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TRADE LOOKING UP

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GENERAL BUSINESS REVIVAL IS NOT EXPECTED UNTIL AFTER THE ELECTION.

FROM DUN & CO.'S POINT OF VIEW.

Moderate and Yet Distinct Improvement Is Seen in Orders for Finished Products.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Bradstreet's tomorrow will say: In Eastern jobbing circles the feeling is one of increasing confidence. There is more doing in some staple lines, noticeably at the East and at a few Southern cities. In most other instances purchasers continue for immediate wants only. There is little expectation of a general revival in business prior to election. Throughout the central and northwest states no material change is reported in general trade feature. Exceptions are at Cincinnati and St. Louis, where demand for staple goods is larger. Savannah and Augusta report a marked increase in the volume of business, both wholesale and retail with satisfactory collections. Memphis and Galveston report moderate gains in demand and sales. Improvement is shown in various commercial and industrial lines at New York, Boston, Providence and Pittsburg.

Improved demand for wool continues with an upward tendency in prices. There is a better jobbing movement in cotton goods which are higher. Not much more woolen machinery has been started. The starting up of iron mills and furnaces is conspicuous, but makers in some instances seem to be anticipating demand.

Exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and from Montreal this week amount to 3,818,646 bushels, as compared with 3,506,000 bushels last week, 3,515,000 bushels in the week one year ago; 2,562,000 bushels two years ago and as contrasted with 3,490,000 bushels in the corresponding week of 1893.

The total number of business failures throughout the United States continues large, 321 this week, compared with 315 last week, 198 in the fourth week of September, 1895, 204 in the like week of 1894 and as contrasted with only 232 in the corresponding week of 1893, in which week there was a heavy falling off from the total the week before. In the like week of 1892, a year of comparative business prosperity, only 143 business failures were reported compared with 321 this week. There are 34 business failures reported from the Dominion of Canada this week compared with 41 last week, 35 in the week a year ago, 31 two years ago and as contrasted with 36 three years ago.

DUN & CO.'S REVIEW.

Moderate and Yet Distinct Improvement to Be Seen.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade will say: A very moderate and yet distinct improvement is seen, no longer only in the buying of materials, which continues and stiffens prices, but also in orders for products of some industries, in money markets and in exports of staples. It is as yet little more than a step toward better things, but has already started some important works and prompted a few considerable contracts. Continuing arrivals of gold have raised the treasury reserve to above $125,000,000, strengthened the banks and relaxed the stringency in commercial loans, so that, at about 1 per cent lower rates, more business was done than in three previous weeks. Hoarding is no longer reported and some hoards are being unlocked. The movement of crops continues large, and purchases for export have advanced prices or prevented depression. While the gain in working force is not great, it seems clear that for the first time in many months there is some net gain.

An important change is the general advance in produce markets, especially in wheat, which rose sharply on Thursday and Friday, closing 5⅛c higher for the week, with much buying, apparently on foreign accounts. For the first time since July 1, Western receipts fell below those of the same week last year. They are still large, and for the first quarter of the crop year thus far have been 52,721,158 bushels, against 40,414,351 last year, a gain of about 30 per cent, and it is conceivable, but cannot be considered quite probable, that such receipts have come from a crop smaller than last year's. Atlantic exports, flour included, were for the week a little more than a year ago, for September 2,000,000 more and 21,807,553 bushels since July 1, against 14,128,308 last year. If there should come an unusual foreign demand, it would make a great difference with future business.

Failures for the week have been 315 in the United States, against 216 last year, and 39 in Canada, against 50 last year.

WEEKLY BANK CHANGES.

The Customary Percentage of Decrease Shown.

