RAILWAY SHARES DECLINE.

The Weakness Felt Severely Throughout the Whole List.

United States Steel Corporation Stocks Not So Badly Affected by the Strike Situation—Sugar Refining Feels Possible Competition.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—In view of the concentration of interest in the steel strike situation that has prevailed throughout the week, it is hardly necessary to say that this morning's intelligence setting forth the existing state of affairs was the main influence in today's stock market.

The market opened extremely dull, but fairly steady. With the course of the morning a weak tone developed and general and material declines were recorded. It was a matter of some comment that the losses scored were more severe in the railway list than in the United States Steel issues, notwithstanding this morning's news. Beyond question the fight will now continue until the employes of the Steel Corporation abandon their position absolutely and seek re-employment. There is virtually nothing else left for the corporation to do except to attempt to fill the places of strikers with new men or otherwise await the return to work of the strikers.

No further concessions will be considered for a moment and the final settlement of the question has now narrowed down to a test of endurance between the corporation and the men. There is no possible question as to the final upshot of such a contest, and now that uncertainty as to the actual status of the matter has been removed, it is natural enough, from a speculative viewpoint, that the United States Steel Corporation should have been so little affected in the market as the securities were.

As already noted, the more severe losses in the day's weak market were in the railway list. There were particularly severe declines in the Atchison shares, Rock Island, St. Paul, Southern Pacific, and Union Pacific. A specific influence in the weakness of the last named was to be found in the positive assertions current today that the dividend would not be changed on Thursday. It was not possible to assign specific explanations, other than technical ones, for the special pressure apparing in the other stocks cited.

Moderate liquidation by commission houses was reported throughout the list. There was no further unfavorable news from the corn belt, but the price of that staple continued exceedingly firm, a possible influence in the weakness evident among the Western railway shares.

The local traction stocks, while very dull, moved in line with the railway list and the only matter of interest bearing upon that quarter was the publication of the June statement of earnings of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, which showed that the management was still unable to reduce materially the outlay for operating expenses.

Aside from the Steel issues, Sugar Refining was the conspicuous feature of the industrial quarter, and was decidedly weak on renewed discussion of the effects upon the company's earnings of the new competition recently announced. Nothing of special interest was shown in the dealings among the so-called specialties, which were also weak, with the exception of Consolidated Gas.

London was not a factor of any weight in the local trading. The money market was extremely easy, and from the preliminary estimate of the week's movements of currency it would appear that the banks have gained upward of $2,000,000 in cash, notwithstanding their losses to the Sub-Treasury since the completion of the figures of last week's bank statement.

New York Stock Exchange, Aug. 2.

