MR. VILLARD IS SUED.

SERIOUS CHARGES AGAINST THE MAGNATE AND OTHERS.

GERMAN INVESTORS UNEASY

A Conversation Between Presidents Hill and Egan—The Latter May Be Regarded as Indorsed as a Prophet—A Cut of Salaries Ordered by the Northern Pacific Receivers.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—A stockholder of the Northern Pacific railway, whose name is withheld, has employed Attorneys Read & Pettit to bring suit against Henry Villard, E. H. Abbott, Charles L. Colby and Colgate Hoyt on the general charge of malfeasance in office and mismanagement of affairs of the company in their capacity of directors thereof. It is alleged that they bought for the Northern Pacific properties in which they were personally interested. In this manner they profited largely as individuals, whereas the road lost heavily. Ten millions of dollars is the sum named as the amount of the profits of these four directors. It is said that Brayton Ives, Henry Clews and Jay Cooke Jr., the committee which investigated the affairs of the road last year, are back of the suit. The board of directors of the Northern Pacific railroad held a meeting today, but as the property is now in the hands of a receiver, the board restricted itself to unfinished business. It was understood that the counsel of the company was instructed to frame a reply to the letter of Brayton Ives, which accused certain of the directors of saddling the company with unprofitable roads to their individual gain. Counsel was also directed to oppose the proposed suit of a stockholder in Philadelphia against these same directors, to compel them to disgorge. President and Receiver Thomas F. Oakes said the subscriptions of the syndicate organized to underwrite the collateral trust notes would have to be paid in full. Henry Millard, formerly a director and one of the number accused by Mr. Ives, said he was not disposed to reply to the latter's letter. Everybody, he said, knew the animus of Mr. Ives' attacks.

At the meeting of the directors the following letter from Henry Villard was submitted:

MILLS Building, New York, Aug. 16, 1893. To Thomas F. Oakes Esq., President of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company—Dear Sir: I duly received your favor enclosing the communication of Messrs. Head and Pettit, made in behalf of John Swope, of the Northern Pacific Railroad company, and bearing date of the 4th inst. I desire to immediately place on record my unequivocal denial of the charges made, so far as they in any wise relate to me, and to make more emphatic my statement, I hereby present to you my affidavit on the subject, as requested by the company's counsel, which will show you how absolutely unwarranted it would be to subject me to the annoyance and expense of a litigation over matters in which I took no part. Yours truly,

H. VILLARD.

MR. SHIELDS' JOB.

Interesting Conversation Between Messrs. Hill and Egan.

An interesting story was related to a GLOBE man yesterday, which is very apropos at the present time to the matter of the resignation of Cornelius Shields from the superintendency of the Great Northern at Seattle. It is well known that President Egan, of the Chicago Great Western, did much, if not everything, to advance Mr. Shields. At one time Mr. Egan was general superintendent of the present Great Northern, and Mr. Shields was, at the same time, assistant superintendent. This much in explanation of the story. At the time President Hill, of the Great Northern, began making overtures to Mr. Shields to leave the service of the Chicago Great Western, the latter, it is said, was in receipt of an annual salary of $3,500. President Hill knows a good man when he sees him, and offered Mr. Shields $7,000—just double what he was then getting. He naturally accepted this excellent offer, and severed his connection President Egan's road. It is alleged that Mr. Egan felt a little "put out" over this. The informant of the GLOBE man vouches for the fact that the two magnates met upon the street, when the following conversation ensued:

President Hill—Good morning, Mr. Egan. Well, I have gotton my man Shields back to my road again.

President Egan—He isn't your man; he's mine. I brought him out.

President Hill—Oh, pshaw, I just loaned him to you.

President Egan—Never mind, Mr. Hill, I'll get him back again some day.

Now, in view of the fact that Mr. Shields is to again enter the service of Mr. Egan's line, it would seem that the latter is about to carry into effect his declaration to Mr. Hill.

