September Wheat Closes Strong at 86 5-8c

May Makes Another High Point at $1.24—Not Much Business in May.

Receipts Here Still Running Heavy, but No Price Effect Is Noted.

Weather Reports Generally Better —News of the Grain Markets.

Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce, May 26.—The edge came off the wheat this morning, prices falling back in all options. Good weather and a let-up in the buying both here and in Chicago, made the bears a little more confident, and they pressed the market successfully in July. May stuck at first with bids at $1.23, $1.19⅞ and back to $1.20, but practically no business done. September sold to 84¾c and then hardened, but July was weak and down to $1.08½. The run of wheat this way continues, and 226 cars were in here against 113. Chicago got nothing against 12, Duluth 8 against 21, Winnipeg 43 against 66, St. Louis 35,000 bu against 22,000 and Kansas City 22,000 against 83,000. Theweather was not bad, altho rains fell that the county would be as well off without. Valentine, Neb., and North Platte had rains, also Oklahoma City, Fort Worth and Palestine, Texas, Tennessee, Illinois, Kentucky and Ohio all got some rain. The forecast is for fair and cooler weather in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Wisconsin, with showers and warmer weather for Minnesota and the Dakotas, Iowa, Nebraska and Kansas. Primary receipts were 308,000 bu against 261,000. Clearances, wheat and flour, 111,000 bu.

Argentine shipments were 1,208,000 bu against 1,784,000 last week and 2,192,000 a year ago.

Minneapolis elevator stocks have decreased about 375,000 bu so far this week.

Kansas reports now say rains have greatly improved the condition of wheat. Men who claimed the recent impairment was not due to lack of moisture, now say that fields look much better.

The Modern Miller says continuation of unfavorable weather conditions caused a further impairment in the condition of the winter wheat crop. There has been too much rain and a lack of sunshine and the weather has been too cool in the southern part of the wheat belt, especially in Texas, the territories and Tennessee. There has been a further spread of rust and there are traces of rust in other sections tha to a much less extent. The damage by dy is slight. A further deterioration is noted in many sections, which is attributed in part to the inferior quality of the wheat seeded. Nebraska, Ohio and Indiana promise the best results.

Broomhall cabled that light Argentine wheat shipments caused covering by shorts, resulting in an opening advance of ¼d in July and ⅛d in September and further gains of ⅝d in both months. A large spot demand was also a bullish factor, but late in session July eased off ¼d and September ⅛d on moderate realizing. Corn—A sharp advance in offerings from America and a big spot trade caused advances of ½d in both months after an unchanged opening.

The market turned strong near the close, advancing to 86⅝c for September, closing firm.

THE FLOUR MARKET

PRICES UNCHANGED, BUT VERY UNCERTAIN—TRADE NOT HEAVY.

The market is so uncertain that millers hesitate to put out new quotations that do not hold. Prices are quotably unchanged, but the tone to noon today was weak. Business is not heavy.

Shipments, 35,192 barrels.

First patents are quotable at $6.65@6.75; second patents, $6.45@6.55; first clears, $4@4.10; second clears, $2.75@2.85.

After noon the quotations being sent out were 20c a brl lower, but as the wheat market closed they were withdrawn again, wheat being very strong.

THE CASH TRADE

ALL PRICES CLOSE ABOUT THE SAME AS YESTERDAY.

FLAX—Receipts, 3 cars, against 6 last year; shipments, none. Duluth received 1 car. Closing prices: Minneapolis, cash to arrive and May, $1.45¾.

OATS—No. 3 white closed at 30⅞c. Receipts, 41 cars; shipments, 15 cars.

CORN—Closing prices for No. 3 yellow, 48¼c. Receipts, 5 cars; shipments, 1 car.

FEED AND COARSE MEAL—Coarse cornmeal and cracked corn, in sacks, sacks extra, $18@18.25; No. 1 ground feed, 2-3 corn and 1-3 oats, 80-lb sacks, sacks extra, $18.50@18.75; No. 2 ground feed, ⅓ corn and ⅔ oats, 80-lb sacks, sacks extra, $19@19.25; No. 3 ground feed, 1-3 corn and 2-3 oats, 75-lb sacks, sacks extra, $19.50@19.75.

MILLSTUFFS — Bran in bulk, $13@13.50; shorts, $13@13.50; middlings, $16; red dog, $19; all f o b in Minneapolis; in 200-lb sacks, $1 per ton additional. Shipments, 710 tons.

