ANOTHER LET-DOWN—MARKETS CLOSE LOWER.

WHEAT TRIED HARD TO REACT, MAKING GAINS.

Corn Was Heavy and Week All Day, and Recorded Another Sharp Decline in Prices.

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Another bad record was made by the grain markets of this country to-day, the close showing very conclusively that the downward trend of values has not yet run its course. Taken in the aggregate, there was little or no improvement to be witnessed in the local speculative situation over the conditions that have prevailed throughout the present week. Wheat, it is true, made another effort to get out of its weakness and dullness, and for a time greatly encouraged its friends by its actions, but it soon fell back, and, like all other grains, closed at a sharp decline for the day. Much of the time to-day the pit trading was exceedingly of light volume, and the undertone one of weakness, in this respect the situation, as a whole, was an index of the speculative conditions and the temper of traders, which is one of weakness and uncertainty. Even professional traders were hardly in evidence at times, and only small dealings characterized the day's proceedings in the pit on 'change. The pressure to sell exceeded that to buy, with the result that early gains were completely wiped out in short order, and the day closed with losses in all cereals, and particularly in wheat; corn, however, being a very good second.

Wheat to-day made another effort to get away from the weak and depressing influences that have so long overshadowed speculation in this grain and have been the chief characteristics the past week or ten days. For awhile this morning it looked very much as though success would crown the efforts of the friends of this cereal, but before the day was half over they were up against it once more, and the slight gains disappeared, the early strength was succeeded by decided weakness, and the final figures showed an all-around loss for the day of over 1c as compared with yesterday's close. There was some speculative stir in this market to-day, and from a speculative point of view the long-looked-for reaction seemed to have arrived, but as it turned out, the market was no more of a success in this respect than it has been during the present week. The bulls were greatly encouraged by the way this market started off, some decidedly strengthening advices being received from abroad, where a stronger sentiment was indicated by the early cables—due, it was claimed, to the Chinese question, a private Liverpool cable stating that an uneasy feeling existed. And as that market was reported ½d and London ¼d higher, a stronger feeling shown here right from the start, and there was more disposition shown to take the long side than has been witnessed of late, as a result of which the opening for Sept. was 1⅛@¼c better, at 75⅝c. This advance did not hold very long, for the reason that the bear sentiment was still in the ascendant, and there was plenty of wheat for sale, so much so, in fact, that Sept. fell back to 74⅝c, but reacted again to 75⅛c, only to fall back again to 74⅝c. A weakening influence at this time was the arrivals posted on 'change, which had more effect upon July than on any other option, that month being offered freely, the bids below Sept., at 74c, with no buyers at that figure. According to the postings, the arrivals here were 182,000 bu., against only 81,000 bu. one year ago. Other markets reported very heavy receipts, and the total at the four winter wheat markets amounted to 458,000 bu., against 242,000 bu. last year.

The regular weekly Government report on crop conditions received this morning indicated an improvement in the Northwest. The day's outward movement from the seaboard was small at 241,000 bu., as were the day's receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth. The closing Liverpool cable denoted a continuation of the early strength in that market, it closing ¼d higher for the day, but Continental markets were by no means strong. Paris closing ¼@⅜c lower, Berlin ⅝c and Buda-Pesth ¼c, Antwerp alone being quoted steady and unchanged. The market acted heavy during the balance of the session and appeared to have no bull in it. No export business was reported, and this fact, with the further break in corn, had a bad effect. Still traders managed to get September up to 75⅝c again, but as usual were unable to hold it there long, the market breaking on reports of longs selling out at Chicago, which started some traders to sell for short account here. The situation gradually grew weaker and semi-demoralization prevailed near the close, Sept. selling off to 73⅞c, a loss of over 1c for the day, and at which it closed. Early July sold at 73⅞c to 74c, but closed 1⅛@1¼c down at 72⅝c asked. Aug. had 74⅛@74⅛c bid, but was not worth more than 73c at the close, which was 1⅛c lower. Dec. brought 76⅝c, was bid to 77⅛c and closed 1⅜@1½c down at 75⅝c bid.

