WHEAT LOST ITS STRENGTH

YESTERDAY'S INCIPIENT BOOM COLLAPSED ON DECLINING MARKET.

September Closed With a Loss of 3-4c—Corn Followed Suit, but Oats Ended the Day a Shade Higher.

CHICAGO, June 16.—To-day's session in wheat was marked by the almost total disappearance of yesterday's incipient boom, September closing at a decline of ¾c. Coarse grains fairly steady, corn closing ⅛c lower and oats a shade higher. Provisions were heavy and declined 2½@7½c.

Wheat showed decided weakness at the start, September opening at from 77⅞c to 78c, compared with yesterday's closing closing price of 78½c. Traders were evidently much disappointed at the poor response of European markets to yesterday's advance here. Liverpool, which showed up well at the opening there, reported only about ⅝d advance at 1:30 p. m. Paris was up 5@10 centimes. The sluggishness of the foreign markets strengthened the suspicion formed yesterday, that European crop damage reports were probably somewhat exaggerated. Domestic news as a rule was fully as bullish as foreign. Northwestern receipts were liberal, Minneapolis and Duluth reporting 605 cars, against 550 last week and 77 a year ago. Chicago receipts were 114 cars, two of contract quality. There was no improvement noticed in the cash demand, and as was evidenced by the receipts no letup in the big Western movement. Selling on a large scale commenced shortly after the opening, and with the exception of temporary intervals, kept up throughout the entire session. Many of yesterday's big buyers dumped their wheat back. About 11 o'clock there was a letup in the liquidation, due to the better tone of the closing Liverpool cables, and the September price, under an increased demand, rebounded to 78⅝c. That was the high point of the day. The demand was soon satisfied, and the market after noon became extremely heavy under the persistent selling, September finally getting down to 77½c. The demand improved somewhat during the late trading on the belief that the market was showing more weakness than the foreign and domestic crop damage reports warranted. Total receipts at Western markets were 791,000 bushels, compared with 155,000 a year ago. Atlantic port clearances amounted to 300,000 bushels. A moderate export business was reported at the seaboard. September rallied to 77¾c, and that price was bid at the close.

Corn, as a whole, was firm. The market at times showed some sympathetic weakness with wheat, but prices during most of the session were slightly higher. Snow's crop condition estimate of 85 per cent had much to do with the strength. Receipts were liberal, 648 cars. Country offerings were increased and elevator people were sellers, but the demand at all times was equal to the supply. September ranged from 34⅝@34¾c to 35⅛c and closed ⅛c lower at 34⅞c. July showed no change.

Oats were quite active and firm for September, but rather weak for July. A feature was the demand for futures against cash sales, there being 350,000 bushels cash oats reported sold here. Improved weather conditions counted against the price. Receipts were 220 cars. September ranged from 21⅝c to 22c, and closed a shade higher at 22⅛c.

Provisions were slow all day. Longs let go to some extent, enough to cause some weakness, and lower hog prices. At the close September pork was 5@7½c lower at $8.40; September lard 5c lower at $5.15, and wheelbarrow September ribs 2½@5c lower at $4.82½. Estimated receipts Saturday: Wheat, 110 cars; corn, 615 cars; oats, 300 cars; hogs, [illegible] 24,000.

LOCAL GRAIN MARKET.

Wheat Opened Higher, but Closed With Improvement Lost.

In store—Wheat, 1,195,500 bushels; corn, 22,000 bushels; oats, 19,700 bushels; rye, 5,700 bushels.

Wheat.

Receipts the past 24 hours ..... 45,500 bushels
Receipts same time last year ..... 19,500 bushels
Shipments the past 24 hours ..... 45,000 bushels
Shipments same time last year ..... 10,400 bushels

There was a sharp advance and quick movement in this market yesterday the early part of the day. Higher cables both from the United Kingdom and the Continent caused a better demand from abroad than for some days and a higher cash market here resulted in consequence. Sales were 1@1½c higher at the start, and most of the offerings were disposed of at this improvement. No. 3 hard sold 12@12c over text, No. 3 hard and No. 4 hard 12c over. But before the close most of this improvement was lost. An increase in Argentine shipments of 600,000 bushels as compared with last week, and the primary receipts being much larger than a year ago as the same day last year and the announcement that the visible supply statement next week would show an increase of 1,000,000 bushels, with the bulge of Thursday caused speculative longs to take profits the last part of the day, and a steady decline set in, resulting in a loss for the close of ⅝c on July in Chicago and closing near the bottom. Here the same option declined ⅝c and finished the day near the low point. By sample on track here at Kansas City:

No. 2 hard, 1 car 59 pounds at 72c, 6 cars 59 pounds at 71½c, 1 car 59 pounds mixed at 71½c, 2 cars 59 pounds at 71c, 1 car 58½ pounds at 71c, 1 car 58 pounds at 70½c.