RYE—Closing prices on No. 2, 76¾@78¼c. receipts, 3 cars; shipments, 1 car.

BARLEY—Feed grades closed at 39@42c; malting grades, 42@46c. Receipts, 9 cars; shipments, 9 cars.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10@10.50; No. 1 timothy, $9.50@10; No. 2 timothy, $8@9; No. 3 timothy, $6.50@7.50; choice upland, $8.50@9; wheat and oats stews, $3@4. Receipts, 130 tons.

CASH SALES REPORTED TODAY.

No. 1 northern wheat, 25 cars $1.21
No. 1 northern wheat, 2 cars 1.21½
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.09½
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.08½
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.09⅛
No. 2 northern wheat, 106 cars 1.11
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.16
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.15
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.12
No. 2 northern wheat, 1 car 1.09
No. 2 northern wheat, 10,000 bu, to arrive 1.09
No. 2 northern wheat, 800 bu, to arrive 1.08
No. 2 northern wheat, 1,000 bu, to arrive 1.07
No. 2 northern wheat, 10,000 bu, to arrive 1.07¼
No. 3 wheat, 5 cars 1.06
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars 1.07
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars 1.08
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars 1.05½
No. 3 wheat, 6 cars 1.05
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars 1.02
No. 3 wheat, 2 cars 1.02½
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .95½
No. 4 wheat, 1 car, choice 1.01½
No. 4 wheat, 2 cars ..... .96
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .98
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .97½
No. 4 wheat, 8 cars ..... .97
No. 4 wheat, part car ..... .97
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .95
No. 4 wheat, 1 car, frost ..... .94
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .94½
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .90
No. 4 wheat, 1 car ..... .94
Rejected wheat, 1 car ..... .81
Rejected wheat, part car ..... .78
Rejected wheat, 1 car ..... .80
Rejected wheat, 1 car ..... .80
Rejected wheat, 2 cars ..... .72
No grade wheat, 1 car ..... .67
No. 3 corn, 1 car ..... .48
No. 4 corn, 1 car ..... .48
No. 3 white oats, 2 cars ..... .31
No. 3 white oats, 1 car 30½
No. 3 white oats, 5,000 bu, to arrive 30⅞
No. 3 white oats, 19,500 bu, to arrive ..... .31
No. 4 white oats, 4 cars 30¾
No. 4 white oats, part car, thin ..... .30
No. 4 white oats, 1 car 30½
No. 4 white oats, 1 car, light ..... .30
No. 3 oats, 1 car 30¼
No. 3 oats, 1 car ..... .31
No. 3 oats, 1 car 29½
No. 3 oats, 1 car, yellow 30½
No. 3 oats, 2 cars, yellow 29½
No. 3 oats, 1 car 29¾
No. 2 rye, part car ..... .78
No. 2 rye, 1 car, thin ..... .71½
No. 3 rye, part car, thin, dirty ..... .71
No. 4 barley, 1 car ..... .43
No. 4 barley, part car ..... .44
No. 4 barley, 1 car 43½
No. 4 barley, 1 car 42½
No. 1 feed barley, 1 car ..... .41½
No. 1 feed barley, part car ..... .42
No. 2 feed barley, 1 car ..... .39
No. 1 flaxseed, 1 car 1.47
No. 1 flaxseed, 700 bu to arrive 1.06
Durum wheat, 1 car, No. 2 ..... .87

PUTS AND CALLS.

2:30 p.m. report.
Puts—July wheat, $1.00½.
Calls—July wheat, $1.14½.
Curb—July wheat, $1.11⅜.
Puts—September wheat, 85⅞c.
Calls—September wheat, 87⅜c.
Curb—September wheat, 86⅜c.

St. Louis wired: Two cars red wheat just sold at $1.15½ on track.

Following from Duluth: "If the boats that have arranged to load today and tomorrow go out, our stocks will decrease 425,000 bu for the week."

Chicago to Lewis: Only 375,000 bu decrease in wheat stocks at Minneapolis for the week. Looks like another disappointment in the visible decrease for the bulls Monday. Year ago that day the visible showed 2,500,000 bu decrease.

A Dallas, Texas, miller wired: Think present conditions justify expectations 15,000,000 bu for Texas. If weather clears in this section harvesting will probably begin next week.

St. Louis wired: A traveling man write from Sedalia: "Wheat promising poorly, due to poor stand and is heading short."