The bulls in corn were unable to get any encouragement out of that grain this morning, though there were some of the more sanguine who figured it out that after the late shake-down and heavy decline in prices a reaction was due. It was a heavy and decidedly uninteresting market all the way through, except for the bears, who again succeeded in making a new low-price record before the day was over. The bulls were encouraged to some extent by the fact that the rains were said to be over with and warmer weather might be expected, and also by the renewal of damage stories in sections of Kansas, where it was claimed no rain had fallen. The Liverpool market was stronger, opening ¾d off in sympathy with our declines of yesterday, but reacting and closing ¼d better for the day. The receipts at Western markets were 848,000 bu., against 822,000 bu. a year ago. St. Louis receiving 18,400 bu., against 65,000 bu. last year. The total shipments from Western markets were 1,100,000 bu., but the clearances from the seaboard were small at 210,000 bu. There was considerable apathy exhibited during the day, traders not showing much disposition to take hold, the dealings were small. The opening here was ⅛c lower at 38⅝c for September, from which there was an advance to 39⅛@39⅜c and a lot-down to 38⅛c sellers. Near the close there was another reaction to 38⅝c, after which old conditions asserted themselves and from this time to the final wind-up there was nothing left but a heavy, ragged and decidedly bearish market, on which September went to 37⅝c and closed with sellers 1c off for the day at 37½c. July was neglected throughout the day and closed ⅝c lower at 37½c bid, year closing ⅛c down at 38½c. The cash situation was discouraging, the business done consisting of only 60 loads at the seaboard.

Again we are compelled to report a very quiet and uninteresting market in oats, traders giving it little or no attention. The receipts at Western markets were 328,000 bu., against 252,000 bu. a year ago, including 22,400 bu. locally, against 31,200 bu. last year. Total shipments were 252,000 bu. and clearances 3,258 bu. There was little change in price during the day, but at the same time the market closed at a loss for the day. September being ⅛c lower at 22⅝c asked, but July nominally unchanged at 22½c.

Trade Gossip.

—How sensationally exaggerated were the crop reports that helped the markets along will be seen in the Government weekly statement on the crop and weather conditions of last week. It says: "The condition of corn in Kansas and Nebraska is less favorable than to the previous week and the crop is suffering for rain in portions of Missouri, Southern Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland, Virginia and North Carolina. In Indiana, Illinois and Iowa corn has made very favorable progress and is promising in Kentucky, Tennessee and Pennsylvania." Of course, the late bountiful rains have relieved the suffering alluded to. Of wheat conditions it says: "Harvesting of winter wheat is about completed, except in the more northerly districts, the weather conditions being very favorable for this work in the districts east of the Mississippi River, except in portions of New York, where it has been interrupted by rains. Harvesting is well advanced on the Pacific Coast. Further improvement in the condition of spring wheat is reported from Minnesota and South Dakota, and, while no decided change in condition is reported in North Dakota, the weather conditions in that State have been propitious. In Minnesota the crop has suffered some damage from local storms. Fair to good yields are expected in the extreme southeastern counties of South Dakota. The oat harvest is in progress in the States of the central valleys and a very fine crop generally is being secured in good condition. Wet weather has interrupted haying in Northern New York, but elsewhere the hay harvest has made satisfactory progress, and is nearly completed in the States of the central valleys. Rains have caused damage to hay in Michigan, Louisiana and Texas.

—The Government July report estimated the condition of wheat in Georgia at 71, yet at a convention of Georgia wheat growers yields ranging from 10½ to 65 bu. to the acre were reported.

—Minneapolis wires: "Good demand for cash wheat from millers. No. 1 Northern 1½c over Sept. for delivery, Aug. 1½c over Sept."

—Mark Lane Express says: "Season of wheat is fortnight late, but with the August there may be good crop of average quality. Oats have greatly improved. Continental accounts point to averages everywhere and safe. France may be 10 per cent below average, but Roumania crop is largest on record."

—Receipts of wheat at the primary points today were 776,000 bu., against 421,000 bu. one week ago, 1,009,000 bu. a year ago and 411,000 bu. two years ago.

—Our many wires from Mankato, Kas.: "No rains since 10th of June; temperature 100 and over for thirty days. Unless copious rains within week, Jewell (the banner county of the State) corn crop will be absolute failure." Nebraska City: "Corn in this vicinity has withstood hot weather in good shape. No apparent damage. Around Concordia, Kas., reports from reliable people estimate one-half a crop with continuation of most favorable weather."

Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

WHEAT—Cash market: Received 22,608 sks. and 106 cars local and 10 cars through. Strong, with a continued excellent demand. Buyers in market from Chicago, Toledo and Detroit, besides purchases for Indiana and Ohio mills. City millers buying moderately and the elevators freely. Sales on trk. of No. 2 red at 74½@75c (latter 1 car fancy this and 75c bid, latter found lots some to arrive, E. side); No. 3 red at 72@72½c; No. 4 winter at 71@72½c; rejected at 70 @70½c. No. 2 hard at 72½@73c for hi-th test. No. 3 hard nominally 70c.

CORN—Cash market: Received 18 cars local and 3 cars through. Strong and mixed higher. The demand is small and of the carlot order, on trk.: No. 2 sold at 41@41½c, latter high mixed; No. 3 white at 42c; No. 3 worth 40c and No. 3 yellow 41½c. From elevator, close No. 2 E. o. b. at 39½c.

