December Wheat Shoots Up Like a Rocker

But Fails to Fall Like the Stick—Both Options Strong and Higher.

December Reaches $1.19½ and May Goes to $1.19⅛ on Heavy New Buying.

Reports of Importation of Manitoba Wheat Fail to Break It.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, Oct. 19.—Wheat shot up yesterday like a rocket, but to this writing has failed to make good the old simile and come down like the stick. On the contrary, the market, from all appearances is heading higher. From the opening at $1.16½@1.16⅝, December wheat went to $1.19½ by 11 o'clock. There were frequent small reactions, but the upward tendency was pronounced, and recessions were temporary. The strength of yesterday was carried over, and additional to it the market had the effect of rains over the northwest, reports of damege done to wheat still unthreshed in North Dakota, and lighter deliveries at country elevators. The movement was the least bearish for some time, so far as the local showing was concerned, for there were 538 cars in against 404, and while this was more than a year ago, it was a much smaller excess quantity than has been the rule of late. Duluth failed to affect it, that market having practically an even showing, or 192 cars against 181, while Chicago fell under with only 46 cars against 101. St. Louis received 48,000 bu against 50,000. Kansas City had 114 cars against 162.

Two bear items came out before noon, one the report that Armour was a big seller, the other that Manitoba wheat was again close to the point where it could be imported duty paid. These had some effect and December fell back to $1.18¾, but it was stubborn and hard to force lower.

Minneapolis stocks have increased 650,000 bu for four days.

The Chicago Record-Herald says: Another of the Duluth wheat cargoes, bought some time ago to come here, is expected today. It will be unloaded into one of the Barnett-Frazier elevators at South Chicago. The wheat will not grade No. 1 northern, but is high grade, and is not intended to be used in making contract-grade wheat. "Millers everywhere are fighting like wildcats for all the choice wheat they can find," said B. A. Eckhart of the Eckhart & Swan Milling company. "That is what is the matter with wheat. There is not enough of the good wheat to go around." Chicago cash sales were 135,000 bu wheat, 200,000 bu corn and 225,000 bu oats. The wheat sales include 85,000 bu No. 2 hard and 50,000 bu mixed lots. The corn was No. 3 yellow, partly at 6c over December in store. St. Louis sold 100,000 bu No. 2 red and Kansas City claimed 160,000 bu for shipment. The seaboard sold 96,000 bu wheat, 88,000 bu corn and 120,000 bu oats. Charters were for 160,000 bu corn and 100,000 bu oats.

One of the most important things the grain trade has to look forward to is the investigation the department of agriculture proposes to make into the milling quality of the last American wheat crop. This, Mr. Hyde, the chief statistician, says, cannot be made to best advantage before Dec. 1, but it will be a price-making factor when it does come.

Primary receipts, 1,114,000 bu against 1,162,000 bu; shipments, 525,000 bu against 595,000 bu. Wheat and flour clearances, 50,000 bu.

Broomhall cabled: Liverpool wheat affected by the advance in American markets yesterday and initial prices were up ⅜d. Offerings of cargoes and parcels from Argentine, coupled with selling by large houses, caused a break of ⅝d in December and ½d in March, with a weak undertone developing. A good spot demand for corn caused an opening advance of ¼d, but later prices eased in sympathy with the decline in wheat. Our Argentine agent cables that no damage was done by the recent frosts.

Forecast: Kansas—Fair tonight and Thursday; Colorado, Iowa—Threatening, rain and cooler in eastern portion. Minnesota—Fair in western portion and showers in eastern portion; cooler tonight. South Dakota—Fair and cooler. North Dakota — Fair except showers in eastern portion; cooler. Nebraska—Partly cloudy and cooler tonight in northern portion. Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin—Threatening tonight and Thursday; probably showers and thunderstorms; cooler Thursday.

December closed at $1.18¾ and May at $1.18½@1.18⅝.

THE FLOUR MARKET

ORDERS PILE IN AND PRICES ADVANCE ALL AROUND.

Prices are 15c higher on all grades. Orders came piling in this morning and a big business went on the books. The sharp advance in wheat scared the hold-off flour buyers and brought them into line. With this there was considerable business of the eleventh-hour sort, from buyers who had to pay the higher figures. There was little hesitation possible, and the market was so strong that buyers had to act with alacrity or be left out. It was thought that wheat having advanced and flour prices being adjusted to a level to correspond, the immediate effect would be to make buyers cautious and cause orders to drop off, but inquiry at noon brought out replies to the contrary, millers reporting business holding up well. There is greater confidence in the market than was the case when quotations were around this level before.

