SAGGING TENDENCY CONTINUES IN GRAIN.

SPECULATIVE SITUATION IN GRAIN WAS WEAK.

And All Markets Declined and Closed Slightly Off—Trading Slow and Dealings Small.

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The local grain markets throughout today were no more encouraging from a bull point of view than they have been so far this week. There was nothing in sight to encourage speculative ventures or to impart confidence to believers in either side of the account. Naturally a dull and slow set of markets were experienced and the accounts dealings were extremely small most of the time. Weakness was again a prominent feature, and the final phases of the speculative markets were more favorable than otherwise to the selling interest than the early appearance of things seemed to indicate, prices generally closing a little lower. Foreignism did not enter into the operations of room or outside traders during the day, and the markets lacked features worthy of extended comment. From start to finish they were tame, and variations were narrow and devoid of real significance.

There was nothing that was consoling in sight for the friends of wheat when that market opened up this morning. Still, in spite of the fact that the considerations were largely bearish, the market held up remarkably well. Little long wheat was on the market and the disposition was more favorable to the buying rather than the selling side. The one real bull factor at this time was the position of Liverpool, which was only ¼d lower, as compared with the ⅝c decline on this side yesterday. On the other hand, those uniformly to wheat were encouraged by the Trade Bulletin's report on available supplies, which were stated to be 183,000,000 bu. in flour and wheat in North America and afloat for and in Europe on the first of the present month, which was an increase of 23,000,000 bu. last month and 53,000,000 bu. larger than October 1, 1899. Supplies on this side were said to have increased 15,000,000 bu. The Northwest cash markets opened up lower on the clear weather reported up there, together with the receipts, Minneapolis and Duluth reporting 577 cars, which were 137 in excess of a week ago, but 193 less than a year ago. Arrivals here were 37,500 bu., or 4,000 bu. more than last week, and 6,800 bu. more than a year ago, but shipments at the same time were 56,000 bu., and stocks showed but a small increase. The opening for Dec. was ⅛c higher at 77⅝c, and it sold up to 77¾, off to 76⅞, back to 77⅛c, during the first half hour, May selling at 78⅝c to 78¾c, back to 78⅛c again. The recovery of the 2d loss at Liverpool had a very good effect and the first named option sold at 78⅝c and May at 79⅛c, the bulls the part of the day. There was not much that was consoling to be gotten out of Continental cables, the only advance reported being ⅛c at Paris. Berlin was unchanged, but Antwerp was off ⅛c, and Buda-Pesth ⅛c. The day's clearances were 336,000 bu. On these the market eased off a little and Dec. decreased to 78⅛c before noon, and May sold at 78⅝c.

Shortly after the noon hour there was a little spasm of strength, but it did not last long. On it Dec. went up to 78⅝c again and for May 79⅛@¼c was bid. This spurt was based upon cash buying here and at other points, but when it was found that there was nothing in it the market again weakened, and those who had taken the long side for a scalp commenced selling out. New York reported but 30 loads for export, and local exporters said they were unable to do anything. There was also a rumor that Liverpool was largely lower on the "curb." All domestic markets were weak toward the close. Dec. selling here off to 78⅛c, and May to 78c, closing ⅛c and 1-16c lower at 78⅛c and 78⅝@⅝c respectively. Oct. closed ⅛c off at 78⅛c nominal, and Nov. at 78⅛c nominal.

The weather conditions were pretty much the whole thing in corn this morning, being reported exactly right for gathering the crop, and advices from the country were generally favorable, but there were no indications of an immediate increase in the crop movement, though the shipments were reported heavy. According to the posting at primary markets the total receipts were 893,000 bu., as compared with 1,004,000 bu. a year ago including 64,000 bu. here, against 68,000 bu. last year. The total shipments on the other hand amounted to 1,000,000 bu. and the clearances from the seaboard 653,000 bu. Broomhall's cable of yesterday on the Argentine crop had a bad effect abroad, Liverpool being off ¼d. But the strong turn in wheat checked any disposition to decline. Trading during this time was at a standstill and not a deal went through in this market until some time after it opened. There was a bids offer ⅛c up for Dec. at 33⅝c and 34⅛c for May. Near the wind up of the day there was some trading indulged in, but it was by no means large and was confined to Dec., which brought 33⅝c to 34c, went back to 33⅝c and finally closed at 1-16c loss for the day at 33⅝@33¾c sellers. There were no selling offers of May, which closed ⅛c higher for the day at 34⅝c bid. Oct. was nominal at ⅛c off at 37½c and year nominally unchanged at 33⅝c.