The following table, compiled by Bradstreet's, shows the total clearances at the principal cities and the percentage of increase or decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

		P.C. Inc.	P.C. Dec.
New York	$475,852,255	....	15.7
Chicago	68,996,893	....	17.8
Boston	75,906,982	....	17.6
Philadelphia	54,164,865	....	19.4
St. Louis	19,244,173	....	14.2
San Francisco	11,670,247	....	4.9
Baltimore	12,357,202	....	....
Pittsburg	12,520,938	....	18.8
Cincinnati	8,691,150	....	26.5
Kansas City	9,270,742	3.1	....
New Orleans	7,210,850	2.4	....
Buffalo	3,827,014	....	4.3
Milwaukee	3,621,282	....	17.7
Detroit	4,719,735	....	14.6
Louisville	4,561,656	....	16.3
Minneapolis	7,894,058	....	13.7
Omaha	3,050,216	....	19.1
Providence	3,955,800	....	23.1
Cleveland	5,004,440	....	14.5
Houston	6,184,330	9.3	....
St. Paul	4,387,149	18.7	....
Denver	1,920,763	....	25.6
Indianapolis	3,814,715	34.9	....
Columbus, O.	2,818,800	....	29.9
Hartford	1,587,730	....	3.4
Richmond	1,650,208	....	12.2
Washington	1,426,962	....	....
Portland, Or.	1,068,369	9.2	....
Des Moines	660,880	....	26.3
Seattle	432,279	....	18.1
Tacoma	491,911	....	8.7
Spokane	467,184	37.7	....
Sioux Falls	45,376	....	5.9
Fargo	203,324	5.4	....
Helena	460,832	....	33.4
Total U. S.	$859,108,264	....	14.3
Exclusive of New York	$371,256,009	....	14.7
DOMINION OF CANADA.			
Montreal	$11,071,684	2.8	....
Toronto	5,762,072	4.7	....
Halifax	1,099,374	....	12.0
Hamilton	681,924	8.0	....
Winnipeg	1,115,620	8.8	....
Totals	$19,729,662	2.6	....

STILLWATER NEWS.

Edward O'Brien, One of the City's Old Newspaper Men, Dead.

Edward A. O'Brien, one of the best known residents of this city, who numbered every man as his friend, died early yesterday morning at the city hospital, of a kidney trouble, with which he had been a sufferer for several months. Deceased was clerk at the prison during the past four years and was a careful and painstaking official, liked by every one with whom he came in contact. He had been ailing more or less since last spring, but did not give up his work at the prison until less than two months ago, when he found it necessary to go to the hospital. Eminent physicians did all they could for him, but their efforts were powerless, developments proving that his ailment was of an incurable nature. He was born in Miramichi, N. B., in 1842 and came here in 1853 with his parents. He learned the printer's trade at an early age and worked at it for many years prior to the breaking out of the war, when he enlisted in Company I, of the Sixth Minnesota, commanded by Col. Wm. Crooks. He was active and fearless and this won for him a number of promotions extending to that of captain. In March, 1865, he was appointed captain of one of the companies in the Twenty-fourth United States colored infantry, a position he filled with credit to himself and the state from which he came. After the war he returned to Minnesota and engaged in newspaper work. He was actively engaged on the Tribune and the Lumberman in Minneapolis and established the Sun in this city early in the 80's. This did not prove a successful adventure, however, and the paper was discontinued a few years later. He had a multitude of friends in this city and elsewhere, who will be pained to learn the sad tidings of his demise. He is survived by an aged father, Michael O' Brien, two brothers, Hon. J. S. and John O'Brien, two sisters, Miss Sarah O'Brien and Mrs. J. F. Burke and a daughter, Mrs. J. J. Walsh, of this city. He was a member of Stillwater lodge of Elks, the Father Mathew society and Crook post, G. A. R. The funeral will be held from St. Michael's church tomorrow afternoon. A meeting of the Elks was held last evening to make arrangements to attend the funeral.

Judge Crosby, of the district court, has set the trial of Geo. Kelly and Arthur Johnson, the Wyoming murderers, for Oct. 13 at Centre City, and J. C. Nethaway, of this city, has been assigned to defend them.

The Frontenac departed yesterday with a raft of logs for Laird, Norton & Co., Winona.

Andrew Swanson, who shot at and wounded his divorced wife some weeks ago, had a preliminary hearing in the municipal court yesterday, and was bound over to await the action of the grand jury.

