200	399,548,100	Dec. 8,347,100
Circulation	9,044,900	9,028,400	Dec. 15,500
Legal tenders	20,376,100	20,376,100	Dec. 1,836,300
Specie	73,490,000	70,843,200	Dec. 2,652,800
Reserve	$103,282,900	$99,221,300	Dec. $4,061,600
Reserve req'd	101,975,300	99,977,025	Dec. 2,098,275
Surplus	$1,288,000	Def. $655,725	Dec. $1,963,725

The surplus a year ago was $3,954,325, and two years ago $21,756,275.

The *Financial Chronicle* computes the gross earnings of one hundred and fifty-eight railroads for July at $38,516,474, an increase of $3,166,350 as compared with the same month of last year. The mileage was 87,107, an increase of 1,935 miles. For the six months ending July 31 the gross earnings of one hundred and forty-nine roads were $248,425,717, an increase of $25,529,091 as compared with the corresponding period of last year.

The stock transfer books of the Oregon and Transcontinental Company will be closed Aug. 28 and will not be reopened. After that date no transfer of the stock of the company will be made upon its books.

An official announcement was made at the Stock Exchange to-day that tran-actions in Buckeye Pipe Line Certificates may be made on and after Monday next. These certificates represent Lima oil.

The receipts from internal revenue for the week were $2,941,994, and from customs $4,889,829, a total of $7,831,823, against $7,815,049 last week, and making the total from both sources since July 1 $54,676,772.

National bank note circulation outstanding, $183,790,829; received during the week for redemption, $1,212,352; amount reissued, $659,610, and destroyed, $521,708. Balance of deposits in the treasury to redeem national bank notes, $58,921,835, a decrease as compared with last week of $69,455.

Treasury balances compare with those of last Saturday as follows:

	Aug. 9.	Aug. 16.
Gold	$186,634,069	$186,401,213
Legal tenders	11,066,205	11,749,124
Totals	$196,242,364	$196,125,337

Silver balance, $19,970,777, against $20,024,177 last Saturday. Deposits in national banks, $26,590,084, against $25,210,971 last Saturday. Bonds to secure such deposits, $29,681,000.

Money in London 3¼@3½ ₰ cent. Discount in the open market for both short and three months' bills 3⅛ ₰ cent. The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balance to-day was £15,000. Paris advices quote 3 ₰ cents at 95 francs, and exchange on London at 25 francs 30 centimes.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company gives notice that it is now prepared to endorse its guarantee of interest at the rate of 4 ₰ cent. per annum on the first mortgage bonds of the Minneapolis, Sault Ste. Marie and Atlantic Railroad and the first mortgage bonds of the Minneapolis and Pacific Railroad, provided the holders of said bonds deposit them with Messrs. Morton, Bliss & Co., this city, by whom checks will be given to such depositors of bonds for the full amount of the coupons due July 1, 1890.

The sales of mining stocks at the New York Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange to-day were as follows:

Sales.	Name.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
		¢	¢	¢	¢
100	Astoria	—	—	—	—
100	Atlantic	23 12	23 12	23 12	23 12
200	Alta	1 15	1 15	1 15	1 15
800	Brunswick Con.	8	8	8	8
100	Best & Belcher	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00
100	Challenge	2 60	2 60	2 60	2 60
100	Commonwealth	3 00	3 00	3 00	3 00
10	Caledonia & H.	301 97	301 57	301 17	301 57
200	Con. Cal. & Va.	3 75	3 75	3 70	3 70
200	Chrysolite	25	25	25	25
100	El Cristo	80	80	80	80
1600	Freeland	40	40	40	40
100	Gould & Curry	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00
200	Huron	7 12	7 12	7 12	7 12
300	Julia	35	35	35	35
100	Little Chief	33	33	33	33
500	Mutual S. & M. Co.	1 55	1 55	1 55	1 55
100	Mexican	3 15	3 15	3 15	3 15
200	Nevada Queen	70	70	70	70
100	Ophir	4 80	4 80	4 80	4 80
200	Phoenix of Ariz.	1 20	1 20	1 20	1 20
200	Potosi	6 00	6 00	6 00	6 00
80	Quincy	126 87	126 87	126 87	126 87
300	Silver Creek	1 10	1 10	1 10	1 10
100	San Sebastian	40	40	40	40
300	Star, Nevada	1 20	1 20	1 20	1 20
500	Silver Cord	35	35	35	35
900	S. Hill, of V. Val.	83	83	83	83
800	Sullivan con.	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
300	Small Hopes	90	90	90	90
100	Utah con.	75	75	75	75
300	Yellow Jacket	3 20	3 20	3 20	3 20

71 sales transactions were 9,040 shares.

New York Markets.