No. 3 hard, 1 car 57½ pounds at 70½c, 1 car 55½ pounds at 68½c, 1 car 55 pounds at 68c.

No. 4 hard, 1 car 58 pounds rye mixed at 70½c, 1 car 56½ pounds at 69½c, 3 cars 56 pounds at 69c, 1 car 56 pounds at 68½c, 1 car 55½ pounds at 68c, 1 car 54½ pounds at 67½c, 2 cars 54 pounds at 67c, 1 car 55 pounds at 67c.

Rejected hard, 1 car 55½ pounds at 67½c.

Screenings, 1 car 46½ pounds at 65½c.

No. 2 red, nominally 72@74c.

No. 3 red, 1 car 56½ pounds at 70c.

No. 4 red, 1 car 55½ pounds at 69c, 1 car 55 pounds at 68c, 1 car 51½ pounds at 64½c.

No. 2 spring, nominally 69@71c.

No. 3 spring, 1 car 56 pounds at 69c.

Kansas City futures yesterday and the day before:

Wheat—	Opened.	High.	Low.	Close.	Closed Thur.
July	....	....	....	....	....
Sept.	69⅝	70½	69⅛	69⅝	70
Dec.	71	71⅝	70½	70⅝	71⅛
Corn—					
July	31⅞	32	31⅞	31⅞	32
Sept.	31⅞	32	31⅞	31⅞	32

Corn.

Receipts the past 24 hours ..... 20,250 bushels
Receipts same time last year ..... 11,250 bushels
Shipments the past 24 hours ..... 17,250 bushels
Shipments same time last year ..... 17,250 bushels

A little more in and demand hardly so urgent. But at the same time there were fair sales and what business done was at steady prices. It is still a local market, however, as prices are yet too high for shippers. A few nearby orders were being had, but that is all. Futures in Chicago dropped ¼c on July and ⅛c here and trading only moderate. But while Nos. 2 and 3 did fairly well, low grades were very hard to sell, even at low prices. By sample on track here at Kansas City:

No. 2 mixed, 3 cars at 33½c, 2 cars at 33c, 1 car yellow at 33½c.

No. 3 mixed, nominally 32½@32¾c.

No. 4 mixed, 1 car at 31½c, 1 car at 31c.

No grade, nominally 26@30c.

No. 2 white, 4 cars at 35½c.

No. 3 white, 2 cars at 35½c.

No. 4 white, nominally 34@34½c.

Oats.

Receipts the past 24 hours ..... 2,000 bushels
Receipts same time last year ..... 6,000 bushels
Shipments the past 24 hours ..... 2,000 bushels
Shipments same time last year ..... 11,000 bushels

A very good local trade was had yesterday. Only two cars of fresh in, but there were several cars of holdovers on sale which helped to piece out the supply. Local feed dealers made fair purchases, and under the influence of the light offerings bid up very well for everything, and Thursday's prices were fairly sustained. By sample on track here at Kansas City:

No. 2 mixed, 1 car at 24½c, 1 car at 24c.

No. 3 mixed, nominally 23@23½c.

No. 4 mixed, nominally 21@22c.

No. 2 white, 1 car at 27c.

No. 3 white, 1 car at 26½c, 2 cars poor at 25½c.

No. 4 white, nominally 24½@25c.

Hay.

Receipts and shipments by cars the past 24 hours:

	Receipts.		Shipments.	
	1899.	1898.	1899.	1898.
Prairie	18	*6	17	6
Timothy	3	..	..	..
Clover mixed	3	..	..	..
Alfalfa	..	..	..	..
Straw	1	..	..	..
Clover	..	..	..	..
Millet	..	..	..	..
Totals	25	6	17	6

*Timothy and clover mixed included.

