STRONGER MARKETS AND HIGHER CLOSING.

CHANGE FOR THE BETTER IN SPECULATIVE SITUATION.

A Stronger Undertone Was Developed Early, Which Was Followed by an All-Round Gain.

Office Republic,
Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1900.

There was a well-marked change of front in the speculative grain situation at this point to-day, the weakness and depression that have for so long a time been a leading feature of the different markets, and more particularly wheat, being succeeded by a much stronger undertone, and a more improved feeling all round. Prices moved up pretty considerably during the day, and were noticeably well maintained to the close, which was strong, but rather inclined to be quiet at the very encouraging advance in values. Traders were cautious, and the dealings throughout the day were not what could be called heavy at any time, and the bulk of the day's pit operations were mainly on professional account, but little outside interest being displayed. There was a fair distribution of the strength shown, but it was chiefly concentrated in wheat, which exhibited the most life and, naturally being the leading speculative grain, gained most in price, though corn was a close second in this respect, while oats, as usual, brought up the rear and attracted but slight attention from operators.

The speculative wheat situation to-day was in marked contrast to yesterday. There was a complete reversal of form in the local market, for, whereas, the opening yesterday was at the top and the close at the bottom, it was exactly the opposite to-day, the market opening at the bottom and closing near the top prices for the day. There were a number of influences of a bullish nature on hand this morning, but the ones responsible for the good start made were the cables, which were favorable to the long side, Liverpool, after opening ⅝d lower, reacted ½d almost immediately, making the actual decline for the day only ⅛d, as compared with the loss of over 1c yesterday on this side. London reported cargoes firmer, with less offering on passage. Another bullish influence was the rather small receipts in the Northwest, the arrivals to-day being 1,000 bu. against 662 last Tuesday and 753 a year ago, besides which there were indications for unsettled weather in that section. Winter wheat receipts held up well, but there were no indications of an early increase, and, in fact, the arrivals to-day were somewhat smaller than those of last week. St. Louis arrivals amounted to 26,700 bu., against 79,700 bu. last week and 71,900 bu. one year ago. The shipments from Western markets were well up to the receipts. There was no great pressure to sell this morning, and the buying was also light, but the opening was 1-16c better for Dec. at 72⅞c, and that option soon sold at 73⅛@⅛c. May selling ⅛c higher at 77⅛c. Continental cables were disappointing, they reporting general declines abroad, Paris and Berlin closing ¼c lower for the day, Buda-Pesth ⅜c off and Antwerp ¼c. Liverpool reported Argentine wheat 1½d lower, but the close of that market showed a loss of only ¼d for the day. The clearances from this side of flour and wheat were liberal at 239,000 bu., of which almost 75 per cent was in flour. Minneapolis reported that mills were resuming, and the demand for flour had very much improved. These favorable items caused shorts to feel uneasy, and they started buying freely. There was also good buying for long account on the belief that the market had touched bottom, and a good reaction was due. On the strength of this Dec. sold up to 73⅝c, and for May 77⅝@⅞c was bid. A bearish report was expected from Bradstreet's, and that authority stated that the increase in the world's visible was 4,273,000 bu., which was less than the increase of 6,656,000 bu. a year ago. The increase east of the Rockies was nearly 300,000 bu. more than the official visible. On this the market declined 73⅛@⅝c for Dec. sellers, and May brought 77½c. There was a rally from this to 73¾c and 77⅝c, respectively. There was nothing in the cash situation or the late news to help the market any, and it eased off slightly, closing nominally ⅛c up for Oct., at 72¾c, ⅛@⅝c higher for Dec. and ⅝@⅞c buyers and ⅝@⅞c better at 77⅛@⅝c sellers for the 1day option.

In sympathy with wheat, there was a better tone to corn this morning and some little improvement in values was to be noted. There was no material increase in speculative operations at this point, however, and most of the time the market was quiet and rather uninteresting. Weather conditions were unsettled, with heavy rains reported in Texas, which were coming this way. Chicago advised of a deal being worked in Oct. corn, which would be carried into Nov., and that a good export demand existed there. The Western market receipts were reported at 738,000 bu., against 629,000 bu. one year ago, in which were included 100,100 bu. locally, against 54,200 bu. last year. The shipments were 632,000 bu., and the export clearings from the seaboard 503,000 bu. According to Bradstreet's figures there was an increase in the available last week of 2,961,000 bu., where the regular visible increased 2,772,000 bu., indicating 731,000 bu. decrease at outside points. The opening for Dec. was at 34⅝@¾c advance at 34½c, and for May 35½c was bid. A favorable influence was in the fact that Liverpool, after opening ¼d lower, reacted and recovered that loss. The rally in wheat also had a good effect, but there was but slight improvement in values locally. Dec. sold at 34⅝c, and May 35⅝c, but at the close the former was only ¼@½c better for the day at 34½c sales, and May closed ¼c higher at 35⅝c sellers. Oct. was nominally 38¼c, and year ¼c better at 34½c.