Only a small and uninteresting business was done in oats to-day, Dec. selling in a small way at 22⅝c, which was ⅛c better than it closed yesterday. Oct. was nominally ⅛c lower on at 22c and May unchanged at 24⅝c bid. The receipts at Western markets were 869,000 bu., against 839,000 bu. a year ago. St. Louis received 44,000 bu., against 42,000 bu. last year. Shipments were reported at 869,000 bu. and the exports were 20,000 bu.

On the Curb—Wheat steady. Dec. sold at 74⅝c and that bid. Puts, 79⅛c to 79⅝@79¾c; calls, 75⅛c to 75⅛c. New York $1 1-16c bid. Minneapolis, 77⅛c bid.

Trade Gossip.

—In its report on available supplies of breadstuffs for October 1, the Chicago Trade Bulletin reports the amount in this country and Canada as equivalent to 120,800,000 bu. This is an increase during September of 13,461,000 bu. (or this 7,184,000 bu. was on the Pacific Coast), where the increase for same month last year was 17,940,000 bu. (6,189,000 bu. on the Pacific Coast); the total on hand October 1, 1899, 96,947,000 bu. The total world's available, including stocks in this country and Canada and afloat for and in Europe, now amounts to 183,000,000 bu., against 164,625,000 bu. a month ago, and 163,377,000 bu. a year ago. The increase then for September was 29,269,000 bu. In this Trade Bulletin report it is seen that the increase last month east of the Rockies, at points outside the official visible, was 6,134,000 bu., which was just about 1,000,000 bu. greater than the increase in the visible for that month. During September of last year the visible increase was 1,256,000 bu. As the amount of wheat drawn from accumulative markets by outside milling points is unusually large this year, the difference of 250,000 bu. between the two years indicates that wheat this year is going to points that usually do not draw direct from the market or that consumption is larger than last year.

—Cash sales in Chicago yesterday were 548,000 bu. of wheat, and part of the wheat was for direct export. Sales of corn were 260,000. At the seaboard exporters bought 52,000 bu. wheat, 200,000 bu. corn and 30,000 bu. oats.

—Primary receipts of wheat to-day were 1,212,000 bu., compared with 1,076,000 bu. last Wednesday, 1,323,000 bu. one year ago and 1,471,000 bu. two years ago. To-day's primary shipments were 465,000 bu.

Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

WHEAT—Cash market—Received 2,250 sks. and 55 cars local and 1 car through. The scarcity of choice soft winter still marked, interfering considerably with business, but market heavy and generally lower, some outside demand, but not much done, as elevator stock held above what buyers can pay. City milling demands light. By samples on trk., switched, No. 2 red sold at 76½c; Scotch and E. side and Texas at 74½c and fancy at 76c; No. 3 red at 72½c to 73c for Texas to choice; No. 4 winter at 69c to 70c, no grade at 68c to 68c, weevily at 68½c. No. 2 hard at 77½c to 78½c and fancy "red" hard at 72½c; No. 3 hard at 70½@71c; no grade at 69c.

CORN—Cash market—Received 61 cars local and 19 cars through. Firmer, as the demand was very good from local and shipping buyers and offerings limited. By sample, switched, No. 2 sold at 69c; No. 2 at 69½c; No. 2 yellow, spot and to arrive at 69½c; No. 2 white at 69c and No. 3 white at 68½c; all delivered E. side.

OATS—Cash market—Received 28 cars local and 9 cars through. Stronger and higher prices paid for white, as a fair-rate local demand, and not so much on sale. By sample, on trk.—No. 2 sold at 22½@22½c E. side; to 22½c this side; No. 3 at 22½c; No. 1 Northern at 23½c; No. 3 white at 22½c; No. 2 do. at 22½@22½c; No. 4 do. at 21½@22c.

RYE—Firm, but quiet. No. 2 sold at 55½c and No. 3 at 53c, switched.

FLOUR—Nearly all business of consequence is in hard winter flour, but that almost entirely from domestic sources, as next to nothing doing for exports. Very few cables coming now. Soft winter millers are still sold well ahead. Occasional small sales of soft winter at shaded prices. Quotations on soft winter wheat flour are as follows: Patents $2.80@3.15; straights $3.45@3.55; extra fancy $2.35@2.40; clear $2.20@2.30; low and medium $2.00@2.65. Hard winter in jute sks. $2.50@2.60 for bakers; $2.80@3 for straights and $3.25@3.40 for patents.

RYE FLOUR—Jobbing at $3.25 in sks. and $3.45 in bbls.

CORNMEAL—$2.60@2.65; pearl meal, grits and hominy $3.40.

MILLFEED—Steady and quiet. Sales of bran all-rail basis at 66c in large (9 cars at country point at 65½c), and 70c in small sack; mixed feed slow at 75c in large and 75@75½c in retail sks. Hard winter feed sells light, yellow soft winter, according to quality. At mill bran jobs at 70@72c and ships at 80c.

