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DECLINES ARE NOTED

Market Develops Heavy Tendency at Opening.

AMERICAN TOBACCO DROPS

Conditions Ascribed to Last Week's Bank Statement.

SPECIALTIES ACUTELY WEAK

Speculation During the Afternon Becomes Stagnant at Shade Above the Lowest.

NEW YORK, July 8.—The stock market developed a heavy tendency at the opening today, with material declines in Union Pacific, Reading, Lehigh Valley, Chicago Great Western, Smelting, Steel and International Mercantile Marine preferred. The only gain of note was made by Southern Railway preferred.

The movement in the first hour was irregular, with alternate rallies and declines. Last week's heaviness in the tobacco group was renewed, American Tobacco declining nine points.

In the absence of more definite reasons, the heaviness of today's stock market was ascribed to last week's bank statement, which disclosed an actual deficit of more than $5,000,000 and a heavy cash loss. This found some reflection in the opening rates for call money, which loaned at 3 per cent, but otherwise there were no indications that the conditions shown in the seatement would cause more than a mild monetary flurry.

Amalgamated Copper Sags.

Amalgamated Copper sagged again on the heaviness of coppers abroad, and steel and the rest of the active list showed a drooping tendency. Some specialties, particularly American Tobacco, were acutely weak. Bonds were irregular.

The seling movement apparently ran its course in the early afternoon, but there were no recoveries of consequence, speculation becoming stagnant at a shade above the lowest.

Further heavy selling of the leading issues, especially copper shares, which probably had its basis in the prospect of an adverse June report tomorrow, brought the general level of prices still lower in the afternoon.

COTTON MARKETS.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, July 8.—Cotton futures opened steady, July, 11.84; August, 11.92; September, 12.01; October, 12.12; November, offered, 12.20; December, 12.21; January, 12.21; February, offered, 12.25; March, 12.28; May, 12.35.

The market opened steady at five to nine points higher, with the public again apparently in full control. With an accumulation of buying orders since Saturday, commission houses came into the market and bought up almost everything in sight, advancing the whole list to new high records. On the idea that the upturn had been far too rapid, many conservative traders unloaded big lines of cotton, but this was quickly absorbed and the market continued strong through the first hour at practically ten to eleven points net advance. Cables were higher than due and more rain was predicted for the central and eastern belts.

Toward noon there was a reaction of about 12 points from the highest, leaving the market 5 to 6 points above Saturday's close. Heavy unloading and aggressive selling, with a let-up in the amount of outside buying, chiefly explained the setback. Spot, nominal.

Estimated receipts at all the ports today were 2,000 bales, against 3,276 last week and 1,318 last year; for the week, 15,000 bales, against 17,382 last week and 4,194 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans were 589 bales, against 56 last year, and at Houston 435 bales, against 26 last year.

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, July 8.—Closing: Cotton—Spot, good business done; prices, 11 to 13 points higher; American middling fair, 7.65; good middling, 7.27; middling, 6.95; low middling, 6.65; good ordinary, 6.23; ordinary, 5.75. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,200 were for speculation and export, and included 9,500 American; receipts, 2,000 bales, including 1,500 American. Futures opened firm and closed very steady. July, 6.77; July-August, 6.76; August-September, 6.73½; September-October, 6.66½; October-November, 6.61; November-December, 6.58; December-January, 6.57; January-February, 6.57; February-March, 6.57½; March-April, 6.58; April-May, 6.58½; May-June, 6.59.

LONDON STOCK MARKET.

LONDON, July 8.—The market for American securities opened dull and declined on light liquidation. At noon the tone was quiet, with prices unchanged to ½ lower, excepting Canadian Pacific, which was 1⅛ higher than Saturday's New York closing.

In the afternoon prices were barely maintained on light Wall street support, and the close was uncertain.

London Closing Stocks.

