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Wheat Opens Weak, but Ends Session with an Advance.

MARKET ON THE WHOLE RATHER NARROW

Favorable Crop Prospects Encourage Selling of Corn—Oats Dull, but Steady—Yellow Fever Reports Affect Provisions.

CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—Wheat was weak early on heavy primary receipts, but became strong later on heavy cash and export business and closed at an advance of ½c. The market as a whole was a narrow one. Corn was weak, principally on the small shipping demand, and declined ½@⅝c. Oats advanced ¼c. Yellow fever reports sealed provision prices. Pork declined 15c, lard 2½@5c and ribs 5@7½c.

Wheat opened with buyers in the majority. The brief session at Liverpool resulted in an advance of ⅜d in prices there. As local prices declined to yesterday, this naturally had considerable effect. There was a good deal of covering by yesterday's sellers at the opening and buying by professional longs. September opened at 75⅝@75¾c, compared with yesterday's closing price of 74⅝@74⅞c. The advance was maintained but a short time. Primary receipts were very large, nearly 50 per cent larger than a year ago, and the quality of receipts of new wheat at Minneapolis was said to be the best in years. As soon as the opening demand was satisfied the market turned weak. Bears took advantage of the lack of buying orders to put pressure on the market and prices slid off easily under the raiding. September dropping to 74½c, with hardly a rally of consequence. It then rallied to 75¼c, but again declined to 74⅝@74⅞c, chiefly on account of lack of support, and not until the session was near its close did the market develop any real strength. Then reports of heavy cash business and export engagements began to come in, local as well as outside points reporting a good business. A bullish report on the condition of the northwestern crop by Statistician Snow increased the demand, which at all times, however, was local, there being very little outside interest shown in the market. New York finally put its export engagements of ninety-six loads. September rallied to 75⅝c and closed at 75¼@75⅝c. Northwest receipts were 241 cars, against 253 last week and 395 a year ago. Chicago receipts were 214 cars, thirty-four of contract grade. Total primary receipts were put at 960,000 bu., compared with 641,000 bu. a year ago. Atlantic port clearances of wheat and flour amounted to 493,000 bu.

Corn, with the exception of a few moments of firmness around the opening, due to higher cables and complaints of heat in Kansas, was weak and lower all day. The weather over most of the corn belt was good, and favorable crop prospects encouraged selling, which was persistent and at times rather heavy. The demand was local and scattered. There was some cash demand on the break, but not sufficient to affect the market. There was a slight rally near the close in sympathy with wheat. The receipts were 272 cars. Cash sales were about 350,000 bu. September ranged from 56⅝c to 57⅝c and closed ½@⅝c lower at 56⅞@57c.

Oats were dull, but fairly steady, the market holding its own in spite of the corn weakness. There was some liquidation early on the heavy receipts, but the slight loss was recovered later. The cash demand was good. Receipts were 453 cars. September ranged from 21c to 21¼c and closed ⅛c higher at 21¼c.

Yellow fever reports were the one factor in provisions. Opening prices showed material declines for this reason and until late in the session the market was extremely weak. There was a general letting go of products on the break, but late in the day some of the loss was recovered on good buying by packers and the continued good cash demand. The close, however, was heavy. September pork closed 15c lower at $12.05, September lard 2½@5c lower at $6.85 and September ribs 5@7½c lower at $7.10@7.12½.

