FIRMER TONE IN WHEAT TO CLOSE THE WEEK

Rains in the Northwest Suggested Lighter Receipts Here on Tuesday.

September Shorts Got Scared and Ran the Market Up a Cent to 66 1-8—1-4c.

Local Stocks Now Down to 1,727,618 Bu.—Clearances Wheat and Flour 933,000 Bu.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, Aug. 30.—Rain in the northwest stirred up the wheat market a little to-day, bringing an upturn in September, and bringing activity into a market where dullness had been expected in view of the double holiday to come. At the opening September was ⅝@½c over yesterday's close at 65⅜c and the market touched 65½@65⅝c, dropping again to 65¼c. Here a little scare developed and on quick recovering September sold to 66⅛@66¼c. The close was easier and unactive to 65¼c, or nearly a cent down from high point. Chicago had something of nervousness almost approaching a scare over the possibility of frost damage in the northwest. The range of temperature on the map was 46 to 32, this latter figure having especial significance to the Chicago shorts. In the local market the possibility of frost damage was passed over and the firmer feeling came rather from the fear of lighter receipts due to interference by rain. After to-night it is a case of accumulating receipts up to the opening on Tuesday morning, and to yesterday there was some disposition to sell September on the prospect of weakness following a heavy showing in the figures posted on Tuesday. But rains over Sunday night turn this about and hold back receipts somewhat, hence there was early covering to-day on the weather forecast. For North Dakota the prediction was for cloudy weather to-night followed by fair Sunday. For South Dakota showers to-night and fair Sunday. For Minnesota, probable showers to-night and Sunday. Last night's downpour was heaviest here, Minneapolis recording 2.19 inches on the map. New York had a holiday but with that port and Galveston missing wheat and flour clearances equaled 933,000 bushels.

Local stocks decreased about as expected, falling off by 523,110 bushels, this bringing the present total down to 1,727,618 bushels. At primary points receipts were 837,000 bushels and shipments 678,000, against a holiday last year. Minneapolis had 312 cars against 427 last year and Duluth 55 against 238.

Secretary Ellis of Missouri state agricultural bureau says that while flaming reports have been wired all over the country about Missouri's great corn crop, is scarcely a farm product in Missouri, they were not exaggerated, for the harvest will surely surpass all expectations. There is scarcely a far mproduct in Missouri, he says, that has not prospered as never before.

Cash wheat sold well at 2c over September for No. 1 northern. No. 2 northern sold in part at ½c over September and in part at the flat September figure. The bulk of the new No. 1 went at 67½c and the bulk of the new No. 2 at 65½c. No. 1 to arrive brought 67½c. No. 3 wheat sold from 64¼c to 69c. In the old No. 1 the range was 74½c to 75¾c and old No. 2 sold from 70½c to 71½c.

RANGE OF WHEAT PRICE IN MINNEAPOLIS

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close To-day.	Close Yesterday.	Close Year Ago.
May	$ .67⅛@67¼	$ .67⅛	$ .66⅞@67	$ .66⅞@67	$ .66⅞	Holiday.
Sept.	.65⅝	.66⅛@66¼	.65¼	.65¼	.64⅞@65	Holiday.
Dec.	.64¾@64⅞	.65	.64⅝	.64¾	.64⅜	Holiday.

THE DAY'S RESULTS

	—Sept. Wheat.— Close To-day.	Close Yesterday.	—Dec. Wheat. Close To-day.	Close Yesterday.
Minneapolis	$ .65¼	$ .64⅞@65	$ .64¾	$ .67⅛
Chicago	.70¾@70⅞	.70⅜	.67¼	.67⅛
Duluth	.67⅜	.67⅛	.65¼	.65⅛
St. Louis	.64⅝	.64⅛	.65¼	.65
Kansas City	.64	.64¼@64⅜	.63¼@63⅜	.63 @63⅛
New York	Holiday.	.74¼	Holiday.	.72⅝

CLOSING CASH PRICES

On Track—No. 1 hard, 80¾c; new, 68c; to arrive, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 79¾c; new, 67c; to arrive, 66½c; No. 2 northern, 71¼c; new, 65c; new to arrive, 64½c.
No. 1 flax, $1.38¼; No. 3 yellow corn, 57¼c.
No. 3 white oats, 31@32c; No. 2 rye, 47c.
Barley, 40c to 62c.

1 car No. 4, 48c; 1 car, No. 4, 50c; 1 car No. 4, 51½c; 1 car No. 5, 50½c; 1 car No. 5, 49c; 1 car No. 5, 53c; 1 car no grade, 45c; 2 cars no grade, 42c; 1 car no grade, 38c; 1 car no grade, 46c.

