CONDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

Great Confidence Now Shown in Future Business of All Kinds.

MARKET CONDITIONS VERY SATISFACTORY

Statistics Show Rapid Decrease in Sale of Oleomargarine, While Butter, Owing to Increased Demand, is Higher.

The warm weather of last week brought about a great change in the outlook for future business. It is now an assured fact that there will be a very fair corn crop, taking the state as a whole, and that is all business men consider necessary for a successful year. Retailers who have been in the city the last few days have expressed themselves as more than pleased with the prospects for future business and jobbers say that the size of merchants' orders would indicate that they are counting on a record-breaking demand. Hundreds of retailers who have been holding back all the fall are now placing heavy orders, so that trade last week with local jobbers was the best it has been any time this month. A brisk demand is also expected for this week and next.

There have been about the usual number of market changes during the week under review, but none of them have been at all radical. The markets as a whole seem to be in a very healthy condition and with the favorable outlook for a heavy demand all over the country during the following year the prospects of any material reduction in the prices of leading staples are considered very remote, while indications for higher prices on a number of lines are very favorable. Those best posted say with a good deal of confidence that merchants are safe in anticipating their wants at present prices.

Collections are also in very satisfactory condition and local jobbers report very few bad accounts on their books. Retailers as a class throughout the territory tributary to Omaha have had a very successful season and are stronger financially than ever before. This is shown conclusively by the increase in the number of bills being discounted every day.

Refined Sugar Steady, Raws Higher.

The demand for groceries in a wholesale way is reported as being of very satisfactory proportions. The demand is general for all seasonable lines and sales are heavier than they were a year ago at this time.

The general market is in a good strong position and a few fluctuations have taken place since last report. Among these is an advance of a full 1-16c on refined sugars, while refined grades have not changed. The demand is reported as being very heavy for even this time of the year and prospects are that it will continue that way for the next two or three weeks.

The bean market is also in about the same position it was a week ago. It is still very difficult to estimate the damage done by the cold and wet weather of a week or ten days ago.

The cheese market advanced ¼c last week, owing to a continued heavy export demand, together with the unfavorable weather throughout Wisconsin, which has reduced the milk supply fully one-half. Owing to the fact that the season is now practically over, it is thought that considerably higher prices will be seen before the middle of October.

The coffee market continued to advance and desirable roasting grades are reported scarce. New arrivals of the 1903 crop of coffees are opening up unsatisfactorily, the beans being small and off in color. It is expected, however, that the later arrivals will prove better.

On account of the well developed fact that corn is going to be a very light pack jobbers in the east continue to buy heavily wherever they can secure offerings and at prices from 2½c to 5c per dozen above last week. Tomatoes are unchanged, but very firm for full standard quality. California canned goods are still in active demand, but stocks are so badly broken that it is impossible for buyers to get what they want.

Reports from the coast show that new red Alaska salmon is selling freely at the prices named by the Alaska packers, which is 35c a dozen higher than the opening price of last season. This came as a surprise to a good many buyers, who thought the price would range from 5c to 10c per dozen lower than a year ago.

The dried fruit market continues very active, peaches perhaps still being the item of greatest interest, while raisins are coming in for their share. No prices have been named yet on new seeded.

An active demand for fish is reported, Holland herring, Norway K. K. K. and mackerel being the most popular lines. On the latter the demand is principally for the larger sizes, owing to the scarcity and consequent high prices of the small sizes.

There is a marked increase in the sale of olives, imported goods and other fancy lines, which jobbers take as an indication of the growing prosperity in the west and of the fact that western people are constantly demanding a better class of goods.

There is no change to note in the market for woodenware.

Brisk Demand for Dry Goods.

Local dry goods jobbers report their house trade for last week as being about the best experienced since the first of the month. The orders received, both direct and through traveling men, have shown quite an improvement within the last few days and it is thought that the cause is found in the improved crop conditions. Jobbers are now confident of a good late business and in that event their sales will run far ahead of last year or of any previous year.

