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AFRAID OF A JULY CORNER.

CHICAGO WHEAT SHORTS SCRAMBLE TO COVER.

Result Is to Send Prices Above the 70c Mark—Corn and Oats Strong —Provisions Easy and the Close Was Lower.

Chicago, June 24.—Fear of a July "corner" hung like a storm cloud over the wheat market to-day and drove the shorts to cover. The results of the day's trading was an advance of 1⅛@1¼c in the July option. Corn and oats were strong, gaining about ½c and ¼c, respectively. Provisions were rather easy, closing 2½c higher to 5c lower.

In wheat, the terror of a July corner, which became very acute on the curb yesterday afternoon, had not subsided when business commenced to-day and kept breaking out in fresh spots every once in a while during the forenoon. It was only a matter of absorbing interest in the market, the usual routine statistical and crop news being almost entirely ignored. Very little of a reliable character could be learned in regard to the threatened corner and this, perhaps, made it all the more formidable. Business for an hour was confined chiefly to July, but September began to attract more attention later in the day and, in fact, became the more active of the two options. July, which closed yesterday at 69¾c, commenced to-day at 70⅛@70¼c, and edged its way up to 70½c before the people who needed it had become satisfied. It got down to 69¾c very quickly after the first rush of buying orders had been filled, but was so nervously jealous of any attempt to buy 100,000 or 200,000 bushels at the decline as to make it rise in little spurts on any such attempt. Chicago received thirteen carloads, and 136,000 bushels were withdrawn from store. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 231 cars, against 449 the corresponding day of the year before. The exports of wheat and flour from the principal Atlantic ports were equal to only 169,000 bushels. The production of flour for the week at the chief milling centers of the West was 407,000 barrels, against 424,000 the week before and 354,000 the similar week of last year. The market continued to show nervousness to the end. The efforts of shorts to cover kept prices wobbling between 69¾c and 70⅛@70½c, and when the closing bell rang July was selling at 70⅛@70¼c.

Corn was strong, and during the latter part of the session displayed considerable activity. Crop reports were for the most part unfavorable, it being claimed that an excess of rain had seriously interfered with cultivation. Railroads denied the rumors of rate reductions. Shorts were active buyers. Receipts were posted at 526 cars. July opened unchanged at 24⅝c and advanced to 25⅛c, closing at 25@25¼c.

Oats dragged along in a featureless manner until the sharp upturn in corn took place. Then shorts woke up and made the market a lively one for a time. Outside of this little burst of activity there was not much of interest to the market. Local receipts were 292 cars. July opened a shade lower at 17⅞c and advanced to 18⅛c, where it closed.

Provisions started strong and higher on the firm hog market and covering by shorts sustained the advance for some time. Then realizing set in, all the packers and many of yesterday's buyers taking a hand, and the advance gradually melted away. The market was easy at the end. July pork closed 2½c higher at $7.52½; July lard 5c lower, at $3.90, and July ribs unchanged, at $4.42½.

Estimated receipts Friday: Wheat, 9 cars; corn, 600 cars; oats, 337 cars; hogs, 23,000.

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LOCAL GRAIN MARKET.

But Little Wheat Coming In and Its Tendency Downward—Corn Dull and Lower—Oats Steady.

In store—Wheat, 134,910 bushels; corn, 162,211 bushels; oats, 177,127 bushels; and rye, 5,938 bushels.

WHEAT—Receipts past 24 hours.... 2,600
Same time last year 4,200
Shipments 4,500

The arrivals continue next to nothing and what coming in generally poor, hence nothing to encourage trade, and as the new crop is at hand, the tendency of prices is downward. There were several cars new No. 2 red in again yesterday that sold at 72@72½c and old must adjust itself to these figures when it arrives. None on sale. By sample on track here at Kansas City: No. 2 hard, nominal, 69@70c; No. 2 spring, 69@70c, 1 car from store at 69c; No. 3 hard, 64@66c; No. 3 spring, 63@65c; No. 4 hard, 1 car at 55c, 1 car at 56c, 1 car at 48c, 2 cars choice at 62c; rejected, 1 car at 50c, 1 car red at 60c; No. 2 red, old, nominal at 75@76c; No. 3 red, 69@70c, 1 car from store at 66c; No. 4 red, 60@65c.