OATS—Cash market: Received 37 cars local. Lower and small demand at lower prices. More offering arriving and quality rather better. On trk. No. 2 new sold at 22½c, and on trk. 3 new at 22½c per; old No. 2 Northern sold at 23c, and No. 3 white at 22c. No. 3 white sold at 27½@28c for old and 24@25c for new; No. 4 white at 24c for new and 26c for old.

RYE—Steady, but quiet. Grade No. 2 sold at 56c, but no "bankering" after it.

FLOUR—Steady, but quiet. Export business difficult of accomplishment, owing to the difference in views of buyers and sellers, but a fair domestic trade going on.

Quotations on soft winter wheat are as follows: Patent $3.50@3.70; straights $3.20@3.35, extra fancy $2.85@2.95, fancy $2.60@2.70, low and medium $2.25@2.50. Hard winter in jute sacks, $2.90@3.00 for bakers, $2.80@2.90 for straights, and $3.10@3.40 for patents.

RYE FLOUR—Holding at $3.30 in sks. and $3.50 in bbls.

CORNMEAL—$2.25@2.30, pearl meal, grits and fine meal, $2.35@2.40.

MILLFEED—Strong, as little offered on spot. For std. S. trk. bts. bid, though offered for Aug. delivery in large sks. at $16. At mill bran jobs at $17.

HAY—Received 290 tons local and 163 tons through; shipped 304 tons. All good grades of old timothy sell easily at strong prices, but demand better for choice new. Prairie steady. Prices on trk. from store: Timothy $19@21 for choice, $18@19 for No. 1, $17.50@17.75 for No. 2, $8.50@15 for No. 3. Prairie $9 for choice, $8.50@8.75 for No. 1, $7.50@8 for No. 2, $6@6.50 for No. 3. Choice mixed $18@19.

STRAW—Rye on trk. $8.50@9, and wheat and oat, $8.

GRASS SEEDS—Timothy $2.50@2.75 spot and $2.90 bid for prime; none to arrive. Aug. offers nothing wanted. Tor. pk. lbs.: Millet 75@87½; prime German more; clover $5 to $6.25. Hungarian scarce; rediop 2c to $6. Orders higher.

FLAXSEED—Advancing. Buyers now at $1.03 for July.

CASTOR BEANS—Salable at $1.17.

LEAD—Firm and in demand at $4.85, but no sellers at that.

SPELTER—Salable at $4.65.

Prices on 'Change.

The following tables show the range of prices in futures and cash grain:

	Closed Yesterday.	Ranged Today.	Closed To-day.
Wheat—July	74⅞	74 @74⅞	72⅝ a
Aug.	74⅛ b	74 @74⅛	73⅛ a
Sept.	74⅝@74¾	73⅞@75⅛	73⅞
Dec.	76⅝@76⅞	75⅝@77⅛	75⅝ b
Corn—July	38⅝@39	37½@38⅝	37½ b
Aug.	39⅛	38⅝@39⅛	37⅞
Sept.	39⅝	38⅝@39⅝	37⅞
Year	34⅝ b	[illegible]	34⅝
Oats—July	22⅝ b	[illegible]	22½
Sept.	22⅝ b	22⅝@22⅞	22⅝ a

Cash wheat, corn and oats ranged:

	Last Year.	Tuesday.	To-day.
Wheat—No. 2 red	71 @72	73½@75½	74½@75
No. 3 red	70 @70½	71 @72½	71 @72½
No. 4 winter	68 @70	70 @71½	71 @72½
No. 2 hard	71 @72	72 @73	72 @73
No. 3 hard	67 @68	69 @70	70 @72
Corn—No. 2	41 @41½	41 @41½	41 @41½
No. 3	39 @39½	40 @40½	40 @41
No. 2 white	41 @41½	42 @42½	41 @41½
No. 3 white	40 @40½	42 @42½	41 @41½
Oats—No. 2	22 @22½	24 @25	23½@24½
No. 3	21½@22	23 @24½	22 @23½
No. 2 Northern	26 @26½	28 @28½	28 @28½
No. 3 white	25 @25½	28 @28½	28 @28½
No. 2 white	26½@27	27 @28	28 @28½
No. 4 white	25 @25½	26 @26½	24 @26½

Movement of Grain.

Cities.	Receipts. Wheat.	Corn.	Shipments. Wheat.	Corn.
St. Louis	182,000	18,400	41,000	67,441
Chicago	162,400	652,000	172,000	888,000
Toledo	41,348	106,128	8,600	107,000
Detroit	10,000	20,000		17,000
Kansas City	230,000	30,000	36,000	36,000
Milwaukee	20,700	12,100	1,400	
Minneapolis	13,210	20,470	14,520	800
Duluth	21,000	1,000	21,000	15,000
New York	9,625	194,425		3,500
Baltimore	96,120	211,800		
Philadelphia	25,570	46,964	11,199	148,114
Boston	12,400	10,263	155,713	59,833
New Orleans	26,000	25,000		
Galveston	26,291			

Stocks of Grain in Store.