Flax—10 cars No. 1, $1.38½; 2 cars No. 1 northwestern, $1.39¼; 2 cars No. 1 northwestern, $1.38½.

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION—AUG. 29.

Inspected In—Wheat—Cars—
Great Northern—No. 1 northern, 34; No. 2 northern, 9; No. 3, 1; rejected, 4; no grade, 14.
Milwaukee—No. 1 hard, 1; No. 1 northern, 33; No. 2 northern, 50; No. 3, 7; rejected, 26; no grade, 19.
St. Louis—No. 1 northern, 2; No. 2 northern, 3; No. 3, 3; no grade, 1.
Soo Line—No. 1 northern, 13; No. 2 northern, 10; No. 3, 2; rejected, 2; no grade, 6.
Northern Pacific—No. 1 northern, 24; No. 2 northern, 4; No. 3, 2; rejected, 5; no grade, 4.
Omaha—No. 1 northern, 3; No. 2 northern, 3; rejected, 1; no grade, 14.
Total—No. 1 hard, 1; No. 1 northern, 109; No. 2 northern, 79; No. 3, 15; rejected, 38; no grade, 58.

Other Grains—No. 3 winter wheat, 4; No. 3 yellow corn, 1; No. 3 white corn, 1; No. 3 corn, 3; No. 2 white oats, 2; No. 3 white oats, 15; No. 4 white oats, 20; No. 3 oats, 8; no grade oats, 14; No. 2 rye, 5; no grade rye, 4; No. 3 barley, 12; No. 4 barley, 6; No. 5 barley, 4; no grade barley, 3; No. 1 flax, 16; rejected flax, 12; no grade flax, 3.

Cars Inspected Out—No. 1 hard wheat, 3; No. 1 northern wheat, 45; No. 2 northern wheat, 6; No. 3 wheat, 9; no grade wheat, 19; no grade winter wheat, 2; No. 3 yellow corn, 2; No. 3 corn, 2; No. 3 white oats, 3; No. 4 white oats, 1; No. 2 barley, 2; No. 3 barley, 3; No. 4 barley, 7; No. 2 rye, 3; No. 1 flax, 11; rejected flax, 7.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS, Aug. 29.—Received—Wheat, 312 cars, 274,560 bu; corn, 3,400 bu; oats, 74,100 bu; barley, 35,100 bu; rye, 6,720 bu; flax, 36,620 bu; flour, 302 brls; hay, 123 tons; fruit, 535,590 lbs; merchandise, 2,560,530 lbs; lumber, 35 cars; barrel stock, 5 cars; machinery, 540,300 lbs; coal, 338 tons; wood, 130 cords; brick, 20,000; lime, 2 cars; cement, 1,142 brls; household goods, 40,000 lbs; stone and marble, 11 cars; live stock, 1 car; salt, 2 cars; dressed meats, 96,000 lbs; hides, pelts, etc., 24,000 lbs; railroad materials, 6 cars; sundries, 23 cars; car lots, 934.

Shipped—Wheat, 97 cars, 90,210 bu; corn, 730 bu; oats, 12,600 bu; barley, 11,880 bu; rye, 2,080 bu; flax, 2,460 bu; flour, 45,743 brls; millstuffs, 1,349 tons; fruit, 244,100 lbs; merchandise, 2,752,605 lbs; lumber, 104 cars; machinery, 632,000 lbs; coal, 40 tons; lime, 2 cars; cement, 150 brls; household goods, 92,400 lbs; stone and marble, 6 cars; linseed oil, 320 brls; railroad materials, 6 cars; sundries, 26 cars; car lots, 835.

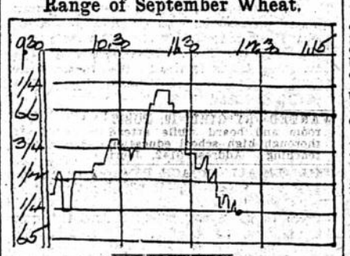
GRAIN IN REGULAR LOCAL ELEVATORS.

Wheat—	—Weeks Ending— Aug. 23.	Aug. 30.
No. 1 hard	919	919
No. 1 northern	1,586,284	1,063,397
No. 2 northern	92,058	92,058
Special bin	571,467	571,244
Totals	2,250,728	1,727,618
Decrease		523,110
Corn		2,843
Oats	96,065	115,288
Barley	22,944	41,178
Rye	24,240	9,362
Flax	17,013	23,403

WHEAT MOVEMENT BY ROADS—Received— Cars—Milwaukee, 80; Omaha, 43; St. Louis, 15; Great Northern, 126; Soo, 18; Northern Pacific, 17; Chicago Great Western, 7.