The cotton market continues strong and no change in the prices ruling on cotton goods is reported. Indications now are that present prices will hold good throughout the winter and spring and Omaha jobbers have gone ahead with that idea and made preparations for carrying a larger and better line of goods than ever before. The manufacturers' prices for Amoskeag A. F. C. and Tolle du Nord ginghams have been fixed respectively at 8½ and 9 cents, and some good orders have already been booked. Jobbers are hoping that deliveries of all classes of goods this coming season will be better than they have been in the past, but an enormous demand is already in sight.

Leather Goods Selling Freely.

There were more boot and shoe men on the local market last week than jobbers were expecting and their orders were heavier. As a result, business in that line has been satisfactory and jobbers well pleased. It seems that a large number of merchants were holding back a large part of their orders until they could tell more about the outcome of the corn crop but now they no longer fear a crop failure and as a result are rushing to market and placing their orders.

The rubber goods trade remains quiet. The warm dry weather has temporarily checked the demand for both clothing and foot wear, but jobbers are content to wait in view of the fact that they have been doing a big business all this year.

No Change in Hardware.

The hardware market is in just about the same position it was a week ago, no important changes having taken place. The demand, however, for all seasonable goods has been very satisfactory, as the cold weather of a week or ten days ago reminded people that it was time to prepare for winter. There is no special feature to the trade, as the demand is simply general for all classes of seasonable and staple articles.

Oleomargarine Not Popular.

Since the passage of the Grout bill compelling manufacturers of oleomargarine to pay a tax of 10 cents per pound on their produce when colored, and one-fourth cent when uncolored, its popularity has decreased at a rapid rate. The tax of 10 cents per pound makes the colored oleomargarine cost as much as a good grade of butter and comparatively few people seem to care to use the uncolored product. Statistics show that during the month of August, 1903, before the passage of the Grout bill, 83,523 fifty-pound tubs were sold, while during the same month of the following year after the law became effective, the amount manufactured dropped down to 27,889 tubs of the same size. Last month there were only 22,859 tubs made, which is a decrease from two years ago of 61,213 fifty-pound tubs. Of the amount sold last month 21,094 tubs were uncolored and only 631 tubs were colored. This enormous decrease in the manufacture and sale of oleomargarine of course means an increase in the demand for butter and it is thought that butter is now selling considerably higher than if the Grout bill had not become a law.

Fruits and Vegetables.

The demand for fruits last week was very brisk and owing to the lateness of the season the price of peaches has advanced slightly. The supply of apples, however, is now more liberal, as both Michigan and New York as well as home grown stock is on sale. There is also a large variety of grapes on the market and the ruling prices of the various lines will be found in another column.

The egg market is considerably higher than it was a week ago, the price now being 19 cents. Poultry on the contrary is a trifle lower, while butter has been firm and in good demand.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, loss off, 19c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 8½@9c; spring chickens, lightweight, 10@11c; heavy, 9c; roosters, according to age, 4@6c; turkeys, 11@11c; old ducks, 6c; young ducks, 8@9c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 12½@13½c; choice to fancy dairy, in tubs, 16@18c; separator, 21c.

FRESH FISH—Fresh caught trout, 11c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 10c; perch, 6c; buffalo, 7½@8c; bluefish, 15c; whitefish, 10c; salmon, 11c; haddock, 10c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 11c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 20c; lobsters, green, per lb., 20c; bullheads, 11c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 20@22c; halibut, 9c; crappies, 12c; herring, 6c; white bass, 10c; bluefins, 8c.

OYSTERS—New York counts, per can, 45c; per gal., $2.15; extra selects, per can, 37c; per gal., $1.90; standard, per can, 30c; per gal., $1.50.

BRAN—Per ton, $14.00.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $9.50; No. 2, $8.00; medium, $8.00; coarse, $8.00. Rye straw, $7.00. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

CORN—48c.

OATS—38c.

RYE—No. 2, 50c.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Utah and Dakota, per bu., 85@90c.

SWEET POTATOES—Home grown, per basket, 60c; Virginias, per 3-bu. bbl., $3.50.

CUCUMBERS—Home grown, per basket, 50c.