RANGE OF WHEAT PRICE IN MINNEAPOLIS

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close. Today.	Close Yesterday.	Close. Year Ago.
May..	$1.23	$1.24	$1.19	$1.23	$1.23	$ .94¼
July..	1.10⅛	1.11⅞	1.08½	1.11⅝	1.10¾	.93⅝
Sept..	.85⅛	.86⅝	.84¾	.86⅝	.85⅝@¾	.81⅝
Minneapolis Oats—						
July..	.30⅝@½	.30½	.30⅜	.30½	.30⅝	....

THE DAY'S REPORTS

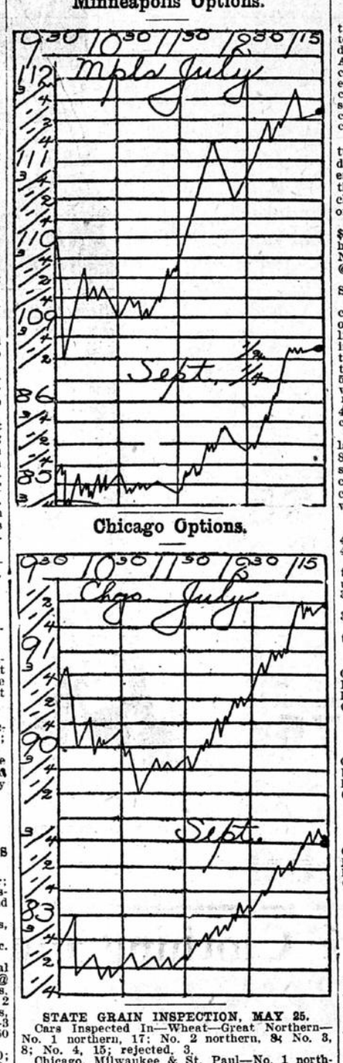
	July Wheat Close. Today.	July Wheat Close. Yesterday.	Sept. Wheat. Close. Today.	Sept. Wheat. Close. Yesterday.
Minneapolis	$1.11⅝	$1.10¾	$ .86⅝	$ .85⅝@¾
Chicago	.91½	.90⅞	.83¾@⅞	.83⅛
Duluth	1.13½	1.12½	.86⅜	.85¾
St. Louis	.84¾@⅞	.84⅞@85	.83⅛@¼	.82⅞@83
Kansas City	.79½@⅝	.79¾@⅞	.75@75⅛	.74¾@⅞
New York	.96⅛	.95½	.87⅞	.87½
Winnipeg	.93¾	.94	....	....

CLOSING CASH PRICES

On Track—No. 1 hard, $1.26; No. 1 northern, $1.24; No. 2 northern, $1.11⅝@1.15⅝; No. 3 wheat, $1.04⅝@1.09⅝; No. 3 white oats, 30⅞c; No. 2 rye, 76¾@78¼c; No. 1 northern to arrive, $1.13⅝; No. 2 northern to arrive, $1.09⅝; No. 1 flax, $1.45¾; No. 3 yellow corn, 48¼c; barley, 39c to 46c.

TODAY'S RANGE OF WHEAT

Minneapolis Options.



Chicago Options.

STATE GRAIN INSPECTION, MAY 25.

Cars Inspected In—Wheat—Great Northern—No. 1 northern, 17; No. 2 northern, 8; No. 3, 8; No. 4, 15; rejected, 3.

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul—No. 1 northern, 21; No. 2 northern, 14; No. 3, 4; No. 4, 5; rejected, 5.

Minneapolis & St. Louis—No. 1 northern, 21; No. 2 northern, 2; No. 3, 5; No. 4, 3.

Soo Line—No. 1 northern, 5; No. 2 northern, 2; No. 3, 2; No. 4, 2.

Northern Pacific—No. 4, 3.

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha—No. 1 northern, 6; No. 2 northern, 6; No. 3, 1; No. 4, 4; rejected, 1.

Chicago Great Western—No. 1 northern, 6; No. 2 northern, 1.

Totals—No. 1 northern, 76; No. 2 northern, 33; No. 3, 20; No. 4, 32; rejected, 9.

Other Grains—No. 3 winter wheat, 2 cars; rejected winter wheat, 2; mixed wheat, 2; western wheat, 1; No. 2 yellow corn, 1; No. 3 yellow corn, 4; No. 3 corn, 2; No. 4 corn, 2; non grade corn, 4; No. 2 white oats, 2; No. 3 white oats, 25; No. 4 white oats, 28; No. 3 oats, 7; no grade oats, 2; No. 2 rye, 1; No. 3 rye, 1; No. 4 barley, 3; no grade feed barley, 2; No. 1 flax, 1.