Shipments, 55,546 barrels.

First patents are quoted at $6.45@6.55; second patents, $6.25@6.35; first clears, $4.65@4.75 in wood; second clears, $3.25@3.35, f o b in Minneapolis, in wood.

THE CASH TRADE

ACTIVE MARKETS—CORN AND FLAX SELL HIGHER.

FLAX—Most of the No. 1 seed sold at $1.16½, some at $1.16 and a few lots around $1.17. Good general demand.

Minneapolis received 46 cars against 27, and shipped 17. Duluth received 84 cars.

OATS—No. 3 white closed at 28c. Receipts, 61 cars; shipments, 23 cars.

CORN—No. 3 yellow closed at 53c. Receipts, 4 cars; shipments, 2 cars.

MILLSTUFFS—Demand good. Bran in bulk, $15.25; shorts, $15; middlings, $17.50; red dog, $21.50; all f o b in Minneapolis; in 200-lb sacks, $1 per ton additional; in 100-lb sacks, $1.50 per ton additional. Shipments, 1,297 tons.

FEED AND MEAL—Coarse cornmeal and cracked corn, in sacks, sacks extra, $19.50; No. 1 ground feed (2-3 corn and 1-3 oats), 80-lb sacks, sacks extra, $19.50; No. 2 ground feed (½ corn and ½ oats), 80-lb sacks, sacks extra, $19.50; No. 3 ground feed (1-3 corn and 2-3 oats), 75-lb sacks, sacks extra, $19.50.

RYE—Closing figures for No. 2, 76¼c. Receipts 27 cars; shipments, 7 cars.

BARLEY—Feed grades are quoted at 34@40c; malting grades 40@45c. Receipts, 52 cars; shipments, 32 cars.

HAY—There is a good general demand for all good stuff coming in; choice stuff is scarce and is eagerly snapped up. Prices strong. Choice timothy, $9@9.50; No. 1 timothy, $8.50@9; No. 2 timothy, $7@7.50; No. 3 timothy, $5.50@6.50; upland, choice, $8@8.50; No. 1 upland, $7.50@8; No. 2 upland, $6.50@7; swale, $4.50@5; rye straw, $5@5.50; wheat and oat straw, $3.50@4.50. Receipts, 82 tons.

CASH SALES REPORTED TODAY.

No. 1 northern wheat, 159 cars $1.21
No. 1 northern wheat, 6 cars.....1.20½
No. 1 northern wheat, 4 cars 1.21½
No. 1 northern wheat, 1 car 1.21¼
No. 1 northern wheat, 1 car 1.20
No. 1 northern wheat, 2,200 bu, to arrive 1.21¼
No. 1 northern wheat, 2,100 bu, to arrive 1.21½
No. 1 orthern wheat, 14,000 bu, to arrive 1.19½
No. 1 northern wheat, 4,000 bu, to arrive 1.21⅛
No. 1 northern wheat, 3,000 bu, to arrive 1.19
No. 2 northern wheat, 12 cars 1.18
No. 2 northern wheat, 2 cars 1.15
No. 2 northern wheat, 2 cars 1.14
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.17¼
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.17¾
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car, to arrive....1.17¾
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.17½
No. 2 northern wheat, 50 cars 1.17
No. 2 northern wheat, 16 cars 1.18½
No. 2 northern wheat, 7,200 bu, to arrive 1.18
No. 2 northern wheat, 17,000 bu, to arrive 1.17
No. 2 northern wheat, 500 bu, to arrive..1.18½
No. 2 northern wheat, 12,900 bu, to arrive 1.16½
No. 2 northern wheat, 2,000 bu, to arrive 1.16¾
No. 2 northern wheat, 3,000 bu, to arrive 1.16
No. 2 northern wheat, 10,000 bu, to arrive 1.17½
No. 3 wheat, 26 cars 1.10
No. 3 wheat, 18 cars 1.08
No. 3 wheat, 4 cars 1.12
No. 3 wheat, 7 cars 1.11
No. 3 wheat, 1 car, barley mixed.....1.05
No. 3 wheat, 90 cars 1.09
No. 3 wheat, part car 1.11
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars 1.06
No. 3 wheat, 4 cars 1.11½
No. 3 wheat, 1 car 1.13
No. 4 wheat, 25 cars 1.00
No. 4 wheat, 6 cars 98
No. 4 wheat, 2 cars 94

