COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS

SUMMARY OF THE MARKETS.

Exchange and Silver about the same.
Wheat and Barley lower. Other cereals quiet.
Hay and Feedstuffs unchanged. Beans and Seeds quiet.
Potatoes, Onions and Vegetables in large supply.
Butter, Cheese and Eggs steady.
Poultry in more moderate supply.
Prunes likely to be very small this year.
Provisions dull, but firmly held.
Wool, Hops and Hides as previously quoted.
Shortage in the Salmon pack this year.
Quicksilver quoted at a decline.
Nothing new in the Meat market.

Charters.

The Kinross-shire loads wheat or barley, or both, for Europe, 38s 3d; the Wallace B. Flint, merchandise for Honolulu.

Wheat Shipment.

The French bark Marechal Davout cleared yesterday for Queenstown for orders with 56,439 ctls barley, valued at $53,600; 11,300 ctls wheat, valued at $11,800, and 15,000 feet lumber dunnage, value $225. Total value, $65,625.

Quicksilver Trade.

Receipts of Quicksilver at this port during the first seven months of the year amounted to 12,575 flasks, against 13,463 during the same time last year. The exports by sea during this period were 4885 flasks, valued at $232,348, against 6782 flasks at $264,100 last year.

Exports of Wheat and Flour.

Exports of Flour from this port by sea during the first seven months of the year were 730,840 bbls, against 608,650 during the same time in 1899. Reducing this Flour to a Wheat basis and adding it to the exported Wheat gives total Wheat exports for the seven months of 7,832,000 ctls, valued at $8,378,300, against 3,445,-000 ctls at $3,941,700 last year.

Weather Report.

(120th Meridian—Pacific Time.)
SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—6 p. m.

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

Eureka	69	Los Angeles	76
Mount Tamalpais	74	Sacramento	86
Independence	84	San Luis Obispo	70
Red Bluff	96	San Diego	65
Fresno	93		

San Francisco data: Maximum temperature, 61; minimum, 52; mean, 56.

WEATHER CONDITIONS AND GENERAL FORECAST.

The pressure has fallen rapidly along the coast. An area of low pressure is developing in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. Heavy rain is reported in the mountains of Arizona and conditions are favorable for heavy showers and possibly washouts throughout Arizona and along the Mexican border.

A storm of the Sonora type is apparently working northwestward and will probably cross the valley of the Colorado, and move upward throughout Southeastern California.

Rain is falling at Flagstaff and also at Astoria.

The temperature has risen over Northern California and Nevada. There has been a marked fall in Arizona and Southern Utah. A thunder storm is reported at Flagstaff and .44 rainfall.

Forecast made at San Francisco for thirty hours, ending midnight, August 18, 1900:

Northern California — Cloudy, unsettled weather Saturday; warmer in the interior; fresh westerly winds.

Southern California—Cloudy Saturday, with rain in the mountains; warmer; brisk southwest winds.

Nevada—Cloudy Saturday; warmer in northern portion.

Utah—Cloudy Saturday; probably rain; warmer in southern portion.

Arizona—Rain Saturday; warmer.

San Francisco and vicinity—Cloudy Saturday; fresh northwest wind.

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EASTERN MARKETS.

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—If any expectation had been entertained that the rescue of the foreign Ministers in China would arouse speculative enthusiasm Wall street's reception of the news was disappointing. In fact the speculation was more sluggish than at any time this week and the tendency until the last hour reactionary. This proved that the event had been fully discounted. There was a conflict at the opening to determine the market's tendency, in which the bears soon obtained the upper hand. In consequence there was a general sagging of prices, but in no case did the fall reach a point in th railroad list. The most effective selling was in the steel stocks, the group being affected by reports of trade conflicts and expected cuts in products. The important movement of the day centered in Brooklyn Transit and Consolidated Gas. Both stocks, after momentary weakness, started upward and ended with good gains. No definite news accounted for the weakness in the railroad list, but the opinion prevailed that the profit-taking was primarily responsible. In the late dealings an evening up of contracts was effective in wiping out much of the day's losses.

The bond market showed a reactionary tendency to-day, which is most pronounced in issues known as semi-speculative. Total sales, par value, $670,000.