MEETING OF THE MANAGERS

Proved to Be a Fizzle, and Another Will Be Held.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—The general managers of the Chicago roads and of several other lines near to Chicago, met at the Grand Pacific hotel today to discuss the railway situation. The meeting was a failure, not over one-half as many being present as were expected, and not a single Eastern line was represented. The general discussion closed with the appointment of a committee of five, which will work up another meeting to be held in September. It was generally supposed that the question of reducing wages would be taken up, but it was not, and the meeting was entirely general in its character. There is a well-defined fear among many of the lines that the existing financial conditions may force one or two of the weaker small lines into the hands of receivers, who will run the road with the sole idea of making enough money to pay expenses, and who will be heedless of association agreements. To ward off any possible disorganization of business from this source, and to devise means of saving such of the small fry as may get into deep water, was another reason for the calling of the meeting, but in this respect also nothing was done. All other matters were disposed of in the same way, and nothing looking towards action on any subject was taken.

People in the West desiring to attend the Grand Army encampment at Indianapolis can buy a regular ticket at the regular world's fair excursion rate to Chicago, and pay $3.65 for the round trip between Chicago and Indianapolis. All three roads to the encampment must go via St. Louis or Chicago, the round trip rate via the former city to Indianapolis from Kansas City being $14.50, and via Chicago $18.15.

This was decided at the meeting of the Western Passenger association today. Any number of schemes were proposed, but all of them were sat upon, and the net result was no reduction at all, the world's fair rate being already in existence and $3.65 being allowed by the Eastern lines. The matter of low rates to the fair for Illinois day was killed outright, not a thing toward lower rates being done. The balloting on this was secret, but the highest number of votes cast in favor of any plan favoring low rates was 6 out of a possible twenty.

FOREIGN BONDHOLDERS

Want to Investigate the Affairs of the N. P.

BERLIN, Aug. 17.—The Deutsche bank announces that it has received notification from many holders of Northern Pacific bonds, proposing that after the affairs of the company shall have been investigated, a meeting to elect an independent committee for each category of bondholders shall be convened, as separate committees for Berlin and Frankfort would endanger uniformity of action. It will also be proposed that prominent Frankfort financiers be invited to join the committee to represent the Frankfort interests.

CHEAP TRAVEL.

The Monon Makes a Rate of One Cent Per Mile.

The Louisville, New Albany & Chicago, better known as the Monon route, has made a round-trip rate from Chicago to Indianapolis of $3.65 on account of the twenty-seventh national encampment of the G. A. R. in that city next month, good till Sept. 16. This is a low rate, being only one cent per mile.

Great Northern at Seattle.

The supreme court of Washington decided against the action of the city of Seattle in condemning a street through private property, giving it to the Great Northern railway to enable that line to reach its depot property. This will probably delay work for a time, but the matter will be properly adjusted in other ways by the building of a union depot, thus consolidating interests now scattered all over the city of Seattle.

Northern Pacific Cut.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The receivers of the Northern Pacific today ordered the following economies:

Salaries from $1,200 to $5,000 to be reduced 10 per cent; salaries from $5,000 to $10,000 to be reduced 15 per cent, and salaries above $10,000 to be reduced 25 per cent.

ALONG THE LINES.

Among those who went out over the Milwaukee last night were the following: Mrs. Greene, P. Nelson, J. A. Lessy, L. Q. White, Grace Barrington, John Roller, Mrs. Southworth, N. P. Kramer, of St. Cloud; Miss Ingraham, A. Canis, M. H. Raschig, Henry Gilbert and wife, Ida Koenig and sister, M. Carson, C. C. Hoyt, C. C. Coats, Mr. Bassford, Mr. Shields and wife.

City Ticket Agent Thorn, of the Milwaukee, returned yesterday from Chicago, where he has been since Tuesday. He went to Chicago to attend the funeral of the mother of Mrs. Thorn.

Chief Clerk Eugene Valentine, of the Burlington, is attending the meeting of the Western Passenger association in Chicago, which opened yesterday, as the reptesentative of his line.

On Aug. 26 the last of the world's fair excursions via the steamer Ossefrage and the St. Paul & Duluth to Chicago will occur. The return trip will take place on Sept. 5.

Commencing the first of the present week the afternoon trains running between Winona and La Crosse on the Chicago & Northwestern were discontinued.