Not so much in yesterday, yet buyers took hold with more or less hesitancy and the fact that new hay will soon be on the market caused a weaker feeling, especially among low grades, which continue to make up most of the offerings. On account of the inconvenient situation of the Pittsburg & Gulf and Frisco team tracks, prairie hay on them is selling 50@$1.00 per ton less than on the other roads. Sales and quotations furnished by the Kansas City Hay Dealers' exchange:

Sales: No. 1 timothy, 1 car at $8.25, 1 car at $8.00; No. 2 timothy, 1 car at $7.50; No. 1 clover and timothy, 1 car at $7.00; No. 1 prairie, 1 good car at $7.25, 1 car at $7.00, 1 scant car at $6.25; No. 2 prairie, 1 extra good car at $6.25, 1 good car at $6.00, 3 cars at $5.50, 2 cars at $5.00, 2 scant cars at $4.50; No. 3 prairie, 1 car at $4.00; wheat straw, 1 car at $4.50.

Quotations: Timothy—Choice, $8.50@8.75; No. 1, $7.75@8.25; No. 2, $7.00@7.50; No. 3, $6.00@6.50. Clover mixed—$7.50@8.00; No. 1, $7.00@7.50; No. 2, $6.25@6.75; No. 3, $5.50@6.00; pure clover, 25c lower. Prairie—Choice, $7.25@7.75; No. 1, $6.25@7.25; No. 2, $4.50@6.25; No. 3, $4.00@4.50; No. 4, $3.00@4.00. Packing—$3.50@5.00. Straw—Wheat, $4.00@4.50; oat, $3.50@4.00. Alfalfa—$6.50@7.50.

Rye.

Receipts the past 24 hours .... bushels
Receipts same time last year .... bushels
Shipments the past 24 hours .... bushels
Shipments same time last year ..... 650 bushels

None on sale. If here would probably have sold at old prices. As wheat was higher, maybe a little more money might have been gotten for a choice car or two. By sample on track here at Kansas City:

No. 2, nominally 56½@57c.

No. 3, 55@55½c.

FLOUR—Steady, but dull. The quotations follow: Soft wheat, per barrel, patents, $3.85@4.00; straights, $3.60@3.75; extra fancy, $3.20@3.35; low grades, $1.85@2.00. Hard wheats—Patents, $3.50@3.65; straights, $3.10@3.15; bakers', $2.40@2.50; low grades and city mills, 30@50c per barrel higher.

CORNMEAL—Quiet, but unchanged. Bulk, 66@67c per cwt.

CORN CHOP—Still dull. Sacked, 63@64c per cwt.

KAFFIR CORN—Steady. Red, 70c per 100 pounds; white, 60c per 100 pounds.

GROUND OIL CAKES—Quoted: Car lots, $23.00 per ton; ton lots, $24.00; 1,000-pound lots, $12.50; less, $1.25 per 100 pounds sacked, f. o. b.

COTTONSEED MEAL—Quoted: Car lots, $19.00 per ton at Kansas City, and also all points in Kansas and Missouri taking the same rate as Kansas City:

BROOM CORN—Quotations per ton for car lots, f. o. b., Kansas City:

Choice green hurl	$150 00
Choice green self-working	125 00
Choice red or yellow tipped hurl	100 00
Good green hurl	115 00
Good green self-working	110 00
Choice red or yellow tipped self-working	100 00
Common hurl	95 00

Seeds.

MILLET—Lower. German, $1.00@1.05 per 100 pounds; common, 75@85c per 100 pounds.

CANE—Dull. Quoted at 90@95c per 100 pounds.

CLOVER—Quoted at $3.00@5.00 per 100 pounds.

FLAXSEED—Higher. Cash and June, 93c per bushel upon the basis of pure.

TIMOTHY—Off. Quoted at $1.50@2.25 per 100 pounds.

Yesterday's Chicago Market.

