FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Stocks Duller and Prices Lower.

MONEY CLOSES EASY.

A Fairly Active Market for Bonds.

WALL STREET,
WEDNESDAY, Oct. 15—6 P. M.

The "hurrah" with which yesterday's market finished and to-day's market commenced grew loss vociferous as the hours went by, and by noonday had ceased entirely. It would appear that, temporarily at least, the bull movement is out of breath. After opening with considerable vigor prices declined, and although from time to time there occurred a feverish rally the closing quotations, though not the poorest of the day, were some distance below the best ones. This result is attributable to two causes, the first being the free marketing of stocks and the second the tightness of money. There is reason to believe that prominent operators have sold liberally at handsome profits, and even if they have not established short lines of stocks would be nothing loath to see a break in the market which would afford an opportunity for repurchases at reduced prices. There is reason also to believe that by the *force majeure* of a squeeze in money they are attempting to bring about this result. Money on call to-day was never less than 7 per cent, and at one time the embarrassing attachment of 1-32 to ⅛ per cent bonus was added. This latter penalty, however, was chiefly suffered by such brokers as had nothing better than "cats and dogs" "to spout" as collaterals, for firms in prime credit with dividend paying securities to pledge found no difficulty in supplying their wants at 7 per cent. The fact is, that these same cats and dogs are beginning to be regarded by money lenders with distrust—they have every disposition to regard them in the light of a "happy family," but they are hardly willing to convert their strong boxes into a menagerie for their safe keeping—consequently, banks and bankers, public and private, are disposed to scrutinize more carefully than heretofore the contents of loan envelopes, and the result of this scrutiny was seen to-day in the scarcity of money and in the lower prices of the stocks referred to. It is plain enough, however, that the high rates to-day were greatly due to artificial causes. If the squeeze can be kept up long enough to worry holders out of their stocks the market will decline and the object be achieved of establishing a lower standard of prices and a safe basis for a new bull movement. Without desiring to see a Sangrado treatment, we doubt not that a little blood letting of this sort would be of benefit to the market and restore it to the healthy condition which it certainly has not at present. Beyond the bare fact that prices—inclined to be strong in the morning—gave way to the money pressure in the afternoon and closed irregular and feverish, there was no special matter of interest beyond what is expressed in the price list below. There is much division of opinion as to whether the stock market has received a check or not, but either way it is of little importance, for even in the event of a serious recession the effect would be confined to brokers' offices and in no way interfere with the great and general advance toward prosperity which the country at large has entered upon.

Total sales at the Board to-day were 387,435 shares. Following is a synopsis of the day's business:—