	To-day.	Yes'day.	Last yr.
Wheat	730,323	656,005	629,952
Corn	239,479	148,375	156,231
Oats	264	264	34,932
Rye	722	722	1,791
Contract grades—			
No. 2 red	363,045	325,959	411,235
No. 2 corn	3,859	3,859	16,027
No. 2 white corn	132,759	174,722	83,549
No. 2 oats	2,000	1,787	13,934
No. 2 white oats			1,000
No. 2 rye	722	1,222	938

Shipments of Flour.

St. Louis 8,741 bbls.; Chicago 12,166 bbls.; Detroit 1,200 bbls.; Milwaukee 14,645 bbls.; Minneapolis 46,300 bbls.; New York 1,884 bbls. and 3,000 sks.; Baltimore 300 bbls.; Boston 1,050 bbls. and 21,108 sks.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Local Fruit, Vegetable, Poultry, Egg and Butter Quotations.

Wednesday, July 18, 1900.

The produce markets were generally dull and weak to-day, as receipts of nearly everything were heavy and the unseasonable weather tended to curtail the demand. Shippers were light buyers, and the local buying was slow.

Potatoes were dull and weak to-day. Receipts of home-grown were light, and there were practically no foreign receipts, but the demand was slow and prices sagging.

Onions were firmer, as receipts were light and there was a fair demand for good stock.

Cabbage was again higher, as offerings were light, and there was a good demand, both from shippers and the local trade.

Tomatoes were steady and in good demand. Offerings of home-grown were fairly heavy, but there was a good demand both from shippers and the local trade, and prices were well sustained. Consignments were not wanted.

Cucumbers were dull and slow at unchanged prices, with offerings of home-grown more than equal to the demand. Southern potatoes were lower, but other vegetables were quiet and steady.

Apples were again firm and in good demand. Choice, sound, large fruit was scarce and wanted, and such could be sold either in boxes or barrels sold readily to shippers, but small, rough or inferior stock was hard to sell.

Peaches were dull and weak. Receipts were heavy and there was a fair demand for choice sound stock, but other qualities, but medium to poor stock was hard to dispose of at any price. Offerings of home-grown were large.

Plums were dull and weak, as receipts of home-grown were heavy, and ample for the demand.

Pears were weak and slow, with offerings in excess of the demand.

Watermelons were weak and lower, as the unfavorable weather caused a falling off in both the local and shipping demand. Fancy large melons in heavily loaded cars sold fairly well, but other stock was slow of sale.

Cantaloupes were plentiful and weak. Receipts both of consignments and home-grown were heavy, and included considerable undesirable stock, which was hard to move.

Grapes were steady and in good demand at unchanged prices.

Lemons were firm and in good demand, with offerings barely equal to the requirements.

Grapes were dull and weak, currants slow, but other fruits were quiet and steady.

Live poultry was slow and irregular. Spring chickens were plentiful and in poor demand, and the market was weak, but old chickens were firmer and in good demand, both from shippers and for local account. The market was firm. Spring ducks and geese were slow and weak and old turkeys, ducks and geese were dull and nominal.

Veals were dull and weak, as offerings were fairly heavy and the demand slow.

Sheep and lambs were dull.

Wool was dull and unchanged. Bright, medium and coarse grades were steady, but the other grades were weak.

Hides were quiet and steady at unchanged prices, with both receipts and demand light.

Eggs

The market was quiet but firm to-day at unchanged prices. Nearly all of the offerings were in poor condition, more heated or stale, but there was a good demand for fancy stock. Choice, fresh nearby stock sold at 18c, loss off, and fair to medium at from 16½c to 17c.

Receipts at St. Louis on 'Change to-day were 2,592 cases and shipments 1,326 cases.

Dairy Products.

Butter—The market was quiet and steady on all grades and prices were unchanged, offerings of all grades were light, and the demand was fair. Other markets were reported weaker. Creamery—Extra 19c; firsts 17c; seconds 16c. Dairy—Extra 15c, firsts 14c; grease 10@11c. Country store-packed 12c for good to 10@11c for poor. Ladle-packed—Extra 14c, firsts 12c. Small quantities could only be bought at a considerable advance over these prices.

Cheese—Quote: Twins at 10½c; singles 10½c; Y. A. 10c; New York 10½c; Limburger 10@10½c; Swiss 11@12c, brick at 10@10½c. Foreign are jobbing prices.

Wool.