HAY—Received 136 tons local and 215 tons through; shipped 202 tons. Not so much coming in on E. side, and tone stronger, $12.25 being bid and refused for choice No. 1 timothy, on this side stocks getting well cleaned up. The offerings of prairie continue scanty and it is readily $1 above prices. Choice closer in demand. Prices on the range: Timothy $12.50 for choice; $11.50@12 for No. 1, $10@11 for No. 2, $9@9.50 for No. 3. Prairie, $10 for choice, $9@9.50 for No. 1, $7.50@8 for No. 2, $6@6.50 for No. 3. Clover $9@12.

STRAW—Wheat on trk. $6; rye $6.

GRASS SEEDS—Clover $60@70. Timothy, $1.75 @1.85; redtop, $3 for chaff to $6 for fancy. Offer of Kentucky blue grass at $2.50 per bu.

CASTOR OILS—Bid $1.25 per bu. for prime in car lots.

HEMP—Bid 5c per lb., pure basis.

FLAXSEED—Nominally higher at $1.07.

LEAD—Buyers appear to have entirely withdrawn, and though market nominally $4.32½ for desilverized, according to the trust, it is understood that sales by parties anxious to sell made at $4.25, both of soft Missouri and chemical lead.

SPELTER—Dead dull at about $5.35.

Prices on Change.

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

	Closed Yesterday.	Ranged To-day.	Closed To-day.
Wheat—Oct.			
Nov.			
Dec.			
May			
Corn—Oct.			
Dec.			
Year			
May			
Oats—Oct.			
Dec.			
May			
Cash wheat, corn and oats closed			

	Last Year.	Yesterday.	To-day.
Wheat—No. 2 red			
No. 3 red			
No. 2 white			
No. 3 white			
No. 2 hard			
No. 3 hard			
Corn—No. 2			
No. 3			
No. 2 white			
No. 3 white			
Oats—No. 2			
No. 3			
No. 2 white			
No. 3 white			
No. 2 Northern			
No. 3 white			
No. 2 white			
No. 4 white			

Movement of Grain.

Cities.	Receipts. Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.	Rye.	Barley.	Shipments. Wheat.	Corn.
St. Louis							
Chicago							
Toledo							
Detroit							
Kansas City							
Milwaukee							
Minneapolis							
Duluth							
New York							
Baltimore							
Philadelphia							
Boston							
New Orleans							

Stocks of Grain in Store.

	To-day.	Yesterday.	Last Yr.
Wheat			
Corn			
Oats			
Rye			
Barley			
Contract Grades—			
No. 2 red			
No. 2 hard			
No. 2 corn			
No. 2 white corn			
No. 2 oats			
No. 2 white oats			
No. 2 rye			

Shipments of Flour.

St. Louis, 6,700 bbls.; Chicago, 10,625 bbls.; Detroit, 300 bbls.; Milwaukee, 1,400 bbls.; Minneapolis, 28,815 bbls.; New York, 4 bbls. and 4,353 sks.; Baltimore, 305 bbls.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

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

St. Louis, Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1900.

The produce markets were generally quiet today, but a better feeling was manifest, as receipts were light and stocks have been materially reduced. Only choice stock is wanted, however, by either shippers or the local trade, and anything inferior is slow of sale at any price.

Potatoes were firm and in good demand. Northern receipts were light, and the market was pretty well cleaned up. Offerings of home-grown were also light, while the demand was fairly active. Sweets in good demand and light and generally of good quality, and prices were firm.

Onions were dull and unchanged.

Cabbage was quiet and steady. There was a fair demand for choice, but other stock, but considerable bruised and damaged was offered, which tended to weaken the market.

Tomatoes were dull and weak. Receipts were moderate, but the demand was slow, and prices unchanged.

Cauliflower was scarce and firm.

Sweet potatoes were quiet and steady, with enough about equal to the demand.

Celery was quiet and steady. There was a fair demand for large, white, well-bleached, but small or medium or bleated stock was not wanted at any price.

String beans and other vegetables were dull and unchanged.

Apples were steady and in fair demand. Choice, sound, good-colored fruit was wanted, and the demand for this kind of stock was firm, but receipts, which were heavy, were mostly common and inferior fruit, which was dull and weak.

Peaches were dull and slow. Receipts were light, but on account of the lateness of the season were unable for the demand. There was a limited demand for fancy fruit, but other kinds were slow.

Pears were scarce and firm, with the exception of Keifers, which were dull and plentiful.

Quinces were dull and slow, with offerings liberal.

Crab apples were plentiful and in light demand.

Grapes were firm and higher, and choice Concords were in specially good demand. Offerings were moderate.