United States 3s declined ½ and the old 4s ¼ per cent in the bid price.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Sales	Stocks—	Closing Bid.
5,547	Atchison	27⅝
7,000	Atchison pref	76⅞
5,255	Baltimore & Ohio	71½
.....	Canadian Pacific	89½
600	Canada Southern	49¾
700	Chesapeake & Ohio	27½
400	Chicago Great Western	5¼
4,205	Chicago Burlington & Quincy	127¼
200	Chicago Indianapolis & Louisville	21
.....	Chicago Indianapolis & Louis pref	53
.....	Chicago & Eastern Illinois	96¼
300	Chicago & Northwestern	162½
625	Chicago Rock Island & Pacific	107¼
500	C C C & St Louis	59¼
.....	Colorado Southern	6¼
.....	Colorado Southern 1st pref	42
.....	Colorado Southern 2d pref	16
135	Delaware & Hudson	112
.....	Delaware Lackawanna & Western	177
100	Denver & Rio Grande	18¾
210	Denver & Rio Grande pref	67
120	Erie	16¾
110	Erie 1st pref	33¾
.....	Great Northern pref	152½
100	Hocking Coal	15½
150	Hocking Valley	24⅝
475	Illinois Central	117
100	Iowa Central	18½
.....	Iowa Central pref	42
.....	Kansas City Pittsburg & Gulf	15¾
.....	Lake Erie & Western	28
.....	Lake Erie & Western pref	92
.....	Lake Shore	205
2,100	Louisville & Nashville	72¾
3,000	Manhattan L	91½
350	Metropolitan Street Railway	155
120	Mexican Central	11¾
100	Minneapolis & St Louis	55
100	Minneapolis & St Louis pref	93
2,400	Missouri Pacific	51¾
.....	Mobile & Ohio	37½
.....	Missouri Kansas & Texas	6¾
200	Missouri, Kansas & Texas pref	21
1,450	New Jersey Central	134½
500	New York Central	139¾
240	Norfolk & Western	34¼
.....	Norfolk & Western pref	74¾
2,410	Northern Pacific	51½
600	Northern Pacific pref	71¾
100	Ontario & Western	21¾
.....	Oregon Railway & Navigation	30
.....	Oregon Railway & Navigation pfd	76
2,170	Pennsylvania	129¼
200	Reading	17
2,400	Reading 1st pref	59¾
200	Reading 2d pref	28¾
200	Rio Grande Western	39½
.....	Rio Grande Western pref	90
.....	St Louis & San Francisco	9¾
.....	St Louis & San Francisco 1st pfd	66
.....	St Louis & San Francisco 2d pfd	34¾
250	St Louis Southwestern	11¾
700	St Louis Southwestern pref	28
8,700	St Paul	114¼
.....	St Paul pref	171
.....	St Paul & Omaha	134
1,860	Southern Pacific	33
350	Southern Railway	11⅛
310	Southern Railway pref	52⅝
.....	Texas & Pacific	14¼
5,470	Union Pacific	59½
2,070	Union Pacific pref	76
.....	Wabash	7¼
620	Wabash pref	18½
.....	Wheeling & Lake Erie	8¾
700	Wheeling & Lake Erie 2d pref	23¾
400	Wisconsin Central	14⅝
140	Third Avenue	110
	Express Companies—	
.....	Adams	124
.....	American	154
.....	United States	45
.....	Wells Fargo	124
	Miscellaneous—	
.....	American Cotton Oil	33
.....	American Cotton Oil pref	88¼
750	American Malting	4¾
.....	American Malting pref	23½
2,000	American Smelting & Refining	37½
425	American Smelting & Refining pref	83
.....	American Spirits	11½
.....	American Spirits pref	17
300	American Steel Hoop	19½
450	American Steel Hoop pref	67
6,400	American Steel & Wire	34¾
200	American Steel & Wire pref	74½
2,500	American Tin Plate	26
.....	American Tin Plate pref	75
3,220	American Tobacco	93¾
.....	American Tobacco pref	128
500	Anaconda Mining Co	45¾
13,100	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	58¾
570	Colorado Fuel & Iron	35¾
2,250	Consolidated Tobacco	2⅞
100	Continental Tobacco pref	78
5,420	Federal Steel	34¾
100	Federal Steel pref	67
400	General Electric	136
.....	Glucose Sugar, ex div	51½
.....	Glucose Sugar pref, ex div	97¾
.....	International paper	23
.....	International Paper pref	66
400	Lacledde Gas	74½
420	National Biscuit	31
.....	National Biscuit pref	87
600	National Lead	17½
.....	National Lead pref	90½
850	National Steel	36½
800	National Steel pref	84⅛
.....	New York Air Brake	184
400	North American	15
700	Pacific Coast	55
.....	Pacific Coast 1st pref	86
200	Pacific Coast 2d pref	64
800	Pacific Mail	31¾
900	People's Gas	98⅝
.....	Pressed Steel Car	40
200	Pressed Steel Car pref	72
100	Pullman Palace Car	187
.....	Standard Rope & Twine	5¼
6,200	Sugar	124⅝
1,900	Sugar pref	116
1,320	Tennessee Coal & Iron	70¾
.....	United States Leather	10¾
700	United States Leather pref	68¼
100	United States Rubber	30¾
.....	United States Rubber pref	94
575	Western Union	80⅛
225	Republic Iron & Steel Co	11¼
.....	Republic Iron & Steel Co pref	53
.....	P C C & St Louis	54¼