Your correspondent was in error relative to the logs to be hauled into the St. Croix by the Lumberman's board of trade. They are on the other side of Nevers' dam, the board having nothing to do with logs this side of that point.

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STILL ON UP GRADE

NEARLY TWO CENTS ADDED TO THE PRICE OF CHICAGO WHEAT.

OPENING WAS DEPRESSED.

SHARP RALLY FOLLOWED THAT SENT THE SHORTS TO HUNTING COVER.

THE OUTSIDE MARKETS STRONG.

But for Them the Routine Bear News Would Have Had Its Customary Effect.

CHICAGO, Sept. 25.—In the face of news suggestive rather of a decline than of an advance, the price of December wheat showed a 1⅝c advance at the close. To the strength, displayed by outside markets late in the day, is the advance principally due. Other markets were flat, corn closing a shade higher, oats ¼c higher and provisions unchanged to 5 cents lower. The cable news this morning rather grated upon the bulls in the wheat market. Liverpool opened unchanged and a little later even reported prices ½d lower. That was all that was needed to create some weakness here. December opened with sellers at from 65¼c down to 64⅞c and the latter price became the point from which the bulls and bears made alternate drives at each other during the first hour of the forenoon. Minneapolis and Duluth received 722 cars against 841 on the corresponding day of the year before. The general tenor of the advices from Minneapolis, however, was that farmers' deliveries in the Northwest would be much increased next week. The export clearances amounted in wheat and flour to 222 000 bushels. Those who had been tempted in the first hour to sell short became uneasy and began gradually to buy it back. Their anxiety increased and caused a gradual spread of their fears until every one wanted wheat, and a rapid advance from 65½ to 67⅛c followed. A private cablegram quoting Liverpool 1d lower had helped to depress the market and when the public closing dispatch was received quoting an advance in the price of flour and wheat, that did much in creating the revulsion of feeling. The Northwest also advanced 1c or so. Prices ruled strong to the close, December closing at 67⅛c. Corn was quiet and weak, chiefly influenced by the feeling in wheat. May opened unchanged at 25¼c, declined to 24¾@24⅞c, and closed steady at 25¼@25⅜c. A quiet market in oats was apparently almost entirely governed by wheat. May opened unchanged at 19¼c, fluctuated between 19⅛ and 19½c, closing steady at 19⅜@19½c. Trading was only moderately active in provisions. January pork closed unchanged at $7.17½. January lard 5c lower, at $4.10. January ribs unchanged at $3.57½. Estimated receipts for Saturday: Wheat, 146 cars; corn, 1,039 cars; oats, 467 cars; hogs, 15,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
September	63⅞-4⅜	66¼	63⅝	66¼
December	64⅞-5¼	67⅛-¼	64½	67⅛
May	68½-⅝	70¾	68⅛	70¾
Corn—				
September	21½	21½-⅝	21⅛	21½-⅝
October	21½	21½-⅜	27⅛	21½-⅝
December	22¼	22¼	21¾	22¼
May	25¼	25⅜	24¾-⅞	25¼-⅜
Oats—				
September	16¼	16¾	16¼	16¾
October	16½	16⅝	16½	16⅝
December	17	17-¼	16⅝-¾	17-⅛
May	19¼	19⅜-½	19⅛	19⅜-½
Pork—				
October	6 05	6 10	5 97½	6 07½
January	7 17½	7 20	7 05	7 17½
Lard—				
October	3 75	3 75	3 65	3 70
January	4 12½	4 12½	4 02½	4 10
Short Ribs				
October	3 22½	3 25	3 20	3 25
January	3 57½	3 57½	3 52½	3 57½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour firm. Wheat—No. 2 spring, 66¼c; No. 3 spring, 61½@61¾c; No. 2 red, 68⅛@69½c. Corn—No. 2, 21½@21⅝c. Oats—No. 2, 16¾c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 20@21¼c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 16@21c. Rye—No. 2, 34½c. Barley—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 26@30c; No. 4, f. o. b., 23@24½c. Flaxseed—No. 1, 70@71c. Timothy Seed—Prime, $2.50. Pork—Mess, per bbl, $6.05@6.10. Lard, per 100 lbs, $3.70@3.72½. Short Ribs—Sides (loose), $3.25@3.40. Shoulders—Dry salted (boxed), 3½@3¾c. Short clear sides (boxed), 3½@3⅝c. Whisky—Distillers' finished goods, per gal, $1.18. Sugars unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 6,000 bbls; wheat, 107,000 bu; corn, 302,000 bu; oats, 381,000 bu; rye, 7,000 bu; barley, 41,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 10,000 bbls; wheat, 125,000 bu; corn, 234,000 bu; oats, 280,000 bu; rye, 8,000 bu; barley, 1,000 bu. On the produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 9@15c; dairy, 9@13c. Cheese steady at 7½@8¼c. Eggs firm; fresh, 17½c.