Cantaloupes were quiet and steady. Choice Rocky Fords were in limited demand, and offerings were ample.

Oranges were quiet and steady, with offerings comparatively light.

Lemons were dull and slow, and the feeling weak. Offerings were liberal.

Other fruits were quiet and unchanged.

Live poultry was quiet and unchanged. Young chickens were plentiful. There was a fair demand for choice light weights, which were firm, but heavy stock was slow of sale and easier. Old chickens were less plentiful and the market steady. Turkeys were scarce and wanted, ducks were slow of sale, but ducks were in good demand.

Veals were firm and in good demand. Receipts were light.

Sheep and lambs were quiet and unchanged.

Game was fairly active and firm. Receipts were light, and, on account of the cool weather, generally arrived in good condition.

Wool was quiet. There was very little demand, and coarse and fine wools were weak, but medium grades were steady.

Hides were quiet and steady. Receipts were light and there was a fair demand for good stock.

Eggs.

The market was quiet and steady at unchanged prices to-day. Receipts were ample, but there was only a moderate demand, but shipments were heavy. Fresh receipts sold at 19½c, loss off, but held or inferior stock sold for much less.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 1,304 cases, and shipments were 1,020 cases.

Dairy Products.

Butter—The market was dull and weak on all grades, and extra creamery was in lower, but other grades were unchanged. Quotations—Creamery—Extra 21c; firsts 19@20c; seconds 17c. Dairy—Extra 17c; firsts 16c; seconds 14@15c. Country—Store-packed 12c for good to ordinary; Ladle-packed—Extra 12c; firsts 11c.

Cheese—Quote: Twins 11½c; singles 11¾c; Y. A. 12½c; New York 12c. Limburger 10½@11c; Swiss 14@15c; brick 11@11½c. Foregoing are jobbing prices.

Wool.

Missouri & Illinois—		Heavy fine	11@12
Med. combing	20	Tex., I. T. & Ok.—	
Med. clothing	19@21	Medium	15@16
Braid and low	14@16	Coarse & low	12@16
Burry & choice mixed	17	Fine medium	14@16
Slightly burry	15@16	Light fine	14@16
Hard burry	12½@13	Heavy fine	11@12
Light fine	16@17	Dakota & Western—	
Heavy fine	12@14	Bright, med.	18@19
Lamb	16@18	Dark medium	14@16
Wisconsin & Iowa—		Fine medium	16@16
Med. combing	18	Light fine	14@15
Braid & cloth-ing	16@18	Heavy fine	12
Kansas & Nebraska—		Arizona & South.—	
Bright med.	16	Med. (fleeced)	19@20
Semibright	16	Med. (loose)	18
Dark	12@16	Burry & cotted	14@15
Fine medium	15@16	Unwashed—	
Light fine	14@15	No. 1	25
Heavy fine	11@13	No. 2	21@24
Kansas & Nebraska—		Burry	18@20
Bright med.	19@20	Coarse and hair	15
Dark and sandy	16@18	Clean & clear	18@20
Fine medium	18@19	Burry & cotted	10@11
Light fine	15@16		

Black and seedy from 4c to 6c per lb. less.

Provisions.

Pork quiet; lard firm.

Pork—New standard jobbing f. o. b. $14.50.

Lard—Choice steam E. side $7.37½.

Green Hams, Etc.—Held in car lots f. o. b. E. Side: Hams—On basis 8c for 16-lb. and 8½c for 12s. New York shoulders at 6c. From the block, dell: Rim-of-house hams at 7½@8c; bellies at 8½@8¾c, as in average.

D. S. Meats—Bid, loss: Extra short 8½c; c'ribs 9c; clear sides 9½@9¾c; bellies 9¾@10c, as in average; plates 7½c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

Bacon—Bid, a. a. meats in a jobbing way: Breakfast bacon 11c for heavy, to 11½c for fancy light; hams 10½@11½c; California 7½@7¾c, as in average; New York shoulders 7c. Plain smoked bxd. meats: Extra shorts 8¾c; c'ribs 9¾c; clear sides 10¼c; bellies 10¾@10¾c, as in average; plates 8¾c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

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

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

Tallow—Country No. 1 4¾c; No. 2 4¼c; packers' choice 5¼c.

Grease—Quote: Brown 3c; yellow 3½c; white 3¾c; packers' choice white 4¼@4½c; yellow 4@4¼c.

Beef—On orders: Bbld.—Mess $9.75; Fulton Market $11; tongues at $8 per doz.; dried at 12@13½c.

Hides.