RANGE OF WHEAT PRICE IN MINNEAPOLIS

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close. Today.	Close. Yesterday.	Close. Year Ago.
Dec...	$1.16½@⅝	$1.19½	$1.16½	$1.18¾	$1.16⅝	$ .79⅞@80
May..	1.16¾@⅞	1.19⅛	1.16¾	1.18½@⅝	1.16½	.78½
Sept..	....	....	....	.95	.93⅞	....
Minneapolis Oats—						
Dec...	....	....	....	.27½	.26⅞	....
May..	.29	.29⅛@29¼	.28⅞	.29⅛@29¼	.28⅛	....

THE DAY'S REPORTS

	—December Wheat— Close. Today.	Close. Yesterday.	—May Wheat— Close. Today.	Close. Yesterday.
Minneapolis	$1.18¾	$1.16¾	$1.18½@⅝	$1.16½
Chicago	1.15⅝@½	1.14¼	1.13⅞	1.12½@⅝
Duluth	1.17⅛	1.15⅛@¼	1.16¾	1.15¼
St. Louis	1.17⅜	1.16¼	1.17¾	1.16⅝
Kansas City	1.06⅝	1.05¼	1.05⅝	1.04¼
New York	1.18¾	1.17⅝	1.14¾	1.13⅞

CLOSING CASH PRICES

On Track—No. 1 hard, $1.23; No. 1 northern, $1.20@1.21; No. 1 northern to arrive, $1.20; No. 2 northern, $1.16½@1.18½; No. 2 northern to arrive, $1.17; No. 3 wheat, $1.08¼@1.11¾; No. 1 macaroni, 97c; No. 1 flax, $1.15¾; No. 3 white oats, 28c; No. 3 yellow corn, 53c; No. 2 rye, 75½@76½c; barley, 34c to 47c.

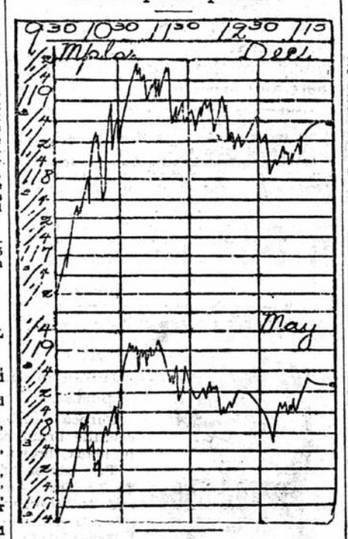
No. 4 wheat, 14 cars	.99
No. 4 wheat, 9 cars	.95
No. 4 wheat, 6 cars	.96
No. 4 wheat, 2 cars	.97
No... 4 wheat, 1 car	1.05
No. 4 wheat, 3 cars	.90
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	.92
No. 4 wheat, 4 cars	1.02
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	.99
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1.03
No. 4 wheat, 1 car	1.09
Rejected wheat, 1 car, test 40 lbs	.60
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.75
Rejected wheat, 1 car	1.12
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.95
Rejected wheat, 1 car, frosted	.80
Rejected wheat, 6 cars	.85
Rejected wheat, 6 cars	.70
Rejected wheat, 2 cars	.77
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.67
Rejected wheat, 50 cars	.75
Rejected wheat, 2 cars	.80
Rejected wheat, par car	.76½
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.90
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.82
Rejected wheat, 1 car	1.08
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.73
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.73
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.76
Rejected wheat, 1 car	1.02
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.98
Rejected wheat, 1 car	.65
Rejected wheat, 1 car	1.00
Rejected wheat, 1 car, seedy	.95
No grade wheat, 1 car	.75
No grade wheat, 1 car	.76
No grade wheat, 2 cars	.86
No grade wheat, 1 car	.70
No grade wheat, 1 car	.85
No. 2 corn, 1 car	.52
No. 2 corn, 1 car	.54
No. 2 corn, part car	.52
No. 2 white oats, 1 car	.28
No. 2 white oats, 3,000 bu, to arrive	.28
No. 3 white oats, 2 cars	.28
No. 3 white oats, 1 car	.27½
No. 3 white oats, 3,700 bu, to arrive	.27¾
No. 4 white oats, 1 car, wheaty	.27
No. 4 white oats, 3 cars	.27½
No. 4 white oats, 1 car	.27½
No. 3 oats, 1 car	.27¼
No. 3 oats, 1 car	.27½
No. 3 oats, 1 car, mixed	.26
No. 2 rye, 1 car	.77
No. 3 rye, 1 car	.74
No. 3 rye, 1 car	.74¼
No. 3 rye, 1 car	.75½
No. 3 rye, 1 car, light	.73½
No. 3 rye, part car	.75
No grade rye, 1 car	.74
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.37
No. 4 barley, 6 cars	.39
No. 4 barley, 4 cars	.38
No. 4 barley, 2 cars	.40
No. 4 barley, 2 cars	.42
No. 4 barley, 3 cars	.36
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.41
No. 4 barley, 1 car	.43
No. 1 feed barley, 5 cars	.36
No. 1 feed barley, 1 car	.36½
No. 1 fed barley, 1 car	.35
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	.33
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car	.35
No. 1 flax, 6 cars	1.16¼
No. 1 flax, 4 cars	1.16
No. 1 flax, 5 cars	1.16½
No. 1 flax, 1 car	1.17¼
No. 1 flax, 6,000 bu, to arrive	1.16½
No. 1 flax, 800 bu, to arrive	1.16
Durum Wheat.	
No. 3, 1 car	.97
No. 3, 1 car	.96½