LONDON, July 8, 1 p.m.	
Consols for money	75⅝
Consols for account	75⅝
Amalgamated Copper	84½
Anaconda	8½
Atchison	111
Atchison pfd.	105
Baltimore and Ohio	111
Canadian Pacific	273⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio	82
Chicago Great Western	17½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	107⅞
De Beers	19½
Denver and Rio Grande	19½
Denver and Rio Grande pfd.	36⅝
Erie	33½
Erie 1st pfd.	54
Erie 2d pfd.	44
Grand Trunk	29
Illinois Central	131½
Louisville and Nashville	164½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas	28¼
New York Central	120
Norfolk and Western	118
Norfolk and Western pfd.	91½
Ontario and Western	34
Pennsylvania	63½
Rand Mines	9⅝
Reading	84½
Southern Railway	30⅝
Southern Railway pfd.	79½
Southern Pacific	112¾
Union Pacific	172½
Union Pacific pfd.	92½
United States Steel	71⅝
United States Steel pfd.	114⅝
Wabash	4½
Wabash pfd.	13¾

Bar silver firm, 27 15-16d per ounce.
Money, 2a2¼ per cent.
The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2 11-16a2¾ per cent.
The rate of discount in the open market for three-month bills is 2 13-16a2⅞ per cent.

Want the Unattainable.

It is not generally thought that actors and actresses, like the rest of humanity, are constantly reaching out for the things they have not and probably cannot get. It remains for Vanderheyden Fyles, a dramatic authority, to point out to the readers of our next Sunday Magazine scores of instances among headliners that illustrate this. For instance, one of Richard Mansfield's abiding ambitions was to play Hamlet, and it is said that he actually had the play in rehearsal several times. And there is no end of others who had similar desires, most of them to play Hamlet and other Shakespearean roles.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