SATURDAY, Aug. 16.—FLOUR AND MEAL—Prices still show a hardening tendency. Quoted, Flour, $6 bbl.—Fine, $2.30@$2.65; superfine $2.75@$3.50; No. 2 extra, $3 @$3.25; No. 1 extra, $3@$4.40; clears, $4.20@$4.60; straights, $4.70@$5.10; patents, $5@$5.50; winter, $5.10@$5.60 (the same qualities in sacks bell below the price in barrels); city, mills, shipping extras, $4.75@$5.00. Rye flour, $3 bbl.—Superfine, $3.50@$3.75; fine, $3@$3.25. Corn meal, $ bbl.—$2.35@$3 for Western and $3.25 for Brandywine.

GRAIN—Futures opened at a decline of three to four points on near, and one point on late months; closing easy at a decline of six points on near and two to three points on late months from yesterday's closing prices. Receipts at the ports to-day, 1,150 bales. A weak Liverpool report caused a weak opening to this market, but the advance in silver caus- d a partial recovery in the next crop, leaving August options in a very unsettled state. The uncertainties of the position greatly restrd speculation, and there was a disposition to let silver alone for a time before acting to any extent. Fort receipts for the coming week are estimated at 10,000 bales. Weather reports were generally favorable, but recently there have been excessive rains in Alabama and parts of Georgia, which, with cool nights, cause rust and shedding. Cotton on the spot was dull and weak, but not quotably lower, middling uplands, 12 1-16c.; do. Gulf, 12¼c. Quotations for the day follows, with the details of transactions in futures:

Months.	Closing prices.	Highest.	Lowest.	Sales.
August	11.77@11.79	11.80	11.77	2,200
September	10.87@10.88	11.01	10.98	8,100
October	10.68@10.69	10.94	10.59	8,600
November	10.40@10.40	10.46	10.45	1,800
December	10.40@10.40	10.47	10.43	2,500
January	10.49@10.50	10.52	10.49	2,200
February	10.52@10.54	—	—	1,200
March	10.56@10.57	10.59	10.57	700
April	10.61@10.62	10.64	10.62	700

Total sales, 20,800 bales.

Transferable notices issued at 11.85c.

PROVISIONS—Lard futures were firmer, in sympathy with the grain markets, but the business transacted was in check by the decline in the hog market, which closed lower for September at 6.30@6.40c. After Chance the close was steady at 6.30c. for September, 6.40c. for October, 6.62c. for November, 6.65c. for December, and 6.80c. for January. Spot lard quiet and steadier; sales 50 tcs. city at 5.80c. and 100 tcs. prime western at 5.90@5.92½c. Refined lard for the Continent quoted at 6.20@6.25c. Pork dull and unchanged. Quoted, New mess $12.75@$13.25, extra prime, $10@$10.50, and short clear, $12.25@$14. Cut meats quiet, but firmer. Spot sales quoted: Pickled bellies, 5¾@5¾c.; pickled shoulders, 5¾@5½c.; hams, 10¾@11c. smoked shoulders, 6¾@7c.; hams, 11¾@12c. Tallow firmer, owing to the strike of the railroad troubles. Tcs. sold at 4¼c. Beef steady at $6.75@$7.25 for extra mess, $7.50@$8 for packet, $8.75@$9.75 for family ₰ bbl., and $12@$14.50 ₰ tce. for India mess. Beef hams quiet at $17@$18 ₰ tce. Tallow quoted at 4¼@4¾c. in hhds. and tcs., and oleomargarine at 5¾@5¾c. Tallow dull at 4¾c. Butter is firmer, with a fair demand for fancy creamery, and 16@17c. for fancy factory.

GRAIN—Wheat futures were buoyant on bad crop accounts and the rise in silver; sales 2,728,000 bush. at $1.05⅛@$1.07¼ for September, $1.09⅛@$1.10⅞ for October, $1.12⅛@$1.13⅝ for December, and $1.11⅝@$1.13⅝ for May. Spot wheat was held higher, checking trade. Quoted: Spring, $1@$1.20; red winter, 95c.@$1.10; Milwaukee, $1@$1.07; red winter to elevator, $1.06. The sales were 32,000 bush. ungraded red winter at $1.05⅛. Indian corn futures were firmer, but the advance was more in sympathy with wheat than from legitimate influences; sales, 1,120,000 bush. at 55¾@56¾c. for September, 56¼@56¾c. for October, and 57c. for November. Spot corn firmer, but very dull. Quoted: Western mixed, 54@57c.; Western yellow, 55@57c.; do. white, 56c.; sales were unimportant. Oats were firmer, but dull; sales 100,000 bush., including options No. 3 mixed at 41⅝@41⅞c. for September, and 41¼@41⅝c. for October, and on the spot, mixed at 42@44c., and white at 47@50c., as to quality; also No. 2 white at 47½c. in elevator and No. 2 mixed at 41½c. Rye firm; No. 2 Western, 82c. afloat. Barley quiet at 60@65c. for Western and State. After Change—Wheat firm; No. 2 red winter for August, $1.09⅝; September, $1.07¾; October, $1.09⅞; November, $1.12⅝; December, $1.16⅝; January, $1.10⅛; May, $1.13¾. Corn steady; No. 2 mixed for August, 55½c.; September, 55½c.; October, 56½c.; May, 50c. Oats firmer; No. 2 mixed for August, 44c.; September, 41