CORN—Receipts past 24 hours.....32,200
Same time last year 21,600
Shipments 16,800

Demand falling off and cash lower to sell, mixed from ¼c to ½c, but white steady under the influence of scarcity. By sample on track here at Kansas City: No. 2 mixed, 2 cars at 22c; July, 5,000 bushels at 21¼c, 15,000 bushels at 21⅜c; September, 15,000 bushels at 22⅜c, 10,000 bushels at 22¾c; No. 3 mixed, 7 cars at 21¼c, 8 cars at 21½c; No. 4 mixed, 19@20½c, 2 cars at 20½c; No. 2 white, 5 cars at 24c; No. 3 white, 10 cars at 22c, 5 cars with good billing at 22½c; No. 4 white, 1 car at 20c.

OATS—Receipts past 24 hours..... 1,000
Same time last year 15,000
Shipments 9,600

Not enough on sale yesterday to fairly test the market. What few cars selling brought steady prices. By sample on track here at Kansas City: No. 2 mixed, nominal at 17@18c; No. 4 mixed, 15@16c; 1 car at 16c; No. 4 mixed, 14@15c; No. 2 white, 19@21½c; No. 3 white, 17½@18½c, 1 car at 18c; No. 4 white, 16@17c.

RYE—Receipts past 24 hours..... —
Same time last year ..... —
Shipments ..... —

None coming in, hence no market; prices nominal. By sample on track here at Kansas City—No. 2, 28@29c; No. 3, 26@27c.

FLOUR—Demand light and mainly confined to the consuming trade and values weak. The quotations are as follows: Soft wheat, per 100 pound sack, patents, $2.15@2.45; extra fancy, $1.90@2.05; fancy, $1.80@1.85; choice, $1.55@1.75. Hard wheat, per 100 pound sack, patents, $2.00@2.10; straights, $1.85@1.90.

CORNMEAL—Steady, but slow sale. Quoted at 48@49c per cwt., bulk.

CORN CHOP—Dull at old prices. Quoted at 40@41c per cwt., sacked.

CASTOR BEANS—No receipts. Prices nominal. Car lots, $1.15 per bushel; less, $1.10 per bushel.

FLAXSEED—Demand fair and market a little higher. Cash, 66@67c per bushel, upon the basis of pure.

BRAN—Steady but dull. Sacked, 37@38c per cwt.; bulk, 33@34c per cwt.

HAY—Receipts past 24 hours.....120 tons
Same time last year ..... 160 tons
Shipments ..... 70 tons

Market steady under the influence of the light offerings and demand for the best prairie, but timothy very dull. Quoted as follows: New—$5.50@6.00 per ton. Old—Prairie, choice, $6.50@7.00; No. 1, $6.00@6.50; No. 2, $4.50@5.00; lower grades, $2.50@3.00. Timothy, choice, $8.50; No. 1, $7.50@8.00; No. 2, $6.50@7.00. Clover mixed, No. 1, $6.50@7.00; No. 2, $5.50@6.00.

Yesterday's Chicago Market.

Furnished by the French Bros.' Commission Company, room 22, Board of Trade building:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Close Wed.
Wheat—					
June ..	$.....	$.....	$.....	$ 70⅞	$ 70
July ..	70⅛	70½	69½	70⅛	69¾
Sept ..	64⅝	64½	64	64⅛	64
Dec ..	66⅛	66½	66	66¼	66⅛
Corn—					
June ..	.....	.....	.....	24⅝	24⅞
July ..	24⅝	25⅛	24⅝	25⅛	24⅝
Sept ..	25⅝	26⅛	25⅝	26	25½
Oats—					
June ..	.....	.....	.....	17⅞	17¾
July ..	17⅞	18⅛	17⅞	18⅛	17⅞
Sept ..	17⅞	18	17¾	18	17¾
Pork—					
June ..	.....	.....	.....	7 50	4 47½
July ..	7 62½	7 62½	7 52½	7 52½	7 50
Sept ..	7 70	7 72½	7 60	7 62½	7 60
Lard—					
June ..	.....	.....	.....	3 85	3 90
July ..	3 97½	3 97½	3 90	3 90	3 95
Sept ..	4 07½	4 10	3 97½	4 00	4 05
S. Ribs—					
June ..	.....	.....	.....	4 42½	4 42½
July ..	4 47½	4 47½	4 40	4 42½	4 42½
Sept ..	4 55	4 57½	4 47½	4 47½	4 50