147,000 Shares sold.

CLOSING BONDS.

U S ref 2s, when issued, reg	104	M K & T 2ds	66¾
Do coupon	104	Do 4s	92½
U S 2s reg	100	N Y C lsts	106½
Do 3s reg	109	N J C gen 5s	121¾
Do 3s coupon	109	N Pacific 3s	65½
Do new 4s reg	132½	Do 4s	103¾
Do new 4s coup	132½	N Y C & St L 4s	107½
Do old 4s reg	115	N & W con 4s	97⅞
Do old 4s coup	115¼	Or Nav 1sts	109
Do 5s reg	112½	Do 4s	102¼
Do 5s coupon	112½	Or Short Line 6s	126
Dist of Col 3.65s	122	Do con 5s	112
Atchison gen 4s	109⅞	Reading gen 4s	87⅞
Do adj 4s	85¼	R G W 1sts	38
Canada So 2ds	105	St L & I M con 5s	110⅝
Ches & Ohio 4½s	99¾	St L & S F gen 6s	121¾
Do 5s	116¾	St Paul cons	167
Chi & N con 7s	139	St P C & P 1sts	118
Do S F deb 5s	120¼	Do 5s	119
Chicago term 4s	92⅝	So Pacific 4s	78½
Colo So 4s	82	So Railway 5s	108⅝
D & R G 1sts	102	Stand R & T 6s	68
Do 4s	97¾	Tex & Pac 1sts	111¾
Erie gen 4s	68⅝	Do 2ds	56
F W & D C 1sts	72	U Pacific 4s	105⅝
Gen Electric 5s	115½	Wabash 1sts	117½
Iowa Cent 1sts	113¼	Do 2ds	101¾
K C P & G 1sts	68	West Shore 4s	111¼
L & N uni 4s	98⅝	Wis Cent 1sts	89
		Va Centuries	90

MINING STOCKS.

Chollar	16	Ontario	6 00
Crown Point	12	Ophir	50
Con Cal & Va	1 25	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	45	Quicksilver	1 50
Gould & Curry	12	Do pref	6 50
Hale & Norcross	15	Sierra Nevada	33
Homestake	55 00	Standard	3 75
Iron Silver	50	Union Con	17
Mexican	24	Yellow Jacket	20

BOSTON STOCKS AND BONDS.