Received by private wire direct to The Star Office.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amalgamated Copper	83	83	80⅝	81⅛
Am. Ag. Chem. com.	60¼	60¼	60¼	60¼
Am. Ag. Chem pfd.	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛	100⅛
Am. Beet Sugar com.	74	74	72⅝	73
American Can com.	34⅝	34⅝	33⅛	33⅞
American Can pfd.	117	117¼	116½	116½
Am. Car & Fdy. com.	58	58⅝	57⅞	58
Am. Car & Fdy. pfd.	117¾	117¾	117¾	117¾
Amer. Cities Co. com.	33½	33½	33¼	33¼
Amer. Cities pfd.	79⅛	79⅛	79⅛	79⅛
Am. Cotton Oil com.	53⅛	53¼	53⅛	53¼
American Ice	26¼	26¼	26	26
Amer. Linseed com.	13⅞	13⅞	13¾	13¾
Amer. Linseed pfd.	36⅝	36⅝	36⅝	36⅝
Am. Locomotive com.	43⅛	43⅛	42	42
American Malt pfd.	62½	62½	62	62
Am. Sm. & Ref. com.	84	84⅛	82	82⅜
Am. Sm. & Ref. pfd.	108	108	108	108
Amer. Snuff com.	168	168	166⅞	167⅛
Amer. Sugar com.	129	123½	128½	128⅝
Amer. Tobacco com.	305	305	294	297
Am. Tobacco new pfd	105	105	105	105
Amer. Tel. & Teleg.	145¼	145⅝	144¾	145
Am. Writing Paper	36	36	35⅞	35⅞
Anaconda Copper	41¾	41⅞	39¾	40½
At., T. & Sante F. com.	108⅝	108⅞	107⅝	108⅛
At., T. & Sante F. pfd.	103	103	103	103
Atlantic Coast Line	139	139	139	139
Baldwin Loco. com.	58½	58½	57	57
Balto. & Ohio com.	108⅜	108⅜	107¾	107⅞
Bethlehem Steel com.	37½	37½	36	36¾
Bethlehem Steel pfd.	70	70	68¾	69¾
Brooklyn Rap. Tran.	93	93	91⅝	92
Buffalo, Roch. & Pgh.	117	117	117	117
Canadian Pacific	266¾	267	265½	266½
Central Leather com.	27	27	26	26
Central Leather pfd.	93	93	93	93
Chesapeake & Ohio	80	80¼	79	79
Chi. & Gr. West. com.	17	17¼	17	17¼
C., M. & St. Paul com	105	105	103½	103¾
C., Mil. & St. Paul pf'd.	141	141	140½	140½
Chicago & North'n.	137¼	137½	137	137⅛
Chino Copper	32¼	32¼	31	31
Colorado Fuel & Iron.	30¾	30¾	30¼	30½
Consol. Gas, N. Y.	143	143	142¼	142¼
Corn Products com.	15½	15½	15½	15½
Delaware & Hudson	167	167	166	166
Erie R. R. com.	34⅞	34⅞	34⅛	34⅜
Erie R. R. 1st pfd.	52¾	52¾	52	52
Erie R. R. 2d pfd.	43	43	43	43
Fed. Min. & Sm. pfd.	48½	48½	48½	48½
General Electric	179¼	179¼	178	178¼
Goldfield Con. Min.	4	4	4	4
Great Northern pfd.	137¾	138	137	137⅛
Great Northern Ore.	43½	44	42¾	42¾
Gug'nh'm Explor. Co.	58	58	54¾	54¾
Illinois Central	128	128½	128	128½
Inspiration Copper	18¾	18¾	18¼	18⅜
Inter. Harvester com.	119½	119½	119	119
Interboro.-Met. pfd.	21⅜	21⅜	20⅝	20¾
Interboro.-Met. pfd.	59½	59¾	59	59¼
Inter. Mer. Ma. pfd.	16⅞	16⅞	16⅛	16⅛
Internat'l Paper com.	16	16	16	16
Internat'l Paper pfd.	57⅝	57⅝	57⅝	57⅝
Int. Stm. Pump com.	27½	27½	27½	27½
Int. Stm. Pump pfd.	80⅞	80⅞	80½	80½
Kan. City. Sou. com.	25¼	25¼	25	25
Lehigh Valley	168¼	169¼	167⅝	167⅞
Liggett & Myers com.	202	202	194¼	199
Liggett & Myers pfd.	113	113	113	113
Lorrillard Co. com.	189¾	189¾	182½	187
Louisville & Nashville	160¾	160¾	159⅛	159⅜
Mackay Co. com.	88½	88½	88½	88½
May Dept. St. com.	78	78	78	78
Mexican Cent. cert.	31	31	30½	30½
Mexican Petroleum	69½	69½	68⅛	68⅛
Miami Copper	28⅛	28⅛	27¼	27¼
M., St. P. & S. S. M. com.	144½	144⅞	144	144¾
Missouri Pacific	36¾	36⅞	36¾	36¾
Mo., Kan. & Tex. com.	27½	27½	26⅞	26⅞
Nat. Enam. & St. com.	16½	16½	16½	16½
Nat. Enam. & St. pfd.	90	90	90	90
National Lead com.	58¾	58¾	58¼	58¼
Norfolk & Western	115	115	114½	114⅞
North America	83	83⅜	83	83⅜
Northern Pacific	123	123⅜	122	122⅛
N.Y. State Railways	89¼	89¼	89¼	89¼
New York Central	116⅜	116⅜	116	116
Nevada Con. Copper	21⅜	21⅜	20¾	20¾
N.Y., Ontario & West.	33½	33½	32⅞	32⅞
Pacific Mail St'mship	31½	31½	31½	31½
Pacific Tele. & Teleg.	50	50	50	50
Penna. Railroad	124	124⅛	123¾	124⅛
People's Gas, Chicago	115½	115½	115	115
Phila. Company com.	104½	104½	104½	104½
Pittsburgh Coal com.	22½	22½	21¾	21¾
Pittsburgh Coal pfd.	94¼	94¼	92½	92¾
Pitt., C., C. & St. L. com	109	109	108½	108½
Pittsburgh Steel pfd.	102	102	102	102
Pullman Car Co.	161	161	161	161
Railway St. Sp. com.	35¼	35¼	35	35
Ray Consol. Copper	21⅛	21⅛	20⅝	20¾
Reading R. R. com.	165	165½	163½	163⅞
Rep. Ir. & Steel com.	27⅛	27⅛	26½	26½
Rep. Ir. & Steel pfd.	85	85	84	84
Rock Island com.	24⅝	24¾	24½	24½
Rock Island pfd.	50⅛	50⅛	50	50
Rumley Co. pfd.	102	102	102	102
Seaboard Air L. com.	23½	23½	22¾	22¾
Seaboard Air L. pfd.	54	54	52¾	52¾
Sears-Roebuck com.	191⅜	191½	189½	191¼
Sloss-Sheffild com.	56	56	55½	55½
Southern Pacific	109¾	109¾	109	109⅛
Southern Rwy. com.	29⅜	29⅝	29	29¼
Southern Rwy. pfd.	77⅝	77¾	76¾	77
St. L. & San F. 2d pfd	38	38¼	38	38
Standard Milling pfd.	63½	63½	63	63
Texas Companies	122½	123½	122¼	123
Tennessee Copper	43	43¾	42⅞	43⅝
Third Ave. Street Ry.	39¼	39¼	38½	38½
Toledo, St. L. & W. com	14	14	14	14
Underw'd Typr. com.	113½	113½	113½	113½
Underwood Typr. pfd.	111¾	111¾	111¾	111¾
Utd. Dry Goods com.	100½	100½	100½	100½
Utd. Dry Goods pfd.	106⅝	106⅝	106⅝	106⅝
Un. Bag & Paper com.	11⅞	12⅛	11⅞	12⅛
Union Pacific com.	168¼	168½	166⅜	167⅛
U. S. Cast Ir. P. pfd.	59⅝	59⅝	58⅝	58⅝
U. S. Express com.	93½	93½	93½	93½
U. S. Realty	81	81⅜	81	81⅜
U. S. Rubber com.	54⅞	54⅞	53½	53½
U. S. Rubber 1st pfd.	110⅞	110⅞	109⅛	110
U. S. Rubber 2d pfd.	81	81	80¾	80¾
U. S. Steel com.	70⅝	70⅝	68⅝	68⅞
U. S. Steel pfd.	112⅜	112⅜	111½	111⅞
Utah Copper	62⅛	62¼	60	60⅛
Va.-Car. Chem. com.	49½	49½	48½	48½
Wabash R. R. com.	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼
Wabash R. R. pfd.	13½	13½	13	13½
Westinghouse Elec.	77	77¼	75¾	76
Western Union Teleg.	82	82	82	82
West. Maryland com.	57½	57½	57½	57½
Wheel'g & L. E. com.	7	7	6¾	6¾
Wheel'g & L. E. 1st	19	19	18	18
Weeel'g & L. E. 2d	10	10	10	10
Woolworth Co. com.	96⅛	96⅛	96⅛	96⅛

