COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

SUMMARY OF THE MARKETS.

Local stocks and bonds dull.
Silver a fraction off. Exchange unchanged.
Wheat continues to rise. Flour is stiff in sympathy.
Barley steady. Oats, Corn and Rye dull.
Hay weakening off again. Feedstuffs firm.
Beans and Seeds quiet and unchanged.
Potatoes in large supply and weak. Onions steady.
Butter and Eggs continue to drag.
Poultry in light receipt, but dull.
Fruit market well but not excessively supplied.
Provisions as before quoted.

Charters.

The A. J. West loads lumber at Chemainus for Santa Rosalia; the A. J. Fuller coal at Seattle for this port; the S. D. Carleton coal at Tacoma for Kahului; the Bloemfontein lumber on the sound for Australia.

The Santiago loads mdse. for Hilo.

Condition of Trade.

Henry Clews' New York circular says:

"One very satisfactory evidence of prosperity is the continued large exports, amounting to $111,296,000 last May, against $91,250,000 a year ago. Our imports during the same month were $71,555,000, compared with $70,160,000 last year. This left an excess of exports amounting to $41,947,000, against $22,680,000 in 1899, and a considerable portion of this excess was due to the rapid increase in exports of American manufactures.

"Unfavorable reports concerning the wheat crop have caused more uneasiness than justified, because the large increase in acreage promises to fully offset all damage reports thus far received. The condition statement of the Department of Agriculture on June 1 indicated a yield of 619,000,000 bushels, while the total crop of 1899 was 547,000,000 bushels, which affords a big margin for damage before the yield falls below last year. Trade reports indicate a slackening of business and in a few instances railroad earnings show a decline from top figures. This should be expected. Demand and prices cannot always continue at flood tide; moderate reactions would probably put trade in much more healthy basis and pave the way for renewed activity next fall. Wall street is even now discounting such a reaction. Gold exports have been renewed upon a considerable scale, but this movement attracted little attention. Money rates continue easy and the satisfactory condition of the money market is the chief source of strength in stocks. For the next few weeks, or until after the nominations, we may look for a quiet market. Some attempts may be made to force a lower level of prices, but they are likely to meet with indifferent success, there being already a considerable short interest in the market. Stocks are firmly held and with easy money and disappearance of some of the uncertainties noted above there will be good opportunities for profitable purchases in the better grade stocks. On the weak spots the market will be a purchase for quick turns."

Merchandise for Victoria.

The steamer Walla Walla sailed yesterday for Victoria with cargo manifested up to 3 p. m., as follows: For Victoria, $6435; for Vancouver, $5684; total, $12,119.

For Victoria—5 pkgs Dried Fish, 11 pkgs Hardware, 40 pkgs Dried Fruit, 2 crs Bicycles, 5 cs Dry Goods, 275 sks Malt, 973 pkgs Fruit, 18 pkgs Ironware, 3000 ft Lumber, 1625 lbs Sugar, 50 bxs Oranges, 33 pkgs Iron, 25,000 lbs Tin Plate, 10 pkgs Groceries, 30 pkgs Steel, 10 coils Wire, 724 sks Potatoes, 40 crs Onions, 230 bxs Paste, 17 coils Wire, 150 gals Wine, 16 pkgs Household goods.

For Vancouver—11 coils Cordage, 18 shts Steel, 508 sks Malt, 2611 lbs Tin Plate, 3 cs Canned Goods, 63 bars Iron, 75 pkgs Wagon Material, 25 kits Fish, 5 cs Oil, 7750 ft Ship Rigging, 52 pkgs Hardware, 71 cs Drugs, 153 bls Quicksilver, 110 pcs Poplar Wood, 1118 lbs Tobacco, 1003 sks Bituminous Rock, 5 coils Rubber Hose, 115 pkgs Vegetables, 6 kegs Nails, 35 cs Cocoanuts, 50 pkgs Dried Fruit, 50 pkgs Groceries and Provisions.

Weather Report.

(120th Meridian—Pacific Time.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 20, 1900, 5 p. m.

The following maximum temperatures were reported from stations in California to-day:

Eureka	70	San Diego	66
Fresno	102	Sacramento	94
Los Angeles	82	San Luis Obispo	82
Red Bluff	98	Mount Tamalpais	75
Independence	96		

San Francisco data: Maximum temperature, 65; minimum, 53; mean, 59.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND GENERAL FORECAST.