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

	Opened.	High.	Lowest.	Closed.	Closed, Thursday.
WHEAT—					
July	$ 76½	$ 77⅛	$ 76⅛	$ 76⅝-⅛	$ 77-⅛
Sept.	77⅞	78⅝	77½	77⅞	78½
CORN—					
June	....	....	....	34⅞	34⅞
July	34⅞	35⅛	34⅝	34⅞-35	34⅞-35
Sept.	34⅞	35⅛	34⅞	34⅞	35
OATS—					
June	....	....	....	25¼	25½
July	24⅝	24½	24⅛-¼	24⅛-⅜	24½
Sept.	21⅝	22	21⅝	21⅞	21⅞
PORK—					
June	....	....	....	8 20	8 27½
July	8 25	8 25	8 17½	8 20	8 27½
Sept.	8 40-42½	8 42½	8 37½	8 40	8 45
LARD—					
June	....	....	....	5 00	5 05
July	5 02½	5 02½	5 00	5 00	5 05
Sept.	5 17½	5 17½	5 15	5 15	5 20
S. RIBS—					
June	....	....	....	4 67½-70	4 72½
July	4 67½-70	4 67½-70	4 67½	4 67½-70	4 72½
Sept.	4 85	4 85	4 82½	4 82½	4 85-87½

Chicago grain receipts—Winter wheat, 14 cars; contract, 1 car. Spring wheat, 100 cars; contract, 1 car. Corn, 648 cars; contract, 148 cars. Oats, 220 cars; contract, 7 cars.

Estimated for to-day—Wheat, 100 cars; corn, 615 cars; oats, 210 cars.

WHEAT—Cash—No. 2 red, 78½@78c; No. 3 red, 75@77c; No. 3 hard, 78@78c.

CORN—Cash—No. 2 mixed, 35c; No. 2 white, 35c.

OATS—Cash—No. 2 mixed, 26c; No. 2 white, 29½c.

Grain Notes.

Puts on Kansas City July wheat, good to-day, sold at 69c; calls, 69⅞c.

Puts on Chicago July wheat, good next week, were quoted at 73⅝c; calls, 81c.

Counselman reported 160,000 bushels of oats accepted over night by the other side.

Minneapolis flour sales Thursday were 65,000 barrels, mostly for domestic account.

Liverpool wheat receipts for three days were 735,000 bushels, including 353,000 bushels American.

Exporters took at the seaboard Thursday 160,000 bushels of wheat, 236,000 bushels of corn and 150,000 bushels of oats.

Minneapolis wheat stocks are expected to increase 250,000 bushels this week, and Duluth to increase 500,000 bushels.

The trade in futures on the Kansas City board Thursday amounted to 1,060,000 bushels of wheat and 60,000 bushels of corn.

A New York message reported 15 loads of wheat and 25 loads of corn taken yesterday for export; also 30,000 bushels of oats.

Since July 1, this season, corn exports aggregate 163,425,726 bushels, against 189,804,025 bushels during the same period a year ago.

A private cable says: Crop prospects in Southern Russia (Azov) slightly better. Crimea very bad, and even with rains cannot improve. Danube unchanged.

A Liverpool cable to Counselman said: Russian and Roumanian winter wheat practically lost; spring wheat greatly damaged and will be a failure unless it gets good rains quickly.

The cash business at Chicago Thursday was 150,000 bushels of No. 2 hard winter wheat, mostly for shipment to outside points; 700,000 bushels of corn, mostly for export, and 945,000 bushels of oats.

Corn exports for the week aggregate 3,285,301 bushels, against 3,359,889 bushels last year, 4,196,706 bushels in this week a year ago, 1,924,313 bushels in 1897, 1,519,761 bushels in 1896 and 858,981 bushels in 1895.

Yesterday's clearances for export at the four Atlantic ports were 167,895 bushels of wheat, 29,163 packages of flour, 647,516 bushels of corn and 195,345 bushels of oats. Total wheat and flour clearances amount to 307,000 bushels, and corn 651,356 bushels.

The primary market receipts yesterday were 788,000 bushels of wheat, against 155,000 bushels a year ago. Shipments were 394,000 bushels; last year, 85,500 bushels. Corn, receipts, 591,000 bushels; a year ago, 477,000 bushels. Shipments, 69,000 bushels; last year, 1,157,000 bushels.

Wheat, including flour, shipments for the week aggregate 2,799,471 bushels, against 3,158,047 bushels last week, 4,396,787 bushels in the corresponding week of 1898, 2,547,219 bushels in 1897, 3,220,177 bushels in 1896 and 2,857,307 bushels in 1895. Since July 1, this season, the shipments of wheat aggregate 218,022,954 bushels, against 225,272,833 bushels last year.