Chicago car lots—Winter wheat, 6 cars; contract, none. Spring wheat, 7 cars; contract, 15 cars. Corn, 538 cars; contract, 237 cars. Oats, 292 cars; contract, 49 cars.

Estimated for to-day—Wheat, 9 cars; corn, 600 cars; oats, 337 cars.

WHEAT—Cash—No. 2 red, 78@82c; No. 3 red, 73@75c; No. 2 hard, 68c; No. 3 hard, 62@66c.

CORN—Cash—No. 2 mixed, 25c; No. 2 white, 26c.

OATS—Cash—No. 2 mixed, 18½@18⅝c; No. 2 white, 22@23c.

Grain Notes.

A Chicago special says: Nebraska advices say the position of corn in that state does not suggest a condition of over 73, or an area of over 75 per cent.

P. H. Montgomery has just gotten back from Colorado. He came in over the Missouri Pacific, and says the corn is looking badly all through Kansas, and what he saw won't make half a crop.

The four Atlantic ports cleared for export yesterday 92,966 bushels of wheat, 17,757 packages of flour, 122,676 bushels of corn and 138,988 bushels of oats. Total wheat and flour clearances amount to 170,000 bushels.

An Indianapolis special says: Statistics gathered from 500 farmers scattered over Indiana place the wheat yield in Southern Indiana at 69 to 71 per cent. Harvest may exceed these figures, as there is constant improvement.

H. Vanderslice, of Vanderslice, Lynds & Co., is back from a trip through Lincoln and Brown counties, Neb. He says the wheat crop is a very good one, and harvest will be in full blast next week. Corn is backward, but at the same time looks healthy and clean.

The primary market receipts yesterday were 283,000 bushels of wheat, against 414,000 bushels a year ago. Shipments were 471,000 bushels; last year, 277,000 bushels. Corn, receipts 462,000 bushels; a year ago 274,000 bushels. Shipments, 279,000 bushels; last year, 200,000 bushels.

A reply to Secretary Bigelow's inquiry as to crop conditions in Russell county, Kas., is as follows: Wheat harvest has commenced. Grain is ripening evenly and very fast. It has been injured some by the hot, dry weather—the mercury is close to the 100 mark every day, in the shade.

General rains fell Wednesday night in Missouri, Illinois and Iowa, and scattered showers in the Northwest. In Kansas only three points reported rain—Concordia, .16 of an inch; Baker City, .72; and Osage City, .35. The rain was quite heavy in parts of Missouri. Conditions remain favorable for thunder storms.

The mills at Minneapolis, Duluth, Superior and Milwaukee ground 371,600 barrels of flour last week; preceding week, 382,000 barrels; a year ago, 396,000 barrels; two years ago, 284,000 barrels. St. Louis mills last week made 35,300 barrels; preceding week, 41,600 barrels; a year ago, 18,000 barrels; two years ago, 42,700 barrels.

Yesterday's Cincinnati Price Current says: Further betterment of the corn crop outlook is reported, but high calculations are not warranted by the average conditions. The winter wheat yield is better than expected, and the quality good. Spring wheat is progressing favorably, and the outlook is encouraging. The oats crop is irregular, and there is considerable short straw, but fair results are probable. The hay crop is generally good, though a portion is seriously affected by weeds.

W. W. Cowen received the following letter from McPherson, Kas., yesterday: "While the dry weather is rather threatening, it is not damaging as much as people think. Corn that is clean is growing nicely, but weedy corn is suffering. The weather is ripening the wheat up pretty fast, and no doubt it will shrink some in a few fields that are late. While the weather is not very pleasant to endure, I do not look for much damage provided we get plenty of moisture in July and August.