BEANS—Home grown, wax, per market basket, 40@50c; string, per market basket, 40@60c.

GREEN CORN—Per doz., 10c.

TOMATOES—Home grown, per basket, 35@40c.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.65.

CELERY—Michigan, per doz., 30@35c; large western, 45c.

ONIONS—New home grown, dry, per lb., 1½c; fancy Washington stock, per lb., 2c; Spanish, per crate, $1.75.

EGG PLANT—Per doz., $1.00.

FRUITS.

PLUMS—Utah and Colorado, $1.00.

PRUNES—Italian, per box, $1.00; Silver, $1.00.

PEACHES — California Salaways, $1.00; Utah freestones, $1.00; Colorado Albertas, $1.10.

CRABAPPLES—Per bbl., $4.00.

PEARS—Colorado and Utah Sheldon, Dutches and Flemish Beauties, per box, $2.00; Colorado and Utah Bartletts, $2.50@3.00.

CANTALOUPE—Rocky Ford, per standard crate, $3.00.

APPLES—Weltheys and other varieties, per 3-bu. bbl., $2.50@3.00; Snows, $3.25; Michigan and Wisconsin, $2.50; California Bellflowers, per box, $1.50@1.60; New York stock, $3.50.

GRAPES—California Tokays, $1.50; Corinthian, $1.50; Black Ferara, $1.50; Muscats, $1.50; home grown, per 8-lb. basket, 20@24c.

WATERMELONS—Missouri, 25c each; crated, net, 75c per 100 lbs.

CRANBERRIES—Per bbl., $7.00; per box, $2.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Valencias, all sizes, $4.00@4.25.

BANANAS—Per bunch, $2.00@2.50; jumbos, $3.00.

LEMONS—California fancy, 300 to 360 sizes, $4.25; choice, 240 to 270 sizes, $4.00@4.25.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEESE—Wisconsin twins, full cream, 12½c; Wisconsin Young Americas, 13½c; black Swiss, 15c; Wisconsin brick, 12½c; Wisconsin limberger, 12c.

HONEY—Nebraska, per 24 frames, $3.50; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, $3.50.

POPCORN—Per lb., 2½c; shelled, 3@3½c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6½c; No. 2 green, 5½c; No. 1 salted, 7½c; No. 2 salted, 6½c; No. 1 veal calf, 3 to 12 lbs., 8½c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6½c; dry salted hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft-shell, per lb., 17c; hard-shell, per lb., 14c; No. 2 soft-shell, per lb., 13c; No. 2 hard-shell, per lb., 12c; Brazils, per lb., 12c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft-shell, per lb., 16c; hard-shell, per lb., 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 12½c; small, per lb., 11c; peanuts, per lb., 5½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 26.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash, in elevator, 82½c; on track, 85@86c; December, 82½c; May, 83⅝c; No. 2 hard, 75@79c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 45½c; track, 46@46½c; December, 43½c; May, 43@43⅛c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 cash, 38c; track, 38½@39c; December, 36½c; May, 37½c; No. 2 white, 41½c.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2, 57½c.

FLOUR—Quiet; red winter patents, $4.00@4.10; extra fancy and straight, $3.70@3.90; clear, $3.25@3.40.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $2.75@3.25.

CORN MEAL—Steady, $2.50.

BRAN—Quiet; sacked, east track, 74c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $8.00@12.50; prairie, $6.00@10.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—5⅝@7½c.

HEMP TWINE—5c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, standard mess, $12.65; lard, steady, $7.52½; bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $10.00; clear ribs, $10.00; short clear, $10.50.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 9½c; springs, 10c; turkeys, old 15c; ducks, 9½c; geese, 7½c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 16@22½c; dairy, 14@17c.

EGGS—Lower, 17½@19c, loss off.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	11,000	10,000
Wheat, bu.	49,000	72,000
Corn, bu.	36,000	55,000
Oats, bu.	35,000	28,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 26.—WHEAT—September, 66½c; December, 66½@67c. Cash: No. 2 hard, 72@72c; No. 3, 67@69c; No. 4, 60@65c; rejected, 50@55c; No. 2 red, 79@81c; No. 3, 75@77c.