Estimated receipts Saturday: Wheat, 210 cars; corn, 275 cars; oats, 420 cars; hogs, 15,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
Aug.	74⅛@¼	74⅛	73⅛@⅝	74⅝	73⅞@7⅝
Sept.	75⅛@⅜	75⅝	74⅛	75⅛@⅜	74⅝@7⅝
Oct.	76	76⅛	75⅛@⅝	76⅛	75⅞
*Corn—					
Aug.	37½	37½	36⅝	36⅞	37½
Sept.	37½@⅝	37⅝	36⅞	36⅞@37	37½
Oct.	36⅝@⅞	36⅞	36 @⅛	36⅝	36⅝
*Oats—					
Aug.	20⅝	20⅞	20⅝	20⅝	20⅝
Sept.	21 @⅛	21⅛	21	21⅛	21⅛
Oct.	21⅛@½	21½	21⅛	21⅝	21⅝@½
Pork—					
Sept.	12 05	12 05	11 87½	12 05	12 20
Oct.	11 95	12 02½	11 87½	12 02½	12 15
Lard—					
Sept.	6 80	6 85	6 80	6 85	6 90
Oct.	6 85	6 90	6 85	6 90	6 92½
Jan.	6 70	6 75	6 70	6 75	6 75
Ribs—					
Sept.	7 02½	7 12½	7 02½	7 12½	7 17½
Oct.	7 00	7 07½	7 00	7 07½	7 15
Jan.	6 10	6 10	6 10	6 10	6 12½

*No 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Quiet; winter wheat patents, $2.60@4.00; spring wheat specials, $4.50; patents, $3.70@4.10; bakers, $2.30@3.50; rye flour, $2.70@3.20.

WHEAT—No. 3, 72½@73½c; No. 2 red, 77@78c.

CORN—No. 2, 38@39¼c; No. 2 yellow, 38½@38¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 21¼@22½c; No. 2 white, 23@23½c; No. 3 white, 22¼@23½c.

RYE—No. 2, 48@50c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 36@44c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.42. Prime timothy, $3.55@3.35. Clover, contract grade, $8.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.00@12.05. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.80@6.82½. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.95@7.25. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.75@7.00; short clear sides (boxed), $7.55@7.65.

WHISKY—Basis of high wines, $1.23½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.88; granulated, $6.32; confectioners' A, $6.28; off A, $6.13.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	12,000	7,000
Wheat, bu	184,000	15,000
Corn, bu	211,000	841,000
Oats, bu	370,000	247,000
Rye, bu	7,000	.....
Barley, bu	14,000	3,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 15@19c; dairies, 14@17c. Cheese, steady at 9½@10¼c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 11½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—FLOUR—Receipts, 16,243 bbls.; exports, 16,710 bbls., sales, 7,850 pkgs.; market was steadily held and moderately active, closing rather firm with wheat market; winter patents, $3.90@4.20; winter straights, $3.65@3.80; Minnesota patents, $4.15@4.50; winter extras, $2.00@3.00; Minnesota bakers', $2.90@3.35; winter low grades, $2.40@2.70. Rye flour, easy; sales, 500 bbls.; fair to good, $3.10@3.25; choice to fancy, $3.30@3.60.

CORNMEAL—Quiet; yellow western, 89c; city, 87c; Brandywine, $2.45@2.55.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 55c f. o. b. afloat; state, 53@54c c. i. f. New York carlots.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 48c c. i. f. New York; malting, 49½@53c c. i. f. New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 64@67c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 116,550 bu.; exports, 223,291 bu.; sales, 3,850,000 bu. futures, 1,280,000 bu. exports. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 79¼c elevator, and 81¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 84c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 86¼c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened firm on unexpected higher cables. Sold off later owing to bearish home crop news, extension of short accounts and liberal southwest movement. From this the market rallied on a big cash demand. Closed firm at ¼@½c net advance; September, 79⅝@80 5-16c, closed at 80¼c; December, 81 5-16@82⅛c closed at 82⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 250,150 bu.; exports, 261,654 bu.; sales, 175,000 bu. futures, 480,000 bu. exports. Spot, easy; No. 2, 46c f. o. b. afloat and 43⅝c elevator. Options opened steady with wheat, suffered a bad decline under liquidation and then rallied on talk of too much dry weather in Kansas. Closed steady at ¼@⅜c net decline; September, 42½@43c, closed at 42¾c; December, 39⅝@40c, closed at 39⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 58,800 bu.; exports, 605 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 26c; No. 3, 25½c; No. 2 white, 28c; No. 3 white, 27½c; track, mixed western, 26@27c; track, white western and state, 27½@33c. Options inactive and barely steady.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 70@77c; good to choice, 80@90½c.