	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.	Net ch'g's.
Amalgamated Copper	112⅝	112⅝	112⅝	—⅛
Am. Car & F.	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝	+⅛
Am. Cotton Oil	34	33½	34	+⅛
American Ice	32	31½	31⅝	—1
American Ice pfd	68½	68½	68½	—½
Am. Linseed Oil pfd	65	64⅝	65	+2
American Locomotive	26	25	25	—½
American Loco. pfd	85⅝	85	85	—1⅛
American Malting	6⅝	6⅝	6⅝	
American Malting pfd	27½	27½	27½	+½
American Smelting	52⅝	52⅝	52⅝	—⅞
American Smelting pfd	100⅝	99⅞	100	
American Sugar Ref	146⅝	137⅝	137⅝	—8⅛
Am. Sugar Ref. pfd	128	127½	128	+½
American Woolen	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	—⅛
Anaconda	44⅝	44	44	—⅞
Atchison	73½	71½	73	—½
Atchison pfd	95⅛	94⅝	94⅝	—⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	96½	96½	96½	—1
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	75½	75⅛	75⅛	+⅛
Can. Pacific	106½	106	106¼	+⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	46⅝	45⅝	46	—⅛
Chicago & Alton	37½	37½	37½	—⅛
Chi. & East Ill.	129⅝	120½	120½	—8½
Chi. Great West	22⅝	21⅝	22½	
Chi., M. & St. P.	160⅛	157⅝	158⅞	—1⅝
Chi., R. I. & Pacific	128	125⅝	128	—2
Chi. Ter. Trans.	10	10	10	
Chi. & Northwestern	195⅝	195⅝	195⅝	—½
Cl. Lor. & W. pfd	68	68	68	—6⅝
Col. Fuel & Iron	97	95½	97	+1⅝
Col. Southern	13	13	13	
Col. So. 1st pfd	51	51	51	+½
Col. So. 2d pfd	22½	22½	22½	
Con. Gas	67	63	67	+3
Consolidated Gas	220½	218	219½	+½
Continental Tobacco	66½	65½	66½	—½
Con. Tob. pfd	116	116	116	
Delaware & Hudson	160⅝	159½	160⅝	+1⅝
D. L. & W.	230	228	230	+1⅝
Den. & Rio G.	41	41	41	—½
D. & Rio G. pfd	91	90½	91	
Detroit Gas	74	74	74	—1
D., S., S. & A.	10½	10½	10½	—⅛
D., S., S. & A. pfd	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝	—⅛
Erie	37⅝	37	37⅛	—⅜
Erie 1st pfd	65⅝	65	65	—1
Erie 2d pfd	50½	50⅝	50⅝	—⅝
General Electric Co.	254	254	254	+½
Gl. Sugar Ref. Co.	56	55½	55½	
Great Northern pfd	177	175½	175½	—1
Hocking Valley	53⅝	53⅝	53⅝	+1⅝
Hocking Valley pfd	74⅝	74	74	—1⅝
Illinois Central	145⅝	144⅝	145½	
International Paper Co.	20½	20½	20½	
International Paper pfd	75⅝	75⅝	75⅝	
International Power	94	92⅝	92⅝	—1½
Iowa Central	26	26	26	
Iowa Central pfd	74½	73	73	—⅝
Kn. Ice of C. pfd	55	55	55	
Laclede Gas	90½	90	90½	—4½
Long Island	78	75	78	+4½
Louisville & Nashville	101⅝	101	101⅝	
Man. Con.	118	117	117⅝	—⅝
Met. St. Rail	166½	166	166	—1⅝
Met. W. S. El.	35½	35½	35½	
Mexican Central	23⅝	22½	22½	—½
Mex. Nat. tr.	9	9	9	—⅛
M. St. P. & S. S. M.	24½	24½	24½	—½
Mo., Kan. & T.	26	26	26	—⅝
Mo., K. & T. pfd	52½	52	52	—9
Missouri Pacific	97½	96⅝	97½	—⅛
National Biscuit Co.	42½	42	42	—⅛
National Salt	40	40	40	—1
N. Y. Air B.	138	138	138	
N. Y. Central	151⅝	150⅝	151⅝	+⅝
N. Y. C. & St. L.	38½	38½	38½	
N. Y., O. & W.	23	22½	22⅝	
N. Y., S. H. & H.	215⅝	215⅝	215⅝	+⅛
Norfolk & Western	53⅝	52⅝	52⅝	—⅝
Northern Pacific s. 90.	95	95	95	—2½
Pacific Mail	41½	40⅝	41⅝	+1⅝
Pennsylvania	145	144	144⅝	—⅝
People's Gas of C.	114⅝	113	113½	—1½
Pr. St. Car	43	42½	43	+1
xPullman	206	205	206	+½
Reading	42⅝	41	41⅝	—½
Reading 1st pfd	77⅝	76⅝	77⅝	+⅛
Reading 2d pfd	52½	52⅝	52½	—⅝
Rep. Steel	20	19⅝	20	+⅛
Rep. Steel pfd	74	74	74	
Rubber Goods	29⅝	29½	29½	—⅛
St. Jo. & G. I. 1 pfd	67	67	67	—1½
St. Jo. & G. I. 2 pfd	36	36	36	—3
St. L. & Ad.	100⅝	99½	100⅝	+⅛
St. L. & S. F.	41⅝	40½	40⅝	—⅛
St. L. & S. F. 1 pfd	77	77	77	
St. L. & S. F. 2 pfd	68½	67⅝	68⅝	+⅛
St. Louis So. pfd	60	60	60	—1⅝
Sloss Shef. St.	33	33	33	—1
Southern Pacific	55⅝	53⅝	55	—⅝
Southern Railway	29⅝	29⅛	29⅝	+⅛
Southern Railway pfd	84⅝	84	84	—½
St. R. & T. Co.	6½	6½	6½	
Tenn. C. & I. Co.	61	61	61	—⅝
Texas Pacific	40⅝	40	40	—⅝
T., S. L. & W. pfd	34	33½	33½	—½
Twin City R. T.	94½	93½	93½	
Union Pacific	99	96⅝	97⅝	—1⅛
Union Pacific pfd	89	88½	88⅝	—½
U. S. Leather	13⅝	12⅝	13	—⅛
U. S. Leather pfd	79½	78⅝	79½	+½
U. S. Rubber	19	18	18½	—½
U. S. Rubber pfd	59	59	59	
U. S. Steel	43⅝	41⅝	43⅛	+⅝
U. S. Steel pfd	93⅝	91⅝	93⅝	+½
Wabash	21⅝	20⅝	21⅝	+⅝
Wabash pfd	30⅝	29	30⅝	+⅝
Western Union Tel.	92⅝	91⅝	91⅝	—⅝
Wisconsin Central	21⅝	20⅝	20⅝	—⅝
Wisconsin Central pfd	42	42	42	