Money—		Union Pacific	59
Call loans	2@3	West End	93
Time loans	3@4½	Westinghse Elec	45½
Stocks—		Wis Central	14⅝
Atch T & St Fe	27⅝	Bonds—	
Do pref	76¾	Atchison 4s	99
American Sugar	124½	N E Gas & C 5s	64
Do pref	116	Mining Shares—	
Amer Telephone	142	Adventure	2¾
Boston & Albany	250	Allouez Min Co	1¼
Boston Elevated	144	Amalg Copper	88½
Boston & Maine	188	Atlantic	22½
Chi B & Q	126¼	Boston & Montana	318
Dominion Coal	46¾	Butte & Boston	61
Do pref	118½	Calumet & Hecla	750
Federal Steel	34½	Centennial	17¾
Do pref	66½	Franklin	13½
Fitchburg pref	137	Humboldt	22
Gen Electric	135¼	Osceola	67
Do pref	139	Parrot	43
Ed Elec Ill	205	Quincy	140
Mexican Central	11¾	St Ev Copper	4¾
Mich Telephone	85	Tamarack	209
N E Gas & Coke	14½	Utah Mining	31
Old Colony	204	Winona	3
Rubber	30½	Wolverines	40¼

Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at principal cities for the week ended August 16, 1900, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week of last year:

Cities—	Amount.	Percentages. Inc.	Dec.
New York	$700,697,888	....	34.0
Boston	100,863,859	....	16.0
Chicago	118,191,587	1.9	....
Philadelphia	71,142,541	....	21.0
St. Louis	32,985,550	9.6	....
Pittsburg	27,745,920	31.6	....
Baltimore	15,509,794	....	9.9
San Francisco	21,954,185	4.0	....
Cincinnati	14,022,150	2.9	....
Kansas City	17,567,001	38.8	....
New Orleans	6,362,706	....	6.3
Minneapolis	9,543,762	9.8	....
Detroit	11,126,423	14.2	....
Cleveland	10,063,937	....	2.3
Louisville	6,453,535	....	8.4
Providence	5,650,700	....	2.6
Milwaukee	5,109,859	.5	....
St. Paul	4,119,392	4.6	....
Buffalo	5,041,582	17.3	....
Omaha	6,224,829	7.2	....
Indianapolis	5,913,829	7.7	....
Columbus, O	4,869,400	17.1	....
Savannah	2,854,809	33.1	....
Denver	4,173,037	27.8	....
Hartford	1,884,736	21.6	....
Richmond	3,065,031	....	8.1
Memphis	1,591,759	9.6	....
Washington	2,071,384	9.0	....
Peoria	1,923,099	5.0	....
Rochester	1,734,392	....	....
New Haven	1,385,424	....	18.3
Worcester	1,620,698	....	10.4
Atlanta	1,357,268	14.6	....
Salt Lake City	2,123,998	7.7	....
Springfield, Mass	1,319,341	4.5	....
Fort Worth	1,871,592	....	....
Portland, Me	1,069,165	....	55.2
Portland, Or	1,790,868	13.5	....
St. Joseph	3,885,153	7.7	....
Los Angeles	2,267,675	28.6	....
Norfolk	1,105,380	2.6	....
Syracuse	981,158	....	4.6
Des Moines	1,150,405	....	1.7
Nashville	1,138,142	19.0	....
Wilmington, Del	1,061,885	....	9.8
Dall Galver	534,606	....	11.2
Scranton	882,200	....	23.5
Grand Rapids	1,201,426	....	....
Augusta, Ga	580,125	....	15.0
Lowell	504,282	....	....
Dayton, O	935,690	....	5.6
Seattle	2,552,871	....	16.3
Tacoma	1,169,941	....	18.8
Spokane	964,576	....	24.7
Sioux City	995,712	33.3	....

Dun's Review of Trade.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade to-morrow will say: After a great wave of advancing prices optimism as to business is generally dangerous. But the top was reached the middle of March, since which time reaction has come in every great industry, so that consumers are asking whether in some directions the decline may not have been reasonably large, as was the advance, and whether buying on the present basis of prices is not fairly sure. There are fresh evidences of weakness in raw materials, notably the break in structural iron, but each one is availed of to place heavy contracts. New York is welcoming buyers from all over the country in larger numbers than for many years at this season in dry goods, in groceries, in jewelry and in hardware, and if contracts are not placed to as large a volume as expected it is because of the conservatism of those who think they may compel some further shading of prices. Reports this week from other important points of distribution show the same eagerness to buy when the time seems right. It is becoming more apparent that the bottom has been reached in prices of iron and steel. The decline was severe and recovery must be slow, but gradual advances and moderately increasing activity are more healthy than violent changes. In no single division is the improvement more striking than in any other. Except steel rails all forms of iron from the ore to the finished product are being sought more eagerly and with less effort to secure further concessions in prices.

