HEAVY LIQUIDATION STOPS

The Stock Market Beginning to Assume a More Normal Tone.

Atchison Issues Firmer Under the Dividend Announcement—Much Trading in the Amalgamated Copper and Sugar Refining Shares.

NEW YORK, Oct. 9.—General stock market movements today were again exceedingly irregular, but the dealings at large showed an absence of the liquidation which was so pronounced last week and which was more or less marked in the earlier part of this week. The day opened with no developments of general importance. The most important occurrence bearing upon any particular stock was the announcement, about midday, of the semi-annual dividend on Atchison common. As had been reported for some time past, the directors advanced the rate from one-half to two per cent, thus presumably establishing the stock upon a regular 4 per cent annual basis.

Prior to the announcement of the dividend Atchison had been comparatively heavy, chiefly because of uncertainty as to what the final decision of the management would be. The announcement of the figures was followed by a material advance in Atchison and the rise in that stock subsequently extended to the remainder of the market.

The publication of the annual report of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit appears to have been the signal for the remaining short interest in the stock to reduce commitments.

At all events, after opening with an uncertain tone Brooklyn Rapid Transit advanced in an irregular sort of way during the greater part of the business session. As regards the statement it could only be said that the showing was certainly no worse than had been expected, although there was renewed disappointment at the apparent inability of the management to reduce the present excessive outlay for expenses.

There was no special news to account for the exceptionally heavy trading in Amalgamated Copper or Sugar Refining, and the gossip bearing on the movements of those stocks is hardly worthy of recital. Neither Manhattan nor Metropolitan was particularly active, notwithstanding the animated trading in Brooklyn Rapid Transit.

Firm features of the market were Norfolk and Western, Southern Railway, and as noted, the Atchison issues. The movements elsewhere were limited and irregular. The fluctuations in the Vanderbilt issues and particularly in the Nickel Plate stocks, were both wide and uncertain. London was not a factor of weight in this market, the dealings here for foreign account being in very limited volume except in the Wabash issues, which were sold quite freely.

Sterling exchange continued very firm, and no material alteration appeared in any quarter of the money market. Today's statements of earnings submitted will be found elsewhere in this paper. The annual report of Western Union was a remarkably strong showing.

New York Stock Exchange, Oct. 9.