The weather is cloudy and rainy over the western portions of Washington and Oregon and foggy along the northern California coast; elsewhere the weather generally is clear. The rainfall along the coast from the mouth of the Columbia River to Puget Sound has been heavy.

The pressure has fallen rapidly over the eastern portions of Washington and Oregon and risen along the coast.

The temperature has risen decidedly over the eastern portions of Washington and Oregon, Idaho and Western Montana. Except along the immediate coast the temperatures west of the Rocky Mountains generally exceed 90 degrees.

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours, ending midnight, June 21, 1900:

Northern California—Fair Thursday, except foggy along the coast in the early morning, and probably showers on the extreme northern coast; fresh west wind.

Southern California—Fair Thursday, except foggy along the coast in the morning; fresh west wind.

Nevada—Fair Thursday.

Utah—Fair Thursday.

Arizona—Fair Thursday.

San Francisco and vicinity—Fair Thursday, except foggy in the morning and at night; fresh west wind.

G. H. WILLSON,
Local Forecast Official.

EASTERN MARKETS.

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, June 20.—The stock market made some headway during the early part of the session against depression and an average level of prices materially above last night was established. Room traders were inclined to take the long side for a turn under the impression that the market had been oversold and a rally was due. Before the end of the session large offerings of stocks were thrown on the market, embracing all the leading groups of securities dealt in. Early gains were more than wiped out, the decline from the best in the active railroad stocks running from 1@2½. The net losses were mostly fractional, but some of the specialties show wide declines, and the same holds true of the dormant stocks which have been dealt in during the late period of weakness. The chief ground for the early strength in the market was the higher range of prices from abroad and the disposition of London to buy stocks here. It was evident that a more cheerful view was taken in foreign quarters on the Chinese situation and British consols hardened a shade in spite of the stiffening of the London money market. The chief influence in turning the tide of sentiment toward the bear side was the acute weakness developed in sugar and Brooklyn Rapid Transit and in other specialties by sympathy. The bears attacked the Brooklyn stock with great confidence and encountered little opposition in offering the prices down on account of yesterday's judicial opinion against the legality of ten-cent fares. After selling at 64½ in the morning, the stock was forced down to 60½ in the late dealings. The drop in Sugar extended to over 4 points and was without special explanation. All of the gas stocks were acutely depressed and declines extending from 1¾ in People's Gas to 5¾ in Brooklyn Union Gas. Other notable declines were cotton oil preferred, 5; Chicago Great Western preferred, 3¾, on disappointment over the failure to declare a dividend; the tobacco stocks, General Electric and New York Air Brake from 1¼@4. These violent declines had a sympathetic effect on the whole list. Weakness in the railroads was aggravated by the renewal of crop damage reports and not only the grain carrying roads, but the cotton roads also were affected by this cause. Some of the selling was said to be of stocks held by banks for collateral, which had been held for some time past to give opportunity to the customers of the firms concerned to take up the stocks. The money market hardened appreciably and the possibility of quick inroads on the small surplus reserves of the banks received increasing attention. To-day's engagement of $1,100,000 of gold for shipment to France was expected and sterling exchange eased off under the offerings of bills against the shipment. Discount rates hardened both in London and Berlin and sterling exchange fell a fraction in Paris, so that it is considered probable that the demand for gold is not yet satisfied and gold is expected to go out on Saturday.