Shipped—Cars—Milwaukee, 43; Omaha, 3; St. Louis, 16; Wisconsin Central, 3; Great Northern, 30; Chicago Great Western, 2.

Range of September Wheat.



THE FLOUR MARKET

CONDITIONS OF WHEAT SUPPLY IMPROVING—DEMAND FAIR.

Millers sold about as much flour as they turned out last week. It was a fairly satisfactory week, in view of the handicap under which the mills still labor in the matter of the cash wheat supply. An improvement was made, from the millers' viewpoint, in that wheat receipts picked up somewhat, the premium came off and there were sales at the flat September price for No. 2 northern. But No. 1 northern still holds above September, and it is believed will continue to command a premium all through September, unless receipts here should increase to a degree unexpected at this time. Some business was done in patents for export. Domestic flour buyers show an increasing interest and with stocks in general rather light, a good demand is in sight for the near future.

Shipments for the day, 45,743 barrels.

First patents are quotable $3.80@3.90; second patents, $3.65@3.75; first clears, $3@3.10; second clears, $2.20.

THE CASH TRADE

MORE FLAX COMING—CORN QUIET—OATS ACTIVE.

FLAX—Forty-six cars were in, the largest receipts so far this season. The market held fairly steady against increased offerings and No. 1 brought $1.38@1.38½c. Local crushers are moderate buyers as yet and a good part of the sales are to shippers and outside crushers.

Minneapolis received 46 cars, against 42 last year, and shipped 3.

Duluth had 7 cars.

Closing prices:

Minneapolis—Cash, $1.38¼; to arrive, $1.35; to arrive in 10 days, $1.37; August, $1.38; September, $1.32; October, $1.27¾.

Duluth—Cash, $1.43; No. 1 northwestern, $1.43; September, $1.34¼; October, $1.30¼.

CORN—Little was done in corn. No. 3 yellow closed at 57¼c. Receipts, 4 cars; shipments, 1 car.

OATS—The market was active and on a range about steady with yesterday. No. 3 white oats closed at 31@32c. Receipts, 57 cars; shipments, 9 cars.

FEED AND MEAL—Prices are now on an even basis all around, with practically no difference as to grades. Coarse corn meal and cracked corn quoted $21; No. 2 feed, $21; No. 3 feed, $21@21.50; granulated corn meal in cotton sacks at the rate of $2.80 per brl.

MILLSTUFFS—There is good demand with continued sales for export. Bran in bulk is quoted at $11.50; bulk shorts, $12.50; flour middlings, $15; red dog, $18 f. o. b.; feed in 200-lb sacks, $1 per ton additional; in 100-lb sacks, $1.50 per ton additional. Shipments, 1,349 tons.

RYE—No. 2 brought 47c to arrive. There was a good demand. No. 2 closed at 47¼c. Receipts, 8 cars; shipments, 2 cars.

BARLEY—Feed grades are 40@50c; malting grades, 50@62c. Receipts, 39 cars; shipments, 12 cars.

HAY—Rye straw is firmer. Timothy hay is firm, but ordinary upland and midland are a little weaker. Upland, choice, $8.50@9; upland, No. 1, 7.50@8.50; midland, $6@7; medium, $5@6; timothy, fancy, $12@12.50; timothy, choice, $11.50@12; timothy, No. 1, $10@10.50; rye straw, choice, $4.50. Receipts, 123 tons.

PUTS AND CALLS.

1:30 o'clock report:
Puts—December wheat, 64⅝@64½c.
Calls—December wheat, 65¼c.
Curb—December wheat, 64¾c.

CASH SALES REPORTED TO-DAY.

No. 1 Northern Wheat—44 cars, 67½c; 1 car, 81⅝c; 5,000 bu, to arrive, 67½c; 1 car, old, 75½c; 1 car, old, 74½c.

No. 2 Northern Wheat—2 cars, old, 71c; 1 car, old, 72c; 1 car, old, 71½c; 1 car, old, 70½c; 2 cars, 66c; 28 cars, 65½c; 1 car, 65⅝c; 2 cars, 65½c; 1 car, soft, 63c.

No. 3 wheat—3 cars, 64½c; 1 car, 64c; 1 car, 64½c; 1 car, 69c; 1 car, 68c; 1 car, 68c; 1 car, 54¾c.

Rejected Wheat—9 cars, 62c; 1 car, 61c.

No Grade Wheat—10 cars, 59c; 8 cars, 57c; 1 car, 56c; 6 cars, 60c; 2 cars, 61c; 4 cars, 62c; 1 car, 58c; 3 cars, 61½c.