Total sales of stocks, 364,600 shares.
+Advance. —Decline. xEx-dividend.

Government Bonds.

	Bid.	Asked
U. S. 2's, R, 1930-50, Q. J.	107¼	108½
U. S. 2's, C, 1930-50, Q. J.	107¼	108½
U. S. 3's, R, 1908, Q. F.	108¼	109
U. S. 3's, R, 1908, R. C. F.	108¼	109
U. S. 4's, 1925, Q. J.	113	113½
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J.	113	113¼
U. S. 4's, R, 1925	137	138
U. S. 4's, C, 1925	137	138
U. S. 5's, R, 1904	107⅝	108⅛
U. S. 5's, C, 1904, Q. F.	107⅝	108⅛

Yesterday was very dull in the stock market, the amount of business probably being as small as on any previous day this summer. Early in the session a decline began which caused many to believe that the market might have a rather serious break. Later, however, the Steel securities advanced again and other stocks followed suit, so that at the close there was very little in the way of a net movement anywhere in the list. Business was almost wholly professional in its nature, supporting orders by Keene and his lieutenants furnishing the exception. The market is likely to be dull for some time to come. Opinions as to its probable tendency vary, some people believing that the failure of the two parties in the labor war to come to an agreement will result in a break of importance, while others hold to the idea recently expressed more than once that the strike has been wholly discounted as a bear factor and that Mr. Keene does not intend to allow a break, no matter how bad the strike developments may be.

A syndicate with $200,000,000 can come as near being able to work the market to suit itself as any syndicate ever will, beyond question. It is not possible to know what the Morgan-Keene syndicate may wish at this time, but it may be surmised shrewdly that, being the owner of pretty much all of the Steel stock and of very large blocks of other securities, it will see no reason for a break in prices. A short time ago Mr. Keene said in an interview that there were 250,000 holders of Steel securities. Since that time many hundreds of thousands of shares have been sold by the public and bought in by the syndicate. There can be no manner of question as to this. The syndicate is a well-known fact, and the object of the syndicate is to support the Steel securities in the event of strikes or other calamities that might cause them to decline badly. The Steel stocks have not declined badly, though the old Steel and Wire and Federal Steel stocks would have tumbled many points in such an event as this steel strike. Therefore the syndicate has bought. Therefore the public does not own the Steel shares any more. A very reasonable supposition based on these facts would be that the syndicate will make the Steel stocks strong instead of allowing them to become weak. Having all the stock, this would not be a very difficult matter for a syndicate much less powerful than the Morgan-Keene combination. Any cheap, fly-by-night industrial concern can put up the price of its own securities if it owns them all. The only thing to look after in such an event is the short selling, and this Mr. Keene is a master hand at. He showed this very forcibly when he caught the shorts in Northern Pacific a short time ago. A small decline may come when the first news of open war occurs, but it should be short and far, and it should be followed by a good rally if this analysis of the situation is the correct one.