xEx. Div.—United States Industrial Alcohol preferred, 1¾; Associated Merchants Company first preferred, 1¼ and ¼ extra; do. second preferred, 1½ and ¼ extra; H. B. Claflin Company, 1½, and Corn Products preferred, 1¾.

HOURLY SALES OF STOCKS TODAY.

11 a.m., 138,600	12 m... 249,800		
1 p.m., 368,330	2 p.m., 476,100		
Call Money.....	3	3	2¾	3

BONDS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Amer. Tobacco 6s	120¼	120¼	120¼	120¼
Atchison general 4s	97¾	97⅞	97¾	97⅞
Atchison 4s 1960	104½	104½	104½	104½

BONDS (Continued).

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison con. 5s	108½	108½	108½	108½
Balto. & Ohio gen'l 4s	97¾	97¾	97¾	97¾
Brooklyn R. T. con. 4s	92¾	92¾	92⅜	92⅜
Chi., B. & Q. joint 4s	96¼	96¼	96¼	96¼
Chi., R. I. Pacific 4s	69⅝	69½	69¼	69½
Inter. Metro. 4½s	83⅛	83⅛	82¾	82¾
Northern Pacific 4s	99⅛	99¼	99⅛	99¼
Pa. consol. 3½s 1915	97¼	97¼	97⅛	97⅛
Pa. consol. 4s 1948	103½	103½	103½	103½
Southern Railway 4s	78⅜	78½	78⅜	78½
Southern Railway 5s	107½	107½	107½	107½
Union Pacific con. 4s	100¼	100¼	100⅛	100⅛
U. S. Steel 2d 5s	102½	102½	102¼	102¼

LOCAL FINANCIAL NEWS.