Oats—4 cars No. 3 white, 31⅝c; 4 cars No. 3 white, 31c; 3 cars No. 4 white, 31c; 5 cars No. 4 white, 30½c; part car, No. 3, 28½c; 1 car No. 3, 31c; 1 car No. 3, 29c; 1 car No. 3, 30c; 1 car no grade, 27½c; 2 cars no grade, 27c; 1 car no grade, 28c; 4 cars no grade, 29c.

Rye—1 car No. 2, to arrive, 47c; part car, no grade, 42c.

Barley—2 cars No. 3, 55c; 1 car No. 4, 47½c

NEW RECORD WEEK

Cattle Receipts at South St. Paul Up to Friday Night Were Over 10,000 Head.

Hog Receipts Fell Off—Sheep and Lambs Were on Slow Steady Decline.

South St. Paul, Aug. 30.—This week bids fair to establish a new cattle record. The total for the week, not including to-day, is more than 10,000 head, and, with a liberal run to-day, the weekly record of 11,000 head, made in 1898, will be surpassed. Receipts show a tremendous gain, as the total last week was 9,500 and for the corresponding week a year ago but 2,750 head. Calf receipts this week will total about 650 head, against 375 last week and 425 a year ago. The bulk of the cattle received have been westerns, but only about one-third of these have been put on sale here. The butcher cattle market is now quoted steady to strong, after holding steady all week at last week's lower prices. Bulls and veals are steady. Best quality feeding cattle are steady at last week's decline, but the common to fair feeders are 25c lower. Best stock cattle are 10@15c lower for the week, with the common kinds a flat 25c off and slow sale at the decline. Best milch cows are about $5 lower than last week. The bulk of the common milch cows are selling to packers as canners.

Hog receipts have been extremely light. The total for the week will be but little more than 4,000, against 4,700 last week and 5,200 for the corresponding week a year ago. There was a big advance the first of the week and prices regained about 30c of the previous loss, but the latter part of the week has witnessed falling prices again, and the larger part of the gain has been lost. The price of hogs is conceded to be extremely high, even allowing for a big shortage, and there is every indication that the market will drop very sharply. It is certainly in a most unsettled condition, and shippers are advised to keep in close touch with the market and allow a wide margin in buying.

Sheep receipts for the week show something less than 7,000 head, against 8,600 last week and 2,500 for the corresponding week a year ago. Prices on both sheep and lambs dropped about 25c during the first three days of the week, but a small part of the loss on lambs has been regained. Sheep continue to hold steady at the decline. Stock and feeding stuff, and especially westerns, are in good demand and selling at prices that are highly satisfactory.

Estimated receipts at the union stockyards today: Cattle, 1,535; calves, 15; hogs, 860; sheep, 105; cars, 91.

The following table shows the receipts from Jan. 1, 1902, to date, as compared with the same period in 1901:

Year.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Cars.
1902	123,856	30,728	390,730	204,653	5,613	11,287
1901	79,433	27,713	345,214	98,883	11,948	8,721
Inc.	44,423	3,015	54,516	106,770	....	2,566
Dec.	....	....	....	....	6,335	....

The following table shows the receipts thus far in August as compared with the same period in 1901:

Year.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Cars.
1902	28,304	1,638	18,566	28,922	1,358	1,641
1901	10,910	1,327	22,632	10,670	1,385	896
Inc.	17,394	111	....	18,252	....	743
Dec.	....	....	4,044	....	27	....

Official receipts for the past week are as follows:

Date.	Cattle.	Calves.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.	Cars.
Aug. 23	1,152	27	359	172	155	65
Aug. 25	5,407	132	858	3,413	...	224
Aug. 26	2,984	305	1,383	1,123	...	141
Aug. 27	1,124	102	830	1,333	21	67
Aug. 28	458	60	425	194	...	25
Aug. 29	160	17	432	275	52	17

Railroads entering the yards reported receipts for the day by loads as follows: Chicago Great Western, 3; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, 2; Minneapolis & St. Louis 3; Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha, 8; Great Northern, 33; Northern Pacific, 42.

Disposition of stock Friday, Aug. 29:

Firm.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Swift & Co	25	421	120
W. E. McCormick	3	...	...
W. G. Bronson	3	...	...
King Bros	10	...	64
Leo Gottfried	8	...	...
Hass Bros	...	24	...
Country buyers	128	...	79
Totals	177	445	263

CATTLE—Receipts liberal but largely westerns, with only a small part on sale. No quotable change in prices on any kind. Yards are well cleared of desirable stock and feeding cattle, but quite a little common stuff is unsold.

Butcher Steers—1 western, 1,130 lbs, $3.

Butcher Cows and Heifers—10 westerns, 1,016 lbs, $3.50; 1 western, 1,180 lbs, $3.35; 3 westerns, 943 lbs, $3; 2, 1,050 lbs, $3.50; 2, 1,195 lbs, $3; 1, 970 lbs, $2.75.