News yesterday was not important. The banks have lost $1,250,000 to the Sub-Treasury this week, but they have gained more than that amount from the interior, it is said, and the street looks for a fairly good bank statement. Its figures are not likely to be important, however. London had little or no influence on New York yesterday. Money is easy, call loan rates continuing low. Nothing new regarding the corn crop situation is forthcoming, and the street has begun to take the position that it would neither gain nor lose by Government figures on August 10. The granger securities were among the weakest on the list, however, contrasting with the Steels, which were particularly strong.

Among the stocks that did not hold their own well yesterday Sugar was conspicuous. It declined 2 points or more and closed at the low price for the day—137½. The street seems to be taking the news of the proposed opposition refinery rather seriously. Whether this is actually the case or the Steel Trust itself is jockeying the market, cannot be determined, but people that usually have very good information regarding Sugar advise their friends not to be too much frightened by the break in the stock.

The Union Pacific people will meet next Thursday to act on the dividend question. It is stated semi-officially that there will be no increase in the dividend on the common stock, but that 2 per cent will be paid as usual.

A sale of 200 shares of Northern Pacific common stock at 95 yesterday—"seller 10"—attracted some attention. The stock was said to be coming from Europe. The street is beginning to talk about Northern Pacific affairs again, in connection with the possibility that the corn crop will be badly damaged in the Burlington territory. The question is asked what will be the effect on the earnings of the Burlington of, say, only half a crop. The statement of the Burlington for June showed a loss in the surplus of $80,000, when business is fine and all the other grangers are showing large increases. There were many well versed in railway statistics that doubted the wisdom on the part of the Northern Pacific people when they practically guaranteed 8 per cent on the Burlington stock by paying $200 in 4-per cent bonds for one share of stock. In the event of a bad shortage in corn, the number of people that would doubt the profitableness of the deal to the Northern Pacific would be largely increased. Northern Pacific 4's "when issued" are now selling at 89, about on a par with Burlington stock.

Consolidated Gas had a spurt yesterday morning, getting at one time as high as 222. It closed with a net gain. The street hears the story again that there is to be a melon cut in this stock in the near future.

The traction securities were all dull but showed a tendency to shade off. The earnings of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit for the month of June showed an increase of $1,150, not quite so rosy a showing as the street had been led to expect.

The talk of the absorption of the Iowa Central and the Minneapolis and St. Louis by the Illinois Central is heard again. The statement now is that the Iowa is to be bought up by the Minneapolis and St. Louis, one share of the stock of the latter being given for two of Minneapolis and St. Louis. Later, it is said, the deal will be completed by the Illinois Central taking over the "Greater Minneapolis and St. Louis."

Again yesterday the Reading securities were strong and the coal stocks in general held their own excellently. Reading first preferred, for instance, advanced to 77¼ and closed at the top price. Possibly Mr. Keene is working the Reading securities as he is the Steel stocks.

Some little interest is manifested in the recent dealings in Pacific Mail, which has shown some life and strength after a long period of quiet. The stock advanced to 41½ yesterday and closed at 41¼, with a good net gain. Nothing is given out by the tipsters regarding the affairs of the company.

The New York Curb Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Trading in the market for outside securities continues quiet. Prices were practically unchanged from the closing figures of last night. Madison Square Garden stock was an interesting item, selling at 11. Second mortgage bonds sold; 10 found a market at 61. Bay State Gas seemed to be in better demand, 1,500 selling at 1.

Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis was dealt in to the extent of 500 shares at 74½. Camden Land sold from 1¾ to 1½. International Umbrella declined from 2¼ to 2. Union Copper brought 5½. Five hundred shares General Carriage changed hands at 1¾. Standard Flour Milling preferred sold off from 26⅝ to 26. Columbus Gas, which is seldom traded in, sold at 86. American Can was off a shade, 400 shares of the common selling at 23½. One hundred of the preferred sold at 75. Two hundred shares Sparklets sold at 3¼.