HOPS—Dull; state, common to choice, 1899 crop, 11@14c; old, 3@5c; Pacific coast, 1899 crop, 10@13c; old, 3@5c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 11c.

LEATHER — Steady; Hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy, 23½@24½c, acid, 22½@23½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $9.00@12.00; mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $20.00@21.00; packet, $10.00@11.00; city, extra India mess, $16.00@17.50. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $5.75@6.25; pickled shoulders, $6.25; pickled hams, $10.00@10.75. Lard, quiet; western steamed, $7.15, July closed at $7.10, nominal; refined, steady; continent, $7.50; South America, $8.00; compound, $6.25@6.37½. Pork, firm; family, $14.50@15.50; short clear, $13.00@15.00; mess, $12.75@13.50.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,088 pkgs.; firm; current packed factory, 14@15¼c; imitation creamery, 15@17½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 5,411 pkgs.; firm; large colored, 9⅝c; small colored, 10c; large white, 9½c; small white, 9½@9⅝c.

EGGS—Receipts, 6,538 pkgs.; quiet and steady; western, at mark, 11@13½c; western, loss off, 15½c.

METALS—There is no sign of a reaction in the market for metals here or abroad. Today's developments were unfavorable, showing inherent weakness in nearly every department, iron in particular. At the close the Metal exchange called pig iron warrants very weak, with $12 nominal price; lake copper unchanged at $16.50; tin barely steady at $32.00@32.25; lead unsettled at $4.25; spelter easy at $4.20@4.25. The brokers' price for lead is $4 and for copper $16.50.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, liberal; good stock, 10½c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7@7½c; roosters, according to age and size, 3@4c; broilers, 10c; ducks, 6@5c; geese, 6@5c; turkeys, 8c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 8½@9c; roosters, 5@6c; ducks and geese, 9@10c; broilers, per lb., 11½@12½c; turkeys, 12@14c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 13c; choice, 15@16c; separator, 20c; gathered creamery, 17@18c.

FISH—Trout, 10c; blue fish, 12c; pickerel, 8c; catfish, 12c; dressed buffalo, 6c; whitefish, 9c; herring, 5c; black bass, 10c; salmon, 13c; white bass, 15c; croppie, 10c; pike, 10c; halibut, 12c; bullheads, 10c; ring perch, 6c; lobsters, green, 22c; boiled lobsters, 25c; mackerel, 20c; codfish, 10c; yellow perch, 6c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 90c.

VEALS—Choice, 8@9c.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $7.50; midland, choice, $6.50; lowland, choice, $5.50; rye straw, choice, $6; No. 3 corn, 37c; No. 3 white oats, 24c; cracked corn, per ton, $15; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $13.50; bran, per ton, $12.50; shorts, per ton, $12.50.