Cars Inspected Out—No. 1 northern wheat, 71; No. 2 northern wheat, 4; No. 3 wheat, 30; No. 4 wheat, 45; rejected wheat, 16; no grade wheat, 1; No. 3 winter wheat, 1; mixed wheat, 1; No. 3 yellow corn, 1; No. 3 white oats, 3; No. 4 white oats, 6; No. 3 oats, 7; No. 4 barley, 1; No. 3 rye, 1; No. 1 flax, 9.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS, MAY 25.

Received—Wheat, 226 cars, 212,440 bu; corn, 5,000 bu; oats, 56,580 bu; barley, 7,560 bu; rye, 2,160 bu; flax, 1,410 bu; flour, 350 brls; millstuffs, 74 tons; hay, 130 tons; carlots, 306.

Shipped—Wheat, 58 cars, 56,280 bu; corn, 920 bu; oats, 22,350 bu; barley, 1,150 bu; rye, 1,050 bu; flour, 35,192 brls; millstuffs, 710 tons; linseed oil, 240,000 gals; oil cake, 150,000 lbs; carlots, 308.

WHEAT MOVEMENT BY ROADS, MAY 25.

Received—Cars—Milwaukee, 58; Omaha, 31; St. Louis, 24; Great Northern, 69; Burlington, 11; Soo, 21.

Shipped—Cars—Milwaukee, 15; Omaha, 8; St. Louis, 22; Wisconsin Central, 2; Great Northern, 1; Burlington, 5.

DAILY WHEAT MOVEMENT, MAY 25.

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

	Receipts. Bushels.	Shipments. Bushels.
New York	2,000	.....
Baltimore	1,279	.....
Toledo	7,000	3,000
St. Louis	35,000	37,000
Boston	13,321	.....
Chicago	14,02[illegible]	28,488
Milwaukee	10,560	4,400
Duluth	.....	10,000
Minneapolis	212,440	56,260
Kansas City	22,000	27,000

GRAIN TRADE GOSSIP

Watson from Chicago: "The crowd is buying wheat; Valentine selling."

Clearances wheat and flour, 111,000 bu; corn, 150,000 bu; oats, 56,000 bu.

Paris close: Wheat, 5@10 centimes lower; flour, 10@15 centimes lower.

Budapest ⅞c lower.

Liverpool close: Wheat, ⅝@¾d higher; corn, ⅝@¾d higher.

Jackson says: "I think no mistake will be made in buying September wheat on a scale-down from this price."

Argentine wheat shipmeats: This week, 1,208,000 bu; last week, 1,784,000 bu; lasa year, 2,192,000 bu. Corn, this week, 1,490,000 bu; last week, 2,188,000 bu; last year, 1,465,000 bu.

Winnipeg weather: Partly cloudy, temperature 62 above.

Chicago to Edwards-Wood: Shorts have been the best buyers in wheat on rust damage reports from the southwest, which will not down. The Modern Miller is bullish. Some buying under 90c was attributed to Valentine.

ST. LOUIS GRAIN, May 26.—Close: Wheat, firm after decliness No. 2 red, cash elevator, $1; track, $1.13½; May, $1; July, 84¾@84⅞c; No. 2 hard, $1.06½@1.09. Corn, lower; No. 2 cash, 51c; track, 52½c; May, 51c; July, 47¼c. Oats, steady; No. 2 cash, 30½c; track, 31@31½c; May, 31c; July, 28½c; No. 2 white, 34c.

WINNIPEG GRAIN, May 26.—Opening, May 92½c; July, 94c; close, May, 92¼c; July, 93¾c; September, 78¾c; cash, No. 1 northern, 93c; No. 2 northern, 89¼c; No. 3 northern, 84½c; No. 4 extra, 75½c; No. 4, 74½c; No. 5, 63½c; feed, 60½c. Receipts, 43 cars; year ago, 66.

CHICAGO GRAIN

WEAKNESS IN WHEAT, DECLINE IN CORN, OATS EASY IN OPENING.

Chicago, May 26.—Improved weather conditions caused weakness in the wheat market here today. Selling was quite general and with no definite support prices declined nearly a cent. A sharp break at Minneapolis, following increased receipts at that point, had a bearish effect on the market here. July opened unchanged to ¼c lower, at 90⅝c to 90⅞c, and sold off to 89⅞c. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 229 cars, against 104 cars last week and 126 cars a year ago.

