FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

New York Stock Exchange—Sales Sept. 29.

CLOSING PRICES OF UNITED STATES BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U S 2s, r	90	—	U S 4s, 1925	101	—
U S 4s, r	113¾	114¼	U S 6s, 1896	104	—
U S 4s, c	113	113¾	U S 6s, 1897	107	—
U S 5s, r	110	110¾	U S 6s, 1898	110	—
U S 5s, c	110¼	110¾	U S 6s, 1899	113	—

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

10 Atchison 4s	71	5 Peo & Eastern in.	16
	90	15 Rh & W P T 5s	32¾
8	20	15 Reading gnl 4s	77¾
5 Atchison 2d 4s A	22¾	15	77¾
4 Chi & Eas Ill 6s	76½	2	77¾
1 Chi & O R & A 1st ch 4s	93¾	30	77¾
1	93¾	90 Reading 1st pr in.	32½
1	93¾	10 Reading 2d pr in.	21¾
8 Chic. B & N 5s	104½	5 Rip & W 1st	66¾
1 Chic & Nor P 1st. T H	42½	5 Sch'ny V & N E 4s	75½
1 Cen Pac, g, 97½	103¾	5 St P & Minn 6s	120
8 Chic & Erie in	40	15 So Pac of N M 1st	100
4 Cen Id, D M ctfs	70	3	100¼
8 M & T Cen gal 4s	63	8 St P & Ma 1st, M C 5s	101
2	63¾	2 St P & Ma en 4s	151
1	63¾	1 St P & D 2d, cl C	113
1 Kan Pac D 4s	103¾	1 St P 1st 8s	113¾
10 Kan & Tex 2s	47¾	1	113¾
9	25¾	1 St L & S W 1st	58
1 Laclede Gas 1st	80¾	1	58¾
1 L N & A Ch ca	90	1 So Ry 5s, W I	88¾
7 No. R & S 1st	81¼	5 Tex Pac 2d in	25
9 Nes Bal 1st in	71	7 Tex & M Cen 5s	77¾
5 Minn & St L 1st, S W ex	100	4 Union Pac, 4s	106¾
2 Mo Pac 3d	119¾	10 Un P, D & G 1st	39
3 Mob & Ohio gnl	74	1 Wabash 1st	104¾
10 Mil & L S M div	105	2	104¾
1 Nor Pac cn 5s	109¾	2 Wabash 2d	67¾
5 N Y N H & H 6s	116	5	68
5 Nor R Cal 5s	104¾	2 West Un col 5s	106¾
2 N W S P 5s	111¾	2 West Shore 4s	104¾
2 N Y, O & W, r 4s	86¾	2 West N Y & Pa 1st	103
		15 West N Y & Pa 2d	91¾
1 Oregon Imp 5s	69	5	24¾
8	61½	11	24¾
1	61½		

Total sales of railway bonds (par value), $443,000.

RAILROAD AND OTHER SHARES.