	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.	Net ch'g's.
Amal. Copper	87¼	85¾	86½	+ ¾
Am. Car and Fdy.	35½	35¼	35½	+ ¼
Am. Car and Fdy. pfd.	81	81	81	
Am. Cotton Oil	29½	29½	29½	
Am. Ice	26¾	26¾	26¾	+ ¼
Am. Lin. Oil pfd.	45¼	45¼	45¼	- ¼
Am. Loco.	25¼	25	25	- ¼
Am. Loco. pfd.	85¾	85¾	85¾	+ ¾
Am. Malting	6½	6½	6¾	+ ¼
Am. Smelting	41	40¾	40¾	
Am. Smelting pfd.	96	96	96	+ ¼
Am. Sugar pfd.	84	83½	84	- ¼
Am. Sugar Ref.	115½	113¾	115¾	+ ¾
Am. Sugar Ref. pfd.	115	115	115	
Anaconda	35¾	34½	35¼	+1
Atchison	76¾	75¼	76¼	+ ¼
Atchison 1st	95¾	95¼	95¼	- ¾
Balt. & Ohio	100¾	99¾	99¾	
Balt. & Ohio 1st	103	102½	103	+ ¾
Brook. Rapid Tran.	60¾	57¾	59¾	+1¾
Can. Southern	81	81½	82	- ¼
Can. Pacific	108	108	108	
Ches. & Ohio	45¼	44½	44¾	+ ¼
Chicago & Alton	39⅞	36¾	39¾	
Chicago & Alton, pfd.	77¾	77¼	77¾	- ¾
Chicago Great West.	22	21¾	21¾	- ¼
Chi., Ind. & L. pfd.	41	40	40¼	- ½
Chi., Ind. & L. pfd.	72¾	72¾	72¾	+ ¼
Chi., M. & St. P.	157¼	155¾	156¼	- ¾
C., R. & S. P. pfd.	185¾	184¾	185¾	+ ¼
Chicago & Northwest.	193½	192	192	+1
Chi. & Northwest. pfd.	218	216	218	+6
C., R. I. & P.	140¾	140	140	+ ¼
Chi. Ter. Trans.	20¾	20¾	20¾	+ ¼
Chi. Ter. Trans. pfd.	38¾	38¾	38¾	+ ¼
C., C., C. & St. L.	97¾	95¾	96¾	- ¾
C., L. & W. pfd.	34¾	33¾	34¼	+3¾
Col. F. & I. C.	92	91	92	+ ¼
Col. Southern	13¾	13¼	13¾	- ¼
Con. Gas	215	215	215	
Del. & Hud.	163½	163½	163½	+ ¾
Denver & Rio Grande.	43	42¾	42¾	- ¾
Des M. & Ft. D.	39¾	39¾	39¾	- ¾
Diamond Match	130	129½	129¾	- 1½
Erie	39¾	39¾	39¾	
Erie 1st pfd.	68¾	68¾	68¾	- ¼
Gen. Elec. Co.	250¾	249¾	250	
Glu. Sug. Ref. Co.	45¾	45¼	45¼	- ¼
Glu. Sug. Ref. pfd.	100	100	100	- 1
Great North. pfd.	188½	185¾	188¾	+2¾
Hocking Valley	32½	32¼	32½	+ ½
Hocking Valley pfd.	74	73¾	73¾	
Illinois Central	144	143¾	143¾	+ ¼
Int. Paper Co.	22	22	22	+ ¼
Int. Pap. Co. pfd.	75¾	75¼	75¼	
Int. Power	90¾	88	90¼	+2¾
Int. Pump	44	44	44	
Iowa Central	41¾	39	41¾	+2¾
Iowa Cen. pfd.	78¾	75¾	78¾	+4¼
K., C. & S. pfd.	37	36½	37	+ ½
L. Erie & West.	69½	68	68	
L. E. & West. pfd.	129	128	128	
Long Island	68	68	68	-2
Louis. & Nash.	103¼	101¾	103½	- ¼
Manhattan Con.	119¾	118	118¾	- ¼
Met. Street Railway	158½	157½	157¾	- ¼
Mexican Central	22¾	22¾	22¾	+ ¼
Mex. Nat. tr.	14¼	13¾	14	- ¼
Minn. & St. L.	106	106	106	+1
Minn. & St. L. pfd.	115¾	115¾	115¾	- ¼
M., S. P. & S. S. M.	27	27	27	
Mo., Kan. & Tex.	24¾	24¾	24¾	+ ¼
Mo., K. & Tex. pfd.	51	50¾	50¾	- ¼
Missouri Pacific	98¾	95¾	98¾	+ ¾
Nat. Lead Co.	19¾	19¾	19¾	- ¼
Nat. Salt	33	31½	31½	-2
Nat. Salt pfd.	68	66¾	66¾	-1¼
New Cent. Coal	30	30	30	+3½
N. Y. Central	155¾	154¾	155¾	- ¼
N. Y. C. & St. L.	50	48	49	- ¼
N. Y. C. & St. L. 2d pf	90¾	88	89¾	-3¼
N. Y., O. & W.	32¾	31¾	31¾	- ¼
Norfolk & Western	55¾	54¾	54¾	+ ¾
North. Amer. Co.	94	93	94	+2¾
Northern Pacific pfd.	97	97	97	+1
Ont. Silver M.	11¾	11¼	11¼	- ¼
Pacific Coast Co.	63¼	60¼	63	+2½
Pac. Coast Co. 2d pfd.	68	68	68	-4
Pacific Mail	43¾	42	43¾	+1
Pennsylvania	144¾	143	144	+ ¼
Peo. Gas. of C.	104	102¾	104	+ ¾
Press Steel Car.	38¾	36¾	38¾	+ ¾
Reading	30¾	29	30	- ½
Reading 1st pfd.	75	75	75	- ¾
Reading 2d pfd.	49¾	49¾	49¾	- ¾
Republic Steel	14¾	14¾	14½	
Rubber Goods	24¼	23	24¼	+ ¼
St. J. & G. I. 1st pfd.	57	57	57	+1
St. Law. & Adk.	130¾	129¾	130¾	+ ¾
St. L. San Fran.	42	39½	41¾	- ¾
St. L. & San Fr. 2d pfd.	66	65	66	+ ½
St. Louis Southwest.	27¾	27½	27½	- ¾
St. L. Southwest. pfd.	58¾	57	57	-2
Southern Pacific	56	55½	55¾	
Southern Railway	32¾	31¾	31¾	
Southern Railway pfd.	85¾	85¼	85¾	
Tenn. C. and I.	58¾	58	58½	
Texas Pacific	40	39	39¾	- ¼
T., St. L. & W. pfd.	35½	35½	35½	
T. City R. T.	56	56	56	
Union Bag and P. pfd.	70	70	70	
Union Pacific	99¾	98¾	98¾	- ¼
Union Pacific pfd.	87	87	87	
U. S. Leather pfd.	79½	79¼	79¼	- ½
U. S. Rubber	14¾	14¾	14¾	+ ¼
U. S. Steel	42¾	41¾	42¾	- ¼
U. S. Steel pfd.	93½	92¾	92¾	- ¾
Wabash	20	19	19	-1
Wabash pfd.	37¾	35¾	35¾	- ¾
West. Union Tel.	90½	90¾	90½	- ¾
Wis. Central	21	20½	20½	- ¼
Wis. Central pfd.	41	41	41	+1