	Sales.	High-est.	Low-est.	Closing Wed.	Closing Tues.
Albany & Susq	—	—	—	96	—
Alton & T. Haute	100	16	16	16	16¾
Alton & T. H. pf	—	—	—	33	—
Atl. & Pac. Tel	10,000	43	40¾	40¾	41
Amer. Dist. Tel	1,300	73	72½	73	72
Boston Air Line	9,100	60	58	58½	59½
B., C. R. & N.	400	65	64	65	63½
Canton	—	—	—	—	51
Canada Southern	2,800	75	74	74	74¾
Caribou Mining	—	—	—	—	4½
C., St. L. & N. O.	435	25¾	25	25¼	24½
C., C., C. & I.	2,700	67¾	67¼	67¾	67
Ches. & Ohio	1,100	14¼	13½	13½	14¼
Ches. & O. 1st pf.	200	25½	25½	25½	26
Ches. & O. 2d pf.	100	15½	15½	15½	15½
C., C. & I. C.	900	13½	13	13½	13½
Chi., Bur. & Q.	400	117¼	116¾	116¾	117
Chicago & Alton	200	96	95½	95½	96
Clev. & Pittsb'g	—	—	—	—	104
Chi., St. P. & Minn	1,000	46½	45½	46½	46
C. & Northwest	11,100	87½	86¾	86¾	87½
C. & N.W. pref	300	103	103	103	103¼
Chi., M. & St. P.	17,800	72½	71¼	71⅞	72½
Chi., M. & St. P. pf	700	99	98	98½	99
Chi., R. I. & P.	400	142½	142	142½	142
Del., L. & West	23,600	78½	76⅞	77¼	78¼
Del. & Hudson	2,800	66¼	64½	65	66¾
Frankfort & K.	—	—	—	—	25
Han. & St. Jo.	4,000	30	29¼	29¼	28¾
Han. & St. Jo. pf.	2,300	57½	56¼	56¾	56½
Hariem	—	—	—	—	156
Houston & Texas	400	57	56	56	57
Illinois Central	400	96	95¾	95¾	96
Ind., Cin. & L.	4,300	12	10	10½	11¾
Kansas Pacific	1,200	81	79¼	80½	79¾
Keok. & Des M.	800	14¾	14	14	13½
Keok. & Des M. pf	—	—	—	—	34¾
Louis. & Nash.	2,600	68½	66¾	67½	67½
Lake Shore	22,300	97½	96	96¾	96¾
Manhattan R.	200	46	46¾	46	46½
Metropolitan R.	100	114¼	114¼	114¼	115
Mich. Central	4,600	90	88¾	88¾	89
Mobile & Ohio	600	16	16	16	16¼
Mo., Kan. & Tex.	6,100	22½	21¾	21¾	22½
Morris & Essex	1,300	98½	97½	97½	98¼
Nash., Ch. & St. L.	400	48	48	48	48
N. J. Central	18,200	73	70½	71½	72½
N. J. Southern	—	—	—	—	4
N. Y. Elevated	450	122½	122	122½	120¾
N. Y., L. E. & W.	98,900	43½	38¾	39¾	40½
N. Y., L. E. & W. p.	1,500	66¼	64¾	64¾	66¾
North. Pacific	2,600	30½	28¼	29¼	28½
North. Pac. pref.	6,400	57¾	55¼	56¾	54¾
Pacific Mail	13,200	33	31¼	31⅞	32½
Panama	200	180	180	180	—
Pennsylvania	100	180	180	180	—
Quicksilver	—	—	—	—	14½
Quicksilver pf	200	51½	51½	51½	51½
Renn. & Saratoga	400	108	108	108	108
St. L., K. City & N.	11,900	31	29¾	30	29¾
St. L., K. C. & N. pf.	8,000	65¾	63	65	64¾
Standard Mining	100	30	30	30	29¾
Sutro Tunnel	4,800	4	3¾	4	3¾
St. L. & San F.	200	19¾	19¾	19¾	19½
St. L. & S. F. pf.	500	23	22¾	23	22¾
St. L. & S.F. 1st pf.	200	48½	48	48	—
St. L., I. M. & S.	4,500	46¾	44½	45½	47
Union Pacific	18,100	94¾	92½	93¾	92½
Wabash	9,650	47	45¾	46	46½
West. Union Tel.	33,800	100	97¼	98¾	99
American Ex.	600	58	56¼	56½	59
Adams Express	—	—	—	—	105
United States Ex.	—	—	—	—	53½
Ohio & Miss	4,600	23½	22¾	22¾	23¼
Ohio & Miss pf	400	54	53¾	53¾	54
Lake E. & West'n.	—	—	—	—	24½
La., F. B. & M'n'o	—	—	—	—	55½
St. P. & Sioux C.	—	—	—	—	31
Erie & Pittsburg	600	90	90	90	—