The Great Northern's agent at Duluth was in St. Paul yesterday en route for home from a three weeks' visit to the World's Fair city.

L. H. Sessions, Northwestern traveling passenger agent of the Monon route, was among the St. Paul railroad men yesterday.

Howard Ball, general passenger agent of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western company, will arrive in St. Paul today.

Second Assistant Freight Agent Ober, of the Omaha, was in Eau Claire yesterday. He will return today.

WHEAT CLOSES LOWER.

MORE FAILURES AND SICK CABLES CAUSED DECLINE.

EXPORTS CONTINUE HEAVY.

The Stock Market Dropped From 1-2 to 2 Per Cent—Unfavorable Reports of Missouri Pacific and St. Paul Roads—Speculation Discouraged Because of the Difficulty in Securing Loans.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Although wheat is going out of the country at a rate which if kept up will leave it a scarce article at home, the price is ½c lower than last night. Reports of failures East and West, more clearing house certificates issued at New York, very sick closing cables combined to depress the market. Corn is a shade higher and provisions are irregular; lower for lard and higher for ribs.

Wheat at the opening was about ¼@½c lower than yesterday's closing, ruled easy and prices further declined ¼@⅜c, then became stronger and advanced 1c, again ruled weak, and this time declined ⅞c and the closing was easy at ¼@⅜c from inside figures. The early weakness was due to the extreme dullness in trade, the continued weakness in stocks and the general feeling of unrest and uncertainty in financial circles. There was considerable wheat for sale, with little demand, but the local receipts were small—only 66 cars, against 577 cars a year ago today—and the exports were unusually liberal, which caused some reaction in sentiment, and early sellers made an effort to get back their wheat. When the final returns were in, showing yesterday's exports to be nearly 1,200,000 bu in wheat and flour, making over 2,000,000 bu during the last forty-eight hours, there was a session of sharp buying, which soon sent prices up 1c. But the market soon eased off on free realizing and weakened rapidly on statements that the banks were calling in loans, and on the wide circulation of other disquieting reports.

The Cincinnati Price Current reported that late rains had helped the crop in Iowa and Nebraska; outside of that the condition had not improved, and in some of the dry districts the crop was being "fired." But the trade was not much affected.

Corn opened rather firm at the closing figures of Wednesday, and an improvement of ¼@⅜c was gained. Later the feeling was not quite so firm, and prices settled back again ⅛@¼c, and closed comparatively steady. In oats traders inclined to follow the action of other grains. The price changes were frequent within a ½c range, and the close was at about the lowest point, with a net loss of ¼@⅜c.

There was no more life in the provision market today than there was yesterday. Absence of ready money for operations is the cause assigned. Pork is unchanged for September, but nominally 20c lower for October. September lard is 7½c lower and September ribs 7½c higher. There were 23,000 hogs received, and the market for tomorrow was quoted from 10 to 20c lower. Freights were slow at 1¼c for wheat and 1c for corn and oats to Buffalo.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 95 cars; corn, 270 cars; oats, 220 cars; hogs, 18,000.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat, No. 2—				
August	61⅛	61¾	60¾	61⅛
September	61⅞@62	62½	61⅛	51¾-⅞
December	69⅝-⅞	70⅜	69⅝	69⅝
Corn, No. 2—				
August	39	39¼	38⅞	39
Sept	39¼	39½	39⅛	39¼
October	39¼	4 ¼	39¼	40⅛
May	40⅞	41⅜	40⅞	41¼
Oats, No. 2—				
August	24½	24½	24	24
September	24¾	24⅞	24⅝	24⅝-½
May	30⅝	30⅝	30⅛-¼	30¼
Mess Pork—				
August	.....	.....	.....	12 65
September	.....	.....	.....	12 75
October	.....	.....	.....	13 00
Lard—				
August	.....	.....	.....	8 37½
September	8 37½	8 37½	8 35	8 37¾
October	8 05	8 12½	8 05	8 12½
Short Ribs—				
August	.....	.....	.....	7 75
September	7 62½	7 77½	7 60	7 75
October	7 57½	7 75	7 57½	7 75