One representative township in Kay county, O. T., contains 10,470 acres of wheat, according to an accurate record made by a man who rode over the township to get the information. The wheat acreage is 46 per cent of the total area of the township, and if the same proportion prevails throughout the county, its total wheat acreage is 217,000 acres, which, with an average of 25 bushels to the acre, would give almost 5,500,000 bushels of wheat. In the biggest wheat county in Kansas—Sumner—the wheat area is less than a third of the total area of the county.

Car lot receipts of wheat:

	K.C.	Chi.	St.L.	Mpls.	Dith.	Tot.
Yesterday ..	6	13	11	175	56	261
A week ago.	2	16	8	149	70	245
2 weeks ago.	3	3	12	152	69	239
A year ago..	7	13	29	128	221	298
2 years ago.	33	32	13	58	88	229

Car lot receipts of corn:

	K.C.	Chi.	St.L.	Tot.
Yesterday ..	46	537	13	596
A week ago	21	428	27	476
2 weeks ago	29	593	76	698
A year ago	30	385	16	431
2 years ago	21	135	30	206

Car lot receipts of oats:

	K.C.	Chi.	St.L.	Tot.
Yesterday ..	1	292	44	337
A week ago	5	283	12	300
2 weeks ago	4	259	34	296
A year ago	15	316	25	356
2 years ago	5	175	37	217

To View the Eclipse.

San Francisco, June 24.—At a brief meeting of the board of regents of the state university to-day, the offer of Regent C. F. Croker to defray all the expenses of an expedition to India to view the approaching eclipse of the sun was accepted. The expedition will remain in India from October next until June, 1898.

Brought 4,700 Tons of Tea.

San Francisco, June 24.—The steamer Glenshiel, one of the finest on the Chinese coast, arrived here with 4,700 tons of tea, of which 2,700 will be sent overland. This is the largest consignment of tea which has been received here for many years.

When you suffer from sick headache, dizziness, constipation, etc., remember Carter's Little Liver Pills will relieve you. One pill is a dose.

MONEY, STOCKS AND BONDS.

THE BULLS CONTINUE IN CONTROL IN WALL STREET.

But, While the Tendency of Prices Was Generally Upward, There Were Some Exceptions, Notably Coal Shares.

Quietude still pervades the local money market. There was but little new paper offering from any source, the demand being both light and of a general character. Rates, however, held steady at 7@8 per cent. Some little currency going to Oklahoma and Western Kansas for harvest purposes, though the movement is not general yet. The banks are all loaded down with currency and would be glad to see more in circulation. Bank clearings, $1,436,923; same day last year a holiday.

Eastern exchange active and steady. Houston Fible & Co., exchange brokers, quote it as follows: New York 50c premium; Chicago par; St. Louis par.

The gold reserve yesterday was $143,594,597.

The Bank of England's reserve is now 50.88 per cent, against 51.9 per cent last week. Rate of discount still 2 per cent.

Money at Home and Abroad.

New York, June 24.—Money on call easy at 1@1½ per cent; last loan, 1 per cent; closed at 1@1¼ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3@4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87¼@4.87½ for demand, and at $4.86½@4.86¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.87@4.87½ and $4.88@4.88½. Commercial bills, $4.85½.

London, June 24.—Money, ¾ per cent. The rate of discount for short and three months' bills, 15-16@1 per cent.

New York, June 24.—Clearings, $87,954,701; balances, $4,939,745.

Boston, June 24.—Clearings, $15,223,973; balances, $1,880,818.

Philadelphia, June 24.—Clearings, $10,111,442; balances, $1,730,329.

Baltimore, June 24.—Clearings, $2,183,662; balances, $433,001.

Cincinnati, June 24.—Money, 2½@6 per cent. New York exchange, 50@70c premium. Clearings, $2,017,350.

Chicago, June 24.—Clearings, $12,391,271. New York exchange, 60@70c premium. Foreign exchange steady; demand, $4.87¼; sixty days, $4.86¾.