After July had sold voff to 89½c the market turned strong. Fresh confirmation of reports of damage in the southwest started an active general demand resulting in a quick raly. During the last half hour buying was of an influential character. The market closed at the high point of the day with July up ⅝c at 91⅝c.

Cash wheat, No. 2 red, $1.08@1.10; No. 3 red, $1.05@1.08; No. 2 hard, $1.03@1.05; No. 3 hard, $1@1.03; No. 1 northern, $1.13½@1.14½; No. 2 northern, $1.10@1.12; No. 3 spring, $1@1.13.

Close: Wheat, May, $1.03¼; July, 91½c; September, 88⅜@8⅝c; December, 88¼c.

Relief on the settlement of the "deal" in corn for May delivery caused a further decline of 5c a bushel in the price of that option. A liberal increase in receipts was another weakening influence. The price of May was off 3c at the start, initial quotations being at 60c. Within the first fifteen minutes sales were made at 58c. Distant deliveries were affected by the weakness of May. July opened a shade to ⅛@¼c lower, at 49¼c to 49⅜c, and sold off to 49c. Local receipts were 408 cars, with 298 cars of contract grade.

Later in the session another downward plunge landed the May option at 55¼c, a break of 8⅜c from yesterday's closing quotations. At the same time July sold off to 48¾@48⅝c. Some recovery was made on buying by shorts but the close was weak, with May off 2c at 58c. July was down ⅛@¼c at 49⅛c.

Cash corn, No 2, 55@59½c; No. 3, 51@54c.

Close: Corn, May, 58c; July, 49¼c; old, 49⅞c; September, 48¼c; old, 48⅝c; December, 45½c; old, 46⅛c; May (1906), 45½c.

In sympathy with the weakness of other grain, the oats market had an easy tone. July opened unchanged at 30⅝c, and declined to 30⅜@30½c. Local receipts were 129 cars.

Cash oats, No. 2, 30½@31c; No. 3, 30¼@30½c.

Close: Oats, May, 31⅜c; July, 30½c; September, 28½@28⅝c; May (1905), 30@30½c.

The following was the range of prices:

	May.	July.	Sept.
Wheat—			
Opening	1.05¼	90⅝@⅞	82⅝
Highest	1.05¼	91⅝	83⅞
Lowest	1.08	89½	82¼@⅝
Close—			
To-day	1.03⅝	91½	83¾@⅞
Yesterday	1.06	90⅞	83⅛
Year ago	.93½	87⅝@½	82½
Corn—			
Opening	59½	49¾	48⅝
Highest	60	50⅞@50	49⅛
Lowest	55¼	49⅝	48¼
Close—			
Today	58	49⅞	48¾
Yesterday	63	59⅛@50	48⅛@49
Year ago	47	47¾	47⅛
Oats—			
Opening	31⅝	30⅝	28¾
Highest	31½	30⅝	28⅝
Lowest	31¼	30⅜	28½
Close—			
Today	31⅜	30½	28½@⅝
Yesterday	31⅜	30⅝	28⅝@¾
Year ago	41¾	38¾@⅞	30⅞

OTHER GRAIN MARKETS

DULUTH GRAIN, May 26.—The market was weak early and sold off to 91.11½ for July and 84⅝c for September, but quickly reacted and advanced all the remainder of the session. July closed at the top, $1.13½, which was 1c o'ver yesterday. Business was fairly good. May was very dull and slow. Flax was unchanged.

Receipts of all grains, 9 cars. Shipments: Wheat, 10,900 bu; oats, 323,740; barley, 5,000; rye, 1,070. This week local stocks of wheat will decrease 500,000 bu.

Close: Wheat, cash, No. 1 northern, $1.18½; No. 2 northern, $1.09; July, $1.13½; September, 86⅝c; durum, 60c to 91c; flax, cash, $1.46½; July, $1.46; September, $1.25¾; October, $1.27½; oats, 31¼c; rye, 78c.

NEW YORK FLCUR AND GRAIN, May 26.—Flour, receipts, 15,058 brls; sales, 1,200 brls; firm but quiet. Wheat, receipts, 2,000 bu; sales, 1,700,000 bu. Opened lower and was generally easy all forenoon, under better weather news, liberal northwest receipts, weakness in outside markets and liquidation. July, 94¼@95¼c; September, 86½@86⅝c. Corn, receipts, 78,475 bu; sales, 10,000 bu; easy with wheat and under larger receipts; July, 54⅝c.