VEGETABLES.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., 30@35c.
ASPARAGUS—None on the market.
NEW TURNIPS—Per. bu. basket, 75c.
NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 30c.
NEW CARROTS—Per doz. bunches, 25c.
LETTUCE—Per doz., 15c.
RADISHES—Home-grown, per doz., 15c.
PEAS—Per ½-bu. basket, 50c.
WAX BEANS—Per ½-bu. basket, 60c.
NEW POTATOES—Per bu., 30@35c.
CABBAGE—Home-grown, per lb., 1½@2c.
CAULIFLOWER—Per doz., $1.
GREEN CORN—Per doz., 10c.
TOMATOES—Home-grown, per ½-bu. basket, 50c.
RHUBARB—Per lb., 1c.
ONIONS—Home-grown, per lb., 2c.
CELERY—Michigan, 25@30c.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—All gone.
BLACKBERRIES—Per 24-qt. case, $2.25.
BLACK RASPBERRIES—Out of the market.
RED RAPSBERRIES—Out of market.
BLUEBERRIES—16-qt. case, $2.25.
CURRANTS—Out of the market.
PEACHES—California, per box, 90c@1.00; Texas, per 4-basket crate, $1.
APRICOTS—None on the market.
PLUMS—California, per crate, $1.15@1.25.
PRUNES—California, Tragedy, per crate, $1.25; Kelsay, Japan, per crate, $1.25.
BARTLETT PEARS—California, per box, $1.75@2.00.
GRAPES—California, 4-basket crate, $1.50; California nectarines, 4-basket crate, $1.25.
GOOSEBERRIES—Out of the market.
CHERRIES—California, per 10-lb. box, $1.10@1.25; Missouri, per 24-qt. case, $2.25; 8-lb. baskets, 50@60c.
WATERMELONS—As to size, 25@30c each.
APPLES—Native, 75c@$1.00 per bu.; per bbl., $2.75@3.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., $1.50@1.75.
ORANGES—Mediterranean sweets, per box, $4; Valencias, $4.25@4.50.
LEMONS—California, fancy, $5.50; choice, $5.00.
BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.25@3.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Hickory, large, per bu., $1.25; shellbarks, $1.35; English walnuts, per lb., 12@13c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, per lb., 14@16c; raw, per lb., 5½@6c; roasted, 6½@7½c.

HIDES.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 5c; No. 1 salted hides, 7c; No. 2 salted hides, 6c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—WHEAT—Firm; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 72¼c; track, 73@74c; August, 71½c; September, 72⅝c; December, 75¼c. No. 2 hard, 69¾@70c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 37c; track, 38c; August, 37c; September, 36⅝c; December, 31⅝c.

OATS—Weak; No. 2 cash, 20½c; track, 21@21½c; August, 20½c; September, 21c; No. 2 white, 24c.

RYE—Steady at 52c.

FLOUR—Unchanged.

SEEDS—Timothy, selling at $2.80@2.90 for ordinary; prime, $3.20. Flax, nominal at $1.32.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.20@2.25.

BRAN—Easy; sacked, east track, 64@65c.

HAY—Timothy, steady, $8.50@12.00; prairie, $4.00@8.00.

PROVISIONS — Pork, steady; jobbing, $12.75. Lard, easier; choice, $6.75. Dry salt meats (boxed), quiet; extra shorts, $7.50; clear ribs, $7.75; clear sides, $8. Bacon (boxed), quiet; extra shorts, $8.12½; clear ribs, $8.25; clear sides, $8.50.

METALS—Lead: Firm at $4.20. Spelter: Firm at $4.10.

POULTRY—Quiet; chickens, 7½c; young, 8½c; turkeys, 6@7c; young, 14c; ducks, 5½c, young, 6@6½c; geese, 3c; young, 5@6c.

EGGS—Steady at 9½c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 16@19c; dairy, 14@16c.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.23.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.30.

BAGGING—8.10@8.85.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 229,000 bu.; corn, 83,000 bu.; oats, 112,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 49,000 bu.; corn, 80,000 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Aug. 3.—WHEAT—September, 65⅝c; December, 68@68⅛c; cash No. 2 hard, 66@67c; No. 3, 64@65½c; No. 2 red, 72c; No. 3, 67@70c.

CORN—September, 34¾c; September, 36⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 37c; No. 2 white, 38c; No. 3 white, 37½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 26½@27c.

RYE—No. 2, 49@49½c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50; choice prairie, $6.50.

BUTTER—Creamery, 15@18c; dairy, fancy, 15c.

EGGS—Fresh, 10c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 10c doz., loss off, cases returned; new whitewood cases included, ½c more.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 361,000 bu.; corn, 14,300 bu.; oats, 13,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 118,200 bu.; corn, 19,800 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 3.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 1½d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 3d; No. 1 California, 6s 1½d@6s 2d. Futures, quiet; September, 6s 5⅜d; December, 6s 1¾d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, new, 3s 10½d; American mixed, old, 3s 11½d. Futures, dull; September, 3s 10⅝d; October, 3s 11d; November, 3s 11⅜d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, long clear-middlings, light, dull, 41s 6d; long clear middles, dull, 38s. The Provisions exchange will be closed on Monday, August 6.