Missouri & Illinois—		Tex., I. T. & Ok.—	
Med. combing	20½	Medium	19
Med. clothing	19 @20	Coarse & low	13 @14
Braid & low	16 @18½	Fine medium	14 @16
Burry & clear		Light fine	14 @15
mixed	17 @18	Heavy fine	11 @12
Slightly burry	15 @16	Dakota & Western—	
Light fine	15 @17	Bright med.	18 @19
Hard burry	12½@13	Dark medium	14 @15
Heavy fine	13 @14	Light fine	14 @16
Wisconsin & Iowa—		Heavy fine	12 @13
Bright combing	19 @19½	Arkansas & South.	
Med. & fine clothing	18 @19	Med. (fleece)	18 @20
Dark medium	15 @16	Med. (fleeces)	19 @20
Fine medium	15 @16	Burry	14 @15
Light fine	14 @16	Hard burry	12
Heavy fine	11 @13	Tulowashed—	
Kansas & Neb.—		No. 1	28
Bright med.	19 @19½	No. 2	22 @23½
Fine medium	18 @19	Burry	18 @19
Dark & semi-bl.	16 @16	Angora goat hair—	
Light fine	13 @14	Clean & clear	30 @30
Heavy fine	11 @12	Burry	10 @11

Black and seedy from 4c to 6c a pound less than quotations.

Hides.

Wet salted round: Green-salted 5c; Southern 6½c. Dry flint—Choice Texas 12c; average receipts 8c; dry fallen 10c; dry-salted 12c. When sold on selections: Green, salt—No. 1 7½c; green salt No. 2 6½c; bull 6c, wet glue stock 5½c; dry flint—No. 1 17½c; dry flint—No. 2 14c; dry flint—Bull 10c; dry cull and glue 7½c. Dry-salted—No. 1 12½c. Dry-salted—No. 2 10½c. Uncured 1c less than cured, part cured ½c less.

Provisions.

Pork—Market better; f. o. b. $12.25. Lard higher, E. side prime steam $6.47½; choice $6.52½.

Country Lard—6@6½c, according to quality and package.

Country Bacon—Fair average pieces, uniformly cut and well smoked: Shoulders at 5½@6c; sides 6@6½c, hams at 7@8c. Most of the lots irregularly cut and poorly handled; these sell on their merits.

Green Hams, Etc.—Held in car lots f. o. b. E. side: Hams Range from 5c to 5½c. California, at 6½c, as in average. N. Y. shoulders at 6½c. From the block, del.: Run of house hams at 8c, bellies at 7½@8½c, as in average; N. Y. shoulders at 6c.

D. S. Meats—Bid, lots: Extra shorts, 7½c; ribs 7½c; clear sides 7½c; bellies 7½@8½c; as in average; plates 6½c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

Bacon—Bid, c. l. meats in a jobbing way: Breakfast bacon 8½c for heavy to 11½c for fancy light name [illegible]; California 7½@7½c, as in average. New York shoulders 7½c. Plain smoked bal. meats: Extra shorts 7½c; ribs 7½c; clear sides 7½c; bellies 8½@9c, as in average; plates 6½c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

Tallow—Country No. 1 4½c, No. 2 3½c; packers' choice 4½@4½c.

Grease—Quiet. Brown 2½c, yellow 3c; white 3½c; packers' choice white 4½@4½c, yellow 4c.

Beef—On orders: Bbl.: Mess $9.75; Edition Market $11; tongues at $8 per doz.; dried at 12½@13c.

Poultry, Game and Veals.

LIVE POULTRY—Turkeys—Average receipts 5 @6c. Chickens—Hens 9c; rough and heavy roosters 5½c; ducks 9c. Pigeons 75c per doz. Geese 5c. Spring chickens quoted at 30@35c per lb. Spring ducks 40@50c. Spring geese 40@50c. Live pigeons 10c.

VEALS—Choice to fancy 9@9½c per lb., fair 8c; heavies, rough and thin 5@6c. Sheep quotable at 4@4½c; thin ewes and bucks 2@3c. Choice spring lambs 10@11c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

WATERMELONS—Quote car lots on trk., delivery at from $100@150 per car for medium to good and at $80@100 for poor to ordinary. Texas, at $90@125 per car. Jobbing sales at from $6 per box for dinkies to $10@15 for medium and $20@25 for fancy large.

CANTALOUPES—Quote fancy refrigerated Texas at $4.50 per standard crate—off stock at 25c to 50c for 2-3 crates. Arkansas gems at 25c per crate, basket for the best offerings and at 15@20c for off stock, home-grown gems 50@60c per ½-bu. basket.

PEACHES—Texas ordinary offerings in peck box, sold at 25@40c, 1-2 bu. at 40@60c, and 4-basket crates at 60@90c. Fancy Elbertas at 60@90c per 1-basket crate. Arkansas 1-2-bu. box at 50@60c, and 4-basket crates at 75@90c. Mississippi and Tennessee peck box, at 20c, and 4-basket crates at 25c to 40c. Home-grown and nearby 25@50c per ½-bu. box.