Sales.		Open-ing.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing.—Bid.	Asked.
84,185	Am Sug Ref	90¾	90¾	88¾	89¾	89¾
198	Am Sug Ref p	99½	99½	99½	91¾	92¾
175	Amer Tob	100½	101	99	99¾	100¾
900	Atch, T & S Fe	6¾	6¾	6¾	6	6¼
100	Am Dist Tel	41	41	40	42	—
100	Central Pac	18	18	18¾	18¾	—
700	Ches & Ohio	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾	19¾
120	Chicago Gas	70	70½	69¾	70¾	71
	C, C, C & St L	39	39	39	39¾	39¾
078	Chic & E Ill	102¾	102¾	102¾	102¾	102¾
4429	C B & Q	73¾	73¾	72¾	73¾	73¾
1075	C, M & St P	64¾	64¾	63¾	63¾	64
100	C R I & Pac	61	61	60¾	60¾	60¾
900	Distilling & C F	14¾	15	14¾	15	15¼
675	General Elec	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾	38¾
200	Iowa Cent	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾	8
55	Iowa Cent pf	30	30	30	—	30¾
700	Lake Shore	132¾	132¾	131¾	131¾	132
737	L I Trac	12¾	12¾	12¾	12¾	13
250	Louis & Nash	56¾	56¾	56¾	56	56¾
100	Louis, N A & C	8	8	8	7¾	8½
100	L, N A & C pf	94¾	94¾	94¾	95	95
488	Manhat Con	116	116¾	116	116	117
100	Metropol Tel	114	114	113¾	113¾	115
100	M St L 1st A P	69	69	69	69¾	71¾
600	Missouri Pac	27¾	27¾	27¾	27¾	28
100	M St L 1st A P	13¾	14	13¾	13¾	15
100	M St L 1st L P	90	90	90	90¾	91¾
910	N Y Central	99¾	99¾	99¾	99¾	100¼
200	Nat Lead	32¾	32¾	32	32	32¾
1000	N Y N E	31	31¾	31	30¾	31¾
100	N Y C & St L pf	27	27	27	27	28
200	N Y, L E & W	15	15	15	14¾	15¾
100	Nor & W	8¾	8¾	8	8	8¾
100	North Pacific	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾
100	North Pac pf	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	19¾
115	Ontario & W	16¾	16¾	16¾	16¾	17
200	Pacific Mail	15¾	15¾	15¾	15¾	16
1900	Phila & Read	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾	17¾
260	P, C, C & St L	50	50	50	50	50
200	P, C, C & St L pf	51¾	51¾	51¾	51	53
120	Rich & W P T	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾
100	St P & Dul pf	114	114	114	114	115
840	Southern Pac	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾	20¾
500	So Ry W I	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾
100	So Ry pf W I	42¾	42¾	41¾	42¾	42¾
300	Term C & I	11	11	11	11	12
100	Texas Pac	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾	9¾
200	T, A A & N M	7¾	7¾	7¾	7	7¾
30	U S Express	49¾	49¾	49¾	48	50
1000	U S Cordage	15	15	15	14¾	15
401	U S Cord pf	25¾	25¾	25	25¾	26
100	U S Rub pf	94	94	94	94	95
100	U S Leather	10¾	10¾	10¾	10	10¾
100	U S Leath pf	61¾	61¾	61¾	60¾	62
10	Wabash	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾
25	Wabash pf	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾	14¾
200	West Un Tel	87¾	87¾	87¾	87¾	87¾
100	Wheel L E	12½	12½	12½	12½	13¾
5	Wh & L E pf	45¾	45¾	45¾	44	45¾

Total sales of stocks were 81,300 shares.

LATEST QUOTATIONS FOR BANK STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
America	200	210	Market & Ful	210	225
Am Exch	165	175	Mechanics'	185	190
Broadway	235	250	Mech & Tra	150	165
Butch & D	165	185	Mercantile	180	200
Central Nat	120	—	Merchants	135	—
Chase Nat	450	—	Mer'h'nt Ex	120	—
Chatham	—	275	Metropolis	495	465
Chemical	4200	4300	Nassau	165	170
City	425	—	New York	230	239
Citizens	135	150	N Y County	520	600
Commerce	177	—	N Y Nat Ex	105	125
Continental	120	—	Ninth Nat	118	—
Corn Ex	140	286	North Amer	140	165
East River	140	160	Oriental	—	240
Fifth Avenue	2000	—	Pacific	170	—
First Nat	2500	—	Park	275	300
First N of S I	114	125	People's	200	206
Fourth Nat	191	198	Phenix	118	135
Gallatin Nat	315	325	Republic	155	165
Garfield Nat	300	—	Rieborough	170	—
German Am	—	117	Second Nat	300	—
Germania	330	—	Seventh Nat	130	—
Greenwich	150	—	Shoe & Leath	165	110
Hanover	305	325	South'n Nat	150	—
Imp & Trad	550	550	State of N Y	108	108
Irving	135	—	Tradesmen's	—	90
Leath Man	215	210	U S National	175	—
Lincoln Nat	225	—	Western Nat	110	115
Manhattan	185¾	—			

OTHER INACTIVE STOCKS.