The first effect of the official report of wheat conditions, indicating a total crop of only 513,997,000 bushels, was to strengthen prices, but when the Secretary of Agriculture was reported as predicting "dollar wheat" before the end of the year the market showed an inclination to disagree and the September option fell below 80c at New York for the first time in two months.

Failures for the week were 161 in the United States, against 156 last year, and 24 in Canada, against 24 last year.

New York Grain and Produce.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—FLOUR—Receipts, 42,638 barrels; exports, 5028; quiet, weak and a shade lower on spring patents.

WHEAT—Receipts, 107,925; spot, weak; No. 2 red, 79¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 77¼c elevator; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 82½c f. o. b. afloat to arrive; No. 1 hard Duluth, 84½c f. o. b. afloat to arrive. Options reflected continued bearishness of sentiment, with liquidation again the feature, inspired by more liberal country offerings of new wheat, very small seaboard clearances, weakness abroad and scant export inquiry. Closed weak at ½@⅝c net decline; September, 78⅛@78⅞c, closed at 78¾c; December, 80 3-16@80⅝c, closed at 80⅛c.

HOPS—Quiet.

HIDES—Firm.

WOOL—Dull.

COFFEE—Spot Rio, barely steady; No. 7 invoice, 8⅞c; mild, market quiet; Cordova, nominal. Futures closed steady at net unchanged prices to 5 points advance; total sales, 27,750 bags, including November, $7 65@7 70; December, $7 75@7 80; January, $7 80; February, $7 80@7 85.

SUGAR—Raw, firm; refined, firm.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4652 packages; firm; creamery, 17½@21c; current packed factory, 14@16c.

EGGS—Receipts, 4060 packages; firm; Western regular packing, at mark, 16@14c; Western, loss off, 15@16c.

DRIED FRUITS.

The market for evaporated apples continues quiet, but about steady, with nominally unchanged prices. California dried fruits were dull and unchanged at 3½@7c per pound for prunes as to size and quality.

STATE EVAPORATED APPLES—Common was quoted from 3c to 5c; prime, 4¾@5¼c; choice, 5½@6c; fancy, 6¾@7c.

APRICOTS—Royal, 11@14c; Moorpark, 12@17c

PEACHES—Peeled, 14@18c; unpeeled, 6@9c.

Chicago Grain Market.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Wheat opened weak, unchanged to ¼c lower, September at 73¾@73½c. A ray of bullishness was extracted from lighter Argentine shipments and the fact that Liverpool showed less decline than there was here yesterday. September followed the opening advance to 73⅝c, but failed to hold it. The habit of liquidation had a hold on local traders as well as on some outside people. Western receipts were small, but the selling continued in a dreary way, the cash demand was slack, the pit only half filled and September gradually declined to 72⅞c and closed ¾@⅞c under yesterday at 72¾@73c.

Corn was quiet, but firm. Kansas still had hot weather, which the experts used as a basis for damage claims. September closed ¼c higher at 39½c.

Oats were quiet and dull. September closed ⅛c lower at 21¾@21⅞c.

Provisions were dull, with unexpected weakness developing in the market during the session. Ribs, on the other hand, were rather steady. Local selling of January products was the feature of the market. September pork closed 30c lower, lard 5@7½c lower and ribs unchanged.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat No. 2—				
August	73	73½	72⅝	72⅝
September	73¾	73⅞	72⅞	73
October	74⅝	75⅛	73¾	73⅞
Corn No. 2—				
August	39⅞	39⅞	39⅜	39¾
September	39⅛	39½	39	39⅛
October	37½	37¾	37⅜	37½
Oats No. 2—				
August	21½	21⅝	21⅜	21½
September	22	22	21¾	21⅞
October	22¼	22¼	22⅛	22¼
Mess Pork, per bbl—				
September	11 40	11 40	11 00	11 00
October	11 45	11 45	11 00	11 05
January	11 07½	11 07½	10 95	10 95
Lard, per 100 lbs—				
September	6 67½	6 67½	6 57½	6 60
October	6 70	6 72½	6 60	6 62½
January	6 42½	6 42½	6 30	6 35
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs—				
September	6 85	6 85	6 80	6 85
October	6 80	6 80	6 77½	6 80
January	5 75	5 77½	5 70	5 70