TALLOW—Australian in London, firm, 26s.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Aug. 3.—WHEAT—Dull and higher; spot, 77⅞c; August, 77⅞c; September, 78⅝c; October, 79⅝c.

CORN—Dull and lower; No. 2, cash, 41c; September, 38½c.

OATS—Dull and lower; No. 2, cash, 22c; September, 21½c.

RYE—Dull and lower; No. 2, cash, 53½c.

CLOVERSEED—Dull and higher; 1888 prime, $5.10; 1899 prime, $5.35; October, $5.80; No. 2, $4.60.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 3.—BUTTER—Firm and in good demand; fancy western creamery, 20c; fancy western prints, 23c.

EGGS—Firm, good demand; fresh nearby and western, 15c; fresh southwestern, 13c; fresh southern, 11c.

CHEESE—Quiet but steady.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Aug. 3.—WHEAT—In store, No. 1 northern, August, 74⅝c; September, 74⅝c; December, 75⅝@75¾c; on track, No. 1 hard, 76⅝c; No. 2 northern, 73⅝c; No. 1 northern, 74⅝c.

FLOUR AND BRAN—Unchanged.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 3. — WHEAT — Steady; No. 1 northern, 76½c; No. 2 northern, 74@74½c.

RYE—Lower; No. 1, 52c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 49@50c; sample, 46@47c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Aug. 3.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 76½c; August, 79¼c; September, 78¾c; December, 79¼c; No. 1 northern, cash, 77¼c; August, 77¼c; September, 76¾c; December, 77¼c; No. 2 northern, 75½c; No. 3 spring, 75½c.

OATS—34½@24¼c.

CORN—37¾c.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Dealings on the Market Have a General Tone of Firmness.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Sugar, Brooklyn Transit, Baltimore & Ohio and Union Pacific fell somewhat into the background today. An effort was made by the traders to bring forward some of the other railroad stocks to take the place of these recent favorites. These did not avail to fill the gap left by the quietude of the mercurial specialties, but the day's dealings had an appearance of rather better distribution as a result of these new elements of activity and the general tone of the market was firm and approached to positive strength at times.

The center of this strength was the granger group, which was favorably affected by the show of increased earnings for the fourth week in July by the St. Paul system. The showing was particularly effective because it compared with a very high level of earnings last year, and St. Paul has been rather looked upon as the leader of the reactionary tendency in railroad earnings incident to the falling off in general business. There was no special feature of traffic to explain the recovery, which contrasts with a decrease for each of the earlier weeks of the month. It is attributed to general merchandise traffic. There was a renewed effort also to advance Union Pacific, which met with some success. At the high level the grangers, Pacifics and southwesterns were generally a point or more to the good. The movement was directed in part against the short interest and when it covered the market relapsed into semi-stagnation and dropped lower.

The traders made something of the large increase in the cash prospect in tomorrow's bank statement. The subtreasury has yielded to the banks this week on routine operations $2,814,000. The receipts from the interior are known to have been heavy and are estimated to be sufficient to bring the total gain up to more than $5,000,000. The time money market continued to show an easy tone today in response to this condition. Sterling exchange advanced a fraction and exchange houses expect gold to go out to London next week. Possibly the policy of the Bank of England in reframing from advancing its discount rate this week finds an explanation in the announcement made late this afternoon that subscriptions will be invited in this country for the new £10,000,000 war loan, which will be issued in the form of three year 3 per cent exchequer bonds. Leading banks in New York, Boston and Chicago are authorized to receive subscriptions. The bonds are issued at 98.