The bond market was dull and prices lower. Total sales par value, $1,250,000. United States new 4s declined 1¼c in the bid price.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Shares sold.		Closing Bid.
3,200	Atchison	24½
15,840	Atchison pref'd	69⅞
6,895	Baltimore & Ohio	74
.....	Canadian Pacific	90
.....	Canada Southern	49
520	Chesapeake & Ohio	25
820	Chicago Great Western	10⅛
11,425	Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	123½
.....	Chicago, Indiana and Louisville	20
.....	Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville pref'd	50
.....	Chicago & East Illinois	98
400	Chicago & Northwestern	156½
1,000	Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific	104⅝
1,000	C C C & St Louis	57
340	Colorado Southern	6⅛
220	Colorado Southern 1st pref'd	41½
.....	Colorado Southern 2nd pref'd	16½
400	Delaware & Hudson	108¾
1,310	Delaware, Lack & Western	175¾
.....	Denver & Rio Grande	17
224	Denver & Rio Grande pref'd	65⅛
500	Erie	11
450	Erie 1st pref'd	32⅞
900	Great Northern pref'd	150
520	Hocking Coal	13
100	Hocking Valley	34¼
150	Illinois Central	111⅝
410	Iowa Central	18
110	Iowa Central pref'd	45
.....	Kans City, Pitts & Gulf	16
100	Lake Erie & Western	28¾
.....	Lake Erie & Western pref'd	95
.....	Lake Shore	208½
3,595	Louisville & Nashville	74⅝
11,180	Manhattan L	84⅝
8,600	Metropolitan Street Railway	146¾
1,020	Mexican Central	11½
170	Minn & St Louis	45
.....	Minn & St Louis pref'd	88
9,920	Missouri Pacific	47¼
.....	Mobile & Ohio	36
.....	Missouri, Kans & Texas	10
815	Missouri, Kans & Texas pref'd	29¾
1,300	New Jersey Central	121⅛
1,128	New York Central	127½
2,400	Norfolk & Western	31⅝
120	Norfolk & Western pref'd	76⅛
26,000	Northern Pacific	50⅝
656	Northern Pacific pref'd	72¾
1,000	Ontario & Western	18¾
.....	Oregon Ry & Nav	42
.....	Oregon Ry & Nav pref'd	76
5,230	Pennsylvania	126½
500	Reading	16
700	Reading 1st pref'd	54⅝
1,500	Reading 2nd pref'd	26⅝
.....	Rio Grande Western	56
.....	Rio Grande Western pref'd	87½
100	St Louis & San Fran	8⅝
.....	St L & San Fran 1st pref'd	67½
.....	St L & San Fran 2nd pref'd	31⅝
700	St Louis, Southwestern	9
1,395	St Louis, Southwestern pref'd	22
14,575	St Paul	110⅞
.....	St Paul pref'd	171
.....	St Paul & Omaha	118
11,125	Southern Pacific	31¼
1,200	Southern Railway	10⅝
1,760	Southern Railway pref'd	50¼
1,200	Texas & Pacific	14
9,805	Union Pacific	50¼
1,215	Union Pacific pref'd	71¾
.....	Wabash	7⅝
2,010	Wabash pref'd	17½
100	Wheeling & L E	81
1,980	Wheeling & L E 2nd pref'd	21⅞
.....	Wisconsin Central	14⅝
	Express Companies—	
.....	Adams	117
.....	American	149
.....	United States	45
.....	Wells Fargo	120
	Miscellaneous—	
1,025	American Cotton Oil	30½
100	American Cotton Oil pref'd	89
100	American Malting	3
270	American Malting pref'd	19
620	American Smelting & Ref	35½
100	American Smelting & Ref pref'd	98½
.....	American Spirits	2¾
.....	American Spirits pref'd	17
.....	American Steel Hoop	18
.....	American Steel Hoop pref'd	67
1,075	American Steel & Wire	30¼
.....	American Steel & Wire pref'd	71¼
775	American Tin Plate	18¼
100	American Tin Plate pref'd	73
37,620	American Tobacco	86¼
.....	American Tobacco pref'd	129
250	Anaconda Mining Co	38½
38,277	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	60½
600	Colorado Fuel & Iron	30
625	Continental Tobacco	22¼
1,400	Continental Tobacco pref'd	76
5,090	Federal Steel	31
2,025	Federal Steel pref'd	63½
500	General Electric	128½
.....	Glucose Sugar	47
100	Glucose Sugar pref'd	97
700	International Paper	22¼
100	International Paper pref'd	64
2,500	Laclede Gas	71
245	National Biscuit	28
200	National Biscuit pref'd	79½
775	National Lead	18¾
.....	National Lead pref'd	95
820	National Steel	24
.....	National Steel pref'd	84¼
100	New York Air Brake	124
130	North America n	14⅞
400	Pacific Coast	48
.....	Pacific Coast 1st pref'd	80
.....	Pacific Coast 2d pref'd	58
550	Pacific Mail	27
9,250	People's Gas	97
400	Pressed Steel Car	42
150	Pressed Steel Car pref'd	73
120	Pullman Palace Car	179
475	Standard Rope & Twine	4⅞
44,250	Sugar	112⅛
100	Sugar pref'd	114
2,690	Tennessee Coal & Iron	63¼
1,870	United States Leather	8⅞
880	United States Leather pref'd	66⅛
100	United States Rubber	26
.....	United States Rubber pref'd	94½
250	Western Union, ex div	78¾
1,170	Republic Iron & Steel	10
1,275	Republic Iron & Steel pref'd	50
.....	P C C & St Louis	56
.....	Third Avenue	109½

351,260 Shares sold.