The closing quotations were as follows:—

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Alton & T H	16	16½	Louis & Nash	67½	67¾
Alton & T H pf	30½	33	Mich Central	88½	89
Am Dist Tel	72	72½	Morris & Essex	98	98
A & P Tel	40½	40¾	N & Chattan	47½	48½
Canada So	73	75	N J Central	71½	71¾
Caribou	4½	4¾	Northwest	85½	86½
C. C & I C	13½	13¾	Northwest pf	101½	102¼
C. C. C & I	67½	67¾	Northern Pac	29½	29½
Chic, St P & M	45½	46½	Northern P pf	56½	56¾
Chic & Alton	95	96	Ohio & Miss	22¾	23
Ches & Ohio	13½	13¾	Ohio & M pf	52	53
C & O 1st pf	—	25½	Ontario Silver	40½	41½
C & O 2d pf	15	34	Pacific Mail	31¾	32
Del, Lack & W	77¼	77½	Panama	180	185
Del & Hud Can	64½	64½	Quicksilver	14	14½
Adams Ex	100	107	Quicksilver pf	51	51½
American Ex	55½	57	Rock I & Pac	142¼	—
W-Fargo & Co E	103	105	St L & Iron M	45	45½
Erie	39½	39¾	St L, K C & N	29½	30
Erie pf	65	65¼	St L, K C & N pf	64¾	65
U S Express	52	55	St L & San F	19	19½
Harlem	155	156	St L & S F pf	22½	23¾
Han & St Jo	29¼	29¾	St L & S F 1st pf	47	48
Han & St Jo pf	56	57	St Paul	71¼	71¾
Houston & Tex	45½	46½	St Paul pf	98¼	98¾
Illinois Central	95	95¾	Sutro Tunnel	3¾	4
Ind, Cin & L	10½	10¾	Union Pacific	93½	93¾
Kansas Pacific	79¾	80¼	Wabash	45½	46
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Caribou	4½	4¾	Northwest	85½	86½
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In the money market considerable stringency was experienced. This, it is generally believed, was due to artificial manipulation on the part of those who wished to bear the market. The ruling rate for demand loans on stock collateral was 7 per cent. Borrowers who offered questionable stocks as security had to pay a commission running as high as ¼ per cent a day in addition to the highest legal rate. Toward the close of business the market eased, and loans were made at 4 per cent. The market, it is thought, cannot be otherwise than easy for some time to come, as the occasionally high rates of interest will call out capital, and the constant flow of gold from Europe is augmenting available capital. The steamship Labrador, from Havre, brought $516,000 in French coin and bars, and the steamship Algeria, from Liverpool, brought $290,000 in coin, and large amounts are afloat for this port. Currency will soon be pouring back from the interior to increase the supply of money.

The London *Daily Telegraph*, in its financial article this morning, says:—"A further considerable amount of gold may be taken from the Bank of England to-day for shipment to America."

At the Sub-Treasury the day's business was as follows:—

Receipts	$1,003,514 89
Payments	1,442,480 72
Balance, coin	133,892,383 87
Balance, notes	16,880,252 18

Government bonds at the close were strong. The closing quotations were as follows:—

	Bid.	Asked
United States sixes, 1880, registered	104	104¼
United States sixes, 1880, coupon	104	104¼
United States sixes, 1881, registered	105½	105¾
United States sixes, 1881, coupon	105½	105¾
United States fives, 1881, registered	102½	102¾
United States fives, 1881, coupon	103½	103¾
United States 4½'s, 1891, registered	105½	105¾
United States 4½'s, 1891, coupon	105½	105¾
United States fours, 1907, registered	101⅞	102⅛
United States fours, 1907, coupon	101⅞	102
United States currency sixes, 1895	121	—
United States currency sixes, 1896	121	—
United States currency sixes, 1897	121	—
United States currency sixes, 1898	122½	—
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State bonds were dull, with the exception of Louisiana consols, which were active and rose from 43¾ to 46. Railway bonds were active and irregular. Following were the sales of both classes:—