Total sales of stocks, 356,300 shares.
+Advance. -Decline.

Government Bonds.

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 2's, 3, 1908-48, Q. J.	109	109½
U. S. 4's, C., 1907-47, Q. J.	109	109½
U. S. 5's, R., 1908, Q. F.	107	108¼
U. S. 5's, R. 1908, R. C.	108¼	109
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J.	112	112¼
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J.	112	112¼
U. S. 4's, R. 1925	128½	129½
U. S. 4's, C. 1925	128½	129½
U. S. 5's, R. 1904	107½	108¼
U. S. 5's, C. 1904, Q. F.	107½	108½

The developments yesterday were nearly all of an encouraging nature and there were a number of them. The Atchison directors declared a dividend of 2 per cent semi-annually on the common stock, placing it upon a regular 4 per cent basis. Mr. W. K. Vanderbilt arrived in New York from Europe, and although this event may not be followed by any important "Vanderbilt deal" there can be no doubt that it is a bull factor. The street learned that a Standard Oil man has been appointed on the board of directors of the Union Pacific and began to talk of the significance of this fact in connection with a probable St. Paul-Union Pacific deal. The Standard Oil people seemed more inclined to favor Amalgamated Copper, and it looked to some as if they were buying the stock. A number of good railway earnings statements were published. The recent sellers of Brooklyn Rapid Transit became buyers and there was good inside buying in Norfolk and Western. There was a persistent rumor that an extra dividend will be paid on Pennsylvania stock. London was a buyer of American stocks. Money was easy. It will be seen that quite an array of favorable matters came to light. The only unfavorable factor was the report of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company for the past year, which showed only a slight increase in net earnings and certainly not enough surplus to make a dividend possible this year or probable for two or three years to come. The market did not respond in the way that might have been hoped. There was dullness for the most part all day and the changes in prices were few and not large. The best that could be said of the market was that the small gains outnumbered the losses. Curiously enough, the strongest stock on the list was Brooklyn Rapid Transit, about which the only piece of bad news was not bloomed nearly to the high price of the day before and closed little if any better than the close on Tuesday. The outlook for the market undoubtedly is improved, however, and the tone of the street is more hopeful decidedly than it was a few days ago. Careful people advise buying stocks on all recessions and there are many predictions that there will be a good advance before there is much of a decline.