SHORTS SQUEEZED.

Exciting Day in the New York Wheat Pit.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The wheat market wound up the session with a stampede of the shorts and a straight advance of 2c a bushel. The rise was attended by intense excitement. Nearly all the crowd had sold wheat early in the day, on the idea that the bull movement was over; prices had dropped about ⅜c under the pressure, so that some of the local crowd stood losses from 1c to 2c per bu in getting their wheat back. Of the total future transactions today, 5,385,000 bu, the bulk was done in the last hour. Prices closed at the highest point of the present campaign. It was surmised that the Chicago bull leaders had a hand in the short squeeze that is afternoon.

Duluth Grain.

DULUTH, Minn., Sept. 25.—The market presented no particular features locally. It came a little nearer to a working basis with New York, and some wheat was worked for shipment. Stocks are estimated to show 600,000 bu decrease this week. The cash demand was weak and little was offered except small lots. Cash sales were 150,000 bu. The market opened at 64⅝c, a drop of ½c, due to lower cables. It sold down to 64¼c by 10 o'clock, and to ⅛c a half hour later. After that an advance began which ran the market up to 64¾c, and finally closed it at 66⅜c bid. This advance was due to strength in cash wheat at St. Louis and Minneapolis. Flax was considerably stronger today.

The close: Cash, No. 1 hard, 67c; No. 1 northern, 65½c; No. 2 northern, 63c; No. 3 spring, 60½@61½c; rejected, 54½@60½c; to arrive, No. 1 hard, 67c; No. 1 northern, 65½c; September, No. 1 hard, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 65⅝c; October, No. 1 northern, 65⅝c; December, No. 1 hard, 67⅜c; No. 1 northern, 66⅜c bid; May, No. 1 northern, 70c. Receipts—wheat, 131,692 bu, shipments, 357,900 bu. Cars inspected, 213; last year, 248. Receipts—Corn, none; oats, 4,809 bu; rye, 2,667 bu; barley, 13,305 bu; flaz, 22,434 bu. Oats, close, 19@19¼c; rye, 34½c; flax, 70¼c bid; December, 72c.

Cash sales were as follows: 2 cars No. 1 hard, 65½c; 5,000 bu No. 1 northern, 64¾c; 20,000 bu No. 1 northern, 64¼c; 55,000 bu No. 1 northern, 64c; 6 cars, No. 1 northern, 63⅞c; 25,000 bu No. 1 northern, 63¾c; 12 cars No. 1 northern, 63⅝c; 10,000 bu No. 1 northern, 63½c; 7 cars No. 1 northern, 63⅜c; 3 cars No. 2 northern, 61½c; 3 cars rye, 34½c; 10 cars barley, 25½c; 1,000 bu flax, 70c; 3,000 bu flax, 69¾c.

Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 25.—Flour steady. Wheat lower; No. 2 spring, 65c; No. 1 northern, 67c; December, 66½c. Corn quiet and easier; No. 3, 21½@22c. Oats lower; No. 2 white, 20c; No. 3 white, 18¼@18½c. Barley inactive; No. 2, 33c; sample, 24@33c. Rye in light supply; No. 1, 37c. Provisions drooping.

Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 25.—Wheat—Spot No. 1 standard California, 5s 11¾d; Walla Walla, 5s 8¾d; September, 5s 7¾d, ¾d lower; October, 5s 7¾d, ¾d lower; November, 5s 7¾d; December, 5s 7¾d; January, 5s 8d. Maize—September, 2s 10¾d; October, 2s 10¾d; November, 2s 11d; December, 2s 11d.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

Wheat Options, After a Weak Opening, Closed Higher.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—Flour—Receipts, 22,200 bbls; exports, 20,920 bbls; market dull and easy at first, but closed firmer with wheat. Southern flour firm. Rye flour firm. Buckwheat flour quiet. Cornmeal dull. Rye quiet. Barley firm. Barley malt quiet. Wheat—Receipts, 53,700 bu; spot firmer; No. 1 hard, 75½c; options opened weak on covering, closing active at 1¼@1½c net advance. May, 73½@75c, closed, 75⅞c; December, 70⅝@73⅛c, closed 73c. Corn—Receipts, 57,800 bu; exports, 24,018 bu; spot steady; No. 2, 27½c; options opened steady and closed steady and unchanged. May, 30½@31c, closed 30⅞c; December, 28¼@28⅝c, closed 28½c. Oats—Receipts, 97,200 bu; exports, 715 bu; spot quiet; No. 2, 21c; options quiet and easy, closing unchanged. September closed 20¾c; December, 21¾@22c, closed 22c. Hay dull. Hops dull. Hides firm. Leather firm. Wool quiet. Beef firm. Lard steady; Western steam, $4.10; September, $4.10 nominal; refined steady. Pork firm. Tallow firmer. Cotton seed oil quiet. Petroleum firm; United closed $1.18 bid. Rosin firm. Turpentine steady. Rice firm. Molasses firm. Pig iron quiet; Southern, $10.25@12. Northern, $10.75@12.50. Copper steady; brokers, 10⅝c; exchange, $10.65@10.75. Lead steady; brokers, $2.60; exchange, $2.75@2.80. Tin steady; straights, $12.95@13.05; plates quiet. Spelter steady; domestic, $3.55@3.65. Coffee options opened barely steady at a decline of 10@15 points, ruled moderately active and easy under foreign and local liquidation, closed steady with quotations unchanged to 5 points net lower. Sales, 10,000 bags, including September, 9.90@10c; October, 8.70@8.80c; spot coffee, Rio quiet; No. 7, jobbing, 10⅞c; invoice, 10⅝c; mild quiet; Cordova, 15@16c. Sugar—Raw fair; refining, 2¾c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 1-16c; refined quiet.

ST. PAUL MARKETS.

Quotations on Grain and Produce in This City.

Quotations on hay, grain, feed, etc., furnished by Griggs Bros., commission merchants:

WHEAT—No. 1 northern, 62½@63c; No. 2 northern, 61½@62¼c.

CORN—No. 3 yellow, 21@21½c; No. 3, 20@20½c.

OATS—No. 3 white, 16¼@17½c; No. 3, 15½@16½c.

BARLEY AND RYE—Sample barley, 18@21c; No. 2 rye, 31@32c; No. 3 rye, 30@31c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1, 66@66½c; timothy, $1.10@1.30; clover, $3.60@4.50.

GROUND FEED AND MILLSTUFFS—No. 1 feed, 2 bu corn to 1 bu oats, $8.25@8.50; No. 2 feed, 1 bu corn to 1 bu oats, $8.75@9; No. 3 feed, ground, 1 bu corn to 1 bu oats, $9.25@9.50; cornmeal, bolted, $12@13; cornmeal, unbolted, $7.75@8; bran, bulk, $4.50@5.

HAY—Receipts and demand both light; prices holding about steady; choice wild and upland, $5@6; fair to good, $3.50@4.75; good to choice timothy hay, $7@8; oat and rye straw, $3@3.50.

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MINNEAPOLIS MARKETS.

Exciting Time in the Wheat Pit—Prices Go Up.