HIDES—When sold round: Green-salted 7½c; Southern 7c. Dry Flint—Choice Texas 13½c; average receipts 11½c; dry fallen 10½c; dry-salted 12½c. Unsoured 1c less than cured; part cured ⅛c off. When sold on selection: Green-salt—No. 1 7½c; No. 2 6½c; bull 6c; wet glue stock 4c. Dry-flint—No. 1 16c; No. 2 14c; bull 11c. Dry calf and glue 8c. Dry-salted—No. 1 12c; No. 2 10c.

Poultry, Game and Veals.

LIVE POULTRY—Average receipts: Young turkeys 8c; old 7c. Chickens—Hens 7½c; old roosters 4c. Ducks 7c. Geese—Young pigeons and squabs 60@75c per doz. Geese 6c. Spring chickens quoted at 7½c per lb.

GAME—We quote selected, sweet stock only: Ducks, per doz.: Mallards $3.50; red heads $2.50; blue wing teal $2; green wing teal $1.75; mixed $1.50. Wild geese, each, 50@60c; jack snipe $1.50; plover $1.25; woodcock, large, $1.50; deer carcasses, per lb., 16c; venison saddles 22½c; rabbits, per doz., $1.50; jack rabbits $3; squirrel, young, 50c; squirrel, old, 75c.

FROGS LEGS—We quote at 35c per doz. for small to fair for medium, and $1 for large.

VEALS—Local small, fat, 10 to 120 lbs., at 8@8½c per lb.; heavy do. (8c to 120 lbs.) at 7c per lb.; heavies, rough and thin at 4@5c. Sheep and yearlings dull at 3@4c; thin ewes and bucks at 2@3c per lb. Spring lambs—Sixes at 4c to 4½c per lb. for choice, 3c to 3c lbs.; buck lambs at 2½@3c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

APPLES—We quote: Ben Davis at from 75@$1 for poor to $1.50 for choice, and $1.60 for fancy; other kinds at $1.25 to $1.50 for fair to choice and $2 to $2.25 for fancy. Eastern mixed varieties at $2 to $2.50, straight lots ding at $2.50@3, and maidenblush at $3.50.

GRAPES—Quote concord for Ills. for Niagara and Delaware and Niagara at 16 to 18c.

PEACHES—We quote Ohio at 50c to 90c per bu. hamper; Michigan in good other at 1@1½c per bu. in bulk; Delaware and mid-to-late stained lots sold at 50c to 75c per bu. basket and $1.50 to $1.75 per bu. box for small to choice white heads; fancy highcolored freestones at $2@2.25 per bu. basket.

PEARS—Bartlett at $1.50@1.75; Seckles and duchess at 75@$1.25; Sheldon and Bartlett at $1.50 per bbl., demand good of course. Nearby for at 75@$1 per bu. basket.

CANTALOUPES—Rocky Fords in fair demand, other kinds and very limited demand—no choice. Kinds and the little stock left on market selling steady at $1.50 to $2 for standard and $2 to $2.50 for fancy crates.

QUINCES—Quote: Apple, at $1.50@1.75 per bu. basket. Choice Orange at $2@2.25 per bbl.

CRANBERRIES—Quote choice Hyslop at $3 per bbl. box.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS—Quote: Pears—Seckel at $1.50@2 per box and other varieties at $2 @2.50 per box. Tokay grapes at $1.50@1.75 and Muscats at $1.25 per 20-lb. crate. Peaches at 50@75c per box.

ORANGES—Quote: Mexican (Mafador brand) at $4 per box on trk. and at $4 in a jobbing way. Florida grape.

LEMONS—Quote: Messina at $2.50@4 for 300-size and at $4@5 for 360-size. California at $3@3.50 per box.

BANANAS—We quote on orders: Port Limon at $1.75 per bunch for Reds and $1.25@1.50 for seconds.

COCOANUTS—Quotable at $25 per 1,000—in a small way at $3 per 100.

BLACKBERRIES—Quote at $@$1 per bu.

HUCKLEBERRIES—Quote at 10c per lb.

PEARS—Quote at $3@3.75 per bbl.; all interior points low.

POTATOES—Quote choice Northern in bulk on trk.: Burbank at 50@55c; rural at 45@50c; peerless and other at 45@50c per bu. Home-grown very strong, selling loose from farmers' wagons at 60c per bu. Very fine stock bringing more. Receipts by boats from nearby lower river points selling at 50@55c per bu.

ONIONS—Quote the range at from 25c for poor to 40c for choice red globe, white at 40c.

CABBAGE—Quote south Kraut stock at $5.50@6.50 per barrel; at $2@2.50 per bbl. Holland seed at $5@6 per ton. Receipts light. Home-grown choice $1@1.50 per crate on small orders. Red cabbage dull and weaker at $1@1.25 per bbl.

TURNIPS—Quote at 50@60c per bbl.