Following a period of activity in investment buying, evidenced by a steady demand for local public utility bonds last week, the local market by contrast today bordered on stagnation. Little interest attached to the bids and offerings at the noon meeting of the stock exchange. There were few changes in the quotations and still fewer transactions Bond sales were limited to issues of a total face value of $3,500, while the sales of stock, all in fractional lots, aggregated only fifty-one shares.

Bond prices were maintained at the levels established by the active trading at the close of business last week, 2,000 Potomac Consolidated 5s selling at 103⅜; 1,000 Washington Gas 5s at 111⅛, and 500 Capital Traction 5s at 111½.

Of the stocks, Washington Gas was the only issue to produce more than one sale, and in three broken lots this stock sold at the level of 84. Washington Railway and Electric common, in one small block of ten shares, was taken at 92, while a lot of the same size of Washington Railway and Electric preferred brought 94½.

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—Regular call, 12 o'clock noon.
Capital Traction 5s, $500 at 111½.
Potomac cons. 5s, $1,000 at 103⅜. $1,000 at 103⅜.
Washington Railway and Electric pfd., 10 at 94½.
Washington Gas, 20 at 84, 5 at 84.
Lanston, 1 at 92.
After call—Washington Railway and Electric com., 10 at 92.
Washington Gas 5s, $1,000 at 111⅛.
Washington Gas, 15 at 84.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. registered 2s	100⅝	101⅝
U. S. coupon 2s	100⅝	101⅝
U. S. registered 3s	101⅞	102⅞
U. S. coupon 3s	101⅞	102⅞
U. S. registered 4s	113⅝	114⅝
U. S. coupon 4s	113⅝	114⅝
GAS BONDS.		
Georgetown Gas Cert. ind. 5s	105	.....
Georgetown Gas 5s	107	109
Washington Gas 5s	110½	111½
RAILROAD BONDS.		
Capital Traction 5s	111¼	111½
Anacostia and Potomac 5s	99½	100½
City and Suburban 5s	104	.....
Columbia 5s	100¼	.....
Columbia 6s	101	.....
Metropolitan 5s	107	110
Washington Rwy. and Elec. 4s	85¼	86
Washington, Alex. and Mt. V. 5s	.....	92
MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.		
Potomac Electric Cons. 5s	103⅛	103½
Potomac Electric Light 5s	107	107½
Chesapeake and Potomac Tel. 5s	104	105½
American Tel. and Telga. 4s	110	.....
D. C. Paper Mfg. 5s	100	.....
Norfolk and Wash. Steamboat 5s	104	105
Riggs Realty 5s (long)	103	105
Riggs Realty 5s (short)	101	103
PUBLIC UTILITY STOCKS.		
Capital Traction	123	124
Washington Rwy. and Elec. com.	91	91¾
Washington Rwy. and Elec. pfd.	94	94⅝
Washington-Virginia Rwy. com.	51½	52¾
Washington-Virginia Rwy. pfd.	78¾	79¾
Norfolk and Wash. Steamboat	208	2.4
Washington Gas	83½	84
Georgetown Gas	127½	.....
Eastern Light and Fuel	.....	122
Great Falls and Old Dominion	109	.....
American Tel. and Telga	143	.....
TYPE MACHINE STOCKS.		
Mergenthaler Linotype	220	220½
Lanston Monotype	91⅝	93
NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.		
American	175	185
Capital	210	.....
Columbia	250	.....
Commercial	204	209
District	142½	.....
Farmers and Mechanics	260	.....
Lincoln	150	.....
Metropolitan	190	210
Riggs	595	625
Second	160	.....
National Bank of Washington	250	300
TRUST COMPANY STOCKS.		
*American Security and Trust	295	299
National Savings and Trust	235	.....
*Union Trust	142	145½
Washington Loan and Trust	230	.....
United States Trust	140	152
SAVINGS BANK STOCKS.		
Citizens	17½	.....
Home	325	.....
Union Savings	250	.....
Bank of Commerce and Savings	12½	17
East Wash. Savings Bank	15¼	.....
FIRE INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Arlington	13	.....
Corcoran	80	.....
Firemen's	19½	22
Franklin	.....	35
German-American	270	.....
Potomac	84	.....
TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Columbia	5½	.....
Real Estate	95	.....
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.		
Chapin-Sacks	165	220
D. C. Paper Mfg. Co.	134	.....
Emerson Steam Pump	.....	25
Graphophone com.	38	55
Graphoponhe pfd.	78	88
Security Storage	200	.....
Washington Market	17¾	.....