	Closing.—Bid.	Asked.		Closing.—Bid.	Asked.
Adams Exp	145	165	Laclede Gas pf	72	74
Beaty & Bal	165	175	Manhat Bk	165	175
Alton & T H	31	34	Maryland C pf	39	55
Alton & T H pf	70	—	M'h'ing Coal	161	—
Amer Cable	90	—	M'h'ing C pf	100	—
Am Tob pf	106¾	108	Minn Iron	—	50
Amer Exp	117	119	Mexican Cen	7¾	8¼
Am Cot Oil	31¾	32¾	Michigan Cen	98½	99
Am Cot Oil pf	72¾	75	Mob & Bir	25	40
Atl & Pac	1¾	2¾	Mobile & Ohio	19¾	19¾
Boston A L pf	106¾	—	Morris & Es	166¾	167¾
Buff, R & P	188	211	National S	—	10
Buff, R & P pf	60	70	N Y & Hark	40	50
Bur, C R & N	49¾	—	Nat S pd pf	—	80
Balt & Ohio	76¾	77¾	N, C & St L	65	—
B & O pref N	75¾	76¾	Nat L Oil	15¾	16¾
Canada So	51¾	52	Nor Cen Coal	7	—
Can Pacific	65¾	66¾	N J Central	109¾	111
Chic & L	50¾	53	Norfolk & So	35	—
Chic & L pf	—	90	Norfolk & W pf	182	192
Chic & Alton	142	144	N Y, C & St L	14	15
Chic & N W pf	142	—	NY, C & St L pf	65	70
C, M & St P pf	121	123	N Y, L E & W	—	20
C, R I & P stk	102	103	N Y, L E & W pf	25	27
Cleve & Pitts	153	—	N Y, S & W pf	45¾	45¾
Col, C & I D	8	10	Nor'n & W pf	25	25¾
Col, H V & T	18	18¾	Ohio Southern	15	20
Col, H V & T pf	63	—	Ontario & S	8	—
Col & H C	7	8	Oregon Imp	15	16¾
Com Cable	125	128	Oregon R & N	23	25
Cons Coal	77¾	78	Oregon S L	5¾	5¾
Con Gas	119	120	Peo, Dec & Evan	9¾	4¾
Del & Hudson	138¾	138¾	Peo, Dec & E pf	8	8
Del, L & W	169¾	171¾	P & Eastern	5	7
Den & Rio G	7	8	P, P U W & C	153	—
Den & R G pf	33¾	34¾	Full Pal Car	159	163
Des M & F D	6	7¾	Pitts & W pf	25	26
Des M & F D pf	30	31	Quicksilver	1¾	2
E T, Va & Ga	21	12¾	Quicksilver pf	14	15
ET, Va & G 1st pf	18	21	Rens & Sar	180	—
ET, Va & G 2d pf	13	14¾	Rich & W P pf	22¾	23¾
Edison El Ill	101	102¾	R, W & O	11¾	11¾
Evans & T H	45	50	Rich & Dan	110	117¾
Flint & P M	—	14	St L & S W	8¾	9¾
Green B & W	4¾	5	St L & S W pf	25	29
Green B & W pf	9	17	St P & Dul	20	25
Gt Nor pf	101	103	St P & Omaha	56	56¾
Homestake	16	17	St P, M & M	103	108
Illinois Cen	93	94	South Cot Oil	—	60
Ken & Mich	25¾	26¾	Tenn C & I	—	50
Keok & D M	2	—	Tol & O C	40	—
Keok & D M pf	18	—	T & O C pf	72	78
L Sh & L S	134	135	Union Pac	13¾	13¾
L E & W	16¾	17¾	U S Cord	14¾	14¾
L E & W pf	71	71¾	U S Rubber	39¾	41
Long Island	87	89	Wells, F Exp	115	120
Laclede Gas	18	19	Wis Cen	4	4¼