Cutters and Canners—1 western, 700 lbs, $2.60; 2, 950 lbs, $2.50; 1, 940 lbs, $2.25; 2, 950 lbs, $2.

Butcher Bulls—2, 1,100 lbs, $2.75; 1, 1,470 lbs, $2.75.

Veal Calves—5, 126 lbs, $5.35.

Stock and Feeding Steers—25 western, 1,205 lbs, $4.30; 11 western, 1,124 lbs, $4.25; 25 western, 1,010 lbs, $4.10; 24 western, 980 lbs, $3.80; 6 western, 806 lbs, $3; 5 1,066 lbs, $4; 9, 978 lbs, $3.80; 3, 840 lbs, $3.45; 15, 925 lbs, $3.25; 2, 810 lbs, $3.

Stock Cows and Heifers—8, 546 lbs, $2.75.

Milch Cows and Springers—2 cows and 1 calf, $67.50; 1 cow and 1 calf, $21.

HOGS—Prices strong to 5c higher. Receipts moderate; quality fair to good. Price range $7.20@7.45; bulk, $7.25@7.35; rough sorts, $6.35.

Hogs—27, 211 lbs, $7.20; 59, 260 lbs, $7.30; 13, 378 lbs, $7.25; 39, 198 lbs, $7.30; 29, 247 lbs, $7.25; 48, 265 lbs, $7.35; 36, 312 lbs, $7.25; 12, 188 lbs, $7.45.

SHEEP—Receipts light and trade quiet. Prices steady on all kinds.

Killing Sheep and Lambs—36 lambs, 73 lbs, $5.10; 6 lambs, 80 lbs, $5; 4 lambs, 87 lbs, $4.75; 13 ewes, 110 lbs, $3; 2 bucks, 110 lbs, $2.50.

Among the shippers on the market were: J. Schlinger, Dickinson; C. C. Churchill, East Grand Forks; M. B. Whidden, Aneta; Conrad Price Cattle company, W. A. McGinnis, G. W. Fields, Malta; A. B. Holton, Zumbrota; L. M. Weston, Waltham and Claremont; C. F. Peterson, Bridger; L. W. Stacey & Co., Miles City; Eddy Stedman & Clark, Verndale; W. Jentz, Henderson; Cosgrove & Co., Le Sueur; S. H. Pettis, St. Peter; Dunham & Carpenter, Janesville; A. L. McDowell, Hutchinson; P. O'Brien, Norwood.

SIOUX CITY LIVE STOCK, Aug. 30.—The receipts of cattle at this market during the week foot up 7,000 head, indicating a decrease of 900 head as compared with last. The big share of the supply have been stockers and feeders of generally fairly good quality and weight, but there was only a light percentage of good feeders on the market and nothing of a strictly choice nature on sale. The trade ruled active and the dealers were ready buyers for the supply on hand and bought up the more desirable offerings at fully steady prices with last week. The 900 to 1,200 feeders sold mostly at $4@4.60, with the best from $4.65 to $4.85, and the range feeders sold generally at the high figure. The 800 to 900 feeders of fair quality sold from $3.50 to $4. The lighter weight steers of all kinds and the inferior quality steers were slow sale as usual, and in many cases sellers were quoting the market a dime lower than last week. The available supply of heifer stuff was light and was about sufficient to fill the demand. Prices ranged from $2.75 to $3.50. There was a good country demand throughout the week and the shipments to the country have been liberal. Iowa was the heavier purchaser, but many cattle have gone to points in North and South Dakota, Nebraska and as far east as Illinois. There is a good cleanup in the yards and the dealers are in a good position to take hold of the supply the coming week.

The fat cattle market opened on Monday with a decline of a dime on the medium cow stuff but later, with a better tone to the trade, closing quotations ruled with the decline regained, or steady with the close of last week. Many cows were of the medium quality, selling from $2.75 to $3.50, with the better grades from $3.50 to $4. Canners and thin cows sold from $2 to $2.75. In the steer line supplies were limited to a few loads. Two loads of 1,301-lb beeves sold at $7.25, and some short-fed cattle sold at $6.50. In range steers there was nothing good enough to sell above $4.45@4.50.

Hogs—The marketing of hogs has fallen below normal and close to 8,200 head less were received than last week, and 3,000 less than the corresponding week of last year. For the first three days there was an advance in prices, and the market reached the high point on Wednesday, with an average cost of 17c. There was a decline later in the week and, with hogs selling at $7@7.25 to-day, the market ruled a big dime lower than the high time, and only a shade higher than the opening day of the week.

Sheep—There have been few sheep received at this point, and no quotable change in prices was noted. The offerings in killers were bought up readily by the packers, and there are orders on the market to take care of all the feeding sheep arriving.