PUTS AND CALLS.

2:30 o'clock report:
Puts—December wheat, $1.16⅞.
Calls—December wheat, $1.21.

TODAY'S RANGE OF WHEAT

Minneapolis Options.



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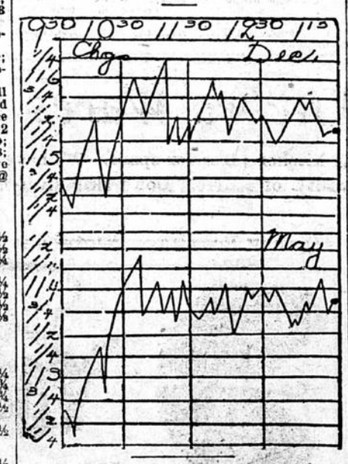

DAILY WHEAT MOVEMENT, OCT. 19.

The following are the receipts and shipments at the principal primary wheat markets:

	Receipts. Bushels.	Shipments. Bushels.
New York	55,100	.....
Philadelphia	3,859	.....
Baltimore	15,141	.....
Detroit	18,802	2,260
Toledo	10,000	1,000
St. Louis	48,000	94,000
Boston	8,000	.....
Chicago	227,011	74,513
Milwaukee	44,880	15,800
Duluth	211,573	136,451
Minneapolis	489,580	95,550
Kansas City	60,3000	108,000

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Future Trade Orders Will Have Careful Attention.

CHICAGO GRAIN

ADVANCE OF A CENT IN PRICE OF DECEMBER WHEAT AT THE OPENING.

Chicago, Oct. 19.—An advance of more than a cent occurred in the price of December wheat here today as the result of an active commission house demand. Strength of cash wheat and reports of damage by rain in the northwest were the principal factors that started the urgent demand. At the opening the market was about steady, the unresponsive tone of cables having some effect. Initial quotations on December were up a shade to ⅜@½c at $1.14⅝ to $1.14¾. May opened unchanged to ⅛@⅜c lower at $1.12⅝ to $1.12½@1.12⅝. The demand for the December option soon became so pressing that prices readily advanced, sales being made at $1.15⅛. In sympathy May sold up to $1.13⅜@1.13⅝. On profit-taking December later declined to $1.14⅞ and May to $1.13. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 776 cars, against 791 cars last week and 679 cars a year ago.

Fresh reports from the southwest of damage by Hessian flies caused renewed buying later in the session. As a result, the market again became extremely strong, December advancing to $1.16¼. May sold up to $1.14½. On the bulge there was more or less profit-taking for outside holders, and in consequence part of the gain was lost. The market, however, closed strong, with December up 1⅛c at $1.15⅝@1.15½. May was up 1¼@1⅜c at $1.13⅝.

Cash Wheat—No. 2 red, $1.18@1.20; No. 3 red, $1.13@1.18; No. 2 hard, $1.13@1.16; No. 3 hard, $1.08@1.12; No. 1 northern, $1.18@1.19; No. 2 northern, $1.14@1.17; No. 3 spring, $1.07@1.16.

Close—Wheat, October, $1.14¼; December, $1.15@1.15½; May, $1.13; July, 99¼c.