There was an exciting market in wheat futures. Cables came higher at the opening, but there was a local tendency to liquidate, and the opening was lower, followed by a big decline. Buying then set in, ruling the price up to a point something above Thursday's close. There was little feature to the market outside the wide range of prices quoted.

There was again a very sharp demand for all offerings of cash wheat of contract grade. Both millers and elevator people were in the market for all they could get on the basis of the December price and on the decline following the opening of the market the price of the future declined considerably in advance of the decline in the cash article so that during the greater part of the first hour when the bulk of the cash wheat was traded in, a slight premium was generally paid.

Following are closing prices: No. 1 hard, on track, 66¼c; No. 1 northern, September, 61c; No. 1 northern, December, 64½@64⅝c; No. 1 northern, May, 67¾c; No. 1 northern, on track, 64¾c; No. 2 northern, on track, 64c.

Cash sales by sample and otherwise, include the following sales:

No. 1 hard, old, 2 cars, 64c; No. 1 northern, 8 cars, 62⅝c; No. 1 northern, 2 cars, 62c; No. 1 northern, 13 cars, 62¾c; No. 1 northern, 7 cars, 62½c; No. 1 northern, 7 cars, 62¼c; No. 1 northern, old, 1 car, 63¼c; No. 1 northern, to arrive, old, 1 car, 63¼c; No. 1 northern, to arrive, 17 cars, 62¼c; No. 1 northern, to arrive, 3 cars, 62¾c; No. 2 northern, 29 cars, 61¼c; No. 2 northern, 16 cars, 61c; No. 3, 8 cars, 59c; No. 3, 2 cars, 60c; No. 4 corn, 1 car, 20½c; No. 3 oats, 2 cars, 16c; No. 3 oats, 1 car, 16½c.

Received—Wheat, 508 cars, 345,440 bu; oats, 18,020 bu; barley, 14,200 bu; rye, 1,830 bu; flax, 8,400 bu; flour, 450 bbls; hay, 72 tons; fruit, 473,850 bbls; merchandise, 1,492,750 lbs; lumber, 11 cars; barrel stock, 5 cars; machinery, 63,800 lbs; coal, 713 tons; wood, 272 cords; brick, 32,000; lime, 1 car; cement, 373 bbls; household goods, 20,000 lbs; stone and marble, 32 cars; railroad iron, 1 car; cured meats, 20,000 lbs; dressed meats, 84,000 lbs; railroad materials, 13 cars; sundries, 17 cars; car lots, 907.

Shipped—Wheat, 40 cars, 30,000 bu; oats, 7,560 bu; barley, 1,860 bu; rye, 1,480 bu; flax, 700 bu; oil, 50,400 lbs; flour, 59,968 bbls; millstuffs, 1,349 tons; fruit, 116,500 lbs; merchandise, 1,887,964 lbs; lumber, 51 cars; machinery, 74,000 lbs; coal, 13 tons; cement, 100 bbls; ties, 4 cars; butter, 13,560 lbs; hides, pelts, etc., 33,330 lbs; railroad materials, 4 cars; sundries, 10 cars; car lots, 721.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.60@3.70 per bbl; second patents, $3.50@3.55; first clears, $2.60@2.70; second clears, $2.30@2.40; low grade and red dog is quotable at $1.15@1.20 per bbl in jute. Flour shipments, 59,968 bbls.

HAY—Choice to fancy, $5@6 per ton; coarse to medium, $3@4.50; choice timothy, $7.50@8; receipts, 72 tons.

CORN—No. 3 yellow is quoted at 21@21½c; No. 3, 19½@19¾c; receipts, none; shipments, none.

OATS—New 3 white, 16¾@17c; No. 3 white, old, 17¾@18c; new No. 3, 16@16½c; old No. 3, 17@17½c; receipts, 17 cars; shipments, 6.

BARLEY—22@25c; receipts, 20 cars; shipments, 2.