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour, steady; No. 3 spring wheat, 72¼@73c; No. 2 red, 75@76¾c; No. 2 corn, 39½c; No. 2 yellow, 39¾c; No. 2 oats, 22¼@22½c; No. 2 white, 24½@26½c; No. 3 white, 24@24½c; No. 2 rye, 51½c; good feeding barley, 39½c; fair to choice malting, 44@48c; No. 1 flax seed, $1 40; No. 1 Northwestern, $1 41; mess pork, per bbl, $11@11 05; lard, per 100 lbs, $6 60@6 62½; short-rib sides (loose), $6 75@7 10; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 6⅝@6¾c; short clear sides (boxed), $7 25@7 55; whiskey, basis of high wines, $1 23½; sugars, cut loaf, 6.85c; granulated, 6.33c; confectioners' A, 6.28c; off A, 6.13c; clover, contract grade, $8 75@9.

Articles—	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	12,000	7,000
Wheat, bushels	331,000	281,000
Corn, bushels	162,000	289,000
Oats, bushels	382,000	334,000
Rye, bushels	2,000	.....
Barley, bushels	14,000	4,000

On the Produce Exchange to-day the Butter market was firm; creameries, 16@20½c; dairy, 14@18c. Cheese, steady, 10@11c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 12½c.

Foreign Futures.

LIVERPOOL.

Wheat—	Sept.	Dec.
Opening	5 11½	6 0¾
Closing	5 11⅜	6 1

PARIS.

Wheat	Aug.	Nov.-Feb.
Opening	19 90	21 25
Closing	19 95	21 30
Flour—		
Opening	25 55	27 55
Closing	25 70	27 55

California Fruit Sales.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Porter Bros. Company sold California fruit to-day: Pears—Bartletts, 70c@$2 per box and 55c@$1 05 per half-box; Buerre Hardy, $1. Prunes—German, $1 35; Hungarian, 65c; Italian, $1 20; Gros, 30c @$1 05. Fallenberg, 75@95c; Silver, 75c@$1. Plums—Yellow Egg, 90c; P. D.'s, 80c; Columbia, 35@50c. Peaches—Susquehanna, $1 20; Crawfords, $1 15. Grapes—Malaga, 45c@$1 30 per single crate; Clusters, $1 20. Nectarines—$1 40 per single crate.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Porter Bros. Company sold California fruit to-day: Pears—Bartletts, $1 50@2 35 per box and 90c@$1 25 per half-box. Grapes—Tokays, $1 10@2 35 per single crate; Muscats, 50c@$1 25; Malaga, 65@75c per single crate; clusters, $1 20@1 35. Peaches—Susquehanna, 80c@$1 05; McDevitt Clings, $1; Late Crawfords, 80c@$1 05; Mary's Choice, $1; Clings, 90c; Edwards, 85c. Plums—Kelsey, 65c@$1 05; Japan, 35@50c; Imperial, 35@60c. Prunes—Gros, 80@95c; Silver, 60@70c.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—The Earl Fruit Company sales of California fruit: Pears—Bartletts, $1 08@1 56 half-boxes; Beurre Hardy, average $1 32 half-boxes. Nectarines—Average $1 92 single crates. Peaches—Susquehanna, average $1 44 box. Plums—Pond Seedlings, average $1 44 single crates; Washington, $1 44@2 10; Kelsey Japans, $2 10@2 60; Magnum Bonum, $1 44@2 16; Eureka, average, $1 20; Yellow Egg, 96c@$1 20; Grand Duke, 90c@$1 20. Prunes—Gros, $1 38@2 10; Silver, $1 56@2 16; Giant, 96c@$1 20.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Earl Fruit Company sales of California fruit: Grapes—Malagas, 65 @75c single crates. Pears—Bartletts, $1 10@2 box. Plums—Kelsey Japans, 80c@$1 05 single crates; Yellow Egg, 50@60c; Quackenbos, 80c@ $1 10; Columbia, 15@45c. Prunes—Gros, 60c@ $1 65 single crates; Italians, $1 10; Fallenberg, 80c@$1 10; German, 80@90c; Bulgarians, 65@75c; Hungarians, 60@80c. Seventeen cars fruit sold to-day.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Earl Fruit Company sales California fruit: Grapes—Malagas, 60@ 85c single crates; Tokays, $1@1 30. Pears—Bartletts, $1 40@2 05 box. Plums—Kelsey Japans, 55@90c; Bradshaw, average $1 45; Quackenbos, 50@85c. Prunes—Gros, 75c@$1 20. Thirteen cars fruit sold to-day.