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THE MARKETS OF EUROPE.

Quiet in London and Inactivity on the Continent.

LONDON, Aug. 2.—Business was very quiet on the stock exchange today, and the market quite featureless. The exchange is to be closed tomorrow.

The money market was a shade easier, chiefly because of Government disbursements.

Paris exchange on London unchanged at 25 fr. 19½c. Berlin unchanged at 20m. 43 pfg. Vienna rate unchanged at 21.96.

Today's London quotations for a series of important securities were as follows:

	2 P.M.	N. Y. equiv.	London close.	N. Y. equiv.
Consols, money	93 3-16	...	93 3-16	...
Consols, account	93⅝	...	93⅝	...
Anaconda	9	...	9	...
Atchison	73⅝	73⅝	73⅝	73⅝
Atchison pfd	97½	95⅝	97⅝	95⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	100	97½	100	97½
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	94½	92⅝	94½	92⅝
Canadian Pacific	111	108⅝	110⅝	108
Chesapeake & Ohio	47½	46⅝	48	46⅝
Denver & Rio G.	42½	41½	42	42
Denver & Rio G. pfd	93⅝	91	93½	91⅝
Erie	38⅞	37⅞	38½	37½
Erie 1st pfd	67½	65⅞	67⅝	65⅝
Erie 2d pfd	51⅝	50½	51⅝	50
Illinois Central	149	145½	149½	146
Kansas & Texas	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝	26⅝
Kansas & Texas pfd	57	56⅝	56½	55⅝
Louisville & Nashville	101⅝	101⅝	101⅝	101⅝
New York Central	154	150½	154	150½
Northern Pacific pfd	99	96⅝	99	96⅝
Norfolk & Western	54⅝	53	54⅝	53⅝
Norfolk & West. pfd	92	89⅝	91	88⅝
Ontario & Western	33⅝	32½	33⅝	32⅞
Pennsylvania	74⅝	144½	74	144
Reading	21⅝	42⅝	21½	42
Reading 1st pfd	38⅝	76⅝	38½	77
Reading 2d pfd	27	52⅝	27	52⅝
St. Paul	164	160⅝	164	160⅝
Southern Pacific	57	55⅝	56⅝	55⅝
Southern Ry	30⅝	29½	30⅝	29⅝
Southern Ry. pfd	86½	84½	86	84
Union Pacific	101⅝	99⅝	101⅝	98⅝
Union Pacific pfd	91⅝	89⅝	91	88⅝
U. S. Steel	44	42⅝	44	42⅝
U. S. Steel pfd	94	91⅝	94	91⅝
Wabash pfd	41	40	40½	39½

Washington Stock Exchange.

Sales—U. S. Coupon 3's, $2,000@108⅝; Capital Traction, 200@62½, 100@62⅝; Washington Gas, 150@68½, 50@69; Lanston Monotype, 500@14⅝.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked
Funding currency, 3.65's	124	...

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked
Capital Traction R. R. 4's	107	108
Wash. Trac. & Elec. Coll. 4½'s	...	67
Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	116½	120
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness A	105	107½
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness B	105	107½
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1914	117	...
Columbia R. R. 2d mort. 5's	105	110
City & Suburban R. R.	...	...
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	...	...
Wash. Gas Co., ser. A, 6's, 1902-'27	107	...
Wash. Gas Co., ser. B, 6's, 1901-'29	107	...
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp., 1907	105½	...
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indept.	105½	106½
Ches & Pot. Tel., Con. 5's	102	...
American Security & Trust 5's, 1909	110	...
Wash. Market Co., 1st 6's, 1892-1911, $7,000 retired annually	110	...
Wash. Mkt. Co., Imp. 6's, 1912-'27	110	...
Wash. Mkt. Co., ext. 6's, 1914-'27	110	...
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C, 1908	105	...
American Graphophone, Deb. 5's	...	100

SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.