Receipts—Cattle 100; hogs, 2,500.

Hogs—Strong. Sales: 63, 223 lbs, $7@7.35; 286 lbs, $7.05; 64, 257 lbs, $7.10; 65, 232 lbs, $7.30.

Cattle—Steady. Sales: 9 beeves, 1,020 lbs, $6; 9 beeves, 1,238 lbs, $7.25; 11 cows, 890 lbs, $3; 11 cows, 1,021 lbs, $3.30; 9 cows, 1,148 lbs, $4.50; 11 stockers, 780 lbs, $3.50; 7 stockers, 990 lbs, $3.80; 6 stockers, 1,140 lbs, $1.460; 6 yearlings, 540 lbs, $2.75; 7 yearlings, 620 lbs, $3.25; 4 yearlings, 648 lbs, $3.75.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK, Aug. 30.—Cattle, receipts, 1,150; steady; beef steers, $4.75@5.20; cows and heifers, $3.25; Texans, $3@3.25; canners, $1.75@2.80; stockers and feeders, $2.75@5.50.

Hogs, receipts, 4,000; 5@10c higher; heavy, $7.15@7.30; mixed, $7.20@7.25; pigs, $6@7.10.

Sheep, receipts, 1,000; slow and steady; yearlings, $3.60@4.10; lambs, $3.25@5.25.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK, Aug. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 300, including no Texans, no westerns; nominal; good to prime steers, $6@8.75; poor to medium, $4@7.25; stockers and feeders, $2.50@5.25; cows, $1.50@5.50; heifers, $2.50@6; canners, $1.50@2.50; bulls, $2.50@5; calves, $3.75@7.25; western steers, $4@5.85.

Hogs—Receipts to-day, 9,000; Monday, 25,000; left over, 3,882; steady to strong; mixed and butchers, $7.10@7.50; good to choice heavy, $7.30@7.70; rough heavy, $6.95@7.30; light, $7@7.50; bulk of sales, $7.25@7.35.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; steady; lambs steady; good to choice wethers, $3.50@5.75; fair to choice mixed, $2.50@3.50; western sheep, $2.50@3.65; native lambs, $3.50@6.10.

Official yesterday: Receipts—Cattle, 2,903; hogs, 18,869; sheep, 4,514. Shipments—Cattle, 364; hogs, 5,205; sheep, 4,599.

KANSAS CITY LIVE STOCK, Aug. 30.—Cattle—Receipts, 200; unchanged; beef steers, $4.60@8.05; Texans, $2.50@3.40; cows and heifers, $1.85@5.25; stockers and feeders, $2.80@4.70.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,000; strong to 5c higher; heavy, $7.50@7.60; packers, $7.30@7.50; medium, $7.40@7.57½; yorkers, $7.40@7.47½; pigs, $6.80@7.

Sheep—Receipts, none; unchanged; sheep, $3.35@4.25; lambs, $3.70@5.85.

HIDES, PELTS, TALLOW AND WOOL.

	No. 1.	No. 2.
Green salted heavy steer hides	9¾	8¾
Green salted heavy cow hides	8¾	7¾
Green salted light hides	8	6¾
Green salted veal calf, 8 to 16 lbs	10½	8¾
Green salted veal kip	8½	6¾
Green salted long-haired or runner kip	7½	6
Green salted deacons, each	50	40
Green salted horse or mule hides, large	$2.05	@2.00
Green salted or green frozen horse or mule hides, medium	2.50	1.75
Green salted horse or mule hides, small	1.70	1.00
Dry flint Montana butcher hides	13½	@14½
Dry flint Minnesota, Dakota and Wisconsin hides	12	10½
Dry flint calf skins	15	13
Dry flint kip skins	12	10½
Green salted pelts, small to large each	20	80
Dry flint territorial pelts, per lb	9	@10½
Tallow, in cakes	6½	5½
Tallow, in barrels	6¼	5¼
Grease, light	4½	4¾
Grease, dark	4	3¾
Wool, medium, unwashed	13½	@15½
Wool, fine, unwashed	11½	@13½
Wool, coarse, unwashed	13	14

Bright Wisconsin and similar grades, 1@2c higher than above quotations. Seedy or burry wool, 1@2c less.

Feathers, live geese, per lb	35	@45
Feathers, live duck, per lb	30	@35

Old feathers, 5@15c per lb less.

SCARCITY OF FUEL

This Remains a Handicap—Otherwise Conditions in General Are Favorable.

New York, Aug. 30.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade to-day says:

Original resumption and anthracite coal mining are encouraging, although the output is not yet sufficient to have any commercial value. Business conditions are unsatisfactory at the strike center, but reports from all other sections indicate unusually prompt revival after the summer vacation season, with exceptionally large operations among dealers in the agricultural regions.