*Ex-div.

DECLARE HERDICS A DISGRACE

C. H. Campbell and M. Z. Woodhull Ask Line Be Abolished.

Declaring that the herdics operated by the Metropolitan Coach Company on F and G streets are a "public disgrace," C. H. Campbell of 2101 G street and Maxwell Z. Woodhull of 2033 G street, in letters to the District Commissioners, request that the line be abolished or the company required to improve the service.

The Commissioners sent to Congress last year a report urging adoption of the bill introduced by Senator Smith of Michigan, giving them power to regulate the service. The bill passed the Senate August 16, 1911, but is still on the House calendar. If enacted, the bill will give the Commissioners authority to compel the company to furnish a service which shall at all times be reasonable, safe and adequate and to maintain its vehicles in a sanitary condition.

"THOU SHALT NOT COVET."

Representative Hill Comments on Third Party Platform.

Representative Ebenezer Hill of Connecticut, a republican member of the House ways and means committee, made the following comment on the national progressive platform today:

"The ten commandments as a whole would make a mighty good platform for any party, but Dixon ought not to stop with one of them. In view of the progressive platform being given out Sunday, I would suggest that they at least add 'Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy,' and also for the benefit of the prospective candidate, 'Thou shalt not covet anything that is thy neighbor's,' and, finally, for the benefit of Dixon himself, he should add "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.'"

NEW YORK CURB PRICES.

Quotations furnished by W. B. Hibbs & Co., members New York Stock Exchange.

	Open.	High.	Low.	1:45.
Braden Copper	7⅞	7⅞	7⅛	7⅛
British Colum. Cop.	5¾	5¾	5⅝	5¾
British-Am. Tobacco.	30⅝	30¾	29⅞	29⅞
Butte (New York)	3 7-16	3 7-16	3⅛	3⅛
Giroux Copper	5	5	4⅞	5
Greene Cananea	10	10	9⅞	10
Intercontl. Rubber	13⅞	13⅞	13⅝	13⅞
Manhattan Transit	1⅞	1⅞	1⅝	1⅝
Mason Valley	14	14	13½	13½
Nevada Hills	2	2	2	2
Ohio Copper	½	½	½	½

It matters little what it is that you want—whether a situation or a servant—a want ad in The Star will reach the person who will fill your need.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, July 8.—Flour—Quiet and lower to sell.

Wheat—Further beneficial rains northwest and in Canada, big worlds shipments, lower cables and weakness in other markets, resulted in a one-cent decline in wheat early; September, 1.04⅝a1.05½.

Pork—Quiet.
Beef—Steady.
Lard—Quiet.
Raw sugar—Quiet; Muscovado, 89 test, 3.27; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.77; molasses, 89 test, 3.02; refined, quiet.
Petroleum—Steady.
Molasses—Steady.
Hay—Quiet.
Hides—Steady.
Leather—Firm.

Butter—Steady. Receipts, 15,551 tubs; creamery extras, 27a27½; firsts, 26a26; seconds, 25a25½; thirds, 24a24½; state dairy, finest, 26a26½; good to prime, 24a25; common to fair, 22a23; process, extras, 25; firsts, 23½a24½; seconds, 22a22½; factory, current make, firsts, 23; seconds, 21½a22; packing stock, current make, No. 2, 21; No. 3, 19a20.

CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, July 8.—Lower cables and generally fine weather brought about a decided upset today in the price of wheat. Crop conditions northwest of here in particular were reported as favoring the bear side of the market. Dispatches from the Red River valley, for example, declared that fields were looking good, and the chances for progress excellent. The opening was ⅝a1½ to ⅞ lower. September started at 98⅞ to 99¼, a fall of ⅜a½ to ⅝a⅞, touched 99⅝ and then declined to 98¾.

Aggressive selling by local speculators put corn on the down grade. There was only moderate buying, notwithstanding a sharp dip that occurred almost at the outset. September opened ⅝a½ off to ⅛ advance, at 66½ to 67, and dropped to 66.

Oats suffered with other grain, but covering by shorts helped to make prices relatively steady. September started a shade to ¼a⅜ down, at 35⅜ to 36, and held at 35½.

In the provision pit weakness of cereals turned out to be more than an offset for the strength of hogs. Initial transactions ranged from Saturday night's level to 40c below, with September delivery at 18.00 to 18.25 for pork, 10.52½ to 10.65 for lard, and 10.30 to 10.35 for ribs.

BALTIMORE.

Special Dispatch to The Star.

BALTIMORE, Md., July 8.—Wheat—Easier; spot contract, 99¾; July, 99½; August, 99½; September, 1.00½; receipts, 79,645 bushels; new southern by sample, 93a99; new southern on grade, 96⅝a1.00⅝.

Corn—Dull; spot contract, 77; receipts, 8,312 bushels.

Oats—Weak and lower; No. 2, white, 53½ asked; standard white, 53 asked; No. 3, white; 52½ asked; receipts, 7,504 bushels.

Rye—Dull.

Hay—Quiet; No. 1 Timothy, 26.50a27.00; No. 1, clover mixed, 22.50a23.00.

Grain freights—Quiet; steam to Liverpool, per bushel, none; offering, Cork for orders, per quarter, 31.

LIVERPOOL.

LIVERPOOL, July 8.—Closing: Wheat—Spot No. 2 red western winter, 8s 6¾d; No. 2 Manitoba, 8s 1d; No. 3 Manitoba, 7s 9½d; futures weak; July, 7s 6½d; October, 7s 2⅝d; December, 7s 1½d.

Corn—Spot, firm; American mixed, old, 7s; new American kiln-dried, 6s 11d; futures weak; July, 4s, 9¾d; September, 4s 7⅞d.

Hops in London (Pacific coast), £8 15sa£9 9d.

THE COURTS

EQUITY COURT—Justice Anderson.

Brown agt. Templeman; pro confesso ordered; plaintiff's attorney, W. T. Powell.

Harbin agt. Arnold; order authorizing payment to receiver; plaintiff's attorney, W. G. Johnson; defendant's attorneys, A. L. Newmeyer and A. A. Birney.

Maddox agt. Young; pro confesso ordered; plaintiff's attorney, J. P. McMahon.

Offutt agt. Grigsby; order of publication; plaintiff's attorney, C. F. Benjamin.

Rosenthal agt. Myers; pro confesso ordered; plaintiff's attorney, J. B. Stein.

CIRCUIT COURT—Justice Anderson.

Adams agt. Washington Railway and Electric Company; motion to extend time for pleading granted; defendant's attorney, W. C. Sullivan.

Fourteenth Street Savings Bank agt. Noyes and International Banking Corporation agt. same; order to surrender notes on filing copies; plaintiffs' attorneys, H. W. Wheatley and F. W. McReynolds; defendant's attorney, Louis A. Dent.

CRIMINAL COURT—Mr. Justice Anderson.

United States agt. Howard Marquette; non-support; recognizance $500 taken for payment of allowance to wife; attorney, C. H. Turner.

United States agt. James E. Lowe; grand larceny; nolle pros; defendant discharged; attorney, W. C. English.

United States agt. James W. Branch; embezzlement; sentenced to jail for eight months; attorney, J. C. Foster.

BANKRUPT COURT—Justice Anderson.

In re Hattie C. Franey; adjudication and reference to E. S. McCalmont.

In re Julius Block; hearing on discharge set for August 15.

PROBATE COURT—Justice Anderson.

Estate of Stilson Hutchins; collector authorized to collect insurance; attorneys, Brandenburg & Brandenburg.