The arrivals of oats at Western markets to-day were reported at 583,000 bu., against 682,000 bu. a year ago, St. Louis receiving 98,400 bu., against 67,200 bu. The shipments were 172,000 bu., and exports 64,000 bu. Bradstreet's available was increased 988,000 bu., where the regular visible increased 218,000 bu. The future market was a little bit firmer, but there was nothing doing of consequence, May selling at 24½c, Dec. closing at 23⅝c bid, and Oct. nominally ⅝c higher at 23⅝c.

On the Curb—Wheat weak. Dec. sold ¼c lower at 73⅝c; puts, 73c to 72⅞c; calls 73⅝@¾c to 73⅝c.

Trade Gossip.

—In their letter of October 4 to J. H. Teasdale & Co., F. Leeders & Co. of London expressed themselves as friendly toward wheat, although Russia and Roumania selling before winter sets in and navigation closes may produce a temporary setback in prices. They report speculative sellers of La Plata wheat, Feb.-March shipment, at about 2s under prompt values. Also that their docks and warehouses are pretty full of wheat, but still more with North Russian oats. Latter has prevented any improvement in their oat market, though American offering sparingly. A fair consumptive demand both for corn and distant corn is reported, the distant options attracting particular attention on the Continent. In the United Kingdom buyers not inclined to take Jan.-Feb. and onward freely, believing prices will be lower with the new crop moving.

—Canadian mills are reported as importing from the United States, owing to the shortage of the wheat crop this year in Manitoba.

—Griffith, Williams & Co. of Liverpool, in their latest to Dickson Cunningham, state that the recent advance has put a good deal of foreign wheat in motion, most of which went to Mediterranean countries. Odessa was the most pressing seller, but offerings apparently had fallen off, as there had been a severe decline in ocean freights, while after this month ice will begin to interfere with shipments. Rain was badly needed in Russia for the next crop. Austria, Hungary and Germany also needed rain, which had fallen in France, where an improvement in sentiment of sales in Calcutta is noted. Calcutta they say: "But these are purely bear sales, as the crop is hardly in the ground, and when it is reaped there will be some big gaps to fill after the famine."

—The Argentine interests of Hungary are endeavoring to have the import duty of 20c on wheat doubled.

—Broomhall, under date of October 2, said that the heavy purchases of grain by Mediterranean countries was the most important feature in the recent foreign trade. Russian shipments continued liberal, with the maize crop turning out better than expected. Weather conditions were favorable there, and fall seeding was progressing favorably. Roumanian advices were of a disappointing character regarding the threshing returns, and the weather had not been favorable.

—A private Liverpool cable states that a direct Rosario cable reports a slight improvement in the Argentine crop.

—Primary receipts to-day, 1,051,000 bu., against 800,000 bu. last Tuesday, 1,152,000 bu. one year ago and 1,649,000 bu. two years ago. Shipments were 384,000 bu.

Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

WHEAT—Cash market—Received, 5,166 sks. and 72 cars local and 2 cars through. A better outside demand for shipment to Illinois and Indiana mills, but city millers are purchasing lightly and the market: dragged in everything save choice. The outside mills to-day, Nos. 3 and 4 winter alone. Large proportion carried over. By sample and switched, No. 2 red sold E. trk. at 74c to 74½c, later for a few cars extra choice, but offered this side at 73½c and millers refusing to pay over 72c; No. 3 red 71c to 72½c, latter E. side; No. 4 winter 69@70c; lower grades 68@67½c; No. 2 hard at 69½c for poor to 70c, mainly choice, 70½c; No. 3 72@69½c; "yellow bellies" at 71½c for No. 2, and 70c for No. 3. Std. in elevator—No. 2 red 73½c; No. 3 red 71c; No. 4 68c.

CORN—Cash market—Received, 61 cars local and 42 cars through. Old held firmly, but a very limited demand for it, as new so much lower. Sales on trk., switched, at 35½@35c for old No. 2, 35⅛c for No. 2 white, 34½c for No. 2 yellow, and 35c for No. 2 white, but only a few cars taken. New No. 2 sold at 34c.