Chicago Livestock Market.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2500; steers generally 10@15c lower; butchers' stock, slow and unchanged; natives, good to prime steers, $5 40@5 60; poor to medium, $4 65@5 35; selected feeders, steady, $4@4 75; mixed stockers, $3 25@3 90; cows, $2 90@4 35; heifers, $3@ 4 75; canners, $2 20@2 75; bulls, $2 70@4 50; calves, $4 50@6 75; Texas fed steers, $4 20@5; grassers, $3 25@4 10; bulls, $2 50@3 25.

HOGS—Strong to 5c higher; top, $5 40; mixed and butchers, $4 95@5 32½; good to choice heavy, $5 05@5 20; rough heavy, $4 85@5 20; light, $5 05@5 40; bulk of sales, $5 10@5 30. Receipts to-day, 18,000; to-morrow, 13,000; left over, 2700.

SHEEP—Dull; lambs, 5@15c lower; good to choice wethers, $4 10@4 30; fair to choice mixed, $3 60@4 10; Western sheep, $4@4 30; Texas sheep, $3@4; native lambs, $4 25@5 50; Western lambs, $4 75@5 75. Receipts, 7000.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The cotton market opened quiet and steady, with prices unchanged to 1 point lower, but developed a steady undertone before the close of the first hour and scored an advance of 4@6 points. Prices subsequently tumbled to last night's close. The local spot market eased off ⅛c. At the close the market was quiet and steady, with prices 1 point higher to 7 points lower.

New York Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Tin was again 5s lower in London and closed weak at the decline. This caused a similar loss in the local market with no buyers at any price. The close here was very weak at $31 30 for spot. Copper was quiet and unchanged locally, but was 5s lower abroad, on the large visible supply figures, closing at £73 10s for spot and £74 for futures. Lead was very dull and unchanged at $4 25. Spelter ruled weak and partially 5 points lower at $4 12½@4 17½. The iron and steel markets were dull, weak and unsettled and nominally unchanged. The brokers' price for lead was $4 and for copper $16 75.

Portland's Business.

PORTLAND, Or., Aug. 17.—Clearings, $340,-164; balances, $47,460.

Northern Wheat Market.

OREGON.

PORTLAND, Aug. 17.—Wheat—Walla Walla, 55c; Valley, 54@55c; Bluestem, 58c.

Cleared—Bark Bowman B. Law, Queenstown, 24,060 barrels flour.

WASHINGTON.

TACOMA, Aug. 17.—Wheat—Dull and unchanged; Bluestem, 59c; Club, 56c.

Foreign Markets.

LONDON, Aug. 17.—Consols, 98⅝@98⅞; Silver, 28 1-16d; French rentes, 100f 45c; wheat cargoes on passage, easier and neglected; No. 1 Standard California, 31s; Walla Walla, 29s 6d; English country markets, dull.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 17.—Wheat, quiet; No. 1 Standard California, 6s 3½d@6s 4d; wheat in Paris, quiet; flour in Paris, dull; French country markets, dull; weather in England, splendid.

COTTON—Uplands, 5 19-32d.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Exchange and Bullion.

Sterling Exchange, sight	—	$4 88¾
Sterling Exchange, sixty days	—	4 84¾
Sterling Cables	—	4 89
New York Exchange, sight	—	7½
New York Exchange, telegraphic	—	10
Fine Silver, per ounce	—	61
Mexican Dollars, nominal	—	48½

Wheat and Other Grains.

WHEAT—Futures continued to decline rapidly and spot quotations were also lower.