Notwithstanding some bad weather, large crops are now practically assured, although the most sanguine results may not be attained. Manufacturing plants are now fully occupied, as a rule, the most gratifying reports coming from furnaces that cannot secure coke. The transportation problem is becoming serious, as the factor of crop moving is about to be added, and, however, much coal must be moved by rail that usually goes to consumers by lake and canal.

Iron furnaces are suspending production because coke cannot be secured, and it is evident that the rate of output atthe opening of the new month will show a serious loss. This scarcity of fuel was expected at the few plants using anthracite coal, but has come as a shock to the coke furnaces, for the Connellsville ovens have steadily maintained a weekly production of 250,000 tons. Inadequate railway facilities are responsible, and the situation is critical.

The dry goods jobing trade reports a liberal distribution and supplies are only moderate in the primary market. Changed conditions in the raw material have accelerated inquiries for cotton goods, buyers seeking figures on forwarded contracts and placing a fair amount of orders. There is also a better demand to meet immediate requirements.

Eporters to China are again in the market for for brown cottons. At last footwear makers have been able to secure a moderate advance in response to recent sharp rise in materials. Jobbers are no longer disposed to wait, but place orders freley. Retailers are also pressing jobbers for immediate deliveries of goods for country trade. Leather is strong and active, while hides has quiet demand. Spot cotton was less sharply advanced, though a firm tone developed.

Failures for the week numbered 173 in the United States, against 202 last year, and 14 in Canada, against 21 a year ago.

GRAIN TRADE GOSSIP

Wheat and flour clearances, 993,000 bu.

Duluth stocks wheat decrease about 200,000 bu. Flax increase about 15,000 bu.

London close: Wheat, unchanged to ½d higher; corn, ½d to ¼d higher.

Liverpool close: Wheat, uchanged to ¼d lower; corn, ½d higher.

Paris close: Wheat, weak, 10@80 centimes lower; flour, unchanged to 2f 55c lower.

Chicago shipped for the week 150,000 more wheat than received, 300,000 more corn and 1,282,000 less oats.

Chicago to Watson: Markets generally are dull without change of moment in prices, a shade easier. Few orders in any pit. Monday being a holiday, we will likely have a dull, uninteresting and narrow market. Provisions are steady, with a little outside buying of October ribs and January pork.

Lewis, from Chicago: Trade very light, disposition to wait over holiday. Some September wanted by shorts.

Whallon, Case & Co., from Chicago: Dull, with strong undertone, due to reported bad weather in northwest. Good demand for September.

St. Louis wired: A prominent St. Louis grain exporter, who has been in Europe several months, cabled his house this morning some very bearish reports and sent some selling orders from Germany.

Thomas & Dunneth, from Chicago: Frost is are of small proportions but enough to harden prices. This the only feature to-day.

Chicago to Edwards & Co.: The Missouri agricultural report is very bearish. Trade is light, with some covering on bad northwest weather.

STOCKHOLDERS LIKE IT

Great Majority of Rock Island Stock Deposited Showing Approval of Merger.

New York Sun Special Service

New York, Aug. 30.—It is known that an overwhelming majority of the stock of the Rock Island railroad has been deposited on approval of the capital readjustment plan, and by Tuesday of next week, the last day for depositing stocks, it is likely that fully 90 per cent will have given formal indorsement. From this it is assumed that the stockholders like the plan.

Stated briefly the plan contemplates the issuing of three sets of securities for the old stock of the Rock Island railroad: First, 100 in four per cent bonds, which the stockholders will get as an asset and which, from an investment standpoint, will probably take rank on a parity with Atchison adjustment; second, 70 in 4 per cent preferred stock. No question is raised as to the ability of the property to yield sufficient net income to maintain the 7 per cent necessary to secure the continued payment of dividends on the preferred issue. The increase to 5 per cent at the end of the first seven years and to 6 per cent at the end of four years, places the preferred stock upon a mean basis of 5 per cent, making the "growing" value equal to 3 per cent per annum. At 80, which is about the present quotation on the curb, the investment is figured as paying the holders 7 per cent, according to official estimates. Control being vested in the preferred, that feature figures in the holding value. Third, 100 in common stock, with earnings last year of 6 per cent, which the management expects to increase largely next year from economies in operation and from an enlarged business distinctly in sight.

NO BEDS FOR MILLIONAIRES.

Denver, Aug. 30.—Thirty millionaires from New England, en route to the Black hills, spent yesterday wandering about without being able to find hotel accommodation. They had wired ahead for thirty rooms, but not one of the down-town hotels could accommodate them with a cot. The Denver men were very busy trying to locate the millionaires all afternoon and it was said by scattering them in a manner not at all pleasing to the Bay staters, beds could be found in the city for them.