The Atchison dividend can be considered in no other way than as most important matter. This common stock sold in 1895 at 2½. It sold below 20 only as long ago as the beginning of last year. During the present year it sold as low as 42¾. No dividend was paid on the stock from the beginning until the present year, and only one dividend has been paid on it, 1½ per cent, six months ago. The earnings of the company four years ago were only sufficient to pay a little over the fixed charges, the record for 1896-7 showing $30,000,000, net $6,000,000, charges $4,000,000, and surplus $1,440,000, something over 1 per cent on the preferred stock. At the present time the common stock is selling at 76, and is established on a 4 per cent basis, with a surplus last year equal to nearly as much again as a 4 per cent dividend. At present gross earnings are double what they were four years ago, net earnings something like four times as large, and the surplus last year, after all charges and dividends, was very nearly as much as the entire net earnings in 1896-7. This is a record that has never been equaled in railway history and that may never be equaled again. Some people believe that the safe course would have been to continue the 3 per cent dividend rate on the common stock this year, but with earnings constantly increasing over the phenomenal showing of last year, it can hardly be said that the directors have been less than conservative in their action. The stock seems likely to go materially higher in the near future, though it may be held back or even allowed to drag somewhat immediately on account of the realizing of profit that is likely to take place. Yesterday it advanced to 76¾ and then declined to 76¼ at the close.

There is a theory devoutly held despite many denials that the Atchison has been or will be acquired by Pennsylvania interests. It is certain that much of the recent buying of the stock has been for interests that in times past have been thought to be working for the Pennsylvania people. If this deal is to be made it seems probable that the Pennsylvania people knew of the proposed dividend action and approved of it. This in itself should be considered an indication that it was a conservative move. It may also be taken for granted if the Pennsylvania people have control that they will continue to pay the 4 per cent dividend rate, though a higher rate may be a long way off. The Pennsylvania people establish a stock on a conservative dividend basis and keep it there until it can be advanced to a higher rate conservatively, a rate that there is every reason to believe can be maintained. That is the way they have done with their own stock and with Baltimore and Ohio and Norfolk and Western.

The appointment of H. H. Rogers on the Union Pacific board is believed by some people to indicate that a deal between the Union Pacific and the St. Paul, backed to a certain extent by the Standard Oil people, is likely to be carried through in the near future. It will be remembered that Mr. Rogers was put on the St. Paul directory only a few days ago. The story is that the Union Pacific and Northwestern will acquire the St. Paul in somewhat the same manner that the Burlington was acquired early this year by the Hill-Morgan Great Northern-Northern Pacific combination. It may be said at once that there is quite as much reason why this deal should be made, and that the price of 200 could be paid for St. Paul stock even more legitimately than it was paid for Burlington. It may also be said that St. Paul has many good friends at its present level which, compared with that of Burlington, seems remarkably cheap.

What, if any, influence the return from Europe of W. K. Vanderbilt will have on this deal no one outside knows. Rumors are more concerned at present with the possibility of a Vanderbilt deal in the East. It may be stated on very good authority, however, that as far as can be learned nothing is likely to occur in this quarter in the near future. There are very positive denials that the New York Central will float its bonds to take up the stocks of the "Junior Vanderbilts," and while such denials are often worth nothing whatever there is reason to believe them now. New York Central has not been nearly so buoyant during the past week as it was in short time ago, and the same may be said of the Junior Vanderbilts.

The earnings of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company for the past year were a disappointment. The net earnings were slightly larger than they were in the previous year, and it is undoubtedly the fact that the company is making a steady, though slow, headway toward a profitable business. But this fact does not by any means include what the friends of the company hoped for two or three years ago. The surplus of the company for the year, after all charges, equals something like 1¼ per cent on the stock. An immense sum was paid out in settlement of damage suits that had not been counted on—over a million dollars, or 2 per cent, on the stock, in fact. It will be seen that no dividend can be expected this year, and that to expect one inside of two or three years would be most optimistic. Notwithstanding this showing the stock yesterday was at all times very strong. It opened at 57¾ and advanced to 60¾, the highest price for several days. The close was at 59¾, two points above the opening. The buying of the stock was for investment and to cover shorts, on the theory that the recent big break was discounted all the bad news.