The bond market today was only slightly active and without any feature. Total sales, par value, $938,000. United States refunding 2s, when issued, and the 5s declined ¼ per cent and the 3s, old, and new 4s, coupon, ¼ per cent on the last call.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were still very idle today, but the tone was harder, investment securities particularly being in demand. Americans were listless and Baltimore & Ohio issues were weak on realizations after the declaration of the dividend. Union Pacific was good, but entirely on New York support. Tintos were strong early in the day on Paris buying, but later they relapsed. Anacondas, however, held the rise, owing to New York support. The bank bought £35,000 gold in bars. The bank continues to do a large business in discounts, but the market has no difficulty in repairing all loans. The Stock exchange will be closed Saturday and Monday.

Following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	26½	Union Pacific	59¾
do pfd	70¼	do pfd	75¾
Baltimore & Ohio	74⅝	Wabash	6⅝
Canada Pacific	87¼	do pfd	18½
Canada So	48¼	Wheel. & L. E	9
Ches. & Ohio	27½	do 2d pfd	23⅝
Chicago Gt. W	19½	W. Central	13
C., B. & Q	126⅝	Third Avenue	109
Chi. Ind. & L	53	Adams Ex	125
do pfd	52	American Ex	154
*Chicago & E. Ill	95	U. S. Ex	45
Chicago & N. W	157⅝	Wells-Fargo Ex	122
C., R. I. & P	106⅝	Amer. Cot. Oil	24½
C., C., C. & St. L	84½	do pfd	88
Colorado So	6	Amer. Malting	3½
do 1st pfd	40½	do pfd	19
do 2d pfd	16	Amer. S. & R	26½
Del. & Hudson	112	do pfd	87½
Del. L. & W	176½	Amer. Spirits	11⅝
Denver & R. G	18¼	do pfd	17
do pfd	69¾	Amer. Tob. Hoop	34½
Erie	10⅝	do pfd	66½
do 1st pfd	32⅝	Amer. S. & W	32⅝
Gt. Nor. pfd	152	do pfd	72½
Hocking Coal	13½	Amer. Tin Plate	22½
Hocking Valley	35	do pfd	77⅝
Illinois Central	134¼	Amer. Tobacco	92½
Iowa Central	15	Buffalo	153
do pfd	46	Anac. Mining Co	43⅝
**K., C., P. & G	15½	Brooklyn R. T	57⅝
Lake Erie & W	27	Colo. Fuel & I	33⅝
do pfd	92	Con. Tobacco	24½
Lake Shore	209	do pfd	76
L. & N.	81⅝	Federal Steel	34⅝
Manhattan L.	89⅝	do pfd	65
Met. St. Ry	151½	Gen. Electric	139
Mexican Central	12⅝	Glucose Sugar	72
Minn. & St. L	56	do pfd	99
do pfd	93⅝	Inter. Paper	22½
Mo. Pacific	50⅝	do pfd	67⅝
Mobile & Ohio	37⅝	Laclede Gas	75
M. K. & T.	9⅝	National Biscuit	39½
do pfd	31⅝	do pfd	85
N. J. Central	129¼	National Lead	19
N. Y. Central	129	do pfd	96⅝
Norfolk & W	33⅝	National Steel	24
do pfd	76½	do pfd	81
No. Pacific	51½	N. Y. Air Brake	135
do pfd	71⅝	No. American	15¼
Ontario & W	21⅝	Pacific Coast	32
Oregon Ry. & Nav.	47	do 1st pfd	85
do pfd	78	do 2d pfd	62
Pennsylvania	128	Pacific Mail	31
Reading	16⅝	People's Gas	99¾
do 1st pfd	59⅝	Pressed S. Car	38½
do 2d pfd	28½	do pfd	72
*Rio G. W	29½	Pullman P. Car	182
*do pfd	60	S. R. & T.	5
St. L. & S. F	9⅝	Sugar	121⅝
do 1st pfd	63⅝	do pfd	116
do 2d pfd	53⅝	Tenn. Coal & Iron	68⅝
St. L. Southw	16⅝	U. S. Leather	10⅝
do pfd	36⅝	do pfd	68
St. Paul	112	U. S. Rubber	20½
do pfd	171	do pfd	93
St. P. & Omaha	116	Western Union	79½
So. Pacific	33⅝	Republic I. & S	8½
So. Railway	10⅝	do pfd	50½
do pfd	51⅝	P. C. C. & St. L	53
Texas & Pacific	14⅝		

*Offered. **Assessments paid.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—MONEY—On call, easy, 1¼@1½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87⅞ for demand and at $4.84 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½@4.85 and $4.88½; commercial bills, $4.83@4.83½.