BOSTON CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Bos & Albany	207	208	Butte & Bos	5¾	6¾
Bos & Maine	150	158	Cal & Hecla	260	265
Fitchburg pf	75¾	76	Osceola	94	95
N Y & N E	—	64¾	Quincy Min	90	93
Mex Cen 4s	57	57¾	Tamarack	164	165
Erie Tel	51¾	52	Tamarack, Jr	10¾	12
Westing'se E	34¾	35	Bay State Gas	1¾	1¾
West End L'd	87¾	88	A, T & S F	29¾	29¾
Bos & Prov	299¾	299¾	A, T & S Fe 4s	23	23¾

PHILADELPHIA CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
U G I	67¾	67¾	Leh C & N Co	51	51¾
Con Trac'n	30	33	Penna R R	51¾	52
Con Trac'n 5s	85¾	86	Phila Trac'n	102¾	102¾
People's Trac	50	51	Met Traction	115	115¾
Lehigh Valley	37¾	37¾			

LATEST LONDON QUOTATIONS.

Atchison	6¼	Norfolk & West pf	25¾
Canadian Pacific	67¾	Northern Pac pf	15
Erie common	15¾	Ontario & Western	17¾
Erie 2d certificate	27¾	Pennsylvania	52¾
Illinois Central	96	Reading	9¾
Kansas & Texas	14¾	St Paul	64¾
Lake Shore	135¾	Union Pacific	13¾
L & N Nashville	58	Wabash pf	14¾
N Y Central	105¾		

SATURDAY, Sept. 29.

The decline in stocks this week, which has been general and in many cases important, does not reflect liquidation as much as it does an absence of demand. Actual holders of securities seem to agree that prices are too low to justify them in parting with their stocks, particularly as the depression in business appears to have culminated; and though the tendency at present is not distinctly toward improvement, the statistics of general business strengthen the conviction that in matters commercial the corner has been turned. Still some time may elapse before a return of confidence and to permanent activity in business is plainly discernible. The approaching elections and the performances of Congress this winter will unquestionably have an important bearing upon the progress of business toward normal conditions, and consequently upon a revival of speculation.

The most trustworthy trade reports are that the volume of transactions in both retail and wholesale lines is still below the average. The demand for staple goods that was stimulated a little by the passage of the new Tariff law has died out. Stocks have been replenished where they were extraordinarily low; but that appears to be the limit of the demand for many important staples. A further decline in the price of wheat and of cotton and the low condition of the iron industry are depressing influences that cannot be labored. Railway earnings show a spasmodic improvement, while bank exchanges plainly reflect the reduced volume of general business.

In view of these circumstances, the professional element, which is practically the only active faction in the stock market at present, has been a seller of stocks all the week. The virtual collapse of the Distilling Company, and a strong conviction that the managers of the Sugar Refining Company are in favor of lower prices for its stock have also encouraged operations for short account. The statement of the operations of the C., B. and Quincy Company for August, and to a lesser extent the figures of the St. Paul Company for the same period, were not well received by the Street, while the publication of the Reading plan of reorganization has manifestly chilled the enthusiasm of the Micawber-like holders of that company's stock. Local hostility to the Chicago Gas companies has apparently induced some liquidation in the certificates representing that industry. The bulk of the selling, however, has been principally for short account. It has not had a generally marked effect upon prices, for the reason that the bears have cautiously taken their profits from time to time, thus furnishing the market with a certain amount of support that it would not otherwise have enjoyed.