NEW APPLES—Quote 1-2-bu. box, at 250@50c for early harvest, and at 60@75c for red June; peck box, early harvest at 10@15c and red June at 25@50c; bu. box, at 40c to 75c. Lots in bbls. quoted at $3.25 to $4.

PLUMS—Quote: Wild goose at 40@60c per 6-gal. case, 20c per 1-2-bu. box, 15c per peck box, 25 @30c per ½-bu. basket. Chickasaw and common varieties neglected and nominal at 10@20c per ½-bu. basket. Home-grown wild goose sold at 30c per ½-bu. basket.

PEARS—Southern Le Conte quotable at $2.50@2.75 per bbl. Near-by common at 20c per ½-bu. basket.

GRAPES—Some Moores sold at $1@1.25 a 6-basket crate.

CURRANTS—Consigned lots Indiana sold at 60@80c a 16-qt. stand.

BLACKBERRIES—Home-grown sold at 20@40c per 3-gal. tray for early harvest and Snyder up to 50@60c.

WHORTLEBERRIES—Quotable at $2@2.50 per 6-gal. case.

GREEN FIGS—Quote Texas at $1.75@2 per 6-gal. case.

HUCKLEBERRIES—Light sales Wisconsin at $1.75 @2 per 6-gal. case.

PACIFIC COAST FRUIT—We quote California: Bartlett pears at $2@2.25 per 40-lb. box. Plums —Simons at $1@$1.25, tragedy at $1.25@1.50. Abundance and Burbank at 60c to $1 per 5-lb. crate. Peaches Alexander at 80@$1 per 20-lb. crate.

ORANGES—We quote in a jobbing way from store: Mexican (new summer) top mountain fruit at $3.50@4; California navels at $3.50@4; at $3 to $3.50; late Valencias at $4.50@4.75 per box. Quotable on trk., in our lots: Mexican at $3.25; California navels at $3 for seedlings, $3.50@4 for late Valencia.

LEMONS—Quiet. Sicily $5@6.50 per box for choice to $6@6.50 for fancy; California at $5. Fancy California quoted at $4.50 on trk., 50c off for 400s.

PINEAPPLES—Quote Florida at $2.25@3.50 per half crate.

COCOANUTS—$5 per 1,000, in a small way at $3 per 100.

BANANAS—We quote on orders: Port Limon at $1.75 per bunch for firsts and $1.50@1.50 for seconds.

POTATOES—Home-grown early Ohio easier; sales loose from farmers' wagons ranging at 50@75c per bu.

ONIONS—Quiet at 90@40c; yellow at 40c.

TOMATOES—Consignments not wanted. Home-grown sold at 40@60c per bu. for ripe and 60@80c for half ripe packed. Orders charged 75@85c per bu. box.

CUCUMBERS—Consignments not salable for charges. Home-grown selling at 25c per bu.

CABBAGE—Home-grown selling on orders at $1.25 for large crates. (Small orders charged higher.)

NEW SAUERKRAUT—Quote half-bbls. city make at $1.50.

STRING BEANS—Home-grown sold loose at 25 @40c per bu. for round green.

CELERY—Michigan small to medium sized in light demand at 7½c to 12c per doz. bunches; 60c case.

ONIMO—Home-grown supplying the demand—selling at 50c per peck basket. Consignments unsalable.

SQUASH—Home-grown sold at 10c per bu.

EGGPLANT—Quote home-grown receipts at 40 @50c per doz.; damaged less.

GREEN PEASE—Home-grown sold loose at 75@90c per bu.; quotable on shipping orders at 10c to 25c per bu. less.

BEETS—Home-grown sell at $1.25 per bbl. in shipping order.

TURNIPS—Home-grown sell at $1 per bbl. on shipping orders. Consignments not wanted.

KALE—Home-grown dull at 30c per bu. box loose.

LETTUCE—Home-grown selling loose at 50@60c per bu. box.

SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown new Bermuda selling at $1.60 per bu. loose.

Miscellaneous Markets.

HIGHWINES—Selling on basis of $1.22.

SCRAP IRON AND METALS—Iron—Wrought 26 per 100 lbs., heavy cast 50c; steel and malleable 40c; axles 50c; springs 50c; burned 20c. Brass—Light 7c, heavy 10c. Copper $10@10.50. Lead $3.50. Zinc $2.50. Pewter $12.