PRODUCE IS LOWER

Tendency of the Markets Has Been Easier on Many Lines During the Past Week.

In the Grocery Line the Most Important Decline Has Been in Cereals.—Position of Drugs.

An easier tendency has developed on most all lines of produce during the week, and values generally are lower than they were last Saturday. Production of farm produce continues heavy and there is something of an accumulation, which is forcing values down.

Butter has declined 1 cent on creamery and dairy extras, and is now on a parity with New York and Chicago. Formerly this market was some higher than eastern commercial centers, but receipts have increased so heavily that prices have eased off. Eggs have fluctuated during the week to a greater extent than for some time. Receipts were light on Wednesday and Thursday, but showed a slight increase on Friday, with the result that values are ½c lower than they were a week ago. The cheese market is gaining in strength. Twins or flats have gained ½@1c, while brick and limburger show advancing tendencies. On live hens and spring chickens, the market has shown a total decline during the week of 1½@2c. Receipts are very heavy and consumption is active. Dressed meats are generally firm, with veal in comparatively light supply.

In the vegetable list, while there is no very important change in quotations, supplies are heavy and the market is easier. Potatoes are on the same basis as last week. Cabbage is nominally lower. Onions are steady.

FRUIT RECEIPTS INCREASING.

Fruit receipts have shown something of an increase during the week and will probably reach the maximum during the week to come. West coast fruits are largely coming from Washington and Oregon and are on a lower basis. California receipts now include nectarines, Malaga and Tokay grapes, and the lines which are generally received from there at this time of the year. Michigan peaches have invaded the market and are on a moderate basis. Apples have declined 50c per barrel during the week and are in very liberal supply. Lemons are showing an easier tendency and have been reduced 25c a box, with further declines in sight. Other fruits are without important change.

CEREAL PRODUCTS LOWER.

The most important feature of the grocery market this week has been a sharp decline in rolled oats and oat meal in bulk, amounting to $1.25 per barrel. At the previous high range there was a scarcity of this commodity, but new oats are now being received and the market is much better supplied. There is every indication of further declines. Refined sugar is steady and cane refiners are sold up ten days to two weeks ahead of their production. Rio and Santos coffee on the spot hold steady. Teas are firm but dull. Molasses and syrups are in light request and are unchanged. In the dried fruit list, the largest sized prunes are ¼@¼c higher. Loose muscatel and seeded raisins are ⅛@¼c firmer on the spot. Greece reports currants firmer. In the canned goods list, the principal interest attaches to salmon, which is firmly held. Pack of tomatoes will be light and the market is showing advancing tendency. Corn and peas are firm. Peaches, in the fruit list, are attracting more attention.

DRUG MARKET STEADY.

Generally there is a steady demand for drugs and chemicals, with comparatively few price changes reportable. Quinine is dull and unchanged. Juniper berries are extremely scarce, with the market firm. Cubeb berries are lower. In barks there is a steady to quiet demand, with prices firm. Bulk peppermint is attracting most attention, in essential oils, and is nominally higher. Spanish and American saffron are advancing in the flower list. Values on alkali and caustic soda, in chemicals, are hardening.

GENERAL PRODUCE

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS OF THE MINNEAPOLIS PRODUCE EXCHANGE.

Saturday, Aug. 30.—Extra creamery butter, steady; packing stock, steady. Strictly fresh eggs, easy. Fancy country dressed veal, steady. Live poultry, easy. Green fruits, steady. New Apples, easy. Potatoes, easy.

BUTTER—Extra creameries, per lb, 18c; firsts, per lb, 17c; seconds, per lb, 15c; dairies, extras, per lb, 16c; dairies, firsts, per lb, 14c; seconds, per lb, 12c; packing stock, per lb, 12c; ladles, firsts, per lb, 14½c; seconds, per lb, 11c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, cases included, loss off, per doz, 15c; strictly fresh, case count, 12c; checks and seconds, per doz, 9c.

CHEESE—Twins or flats, fancy, per lb, 11c; twins or flats, choice, per lb, 9½@10c; daisies, fancy, per lb, 12@12½c; per lb, 12c; No. 2, per lb, 9c; No. 3, 7@8c; limburger, No. 1, per lb, 11@11½c; limburger, No. 2, per lb, 8@9c; pultost, per lb, 9c; primost, No. 1, per lb, 7½c; block Swiss, No. 1, per lb, 14½@15c; No. 2, per lb, 8½@9c; round Swiss, No. 1, per lb, 15½@16½c; No. 2, 8½@9c; Young Americas, fancy, per lb,