CELERY—Quote choice to fancy white plume at 40@60c per doz.; small to medium at 20@30c. Demand good, demand fair. Missouri cases containing 3½ doz. at 50@75c per case. Celery hearts quoted at 60@75c per doz.

BEANS—Quote: Lima at 5@5½c per lb. Beets dull at 25@30c per bbl.; bushel for bu. box. Home-grown selling at 15@20c per bu. box.

SWEET POTATOES—Quote Michigan at $3@2.25 per doz.

CUCUMBERS—Home-grown selling at 40@75c per bu. box.

BLUE TAGGARD—Quotable in bulk at 70c to 75c per bu. box, and in small lots at $1 per bbl.

HORSERADISH—Quote home-grown at $4 per bbl. on orders.

SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown Bermuda selling at $2.50@3 per bbl. for Bermuda, and at $1.75 per bbl. for Bermuda and $1.75 for homegrown, on orders.

WATERMELONS—Northern dull at 40c per 100 lbs. Home-grown at $1.50@2 per 100 lbs.

GUMBO—Home-grown selling at 50c per half-bu. basket.

BEETS—Sell at $1.25 per bbl. on orders.

TURNIPS—Quote home-grown at $1.25 per bbl. on orders.

SAUERKRAUT—Quote bbls. at $3.25; half-bbls. at $1.75 (open head—made 50c more); small orders proportionately higher.

SPINACH—Home-grown selling at 30c per bu. loose.

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

LETTUCE—Home-grown selling at 40c per bu. loose.

PICKLING ONIONS—Quote home-grown white at 60c per half-bu. basket.

SAGE—Quote at 50@75c per lb.

SPANISH ONIONS—Quotable at $1.40@1.50 per crate.

Miscellaneous Markets.

HIGHWINES—Selling on a basis of $1.27.

SHEAF IRON AND METAL—Iron—Wrought 40c per 100 lbs.; heavy cast 40c; steel and malleable 35c and 30c; stovepipe 20c; burned 15c. Brass—Yellow 14c; heavy 18c. Copper 15c. Lead 4c. Zinc 3c. Rubber 2c.

DRIED FRUIT—We quote: Apples—Evaporated fires at 3½@4c; quarters at 3@3½c, chops at 2c @2½c, evaporated peelings at 2c per lb. Peaches—Peeled at 7@8c per lb. Pears—Evaporated halves at 5c, unpeeled at 2@2½c.

DRIED GREEN FRUIT—Apples—Sliding from store at $1.50@1.75 per bu. box; split $1.40@1.50.

DRIED BERRIES—Choice hand picked pea beans in a jobbing way from store at $2.10@2.20 per bu. box. Wholesale at $1.90, usually less. Lima beans at 6c per lb.

HONEY—Quote at 16@18c for fancy white clover (little), inferior, dark and broken less. Extracted and strained in bbls. (glass), in case lots per lb. 6@7c.

BALL STRING—Quote: Medium at $1.10, granulated at $1 per bbl. Worth 5c per bbl. more this week.

COTTONSEED OIL—Summer yellow 28c, white 32c, winter yellow 35c and white 40c.

SMITH BARREL—Coal oil, turpentine and gasoline 8c, vinegar 6c, black oil 4c; linseed, light oil and varnish 75c; sugar 16c; whisky 90c; alcohol $1.25; wine $1, sourkraut 50c; pickle half bbls. 50c; lard tcs. 50c; 25c off for each 10c in head or stave, 2c off for each hoop missing.

CASTOR OIL—In lots of 200 gals. or over, at 12c per lb. for No. 1 and 60c for No. 2; smaller quantities, per lb. more.

WOOD ALCOHOL—In car lots on trk.: Staves—Cottonwood or elm, 34@36c; No. 2 staves 30c; bbl. hd. $26@30; beer keg $26@28; lard tcs. $28; pork bbl. $28. Headings—Stave, per 100 sets—Pin oak, 1½ inch stock for apple bbls. at $6; No. 2 do. 2-inch; hard tcs. 15c; pork bbls. 17c. Shaved hoops—Hard bbl. 6@6½c for coopers; $3 for Hoosier, half bbls. $2.50; coopered elm 1½ in. oak hard tcs. 1½ in. coopered-shaved, 30@35c per 100 lbs.

TIMOTHY SEED—We quote bird tcs. at $1.15; pork bbls. 2c; do. half bbls. 50c; flask wire—round bbls. 20c; do. half bbls. 10c; do. square bbls. 15c; do. meal bbls. 20c; produce or apple bbls. 20c.

FEATHERS—Quiet and unchanged. We quote: L. G.—white 6c in small and 6c in large sks.; gray 5c; white old geese, X, 50@55c; XX 45@50c; XXX 35@40c; XXXX 30@35c. Take 3 per cent for large to 10 per cent for small sks. Dark—white 30c, dark 20@25c. Chicken—New 4c.