CLOSING BONDS.

U S ref 2s reg, when issued	103	M K & T 2ds	66½
U S 2s reg	100	Do 4s	89¼
Do 2s reg	109	N Y Cent 1sts	111¼
Do 3s coup	109	N J Cent gen 5s	122
Do new 4s reg	134¼	Northern Pac 3s	66½
Do new 4s coup	134¼	Do 4s	103⅞
Do old 4s reg	114	N Y C & St L 4s	105½
Do old 4s coup	114	Nor & W con 4s	96½
Do 5s reg	113	Or Nav 1sts	109½
Do 5s coup	113	Or Nav 4s	101¼
Dist of Col 3.65s	123	O S Line 6s	127¾
Atchison gen 4s	100½	Do con 5s	114½
Do adjt 4s	82¼	Reading Gen 4s	87¼
Canada So 2ds	106¾	R G W 1sts	99¾
Ches & O 4½s	98⅞	St L & M con 5s	110½
Do 5s	116¾	St L & S F Gen 6s	125
Chi & N consol 7s	143	St Paul con	169½
C & N S F Deb 5s	117½	S P C W & P 1sts	119½
Chicago Term 4s	95	Do 5s	120
Colo Southern 4s	83¼	S P 4s	79¼
D & R G 1sts	79⅞	Southern Ry 5s	116¾
Do 4s	99¼	Standard R & T 6s	63
E T, V & G 1sts	103¼	Tex & Pac 1sts	112
Erie Gen 4s	70	Do 2ds	55
Ft W & DC 1sts	70½	Union Pacific 4s	105⅞
Gen Elec 5s	117½	Wabash 1sts	114
Iowa Central 1sts	112	Do 2ds	100
K C, P & G 1sts	70	West Shore 4s	115
L & N Uni 4s	100¼	Wis Cent 1sts	90
		Va Centuries	92

MINING STOCKS.

Chollar	17	Ontario	6 87½
Crown Point	07	Ophir	70
Con Cal & Va	1 45	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	45	Quicksilver	1 50
Gould & Curry	10	Do pref'd	7 00
Hale & Norcross	23	Sierra Nevada	25
Homestake	55 00	Standard	3 00
Iron Silver	58	Union Con	18
Mexican	18	Yellow Jacket	10

BOSTON STOCKS AND BONDS.

Money—		Union Pacific	50¼
Call loans	2 @3	West End	93
Time loans	2½@4	Westinghouse El	44
Stocks—		Bonds—	
A., T. & St. Fe	24½	Atchison 4s	100
Do pref'd	69⅝	N E Gas & C 5s	64
American Sugar	112	Mining Shares—	
Do pref'd	112½	Adventure	2
Bell Telephone	300½	Allouez Mining Co	1
Boston & Albany	249	Amal Copper	83⅞
Boston L	137	Atlantic	21
Boston & Maine	192	Boston & Mont	291
Chi, Bur & Q	123⅝	Butte & Boston	63
Dominion Coal	37⅞	Calumet & Hecla	724
Do pref'd	116	Centennial	16¼
Federal Steel	30⅞	Franklin	12¼
Do pref'd	63⅝	Humboldt	50
Fitchburg pfd	133	Osceola	59

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Money on call, easy at 1½@1¾. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange, easy, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 86¾@4 86⅞ for demand and at $4 84⅞@4 85½ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4 85½@4 88. Commercial bills, $4 83½@4 83¾. Silver certificates, 60@61c. Bar silver, 60¼c. Mexican dollars, 47¾c. Bonds—State, inactive; Government, easy; railroad, heavy.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—To-day's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $149,396,883; gold, $68,956,519.

London Market.