To-day's market was in keeping with its immediate predecessors, and consisted almost entirely of transactions in Sugar Refining, Chicago Gas, and St. Paul. The tone was heavy throughout until just before the close, when the list was steadied a little by a sharp covering movement in Chicago Gas that left the price a point and a half higher than yesterday. Positive statements were circulated that the usual quarterly dividend upon these certificates would be announced to-day or Monday. In spite of the rally, Sugar Refining closed 1⅝ ⅌ cent. lower than yesterday. The weekly statement of averages of the Associated Banks shows a somewhat larger decrease in the deposits than is consistent with a small decrease in the loans and an increase of less than $500,000 in lawful money. The net result, an increase of over $800,000 in the surplus reserve, is as unimportant as the other changes.

As compared with the final prices of last Saturday, the entire list is lower. The more important net declines are in American Sugar Refining, 6⅞ ⅌ cent.; Reading, 4⅝; American Tobacco, 5¾; Burlington and Quincy, 2⅝; American Cotton Oil, 2¼; New England, 2¼; Distilling and Cattle Feeding and Western Union, 2 each; St. Paul and Missouri Pacific, 1⅞ each; Northwest, 1⅝; General Electric and National Lead, 1½ each; Chesapeake and Ohio, 1¼; Atchison and Chicago Gas, 1⅛ each; Louisville and Nashville and Manhattan, 1 each; United States Cordage, ¾; Ontario and Western, ⅝; Richmond and Terminal, Southern Railway, Texas Pacific, and Wabash preferred, ½ ⅌ cent. each.

Final sales compare with those of yesterday as follows:

	Sept. 29.	Sept. 28.		Sept. 29.	Sept. 28.
Am Sug Ref	89¾	90¾	Omaha pf	113¾	114
Am Sug Ref pf	99½	99½	Pacific Mail	15¾	15¾
C, B & Q	73½	73¾	Rock Island	61	60¾
Ches & Ohio	19¾	19¾	Rich & W P	1¾	1¾
Chicago Gas	69¾	69¾	Reading	18	18¾
Dis & C F Co	9¾	9¾	St Paul com	64¾	64
Gen Elec	38¾	38¾	Southern Ry	13¾	13¾
Louis & Nash	56¾	56¾	South Ry pf	43¾	43¾
Lake Shore	135	135	Texas Pac	9¾	9¾
Man Con	116	116¾	Tenn, C I & R	19¾	19¾
Missouri Pac	27¾	27¾	U S Cordage	14¾	14¾
Nat Lead	32¾	32¾	U S Leather	10¾	10¾
North'n Pac com	19¾	19¾	U S Leather pf	61¾	61¾
North Pac pf	18¾	18¾	West Un Tel	87¾	87¾
N Y Cen	99¾	99¾	Wheel & L E	13¾	12¾
N Y & N E	31¾	30¾			

Government bonds steady at unchanged quotations, and silver bonds dull. The features were Reading and Wabash issues. The more important net declines were in Reading general 4s, ⅝ ⅌ cent., to 77½; 1st preference incomes, ¼, to 32¼, and 2d preference incomes, ¼, to 21¾; Wabash 1sts, ⅛, to 104¼, and 2ds, ½ ⅌ cent., to 67¼.

Bar silver in London, 29 3-16d.

Money on call, 1 ⅌ cent. Time money is quoted at 2@2½ ⅌ cent. for ninety days and 3 ⅌ cent. for four months to six months on good mixed Stock Exchange collateral. Commercial paper is quoted as follows: Prime endorsed bills receivable are quoted at 3@3½ ⅌ cent., choice single-name paper at 4@5 ⅌ cent., and good at 4½@5½ ⅌ cent.

Foreign exchange quiet at yesterday's quotations. Posted asking rates for sterling, $4.86 @$4.86¼ for long bills and $4.87@$4.87¼ for demand. Actual rates are: Long bills, $4.85¾ @$4.85¾; sight drafts, $4.86¼@$4.86¼, and cable transfers $4.86¼@$4.86¾. Francs are quoted at 5.19⅝@5.18¾ for long and 5.17½ for short; reichsmarks, 95¼@95¾ for long and 95 9-16@95⅝ for short; guilders, 40¼@40 3-16 for long and 40⅛@40 3-16 for short.