St. Louis, June 24.—Clearings, $870,691; balances, $620,324. Money, 4@7 per cent. New York exchange, 25c premium bid; 50c premium asked.

New Orleans, June 24.—Clearings, $823,882.

Memphis, June 24.—Clearings, $243,530; balances, $136,765. New York exchange selling at $1.50 premium.

State and Railroad Bonds.

New York, June 24.—Closing quotations on the New York Stock exchange: Pacific 6s of '95, 101½; Alabama, class A, 107; Alabama, class B, 107; Alabama, class C, 100; Alabama currency, 100; Louisiana new consols, 4s, 96; Missouri 6s, 100; North Carolina 6s, 126; North Carolina 4s, 104; South Carolina non-funded, ⅛; Tennessee new settlement 6s, 83; Tennessee new settlement 5s, offered 105; Tennessee old 6s, 60; Virginia centuries, 64¾; Virginia deferred, 3; Atchison 4s, 84½; Atchison 2d A, 49⅞; Canada Southern 2ds, 109½; Central Pacific 1sts of '95, 104½; Denver & Rio Grande 7s, 110; Denver & Rio Grande 4s, 89½; Erie 2ds, 66; G., H. & S. A. 6s, 105; G., H. & S. A. 7s, 97½. Houston & Texas Central 5s, 111½; Houston & Texas Central 6s, 101; Missouri, Kansas & Texas 1st 4s, 84; Missouri, Kansas & Texas 2d 4s, 62¾; Mutual Union 6s, 107; New Jersey Central general 5s, 112; Northern Pacific 1sts, 119½; Northern Pacific 2ds, 57; Northwest consols, 145; Northwest S. F. debenture 5s, 116⅝; Rio Grande Western 1sts, 77½; St. Paul consols, 7s, 128⅝; St. Paul, C. & P. W. 5s, 116⅝; St. L. & I. M. general 5s, 79½; St. Louis & San Francisco general 6s, 115¼; Texas Pacific 1sts, 91½; Texas Pacific 2ds, 25½; Union Pacific 1sts of '96, 103¾; West Shore 4s, 109¾.

Government Bonds

As reported yesterday by Houston, Fible & Co., over their private New York wire:

	Due.	Int. due.	Bid.	Ask.
Reg. 2 per cents.....	Opt.	Q. Mar.	96½	....
Reg. 4 per cents.....	1907	Q. Jan.	111⅜	111½
Coupon 4 per cents..	1907	Q. Jan.	113	113½
Reg. 5 per cents.....	1904	Q. Feb.	114¼	114½
Coupon 5 per cents..	1904	Q. Feb.	114¼	114½
Reg. 4 per cents.....	1925	Q. Feb.	125½	125¾
Coupon 4 per cents..	1925	Q. Feb.	125½	125¾

Silver.

New York, June 24.—Bar silver 60⅛c and Mexican dollars, 47⅝c.

London, June 24.—Bar silver 27 9-16d per ounce.

Stocks and Bonds.

New York, June 24.—The prices of stocks made a further average advance to-day, putting the top level in the current bull movement one notch higher. The advance, however, was not universal and some prices are lower, the anthracite coal group losing something of its strong advance of yesterday. Foreign international shares, some of them, displayed the sympathetic effect of lower prices in London and of selling here for London account. Others of this group were bought for London account and gained in price. There were times during the day when prices were generally lower last night's close and there were evidences of heavy realizing in some stocks. The volume of the dealings was smaller by over 40,000 shares than yesterday, but was rather better distributed. The belief in good crop prospects which advanced the price of grangers was an influence on nearly every railroad property in the West whose securities are dealt in on the exchange. St. Paul's third week statement showed an increase in gross earnings of over $22,000 and was an encouraging factor. This road's earnings have been greater each week in the present month than in the corresponding week of any year since 1893. Forecasts of May statements of the granger roads give suggestions of a favorable showing and have helped the advance. There is reported some movement of currency of small denomination to some interior points of small importance as yet, but which is looked upon as indicating a revival of business activity. The strength of the market is almost entirely due to confidence in the general output, but a number of individual stocks were strong on account of special causes.