NEW YORK, June 20.—The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were improved to-day by the better Chinese news and the encouraging report from Lord Roberts. American stocks were unsteady and featureless, closing slightly better than the worst. Discounts were barely steady. Call money was practically unlendable. Time loans were made at from 1¼ to 1½. The Bank of England sold £146,000 in German coin and £7000 for export to a destination not named. Some French coin is expected to go to-morrow.

CLOSING.

LONDON, June 20.—Atchison, 25⅝; Canadian Pacific, 93¼; Union Pacific preferred, 74¼; Northern Pacific preferred, 74⅝; Grand Trunk, 6⅞; Anaconda, 8⅛; Rand Mines, 40⅛. Bar silver, steady, 27¾.

New York Grain and Produce.

NEW YORK, June 20.—FLOUR—Receipts, 22,700 barrels; exports, 365; unsettled and 15@20c higher again, with demand increasing. Minnesota patents, $4 25@4 60; winter patents, $4@4 25; winter straits, $3 70@3 90; winter extras, $2 70@3 10; winter grades, $2 65@2 75.

WHEAT—Receipts, 63,800; spot dull. No. 2 red, 91c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 88c elevator. Options opened strong and unsettled with a very good local and outside demand, influenced by unexpected distortion in English cables and hot weather in the Northwest. Foreign houses traded on behalf of both sides. Speculative activity and bullishness continued all day, winding up with an excited demand from shorts at 4@4½c net advance and top for the day. July, 83¼@86c, closed, 86c; September, 86¼@87½c, closed 87c; December, 84⅝@88¼c, closed 88c.

HOPS—Quiet.

HIDES—Firm.

WOOL—Dull.

COFFEE—Spot, steady; the market for futures closed firm, with price net unchanged to 10 points higher; sales, 13,500 bags, including: July, $7 05@7 10; September, $7 20@7 35; November, $7 15@7 30; December, $7 35@7 45; January, $7 45.

SUGAR—Raw and refined, firm.

BUTTER—Steady. Creamery extras, 14@19c; factory, 12½@16c.

EGGS—Firm. Western, loss off, 14@15c; Western ungraded, 10@12½c.

DRIED FRUIT.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Evaporated apples exhibited a steady undertone on good country advices and in the absence of sellers prices have remained unchanged. California dried fruits continue inactive and nominal.

STATE EVAPORATED APPLES—Common, 4½@5c; prime, 5⅝@6c; choice, 6⅝@7c; fancy, 7½@8c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED PRUNES—3½@7c per pound, as to size and quality.

APRICOTS—Royal, 12½@14c; Moorpark, 15@18c.

PEACHES—Peeled, 16@20c; unpeeled, 6@9c.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, June 20.—Drought has ruined half the crop of wheat of the fruitful Northwest and now excessive heat, according to to-day's dispatches, is burning up the remainder. A message from the unfortunate part of the country said that the temperature was 100 degrees in places. If any additional stimulus were needed to cause the continuance of general and heavy buying of wheat it was found in the news mentioned. The market started the session with a good advance over yesterday and kept on advancing to the close. Throughout the day Northwestern crops were gloomy to an extreme degree. The loss now will be nearly 90 per cent. July opened 1¼@1⅝c over yesterday at 78⅞@79¼c, and after a dip to 78¾c near the opening, advanced slowly but surely to 81⅝c, at which it closed, a price 2¾c over yesterday. The Northwest was a heavy buyer, but at that it could not be said to have led the demand. The demand came from everywhere apparently; 100,000-bushel lots offered by fortunate possessors for profit were gobbled up like a peck of potatoes and the statisticians on the board nearly lost their wits trying to keep track of a market which had gotten far out of ordinary bounds. Outside markets advanced, those in the Northwest shooting up even faster than Chicago, thus furnishing to the local people additional impulse. The cash business was curtailed by the sky-rocketing of futures. The dips during the day were inconsequential generally. During the forenoon, July having jumped to 79¾c, sold off to 78¾c under liquidation by longs, but following that the dips were too small to be noticeable in such a large market. The total of to-day's trading was estimated at 30,000,000 bushels.

Good general buying of corn resulted from the wheat strength, that market ruling strong through the session. July closed at the top, 1⅜c over yesterday.

Oats were active and strong, helped by the advance in wheat. July gained 1c over yesterday.