Puts on Chicago July wheat, good to-day, sold at 75⅞@76¼c, and closed at 76@76¼c; calls, 77¼@77½c, closing at 77½c; July wheat sold on the curb at 76⅝c; puts on July corn, 34⅝@34¾c, closing at 34⅝c; puts on July oats, 21⅝@21¾c, and closed at 23c; puts on September wheat, 77⅝@77¾c, closing at 77⅝c; calls, 78¼@78⅜c, and closed at 78⅜c; puts on September corn, 34⅝@35⅛c, closing at 35c.

Argentine wheat shipments for the week ending yesterday were 1,672,000 bushels, against 1,088,000 bushels last week and 272,000 bushels a year ago. Corn shipments were 928,000 bushels against 440,000 bushels last week, and 534,000 bushels a year ago. Wheat shipments since January 1 amount to 32,632,000 bushels, against 22,488,000 bushels last year, and of corn 4,900,000 bushels, against 3,510,000 bushels last year.

A Berlin paper says regarding the advance in that market: It is not surprising, as America's surplus will be fully 125,000,000 bushels less than last year. Drouth has done immense damage in European Turkey, the same in Roumania, where half the seeds are lost. The situation is very grave in Servia and Bulgaria, prospects less good in Austria-Hungary and Russian exports will certainly be greatly reduced. India will only have 24,000,000 bushels for export, against 40,000,000 bushels last year.

Snow's crop report says: Winter wheat harvest is in full swing south of the Ohio river, with no particular change in the situation, but with evidence of good quality of the berry. Some complaints come from bottom lands in the Northwest of too much rain, and a tendency to rust, but nothing serious yet. With drouth in the Atlantic and Gulf states, and with the season late and wet, and the stand imperfect in the Western corn belt, the average condition of the corn crop is probably not above 85. In only four years since 1885 has the July condition of corn been below 90, and it is significant that the trouble in each of these was the same as experienced this year, and further significant that in each the condition did not grow better as the season advanced, and that the final rate of yield was very much below an average. The experience of twenty years is that a bad start in June is followed by a low condition throughout the season.

Car lot receipts of wheat:

	K. C.	Chi.	St. L.	Mpls.	Dluth.	Tot.
Yesterday	76	114	29	456	212	881
A week ago	92	86	20	344	206	748
Two weeks ago	95	75	20	419	119	728
A year ago	30	9	8	43	34	124
Two years ago	5	11	19	159	78	272

Car lot receipts of corn:

	K. C.	Chi.	St. L.	Tot.
Yesterday	27	648	106	781
A week ago	6	561	130	757
Two weeks ago	40	359	156	555
A year ago	15	438	79	532
Two years ago	8	467	42	517

Car lot receipts of oats:

	K. C.	Chi.	St. L.	Tot.
Yesterday	2	220	24	246
A week ago	4	216	19	239
Two weeks ago	10	260	37	307
A year ago	6	110	48	164
Two years ago	3	246	17	266

Wool, Hides and Pelts.

WOOL—Active and firm. The quotations follow: Missouri and similar—Fine, 10@15c; combing, 17½@18½c; coarse, 14½@16½c. Kansas, Nebraska and Indian Territory—Fine, 10@14c; fine medium, 12@15c; medium, 13½@15½c; combing, 15½@16½c; coarse, 13½@15½c. Colorado—Fine, 8½@10½c; fine medium, 11½@13½c; medium, 11½@14½c; coarse and carpet, 11½@13½c; extra heavy and sandy, 6½@7½c; burry, 2@5c less.

HIDES AND PELTS—Market quiet, but steady. Green salted, Nos. 1 and 2 and butt branded, all around 5¾c; side branded, around 7½c; green salted bulls and stags, around 6¾c; green salted bulls, side branded, around 6c; green glue (tainted or spoiled hides), 3c; green uncured, 1c less than cured; green part cured, 1c less than cured, and fallen, ½c less than butchers'. Green horsehides, large, $2.75; medium, $2.50; small, $1.50. Dry flint hides, around 13c; dry salt hides, around 11c; dry bulls and stags, around 10c; dry, per pound, 7@8c. Sheep pelts, green, 40@60c; dry, per pound, 7@8c. Deer skins, summer, 15c; fall, 18c; winter, 16c. Antelope skins, summer, 15c; fall, 12c; winter, 10c.