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull, buyers and sellers apart. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 61⅛c; No. 3 spring, f. o. b., 56@57c; No. 2 red, 61⅛c. Corn—No. 2, 39c. Oats—No. 2, 24c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 29¼@29¾c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 27¼@28⅜c. Rye—No. 2, 46c. Barley—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 35c; No. 4, no sales. Flaxseed—No. 1, $1.02½. Timothy Seed—Prime, $3.40. Mess Pork—Per bbl, $12.65@12.87½. Lard—Per 100 lbs, $8.37½@8.47½. Short Ribs—Sides (loose), $7.90@7.95; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $7@7.25; short clear sides (boxed), $7.87½@8.12½. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.12. Sugars—Cut loaf, 6¼c; granulated, 5.57c; standard "A", 5.70c. Corn—No. 3, 38¾c. Receipts—Flour, 9,000 bbls; wheat, 52,000 bu; corn, 299,000 bu; oats, 226,000 bu; rye, 10,000 bu; barley, 11,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 9,000 bbls; wheat, 25,000 bu; corn, 332,000 bu; oats, 122,000 bu; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, 8,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 19@24½c; dairy, 18@22c. Eggs steady; strictly fresh, 14c.

Duluth Wheat.

Special to the Globe.

DULUTH, Aug. 17.—Wheat ruled firm today after a weak opening ½c lower than yesterday's closing prices. The market developed advancing tendencies, and closed better than opening figures. The mills were good buyers of cash wheat, and spot stuff was also in excellent demand for shipping purposes. All offerings of cash wheat were quickly absorbed. September No. 1 northern was in fair request. It opened at 58¾c, advanced ¾c, declined to 59c, advanced again ¼@⅜c, and ruled steady, easing off just before the close, which was ¼c below yesterday at 59c. Cash No. 1 hard opened at 60¾c, sold later in car lots at 61¾c. No. 1 northern, regular, in store, sold at 58¾c; to arrive, at 60c, both in car and round lots. The market closed dull but steady at a decline of ¼c for the day, except for cash No. 1 hard, which closed ¼c advanced, and December No. 1 northern, which closed ½c higher. Cash, August, 61½c; September, 62c; No. 1 northern, cash, August, 58½c; September, 59c; December, 67c; to arrive, 59½c; No. 2, 55½c; No. 3, 49½c; rejected, 49c.

Receipts—Wheat, 81,943 bu.

Shipments—Wheat, 165,400 bu.

Cars on Track—Northern Pacific, 5; Great Northern, 116; total, 121; corresponding date last year, 43.