CORN—October, 40@40½c; December, 39½@39½c; May, 38½@38¾c. Cash: No. 2 mixed, 42c; No. 2 white, 43c; No. 3, 42½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 29@40c; No. 2 mixed, 37@38c.

RYE—No. 2, 51@52c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50@10.00; choice prairie, $8.25@8.50.

BUTTER—Creamery, 18½@19½c; dairy, fancy, 17c.

EGGS—Fresh, 17c.

EGGS—Steady; Missouri and Kansas stock, cases returned, 17c per doz.; new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 17½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	153,400	148,000
Corn, bu.	36,000	54,400
Oats, bu.	10,000	8,000

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—DRY GOODS—The end of the week in dry goods shows little more activity from general buyers, the majority of whom continue to display conservatism, which has marked operations for some time. Tightness of the money market is an operative factor, and as the current necessities are likely to increase as the season advances, operations, it is believed, will continue on a limited scale.

Exports and Imports at New York.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Total imports of merchandise and dry goods at the port of New York this week were valued at $9,869,036. Total imports of specie at the port of New York for this week were $15,584 silver and $127,286 gold. Total exports of specie for the week were $384,418 silver and $5,192 gold.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 26.—BUTTER—The butter market was unchanged; western creameries, 21½c; prints, 22c.

EGGS—Firm; fair demand; fresh nearby, 25c, loss off; western, 23@24c; southwestern, 21½@22c; southern, 20@21c.

CHEESE—Firm; New York full creams, fancy, 12c; Chicago, 11½@11¾c; fair to good, 10⅝@11⅛c.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Sept. 26.—WHEAT—December, 76⅝c; May, 78@78½c. On track: No. 1 hard, 85¾c; No. 1 northern, 84¾c; No. 2 northern, 77@78c; No. 3 northern, 73@74c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.45@4.55; second patents, $4.35@4.45; first clears, $3.65@3.75; second clears, $2.50@2.65.

BRAN—In bulk, $13.75.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Sept. 26.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 2 red, western, winter dull, 6s 1¼d; No. 1 northern spring, no stock; futures quiet; September nominal; October, 6s 3¼d; December, 6s 4½d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, quiet, 4s 5d; futures dull; October, 4s 4½d; No. 4, 4s 4d; December, 4s 4d.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 26.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, 85@85½c; No. 2 northern, 83@83c; New December, 77½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 57@57½c.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 65c; sample, 60@61c.

CORN—December, 46½c.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Sept. 26.—CORN—Steady to firm; No. 3, 46½c; No. 4, 45½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white, 36½@37½c; No. 4 white, 35½@36½c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Sept. 26.—WHEAT—On track, No. 1 northern, 80½c; No. 2 northern, 77½c; December, 76½c.

OATS—36½c.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, Sept. 26.—SEEDS—Clover: October, $6.37½; December, $6.62½; January, $6.80. Timothy, $1.65. Alsike, $5.00.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Grains Show Some Firmness on the Board of Trade.

PRICES ARE FULLY MAINTAINED

Provisions Are Dull and Packers Come Forward to Support the Market —October Pork Drops Thirty Cents.

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—Grain ruled steady and kept within small ranges. December wheat closed ⅝@⅞c higher, with corn for the same month unchanged and oats up ⅛c. Provisions were irregular, closing unchanged to 30c lower.

Steady cables and only fair receipts encouraged local wheat bulls and commission houses to support the market at the start with the result that the December option, after a steady opening at a shade to ⅛c higher, 77⅛c, to ⅛@⅜c, sold up to 77⅞c. In the face of favorable conditions abroad, however, together with predictions of heavy northwestern receipts next week, the firmness gave way and quantities of long wheat came out, carrying December back to 76⅞c. A fair demand sprang up later due to an improved cash demand reported from Minneapolis and there was covering at the decline. December closed steady, at 77⅛c, a net gain of ⅝@¾c. Trading was of good volume. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 128,500 bu., with primary receipts 1,120,900 bu., against 1,124,100 bu. a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 820 cars, which, with the local receipts of 57 cars, one of contract grade, made a total for the three points of 887 cars, against 759 cars last week and 1,033 cars last year.