OATS—Cash market—Received, 65 cars local and 10 cars through. Demand from shippers somewhat better, but general demand limited. Mixed firmer, No. 2 selling at 23½@23¾c; No. 2 Northern quotably 23½@23¾c. White lower. No. 2 selling at 25½@26c; No. 3 at 24½@25½c, and No. 4 at 24c, latter taken by shippers.

RYE—Lower; a car No. 2 selling delivered E. side at 52½@54c, and choice at 53c.

FLOUR—No change in price can be noted, notwithstanding the recent further decline in wheat, but the latter has had a most unfavorable effect upon business in restricting purchases where it has not altogether stood off buyers. Even hard winter brands have suffered in this respect, though millers are still sold so far ahead they will not reduce prices. Domestic trade is light and the orders are for small lots. The best demand is for hard winter. So it is from abroad, but as is the case in domestic lines export sales, when made are in small lots. One miller reports a dropping line of cables, with little business resulting. Another says cable bids reduced 1s 6d, where the decline here only about 4½d. Late in the day a miller reported good sales to Antwerp, Amsterdam and other Continental markets. Quotations on soft winter wheat flour are as follows: Patents $3.60@3.75; straights $3.40@3.55; extra fancy $3.25@3.40; clear $2.90@3.10; low and medium, $2.30@2.60. Hard winter in jute sks. $2.25@2.40 for bakers; $2.80@3 for straights, and $3.20@3.40 for patents.

RYE FLOUR—Jobbing at $3.15 in sks. and $3.35 in bbls.

CORN MEAL—$2.10; pearl meal, grits and hominy $2.40.

MILLFEED—Steady; bran in demand, with bids of 65c in large and 70c in small sks. E. trk. refused, as city millers selling direct for more money, but Western winter offered at 65c to come in. Mixed feed quotable at 71@72c and ships at 75c. At mill bran jobs at 76@75c and ships at 80c.

RECEIPTS—Received 1,065 tons local and 475 tons through; shipped 269 tons. It was a better market to-day, for while offerings were liberal, there was an improved demand. Local feeders and shippers were after supplies and bought right freely. Only low grades showed any dullness. Prices on trk. range: Timothy—$13 for choice; $11.50@12.50 for No. 1; $10.50@11.50 for No. 2; $9@10 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. $4.25; rye $6.

GRASS SEEDS—Clover $6@9.70; timothy $3.75@4.25; red top $6 for chaff to $8.50 for fancy. Other seeds nominal.

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

HEMP SEED—$2.25 per 100 lbs. pure basis.

FLAXSEED—Sellers at $1.54 and no buyers in market.

LEAD—Nothing new to note and market entirely nominal at about $4.22.

SPELTER—Firm at $4.05, at which latest sale was made.

Prices on 'Change.

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

	Closed Monday.	Ranged To-day.	Closed To-day.
Wheat—Oct	72⅞ n	72⅞@73	72⅞ n
Dec	73⅝@73⅞	73⅛@74	73⅞ a
May	77⅝ n	77⅝@77⅞	77⅝ a
Corn—Oct	34¼ n	34@34¼	34¼ n
Dec	34⅝@34¾	34⅝@34¾	34⅝ a
Year	34 n	34 n	34 n
May	35⅝	35⅝@35¾	35⅝ a
Oats—Oct	23 n	23 n	23 n
Dec	23⅝ a	23⅝ a	23⅝ b
May	24½ a	24½@24¾	24½ a

Cash wheat, corn and oats ranged:

	Last Year.	Monday.	To-day.
Wheat—No. 2 red	70@70½	71 @74	73½@74½
No. 3 red	69 @70	71 @72½	71 @72½
No. 4 winter	69 @66	67 @70	67 @70
No. 2 hard	67 @68½	70@71	69 @70½
No. 3 hard	63 @66	69 @70	69 @69½
Corn—No. 2	34 @34½	34¼@34¾	35 @35½
No. 3	34 @34	34 @34½	35 @35¼
No. 2 white	35 @35½	35 @35½	35 @35¾
No. 3 white	35 @35	35 @35	35 @35¼
Oats—No. 2	23½@24	23½@23¾	23½@23¾
No. 3	23 @23½	23 @23½	23 @23½
No. 2 Northern	24½@25	24 @24½	24 @24½
No. 3 white	23½@24	23½@24	23½@24
No. 4 white	23½@24	23½@24	24 @24½

Movement of Grain.