New York Produce.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Flour—Receipts, 34,000 pkgs; exports, 3,000 bbls. 30,000 sacks; sales, 10,000 pkgs; market very dull, steady. Cornmeal dull, steady. Rye dull, steady; Western, 55c. Barley malt dull. Wheat—Receipts, 338,600 bu; exports, 370,000 bu; sales, 965,000 bu futures, 72,000 bu spot; spot market dull, lower, closing steady; No. 2 red, store and elevator, 68¼@68½c; afloat, 68½@68¾c; f. o. b., 68¼@69¼c; ungraded red, 65@69c; No. 1 northern, 70c; options were very dull with trading on local, switching and scalping. The opening was weak at ⅛@⅜c decline on easier cables, rallying ½c, but fell ⅜c with Chicago, and closed steady at ¼c under yesterday: No. 2 red, August, 68⅛@68¼c, closing at 68¼c; September, 69⅛@70⅛c, closing at 69⅝c; December, 76½@77c, closing at 75½c. Corn—Receipts, 69,000 bu; exports, 400,000 bu; sales, 75,000 bu futures; spot dull; 47¾@48⅜c afloat; options were dull and opened at ⅛@¼c advance, but fell ¼@¼c and closed steady and unchanged; August, 47⅝c, closing at 47⅝c; September, 47⅝@48c, closing at 47¾c; October, 48@48⅜c, closing at 48c. Oats—Receipts, 112,000 bu; exports, 200 bu; sales, 175,000 bu futures, 18,000 bu spot; spot market dull, steady; options dull, irregular; August, 30½c, closing at 30½c; September, 30⅝@30¾c, closing at 30⅝c; October, 31⅜c, closing at 31⅜c; November, 32¼c; No. 2 white, October, 30⅝@35c, closing at 31⅜c; No. 2, 30¼@30½c; No. 2 Chicago, 31¼@31½c; No. 3, 29½c; mixed Western, 31@32c; Hay firm, quiet. Hops quiet, firm. Hides dull, weak. Cut meats steady, dull. Lard dull, easier; Western steam closed at 9c nominal; sales, 150 tcs at $8.90; option sales, none; September, $8.90 nominal; October, $8.50, nominal. Pork firm, quiet. Butter—Light receipts, steady; Western dairy, 14½@18½c; do factory, 14½@18c; imitation creamery, 16@19c. Cheese quiet, steady; Western small, 8@9⅜c. Eggs easier, freer receipts; receipts, 8,000 pkgs; Western fresh, 16½@16½c; seconds, per case, $2.25@3.25. Tallow firm, quiet. Cottonseed oil steady. Petroleum firm, quiet; crude in barrels, Washington, 50c; do in bulk, $2.55; United, 57¼c bid; refined New York, $5.25; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $5.20; do in bulk, $2.70@2.75. Rosin steady. Turpentine quiet, easy. Rice firm. Molasses—New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 30@38c; dull, steady. Coffee—Futures opened steady, and 15 points up to 5 down, and closed 15@35 points up. European advices were all lower again early, but at the close recovered, strengthening the market here; sales, 33,750 bags, including: September, 14.55@14.75c; October, 14.55@14.75c; November, 14.50@14.55c; December, 14.50@14.55c; January, 14.45@14.80c; March, 14.40c; Rio on the spot was steady at 15⅝@15¾c for No. 7. Sugar—Raw quiet, steady; refined steady, fair demand. Pig iron dull, steady; American, $12.25@15.50. Copper steady; lake, $9.50. Lead quiet; domestic, $3.32½. Tin strong; straits, $18.50 bid; plates dull, steady; Spelter quiet; domestic, $3.75; exchange sales, 60 tons September tin at $18.25@18.75.

Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 17.—Cotton in fair demand, freely net, prices easy; American middling nominal, 4¼d. Wheat quiet, demand poor; holders offer freely. Corn easy, demand poor; holders offer freely; mixed Western, 4s 1½d per cental. Pork—Prime mess, Western fine, 92s 6d per barrel.

FINANCIAL.

New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The movements on the stock exchange today were of slight importance, as is evidenced by the transactions, which reached only about one-half of yesterday's small total. The dealings in listed and unlisted stocks footed up only 116,769 shares, and were confined almost entirely to the trading element in the board. There was scarcely any business for outside account and the commission houses are not encouraging speculative operations owing to the difficulty of securing time loan accommodations. The business troubles at the West and the unfavorable reports of the Missouri Pacific and St. Paul roads for the second week of August, the former showing a decrease in earnings of $201,000; the latter a decrease of $113,130 caused uneasiness. With the view of adding to the uneasy feeling some stocks were sold on sellers options at prices 1@3 points below the quotations current and even bonds were attacked. Despite all this however, there was comparatively little selling for the long account. General Electric declined 3½ and Manhattan 3⅞, but the remainder of the list yielded only ½ to 2 per cent. Final quotations were ⅛@⅞ above the lowest. Distilling and Cattle-Feeding was advanced 2⅞ to 20 early in the day by the report that congress would probably raise the tax on distilled spirits, but later fell back to 18. Not a single stock on the list was traded in to the extent of 20,000 and in only three instances did the transactions exceeed 10,000 shares.

Railway and miscellaneous bonds were weak throughout the day. The sales were $982,000. American Cotton Oil 8s fell 2 to 105; Chicago & Northern Pacific 1sts, 3½ to 40; Iron Mountain 5s, 5¼ to 69⅝; Lehigh & Wilkesbarre assented consols, 3 to 100; St. Louis Southwestern 1sts, 2½ to 51; Union Pacific gold 6s, 5½ to 74⅞; Denver & Gulf 1sts, 2 to 40. Hocking Valley 6s rose 6½ to 85; Erie 2ds consols, 1¾ to 64¾; Louisville & Nashville general 6s, 3 to 110; Mobile & Ohio 4s, 2 to 46; Oregon Short Line 6s, 2½ to 82½, and Wisconsin Central 1sts, 1 to 61. Chicago Gas 1sts declined 1 to 71¼ regular and 69½@71 sellers options. Northern Pacific 2ds brought 82, a fall of 19 from the last sales.