Provisions speculators were calm in the midst of the surrounding excitement; but were in accord with the general improvements sufficiently to advance the market a bit. July pork closed 7½c up and lard and ribs each gained 5c.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
June	....	....	....	80⅝
July	79¼	81⅝	78¾	81⅜
August	80⅝	82⅝	79¾	82¼
Corn No. 2—				
June	40⅛	41¼	40	41¼
July	40⅛	41⅛	40	41⅛
August	40⅝	41⅝	40⅝	41⅝
Oats No. 2—				
June	23¼	24⅛	23¼	24⅛
July	23¼	24⅛	23¼	24⅛
August	23¼	24⅛	23⅛	24⅛
Mess Pork, per barrel—				
July	11 45	11 57½	11 45	11 55
September	11 60	11 77½	11 60	11 72½
Lard, per 100 pounds—				
July	6 60	6 67½	6 60	6 67½
September	6 70	6 80	6 70	6 77½
October	6 75	6 80	6 75	6 80
Short Ribs, per 100 pounds—				
July	6 65	6 72½	6 65	6 72½
September	6 70	6 80	6 70	6 80

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, firm; No. 3 spring wheat, 75@78c; No. 2 red, 81½c; No. 2 corn, 40⅝@41¼c; No. 2 yellow, 41¼@41⅝c; No. 2 oats, 24@24¼c; No. 2 white, 26½@27c; No. 3 white, 25⅝@26½c; No. 2 rye, 58c; good feeding barley, 38@40c; fair to choice malting, 41@44c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 80; No. 1 Northwestern, $1 80; prime timothy seed, $2 60; mess pork, per barrel, $10 40@11 55; lard, per 100 pounds, $6 55@6 67½; short ribs sides (loose), $6 55@6 85; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 6½@6⅞c; short clear sides (boxed), $7 15@7 25; whisky, basis of high wines, $1 23. Sugars—Cut loaf, 6.48c; granulated, 5.52c; confectioners' A, 5.88c. Clover, contract grade, $8.

Articles—	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	20,000	7,000
Wheat, bushels	128,000	20,000
Corn, bushels	761,000	100,000
Oats, bushels	448,000	239,000
Rye, bushels	20,000	1,000
Barley, bushels	19,000	3,000

On the Produce Exchange the butter market was firm: creamery, 14@19c; dairy, 13@16½c. Cheese, steady; 8½@9½c. Eggs, slow; fresh, 10c.

Foreign Futures.

LIVERPOOL.

Wheat—	July.	Sept.
Opening	6 1½	6 1¾
Closing	6 2¼	6 2¾

PARIS.

Wheat—	June.	Sept.-Dec.
Opening	20 55	21 95
Closing	20 60	22 00
Flour—		
Opening	27 80	28 90
Closing	27 85	29 00

Available Grain Supply.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Special cable and telegraphic communications to Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supplies from the last account: Wheat—United States and Canada, east of the Rockies (Liverpool Corn Trade News), increase 117,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, increase 1,600,000 bushels. Total supply, increase, 1,717,000 bushels. Corn—United States and Canada, east of Rockies, increase 312,000 bushels. The aggregate stock of wheat held at Portland, Or., and Tacoma and Seattle, Wash., decreased 26,000 bushels last week.

California Fruit Sales.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Porter Bros. Company's sales of California fruit: Prunes—Tragedy, $1 45@2 10, single crates; Simoni, $1 50@1 85. Plums—Burbank, 65c@$2 30, single crates; Red June, 75c@$1 65; Peach, $1 50; Abundance, 55c@$1 50; Hattonkin, $1 40; other varieties, 40c@$1 05. Figs—Black, $1 55 box. Apricots—Montgamets, $1 65, single crates; Royals, 60c@$1 40. Pears—Clapp's Favorite, $1 60, half boxes. Cherries—Royal Anne, 50c@$1 25; Tartarians, 30c@$1 05; Bigarreau, 35@85c; Republican, 65@80c; Centennial, 70c. Peaches—Hale's Early, 20c@$1; Alexander, 30@85c.

Earl Fruit Company sales: Apricots—Sparks' Mammoth, $1 10@1 15, single crates, Royals, 75c@$1 35. Peaches—Alexanders, 45c@$1 10, boxes; Eulatis, 80c@85c. Plums—Clymans, 40c@$1 40, single crates. Prunes—Tragedy, $1 55@2 20, single crates. Cherries—Royal Anne, 70c@$1 45, boxes. Eleven cars of fruit sold to-day.