Amalgamated Copper was strong, getting as high as 87½ and closing at 86½, well above the opening price. This advance also was contrary to the only gossip heard in the street. One rumor was that the story of a settlement between the Amalgamated people and the Heinze crowd is entirely without foundation. Another was that the Amalgamated is secretly giving large purchases of copper a rate of 14 cents a pound, 3 cents under the schedule rate. It is said that the change in the tone of the stock is due to Standard Oil buying.

Pacific Mail was one of the strong stocks. It advanced to 43¾ and closed at the top a point above the opening price. No gossip attended the movement.

The steel securities were dull and hardly held their own. The earnings statement of the company has fallen flat, as far as having any influence on the price of the stock is concerned.

The Washington Stock Market.

Sales—Capital Traction 4's: $1,500@106¾. Washington Gas: 150@34½; 1250@33½; 1250@33¾.

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.

	Bid.	Asked.
Funding currency, 3.65's	1.5	....

MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.

Capital Traction R. R. 4's	106¾	108
Wash. Trac. & Elec. Coll. 4½'s	61¼	62¼
Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	116	120
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness A.	104	....
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness B.	106	109
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1914	115	....
Columbia R. R. 5's mort. 5's	103	106
City & Suburban R. R.	....	....
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	....	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser A, 6's, 1902-27	107	....
Wash. Gas Co., ser. B, 6's, 1901-'29	107	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp., 1907	105¼	....
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indebt.	103¾	104¼
Ches. & Pot. Tel., Con. 5's	104½	107
American Security & Trust, 4's	100	....
Wash. Market Co., 1st 6's, 1892-1911, $7,000 retired annually	107	....
Wash. Mkt. Co., Imp. 6's, 1912-'27	107	....
Wash. Mkt. Co., ext. 6's, 1914-'27	107	....
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C., 1908	104	....
American Graphophone Deb. 5's	....	103

SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.

National Safe Deposit	145	....
Wash. Loan and Trust	174	176
American Security and Trust	217	220
Washington Safe Deposit	....	....
Union Trust and Storage	108	110

NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.

Bank of Washington	370	....
Metropolitan	300	....
Central	225	....
Farmers and Mechanics'	240	....
Second	165	....
Citizens	165	....
Columbia	165	....
Capital	....	....
West End	120	....
Traders'	140	....
Lincoln	126½	132

RAILROAD STOCKS.

Capital Traction	103¾	103¾
City & Suburban	10	....

INSURANCE STOCKS.

Firemen's	25	....
Franklin	40	....
Metropolitan	75	....
Corcoran	99	....
Potomac	98	....
Arlington	95	98
German-American	215	....
National Union	7¼	8
Columbia	10	11½
Riggs	7	8
People's	6	6½
Commercial	4	5
Colonial	....	....

TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.

Real Estate Title	85	100
Columbia Title	4¾	5
Washington Title	2	3½
District Title	5	....

TELEPHONE STOCKS.

Chesapeake & Potomac	66	....

GAS STOCKS.

Washington Gas	63	63¾
Georgetown Gas	65	72

MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.

Mergenthaler Linotype	170	170½
Lanston Monotype	12¾	13
American Graphophone	6¼	6¾
American Graphophone, pfd.	8¾	8¾
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	.06	.10
Washington Market	14	....
Norfolk & Washington	165	180

*Ex-dividend.

THE CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Prices for Both Wheat and Corn Rule Lower.

CHICAGO, Oct. 9.—Yesterday's improvement in wheat was lost today. The Liverpool prices were disappointing to the local bulls, being 1/4@1/2d lower. This, with the large Northwestern receipts, caused a weak opening and the market declined steadily on liquidation. There was practically no support. The bulls were discouraged and there was a lack of short interest. Primary receipts were somewhat smaller, but still slightly in excess of last year. There was said to have been a fair cash enquiry here, but no sales are given out. The demand at the seaboard was better, 41 loads.

Corn has ruled heavy and lower. There was scattered selling by longs all day. Liverpool was fairly steady, ¼d lower, but private advices were that the undertone was weak on Danubian and Russian offerings. There was a fair cash demand, possibly 400,000 bushels sold to be shipped East and the seaboard reported 48 loads.