The Total Sales of Stocks

today were 114,600 shares, including:

Atchison	4,100	Northwestern	4,200
Bur. & Quincy	6,200	N. Pacific pfd	4,300
Chicago Gas	9,800	St. Paul	13,000
Distilling	17,200	Sugar	4,700
General Electric	12,100	Western Union	6,000
Manhattan Cons.	5,400		

Bonds.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Government bonds strong; state bonds dull.

U. S. 4s reg	111½	N. J. C. Int. cert	104½
do 4s coup	111½	St. L. & I. M. G. 5s	70
*do 4½s reg	95	*St. L. & S. F. G. M. 100	
*Pacific 6s of '95	103	St. Paul Consols	119½
*Louisiana S. 4s	95	*St. P. C. & P. 1sts	108
*Missouri 6s	95	*T. P. L. G. Tr. rcts	59
†Tenn. new set. 6s	106	T. P. R. G. Tr. rcts	14
do 5s	94	Union Pac. 1sts	101
do 3s	64	West Shore	95½
†Can. South. 2ds	97	†L. G. W. 1sts	62½
*Cen. Pacific 1sts	102	Atchison 4s	88¾
D. & R. G. 1sts	108	do 2½ "A"	33½
*do 4s	74	G. H. & S. A. 5s	95
Erie 2ds	64½	†do 2d 5s	100
M. K. & T. Gen 6s	71	†H. & T. C. 5s	100
do 5s	32	†do con 6s	95
†Mut. Union 6s	105	†N. C. 6s	122
N. Pacific 1sts	100½	†do 4s	100
do 2ds	82	S. C. Browns	95
do 3ds	61	Virginia 6s	50
N. W. consols	127½	do ex-mat coup	35
*do deb. s	104		

*Bid. †Asked.

Stocks—Closing.

Atchison	14½	Northern Pacific	4⅛
Adams Express	133	N. Pacific pfd	17¼
Alton & Terre H.	23	U. P., D. & Gulf	5
do pfd	140	Northwestern	93⅝
American Ex	104	Northwest'n pfd.	129½
Balt. & Ohio	34	N. Y. Central	97¼
Canad'n Pacific	71½	N. Y. & N. Eng.	17¾
Can. Southern	41	Ont. & Western	12¾
Central Pacific	16⅜	regon Imp	9
Ches. & Ohio	13½	Oregon Nav	30
Chicago & Alton	129	O. S. L. & U. N.	7
C., B. & Q.	75¼	P., D. & E.	6
Chicago Gas	48½	Pittsburg	140
Consol. Gas	115½	Pullman P. Car	141
C., C., C. & St. L.	38¾	Reading	1⅞
Cotton Oil Cert's.	28½	Richmond Ter.	11½
Del. & Hudson	109	do pfd	10½
Del., L. & W.	134½	Rio G. Western	15
D. & R. G. pfd.	2½	do pfd	53
Distillers' & C. F.	18⅛	Rock Island	56⅛
East Tennessee	¼	St. Paul	51¼
Erie	11½	St. Paul pfd	109
do pfd	25	St. P. & Omaha	27
Fort Wayne	140	do pfd	93
Great Nor. pfd	100	Southern Pacific	17¾
Ill. & E. Ill. pfd.	85	Sugar Refinery	71⅜
Hocking Valley	14½	Tenn. C. & I.	11¼
Illinois Central	88¾	Texas Pacific	5⅛
St. Paul & Duluth	23	*Tol. & O. C. pfd.	70
Kan. & Tex. pfd.	15¼	Union Pacific	17¼
Lake Erie & W.	15½	U. S. Express	46
do pfd	57	Wab., St. L. & P.	6⅞
Lake Shore	112¾	do pfd	13⅝
Lead Trust	25⅛	Wells-Fargo Ex.	130
Louisville & N.	53⅞	Western Union	75¾
Louisville & N. A.	10	Wheeling & L. E.	11
Manhattan Con.	108½	do pfd	39⅜
Memphis & Chas.	10	M. & St. Louis	8
Mich. Central	78	D. & R. G.	9½
Missouri Pacific	19⅞	Gen. Electric	39¼
Mobile & Ohio	11	Nat. Linseed	15
Nashville & Chat.	56	Col. Fuel & Iron	19
Nat. Cordage	73¾	do pfd	85
do pfd	25	H., & T. C.	3
N. J. Central	93½	S. A., A. & N. M.	7½
Norfolk & W. pfd	21	T., St. L. & K. C.	2
N. American Co.	3¼	*do pfd	20