Corn started firm on the cables and a large shipping demand but several local long holders took advantage of the advance and threw a large quantity of the grain on the market and resulting in a break of ¼c under yesterday's price for December. Toward the end of the session a fair commission demand developed on indications for frosts in the corn belt, and December reacted to 46¼c, where it closed steady and unchanged, after ranging between 46⅝@46⅞c and 46c. Local receipts were 660 cars, with 47 of contract grade.

Oats were steady with trading chiefly of a scalping nature. Prices held well on the steady tone in other grains. There was little feature in the transactions. December closed ⅛c higher at 37⅜c, having held between 37⅝c and 37⅛c. Local receipts were 98 cars.

Provisions were dull, although prices held steady for the most part on support by the packers. There was a good advance in lard, but the demand ceased and prices dropped back. October pork was sold freely and receded to $11.95, a loss of 30c, at the close. October lard and ribs closed unchanged at $7.52 and $9.20.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 85 cars; corn, 735 cars; oats, 240 cars; hogs, 30,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
a Sept.	75½	76⅝	75½	76⅝	75½
a Dec.	77⅛@⅜	77⅞	76⅞	77⅞	77⅛
May	78¾@79	79	78⅛	78¾@⅞	78⅝
*Corn—					
Sept.	46 @⅛	46⅛	45⅝@⅞	45⅝@⅞	46
Dec.	46⅝@⅝	46⅝@⅞	46	46⅛	46⅛
May	46⅝@⅝	46⅝	45⅞	46⅛	46
*Oats—					
Sept.	36⅞	37⅛	36⅝	37 @⅛	37
Dec.	37⅛@⅛	37⅜	37⅛	37⅜	37⅛
May	38 @⅛	38⅝	37⅞	38	37⅞
Pork—					
Sept.	11 80	11 90	11 80	11 90	12 20
Oct.	12 10	12 10	11 95	11 95	12 25
May	12 55½	12 55	12 37½	12 37½	12 50
Lard—					
Sept.	10 50	10 75	10 50	10 50	10 50
Oct.	7 52½	7 55	7 52½	7 52½	7 52½
Jan.	6 90	6 90	6 77½	6 80	6 90
Ribs—					
Sept.	9 15	9 15	9 15	9 15	9 15
Oct.	9 15	9 20	9 15	9 20	9 20
Jan.	6 60	6 60	6 50	6 50	6 57½

*No. 2 a New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.90@4.10; straights, $3.50@3.90; spring patents, $4.20@4.30; straights, $3.50@4.00; bakers', $2.60@2.40.

WHEAT—No. 2 red, 75¼@79¼c.

CORN—No. 2, 47c; No. 2 yellow, 48⅝@49½c.

OATS—No. 2, 36¾@36c; No. 2 white, 38@38½c; No. 3 white, 37½@38⅜c.

RYE—No. 2, 50c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 48@50c; fair to choice malting, 53@60c.

SEEDS—No. 1, flax, 97½c; No. 1 northwestern, $1.02; prime timothy, $3.10; clover, contract grade, $10, nominal.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.90@12.00. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10.50@10.75. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.75@9.00. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.62½@6.75. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.75@9.25.

The following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	922,390	25,342
Wheat, bu.	92,935	109,500
Corn, bu.	460,200	451,600
Oats, bu.	191,400	143,006
Rye, bu.	7,850	950
Barley, bu.	131,100	5,910