	Bid.	Asked
National Safe Deposit	148	152
Wash. Loan and Trust	173	178
American Security and Trust	215	230
Washington Safe Deposit	60	...
Union Trust and Storage	109	109½

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Bank of Washington	375	...
Metropolitan	725	860
Central	230	...
Farmers and Mechanics'	225	...
Second	165	...
Citizens'	165	...
Columbia	170	180
Capital	155	170
West End	119	127
Traders'	137	...
Lincoln	119½	125

RAILROAD STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Capital Traction	102¼	102½
City & Suburban	...	...

INSURANCE STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Firemen	25	...
Franklin	40	...
Metropolitan	75	80
Corcoran	63	...
Potomac	...	70
Arlington	26	...
German-American	210	...
National Union	8⅝	9
Columbia	10	11
Riggs	7¾	8
People's	6	6¾
Commercial	4	5
Colonial	...	115

TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Real Estate Title	85	95
Columbia Title	4⅝	...
Washington Title	3⅝	4
District Title	4½	...

TELEPHONE STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Chesapeake & Potomac	...	68

GAS STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Washington Gas	59⅝	60
Georgetown Gas	65	75

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

	Bid.	Asked
Mergenthaler Linotype	164¼	167
Lanston Monotype	14½	14⅝
American Graphophone	8⅝	9¼
American Graphophone, pfd	10⅝	10⅞
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	.05	.10
Washington Market	14	...
Norfolk & Washington	160	180

*Ex-dividend.

THE CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Unfavorable News and Selling Cut Two Cents Off Corn.

CHICAGO, Aug. 2.—Wheat opened higher in sympathy with corn and the advance of ¾d at Liverpool. The improvement was met by local realizing sales and professional short selling. The latter came on the market more freely when corn declined. The commission house trade was light. Paris closed unchanged. Primary receipts were slightly over last year's. Clearances for the day were 715,000 bushels, and for the week 6,462,000 bushels. Argentine shipments, 120,000 bushels. World's shipments will be about 5,000,000 bushels. There were no cash sales here and up to the close the seaboard had reported but ten loads.

Corn opened higher, but the advance was met by heavy realizing sales for both outside and local account. This brought about a cent decline, after which prices ruled firm until near the close, when a denial of the Missouri State crop report, which was a factor yesterday, gave traders enough courage and under their selling stop loss orders were reached, and another cent was lost. On this break there was excellent buying for commission houses and local account. The export demand is very poor, as is evidenced by the weekly clearances, 561,000 bushels. Argentine shipments, 1,816,000 bushels. Country acceptances are very light. Receipts 162 cars, with 146 estimated.

Oats were relatively firmer than other grains. The trade was not so large in volume. On the decline the market met good support. The local talent is in a scalping mood. Country acceptances of oats were much lighter and shippers report a better demand. Receipts 201 cars, and 225 estimated for tomorrow.

There was a good day's business in provisions, with the market fairly active within a moderate range. The advance at the opening was in sympathy with hogs and corn market. Closing prices were unchanged to moderately lower. The investment demand was principally for October and January lard and ribs. Packers continue to take the bulk of September offerings. Cash trade fairly good.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

Corrected daily by W. B. Hibbs & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, 1419 F Street.

WHEAT—	Open.	High.	Low.	2:00.
July	69⅝	69⅝	68⅝	68⅝
September	69⅛	....	....	....
CORN—				
July	58	57	57	57
September	....	....	....	....
OATS—				
July	35⅝	35⅝	34⅝	34⅝
September	....	....	....	....

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
September	7.29	7.31	7.28	7.31
October	7.38	7.38	7.36	7.37
December	7.40	7.41	7.40	7.41
January	7.44	7.46	7.44	7.45

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"Mr. Jacob Rickerman came into our store some time ago suffering with diarrhoea so badly that he was passing blood," says J. A. Freedel & Co., of Rome, Wis. "He had been under the doctor's treatment but got no relief. We fixed him up a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera, and Diarrhoea Remedy, and he purchased a small bottle of it, and in twenty-four hours he was well." For sale by Henry Evans, wholesale and retail, 922 F Street.