Domestic exchange on New York: Boston—14 cents discount. Charleston—Buying, ⅛ discount; selling, par. Savannah—Buying, 3-16; selling, 1-16. New Orleans—Bank, par; commercial, 125 cents discount. San Francisco—Sight, 12½; telegraphic, 15. St. Louis—50 cents discount. Chicago—35 cents discount.

The weekly statement of averages of the Clearing House banks shows:

	Sept. 22.	Sept. 29.	Changes.	
Loans	$497,261,000	$497,561,000	Dec.	$308,400
Deposits	587,998,100	588,683,500	Dec.	1,294,600
Circulation	10,440,300	10,808,800	Inc.	368,300
Leg'l t'd's	115,094,200	115,439,700	Inc.	345,400
Specie	91,362,400	92,010,300	Inc.	148,100
Res've	$206,956,700	$207,450,200	Inc.	$493,500
Re'e req'd	146,999,025	146,658,375	Dec.	923,650
Surplus	$59,974,675	$60,791,825	Inc.	$817,150

The surplus a year ago was $24,120,500, and two years ago $4,392,400.

Imports of general merchandise, including dry goods, at the port of New York last week were $10,197,239, against $7,639,391 the previous week and $6,245,533 for the corresponding week of last year. The imports of specie for the week were $66,817, of which $50,687 was gold, making total specie imported since Jan. 1, $15,602,343. Exports of specie were gold, $2,000, and silver, $730,675, a total of $732,675, against $377,335 the previous week. The exports of specie since Jan. 1 have been, gold, $83,830,480, and silver, $25,850,423, a total of $109,680,703.

The Wabash Railroad reports gross earnings for August of $1,227,853, a decrease of $15,808 as compared with the same month of last year, and net $426,593, an increase of $122,640. For the two months ending Aug. 31 the gross earnings were $2,991,464, a decrease of $402,690 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $543,530, a decrease of $3,993.

The Chicago, Burlington and Northern Railroad reports gross earnings for August of $174,297, an increase of $4,991 as compared with the same month of last year, and net $68,469, an increase of $1,783. For the eight months ending Aug. 31 the gross earnings were $1,075,860, a decrease of $445,582 as compared with the corresponding period of last year, and net $943,629, a decrease of $271,494.

National bank note circulation outstanding, $207,539,809, an decrease for the week of $90,228; received during the week for redemption, $1,134,411; amount reissued, $1,328,932 and deposited, $223,054. Balance of deposits in the Treasury to redeem national bank notes, $27,075,295, an increase for the week of $28,952.

The receipts from customs for the week were $2,786,378, and from internal revenue, $1,463,579, a total of $4,340,037, against $4,418,918 last week. The receipts of the Government for the month to date were $18,733,420, and expenditures $23,228,000. For the fiscal year to date the receipts have been $93,960,365 and the disbursements $91,833,219.

The condition of the Treasury at the close of business to-day compares with that of last Saturday as follows:

	Sept. 22.	Sept. 29.
Total available assets	$261,847,933	$274,313,582
Current liabilities	66,460,769	65,380,023
Total balance	$194,987,164	$123,188,659
Gold balance	58,897,508	58,827,252
Currency balance	$66,889,656	$64,355,807

Included in to-day's assets are $18,278,250 fractional silver and minor coins and $11,096,540 deposits in national banks. Bonds held to secure the same, $14,856,000. The Treasury holds $4,908,142 national bank notes for redemption, against $5,315,922 last Saturday.

Money in London, ¼ ⅌ cent. Rate of discount in open market, for both short and three months' bills, 2⅝@2¾ ⅌ cent. Amount of bullion gone into Bank of England on balance to-day £56,000. Paris advices quote 3 ⅌ cents at 102 francs 55 centimes, and exchange on London at 25 francs 17 centimes.