BUTTER — Creameries — Extras, perfect goods, 14c; firsts, lacking in flavor, almost perfect, 13c; seconds, 10½@11c; thirds, 7@8c; imitation, firsts, 11@11½c; imitation, seconds, 7½@8½c. Dairies—Extras, packages included, 12½@13c; firsts, lacking in flavor, sweet, 10½@11½c; seconds, 7½@9½c. Ladies—Extras, 10½@11½c; firsts, 8@8½c; packing stock, 5½@6c; grease butter, clean, 3c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh, 12½@12½c; seconds, 6@6½c.

Cases returned, ½c less. Sales are made subject to candling, with loss off on rotten and broken eggs.

Herbert Coming Home.

SOUTHAMPTON, Sept. 25.—The American line steamship Paris, which sails from this port for New York tomorrow will take among her passengers Hilary A. Herbert, secretary of the United States navy and, and Miss Herbert.

New Rituals.

DALLAS, Texas, Sept. 25.—The sovereign grand lodge, I. O. O. F., at today's session adopted a revised Rebekah ritual, and also revised the Patriarch Militant ritual. A universal sign of recognition between Odd Fellows and Daughters of Rebekah was adopted. An important matter also acted upon was the adoption of a resolution authorizing the preparation of new subordinate lodge and encampment rituals.

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STOCKS ON A RISE

NEW YORK CHARACTERIZED YESTERDAY BY ACTIVITY AND STRENGTH.

CALL MONEY IS CHEAPER

DECLINES IN THE RATE FOR MERCANTILE PAPER ALSO APPARENT.

MARKET OPENS SLIGHTLY LOWER.

Depression Was of Very Brief Duration and an Aggressive Tone Was Developed.

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The stock market today was characterized by activity and strength. A broadening tendency was noted and the bears fought the advancing inclination of prices to no avail, as offerings for either account were readily absorbed. The news of the day in almost every instance was favorable, the cardinal feature being a sharp decline in the rates for prime mercantile paper. Material that could not be discounted a week ago below 9 per cent and upward was accepted at 7 per cent and the maximum figure for choice was 8 per cent. The important bearing of this development upon the general financial and business situation can readily be appreciated. Call money rates were reduced from 5 to 4 per cent on any average by the banks, and offerings of time funds were fairly free at 6 per cent for all dates on good mixed stock collateral. Large additional gold import orders were announced and heavy arrivals of the yellow metal were reported, as also substantial further deposits at the subtreasury in exchange for greenbacks. Aside from the extensive covering of shorts, commission house purchases to a fair aggregate amount were noted. It is assumed that the advance of yesterday and today has materially reduced the outstanding short interest and a reaction in prices is therefore expected. The market opened slightly lower under the influence of fractional declines in London quotations, and some straggling selling in this market for the foreign account. The depression was of brief duration and the market rapidly developed a strongly aggressive tone. The purchasing orders embraced a wide variety of stocks, including the low-priced as well as the investment classes. Illinois Steel advanced 3⅞ to 45⅞; Minnesota Iron 3 to 58, and Great Northern preferred, 6 per cent to 120. A favorable feature of the market, not referred to above, was a strong and active railroad bond market, a good demand for governments for investments being also noted. A reactionary movement developed around delivery hour on realizing, and the market left off heavy in tone, but with final figures recording net gains of 1 to 2 per cent in the leading shares. The bond mraket displayed aggressive strength on increased dealings and a broadening tendency, the leading speculative issues sold up 1 to 2 per cent with the bulk of sales in the active stocks and Reading lines. The sales were $1,635,000. Government bonds were strong and active. The new fours touched 116¾. The sales were $240,500. Silver certificates were irregular on a declining tendency, the sales amounting to $145,000 at 66½. State bonds were dull but steady, with Virginia Centuries traded in.

The total sales of stocks today were 255,676 shares, including the following: Tobacco, 9,600; Atchison, 6,800; Sugar, 35,800; Burlington & Quincy, 15,700; General Electric, 3,100; L. & N., 15,200; Manhattan, 13,600; Missouri Pacific, 5,300; Reading, 19,300; Rock Island, 5,600; St. Paul, 44,100; Western Union, 3,300; W. & L. E., 7,200; Southern, 3,600; do pfd, 6,700; Silver centificates, 146,000.