Close—Wheat, May, $1.09; July, 96½c; September, 87⅞c. Corn, May, 60c; July, 55½c.

KANSAS CITY GRAIN, May 26.—Close: Wheat, May, $1.06⅝; July, 79½@79¾c; September, 75@75¼c; cash No. 2 hard, $1.02@1.07; No. 3, 94c@$1.04; No. 4, 84c@$1; No. 2 red, $1.02@1.07; No. 3, 94c@$1.04; No. 4, 84c@$1. Corn, May, 46½c; July, 45¾c; September, 48½c; cash No. 2 mixed, 48c; No. 3, 48c. Oats, steady; No. 2 white, 38@33¾c; No. 2 mixed, 32@32 c.

MILWAUKEE FLOUR AND GRAIN, May 26.—Flour quiet. Wheat 1@2c lower; No. 1 northern, $1.15; No. 2 northern, $1.05@1.10; July, 91⅜@91½c asked; puts, 90⅜c asked; calls, 92⅝c asked. Rye firmer, 78c. Barley steady; No. 2, 61c; sample, 38@50c. Oats easier; standard, 33@33½c. Corn firm; No. 3, 53@54c; July, 49⅞c asked; puts, 49½@49⅝c asked; calls, 50½c bid.

CHICAGO COARSE GRAIN AND SEEDS, May 26.—Rye, May, 76@78c; July, 60c; September, 60c. Flax, cash, northwestern, $1.45; southwestern, $1.28; May, $1.28. Timothy, May, $2.85; September, $3.10. Clover, May, $11.75@12.25. Barley, cash, 42@50c.

LIVERPOOL GRAIN, May 26.—Wheat, spot quiet; No. 1 California, 6s 9d; futures steady; May, nominal; July, 6s 1½d; September, 6s 5¾d. Corn, spot firm; American mixed, new, 4s 5d; futures steady; May, 4s 5¾d; July, 4s 5⅞d.

SOIL INOCULATION

A New Method that Is Progressive, but Not Revolutionary.

Professor L. H. Bailey in the Country Calendar.

The most recent development is the recrudescence of the idea of inoculating directly by means of pure cultures of the germs. This is the result of the work of Dr. George T. Moore of our national department of agriculture. He has incorporated his cultivated germs, in a disiccated state, with absorbant cotton, so that they can be sent by mail and then be used for the inoculation either of the soil or of the seed. The cotton is thrown into water (which is prepared by treatment with certain chemicals) and when the germs have multiplied sufficiently to make the water cloudy, the seed or the soil is wet with the liquid. The process is exceedingly simple and is inexpensive. A large number of packages of the inoculating material were sent out by the department of agriculture last year, and the gratifying results of the work are reported in Bulletin 71 of the bureau of plant industry, issued Jan. 23, 1905. The subject, therefore is only this year before the general public for information and discussion.

It is yet too early to give an opinion as to the value of this new method of inoculation. The published results are most encouraging. On the other hand, other experiments with alfalfa have given no pronounced results, nothing like those secured from inoculation by means of soil. The question is yet in its experimental stage so far as general field results are concerned. It will not be a panacea, nor is the "culture" a fertilizer. At best, the inoculation will constitute only one factor making for productiveness. All new developments, particularly those that have novel and striking features, are likely to be over-valued and sensationalized by undiscriminating persons, and this often results in injury to some of the best innovations. It is now to be determined what the possibilities of the new method are, under what exact conditions it may be expected to be successful and how to eliminate the causes of failure. There is no indication that this new method will be revolutionary, but there is reason to believe that it will carry us one step further toward the realization of our quest for nitrogen to provide the food for mankind.

A girl doesn't really believe that a young man never made love to another girl, but she says she does.

He who doesn't marry too young remains in the bachelor class to the end, according to a disappointed benedict.

No woman would ever quarrel with a man if it wasn't for the pleasure of making it up again.

By a judgment of the supreme court of Pretoria the old Boer law forbidding natives in the Transvaal to acquire land has been annulled.

"Ship Your Wheat In to Sell on the Bulge."
C. C. WYMAN & CO.
Grain Commission. 47 Chamber of Commerce.

LONDON STRENGTH CROSSES ATLANTIC

INTERNATIONAL STOCKS OPEN STRONG IN WALL STREET.

Opening Is Followed Shortly by Energetic Selling Which Forces Break in Transcontinentals — Great Northern and Northern Pacific Both Feel Pressure—Recoveries Are Slight.