BEESWAX—Quote: Fair wood pulp at 30c to 32c, according to amount of wood in them; lamb at 32@33c; Southern 28@30c; shearings at 22@25c. Dry stock, tallow, etc., 20@25c per lb.

BEESWAX—We quote at 30@32c per lb. for prime.

DEERSKINS, ETC.—Prime deerskins 22c per lb.; Texas at 20c; antelope 12@20c per lb.; goat 20c to 30c each—kids and damaged out.

BOOTS—Calves range from $2.50 to $3 for very small, 10@12 pounds, steady, to $4.50 for good and $5.50 for large; lady slipper at 75, Seneca at 25c, pink at 15c; golden seal at 40c, 35c, apple at 25c, snake root—White snake at 2c, Indian snake 2c; black 3c. Alkanet 3½c. Wahoo—Bark of root 3c, bark of tree 2½c. Blood 25c, bleeding 3c, scull cap leaves 1c; sassafras bark 4c, wild ginger 4c.

CASTOR OIL—Quotable per gal.: Raw at 65c, boiled at 68c—in per gal. less in car lots.

BROOMCORN—In only fair demand, and prices are easy. Quote the range now at from $60 per ton for common to $80 for prime; exceptionally fine hand-picked would bring more.

PONIES—Choice bleached at $70 per ton; other kinds from $40 to $50.

RAGS, ETC.—Per 100 lbs.: Country rags at 50c; manila rope—No. 1 and manila $1.60; No. 2 $60; Bagging $5.

LUMBER—From first hands: Yellow pine finish—3-in and up (Dallas-foot), at $15@16; 1¼ at $16@17; 1 in. at $17@18; 5/4 at $18@19; 6/4 at $20@22; common at $10@13; dressed and matched flooring—common at $13@14, star at $16@17; clear at $18@20; siding from north more, 50 clear $2 to $2.50 per M less. Poplar—Log run, 1 in. and 1¼ in. $18@22 inch at $20@21 and $19@21 inch; clear finish and under at $22 and $18, $25 and over at $25 and $18. Cypress—Log run, white inch at $25@30 and $18@20; clear 1 in. at $40@45 and $18@20; 1¼-inch at $28 and $18; quarter-sawed white at $50@60 and $30@35; dry $1 per M more; quarter-sawed red at $40@50 and $18@20; 1¼ inch at $35@40 and $18@20; 2 in. to 4 inch at $35@40 and $18. Black walnut at $12@$17 and $12; $20@25; cherry, 1 inch and up, good at $70, common at $30 and culls at $15@18. Hickory at $25 and $10. Hickory axles at $35; cedar at $20@25 and $10@15; posts at 12c to 20c each, according to size. Sycamore at $16@18 for merchantable stock; do. quarter-sawed, $14 and $12. Cottonwood—Mill run at $14@16; box 1½ inches and over, at $22. Gum at $20@25 for log run and $18 for culls. Cypress—Arkansas at $30@35 and $19@24. Maple at $12 for soft. Orders higher.

POULTRY.

Heavy Receipts of Live Birds Demoralized the Market.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Oct. 10.—Live poultry receipts today were 37 cars, all Western. Fresh were heavy, and with several state cars on trk. and in transit, besides 29 cars on jobbers' hands from last week, the market was somewhat demoralized, prices declining to 1c on chickens and 2c on fowls.

Old roosters declined in sympathy to 5c. Turkeys not so plentiful, but best lots not exceeding by more than 1c the prices ruling the first hands at 10c, while most command 60c, with a few extra birds bringing a further premium. Geese steady in range of $1.12@1.25 a pair, as to quality.

Chicago—Fowls in fair request, 5c. Turkeys—Fair to good 8@9c. Ducks—Western prime, poor 9@10c. Geese—Western prime, fair 11@12c. Dressed poultry receipts to-day 186 pkgs. The weather is cool and favorable and, while receipts were not considered excessive, there was a large quantity on hand from earlier in the week that was urged to sale at 9@10c on chickens. There was no change in the price of any class of poultry.

Butter, Cheese and Eggs.

New York, Oct. 10.—Butter—Receipts 6,045 pkgs.; firmer; creamery 16@21c; June creamery 17 @20½c; factory 17½@18c. Cheese—Receipts 5,661 pkgs.; market dull, large white 10¾c; small white 10c; large colored 10¾c; small colored 10c. Eggs—Receipts 4,627 pkgs.; strong; Western regular packing at mark 19@19½c; Western, loss off, 20c.

Chicago Poultry Quotations.

Chicago, Oct. 10.—Iced poultry dull. Turkeys 7½@8c, chickens 5c.