*Asked.

San Francisco Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 17.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	$0 10	Mexican	$0 50
Belcher	23	Ophir	25
Best & Belcher	50	Potosi	50
Choller	25	Savage	30
Con. Cal. & Va.	1 20	Sierra Nevada	25
Crown Point	25	Union Con	35
Gould & Curry	25	Utah	5
Hale & Norcross	50	Yellow Jacket	35

New York Money.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Money on call easy at 2@4 per cent, last loan at 2, and closing offered at 2. Prime mercantile paper, 8@12 per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.82¼ for sixty days, and 4.85½ for demand. Commercial bills, $4.80@4.85¼. Silver certificates closed at 53c bid.

MINNEAPOLIS.

Chamber of Commerce.

Prices of wheat futures were below Wednesday's close most of the time. The market opened weak on liberal selling by shorts. Later the unusually large shipments of flour and wheat to Europe from the Atlantic ports caused some buying and a small recovery, which was later lost. Outside business was light. It was claimed that one cause of weakness was that some of the Eastern banks were calling in loans on wheat. The clearances were 1,024,000 bu of wheat and flour. Wheat ranged as follows:

August, closing, 55⅝c; September, opening, 55½c; highest, 55⅝c; lowest, 55c; closing, 55⅝c; December, opening, 63c; highest, 63⅜c; lowest, 62⅞c; closing, 62⅞c.

On Track—No. 1 hard, 60c; No. 1 northern, 58c; No. 2 northern, 56.

FLOUR AND COARSE GRAIN.

Flour—Receipts, none; shipments, 29,802 bbls. Quoted at $3.40@3.70 for first patents, $3.15@3.40 for second patents, $1.90@2.40 for fancy and export bakers', $1.10@1.45 for low grades in bags, including red dog.

Bran and Shorts—The market for bran is quite dull, but holders are a little stiff. Quoted at $7.50@7.75 in bulk; shorts, $8.50@9 per ton.

Corn—Receipts, 1,380 bu; shipments, none; corn is somewhat easier, with no sales.

Oats—Receipts, 3,480 bu; shipments, 4,800 bu. Demand slow.

Barley—Receipts, 650 bu; shipments, none. The season is about over for barley, except for feed purposes.

Rye—Receipts, none; shipments, 1,500 bu; sold for 40c f. o. b.

Feed—Millers hold at $14@14.75 per ton; less than car lots, $15@15.50; with corn meal, $13.50@14; granulated meal, $18@19. Probably higher, but not fixed.

Hay—Receipts, 47 tons; shipments, 10 tons. Receipts continue light, with a fair demand for choice upland. H. H. King & Co. report prices at $6.50@7 per ton for choice. Minnesota upland sold at $6.50 yesterday. Sales are confinedentirely to the retail trade. Rye straw is coming in and sells at $5@6 per ton.

Some Sample Sales—No. 1 hard, 1 car, 62c; No. 1 northern, 3 cars, new, 56½c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 58½c; No. 1 northern, 4 cars, 59c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 58¾c; No. 1 northern, 3 cars, 57½c; No. 1 northern, 1 car, 58c; No. 2 northern, 5 cars, 57c; No. 2 northern, 3 cars, 55½c; No. 2 northern, 1 car, thin, 56c; No. 2 northern, 4 cars, 56½c.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 14,000; shipments, 3,100; market slow, lower; prime, $4.80@5.15; good to choice, $4.25@4.75; others, $2.00@4; Texans, $1.75@3.30; Westerns, $2.25@3.85; cows, $1@1.85.