BEESWAX—No. 1, 24c; No. 2, 20c.

TALLOW—Quoted: Country run, small shipments, No. 1, 3½c; No. 2, 3¼c; packers', No. 1, 4½c; No. 2, 3½c.

GREASE—Car lots, white, 3¼c; yellow, 3c; grown, 3½c.

ST. LOUIS, June 16.—WOOL—Bright wools in best request and strongest, with inadequate offerings. Dark or semi-dark staple less desirable, and being in freer offering was not so firm in price as it has been, yet all available is taken at prices recently quoted. Medium, 15@19½c; light fine, 12@18c; heavy fine, 10@14c; tub washed, 18@27c.

Provisions.

A very good cash business continues to be had and hams are sharply [illegible] and pickled shoulders selling better. But [illegible] meats little changed, while lard is lower. The [illegible] tations are:

GREEN MEATS—Hams, $8.00@8.50; shoulders, $4.25@4.50.

SWEET PICKLED MEATS—Shoulders, $4.75@5.00; hams, $9.00@9.25.

DRY SALT MEATS—Shoulders, cash, $4.37½@4.62½ per cwt.; short ribs, cash, $4.65@4.70; extra short clear, $4.65@4.70; short clear, $4.80@5.00.

LARD—Prime steam, $4.80.

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MONEY, STOCKS AND BONDS

COALERS WERE CONSPICUOUS IN STOCK MARKET YESTERDAY.

Aside From This Demand the Market Was Neglected and in the Hands of a Coterie of Professional Dealers—Financial.

While there continues an absence of life to the local money market, yet a fair business is being done at the banks and loans, while slow, are keeping up in volume with this time last year. But most of the demand continues to come from the country. Shipments of currency to the country light. Bank clearings, $1,831,777, against $1,677,123, an increase of $254,654, a gain of 16 per cent.

Eastern exchange quiet.

Houston, Fible & Co., exchange brokers, quote it as follows: New York, 10c discount; Chicago, 15c discount; St. Louis, 10c discount.

Gold reserve yesterday, $235,231,376.

Kansas City Local Securities.

Following are the prices of local stocks and bonds, as reported by H. P. Wright & Co., 730 Delaware street, telephone No. 2634:

	Annual dividend.	Last dividend.	Bid.	Asked.
National Bank of Commerce	6	Jan. '99	123	125
Kansas City State bank	6	Jan. '99	60	65
First National bank	6	Jan. '99	215	225
Interstate National bank	6	Jan. '99	130	132
Union National bank	7	Apr. '99	118	120
American National bank	6	Jan. '99	82½	87½
Missouri Savings bank	8	Apr. '99	120	125
New England National bank	6	Jan. '99	132	135
United States Trust Co.	..	....	95	100
Mechanics' bank	6	Jan. '99	95	97
Kansas City Stock Yards	6	Feb. '99	116½	117½
Metropolitan Street Railway	4	Feb. '99	88½	91
K. C., F. S. & M. common	6	Oct. '95	10	25
do preferred	6	Aug. '98	30	50
Central Coal and Coke Co.	5	Apr. '99	65	70
do common	..	....	5	10
Metropolitan gen. bonds, 5s	..	....	105	106
Metropolitan Consolidated 5s	..	....	103¼	104
K. C., F. S. & M. bonds, 6s	..	....	97	100
Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf stock	..	....	9	9½
Missouri state 4½ per cent bonds	..	....	100½	102
Jackson county court house bonds, 4s	..	....	102	105
Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf bonds, 5s	..	....	66	66½
Kansas City Elevated Railway bonds, 4s	..	....	86½	88
Kansas City Elevated Railway bonds, 6s	..	....	108	..
Kansas City Belt Railway bonds, 6s	..	....	112	115
Kansas City, Mo., school bonds, 4s	..	....	102¼	..
Kansas City city hall bonds, 4s	..	....	103	..
Kansas City 4½ per cent water bonds	..	....	115	117
Kansas City, Mo., gas bonds, 5s	..	....	103	104
American Smelting and Ref. Co. pref. 7s	..	....	81⅞	82½
do common	..	....	38½	39

Bank Clearings.