$5000 La con	b3	43⅞	$2000 Mobile & O pf	do	53
35000 do		44	5000 G. W 2d, ex c	do	90¼
10000 do		43¾	10000 St P & S C 1st	bc	99½
90000 N Y, L E & W n			10000 Kan Pac in	Nov16	75
2d, consol	b3	85¼	35000 La 7s con	do	45
25000 do		85⅛	45000 do	do	45½
85000 do		85	27000 do	do	46
10000 N Y, L E & W n			8000 S C 6's, n f	do	4½
2d 5's, funded		81⅞	40000 N Y, L E & W n,		
10000 do	b3	82¼	n, 2d c	do	84¼
15000 Ches & O 1st, s B		58	10000 do	do	84¼
3000 do	b3	57¾	10000 do	do	84½
10000 Leh & W B c as		89½	20000 do	do	84¼
10000 Mo, K & T c as		84	10000 do	do	84
30000 do		84	5000 do	do	83⅞
5000 Mo, K & T 2d		38	10000 do	do	83¼
15000 do		38¼	10000 do	do	84½
5000 B, H & E 1st		43⅞	10000 Mo, K & T 2d	do	37⅞
10000 Canada So 1st		87	5000 do	do	37¼
3000 do		86⅞	5000 do	do	37⅛
19000 La 7's, con		44	10000 do	do	36¾
10000 do		44½	30000 do	do	36⅞
3000 N C 6's, J & J		15	10000 do	do	37
22000 S C 6's, non-f		4½	15000 do	do	37¼
500 B, C R & N 1st		88	20000 do	do	37⅜
500 do	small	88	5000 B, H & E 1st	do	43
9000 C & O 1st, s B	b3	57	20000 do	do	43¼
1000 Am D I C 7's, as		98½	10000 do	do	43½
5000 do	b3	99	5000 do	do	44⅛
5000 do		98¾	140000 do	do	44¼
6000 Mil & St P 1st,			32000 Mobile & O deb		52½
La C div		111	20000 do	c	48½
14000 M & St P c s f		108	20000 Ches & O 1st, s B		57
3000 C & N W c g b		113¼	2000 N J C 1st, c as		100½
1000 Gal & Chr 1st		101½	5000 Bur, C R & N 1st		88½
1000 N J Essex 1st		104⅞	7500 do	c	88
1000 M & Essex 2d		111¼	2000 Ohio & Miss 2d		111
3000 Den & R G 1st		97⅞	14000 H & St Jo 8's, c		105
2000 Erie 5th		111	17000 Can So 1st		87
5000 Erie 4th		bc 102	1000 D C 3-65's, c	bc	84½
10000 H & St J 8's, c		105	3000 Tenn 6's, n s	bc	30
2000 do		bc 105½	5000 La 7's con	bc	46½
5000 do		bc s3 105	1000 C & O Cur, 1d	bc	30⅞
5000 Hous & T C 2d,			10000 T Pac, inc 1	c, bc	51
Main line		110	3000 Chic & N W, c	bc	148
1000 C & T s f bds	bc	109½	1000 Mor & Ess 1st, c		104
20000 L & Nash 2d s	10	103	2000 Dol, L & W 2d	bc	104½
2000 Mot River 1st		102¼	3000 W & St P 2d, bc		108½
2000 N L, E & W n			8000 N Y El 1st	bc	110¾
2d consol	bc	84⅞	1000 Bur, C R & N 1st,	bc	88
15000 St L & I M 2d,			20000 Mil & St P, c s f		108
prof income		66	2000 L E & W 1st 6's		92
5000 K, W & O 1st, c		68	25000 Mo, K & T, c f as		83¼
2000 Mich Cen 7's	s3	120	3000 Cen Pac s bds		110
50,00 Mo, K & T c as		84¼	25,000 D & H 1st, PD, r, be		108⅝
15000 do	s3	84	6000 St L, K C & N R		
5000 do	bc	84	E 7's, 1895		102¼
10000 Mo, K & T 2d		38	13000 Tol & W 2d, ex c		93
10000 do		37¼	2000 Mobile & O pf	do	53
5000 N Y 6's, 1883		108	5000 La consol		46½
7000 Lake Sh 2d c, r		114¼	13000 do		46½
4000 Can So 1st gtd		87	25000 N Y, L E & W, n,		
5000 Ohio & Miss,			2d, consol		84¼
Springfield div		55	25000 do		84⅞
1000 Central Pac g b		109½	20000 do		84½
1000 C P 1st, foal &			20000 do		84⅞
Oregon branch		100	10000 do		84⅞
2000 Union Pac 1st		109⅞	5000 N Y, L E & W, n,		
3000 Union P, s f	bc	113	2d, 5's, funded		81½
1000 Pacific of Mo 1st		103⅞	5000 Lehigh & WB inc		62½
7000 Kan P, Den div,			5000 Leh & WB, c as		89⅞
6's, as, with co c		107½	5000 do		89⅞
3000 do		104⅞	2000 St L & I M 2d pf,		68
1000 C, C & I C 1st		76	2000 Morris & E 7's	'71	100¼
1000 do		76⅞	13000 Den & Rio G 1st		97⅞
20,000 Rome, W & O			2000 Morris & E 1st, c		102½
con 1st		67⅞	14000 Mo, K & T, c as		83¼
8000 St L & I M,			5000 Mo, Kan & Tex 2d		37
Cairo, A & T 1st		97⅞	20000 Can So 1st, guar		87
10000 St L, K C & N			8000 Texas Pac inc, l g		50
real es 7's, 1895		102½	2000 Boston, H & E 1st		43½
6000 St L, K C & N,			5000 Am Dock & I b		98⅞
Omaha div		101½	10000 C, St P & M 1st		95⅞
3000 Atlan & T H 2d		93¾	1000 Mobile & Ohio con		53⅞
1000 do		93	10000 Ches & O 1st, s B		56⅞
1000 Tol & Wab, con			7000 do		56⅞
convt, ex cou		90½	1000 N J Cent, con as		103½
20000 Erie 7's, c	be	113¾	1000 B, C R & N 1st		88
5000 N J Central in		81½	5000 B, C R & N 1st, gr		
14000 St L & I M 2d in		67	by C, C, C & I, Tr		
3000 do		67½	Co cert, as		76¾
6000 do		67½	5000 do	b3	77
5000 St L & I M 1st,			10000 do		76⅞
pf income		78¾	2000 St L & I M 2d pf,		68⅞