Hogs—Receipts, 23,000; shipments, 7,000; closed 20@25c lower; common rough heavy, $4.60@4.80; mixed and packers, $5@5.30; butchers', $5.40@5.65; light, $5.50@6.10.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; shipments, 1,380; natives, Westerns, barely steady; lambs lower; good to prime natives, $3@4; others, $2.75@2.85; Westerns, $2.60@3.50; lambs, $3@5.

Union Stock Yards.

Receipts—Hogs, 233; cattle, 19; calves, 10; sheep, 58.

Hogs—About like yesterday. Three bunches offered on the opening market, selling to a packer at $4.90@5.10. A load arriving late held over.

Cattle—Steady. Light receipts, and part of them arriving late. Fair demand for good butcher cattle and light veal calves. Canners sold at $1; cows, $2.15; calves, $3.75.

Quotations: Prime steers, $2.75@3.25; good steers, $2.50@2.75; prime cows, $2.50@2.75; good cows, $1.75@2.25; common to fair cows, 75c@$1.50; light veal calves, $3@4; heavy calves, $1.25@2.50; stockers, $1.25@1.75; feeders, $1.75@2.25; bulls, $1.25@1.75.

Sheep—Firm. A bunch of choice muttons sold at $3.90; bucks at $2.50.

Quotations: Muttons, $2.50@3.50; lambs, $2.50@3.50; stockers and feeders, $1.25@2.

St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; shipments, 2,400; market 10c lower for Texans and Indians; no natives on sale; Texas steers, $3.25; good cows, $2.25. Hogs—Receipts, 3,000; shipments, 1,300; market opened 10c higher than yesterday, closed 20c from top; top price, $6.10; bulk of sales, $5.70@6. Sheep—Receipts, 1,000; shipments, 200; market slow, weak.

Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 7,300; shipments, 4,200; market slow, quiet and 10c lower. Texas and shipping steers, $2.15@5.15; Texas and native cows, $1.35@2.90; butcher stock, $2.40@4.10; stockers and feeders, 1.85@3.50. Hogs—Receipts, 11,000; shipments, 1,500; heavies, 10@15c lower; lights, 5@10c lower; bulk, $4.85@5.50; heavies, packers and mixed, $4.75@4.55; light, Yorkers and mixed, $5.25@5.65. Sheep—Receipts, none; shipments, 500; market steady.

Petroleum.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—The petroleum market was neglected. Pennsylvania oil, spot sales none; September option, none; 57c bid, 57½c asked. Lima oil, sales, none. Total sales, none.

Building Permits.

The following building permits were issued yesterday:

Swan Burgston, 1½-story frame dwelling, Blair st, between Wheeler and Aldine $1,000

Three minor permits 700

Total, 4 permits $1,700

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Vastness of the Sea.

London Daily News.

A writer in Longman's (Mr. Schooling) has been measuring and weighing the sea. According to his calculations the number of gallons in the whole sea is 373 trillions (million million million), which, if it could be poured away at the rate of 1,000 gallons a second, would take nearly 12,000 million years to get rid of. If we could sell it at so low a price as one shilling for 10,000 gallons, the bill would come to 1,860 billion pounds. Supposing the sea to be formed into a round column reaching to the sun, the diameter of the column would be nearly 2½ miles. The Pacific would form 53 million miles of its total length of 98 million, and the Atlantic 18 million. If it were a column of ice, and the entire heat of the sun could be concentrated upon it, it would all be melted in one second, and converted into steam in eight seconds: which illustrates the heat of the sun rather than the size of the sea. The weight of the sea is 1 trillion and 665,000 billion (1,665,000,000,000,000,000), tons, and if a contractor took the job to move it at even so moderate a price as 1,000 tons for a penny, he would require to be paid the amount of the national debt ten thousand times over in reward for his labors.

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