Excessive rain in some portions of the west had a bullish influence on the corn market. Sentiment was further strengthened by advices from Kansas claiming a smaller crop than previously estimated. The advance in wheat also had considerable effect on trading in the corn market. December opened unchanged to ⅝c higher at 48½c to 48⅝c, and sold up to 49c. Local receipts were 96 cars, with 4 of contract grade.

The market gained further strength in sympathy with the advance in wheat, the December option selling up to 49½c. The close was at the highest point, with December up an even cent.

Cash corn, No. 2, 52¾@53c; No. 3, 52¼@52½c.

Close—Corn, October, 52c; December, 49½c; May, 45⅝@45¾c; July, 45c.

Oats were firm as a result of a good demand from cereal interests. Strength of other grains also helped to support prices. December opened ¼c higher at 28½c, advanced to 28⅝c. Local receipts were 116 cars.

Cash Oats—No. 2, 29½c; No. 3, 29c.

Close—Oats, October, 29¼c; December, 29c; May, 31¼c.

The following was the range of prices:

Wheat—	Dec.	May.
Opening	$1.14⅜@1.14¾	$1.12⅝@1.12¾
Highest	1.16¼	1.14⅜
Lowest	1.14⅜	1.12⅝
Close—		
Today	1.15¾@1.15½	1.13⅞
Yesterday	1.14¼@1.14⅜	1.12½@1.12⅝
Year ago	.80½	.78⅝
Corn—		
Opening	48½@⅞	45¼@⅜
Highest	49½	45⅝@⅞
Lowest	48½	45⅛
Close—		
Today	49½	45⅝@⅝
Yesterday	48½	45⅛@¼
Year ago	43¾	42½
Oats—		
Opening	28½	30½@⅝
Highest	29	31¼
Lowest	28½	30½
Close—		
Today	29	31¼
Yesterday	28¼	30½
Year ago	35⅝	36¼

OTHER GRAIN MARKETS

DULUTH GRAIN, Oct. 19.—December passed May today by ½c and was in sharp demand. The congestion of cash and nearby wheat grows acute almost daily. There was an advance of 2⅝c for December and 2⅛c for May to high point, and very heavy trading ensued. The market weakened towards the close and finally showed a net advance for the day of 2c and 1⅝c for December and May respectively. Flax was strong and in good demand, a cent higher all around, largely on account of the weather.

Receipts—Wheat, 192 cars; flax, 88; oats, 26; rye, 5; barley, 74. Shipments—Wheat, 136,451 bu; oats, 117,037; rye, 35,000; barley, 116,881; flax, 60,307; cars on track 298.

Close: Wheat, cash, No. 1 hard, $1.22⅛; No. 1 northern, $1.20½; No. 2 northern, $1.12⅛; December, $1.17⅛; May, $1.16¾; durum, 96@97c; flax, cash, $1.17; December, $1.16¾; May, $1.19¼; oats, 25⅜c; rye, 78½c.

NEW YORK FLOUR AND GRAIN, Oct. 19.—Flour, receipts, 21,931 brls; sales, 1,000 brls; firm but quiet. Wheat, receipts, 55,100 bu; sales, 1,200,000 bu. Opened firm on scarcity of good milling wheat, manipulation of December and lighter northwest receipts. December, $1.17⅝@1.18⅞; May, $1.13⅝@1.14¾. Rye, nominal. Corn, receipts, 138,675 bu; sales, 10,000 bu. Firm with cables and in sympathy with wheat. December, 56½@56⅝c. Oats, receipts, 116,300 bu; nominal.

Close: Wheat, December, $1.18¾; May, $1.14¾. Corn, December, 56⅞c; May, 51¾c.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN, Oct. 19.—Close: Wheat steady but dull; December, 1.06⅝; May, $1.05⅝; July, 90⅝c; cash, No. 2 hard, $1.08@1.10; No. 3, $1.07½@1.09; No. 4, 98c@$1.04½; rejected, 80@90c; No. 2 red, $1.12@1.15; No. 3, $1.07@1.10; No. 4, 95c@$1.06. Corn firm; December, 42c; May, 41½c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 48@49c; No. 3, 47½c; No. 2 white, 49c; No. 3, 48@48½c. Oats steady; No. 2 white, 30@31c; No. 2 mixed, 29@29½c.