New York, May 26.—Strength in the London market helped some of the international stocks to a higher level in the opening trading here, but the demand was languid and a number of the industrials and specials fell off. Ontario & Western made a gain of 1⅝, Great Northern preferred dropped 2, Toledo, St. Louis & Western preferred 1¼ and a number of the industrials, including the United States Steel stocks, varying fractions.

Energetic selling commenced after trading was well under way and the market broke with some hsarpness. The brunt of the attack was borne by th eleading transcontinental, metal and railroad equipment stocks. Eastern stocks were on the whole, better supported, but Reading was quite weak. Ontario and Western lost a point of its opening gain. Great Northern preferred gave way 4½; Northern Pacific, 3½; Smelting, 1⅝; St. Paul, North-Western, Louisville & Nashville, Reading, St. Louis, Southwestern preferred, St. Louis & San Francisco second preferred, Colorado & Southern second preferred, the United States steel stocks, Locomotive, United States Realty and Sloss-Sheffield steel, 1@1⅝. Snuff preferred, improved 1 and New York, New Haven & Hartford, 2¾. Partial recoveries were made before 11 o'clock, but the volume of business diminished considerably on the rally. Ontario & Western was pushed up vigorously to 51½, a gain of 2⅞, and Erie showed some sympathy rising above 40.

Speculation flattened out and business became very dull about the last night's level, but the undertone was firm. Ontario & Western touched 51⅞, Erie & New York Central gained about 1 point and Reading & Lake Erie first preferred asked, fell 2½ and Long Island, 2¾. Bonds were steady at noon.

Higher prices all around resulted from a spasmodic buying movement in Union Pacific and Amalgamated Copper, which benefited them a point each. After the demand for the leaders abated and had reacted, the entire list became almost motionless. Liquidation in corn products cost the common 2 points and the preferred twice as much. North-Western, Wisconsin Central preferred and Republic Steel preferred, moved up a point, Hocking Valley yielded 1 and Union Pacific subsequently lost its rise.

Aside from a recovery of 3 points from the lowest in Northern Pacific fluctuations were trivial.

The market was lethargic and no change of prices was perceptible. Toledo, St. Louis & Western rose 1 and Ontario & Western touched 52¼. The close was strong but semistagnant. Watson & Co., Chamber of Commerce, Minne-

Closing quotations reported for The Journal by apolis. Closing figures are bid.