Cities.	Receipts. Wheat.	Corn.	Shipments. Wheat.	Corn.
St. Louis	26,700	100,005	79,200	77,483
Chicago	221,000	501,000	75,100	353,400
Toledo	64,000	41,700	11,000	62,000
Detroit	19,000	31,000	31,000	2,000
Kansas City	112,000	23,000	101,000	2,000
Milwaukee	54,000	39,000	3,700	146,000
Minneapolis	370,000	10,000	46,000	2,000
Duluth	36,000	1,000	2,000	.....
New York	125,000	108,000	48,000	353,000
Baltimore	17,000	108,000	.....	119,000
Philadelphia	26,000	88,000	6,000	45,000
Boston	12,000	5,000	.....	600
New Orleans	22,000	114,000	.....	37,000
Galveston	100,000	.....	80,000	.....

Stocks of Grain in Store.

	Today.	Yes'day.	Last. Yr.
Wheat	5,371,315	5,300,415	2,479,613
Corn	47,621	43,006	494,169
Oats	31,813	25,538	8,954
Rye	4,078	4,078	2,652
Barley	12,882	11,471	1,016
Contract grades—			
No. 2 red	2,096,533	2,092,097	1,518,229
No. 2 hard	268,050	267,656	43,499
No. 2 corn	3,981	3,981	233,297
No. 2 white corn	5,412	5,412	102,928
No. 2 oats	25,139	29,139	.....
No. 2 rye	2,631	2,631	1,259

Shipments of Flour.

St. Louis 14,440 bbls.; Chicago 22,313 bbls.; Detroit 1,000 bbls.; Milwaukee 23,182 bbls.; Minneapolis 46,276 bbls.; New York 5,668 bbls. and 15,000 sks.; Baltimore 14,322 bbls.; Philadelphia 20,000 sks.; Boston 1,579 bbls. and 24,026 sks.; New Orleans 100 bbls. and 600 sks.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

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

St. Louis, Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1900.

The produce markets were quiet to-day, but prices were generally steady and unchanged. Receipts as a rule were fairly heavy, but the demand was slow, and both shippers and local buyers were inclined to hold off.

Potatoes were plentiful and slow. Receipts of choice Northern stock were light, but there was some common and inferior stock offered, and this was slow of sale. Receipts of home-grown potatoes were liberal, and offerings were ample for the demand. Prices were unchanged. Receipts by river were moderate. There was little demand fair.

Cabbage was in fair demand, and the market was steady. Offerings were moderate in amount, and there was a fair demand.

Onions were dull and unchanged. Offerings were liberal, but the demand, which was light, was limited to choice, smooth, sound stock.

Tomatoes were dull and unchanged, with both the demand and offerings light.

Rutabagas were weak and lower, as the demand was extremely slow.

Cauliflower was scarce and firm.

Sweet potatoes were dull and plentiful.

Celery was in fair demand and other vegetables were quiet and steady.

Apples were dull and weak, as most of the offerings were of common or inferior quality, and nothing but choice fruit was wanted. There was a good demand for choice, sound, well-picked apples, but that kind of fruit was scarce.

Peaches were dull and unchanged, as the season is over, and only a limited amount was offered. The demand was also light.

Pears were dull and plentiful, with the exception of choice Bartletts, which were scarce, in good demand and firm.

Quinces were dull and plentiful at unchanged prices.

Crab apples were dull and slow.

Grapes were weak, as offerings were heavy, while the demand was slow, especially for Concords.

Oranges were quiet and steady at unchanged prices.

Lemons were dull and slow, with offerings moderate and demand light.

California fruits were firm and in good demand.

Live poultry was dull and weak. Young chickens were steady and lower. Receipts were heavy, shippers were out of the market, and there was only a limited local demand. Old chickens were also weak and lower, as offerings exceeded the demand. Receipts of turkeys were heavy and the market was dull and lower. Ducks were in fair demand at unchanged prices, but geese were dull and plucked geese were not wanted.

Game was quiet and steady. Receipts were light and of fair quality, while the demand was slow.

Veals were dull and easier. Receipts moderate, but the demand was slow.

Wool was dull and dragging. Bright wools were salable at steady prices, but everything else was neglected.

Hides were firm at yesterday's advance. Receipts were light and all offerings met with ready sale at good prices.

The market was again quiet, but steady to-day at unchanged prices. Receipts were heavier and shipments were light, but the local demand was moderate.

Choice, fresh receipts sold at 14½c a doz., loss off, but inferior stocks sold for less.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 2,076 cases and shipments were 542 cases.

Dairy Products.