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

Cities.	Clearings.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$1,107,622,597	46.8	....
Boston	132,607,134	25.7	....
Chicago	115,986,827	6.9	....
Philadelphia	83,505,952	17.4	....
St. Louis	29,460,740	7.8	....
Pittsburg	22,329,668	35.0	....
Baltimore	21,549,685	3.0	....
San Francisco	18,889,251	18.6	....
Cincinnati	12,542,300	29.5	....
Kansas City	10,767,356	....	....
Minneapolis	10,629,226	24.3	....
Cleveland	9,362,664	20.5	....
Detroit	8,428,931	23.4	....
Louisville	7,896,333	12.5	....
New Orleans	7,551,635	11.1	....
Indianapolis	6,905,651	20.0	....
Providence	6,469,400	17.5	....
Omaha	5,567,213	10.7	....
Houston	5,489,479	10.1	....
Galveston	5,394,800	19.5	....
Milwaukee	5,070,322	6.4	....
Buffalo	4,861,376	24.7	....
Columbus, O.	4,853,000	26.2	....
St. Paul	4,641,274	11.9	....
St. Joseph	3,321,753	....	6.0
Salt Lake City	2,182,329	20.4	....
Fort Worth	2,110,164	8.3	....
Denver	2,083,331	9.9	....
Los Angeles	1,821,492	33.7	....
Seattle	1,723,973	27.5	....
Spokane	1,430,858	76.9	....
Des Moines	1,310,394	4.6	....
Sioux City	947,588	24.0	....
Davenport	865,865	37.3	....
Tacoma	774,314	25.9	....
Helena	549,000	....	11.0
Wichita	451,533	2.7	....
Macon	423,000	1.9	....
Topeka	404,794	....	11.7
Little Rock	350,984	....	....
Fargo, N. D.	276,026	35.9	....
Sioux Falls, S. D.	139,431	34.9	....
Fremont, Neb.	129,949	59.3	....
Hastings, Neb.	119,237	4.3	....
Totals United States	1,696,955,472	32.9	....
Totals outside New York	589,331,775	15.1	....

Stocks and Bonds.

NEW YORK, June 16.—There was a small number of stocks whose prices were marked up at the opening to-day and for which a buying demand set in at intervals during the day. The coalers were conspicuous, especially the Reading issues, and they rose on an average of about 1½ points. The Flower group also moved upward and gave some semblance of strength to the general market. Aside from this demand the market was almost wholly neglected and in the hands of a small coterie of professional traders. The utmost endeavors of these operators did not serve to move prices more than a small fraction except in a few isolated cases. The anthracites and the coalers was pretty well held. It was attributed to the return from Europe of a prominent financier, who has figured in many railroad reorganizations and to the closing out of options on Lehigh Valley by arbitrageurs. Some of these railroads also played a rather firm tone in sympathy with Reading, but the movement of prices in them was inconsequential. The advance in the Flower stocks was not so well held and in some of them was more than lost before the day was over. Sugar moved up and down over a range of about 3 points and closed with a small net loss. New York Airbrake made a characteristic skyrocket jump of 16 points. Colorado Southern first preferred dropped 2¾, presumably on account of the poor showing for the month. Metropolitan ranged over 4 points, but closed at a small change. There was nothing in the general situation that found any reflection in the stock trading. The undertone was rather firm in the railroad list, partly on account of the strength of individual stocks already mentioned. The announcement of an additional shipment by to-morrow's steamer of $1,000,000 in gold was without influence in the trading, unless it might have been a feature in discouraging activity. Money in the same direction was the expectation of an unfavorable bank statement tomorrow. Last Saturday's shipments, as well as those made early in the week, will all figure in tomorrow's statement, but not to-day's engagement. The banks are all to have more cash in other ways during the week, and a large decline in that item is expected. The item of loans cannot be forecasted, but there were reports of a calling of some loans yesterday, suggesting that there may be a contraction of credits reflected by to-morrow's statement.

An incident of the day was the firmer tone in the silver market in London, said to be due to buying for Indian account and to the effect of the Colorado smelters strike.

Reading 4s were the feature of the bond market, with an advance of 1 per cent on large buying. Elsewhere in the list were points of weakness. Total sales, par value, $2,780,000. United States 2s and the old 4s (coupon) declined ¼ and the 5s advanced ¼ in the bid price.