In London there was a strong market for American railway securities, Erie common advancing to 41¾, preferred to 68¼, new second consols to 87¾, new funded fives to 84½, first consols to 116¼. Illinois Central to 99¼, Pennsylvania to 48¾, Reading to 28¼, New Jersey Central to 74¼ and do. consols to 104½. United States bonds were firm at 105⅜ for new fours, 109¼ for 4½'s and 105¾ (ex-interest) for fives. British consols were quoted at 97¼ a 97⅜ for both money and the account. The closing prices were:—Consols for both money and the account, 97⅜; four per cent bonds, 105⅜; 4½ per cent bonds, 109¼; fives of '81, 105⅜; Erie, 41¼; do. preferred, 68¼; do. firsts, 116¼; do. seconds, 87¾; do. fives, 84¼; New Jersey Central, 74 a 75. The *Times*, in its financial article this morning, says:—"It is feared that some failures may take place on the Stock Exchange to-day among the bears, in consequence of the recent enormous rise in prices."

Amount of bullion withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance to-day, £264,000. At Paris rentes were 83f. 30c.

At a quarter past four P. M. in the London market Erie was quoted 41¼; do. seconds, 87¼; New Jersey Central, 74; Reading, 28¾.

Philadelphia stocks closed at the following quotations:—

	Bid.	Asked.
City sixes, new	120½	121
United Railroads of New Jersey	148	148½
Pennsylvania Railroad	47¼	47⅝
Reading Railroad	26⅞	27
Lehigh Valley Railroad	48½	48¾
Catawissa Railroad (preferred)	43	44
Northern Pacific (common)	29½	29⅞
Northern Pacific (preferred)	56½	57
Northern Central Railroad	24⅞	25⅛
Lehigh Navigation	27¾	27¼
Pittsburg, Titusville and Buffalo	6¾	7
Hestonville Railway	26	26¼
Central Transportation	45	45½

The following despatches from the West give the movement of grain at the leading points there to-day:—Milwaukee—Receipts of wheat, 85,900 bushels; shipments, 45,400 do.; receipts of corn, 4,000 do.; shipments, 22,400 do. Chicago—Receipts of wheat, 277,310 bushels; shipments, 179,783 do.; receipts of corn, 189,520 do.; shipments, 374,894 do.

At the regular auction sale to-day the following securities were sold at the prices given:—

$50,000 New York city six per cent gold coupon bonds, due 1828, 107½; $1,000 Jersey City seven per cent improvement coupon bond, due 1894, 95½; $1 000 Brooklyn city six per cent water bond, due 1899, 112¾; $2,000 Jersey City six per cent water bonds, due 1883, 97¼; $4,000 Third Avenue Railroad Company seven per cent coupons, due 1890, 103¼; $2,200 Metropolitan Gaslight Company scrip, 102; 80 shares Manhattan Gaslight Company, 150½-150; $2,300 Metropolitan Gaslight Company scrip, 102; $10,000 Central Park, North and East River Railroad Company seven per cent consolidated first mortgage bonds, 1902, 102½; $2,200 Jersey City seven per cent improvement bonds, due 1891, 92¼.