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

Sales.	Name.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
200	Bodie	1 45	1 55	1 45	1 55
150	Con. Cal & Va	4 50	5 50	4 50	5 50
400	Challenge	64	74	64	74
1000	Comstock Tun	05	05	05	05
650	Utah	03	1 05	03	1 05

Total sales were 1,950 shares.

Electric Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Sept. 29.—The closing quotations of electric stocks to-day were:

	Bid.	Asked.
Edison Electric Illuminating	120	—
General Electric	38	39¾
General Electric pf	—	22
Westinghouse Electric	34¾	35
Westinghouse Electric pf	57	59
Fort Wayne Electric	2¾	3¾
Fort Wayne Electric Trust (series A)	4	5
Fort Wayne Electric Trust (series D)	4	4½

Commercial Cotton.

SATURDAY, Sept. 29.—CITY—Declined 9 to 11 points and closed steady. Sales 85,900 bales. Liverpool declined 1-32d. on the spot and 1 to 2½ points for future delivery, closing barely steady, with spot sales of 10,000 bales. New Orleans declined 7 to 9 points, then rallied slightly on October. Spot cotton here was lower: middling uplands, 6 5-16c.; sales 270 bales for spinning. Houston received 11,703 bales, against 8,974 this day last week and 16,627 last year. Port receipts estimated at 34,719 bales to-day, against 17,519 this day last week and 34,312 last year. Memphis received 1,469 bales, against 990 this day last week and 1,046 last year. The signal service reported generally clear weather at the South and predicted generally fair and cooler weather for the ensuing twenty-four hours. Average temperatures for twenty-four hours 80° to 86° minimum and 72° to 86° maximum. Estimated receipts at New Orleans on Monday are 14,000 to 15,000, against 14,456 last Monday and 7,881 last year. Receipts at the ports during the coming week are estimated at 280,000, against 200,504 during the past week, 220,759 for the same week last year, and 208,259 for the corresponding week in 1891. One firm said: "Prices here have declined more than many have looked for. Still the general impression is that in the absence of outside speculation a free crop movement will cause a further decline unless bad weather at the South sets in or an early frost overtakes the crop. The present prospects for the crop are generally favorable."

TO-DAY'S FEATURES.—Renewed depression in Liverpool, pressure to sell from the South, and a good crop movement, together with long liquidation, resulted in another decline here. The trading in futures was as follows:

	Closing.	Highest.	Lowest.	Sales.
October	5.95@5.96	5.98	5.93	1,800
November	5.97@5.98	6.01	5.97	4,600
December	6.03@6.04	6.07	6.03	19,500
January	6.06@6.07	6.12	6.08	33,200
February	6.14@6.15	6.17	6.14	6,200
March	6.20@6.21	6.24	6.20	12,800
April	6.26@6.27	6.29	6.26	100
May	6.31@6.32	6.35	6.31	4,200
June	6.38@6.39	6.42	6.39	9,300
July	6.46	6.47	6.47	1,100
August	6.54	6.54	6.54	100

FLOUR—Dull and irregular. Sales 5,400 bbls. Exports 3,088 bbls. and 30,810 sacks. Receipts 7,761 bbls. and 19,242 sacks. Winter wheat brands in bbls. were quoted as follows: No grade, $1.70@$1.80; fine, $1.85@$2; superfine, $2@$2.10; No. 2 extra, $2.15@$2.25; No. 1 extra, $2.30@$2.40; clear, $2.40@$2.50; straights, $2.50@$2.70; patents, $2.70@$3; Michigan straights, $2.60@$2.70; city mills for West Indies, $3@$3.50; patents, $3@$4; rye flour, superfine, $2.60@$3. Corn meal, Western, $2.30@$3.10; Brandywine, $3.20. Buckwheat flour, choice $2.50@$2.75; grahams, 65c. Bill feed—Bran, $1@$1.10; fine, $1.70@$1.75; shorts (60 lbs.), 75@85c.; middlings (80 to 100 lbs.), 80@90c.; sharps (fine), 95c.@$1; rye feed, 80@85c.; screenings, 50@70c. ⅌ 100 lbs.; oil meal, $24.75@$25; linseed cake, $22@$22.50; rice meal, 65@70c. ⅌ 100 lbs.