CHICAGO, June 20.—Earl Fruit Company's sales of California fruit:

Apricots—Royals, $1 30@1 40, single crates. Plums—Burbanks averaged $1 67, single crates; Clymans, 85c@$1. Prunes—Tragedy averaged $2, single crates.

Porter Bros.' Company sales: Prunes—Tragedy, $2 10@2 55; Simoni, $1 45. Plums—Burbanks, $1@1 75; Yosabe, $1 25@1 65; Abundance, $1 10@1 60; Royal Hative, 90c@$1 25; Clymans, 85c@$1 05; Cherries, 65@90c. Apricots—Moorpark, $1 55; Montgamet, $1 55; Royal, $1 15@1 40. Peaches—Alexander, $1 10@1 30. Cherries—Royal Anne, 40c@$1 30; Tartarians, 50c@$1 30; Republicans, 65c@$1 10; Bigarreau, 70c@$1; Centennial, 25c. Five cars of fruit sold to-day.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, June 20.—CATTLE—Receipts, 15,000. Steers slow to 10c lower, butchers' stock weak to 10c lower. Natives, best on sale today, three carloads at $5 75; good to prime steers, $5 10@5 75; poor to medium, $4 50@5 60; selected feeders, steady to weak, $4 10@4 85; mixed stockers, 10c lower, $3 40@4; cows and heifers, $3@5 15; canners, $2 40@3; bulls, $3@4 25; calves, $5@6 50. Texans—Receipts, 1100; best on sale to-day, one carload at $5; Texas feeders, $4 50@5 20; grassers, $3 60@4 25; bulls, $3@4 50.

HOGS—Receipts, 32,000; to-morrow, 25,000. Ten cents lower, closing weak. Top, $5 22½; mixed and butchers, $5@5 22½; heavy, $5@5 22½; light, $5@5 22½.

SHEEP—Receipts, 16,000. Sheep, best steady, others 10c lower; wethers, $3 75@5 15; Western sheep, $4 40@6; yearlings, $5 25@5 75; Western lambs, $6@6 50; Colorado clipped lambs, $7; spring lambs, $5@7 25.

Wheat Speculation in New York.

NEW YORK, June 20.—The bulls again obtained control of the wheat market this morning and squeezed shorts on the early curb to the extent of practically 2c a bushel. July selling up to 83⅞c to 83¾c after the official start. It had an extremely nervous market, with transactions on a big scale and bad crop news, together with unexpected strong English cables, the principal argument in favor of advancing prices. The pit was in a fever of excitement all the forenoon, prices shifting constantly over a wide range, accordingly as bulls or bears obtained the upper hand temporarily. The cry of dollar wheat has cropped up in some quarters, but the best talent regards such a price as very extreme under present circumstances. Operations during the forenoon reached a total of about 5,000,000 bushels. Speculators' excitement was continued throughout the entire afternoon, with a strong advance in prices, July selling up to 86c near the close, representing 4c advance for the day and 14c advance the past two weeks. The December option was even stronger, showing 4½c net advance. The market closed in a burst of excitement at the top notch for the session and year. Transactions altogether amounted to about 7,000,000 bushels.

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, June 20.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say to-morrow:

The past week has been a very dull and unsatisfactory one in the wool market. At no time this year, in fact, has the dullness been more intensified that it has been during our last review. Reports from manufacturing centers are not of an altogether encouraging nature, and in some sections some mills are reported as running at reduced time. Consumers will purchase only very sparingly of wool, as they feel uncertain as to the opening of the lightweight season and the London wool sales, the two events that are anxiously awaited. In the meantime wools continue very firm in the territories and growers and buyers are apart.

New York Metal Market.

NEW YORK, June 20.—The market for metals ruled very weak in sympathy with the continued favorable advices from abroad. Trading, however, was not active. Pigiron warrants were nominally quoted at $14 25 and very weak in tone. Tin was a shade easier at $30. Lead continues unsettled on the basis of $3 72½@3 77½. Spelter ruled weak and somewhat lower at $4 15@4 20 under an increase in receipts. Lake copper was dull and unchanged at $16 50. The brokers' price for lead was $3 60 and for copper $16 50.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, June 20.—Anticipation of strong Liverpool cables in the morning and fears of another batch of bad crop news prevented a bull reaction in the cotton market. The market closed steady at a net advance of 16 to 50 points, as against the greatest advance of 36 to 47 points. Speculation was the heaviest on record, the total sales reaching over 1,000,000 bales, the greater portion of which changed hands in the last two hours.