Continued improvement is noted in values of railroad and miscellaneous mortgages, with considerable trading noted in issues of reorganized companies.

The following was the range of prices yesterday, as furnished by the C. S. Lee Commission Company, 200 New York Life building:

	High.	Low.	Closed— Yes.	Wed.
American Spirits	11½	11⅛	11⅛	....
Am. Sugar Refining..	123⅝	122⅝	123	122⅞
American Tobacco....	76⅝	75½	76⅛	75⅝
A. T. & S. F.....	13⅝	13	13⅛	12⅞
Chi., Burl. & Quincy..	84	82⅞	83⅞	83⅛
C. C. C. & St. L., com	25	24⅛	25	....
Chicago Gas.....	91⅞	90⅝	91⅛	91⅛
Chi., Mil. & St. P., com	80⅞	79⅞	80⅞	80⅛
Chi. & Northwestern..	112⅛	110⅝	112⅛	111½
C., R. I. & P.....	72⅝	71⅝	72⅝	71⅝
Del., Lack. & West....	....	....	....	158
Delaware & Hudson....	....	....	....	109¾
General Electric.....	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛	33⅛
Lake Shore.....	174⅞	174⅞	174⅞	174⅞
Louisville & Nash....	59⅞	59⅛	59½	59⅝
Manhattan	88	87⅞	88	88
Missouri Pacific.....	19⅞	19⅛	19⅝	19½
Mo., Kas. & Texas...	32	31⅝	31⅞	32
New Jersey Central..	84½	83⅛	83½	85⅞
New York Central....	102½	102	102⅝	102⅝
Northern Pacific, pfd.	42⅝	41½	42	42¼
Pacific Mail.....	20½	20	20¼	20
Phil. & Reading.....	22½	22	22¼	22½
Tenn. Coal & Iron....	24⅞	24⅜	24⅞	24⅞
U. S. Leather, pfd....	59½	58½	59⅝	58½
Wabash, pfd.....	15⅞	15⅜	15⅜	15½
Western Union.....	83½	83	83½	83⅛

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York, June 24.—EGGS—Receipts, 8,764 packages. Quiet; Western, 10@11c.

Chicago, June 24.—FLOUR—Receipts, 4,000 barrels, and shipments, 11,000 barrels. Steady. Winter patents, $4.20@4.40; straights, $4.00@4.10; spring patents, $3.70@4.00; bakers' grades, $2.80@3.00. BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 12@14½c; dairy, 9@12c. EGGS—Firm; fresh, 8½c.

St. Louis, June 24.—FLOUR—Receipts 2,000 barrels and shipments 2,000 barrels. The market continues dull. Patents, $4.40@4.50; extra fancy, $4.10@4.20; fancy, $3.50@3.60; choice, $3.10@3.20. WHEAT—Receipts 7,000 bushels and shipments 6,000 bushels. Spot higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 75c asked; track, 75@78c; July 67⅞@c; August, 60¾c; September, 66⅝c asked. CORN—Receipts 8,000 bushels and shipments 6,000 bushels. No. 2 cash, 23c asked; July, 22⅞c bid; September, 24½c bid. OATS—Receipts 4,000 bushels and shipments 19,000 bushels. Spot, higher; No. 2 cash, 17½c bid; July, 18c bid. BRAN—Dull, weak; sacked east track worth nominally, 36c; east side, country points, 34@35c. HAY—Firm and higher for choice grades on account of light receipts; prairie, $4.00@8.00; timothy, $6.00@11.50. BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 10½@15½c; dairy, 66@11½c. EGGS—Firm, 7½c. PORK—Firm; standard mess, jobbing, $7.50@8.00. LARD—Firm; prime steam, $3.80; choice, $3.87½. BACON—Boxed shoulders, $5.62½; extra short clear, $5.50; ribs, $5.50; shorts, $5.62½. DRY SALT MEATS—Boxed shoulders, 4.75; extra short clear, 5.00; ribs, $5.12½; shorts, $4.87½.