On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 16@21½c; dairies, 14@18½c. Cheese, steady, 10½@11½c. Eggs, steady, at mark, cases included, 17@18c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—FLOUR—Receipts, 16,695 bbls.; exports, 15,626 bbls.; market about steady; winter extras, $2.90@3.20; Minnesota bakers, $3.85@4.10; winter low grades, $2.70@2.80. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $3.15@3.40; choice to fancy, $3.45@3.60.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, $1.10; city, $1.18; kiln dried, $3.25@3.35.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2 western, 63½c, f. o. b., afloat; state and Jersey, 57@58½c.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 52c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 56@62c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 4,607 bu.; exports, 26,378 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2 red, 81c, elevator, and 82½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 88½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 90½c, f. o. b., afloat. Options were quiet but firm on covering, induced by higher cables, stronger northwest markets, where in spring wheat states and reports that the local stocks had all been sold for export, especially September. After declining sharply under long sales wheat rallied again and closed firm at ⅛@¼c net advance. May, 83@83⅛c, closed at 83⅛c; September, 80⅝@81⅛c, closed at 81c; December, 81⅛@81⅜c, closed at 83⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 51,650 bu.; exports, 50 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 52½c, nominal, elevator, and 53½@54c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 yellow, 56c; No. 2 white, 54c. The option market was firmer with wheat, together with fears of declining temperatures in the west and better cables. The late market was irregular with wheat, finally closing steady, ⅛c net advance. September closed at 52⅝c; December, 52⅝@53⅛c, closed at 52⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 91,520 bu.; exports, 6,023 bu. Spot, dull; standard white, 42c; No. 3, 40c; No. 2 white, 42½c; No. 3 white, 41½c; track white, 42@46c.

HAY—Easy; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 87@90c.

HOPS—Firm; medium to choice, 1903 crop, 28@32c; olds, 9@18c; Pacific coast, 1903 crop, medium to choice, 27@33c; common to choice, 1902 crop, 21@26½c; olds, 9@13c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 12c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 12c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 25@25½c.

WOOL—Steady; domestic, fair to choice, 26@30c; Japan, 18@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family $10.50@11.50; mess, $8.00@8.50; beef hams, $21.50@22.00; packet, $9.00@10.00; city extra mess, $11.50@12.00. Cut meats, unsettled; pickled bellies, $9.25@9.50; pickled shoulders, 8c; pickled hams, $12.50@13.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, 38.60; refined, easy; continent, $8.90; South America, $9.90; compound, $7.87½. Pork, dull; family, $19; short clear, $14.00@17.00; mess, $14.75@15.50.

BUTTER—Steady; extra creamery, 21½c; extra factory, 13¼@13½c; creamery, common to choice, 16@21c; imitation creamery, 15@16c; state dairy, 15@20c; renovated, 12@17c.

CHEESE—Strong; state full cream, fancy small colored, 12c; large colored, 11¾c; small white, 12c; large white, 11¾c.

EGGS—Firm; state and Pennsylvania fancy mixed, 24@25c; state and Pennsylvania seconds to firsts, 17@22c; western extras, 24c; western thirds to seconds, 17@21c; western firsts, 23@23c; refrigerator, 16@21c.

TALLOW—Dull; city, 4⅝c; country, 4⅝@5½c.

POULTRY—Alive and dressed, steady and unchanged.

Bank Clearings for Week.

OMAHA, Sept. 26.—Bank clearings for the week ending today, compared with the corresponding dates of the year previous, are as follows, and show a decrease from the same week of last year of $19,881.12:

	1903.	1902.
Monday	$1,511,541.86	$1,300,071.31
Tuesday	1,192,456.66	1,314,803.28
Wednesday	1,328,285.99	1,148,872.68
Thursday	1,161,864.03	1,328,041.75
Friday	1,214,587.42	1,339,091.50
Saturday	1,258,189.16	1,185,573.29
Totals	$7,544,265.30	$7,564,146.42

Weekly Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—The statement of averages of the clearing house banks of this city for the week shows:

Loans, $937,047,200, increase, $3,008,100; deposits, $901,345,200; decrease, $3,127,100; circulation, $45,696,500, increase, $219,600; legal tender, $71,513,800, increase, $667,900; specie, $168,085,800, decrease, $1,396,100; reserve, $239,965,600; decrease, $663,600; reserve required, $225,336,300, decrease, $2,082,725; surplus, $14,569,300, increase, $1,759,025.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market is Feverish with New Signs of Urgent Liquidation.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—Today's stock market was kept unsettled and feverish by signs of renewed liquidation at some points of the urgent and precipitate character which threatened the situation on Thursday and which was checked by yesterday's protective measures taken by the great banking interests. The course of the London market this morning indicated that the stock purchased yesterday for supporting purposes would be for sale again at any favorable market opportunity. This had the effect of discouraging the professional operators who were waiting for a turn on the long side of the market, having closed out their short accounts yesterday. The market also developed evidences of support on declines. The obvious purpose is to bring about a condition of greater stability, pending the working out of the financial situation. A disorderly break in prices is dreaded for the panicky conditions which it might bring about, but the feeling continues generally that there is liquidation still to be effected. It is also considered undesirable to undertake any campaign for an advance in face of the money requirements for the crops. The bank statement was regarded as satisfactory and especially in the loan contraction of upward of $5,000,000, reflecting the good progress made in the necessary process of liquidation. Hopes are entertained that this process will begin to be effective in restoring the impairment of credit which has overhung the market like a cloud and infected all minds with distrust and apprehension.

The most notable selling pressure today was in the United States Steel securities, Baltimore & Ohio and the local tractions. United States Steel fell to yesterday's low record, and the preferred to within ¼ of it, while the bonds made a new record at 70¼. The weakness in these securities continued to have a large sentimental effect elsewhere in the list. The selling which developed on the favorable bank statement was also evidence of the continued purpose and probable necessity to sell stocks on every available opportunity. The market closed unsettled and irregular.

Bonds have declined in sympathy with stocks. United States new 4's advanced ⅝, the 5's 1, the old registered 2. The 3's declined 1½ per cent, as compared with the closing call of last week.

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

Atchison	62⅛	St. Paul	156⅝
do pfd	87⅛	Southern Pacific	29⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	112⅛	Southern Railway	18
do pfd	93	do pfd	89⅛
Canadian Pacific	111⅛	Texas & Pacific	23⅛
Central of N. J.	154	T. St. L. & W.	17⅛
Ches. & Ohio	38	do pfd	36
Chicago & Alton	30	Union Pacific	84⅝
Chicago & East. I.	34	do pfd	94
Chicago & Gt. W.	14⅝	Wabash	17⅝
do B pfd	36	do pfd	29⅛
Chicago & N. W.	159	W. & L. E.	15⅛
Chicago T. & T.	4⅛	Wis. Central	14⅝
do pfd	18½	do pfd	34⅝
C., C., C. & St. L.	67	Adams Express	223
Colo. Southern	11⅛	Amer. Express	173
do 1st pfd	43	U. S. Express	100
do 2d pfd	21	Wells-Fargo Ex.	188
Del. & Hudson	151	Amal. Copper	40⅝
Dela., L. & W.	220	Amer. C. & F.	28⅝
Denver & R. G.	20⅝	do pfd	76⅝
do pfd	70	Amer. Lin. Oil	9
Erie	34	do pfd	28
do 1st pfd	63⅝	Am. Locomotive	33⅛
do 2d pfd	45	do pfd	93
Gt. Nor. pfd	160	Amer. S. & R.	40⅝
Hocking Valley	65	do pfd	93⅛
do pfd	79	Amer. Sugar Refin.	119⅛
Illinois Central	151⅛	Ana. Mining Co.	71
Iowa Central	18	Brk. Rap. Tr.	31⅝
do pfd	33	Colo. F. & I.	41⅝
Kansas City So.	26	Consolidated Gas	147
do pfd	34	General Electric	143
Louis. & Nash.	99⅝	Intn'l Paper	16⅝
Manhattan L.	128⅛	do pfd	62⅛
Met. St. Ry.	124	Int'nl Pump	37⅛
Minn. & St. L.	80	do pfd	70
Missouri Pacific	87⅝	National Biscuit	37⅛
M. K. & T.	27⅛	National Lead	19⅛
do pfd	55	No. American	70⅛
N. Y. L. & W. pfd.	118	Pacific Mail	19⅛
N. Y. Central	115⅝	People's Gas	99⅛
Norfolk & Western	57⅛	Pressed Steel Car	32
do pfd	86	do pfd	75
Ontario & Western	29	Pullman Pal. Car	230
Pennsylvania	119⅛	Republic Steel	9
P., C., C. & St. L.	98	do pfd	90⅛
Reading	45⅝	Rubber Goods	21⅛
do 1st pfd	72	do pfd	67
do 2d pfd	67⅛	Tenn. C. & I.	41⅝
Rock Island Co.	23	U. S. Leather	6⅛
do pfd	58⅛	do pfd	72⅛
St. L. & S. F.	52	U. S. Rubber	10⅝
do 1st pfd	65	do pfd	46⅝
do 2d pfd	63	U. S. Steel	34⅛
St. L. S. W.	18⅛	do pfd	91⅝
do pfd	29⅝	Western Union	83⅝