Butter—There was a better feeling in creamery butter and creamery extra was higher and there was a fair demand for everything except the medium and low grades, which were dull and weak. Quotations—Creamery—Extra 22c; firsts 19@20c; seconds 15c. Dairy—Extra 18c; firsts 17c; grease 4@4½c. Country—Store-packed 11½c for good to 8@10c for poor. Ladle-packed—Extra 16c; firsts 15c.

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

Wool.

Missouri & Illinois—		Heavy fine	11 @12
Med. combing	20	Tex., I. T. & Ok.—	
Med. clothing	18 @18½	Medium	15 @15½
Braid and low	15 @16	Coarse & low	12 @16
Burry & clear		Fine medium	14 @16
mixed	17 @18	Light fine	14 @15
Slightly burry	15 @15½	Heavy fine	12 @13
Hard burry	12½@13	Dakota & Western—	
Light fine	16 @17	Bright med.	15 @16½
Heavy fine	13 @14	Dark medium	14 @16
Lambs—	15 @18	Fine medium	14 @16
Wisconsin & Iowa—		Light fine	14 @15
Med. combing	18½@19	Heavy fine	12 @13
Braid & cloth	16 @17	Arkansas & South.—	
Burry	13 @18½	Med. (fleeced)	13 @15½
Semibright	16 @17½	Med. (hoosed)	13 @15½
Dark	15 @16	Burry	14 @15
Fine medium	15 @16	Tubwashed—	
Light fine	14 @15	No. 1	29
Heavy fine	11 @13	No. 2	22 @24
Kansas & Nebraska—		Burry	18 @20
Bright med.	19 @20	Angora goat hair—	
Dark & sandy	14 @16	Clean & clear	18@20
Fine medium	14 @15½	Burry & clot	9
Light fine	13 @14	ted	10 @11

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

Hides.

HIDES—When sold round: Green-salted 7½c; Dry flint, 15c; Texas 15½c; dry-salted 12½c. Uncured in less than cured; part cured ½c less. When sold on selection: Green-salt—No. 1 8c; No. 2 7c. Dry flint—No. 1 16c; No. 2 14c; bull 11c. Dry salt and glue 8c. Dry-salted—No. 1 12c; No. 2 10c.

Poultry, Game and Veals.

LIVE POULTRY—Average receipts: Young turkeys 7½c; old 7c. Chickens—Hens 6½c; old roosters 5½c. Ducks 7c. Live pigeons and squabs 60@75c per doz. Geese 6c. Spring chickens quoted at 8½c per lb.

GAME—We quote selected, sweet stock only: Ducks per doz.: Mallards $3.50; red heads $3.50; blue-wing teal $2; green-wing teal $1.75; mixed $1.50. Wild geese, each, 33@40c; jack snipe $1.50; plover $1.25; woodcock, large, $1.50; deer carcases, per lb., 15c; venison saddles 22½c; rabbits, per doz., $2.50; jack rabbits $1; squirrel, young, 90c; squirrel, old 50c.

FROG LEGS—We quote at 25c per doz. for small to 60c for medium, and $1 for large.

VEALS—Choice small fat (110 to 130 lbs.) at 6½c per lb.; heavy do. (140 to 150 lbs.) at 5c per lb.; heavies, rough and thin, at 3½c. Sheep and yearlings dull at 3½@4c; thin ewes and bucks at 2½@3c per lb. Spring Lambs—Ewes at 4c to 4½c per lb. for choice, 50 to 65 lbs.; buck lambs 3½@3½c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

APPLES—Ben Davis range in price from 75@$1 for damaged and poor to $1.25 for fair and $1.50@1.75 for choice to fancy, other Western varieties at from $1 to $2. Eastern at from $1.40@1.75 for divestings to $2@2.50 for fancy Kings, mixed varieties at $1.50@2.

GRAPES—Choice Concords at 12c; Niagaras selling quietly at 14@15c for 8-lb. and 5c for pony baskets; Delawares higher at 16@18c for pony baskets; Virginia seedlings sell at 2c per lb. loose.

PEACHES—Home-grown at 75c.

PEARS—Quote: Keifer at $1.60 to $2 per bbl.; Sheldon and duchess at at $2@2.50 for No. 2, and $2@2.25 for No. 1. Bulk Keifer selling at $1.50 per bbl. measure. Near-by Keifer at 50@60c per half-bu. basket.

QUINCES—Home-grown at 75c per bu., loose. Consigned lots New York at $2@2.25 per bbl. for No. 1 and $1.50 for No. 2.

CRAB APPLES—We quote choice Hyslop at 40c to 50c per bu. basket.