DISTRICT SAVINGS BANKS.

A Suggestion That They Be Required to Make Regular Reports.

The suggestion has been made to the Comptroller of the Currency that a law should be passed requiring the savings banks and private banks of the District of Columbia to make regular reports of their condition to some authority, either the Comptroller of the Currency or the District Commissioners. It is understood that the Comptroller is in favor of some such regulation, and that the Treasury Department may recommend a law to the coming Congress.

The savings banks and the private banks of the District are at present nearly all of them not bound by any such restrictions as those that surround the national banks and trust companies. A few of the institutions do make reports to the Comptroller from time to time, but they are not compulsory, and as there is no provision for the examination of the institutions by the Comptroller, it cannot be known that they are accurate or trustworthy.

No hint as to the lack of good faith or the unsound condition of any local bank is made, but it is suggested that the interests of the public and of the national banks and trust companies should not be allowed to depend on the personal integrity of the owners of the private banks entirely. In nearly every State in the Union there are laws requiring the savings and private banks to make regular reports to the State authorities.

Under the present District law all such banks formed under act of Congress are subject to examination by the Comptroller and compelled to make report of their condition, but few of the local institutions were formed under acts of Congress. The law relating to this matter as it now reads is as follows:

"And all savings or other banks now organized or which shall hereafter be organized in the District of Columbia, under any act of Congress, which shall have capital stock paid up in whole or in part, shall be subject to all the provisions of the Revised Statutes and of all acts of Congress applicable to national banking associations, so far as the same may be applicable to such savings or other banks."

BALTIMORE PRICE CURRENT.

Wholesale Provision and Grain Market Quotations in Full.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 2.—Following are today's quotations in the local wholesale provision and grain markets:

Wheat—Stock in elevators, 1,857,237 bus. The market for Southern was firm and prices were higher in sympathy with Western. Receipts were fair and with a good demand all of the offerings were readily disposed of at the advance. Sales on grade were made at 72c for No. 2 red, 69c for steamer 2 red and 66c for rejected. Sample lots as to quality and condition brought 69, 65, 66, 68, and 72c.

Western wheat opened firm; August, 71⅝@72. Foreign markets were all higher, while speculative on this side were unsettled, some easy on foreign selling, others influenced by narrow trade. There was no activity in the market at the advance, and demand and offerings were small. August sold at 71⅝c and September 72⅛c, while steamer No. 2 spot sold at 68½c, being 3½c under the price of No. 2 red. Private cables few and inactive. Market closed easier; spot August, 71⅝c bid, 71½c asked; September, 71⅞c bid, 72c asked; October, 72⅛c bid, 72c asked. Sales, 10,000 August, 71⅝c; 10,000 September, 72⅛c; 2,500 steamer No. 2 red spot, 68½c. Settling price, contract, 71½c; No. 3 red, 68¼c; steamer No. 2 red, 68¼c.

Corn—Stock in elevators, 288,264 bus. Receipts of Southern were limited and confined to a cargo and sample lot of white, which sold at 63c for the former and 62c afloat for the latter. The market was firm and if here yellow would have brought 59@60c. Corn quiet at $2.65 per bbl.

Western corn was dull, but firm. There was no demand for corn and scarcely a car was offered during the day, while options were nominal entirely. Western advices were unsettled, the country being free sellers, but the price was remarkably strong. Private cables dull; nothing doing for export. Market closed dull; spot August, 57½c bid; September, 58c bid. Settling price, mixed, 58c; steamer mixed, 57c.

Flour—Market was quiet. Western Super, $2.30@2.55; Western Extra, $2.35@2.90; Western Family $3.15@3.30; Winter Patents, $3.55@3.70; Spring Patents, $3.85@4.10; Spring Straights, $3.75@3.85; Spring Bakers', $2.90@3.10; Baltimore Best Patents, $4.45; Baltimore High-grade Family, $4.35; Baltimore High-grade Extra, $3.95; Baltimore Choice Family, $3.70; Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Super, $2.30@2.55; Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Extra, $2.35@2.90; Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Family, $3.15@3.30; City Mills Super, $2.25@2.50; Rio Extra, $3.50@3.75; Rye flour, medium to choice, $2.90@3.25.