SILVER—Bar, 60⅝c; certificates, 61½@62½c; Mexican dollars, 48½c.

BONDS—Governments, weak; state, inactive; railroad, steady.

The closing prices on bonds today are as follows:

*U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	101½	do 4s	50⅝
do coupon	102½	N. Y. C. 1s	108
do 2s, reg.	100	N. J. C. gen. 5s	122
do 3s, reg.	109¼	No. Pacific 3s	65½
do coupon	109¼	do 4s	104½
do new 4s, reg.	132⅝	N Y C & St L 4s	102¼
do coupon	132⅝	Nor. & W. con. 4s	97⅝
do old 4s, reg.	112¾	Oregon Nav. 1s	109
do coupon	113¼	do 4s	102⅝
do 5s, reg.	113	Oregon S. L. 6s	125⅝
do coupon	113	do consol 5s	112½
D. of C. 3 65s	122	Reading gen. 4s	87⅝
Atch. gen. 4s	101¼	Rio. G. W. 1s	99¼
do adj. 4s	84	St L & I M c. 5s	110¼
Canada So. 2s	108¼	St L & S F g 6s	121
Ches. & O. 4½s	99⅝	St. Paul consols	167¼
do 5s	116½	St. P., C. & P. 1s	117
C. & N. W. c. 7s	140	do 5s	118
**do S. F. deb. 5s	122	So. Pacific 4s	74⅝
Chicago Ter. 4s	101½	So. Railway 5s	108⅝
Colo. So. 4s	83½	S. R. & T. g. 5s	72½
D. & R. G. 1s	102	Tex. & Pacific 1s	111⅝
do 4s	97½	do 2s	56
Erie general 4s	68½	Union Pacific 4s	105⅝
F. W. & D. C. 1s	71	Wabash 1s	116
Gen. Electric 5s	115	**do 2s	104½
L. Central 4s	93	West Shore 4s	111
***K C P & G 1s	59½	Wis. Central 4s	87½
***L. & N. uni. 4s	98	Va. Centuries	99⅝
M., K. & T. 2s	67		

*When issued. **Offered. ***Trust receipts.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Aug. 3.—Call loans, 2@3 per cent; time loans, 3@4½ per cent. Official closing:

A., T. & S. F	26⅝	West End	96
do pfd	70	Westingh. Elec	44⅝
Amer. Sugar	121¼	Wis. Central	13
do pfd	116	Atchison 4s	93⅝
Bell Telephone	143½	N. E. G. & C. 5s	61
Boston & Albany	248	Adventure	2¼
Boston Elevated	142	Allouez Mining Co.	1
Boston & Me	189	Amal. Copper	83¼
C., B. & Q	126¼	Atlantic	23⅝
Dominion Coal	41	Boston & Mont	36
do pfd	117	Butte & Boston	62
Federal Steel	34½	Calumet & Hecla	740
do pfd	65	Centennial	16⅝
Fitchburg pfd	137	Franklin	15⅝
Gen. Electric	139	Humboldt	27
do pfd	138½	Osceola	66⅝
Ed. Elec. Ill	205	Parrot	42
Mexican	12¼	Quincy	137
Mich. Telephone	87	Santa Fe Copper	1⅝
N. E. G. & C	13¼	Tamarack	187
Old Colony	205	Utah Mining	29
Old Dominion	18⅝	Winona	2¼
Rubber	26	Wolverines	38½
Union Pacific	59⅝		

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $148,224,711; gold, $73,037,226.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE

Growing Confidence That Downward Swing is Nearly Over.