Sales.	Sales—	High-est.	Low-est.	Close— Bid. May 26	Close— Bid. May 25
	Am. Woolen..	31⅝	31¼	31½	32
	do pr	.....	.....	10	102
1,700	Am. Car.....	33¼	32½	33¼	33
400	do pr	97½	96⅝	97	97
9,800	Am. Locomot.	46⅛	45¼	46⅛	46¼
	do pr	109⅞	109½	109½	110
1,100	Am. Sugar...	132	131	132	131¾
	do pr	.....	.....	133	.....
21,600	Am. Smelting.	110	108	109¼	109⅝
	do pr	.....	.....	117¼	118
30,300	Amal. Copper.	79¾	77⅞	79¼	78⅝
600	Anacon. Cop.	104	103	103	103
3,600	A., T. & S. F.	79⅛	78¼	78¾	78¾
100	do pr	.....	.....	101½	101¼
3,500	B. & O.....	107⅞	106⅝	107⅝	107½
3,900	B. R. T.....	58¾	57¾	58⅜	58¼
2,700	Can. Pacific..	144½	143½	144¼	144
900	Ches. & Ohio.	47½	47	47¼	47
100	Chi. & Alton.	.....	.....	32½	32½
3,600	Corn Products.	11½	9½	10½	11½
	do pr	52½	50	50½	54
	Green Con Cop	.....	.....	23⅞	23⅞
200	North Am. Co	99	98½	99	98½
1,200	Northern Pac..	181½	178½	181	182
900	North-West. ..	211½	210½	210¼	211
1,400	N. Y. Central..	139⅝	138	139	138½
32,600	Ontario & W.	52⅞	49¼	52¼	48¾
200	Pressed Steel..	36¾	36	36¼	36½
100	do pr	.....	.....	91½	92⅝
	Pacific Mail...	.....	.....	35¼	35⅜
20,700	Penn. R. R...	133½	132⅞	133¼	133¼
1,000	People's Gas ..	100½	99¾	100¼	100¼
46,200	Reading	89½	88⅛	89⅝	88⅞
200	do 1st pr.....	.....	.....	89½	90
	do 2d pr.....	.....	.....	85¼	86⅝
500	Republic Steel	17	16½	16¾	17
500	do pr	72	70½	71¼	70¾
1,200	Rubber Goods..	34⅛	34⅛	34¼	34½
200	do pr	.....	.....	100	103
3,000	Rock Island...	26⅛	25¼	26	26⅛
200	do pr	.....	.....	71½	71
900	Illinois Central	159⅝	158½	159¼	158¾
100	K. C. & South	.....	.....	24	24½
	do pr	.....	.....	56¼	56¼
2,100	Louis. & Nash	142½	141	142½	142¼
	M., St. P. & S.	.....	.....	114	114½
	Manhattan	.....	.....	161½	163
1,000	Met. St. Ry..	115½	114¾	114¾	114¼
2,000	Met. Securities	76½	75½	75⅞	76
2,100	Missouri Pac..	96⅝	95½	96⅝	96
900	M., K. & T..	25⅝	25⅛	25¼	25
300	do pr	58¼	58⅛	58⅛	58
1,800	Mexican Cent.	19⅞	19⅝	19⅝	19½
	Nat. Biscuit ..	61½	59⅝	60	60¼
1,000	Nat. Lead ...	44½	43¾	44½	44⅜
600	Norfolk & W.	78¼	78	78	77¾
	Nor. Securities	163½	159¾	163¼	160½
4,400	Chi. Gr. West.	18⅞	18⅛	18¼	18⅝
100	do pr	.....	.....	63	.....
100	do pr B	.....	.....	30½	.....
3,100	Col. Fuel & I.	40½	39½	40	40
200	Col. Southern..	.....	.....	26½	26½
	do 1st pr..	55½	55⅛	55⅛	55⅛
	do 2d pr ..	34¼	33½	34	34½
	Consol. Gas ..	.....	.....	135	137½
	Den. & Rio G.	.....	.....	27½	27½
	do pr	.....	.....	85	85
	Du., S.S. At.	.....	.....	12	12
	do pr	.....	.....	23	23
12,700	Erie	40½	39⅛	40⅛	39¾
2,500	do 1st pr..	77¾	76¾	77⅛	77
600	do 2d pr ..	65⅞	65¼	65½	65½
	Gt. Nor. pr...	285	282	283	284
19,700	St. Paul	172½	170⅝	172¼	172
13,600	Southern Pac..	61⅝	60	61	60⅝
1,600	Southern Ry..	29	28⅝	28¾	28½
100	do pr	.....	.....	95¼	95¼
1,500	Tenn. Coal & I	75	73⅞	74½	74½
100	Texas & Pac..	.....	.....	31¾	31⅞
100	Twin City R. T	.....	.....	110¾	110½
91,100	Union Pac ..	120	118⅛	119¾	118⅞
100	do pr	.....	.....	97	96½
	U. S. Leather..	.....	.....	11	11¼
1,200	U. S. Rubber..	38⅝	38	38	38½
100	do pr	.....	.....	105	105½
50,500	U. S. Steel...	26¾	25⅝	26⅝	26¼
46,600	do pr	93⅝	92¼	93⅝	93⅛
	U. S. Steel 5s.	.....	.....	93⅞	93⅝
100	Va. Chem	.....	.....	32½	33
	do pr	.....	.....	105½	105½
300	Western Union	93	92⅛	92⅛	93
100	Wis. Central...	.....	.....	2 2	21½
400	do pr	47	46	46	45¾

Total sales, 465,000.

BOSTON MINING STOCKS, May 26.—Closing prices yesterday's market: Adventure, 3@3½; Allouez, 19½@20; Arcadian, 16@11¼; Atlantic, 18@13½; Bingham, 28½@29½; Calumet & Hecla, 625@630; Centennial, 18½@18¾; Consolidated Mercur, 45@50; Copper Range Consolidated, 68; Daly West, 12⅝@13¼; Dominion Coal, 75; Dominion Steel, 20@20¼; Elm River, 2@2½; Franklin, 8¼@8½; Granby, 5⅛@5¾; Guanajuato, 4⅝@5; Greene Consolidated, 24@24½; Isle Royale, 18⅛; Mass, 6⅝; Mayflower, 60@90; Michigan, 11; Mohawk, 48⅛@48½; Old Dominion, 23½@24; Osceola, 89½@90½; Parrot, 23½; Phoenix, 1@1½; Quincy, 95@100; Rhode Island, 1½@1¾; Santa Fe, 1⅛@1⅜; Shannon Copper Co., 7⅛; Swift &