Oats were fairly active and lower. The selling came from the Northwest and local receivers, who report a heavy increase in country offerings. The buying was by shippers against cash sales. About 300,000 bushels was sold to go East. The undertone at the close was rather weak.

Provisions continue to be influenced by the great weakness of the hog market. There was another sharp decline today followed by a partial recovery and a fairly steady closing. Commission houses and some of the packers were prominent sellers. Other packers bought and there was free covering by local shorts. This demand caused the rally. The cash trade is slow on account of the decline in the speculative market.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	2 p. m.
WHEAT—				
December	69¾-¾	69¾-¾	69¼	69¼-¾
January	73⅝	73⅝	72⅝-¾	72⅝-¾
CORN—				
December	56¼	56¼	56¼-⅜	56¼-⅜
January	56⅝	56⅝	57⅛	57⅛
OATS—				
December	35½	35¼	35¼	35¼
January	37⅛-¼	37⅛-¼	37⅛-¼	37⅛-¼
PORK—				
January	15.00	15.00	14.92	14.92
May	15.07	15.12	15.02	15.02
LARD—				
January	8.92	8.92	8.82	8.92
May	8.92	8.92	8.82	8.92
RIBS—				
January	7.95	7.95	7.85	7.85
May	7.87	7.87	7.87	7.87

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
October	8.06	8.07	7.97	7.97
December	8.05	8.05	7.93	7.95
January	8.04	8.05	7.94	7.94
March	8.03	8.04	7.93	7.94

BALTIMORE PRICE CURRENT.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 9.—Following are today's quotations in the local wholesale provision and grain markets:

Flour—Market was steady. Western Super, $2.35@2.45; Western Extra, $2.45@2.90; Western Family, $3.20@3.35; Winter Patents, $3.60@3.85; Spring Patents, $3.75@3.90; Spring Straights, $3.60@3.75; Spring Bakers', $2.85@3.05; Baltimore Best Patents, $4.45; Baltimore High-Grade Family, $4.35; Baltimore High-Grade Extra, $3.35; Baltimore Choice Family, $3.70; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania Super, $2.35@2.45; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania Extra, $2.45@2.90; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania Family, $3.20@3.35; City Mills Super, $2.35@2.45; Rio Extra, $3.60@3.75; Rye flour, medium to choice, $3.00@3.25.

Oats—The market was firm. Stock in elevators, 369,374 bus; white, No. 2, 39½@40c; do, No. 3, 37½@38c; do, No. 4, 37½@38c; do, ungraded, 37½@40c; mixed, No. 2, 39½c; do, No. 3, 37@37½c; No. 4, 36@36½c; ungraded, 36@38½c.

Rye—Market was quiet. Stock in elevators, 144,522 bus; No. 2, nearby in carlots, 55c; No. 2 rye, 54c; No. 4 rye, 51@52c; No. 2 Western rye, 56c, in export elevator.

Hay—Market firm. No. 1 timothy, $16.00@16.50; No. 2, $15.00@15.50; No. 3, $12.50@14.00; No. 1 clover, mixed, $13.00@14.00; No. 2 clover, mixed, $11.00@12.50; No. 3 clover, $10.00@11.00.

Straw—Market was quiet. No. 1 straight rye, new, $12.50; No. 2 straight rye, new, $11.50@12.00; tangled rye, blocks, $7.50@8.50; wheat, common to prime, $7.00@7.50; oat straw, common to prime, $5.00@5.00.

Mill feed—Market was firm. Winter bran, in 10-weight, $16.50@17.00; spring bran, in 200-lb sacks, $18.00; do, in 100-lb sacks, $18.50; Western middling, in bulk, $16.00@17.50; City Mills, middling steady at $18.00 a ton.

Grain freights—The market was dull; Liverpool, 1½d, October; London, per qr, 1s 3d, October; Glasgow, none offered; Belfast, none offered; Bristol, 1s 3d, October; Dublin, none offered; Leith, 2s, November; Copenhagen, 2s, October; Cork, 2s 1½d, October; Denmark, 2s 1½d, October; picked parts, 1s 6d, October; Antwerp, 1s 9d, October; Rotterdam, 1s 6d, October; Is 6d@1s 8d, November, Bremen, 20 pfgs, October and November; Hamburg, 1s 2d, October.