Range and closing prices of active stocks in New York yesterday, as furnished by Houston, Fible & Co., 723 Delaware street, telephone 2005:

Stocks.	High.	Low.	Yes.	Thur.
American Cotton Oil	36	36	36	36¼
American Spirits	10⅝	10⅝	10⅝	....
do preferred	32	32	32	....
American Sugar Refining	152⅝	152⅝	152⅝	153⅝
American Tobacco	96	96	96⅛	96¼
A., T. & S. F.	17⅞	17⅝	17⅞	17¾
do preferred	55¼	54⅝	55	54⅞
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	118⅝	117¾	117⅞	117⅞
C., B. & Q.	131⅝	130⅞	130⅞	131¼
C., C., C. & St. L. common	54½	54¼	54¼	54
People's Gas	121	120	120	120⅞
C., M. & St. P. common	126⅝	126	126¼	126⅝
Chicago & Northwestern	152	152	152	152¾
C., R. I. & P.	112	111¾	111¾	112
Chesapeake & Ohio	24⅞	24½	24⅞	24¾
Consolidated Gas	181	180	181	180⅝
C., St. P., M. & O.	98¼	98¼	98¼	98½
Colorado Fuel & Iron	42½	42½	42⅞	43½
D., L. & W.	172	169¾	170½	....
Delaware & Hudson	120¼	120¼	120¼	118⅞
K. C., F. & G.	9¾	9¾	9¾	9
General Electric	117¼	117¼	117¼	118¼
Illinois Central	112⅝	112⅝	112¼	....
International Paper	42⅝	42½	42⅝	42
do preferred	78	78	78	....
Louisville & Nashville	67⅝	67	67¼	67½
Metropolitan Traction	228	224¼	226¼	226¼
Mexican Central	13½	13¼	13¼	13¾
Manhattan	113⅝	112¾	112½	113¾
Missouri Pacific	41½	40⅞	41	40⅞
M., K. & T. preferred	33¼	32⅞	33¼	32¾
National Biscuit common	43½	43	43	43
New Jersey Central	117½	116¾	117½	116¼
New York Central	131⅝	131	131¾	131
Northern Pacific	47¼	46⅞	47	46⅞
do preferred	72⅝	72½	72½	72½
Ontario & Western	27	26⅞	26⅞	26¾
Pacific Mail	48¼	47⅞	47⅞	48
Philadelphia & Reading	21½	21⅛	21½	20½
do first preferred	62¼	60⅞	61⅞	60¼
do second preferred	35⅝	35	35	34
Pullman	157	157	157	....
Southern Railway	....	....	....	10⅞
do preferred	50	49¾	50	49¾
Southern Pacific	31¾	31⅝	31¾	30
Texas & Pacific	19	19	19	....
Tennessee Coal & Iron	64¾	64¼	64¼	63½
United States Rubber	54⅝	53⅞	54	53½
United States Leather	6	6	6	5⅞
do preferred	70	70	70	....
Union Pacific	41¼	40½	40⅞	....
do preferred	74½	74⅝	74⅞	74⅝
Wabash preferred	20½	20	20	20½
Western Union	90	89¾	89⅞	90½
Canada Southern	....	....	....	53½
Chicago Great Western	13½	13	13¼	13½
do preferred A	69¼	68½	69¼	....
do preferred B	31¼	31¼	31¼	....
American Steel & Wire	60⅝	59	59⅝	59¾
do preferred	96½	96	96½	96½
American Smelt. & Ref. Co.	38½	38¼	38¼	39
do preferred	82½	81⅞	82½	83
Denver & Rio Grande	22½	21⅞	22	21¾
do preferred	76½	76⅛	76½	76¼
Pennsylvania Railroad	131	130½	130⅝	131
Norfolk & Western	....	....	....	20¾
do preferred	69	68⅝	69	68¾
Federal Steel	64⅞	63⅝	64	64¼
do preferred	84¾	83⅝	83⅝	84⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	51⅝	51¼	51¼	51
do preferred	73¼	73¼	73¼	73½
St. L. & S. W. 1st preferred	20¼	20⅛	20⅛	20¼
St. L. & S. F. 1st preferred	35⅞	35⅞	35⅞	....
Glucose	....	....	....	68
North American	11½	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛
National Steel	51