CALIFORNIA FRUITS—Quote: Pears—Seckel at $1.50@1.60 per ½ box, and other varieties at $2@2.25 per 60-lb. box. Tokay and Cornichon grapes at $1.40@1.60 per 20-lb. crate. Utah Italian prunes (in bad order) sold at $1@1.05 per box.

ORANGES—Quote: Mexican (matador brand) at $3.75 per box on trk. and at $4 in a jobbing way from store, off stock less. Sale: 1 car Mexican (in bad order) at $3.60 per box on trk.

LEMONS—Quote: Messina at $3.50@4 for 300-size and at $4@4.25 for 360-size. California at $4@4.50 per box.

GRAPE FRUIT—Quote: Jamaica, $5 to $6 per box.

BANANAS—Quote at $1.50@1.75 per bunch, on orders.

PINEAPPLES—Quote Cuban at $1.50 per doz.

COCOANUTS—Quotable at $4.50 per 1,000—in a small way at $5 per 100.

CRANBERRIES—In fair demand. Good to choice at $3.50@4 per bbl. Inferior less.

POTATOES—Quote choice Northern in bulk on trk.: Burbank at 60@65c, coral at 57@60c; poorly called and inferior stock less. Home-grown very strong, selling loose from farmers' wagons at 60@65c per bu., fancy bluff stock bringing more. Receipts by boats from near-by lower river points selling at 50@55c in.

ONIONS—Quote the range at from 25c for poor to 45c for choice red globe; white at 55@60c.

CABBAGE—Quote sound kraut stock at $7@8 per ton; green domestic at $8@8.50 and Holland seed at $9@10. Red cabbage dull and nominal at $1@1.25 per ton.

TOMATOES—Home-grown quotable at 25@30c per bu. loose for fair to choice, orders charged higher.

CELERY—Quote choice to fancy white plume at 20@25c per doz.; small to medium at 10@12½c; leaved and damaged less. Mushroom cases containing 24 pints at 50@65c per case. Celery roots quotable at 20@25c per doz.

STRING BEANS—Consigned lots dull at 30c per half-bu. basket for flat wax. Home-grown selling at 50@75c per bu. loose.

CAULIFLOWER—Quote Michigan at $2 per doz.

CUCUMBERS—Home-grown selling at 20@25c per bu. loose.

EGG PLANTS—Quotable in bulk at 50c per bu. del. On orders at $1.25 per bbl.

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

SAGE—Selling E. side: Medium at $1.10, granulated at $1 per bbl. Worth 5c per bbl. more this side.

COTTONSEED OIL—Summer yellow 38c, white 40c, winter yellow 40c and white 44c.

SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown Bermuda sell at 90@95c and nansemond at 75@85c per bu. loose, and at $1.75 per bbl. for Bermuda, and $2.25 for nansemond, on orders.

CHROYS—Northern cut at 65c per 100 lbs. bulk. On orders, $1.50 per bbl.

OKRA—Home-grown selling at 50c to $1 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 $2.25; half-bbls. at $1.25; kegs hand-made 50c more; small orders charged higher.

SPINACH—Home-grown selling at 50c 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 40c per half-bu. basket.

GARLIC—Quotable at 15c per lb.

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

Provisions.

Pork steady; lard lower.

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

Lard—Choice steam E. side $6.75.

Green Hams, Etc.—Held in car lots, f. o. b. East Sides: Hams—Sugar cured, 10-lbs. and less, for 14-lbs., New York shoulders at 6c. From the block, del.: Run-of-house hams at 7½@8c; bellies at 8½@10½c, as in average.

U. S. Meats—Bxd. lots: Extra short, 7⅞c; clears, 8c; clear sides, 8c; short ribs, 8c, as in average; plates, 7c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

Bacon—Bxd. s. c. meats in a jobbing way: Breakfast bacon, 12c for heavy to 14c for fancy light; hams, 10½@11½c. California, 7½@7½c, as in average; New York shoulders, 7c. Plain smoked bxd. meats: Extra shorts, 8¼c; clears, 8½c; short clears, 8½c; bellies 10½@10½c, as in average; plates 7½c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

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

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 4@4¼c; packers' choice 5½c.

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

Beef—On orders: Bbld.—Mess $9.25; Fulton Market $11; tongues at $8 per doz.; dried at 18@19½c.

Miscellaneous Markets.

HIGHWINES—Selling on a basis of $1.27.

SCRAP IRON AND METAL—Iron—Wrought 40c per 100 lbs.; heavy cast 40c; steel and malleable 30c and 50c; wrought pipe for barrel hoops, 30c—Light 5c; heavy $10.25. Copper $11. Lead $3.50. Zinc $2.75. Pewter $12.