Butter—Market was firm. Creamery, separator, extra, 24@25c; extra first, 22@23c; creamery first, 21@22c; do, imitation extra, 18@19c; Iowa and Northwestern ladle, extra, 16@17c; do, extra first, 15@16c; Western store-packed 12@14c; Ohio rolls, first, 15@16c; second, 13@14c; West Virginia rolls first, 14@15c; second, 12@13c; Elgin creamery prints, ½-lb, 25@26c; do, 1-lb, 25c; do, 2-lb, 23@24c; Maryland and Pennsylvania creamery prints, ½-lb, 24@25c; do, 1-lb, 23@24c.

Eggs—The market is firm. Strictly fresh, 18@18c; Western, 18@19c.

Fish, crabs and clams—Market quiet. Rock boiling, per lb, 10@12c; do, medium, per lb, 7c; do, pan, per lb, 5@6c; white perch, large, per lb, 10@12c; do, medium, per lb, 5@6c; perch, yellow, per lb, large, 6@8c; do, medium, 3@4c; pompanos, per lb, 15@20c; sheepshead, per lb, 8@10c; star or butterfish, box, $2.00@2.50; mackerel, bay, per lb, large, 25@30c; grey trout, per lb, large, 4@5c; do, per lb, small, 2½@3c; bounders, per lb, 6c; salmon trout, per lb, 4@5c; tailors, per lb, large, 5@6c; do, small, 2@3c; catfish, per lb, 3c; green pike, native, per lb, 8@10c; clams, white, per 100, 25@30c; hard crabs, per flour bbl, 150@25c; oysters, bulk stock, per bus, 60@80c; choice raw box, per bbl, $3.00@4.00; culls, bbl, $1.50@1.75.

Green fruits and vegetables—The market was quiet. Apples, Maryland and Virginia, per bbl, fancy, $2.00@2.50; do, fair to good, $1.50@1.75; do, common, small, $1.00@1.25; do, Western Maryland and Pennsylvania, packed, per bbl, $2.00@2.75; do, New York, assorted, per bbl, $2.50@3.50; beets, native, per 100 bunches, $1.25@1.50; cabbage, native, per 100, $2.00@2.50; cabbage, New York State, per ton, $11.00@12.00; carrots, native, per bunch, 1½@2c; cauliflower, Long Island, per crate or barrel, $2.50@3.00; celery, New York State, per dozen stalks, 20@40c; corn, sugar, per doz, native, 5@7c; cranberries, Cape Cod, per bbl, $5.50@6.00; eggplants, native, per ¾-basket, 20@25c; do, per 100, $1.50@2.00; grapes, New York, per 8-lb basket, Concords, 12@14c; do, per 5-lb basket, Concords, 7@8c; do, per 5-lb basket, Niagaras, 11c; do, per 5-lb basket, Delawares, 11@12c; kale, native, per bus box, 30c; lettuce, native, per bus box, 20@25c; lima beans, native, per bus box, 65@70c; onions, Maryland and Pennsylvania, yellow, per bus, 35@40c; do, Ohio, yellow, per bus, 85@90c; do, red, per bus, 75@80c; oyster plants, native, per bunch, 2½@3c; peaches, mountain, per 20lb basket, 60@75c; do, per 10-lb basket, 20@30c; do, per ¾-basket, 50c @1.00; do, per 1-ec, good to fancy, $1.50@1.50; do, per box, ordinary, 40@75c; do, per 6-basket carrier, $1.00@1.50; do, mountain, White Heaths, per box, $1.00@1.75; do, per basket, 75c@1.25; pears, Eastern Shore, Duchess, per basket, 15@25c; do, Le Conte, per basket, 20@30c; do, New York, Bartletts, per bbl, $3.00@4.00; do, per keg, $1.00@1.75; do, Seckel, per keg, $1.50@1.60; do, Blemish Beauty, per bbl, $2.00@2.75; peas, Norfolk, per ½-bbl basket, $1.75@2; pumpkins, native, per bus, 25@40c; quinces, New York, per bbl, No. 1, $3.00@3.50; do, per ½-bbl, $1.25@1.75; do, per bbl, No. 2, $1.50@1.75; string beans, native, per bus, green, 30@35c; tomatoes, Eastern Shore, Maryland, per basket, 35@37½c do, market stock, 45@50c; do, per box, 75@80c; do, native, per bus box, 25@30c; turnips, native, per bus box, 25@30c.