MILWAUKEE FLOUR AND GRAIN, Oct. 19.—Flour, 10c higher. Wheat, 2c higher; No. 1 northern, $1.19; No. 2 northern, $1.14@1.18; May, $1.13¾@1.13⅞ asked; puts, $1.12½@1.12⅝; calls, $1.15¼ bid. Rye, stronger; No. 1, 82@83½c. Barley, steady; No. 2, 55c; sample, 36@53c. Oats, firmer; standard, 31½@32c. Corn, strong; No. 3, 55@56c; May, 46⅝@46¾c asked; puts, 45½@45⅝c asked; calls, 45⅞c bid.

ST. LOUIS GRAIN, Oct. 19.—Close: Wheat higher; No. 2 red cash elevator, $1.17⅜; track, $1.20@1.21; December, $1.17⅝; May, $1.17⅝; No. 2 hard, $1.14@1.15. Corn higher; No. 2 cash, 52c; track, 53c; December, 44⅝@44⅞c; May, 43⅞c. Oats higher, No. 2 cash, 30c; track, 30½c; December, 30c; May, 31⅞c; No. 2 white, 31½@32½c.

WINNIPEG GRAIN, Oct. 19.—The market was strong and active. Opening: October, 97½c; December, 94⅝c; May, 99½c. Close: October, 98¾c; December, 95¾c; May, $1.00¼; cash No. 1 northern, 98¾c; No. 2 northern, 95¾c; No. 3 northern, 91½c; No. 4, 85c; No. 1 feed, 86c; No. 2 feed, 35c. Receipts, 215; year ago, none.

LIVERPOOL GRAIN, Oct. 19.—Wheat, spot, nominal; futures, quiet; December, 7s 5¼d; March, 7s 6½d. Corn, spot American mixed, steady, 4s 6d; futures, quiet; December, 4s 6¼d; January, 4s 3d.

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION, OCT. 18.

Cars Inspected In—Wheat—Great Northern—No. 1 hard, 1; No. 1 northern, 12; No. 2 northern, 42; No. 3, 50; No. 4, 55; rejected, 51; no grade, 22.

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul—No. 2 northern, 5; No. 3, 9; No. 4, 14; rejected, 13.

Minneapolis & St. Louis—No. 1 northern, 1; No. 2 northern, 2; No. 3, 1; No. 4, 4; no grade, 2.

Soo Line—No. 1 northern, 29; No. 2 northern, 22; No. 3, 12; No. 4, 5; rejected, 5; no grade, 3.

Northern Pacific—No. 1 northern, 6; No. 2 northern, 15; No. 3, 30; No. 4, 3; rejected, 9; no grade, 2.

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha—No. 2 northern, 5; No. 3, 3; No. 4, 6; rejected, 10 cars.

Totals—No. 1 hard, 1; No. 1 northern, 48; No. 2 northern, 91; No. 3, 105; No. 4, 87; rejected, 101; no grade, 29.

Other Grains—No. 2 macaroni wheat, 2; rejected macaroni wheat, 2; mixed wheat, 13; western wheat, 8; No. 3 winter wheat, 38; No. 3 corn, 2; No. 4 corn, 2; No. 2 white oats, 2; No. 3 white oats, 23; No. 4 white oats, 14; No. 3 oats, 9; no grade oats, 6; No. 2 rye, 13; No. 3 rye, 6; No. 3 barley, 4; No. 4 barley, 37; No. 1 feed barley, 15; No. 2 feed barley, 4; no grade barley, 4; No. 1 northwestern flax, 20; No. 1 flax, 32.

Cars Inspected Out—No. 1 northern wheat, 16; No. 2 northern wheat, 53; No. 3 wheat, 58; No. 4 wheat, 21; rejected wheat, 24; no grade wheat, 7; western wheat, 2; No. 3 winter wheat, 1; No. 3 yellow corn, 1; No. 4 corn, 4; No. 3 white oats, 16; No. 3 oats, 7; No. 4 barley, 6; No. 2 feed barley, 1; no grade barley, 2; No. 2 rye, 7; No. 3 rye, 2; No. 1 flax, 6.

ERIE GOBBLED UP IN GREAT BITES

SEVERAL LARGE BLOCKS TAKEN AT AN ADVANCE.

St. Paul One of the Opening Gainers Also—Reaction Later Followed by Rally—Reaction Followed the Opening Advance—Snuff Became Buoyant and Leaped Ten Points.