Liverpool, June 24.—SHOULDERS—Square, steady, 20s 3d. LARD—Prime Western, steady, 20s. TALLOW—Prime city, steady, 17s 9d. CORN—American mixed, new, spot, dull, 2s 8¾d; June, steady, 2s 8½d; July, steady, 2s 8½d; August, steady, 2s 8¾d.

Coffee and Sugar.

New York, June 24.—COFFEE—Options opened steady at unchanged prices to 5 points decline; ruled generally weak under disappointing European cables, heavy receipts at Rio and Santos and slack spot demand; decline arrested by local selling. Foreign houses sold. Closed barely steady, net unchanged to 10 points decline. Sales, 19,000 bags, including September at 7.00c. Spot coffee—Rio, quiet; No. 7, invoice, 7½c; jobbing, 8c; mild, dull; Cordova, 11@17½c. Sales, 1,000 bags, Rio, No. 7, spot, 7½c. SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3½c; refined, steady; mold A, 5c; standard A and confectioners' A, 4¾c; cut loaf and crushed, 5⅝c; powdered and cubes, 5c; granulated, 4¾c.

New Orleans, June 24.—COFFEE—Rio, ordinary to low fair, 10@10¼c. SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 2¼@3 3-16c; centrifugal, granulated, 3¾@4¼c; whites, 3 3-16@3 15-16c; yellows, 3⅜@3⅝c; seconds, 2⅝@7/16c. MOLASSES—Steady; centrifugal, 4@9c; others unchanged.

Dry Goods.

New York, June 24.—The dry goods market is without notable changes. Sales continue with regularity along all lines which have been popular. Fall goods are in steady request in both cottons and woolens. Summer weight cotton fabrics are well sold up. Silks are in fairly good shape. Knit goods are quiet; hosiery without feature and underwear generally backward in fall lines. In staple cottons the bulk of the demand for brown and bleached goods is for hurry orders at low prices. Print cloths are quiet and firm at 2½c. Prints continue in fair request with no change in the character of the trading.

Rye and Seeds.

St. Louis, Mo., June 24.—Rye—32c, track. Flaxseed—73½c. Timothy seed—Prime, $2.50@2.60.

Chicago, June 24.—Rye—Cash, 34c; July, 33½c. Flaxseed—Cash, 77¼c; July, 77¾c. Timothy seed—Prime, $2.75@2.80.

Toledo, O., June 24.—Rye—Dull; No. 2 cash, 35c. Clover seed—Further advanced; prime October, $4.32½.

Cotton.

New Orleans, June 24.—COTTON—Futures quiet and steady; sales, 15,400 bales. June, 7.40c bid; July, 7.40@7.41c; August, 7.10c, all; September, 6.73@6.74c; October, 6.53@6.54c; November, 6.55@6.56c; December, 6.57@6.58c; January, 6.62@6.64c; February, 6.65@6.67c; March, 6.68@6.70c.

Lead and Zinc.

New York, June 24.—LEAD—Brokers' price, $3.30; exchange price, $3.42½@3.47½. Spelter—Dull; domestic, $4.25@4.35.

St. Louis, June 24.—LEAD—Strong at $3.25@3.30. Spelter—Firm at $4.05.

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COMMON SCHOOL GRADUATES.

Sixth Annual Commencement Exercises of the Douglas County Kas., Schools.

Lawrence, Kas., June 24.—(Special.) The sixth annual commencement exercises of the Douglas county common schools were held this evening in the high school building in Lawrence. There was a very large attendance of parents of pupils from all parts of the county, and the following programme was given: Salutatory, with essay, Maude Spencer: "An Inventor's Wife," Myrtle Painter; recitation, Albert Rose; "Our Nutting Party," Minnie Darnold; "The Pilot's Story," Mafie Forth; "Benjamin Franklin," Joseph Renner; "The Little Stowaway," Margaret Comrie; "Some Incidents in Kansas History," Ethel Hobson; recitation, Clara Lutz; essay, with valedictory, Florence Banker. The address was made to the class by Superintendent F. B. Smith, of the Lawrence schools, and the presentation of diplomas was made by County Superintendent Pears. The class is made up of the following pupils, representing almost every school district in the county:

Henry Alford, Etta Baker, Florence Banker, William Banker, Anna Beckett, Matilda Beine, Erwin Brown, Blanche Burgan, Charles Butel, Clyde Buttrick, Daniel Buttrick, Rose Carlson, Edgar Coltrane, Margaret Comrie, Tillie Craig, Eldred Day, Lucile Dearth, Elmer Dershem, Minnie Darnold, James Downs, Anna Fanbion, Harry Fisher, Jessie Fitz, Marie Forth, Florence Gilges, Ralph Gowans, Bertha Hamm, Bertha Hart, Ira Harshbarger, Frank Hedley, Harlod Hill, Ethel Hobson, Clara Horrell, Kelley Jennings, Edith Johns, Martha Koehring, May Lathrop, Clara Lutz, Daisy Matney, Evelyn Martin, Gertrude McClanahan, David Michael, Emma Michael, Lottie Miller, George Miller, Edwin Miller, Camilla Nelson, Belle Osterbaum, Arthur Owen, Mabel Owen, Myrtle Painter, Cora Peffley, Clarence Pine, Gertie Pine, Frank Quigg, Joseph Renner, Agnes Reser, Essie Ridley, Edmond Robinson, Albert Rose, Frank Roy, Fred Rumsey, Daisy Shank, Maude Spencer, Lottie Spitzer, Olive Sutton, Roy Swet, Ina Tobler, Florerette Weesner, Wright Wenrich, Charles Wood, Lenna Walgamott.

NINE PREACHERS OUSTED.

Have Transgressed the Constitution of the United Lutheran Church —Others to Go.

St. Paul, June 24.—A large gathering of delegates was present at the closing session of the United Lutherans to-day. An important matter came up in shape of a motion to divide the society in three parts. The idea is to have three small annual conventions and a meeting of the whole church every third year. The proposition was indefinitely postponed.

Nine members having transgressed the constitution of the church, article 4, section 1, and also spurned the resolution of 1895, with reference to the ordination of theological candidates, were practically excommunicated from the church. It is very probable that many more will be excommunicated at the next convention, as it is reported that there are seventy-two ministers who favor the Augsburg side of the case.

A flutter was caused in the convention when Rev. Skaret moved that all patent medicine advertisements be taken out of the church paper, Lutheraneren. The motion was carried.

PUT COCAINE IN THEIR EYES.

Experiment Made in New York Which May Be of Great Benefit in Fighting Fire.

New York, June 24.—An experiment has been made at a fire in the downtown district which may prove of immense benefit in fighting flames. Dr. Gustav Scholer, who is attached to the fire department, went to each company stationed at the blaze and, with a little brush, put a drop of cocaine in the eyes of every fireman. This was the result of some tests which have been going on in the department by which it has apparently been proved that the cocaine would enable the firemen to look through smoke for five minutes or longer.

Brought Back From Utah.

Kingston, Mo., June 24.—(Special.) Sheriff A. D. Crockett returned from Salt Lake City to-day, bringing with him John McLaughlin, the murderer of John Miller at Breckenridge. The sheriff experienced considerable trouble in securing his prisoner after getting to Utah. After being telegraphed to hold McLaughlin, a justice of the peace released him. McLaughlin was recaptured by Sheriff Crockett after a race of seventy-five miles in the mountains.

Greer County Bill Signed.

Washington, June 24.—The president has signed the act amending the act providing for the entry of lands in Greer county, O. T., so as to extend until January 1 next the time allowed settlers to perfect their entries.

To Succeed Judge Rogers.

Jefferson City, Mo., June 24.—(Special.) Governor Stephens to-day appointed William P. Clarkson judge of the county court of Schuyler county, for the Southern district, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William J. Rogers.

Two Michigan Lads Drowned.

Ironwood, Mich., June 24.—Frank Hodge, aged 14, and Albert Peters, aged 11, of this city, were drowned in the Montreal river last night.

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Cattle ..	3,600	8,000	1,500	1,700
Hogs ..	9,800	25,000	4,800	8