Oats—The market was firm. Stock in elevators, 186,650 bus white No. 2, 43½@44c; do. No. 3, 42½@42½c; do. No. 4, 40@41c; do. ungraded, 40@43½c; mixed, No. 2, 41½@42c; do. No. 3, 40@41c; do. No. 4, 39@40c; ungraded, 39@45c.

Rye—The market was steady. Stock in elevators, 35,413 bus. No. 2 nearby in carlots, 53c; No. 2 rye, 51c; No. 4 rye, 48c; No. 2 Western rye, 54c, in export elevator.

Butter—The market is firm. Creamery separator, extra, 23c; extra first, 21@22c; creamery first, 20c; creamery imitation, extra, 18c; Iowa and Northwestern ladle, extra, 16@17c; do extra first, 15@16c; Western store-packed, 13@14c; Ohio rolls, first, 15@16c; second, 14@15c; West Virginia rolls, first, 14@15c; second, 13@14c; Elgin creamery prints, ½-lb, 26@27c; do, 1-lb, 25@26c; do, 2-lb, 23@24c; Maryland and Pennsylvania creamery prints, ½-lb, 24@25c; do, 1-lb, 23@24c.

Eggs—The market is steady. Strictly fresh, 13@13½c; Western, 13@13½c.

Poultry—Market steady. Old fowls 10@10½c per lb; spring chickens, 12@13c; roosters, 25@30c apiece; ducks, 8@9c per lb.

Green coffee—Market quiet. No. 1 (Rio grade), 9⅞c.

Roasted coffee—Market steady. Bulk roasted coffee—Pure Java, 31½c; Maracaibo, 21½c; pure Laguayra, 21½c; pure Santos, 18½c; African Java, 18½c; Rio blend, 17½c; Peaberry mixture, 17c; pure Mocha, 29½c; Java-Mocha blend, 25c. (These coffees are in fancy bags, paper-lined.) If packed in cans or tubs, ½c higher.

Package brands—E. L. C., 100-lb cases, 11c; 50-lb cases, 11 1-16c; 25-lb cases, 11 2-16c; Lion coffee, in 100-lb lots, 10.63c; in 50-lb lots, 10.78c.

Cotton—Market quiet; middling, 8 1-8c; strictly low middling, 8c; low middling, 7⅞c. Stock in Baltimore, 2,855 bales.

OUTLETS FOR ALABAMA COAL.

A Short Water Route to New Orleans Proposed.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Aug. 2.—The Warrior Coal Company of Tuskaloosa County, this State, and the Elder-Dempster Steamship Company are arranging for an all-water route to New Orleans for Alabama coal. The Lake Borgne Canal has recently been completed and affords an inlet from the Gulf into the Mississippi River at New Orleans. The completion of this canal furnishes an all-water route from the Alabama coal fields to the city of New Orleans of a distance of only 550 miles, against 2,200 miles which Pennsylvania travels to the same point. The New Orleans parties have agreed to take 200,000 tons of Warrior coal at $2 per ton, and arrangements have been made for its transportation by barges from the mines near Tuskaloosa direct. The route will be down the Warrior and Alabama Rivers to Mobile Bay, thence by the Mississippi Sound and Lake Borgne Canal to New Orleans. Shipments are to commence November 1. If the project is a success it will revolutionize the Warrior coal field and wonderfully develop Alabama's export coal traffic.

The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad Company is shipping on its order of 150,000 tons of export coal for the Mexican Central Railroad, the coal going from Blocton Mines by rail to Pensacola and thence by steamer to Tampico, Mexico. The Mexican Central now has five steamers at Pensacola, waiting for cargoes of this coal, and 25,000 tons will be moved this week. This order is the largest export coal order ever booked by an Alabama concern. The delivery will cover a period of several months.

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