Estate of Henry P. Higley; will admitted to probate and letters estamentary granted to Washington Loan and Trust Company; attorney, J. B. Larner.

Estate of Willis Pinner; petition for probate of will filed; attorney, P. J. Bacon.

Estate of Michael F. Brennan; petition for letters of administration filed; attorney, W. S. Duvall.

Estate of Matthew McCulley; petition for letters of administration filed; attorney Irving Williamson.

Estate of Alice E. Seitz; order appointing Richard Kingsman, administrator; bond, $100; attorneys, Sleman & Lerch.

Estate of William T. Vanderslice; petition for letters of administration filed; attorneys, Watts & Lichliter.

Estate of Daniel Alworth; will admitted to probate; attorney, R. Preston Shealey.

Estate of Annie M. Goodwin; will dated October 8, 1898, filed with codicil of May 9, 1904; petition for probate of will filed with renunciation of executor; attorney, E. S. Bailey.

POST OFFICE PROMOTIONS.

Letter Carriers and Clerks Advanced a Grade Each.

Promotions in the city post office were announced today as follows:

Letter carriers from $1,000 to $1,100, Alfred Brand, Jesse C. Sweeney, Clarence B. Tully and Lurdolph A. Dohoney; $900 to $1,000, Ulysses S. Edwards, Thomas W. Overton and Levi S. Flora; $800 to $900, Thomas H. Ingram, Henry C. Weedon and Daniel H. Stewart; $600 to $800, Clinton G. Light.

Clerks from $1,000 to $1,100, Lyttleton A. Baker, James B. Dement, Joseph A. Griffith, H. N. Heacock, Clarence H. Jones, Ann M. Marye, Clarence M. Mace and John L. Wise.

From $900 to $1,000, Charles M. Butler, W. H. Curry, O. O. Daumer, C. A. Howard and Mary Mastin.

TONOPAH FIRE LOSS HEAVY.

Two Blocks in Business Section Are Destroyed by Flames.

TONOPAH, Nev., July 8.—Two blocks in the business district of Tonopah were destroyed by fire early today. Scores of volunteers joined in the fight against the flames. Several office buildings were destroyed.

Return of Gen. Edwards.

Gen. Clarence Edwards, military member of the commission which visited Europe in the interest of the Panama-Pacific exposition, has returned to Washington, bringing report of the unqualified success of the mission. Most of the European capitals were visited and the liveliest interest was displayed in the approaching exposition.

WARRANT FOR FISHER ON CHARGE OF ARSON

Man Whose Home Was Burned Yesterday Morning Faces Grave Accusation.

Following an investigation of the fire which destroyed the house of Eugene Fisher, a stationary engineer, at Arlington Heights, Va., at an early hour yesterday morning, when Mrs. Fisher and her four children narrowly escaped, Capt. Crandal Mackey, commonwealth's attorney for Alexandria county, today obtained a warrant for Fisher, charging him with arson.

Fisher, who was severely burned about the face and arms and who was given treatment at the Emergency Hospital yesterday morning, left the hospital this morning. Capt. Mackey conferred with Inspector Boardman this afternoon and was told that Fisher will be arrested and surrendered on requisition.

Gov. Mann will be asked to sign a requisition, Capt. Mackey said, as he is anxious to get Fisher before the court in Alexandria for trial. On the oath of Capt. Mackey Magistrate E. F. Thomson issued the warrant, it containing the statement that Mrs. Fisher and four children were in the house at the time the fire occurred.

Mrs. Fisher's Statement.

The commonwealth's attorney visited Mrs. Fisher yesterday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Maggie Martin, on Gales street northeast, where she was taken with her children yesterday morning. He also saw Fisher at the home of his brother, George Fisher, on I street southwest. Mrs. Fisher gave Capt. Mackey her version of the fire. She had kept her husband's supper warm for him, she said, and when he came home after 1 o'clock in the morning he threw the supper on the floor, smashed dishes and threatened to burn the house.

Mrs. Fisher declared to Capt. Mackey, the latter says, that her husband pounded on the oil lamp in the house with a bottle of whisky until he broke it and