In the market for foreign exchange was dull and practically unchanged at the following rates:—

London—	Counter.	Selling.
Sixty days' sight	—a 4.82	4.81 a 4.81¼
Demand	—a 4.84	4.81 a 4.83½
Cable transfers	—a 4.84½	4.83½ a 4.84
Commercial	—a —	4.79 a 4.79½
Com'l, 3 days' sight	—a —	4.81¼ a 4.82
Paris, francs—		
Sixty days' sight	5.23¾ a 5.25	5.25 a 5.25⅜
Demand	5.21¼ a 5.22½	5.22½ a 5.23¾
Cable transfers	—a 5.20	5.20⅝ a —
Commercial	—a —	5.26¼ a 5.28¼
Com'l, 3 days' sight	—a —	5.24⅜ a 5.26¼

At the New York Mining Stock Exchange to-day there was considerable activity. Consolidated Virginia and California both rose to 6¾. Independence to 1.75 and New York and Colorado to 1.45. Gold Placer declined to .30. The following were the sales:—

Shares.			
16,500 Gold Placer	.30	a	.36b30
15,100 Buckeye	.53	a	.57
6,800 Lacrosse	.33	a	.38b30
6,700 Lindley	.63	a	.64
4,900 Tuscarora	.36	a	.37
4,885 Consolidated Virginia	6¾	a	6⅞
4,200 Dahlonega	.34	a	.22
2,685 California	6¾	a	6¾
1,700 Moose	3.00	a	3.15b30
1,700 Great Eastern	.34	a	.33
1,750 Hukill	2.40	a	2.35
1,300 Granville	.27	a	—
1,255 Belle Isle	5¼	a10	5
1,000 New York and Colorado	1.45	a	1.55b30
1,000 Lucerne	.28	a	.28b30
1,000 Leadville	2.90	a	2.95
900 Martin White	1.95	a	2.00b30
665 Consolidated Pacific	7¾	a	—
600 Kossuth	.20b3	a	.18a30
500 Imperial	1.30	a	—
500 Plumas	3.20	a	3.15
390 Tioga	3.50	a	—
340 Bodie	.13½	a	.13
310 Independence	1.55	a	1.75
310 Bulwer	12	a	12¾
300 Goodshaw	.45	a	—
500 Tip Top	1.10	a	1.10a3
200 Bechtel	1.20	a	1.10
200 South Hite	1.00	a	—
200 American Flag	.34	a	—
180 Eureka	28½	a	.29
100 Raymond & Ely	.35	a	—

The closing prices were as follows:—

	Bid.	Asked.		Bid.	Asked.
Amer Flag	.34	—	Great East	.33	—
Bechtel	1.10	1.25	Hukill	2.35	2.45
Buckeye	.56¾	.57	Independ'ce	1.65	1.70
Bodie	12¾	13½	Lacrosse	.36	.37
Belle Isle	5.00	—	Leadville	2.90	2.95
California	6¾	6¾	M. White	1.95	—
Con Virg	6¾	6¾	Moose	2.90	3.00
Con Imper'l	1.30	—	N. Y. & C.	1.45	—
Con Pacific	7¾	7¾	Plumas	3.15	—
Dahlonega	.21	.22	South H	.31	—
Findley	.63	.65	Tioga	3.50	—
Goodshaw	.45	—	Tuscarora	.36	—

At San Francisco the opening prices of mining shares were:—Gould & Curry, 11½; Savage, 14½; Chollar, 7¾; Ophir, 38; Hale & Norcross, 15½; Crown Point, 4½; Yellow Jacket, 16½; Belcher, 4½; Imperial, 1¼; Virginia Consolidated, 6¾; California, 6¾; Best & Belcher, 19¾; Union Consolidated, 92; Alpha, 16½; Sierra Nevada, 82½, after 84; Mexican, 43, after 42½; Silver Hill, 1.95; Justice, 3¼; Julia, 4; Utah, 28; Alta, 6; Bodie, 13½; Bechtel, 1½; Independence, 1½; Segregated Belcher, 22; Mono, 6; Consolidated Pacific, 7½; Exchequer, 5⅞; Monmouth, 7¾; North Standard, 2; Boston Consolidated, 1.40; Potosi, 6.

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

COTTON ON THE SPOT UNCHANGED; FUTURES CLOSED WEAK—FLOUR HIGHER—WHEAT EXCITED—CORN HIGHER—OATS HIGHER—PORK QUIET—LARD EASY—SPIRITS TURPENTINE FIRMER—ROSIN QUIET—COFFEE QUIET—SUGAR FIRM—PETROLEUM QUIET—WHISKEY HIGHER.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 15—6 P. M.