COPERAS—Quote at 60c per 100 on trk.: Staves—Cottonwood flour bbl. $6.50@7; No. 2 $3.50; half bbl. 35, beer keg 125@135, lard tierce $22; pork bbl. $18. Headings, per set—No. 1 flour bbl. $5, shaved hoops—Flour bbl. $4@4.50 for cooper, $3 for jobber; half bbl. $2.50; coiled elm (6-foot) $8; oak lard tierce, cooper-shaved, 50@55; pork bbls. $. COOPERAGE—Lard tcs. $1.15, pork bbls. 90c; slack work, round-hoop flour bbls. 135@35, flat hoop do. 25@30c; half bbls. 60c; meal bbls. 25c; produce bbls. 25c; apple bbls. 25c.

BROOMCORN—Nominally $100 to $140 per ton.

BEESWAX—Firm. Prime 26c per lb.

FEATHERS—Prime, large white 40c in small and 40c in large way; fowls, white, 1 ply 30@32c; X 25@30c; XX 30@32c; XXX 40@45c; XXXX 50@55c. Tare 1 per cent for large to 10 per cent for small sks. Duck—White 20@25c, dark 20@25c. Chickens 40@50c. Turkeys—Body 8, tail 20c; wing 17c, wing, tail and pointers 12c; wing and tail 20c; wing and pointers 9c; pointers 5c.

DEERSKINS—Prime 26c per lb.; antelope 18c; goat 25@35c. Kids and damaged out. Texas 20c.

BONES—Quote at $8 per ton for ground; $12 for meal; Seneca 22c; pink 18c; golden seal 25@30c—old worth more; May apple 25@30c; snake 12c; black 25@30c; angelica 50@60c; wahoo—bark of root 8c; bark of tree 25@30c; blood 2½c; bluedog 5c; snakeroot 25@30c; prince's root, seneka, sassafras bark 4c. All roots should be thoroughly dry and clean before being shipped to market.

SHEEP PELTS—Wool pelts at 50@90c; lamb 20@30c; shearlings 30@40c. Dry or fallen pelts 9 @10c per lb.

DRIED FRUIT—Market nominal. Evaporated prunes apples range from 3½c to 5c per lb. Sun-dried apples 2@3½c; peelings ⅝c for sun-dried, ⅝c for bleached; pulp, 1c.

DRIED GREEN PEASE—Jobbing from store at $1.20; split at $1.50.

WHITE BEANS—Choice hand-picked pea beans in car lots on trk. at $1.80@1.90 per bu.; in small lots, and in a jobbing way from store at $2.25; screened 5c per bu. less. Western at $1.50; weevily less. Lima beans at 6c per lb.

HONEY—Comb, at 15c to 16c for fancy white choice 12@14c; inferior, dark and broken less. Extracted and strained in bbls. 7@8c and in cans 8@10c per lb. higher.

LINSEED OIL—Per gal.: Raw at 68c; boiled at 69c; in 5-gal. lots, 2 per cent less. Castor oil in 1bbls. per lb.—No. 1 13c; No. 3 10½c. Cottonseed oil—Summer yellow 38c; white 39c; winter yellow 40c; white 44c.

LEATHER—Quotations nominal—not enough stuff selling to establish accurate prices. Prom first hands: Yellow pine finish—1x8 and up (12@16 feet at $15.50@16.50), 7½ at $16@17.50, 1½@2 at $17 @18, 1x4-inch $18@19; all common at $11@13, dressed 1 side, 1 edge, $13@14; common at $13 @14, star at $15@15.50, clear at $16@20; straight grain worth more; third clear $2.50 per 1,000 less. Poplar—1-inch at $28@30 and 1½@2½-inch at $35 and $50; squares 7x7 inches and under at $25 and $35, $40 and over $45 and $50. Oak—Plain sawed white inch at $34@35 and $40@45, 1½@2-inch at $40@45 and 140 @45. Quarter-sawed white inch at $37 and $47, quarter-sawed white at $50@60 and $55 and $1 per 1,000 more; quarter-sawed red at $36@38; dry 5c more; hickory and reaches $30 to $32.50, tongues at $27.50. Ash—1-inch at $24@25 and $14@15, 1½@2½-inch at $28 and $30, 3 and 4 inch at $35 and $40 and $50. Black walnut at $72.50@75 and $100@$125 and $150@175. Cherry—Clear and second at $70, common at $40 and culls at $16@ 12. Hickory at $20 and $18. Sycamore sales at $35; cedar at $25@28 and $15@18, posts at 17c to 25c each, according to size. Sycamore at $16@18 for merchantable stuff; dg. quarter-sawed at $24@25 and $12. Cottonwood—Mill run at $14; gum at $16@17 and $12 and $13; ash at $12 and $13. Cypress, Arkansas at $25@28 and $12@14. Louisiana according to the specification list. Maple at $12 for soft. Orders higher.

Metal Market.