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26.—MONEY—Prime mercantile paper, 6@6½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers bills at $4.86@$4.86⅛ for demand and at $4.82⅝@4.82⅞ for sixty day bills; posted rates, $4.83 and $4.87; commercial bills, $4.82¾.

SILVER—Bar, 59½c; Mexican dollars, 46½c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad irregular; money on call, nominal; no loans.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	108	Hocking Val. 4½s	104⅛
do coupon	108⅛	L. & N. uni. 4s	102
do 3s, reg.	109⅛	Man. con. gold 4s	102
do coupon	109⅛	*Mex. Central 4s	71⅛
do new 4s, reg.	135⅛	do 1st inc.	12
do coupon	135⅛	Minn. & St. L. 4s	95⅝
do old 4s, reg.	111⅛	M., K. & T. 4s	97⅛
do coupon	113⅛	do 2s	74⅛
do 5s, reg.	112⅛	Nat R R of M c. 4s	74
do coupon	102⅛	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	94
Atch. gen. 4s	98⅛	N. Y. C. lin. 5s	127⅝
do stamped 4s	89⅛	No. Pacific 4s	101
Atlantic C. L. 4s	90⅛	do 2s	70⅛
Bal. & Ohio 4s	101⅛	N. & W. con. 4s	96⅝
do 3½s	92⅝	Pere. S. L. & P. 5s	104
Central of Ga. 5s	115	Penn. con. 3½s	95
do 5s inc.	70	Reading gen. 4s	96⅛
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	101⅛	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	111⅛
Chicago & A. 3½s	72⅛	St L. & S F g. 4s	79⅝
C. B. & Q. new 4s	102⅛	St. L. S. W. 1st g. 4s	92
C. M. & St P g. 4s	104⅛	Seaboard A. L. 4s	75
C. & N. W. c. 7s	131⅛	So. Pacific 4s	86
C., R. I. & P. 4s	89⅛	So. Railway 5s	112⅝
do col. 5s	93	Texas & Pacific 1s	114⅝
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s	93⅝	T., St. L. & K. W. 4s	76
Chicago Ter. 4s	73	Union Pacific 4s	99⅛
Con. Tobacco 4s	52⅛	do conv. 4s	97⅛
Colorado So. 4s	81⅛	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	79⅝
Den. & R. G. 4s	90⅛	Wabash 1st 5s	114
Erie prior lien 4s	96⅝	do deb. B	53⅝
do general 4s	82⅝	W. & L. E. 4s	86
F. W. & D. C. 1s	102⅛	Wis. Central 4s	88⅝

*Offered.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Sept. 26.—Closing quotations:

Console for money	85 3-16	New York Central	118½
do account	85 3-16	Norfolk & Western	69⅛
Anaconda	3⅝	do pfd	90
Atchison	64½	Ontario & Western	20⅛
do pfd	91	Pennsylvania	61⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	77½	Rand Mines	9⅛
Canadian Pacific	132⅝	Reading	23⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	38⅝	do 1st pfd	72
Chicago G. W.	16	do 2d pfd	34
C., M. & St. P.	141⅛	Southern Railway	19
Deliers