DEMAND FOR BAR IRON IS FEATURE

Movement in Manufactured Goods Dull Compared with Activity of a Year Ago—Heavy Foreign Demand for Coal.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade will say:

It is often hard to read encouraging symptoms of general business in declining prices of commodities, but just now it is reasonable to look for them. Some raw materials and some manufactured products one stage removed from the raw are selling at lower prices than at any time since last year's advance, but there is confidence among buyers that the downward swing is nearly over, while sellers are adopting a cautious policy, which until recently characterized the attitude of buyers.

Iron and steel markets were startled by reports of sales of steel bars at 90 cents per 100 pounds, but business at the same time was the largest in months at Chicago on a basis of about $1.25. Increasing demand for bar is on from makers of agricultural implements and car builders was a feature, contracts being estimated at 150,000 tons in bars and plates. The trade believes that orders will increase as the season advances and that the total needs of iron consumers will compare well with last year. Heavy bids appear for foundry iron, buyers being uneasy without stock decreasing and selling prices of many descriptions approximating cost. Export orders increase and makers do not fully accept reports of purchases of foreign rails for delivery in the south. Some traders are not satisfied with the result of the Chicago conference, pointing to the report of production of pig iron in the first half of the summer, exceeding all records, and contrasting it with recent dull markets. Copper exports in July are estimated at 10,661 tons, against 7,150 in 1899, and the amount coming into sight in the last half year for home consumption is only 65,256 tons, a decrease of 19,467 tons. The foreign demand for bituminous coal is heavy, but producers hesitate to contract shipments while prices tend upward.

Shipments of boots and shoes from Boston were 23,384 cases, against 68,298 last week, but a year ago were 108,045. The present movement is more in specialties and trade in staple lines remains dull, many shops working one-third capacity. Leather is weaker, some lines declining a cent, but there is more activity.

While prices are above the 1899 opening in woolens, they are materially below figures reported later last season. The wool market has been more active, but the average of 100 quotations of August 1 was slightly lower at 20.51 cents. Sheetings are down 15 to 20 points.

Failures in the United States last week were 226, against 192 last year, and twenty-four in Canada, against twenty-three last year.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TABLE.

Aggregate of Business Transacted by the Associated Banks.

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended August 2, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.	Clearings.	Inc.	Dec.
New York	$ 756,512,889	.....	25.1
Chicago	121,524,879	.62	.....
Boston	103,187,878	.....	20.0
Philadelphia	70,590,961	.....	6.5
Pittsburg	32,765,388	31.1	.....
St. Louis	27,798,202	.....	8.0
San Francisco	21,137,016	4.3	.....
Baltimore	18,445,517	6.4	.....
Cincinnati	13,609,950	1.2	.....
Kansas City	13,420,204	18.4	.....
Cleveland	10,735,767	4.9	.....
Minneapolis	8,245,341	.....	.....
Detroit	8,127,631	3.5	.....
Louisville	7,968,185	2.1	.....
New Orleans	6,874,804	15.0	.....
Indianapolis	6,047,523	28.7	.....
Providence	5,210,000	.....	13.2
Milwaukee	5,272,634	7.6	.....
Buffalo	5,057,341	13.8	.....
OMAHA	5,927,462	8.1	.....
Columbus, O	5,367,600	20.6	.....
St. Paul	4,697,380	11.6	.....
Galveston	4,798,600	3.2	.....
Houston	4,798,981	1.4	.....
Denver	4,221,266	26.8	.....
St. Joseph	3,665,491	.....	.6
Savannah	3,512,708	25.5	.....
Richmond	3,351,567	18.9	.....
Hartford	2,165,773	.....	15.7
Washington	2,210,096	8.4	.....
Seattle	2,738,415	.....	16.7
Toledo	2,404,673	.....	.....
Memphis	1,780,136	26.