New York, July 18.—Prices were reduced considerably in iron and steel to-day, due to the enormous pressure to sell. The local market for pig iron warrants declined 50c to $15. No. 1 Northern was quoted at $16 to $18, and No. 2 $15 to $15. Philadelphia reported a decline of $1 per ton and weak at the decline. Pittsburg steel billets down to $17 to $20. Tin in London was 10s better for spot and unchanged for futures, with the close easy. Here the spot market was steady, but futures opened weak at $22.75 for July and Aug. at $21.75@22. Spot tin closed at $24@24.37½. Copper ruled dull and unchanged on the basis of $17@17.12½ and 14.12½@14.37½, respectively. The Brokers' price for lead was $4.85 and for copper $18.50.

Flour.

Minneapolis, Minn., July 18.—Flour and bran unchanged. Wheat in store—No. 1 Northern July 74½c; Sept. 75½c; Dec. 76½c; on trk. No. 1 hard 1½c; No. 1 Northern 74½c; No. 2 Northern 70½c.

Coffee.

New York, July 18.—Coffee—Spot Rio firm; No. 7 invoice 8½c; futures opened firm, 5@15 points higher and advanced on active covering, investment support, higher spot quotations, strong European market advices, large warehouse deliveries, small crop movement and firmness in the Brazilian markets. Trade was active. Domestic statistics increasingly bullish. Closed firm, 30 to 45 points higher. Total sales 56,250 bags, including: July 8.15c; Aug. 8.20c; Sept. 8.25@8.35c; Oct. 8.40@8.65c; Nov. 8.50@8.75c; Dec. 8.75@8.85c; Jan. 9c; March 8.95@9.20c; May 9.05@ 9.15c.

Turpentine and Rosin.

New York, July 18.—Rosin steady. Turpentine firm at 46½@47c.

CORN SLUMPED AGAIN AND WHEAT BROKE, TOO.

PANICKY FEELING OF CORN BULLS CAUSED DECLINE.

Provisions Alone Remained Firm, Wheat Dropping Over a Cent and Oats a Full Cent.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, July 18.—The sensation of today in the grain market was withheld till near the close of the session, when the tired bulls in corn, who had been feeling the absorptive capacity of the buyers on breaks in a cautious and tentative fashion, suddenly let slip a larger dose than could be quickly assimilated, and knocked the market into a state of collapse. Not only the corn market suffered by that, but wheat and oats as well. Provisions alone resisted its demoralizing influence. Wheat closed 1½c lower; corn 1c, and oats ⅝c.

Wheat.

Wheat opened firm at about a ½c over the closing prices of the previous day. The confidence in higher prices had, however, received so rude a shock by the recent heavy decline that trade was unprepared for an immediate reversal of the market's previous declining tendency. There were, therefore, many resellers on the moderate advance.

The crop news concerning the domestic situation was unfavorable. Liverpool opened at an advance of ¼d and closed at ¾d net improvement for the day. Chicago received 76 carloads, against 159 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth 181, compared with 478. The receipts at St. Louis were 18,000 bu. more than for the similar day of last year, Kansas City 117,000 bu. more and Toledo 144,000 bu. less. Galveston received only 27,000 bu. The total at chief Western primary markets was 731,000 bu., against 1,009,000 bu. the like day of 1899. Kansas City receipts were largely of wheat through billed to millers, so that very little could be had there for the filling of buying orders sent from Chicago. Paris quoted ⅜c a bu. decline, and Antwerp was without change.

Trading was on a much-reduced scale, but there was no appearance of further liquidation, but, on contrary, more of a desire to conservatively add to previous holdings. Sept. wheat opened with from 75⅛c to 75⅛c and, after fluctuating for a half hour, between 75⅛@75⅜c, had a short sick spell, during which it dropped to 75⅛c. It soon recovered again to the point it started from and then became very quiet for a considerable time, the clearances from the seaboard were 241,000 bu. in wheat and flour.

The unexpected happened in the last hour of the session, when a renewal of the panicky feeling among the bulls in corn precipitated a break in wheat, which at that time was holding firm. Sept. wheat, which had sold at high as 75⅛@75⅜c, dropped to 73½c and closed at 73⅛@73½c.

Corn.

Corn held firmly till within forty minutes of the close, and for a time gave indications of having overcome the bearishness with which it had been impregnated by last Sunday's and Monday's rains. Such apparent firmness was dissipated, and a renewal of the previous two days' panicky endeavors to dispose of long corn took its place. Holders of corn were anxious to get rid of their burden on any improvement for a lasting rally, and there were no anxious shorts to insure a market for the unloading process. The bulls crowded their offerings in feverish competition, with the inevitable result under such circumstances, that not much could be sold until the break in price had assumed serious proportions.

The opening prices for Sept. corn were from 39⅝c to 39⅞c, and before a reaction set in 40c was paid for a little. From that point commenced the decline that gathered impetus like a