DRIED FRUITS—We quote: Apples—Evaporated stings at 3½@4c; quarters at 3½@4c, chops at 2@2½c, evaporated apple peelings, 1@1½c; quarters at 2@2½c; chops and peelings entirely nominal. Peaches—Fancy evaporated unpeeled halves at 7c; sun-dried at 3@3½c.

BRIGHT GREEN BEANS—Jobbing from store at $1.25@1.30; South at $1.30@1.35; split $1.40.

WHITE BEANS—Choice hand-picked pea beans in a jobbing way from store at $2@2.10—screened 5c per bu. less. Southern at $1.50, weevily lima. Lima beans at 6c per lb.

HONEY—Comb at 10c to 12½c—fancy white clover 14@15c; inferior, dark and broken less. Extracted—Fancy white in bbls. 8@8½c, in cans 9@10c per lb. higher.

CASTOR OIL—In lots of 250 gals. or over, at 120 per lb. for No. 1 and 10½c for No. 3; smaller quantities 1c per lb. more.

COOPERSTUFF—In car lots on trk.: Staves—Cottonwood flour bbl. $6.50@7; No. 2 $104.50; half bbl. $3@3.50; beer keg $12@16; lard tcs. $28; pork bbl. $18. Headings, per set—No. 1 flour bbls. 2-hoop 17c; 3-hoop 18c; 2-hoop sugar bbls. at 8c; No. 2 do. 3½@4c; lard tcs. 16c; pork bbls. 12½c. Shaved hoops—Flour bbl. $4@4.50 for cooper; $4 for Hoosier; half bbls. $3.50; rolled elm 16c; lard tcs. 20c; oak lard tcs. cooper-shaved, $60@65; pork bbl. $5.

COOPERAGE—We quote lard tcs. at $1.15; pork bbls. 80c; do. half bbls. 75c; slack work—round hoop flour bbls. 30c, flat hoop do. 33c, half bbls. 25c, meal bbls. 30c; produce or apple bbls. 26c.

FEATHERS—Quiet and unchanged. We quote: La. G. White 56c in small and 46c in large sks.; gray 36c, white 56@60c; X 50@52c, XX 60@62c, XXX 70@72c, XXXX 6c. Tare 2 per cent for large to 10 per cent for small sks. Duck—white 30c, dark 25@27c. Chicken—New 40c.

SHEEP PELTS—Full wools 50c to 85c, according to amount of wool on them; lamb at 25@50c—Southern 25@40c; shearlings at 20@25c. Dry stock, fallen, etc., 60@c per lb.

TALLOW—Quote: Prime 4½c per lb. for prime.

DEERSKINS, ETC.—Price: deerskins 22c per lb.; Texas at 20c; antelope 12½c per lb.; goat 20c to 30c each—kids and damaged out.

GLUE—Glue-stock ranges from $2.25 for very small, toppy, stuff, up to $3.50@3.75 for good and $4 for large; lady slipper at 7c; Seneca at 25c; pink at 16c; golden seal at 40c; May apple at 7c; snake root—white snake at 2c; button snake 5c; black 5c; leopard snake root—bamboo of root 5c; bark of tree 24c; blood 24c; blueflag 3c; skull-cap leaves 5c; sassafras bark 4c; wild ginger 5c.

LINSEED OIL—Quotable per gal.: Raw at 52c; boiled at 53c—5c per gal. less in car lots.

BROOM CORN—In only fair demand, and prices are easy. Quote the range now at from $55 per ton for common to $80 for fancy; choice prime; exceptionally nice brush would bring more.

BONES—Choice bleached at $16 per ton; other kinds from $10 to $15.

BEESWAX—Per pound: Ordinary, 25c; Old Colony—No. 1 and manila $1.60; No. 2 50c. Rubber $3.

POULTRY.

Market Slow, With Fine Fowls Scarce and High-Priced.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Oct. 16.—Live poultry receipts today were 6½ cars Western. The Hebrews were off the market observing their holiday, and in the absence of trade no business was effected. Expected receipts are light and holders firm in their ideas of 9c on chickens, 10c on fowls and 8c on old roosters, but stock was still in first hands at the close. Dressed poultry receipts today were 1,400 pkgs. Weather is warm and close, and with free receipts and a liberal proportion of yesterday's arrivals still unsold, the market ruled low, with outlook discouraging. The proportion of fowls is light, but as nearly every dealer is carrying a few, average best dry-picked were hard to sell straight at over 10c, but fine heavy fowls were scarce and salable at 10½c. Spring turkeys—Fancy dry-picked, meaty, 19@16c; average 12c; average scalded 11½c; poor and tramy 6@8c. Turkeys—Old, average best hens 10c; toms 9@10c. Spring chickens—Prime Western dry-picked 9@9½c; ordinary to medium 8@8½c; prime to fancy scalded 9c; ordinary 8@8½c. Southwestern, 8½@9c; fowls, Western dry-picked prime 10@10½c; scalded 10c; Southern and Southwestern 9c; old cocks 6@6½c. Spring ducks—Western 7@10c.