New York, Oct. 19.—Stocks were well taken today at the outset and showed gains thruout with the exception of a few southwesterns and New York Central. Erie was the leature, two blocks of 3,000 shares each, one of 7,000, one of 5,000 and one of 1,800 appearing in the opening transactions at an extra advance of ⅝. St. Paul gained ⅞, Norfolk & Western and Amalgamated Copper ¾ and Erie second preferred ⅝. A block of 1,800 shares of Erie first preferred was taken at an advance of 1⅝. One thousand shares of Mexican Central sold at 17 and 17¼, compared with 16½ last night. United States Steel preferred opened up ¼ on the sale of 2,000 shares, and the common unchanged on the sale of 3,000 shares, and both stocks subsequently ran off a fraction below last night. Consolidated Gas and Westinghouse Electric rose 1¼ each, and United States Leather advanced ⅝ on the sale of 5,000 shares.

The usual reaction followed the opening advance. Thereafter the market backed and filled on a generally narrow range, with the tendency of the leading stocks downward. United States Steel preferred sold off to 82 and Pennsylvania, Reading, Union Pacific, Missouri Pacific and Sugar sold below yesterday's closing at intervals. Enormous quantities of Erie changed hands about 36, within a range of ¼. Meanwhile minor stocks were developing strength, Colorado Fuel, Railway Steel Spring preferred, Brooklyn Union Gas, Erie second preferred and Iowa Central preferred gaining 1 to 1¾. American Snuff jumped 10 points. Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis declined 1 and International Power 2½. Support began in St. Paul after it had fallen below 171, and there was a rally to 172⅛. Reading was also lifted a point above the lowest, but the movement in neither of these stocks exerted much effect on the general list. Speculation was quieter and about steady at 11 o'clock.

St. Paul became very buoyant and rose to 173¼. Erie broke thru the opposition at 36 and rose 1⅛, and Reading extended its gain to 1⅜. Long strings of 1,000-share blocks and upward of Southern Railway and of Atchison carried them up 1 and 1⅛, and Leather made its gain of 1 point. Louisville & Nashville sold at 137½ for one lot and then relapsed 1¼. These were the features of the market. There were gains of 1 to 2 in Illinois Central, Atlantic Coast Line, Southern Railway preferred, Ann Arbor, Lead, Pacific Mail and Leather preferred. Westinghouse Electric rose 2½ and the first preferred 3. The rise in the general list was modered under pressure of profit-taking in the reaction. United States Steel preferred fell back to 81⅞, St. Paul receded 4 point and Amalgamated Copper, Brooklyn Transit, Wabash, Kansas & Texas preferred, Tennessee Coal and Locomotive sold below last night. Chicago & Alton and Lackawanna lost 1½. Bonds were strong at noon in a broad and active market except for a few speculative issues. United States Steel and United States Steel 5's declined, and Central of Georgia incomes broke sharply.

Several other stocks of first importance were forced well below yesterday's closing before the market rallied, including Northwestern, New York Central and Republic Steel preferred, which lost from ¾ to 1 per cent. Enormous purchases of Reading and St. Paul were resumed, and they bounded to the highest, Reading being 76½. The list responded in spots, but the market yielded again at 1 o'clock, United States Steel preferred falling back to 81¾.

The market became decidedly reactionary and ran off sharply to below last night except for a few leaders. St. Paul reacted 2¼ and Reading and Atchison a point. United States Steel got ¾ under last night and the preferred 1½. Losses reached a point or over in Union Pacific, Missouri Pacific, Wabash preferred, Hocking Valley, Tennessee Coal, Sugar and Pressed Steel Car. New Haven rose 1¾ and Pere Marquette preferred 2¼. After a feeble rally the decline was renewed.

With a rush to save profits, stocks poured upon the market from all quarters and the bears added extensive short selling. Prices ran swiftly downward and established losses of 1 to 2 per cent, and wiped out the gains in the early strong leaders. Union Pacific, Missouri Pacific, St. Louis & Southwestern preferred, St. Louis & San Francisco second preferred, United States Steel preferred, Sugar and the Pressed Steel stocks lost 1⅝ to 2½. Room shorts hastened to cover and caused a rally which ran to 1⅜ in Union Pacific. Renewed selling met the rally and the closing was active and irregular.