Liverpool and Paris both declined. Chicago was very quiet, with hammering by the bears. There was some commission buying and covering of shorts. It was still dry in Kansas. Argentine shipments were 800,000 bushels.

Spot Wheat—Shipping, $1 02½; Milling, $1 05 @1 07½.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—9:15 o'clock—December—6000 ctls, $1 09⅝; 16,000, $1 09¾. May—12,000, $1 14⅞.

Second Session—December—10,000 ctls, $1 09¾.

Regular Morning Session—December—4000 ctls, $1 09⅞; 24,000, $1 09; 12,000, $1 08⅞; 4000, $1 08¾; 2000, $1 08½. May—8000, $1 13½; 2000, $1 13⅝; 12,000, $1 13¼.

Afternoon Session—December—4000 ctls, $1 08¾; 4000, $1 08¼; 18,000, $1 08; 24,000, $1 07⅞.

BARLEY—The market is lower. The depreciation is due to the lower standards just fixed by the Produce Exchange, as the crop is inferior to last year's. Good feed last year would make brewing this year; hence the lower prices of the past several days.

Feed, 75c for No. 1 and 67½@72½c for off grades; Brewing and shipping grades, 80@85c; Chevalier, nominal.

CALL BOARD SALES.

Informal Session—No sales.

Second Session—December—2000 ctls, 76c; 2000, 76⅝c; 2000, 76½c; 2000, 76¾c; 2000, 77c.

Regular Morning Session—December—12,000 ctls, 75¾c; 4000, 75½c.

Afternoon Session—December—4000 ctls, 74¾c; 2000, 74⅞c; 4000, 75c.

OATS—Were quieter yesterday at unchanged prices.

White—$1 15@1 35; Surprise, $1 35@1 40; Red, $1 10@1 25; Gray, $1 12½@1 30; Black, for feed, $1 10@1 15; for seed, $1 15@1 22½ per ctl.

CORN—Continues quiet, with greatly reduced offerings.

Eastern, $1 20; California Large Yellow, $1 17½@1 20 per ctl; White, $1 17½@1 20; Small Round Yellow, $1 17½@1 20.

RYE—90@93¾c per ctl.

BUCKWHEAT—Nominal.

Flour and Millstuffs.

FLOUR—California Family Extras, $3 60@ 3 75, usual terms; Bakers' Extras, $3 40@3 50; Oregon and Washington, $2 75@3 10 per barrel for family and $3 15@3 50 for bakers'; Eastern, $4 75@5 75 per barrel.

MILLSTUFFS—Prices in sacks are as follows, equal discount to the trade: Graham Flour, $3 per 100 lbs; Rye Flour, $2 75; Rye Meal, $2 50; Rice Flour, $7; Corn Meal, $2 75; extra cream do, $3 50; Oat Groats, $4 50; Hominy, $3 50@3 75; Buckwheat Flour, $4@4 25; Cracked Wheat, $3 50; Farina, $4 50; Whole Wheat Flour, $3 25; Rolled Oats (barrels), $5 @7 25; in sacks, $5 75@7; Pearl Barley, $5; Split Peas, $5; Green Peas, $5 50 per 100 lbs.

Hay and Feedstuffs.

There was nothing new in anything yesterday. Receipts of Hay were large again.

BRAN—$12@12 50 per ton.

MIDDLINGS—$16@19 per ton.

FEEDSTUFFS—Rolled Barley, $16@17 50 per ton; Oilcake Meal at the mill, $26@27; jobbing, $27 50@28; Cocoanut Cake, $20@21; Corn Meal, $26 50; Cracked Corn, $27; Mixed Feed, $15 50@14.

HAY—Volunteer, $4 50@6 50; Wheat, $10@12; Wheat and Oat, $8 50@11 50; Oat, $8@10; Clover, $4@6; Alfalfa, $6@7 50; Barley, $6 50@8 50 per ton.

STRAW—25@40c per bale.

Beans and Seeds.

BEANS—Bayos, $2 50@2 75; Small White, $3 40 @3 60; large White, $2 60@2 80; Pink, $2 25@2 75; Red, $3 25@3 50; Blackeye, $3 50; L