Portland's Business.

PORTLAND, June 20.—Clearings, $318,654; balances, $40,286.

Northern Wheat Market.

OREGON.

PORTLAND, June 20.—The wheat market is steady but the advance has been checked by increasing freight rates. Walla Walla, 56c; Valley, 55@56c; Blue Stem, 58c.

Cleared—German ship Nesala, for Queenstown, with 100,383 bushels of wheat.

WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, June 20.—Wheat, 1½c higher; Blue Stem, 58½c; Club, 56½c, both for export.

Foreign Markets.

LONDON, June 20.—Consols, 100 15-16@101 1-16. Silver, 27¾d. French Rentes, 99f 92½c@100f.

Cargoes on passage, quiet and steady; cargoes No. 1 Standard California, 30s 1½d; cargoes Walla Walla, 29s 3d; English country markets, partially 6d dearer.

LIVERPOOL, June 20.—Wheat, firm; No. 1 Standard California, 6s 3d@6s 4d; wheat in Paris, dull; flour in Paris, dull; French country markets, steady.

COTTON—Uplands, 5 1-32d.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Exchange and Bullion.

Sterling Exchange, sixty days	—	$4 85½
Sterling Exchange, sight	—	4 88¼
Sterling Cables	—	4 89
New York Exchange, sight	—	10
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	12½
Fine Silver, per ounce	—	60¼
Mexican Dollars	48½	49

Wheat and Other Grains.

WHEAT—Liverpool and Paris futures were both lower.

Two sets of market reports, each opposing the other, are being received here every day. One is from Chicago, and is very bullish, pointing out the deplorable condition of the crop in the Northwest; the other is from London, and points out the fine condition of the European crop. The latter is evidently intended to counteract the influence of the former. It reported yesterday that the crops in Southwestern Russia had been greatly benefited by rains, and general rains in Great Britain during the past fortnight had been very beneficial to spring wheat sections. But according to the Mark Lane Express, the spring wheat has a thin stand and the yield is doubtful.

The Chicago report stated that the opening of the session was wild, with general and heavy buying. Wires from Minneapolis reported no change in the situation. Most territory continues to deteriorate daily and the weekly Government bulletins confirm private reports. The market advanced from 77⅝c@81¾.

This market advanced in sympathy with Chicago, the rise on call being marked.

Spot Wheat—Shipping, $1 01¼@1 02½; milling, $1 05@1 07½ per ctl.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—December—32,000 ctls, $1 11; 4000, $1 11¼; 16,000, $1 10⅞; 32,000, $1 10¾; 2000, $1 10⅝; 6000, $1 10½.

Second Session—December—4000 ctls, $1 10⅛; 12,000, $1 10⅝; 20,000, $1 10¾.

Regular Morning Session—December — 12,000 ctls, $1.12; 2000, $1 11⅞; 26,000, $1 12⅛; 20,000, $1 12¼.

Afternoon Session—December — 24,000 ctls, $1 13⅝; 8000, $1 13½; 22,000, $1 13¾; 38,000, $1 14; 26,000, $1 13⅞. May—2000, $1 20.

BARLEY—The continued rise in wheat has its effect on this cereal, and while there is no advance, holders have more confidence and insist on full figures.

Feed, 67½@70c for No. 1 and 62½@65c for off grades; Brewing and shipping grades, 75@80c; Chevalier nominal.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—December—2000 ctls, 70⅝c; 4000, 70⅝c.

Second Session—December—6000 ctls, 70½c.

Regular Morning Session—December—2000 ctls, 70½c.

Afternoon Session—No sales.

OATS—Trade is dull and there is nothing new to report.

White, $1 10@1 30; Surprise, $1 22½@1 25; Red, $1 10@1 20; Gray, $1 07½@1 15; Black, $1@1 07½ per ctl.

CORN—Eastern large Yellow, $1 15@1 17½ per ctl; Eastern White, $1 15@1 17½ per ctl; Mixed, $