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The following table shows the fluctuations in the leading railway and industrial stocks yesterday:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Minnesota Iron	57	58	57	57
C. F. & I.	19	20⅝	19	20½
Am. Tobacco	63	64¾	63	64¼
Atchison	12¼	12⅞	12¼	12⅜
Am. Cotton Oil	....	....	....	12½
C., B. & Q.	68⅞	70⅝	68⅞	69⅝
C., C., C. & St. L.	26½	27	26½	26⅞
Ches. & Ohio	14¾	15⅛	14¾	14⅞
Chicago Gas	61¾	62⅞	61¾	62¼
Cordage	4¾	4¾	4¾	4⅝
Delaware & Hudson	124	124	124	123½
Del., Lack. & West.	....	....	....	152
Am. Spirits	5⅝	6¼	5⅝	6⅛
Erie	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13½
do pfd	....	....	....	29
General Electric	28½	29⅝	28½	29
Hocking Valley	....	....	....	14¾
Illinois Central	90¾	91	90	90½
Jersey Central	103	103¾	102¾	102¾
Kansas & Texas	10½	10⅝	10½	10⅝
Lead	22⅝	22⅞	22⅝	22
Louisville & Nash	40⅝	42¼	40⅝	41¼
Lake E. & West. pfd	65½	65½	65¼	64
Lake Shore	146½	146½	146½	146
Manhattan Con	87⅞	89⅝	87½	88½
Missouri Pacific	19⅝	21⅛	19⅝	20½
Michigan Central	....	....	....	90
N. P. common	13	13⅛	13	12¾
do pfd	20¾	21	20¾	20⅝
New York Central	....	....	....	92¼
Northwestern	99⅜	99¾	99¼	99¼
North American	4⅞	4⅞	4¾	4⅝
Omaha	38½	38⅝	38½	38⅝
Pacific Mail	19½	19⅞	19½	19¼
Pullman	144	144	143½	143½
Reading	17⅞	18½	17¾	18
Rock Island	61½	62⅜	61½	62
Southern Railway	7⅞	8⅜	7⅞	8
do pfd	22½	23⅞	22½	23¼
Silver Certificates	66¼	66½	65	65⅞
Sugar Refinery	111⅞	113½	111	112½
do pfd	100¼	100¼	100	99¾
St. Paul	71½	72⅞	71½	72¼
do pfd	....	....	....	128
Tennessee Coal	22½	23¼	22½	22⅝
Texas Pacific	6⅝	7	6⅝	6¾
Union Pacific	6¾	7⅛	6¾	6⅞
U. S. Leather pfd	56½	58⅝	56½	58
Western Union	83⅞	84⅞	83⅞	84¼
Wabash	6	6	5⅞	5⅞
do pfd	14⅝	15	14⅝	14⅞
M. & St. L. 1st pfd	....	....	....	70
do 2d pfd	....	....	....	42

Closing Stocks.

Following are the closing quotations of other stocks as reported by the Associated Press:

Adams Express	143	Northwest. pfd	140
Alton & Terre H.	56	N. Y. & N. E.	45
American Ex.	108	Ontario & West.	13½
Baltimore & Ohio	14	Oregon Imp.	½
Canada Pacific	57	Oregon Nav.	15
Can. Southern	46	O. S. L. & U. N.	14⅞
Central Pacific	13¾	Peoria, Dec. &E.	1¾
Chicago & Alton	156	Pittsburg	158
Con. Gas	145½	Rio Grande West.	15
Col. C. & I.	½	do pfd	40
D. & R. G. pfd	42⅝	St. P. & Omaha	38
Fort Wayne	145	do pfd	112
Great. Nor. pfd	118	Tenn. Coal & Iron	22⅝
C. & E. I. pfd	89	T. & O. C. pfd	50
St. P. & Duluth	19	U. S. Express	36
Kan. & Tex. pfd	24	Wells-Fargo Ex.	80
Lake E. & West.	15	Whe