There was active trading in most kinds of merchandise to-day, and generally on the basis of full or improved prices. On 'Change the grain speculators were almost wild, and prices fluctuated violently, taking a range of 3c. to 5c., stopping the shipping demand effectually. Corn and oats were higher. Whiskey excited and held higher. Provisions quiet. Cotton on the spot was unchanged; futures closed weak. Coffee was quiet. Sugar was firm. Oil and petroleum were quiet. Rosin was quiet. Spirits turpentine was firmer.

ALCOHOL was firm at late prices. Free quoted at $2 06; export at 33c. for October and 33½c. for November.

COFFEE.—The market for Rio was quiet at late prices. In New Orleans 2,000 bags Rio, ex Rubens, sold at 13¾c., which closes out the cargo. Mild coffee ruled firm, and 350 bags San Domingo, ex Allos, sold on private terms. The business for the week is summed up as follows:—7,800 mats Singapore, 573 bags Maracaibo, 1,159 do. Laguayra, 3,564 do. Costa Rica, 1,824 do. Savanilla, 203 do. Mexican, 1,369 do. St. Domingo sold in lots for consumption within our range; 1,815 bags St. Domingo, in transit. The stock of mild coffee in first hands is 7,419 mats Java, 23,240 do. Singapore and 19,234 bags, including 161 bags Ceylon, 5,961 do. Maracaibo, 217 do. Laguayra, 525 do. Porto Rico, 7,752 do. Costa Rica, 1,359 do. Mexican, 2,500 do. Mocha and 459 Savanilla. We quote:—Ordinary cargoes, 13c.; fair do., 15½c.; good do., 16c.; prime do., 16½c; extreme range for lots, 13c. a 18c.; Santos, fair to good, 15½c. a 16c., ninety days; Java, government bags, 22c. a 23c.; grass mats, 23½c. a 25c.; Singapore, 16c. a 18c.; Ceylon, 14c. a 17c.; Maracaibo, 13c. a 17c.; Laguayra, 14½c. a 16c.; Jamaica, 13c. a 16c.; St. Domingo, 11½c. a 13½c.; Porto Rico, 15½c. a 16½c.; Costa Rica, 15c. a 17½c.; Mexican, 15c. a 16½c.; Mocha, 22c. a 23c.; Augostura, 15c. a 17c.; Savanilla, 13c. a 17½c.; Curacoa, 13c. a 14c.

COTTON on the spot was firm at unchanged prices. Future deliveries opened at about last night's prices, advanced 5 a 10 points, lost all the improvement, and closed weak at a decline of 8 a 10 points. The total sales for future delivery to-day, between 1st A. M. and three P. M., sum up about 131,000 bales as follows:—

	Op'd.	Sales.	Range.		Closed.	Closed Yesterday.
Oct	10.47	14,400	10.38 a	10.51	10.38 a 10.39	10.46 a 10.47
Nov	10.34	18,500	10.23 a	10.40	10.23 a 10.24	10.33 a —
Dec	10.35	46,700	10.23 a	10.40	10.23 a 10.24	10.34 a —
Jan	10.40	31,200	10.33 a	10.50	10.33 a 10.34	10.43 a —
Feb	10.53	7,100	10.47 a	10.63	10.47 a 10.48	10.57 a 10.58
March	10.71	7,300	10.78 a	10.82	10.69 a 10.64	10.71 a 10.72
April	10.86	3,200	10.80 a	10.92	10.75 a 10.76	10.83 a 10.89
May	11.02	3,100	10.92 a	11.03	10.91 a 10.92	11.00 a 11.02
June	11.12	400	11.12 a	11.14	11.02 a 11.05	11.12 a 11.15
July	11.18	200	11.18 a	11.20	11.12 a 11.14	11.19 a 11.23

—Sales of spot cotton:—

	To-Day.	Last Ev'g.	Total.
Export	554	—	554
Consumption	463	100	563
Total	1,017	100	1,117

—Delivered on contract, 1,700 bales on yesterday. Current prices of spot cotton, the following quotations are for cotton in store, running in quality not more than half a grade above or below the grade quoted):—

| *New Cotton.* | *Uplands.* | *N. O