GRAIN—Wheat advanced ⅛c. to 3c. Spot sales 184,000 bush., including 68,000 for export. No. 2 red, f. o. b. afloat, 5c. under December, and 1⅝c. under delivered. These were the receipts: Chicago, 62,779 bush.; Milwaukee, 8,450; Minneapolis, 439,000; Duluth, 959,536; St. Louis, 20,000; Toledo, 32,639; Detroit, 16,000; New York, 195,000; Baltimore, 3,548; Philadelphia, 9,883; Boston, 15,380. Total, 1,063,637 bush.; total yesterday, 1,049,622; total last year, 1,093,706. Future sales 750,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.	Last Night.
December	57¾	57¼	57¾	57¾	57¾
May	62¾	62¼	62¾	62¾	62

Corn advanced ¼c. to ⅝c. Spot prices No. 2 afloat and in elevator, 54@54½c. Future sales 185,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.	Last Night.
October	54	54	54¾	54¾	54
November	54	53¾	54¾	54¼	53¾
December	53¾	52¾	53¾	53¾	53¼
May	50¾	50¾	50¾	50¾	50¾

Oats advanced ½c. to 5c. Spot sales 53,000 bush. No. 2 white, 37c. October, 36¾@37c.; November, 36¼@36½c.; December do., 37¼c.; No. 2 mixed, 32¼@32½c. in elevator and 33c. afloat; ungraded, 35@39c. for white and 32¼@33½c. for mixed. Future sales 260,000 bush., as follows:

	Opening.	Lowest.	Highest.	Closing.	Last Night.
October	32¾	32¾	33¾	32	32
November	33¾	33¾	33¾	33¾	33¾
December	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
May	37¾	37¾	38	38	37¾

TO-DAY'S FEATURES—There was some improvement in prices for wheat, corn, and oats owing to the covering of shorts. Sellers of puts at Chicago gave wheat support. There was a fair export demand for wheat, and prices at the Northwest were slightly higher. There was no activity in any cereal, but the markets acted as though they had been a little oversold, and a rally was considered no more than natural after the terrible slaughtering of the bears for the past ten days. The visible supply of wheat on Monday is expected to show an increase of 900,000 to 1,000,000, against an increase for the corresponding week last year of 1,007,000. Bradstreet's statistics of weekly exports shows: Wheat and flour from both coasts in the United States this week, 2,562,500 bush.; last week, 3,537,283 bush.; last year, 3,490,000 bush. The exports since July 1, 1894, have been 37,568,914 bush.; previous year, 62,554,139 bush. Weekly exports of corn, 104,000 bush.; last week, 145,301 bush.; last year, 813,500 bush. Exports since July 1 have been 2,588,839 bush.; previous year, 15,732,910 bush. After Change December wheat sold curb, 57⅝@57¾c.; May corn, 53⅝@54 1-10c.; December oats, 33⅝@33¾c.

GROCERIES—Coffee declined 20 to 25 points, closing steady. Sales 31,250. Havre declined ¼@1 franc and Hamburg ⅛@¼ pfg. Rio 750 reis lower, but Rio exchange was higher, on the other hand, and Santos declined 550 reis. Receipts at Rio ran up to 18,000 and at Santos they were 30,000. No riots in Brazil. Long liquidation and a break in prices in Europe and Brazil caused the decline here. There were some supporting orders in the market, but they had little effect. The American warehouse deliveries were 14,100, making 40,000 in three days. Arrivals at Netherlands during the month, 96,000 and deliveries 102,000. The trading in futures was as follows:

Months.	Sales.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
January	5,250	11.55	11.50