Sugar.

New York, Oct. 10.—Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 4¾c; centrifugal 96 test 4¾c. Molasses sugar 4c; refined steady.

New Orleans, La., Oct. 10.—Sugar steady; centrifugal yellow 4¾@5 11-16c; seconds 2¾@3-16c.

Coffee.

New York, Oct. 10.—Coffee—Spot barely steady; No. 7 invoice 8¾c; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@16c. The market for coffee futures opened steady at a decline of 10 points in response to weakness in European markets under heavy Brazilian receipts and moderate general selling. Buying was checked by easier spot market and predictions of further large receipts. Closed barely steady with prices 15 points net lower. Total sales 27,750 bags, including Oct. 7.60c; Dec. 7.20@7.25c; Jan. 7.35c; Feb. 7.40c; March 7.40@7.45c; May 7.50c and July 7.60c.

DULL TRADE IN GRAIN AND PRICES DECLINED.

WHEAT 1-2 CENT DOWN, CORN AND OATS ALSO LOWER.

Flaxseed Futures Advanced Five to Six Cents—Provisions Slumped Badly.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 10.—Speculative business in the grain pits was very dull and with nothing encouraging buying prices declined. Wheat closed ½c down, corn from 5/8@¾c in Oct. to ⅛@¼c in Dec. and oats ⅛c lower. Flaxseed made one of its characteristic changes, raising prices of futures from 5c to 6c and of spot seed from 6c to 8c. Notwithstanding that great advance, transactions in flaxseed were on a limited scale, with a notable absence of the larger class of speculators who make daily complaint of the lack of action in wheat. Possibly while courting the danger of more severe fluctuations then are to be found at present in the grain pits the average trader is averse to laying his head on the chopping block in the flaxseed market.

Wheat.

Wheat started at about the point it left off yesterday, and for an hour gradually improved until it had gained about ½c. The strength thus displayed was more the result of persistent bullishness on the part of a few prominent local operators than of anything known at the time of more favorable conditions for the long side of the market. There was, in fact, an item or two in the early news that was more suggestive of a need for caution in buying wheat than an incentive thereto, but the narrowness of the trade was such that in the absence of aggressive tactics on the part of those who were bearishly inclined the buying of comparatively little wheat was enough to bring about the result above mentioned.

Liverpool opened ¼d lower, and cabled as a reason therefor that it was due to offerings of Russian and Danubian wheat; so it would appear that Italy and the Mediterranean ports, that had formerly been absorbing the offerings from there, were no longer able to do so and that the overflow was now seeking a market in the ports of the United Kingdom. The quantity so offered this morning must, however, have been either quite insignificant or at too high a price for the Liverpool market, as the opening decline of ¼d at that place was recovered from later in the day.

Cash wheat of No. 1 Northern quality, at Minneapolis, was bringing 12c over Dec. price, but Kansas wheat was sold to be delivered here at a premium on account under Nov. price than it was yesterday. An excellent milling demand for No. 1 Northern wheat was reported here, and holders of that desirable quality were not free sellers at the premium offered. Owing to the absence of outside trade, the market languished and tended weakly, but only slightly, downward in the absence of strength.

The heaviness that characterized the general appearance of the market in the afternoon became more decided as the session approached its close, and Dec. wheat, that touched 77⅞c early in the day, was down around 76½c about ten minutes from the close. It left off at 76⅞c, after touching 76⅝@76¾c. New York reported thirty-four boatloads sold for export.

Corn.

Business in the corn pit was exceedingly dull. The traders were indisposed to make fresh ventures, in view of the implied threat in the control being exercised by one prominent speculator over the Oct. deal. The weather was of the best for a free and an early movement of new corn, and Liverpool reduced quotations for futures from 1½d to 1d and for spot corn ½d.

Local receipts were 412 cars, against 194 last year. Shipments 87,000 bu. Reports from the seaboard were 521,000 bu. Estimated receipts for to-morrow were 400 cars. New York reported sales for export of 72 boatloads. One car of new corn came to hand here and graded No. 4, bringing 30c a bu. f. o. b. Corn opened at 69⅛c and closed at 69⅛c. Nov. at 69⅛c, sold at 69⅛@69⅞c and then gradually down to 67½c, where it closed, being a net loss of ⅛c for the day.

Oats.

Oats were rather heavy, but business was of the slimmest proportions. Local receipts were 242 cars, compared with 223 a year ago, and shipments from Chicago 313,000 bu., against 348,000 bu. the like day of the year before. Clearances from Atlantic ports amounted to 109,000 bu. Estimated receipts for to-morrow were 275 cars. The Government report expected in the afternoon, which will estimate the yield, was perhaps a hindrance to further ventures. New York reported 23,000 bu. sold