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Sales.	Shares—	High-est.	Low-est.	—Close— Bid. Oct.19	Bid. Oct.18
100	Am. Cot. Oil	.....	.....	31	.....
100	do pr	.....	.....	92	.....
1,000	Am. Car	27	26	26⅝	26¾
100	do pr	.....	.....	84	85⅝
3,400	Am. Locomot.	29	28¼	28¼	28⅞
100	do pr	98	97¾	97¾	97¼
1,900	Am. Ice	9	8½	8½	.....
1,900	do pr	40¼	38⅞	38⅞	.....
900	Am. Linseed	14¾	14	14	.....
	Am. Woolen	18½	18	18¼	.....
28,000	Am. Sugar	137⅞	135½	136⅝	137¼
	do pr	.....	.....	135	136
2,000	Am. Smelting	67¼	66½	67	67
	do pr	109¼	109	109	109¼
50,100	Amal. Copper	65¾	63⅝	64¼	65
700	Anacon. Cop.	98¼	95¼	95¼	.....
64,800	A. T. & S. F.	86½	84⅞	85½	89⅛
8,500	do pr	102	101¼	101⅞	101
49,900	Balt. & Ohio	95	93⅝	94½	94½
	do pr	.....	.....	96	93½
81,600	Brook. R. T.	68¾	66¼	66¼	67½
	Brook. Un. Gas	.....	.....	228½	.....
4,100	Can. Pacific	138⅞	132⅞	133½	.....
8,500	Ches. & Ohio	45⅝	44⅝	44⅝	45
200	Chi. & Alton	.....	.....	37	35
100	do pr	.....	.....	80	80
900	Corn Products	17¾	17⅛	17⅛	17
100	do pr	.....	.....	73	73
10,000	Chi. Gr. West.	19⅞	18¾	19⅛	19¼
100	do pr A	.....	.....	60½	.....
1,300	do pr B	30	29½	29½	.....
200	C.,C.,C.& St.L.	.....	.....	85¼	85¼
	Chi. Term	.....	.....	6¾	7⅛
	do pr	.....	.....	15	15
17,600	Col. Fuel & I.	39¾	37	38	37½
1,600	Col. Southern	23⅝	22¼	22¾	23¼
	do 1st pr	55	54	54	54½
	do 2d pr	29½	28½	28¾	29
	Col.H.C. & I.	14	13¾	13¾	.....
24,200	Consol. Gas	.....	.....	219¾	216½
1,100	Con. Tobac. pr	124⅛	123¾	123¾	.....
7,500	Del. & Hudson	175¾	173¾	174¾	175
400	D.,L. & W.	.....	.....	294	294¾
1,900	Den. & Rio G.	30¼	29¾	30	29½
1,500	do pr	82¾	82	82¾	81⅝
152200	Erie	36½	35⅝	35½	35
17,900	do 1st pr	72	71	71¼	70½
7,400	do 2d pr	51	49½	49⅞	49⅞
2,400	Gen. Electric	.....	.....	176¼	.....
	Green Con.Cop	.....	.....	20¼	.....
100	Hock. Val	.....	.....	82½	82
100	do pr	.....	.....	89½	89½
6,700	Illinois Central	145¼	144¼	144¾	144½
2,100	Iowa Central	29¼	28½	28¼	28⅝
	do pr	51⅛	49¾	49¾	49
800	Inter. Paper	18⅞	18⅝	18¾	.....
	do pr	78½	78	78	.....
800	K. C. & South.	.....	.....	27¼	27
	do pr	.....	.....	49½	49
11,800	Louis. & Nash	.....	.....	135⅝	135¾
400	M.,St.P. & Soo	83½	82⅝	82¾	83
300	do pr	.....	.....	134¼	134¼
	Manhattan	158¼	157½	157½	158
7,100	Met. St. Ry	123	121¾	122½	122⅛
	Met. Securities	84¾	83	83⅞	84
500	Minn. & St. L.	60½	60	60	59
42,600	Missouri Pac.	105⅝	103½	104	104⅞
3,200	M., K. & T.	29¾	29	29¼	29⅝
2,000	do pr	57½	56	56¾	57¼
19,300	Mexican Cent.	17¼	16	16⅝	16½
900	Nat. Biscuit	49¼	49	49	.....
12,000	Nat. Lead	26	24⅞	25¼	.....
100	do pr	.....	.....	96	.....
100	N. J. Central	184	183	183	183
8,200	Norfolk & W.	73¾	72	72¾	72⅞
	do pr	.....	.....	93	93
	Nor. Securities	114½	112	113	.....
	Northwestern	192¼	191	191¼	192
	N. Y. A. Brake	138⅝	136½	136½	.....
5,200	N. Y. Central	135¼	134	134¾	134½
	North Am. Co.	.....	.....	96	.....
	N.Y.,N.H. & H	195¾	194	194½	.....
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