Chicago Poultry Quotations.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Iced poultry dull; chickens 8½@9c; turkeys 8½c.

Butter, Cheese and Eggs.

New York, Oct. 16.—Butter—Receipts 9,278 pkgs.; steady; creamery 16@22c; June creamery 16@18c; factory 15@16c. Cheese—Receipts 7,562 pkgs.; steady; fancy large white 10¾c; small white 11c; large colored 10¾c; small do. 11c. Eggs—Receipts 12,632 pkgs.; firm; Western regular packing at mark 16@18c; Western, loss off, 21c.

Dried Fruits.

New York, Oct. 16.—The market for evaporated apples was not particularly active, but held quite steady on light offerings throughout the day at fully sustained prices. State common was quoted from 4c to 5c; prime 4½@5½c; choice 5½@6c; fancy 6@6½c. California dried fruits were dull but steady at unchanged prices; prunes 6@12c per lb., as to size and quality. Apricots, royal 11@14c; Moorpark 15@18c. Peaches—Peeled 16@26c; unpeeled 6@9c.

Minneapolis Flour.

Minneapolis, Minn., Oct. 16.—Flour—Prices were not advanced to-day on the higher wheat market. Bran steady, inclined to dullness. Wheat—Oct. 75½c; Dec. 75¼@75⅝c; May 78⅝c. On trk.—No. 1 hard 79⅝c; No. 1 Northern 77½c; No. 2 Northern 75½c.

BUSINESS INACTIVE IN GRAIN MARKETS.

WHEAT RECOVERED SLIGHTLY DURING THE DAY.

Corn and Oats Were Firm—No Trading in October Pork, Though Price Was Lower at Close.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Oct. 16.—Wheat recovered ⅛c of yesterday's decline. Corn and oats were firm, the former from ⅜c to ⅝c up, and the latter gained ⅛@¼c. Business in the speculative grain markets was generally inactive. In provisions there was no trading in Oct. pork, although the price at the close was quoted nominally $1 lower, or $15 per bbl. Lard for Oct. was exceptionally weak, just as Oct. ribs were the day before, and it looked as if the leaders in the trade were taking, through those commodities, a shot at manipulate contracts. Oct. pork.

Wheat.

Liverpool features did not respond in full to weakness of yesterday's Chicago wheat market, and so sensitive is speculative sentiment here that, on such trivial grounds, as far as generally known at the time, opening prices showed from ⅛c to ⅛c recovery from the closing figures of the day before.

There was nothing else to account for the number of buyers willing to pay from 71c to 74⅛c at the start for Nov. wheat, as against sellers at 73⅞c as yesterday's session was coming to a close, and for from 71⅞c to 73c being bid for Dec., as against 70⅞@71⅝c yesterday afternoon. If the above suggestion as to the reason for the opening advance is deemed insufficient it was at least the only phase of the early market information open to suspicion. The spot wheat market at Liverpool could not be accused, for while futures were only from ¼d to ½d down there was ½d decline in red winter wheat and 1½d decline in each of the No. 1 Northern American spring and Argentine varieties. Nor could the quotations from Paris and Antwerp be suspected of contributing to the mysterious change over night in the views of speculators, the former noting a loss of ⅜c a bu. in value of wheat for the current month's delivery, and the latter the much more material decline of 37½ centimes, or the equivalent of 1⅞c a bu.

Minneapolis reported the starting up of all the mills that had been closed and a much improved demand for flour. St. Louis wired that the Victoria mills of that city had sold some flour to Antwerp, being the first in eighteen months to that place, and that bids from the United Kingdom were not only numerous, but at full prices. Those having such information probably bought some wheat at the opening. Chicago received 358 carloads of wheat, Minneapolis 92. Receipts at the two latter a week ago were 1,162. The total received at primary Western markets was 1,051,000 bu., as against 1,110,000 bu. the corresponding day of the year previous, and the shipments from the same were 297,000 bu. to-day and 531,000 bu. last year. Clearances