Groceries—Raw sugar steady; refined quiet. Per 100-lb lots: Granulated, $5.20; cut-loaf, $5.70; Keystone "A," $5.20; yellow sugars, $4.35. Molasses—N. O., St. Croix, 38c; Kingsland, 34c; Sunlight, N. O., 34c; St. Vincent, P. R., 25c; St. John's, P. R., 19c; No. 12 Sugar House, 18c. Syrups—Market was steady. Gold Medal, 27c; King (Vanilla), 28c; Rock Candy Drips, 27c; Gild Edge, 24c; Corn, 22c; No. 12, 17c. Tea was firm; Hyson, superior to fine, 28@32c; choice to choicest, 42@46c; uncolored Japan (new crop), finest, 31@33c; choice to choicest, 32@34c; extra choice, 46c; Oolong, Amoy and Fuchow (new crop, finest, 50@53c; choice to choicest, extra, finest, 56@60c.

Potatoes—The market was easier. White, nearby, per bus box, 65@70c; do, Maryland and Pennsylvania, per bus, No. 1, 65@75c; do, seconds, 35@45c; New York, per bus, prime, 60@70c; common, per bus, 40@50c; sweets, Eastern Shore, Virginia, per bbl, yellows, $2@2.10; do, culls, per bbl, 50@75c; Anne Arundel, per bbl, No. 1, $1.00@1.15; reds, per bbl, ——; yams, Virginia, per bbl, No. 1, 75@90c; do, No. 2, ——.

Poultry—Market dull. Old fowls, 10@10½c per lb; spring chickens, 10@11c; roosters, 25@30c apiece; ducks, 9@11c pound.

Green coffee—Market steady. No. 7 (Rio grade), 5¾c.

Roasted coffee—Market steady. Bulk roasted coffee—Pure Java, 31½c; Maracaibo, 21¾c; pure Laguayra, 21¾c; pure Santos, 18c; African Java, 18½c; Rio blend, 17c; Peaberry mixture, 16½c; pure Mocha, 29½c; Java-Mocha blend, 27c. (These coffees are in fancy bags, paper-lined.) If packed in cans or tubs, ½c higher.

Package brands—E. L. C., 100-lb case, 10½c; 50-lb cases, 10 6-10c; 30-lb cases, 10 7-10c; Lion coffee, in 100-lb lots, 10.68c; in 50-lb lots, 10.78c.

Cotton—Market firm; middling, 8¾c; strictly low middling, 8¼c; low middling, 8¼c. Stock in Baltimore, 2,088 bales.

SEVERAL PARDONS GRANTED.

Mitigating Circumstances Lead to Action by the President.

President Roosevelt yesterday exercised executive clemency in the following cases:

Frank A. Perkinson and Walter C. Phipps, serving terms of a year each in the Minnesota penitentiary for perjury. They were pardoned in order that they may testify in a case against the ring-leader of the land frauds in which they were implicated.

John Myers, convicted of forgery in the Indian Territory in October, 1898, and serving five years in the United States penitentiary at Leavenworth, is pardoned on account of ill health and on condition that he leave the United States. Myers, according to the records, is an Austrian by birth. He went to Mexico in his youth and served under Maximilian, narrowly escaping death when that leader was killed. The prison physician says heart disease and rheumatism will end the prisoner's life before long if he is not released and recommends that Myers be allowed to return to his own country.

H. E. Smith, serving a two-year sentence in jail at Sitka, Alaska, for stealing a suit of clothes and several gold nuggets, is also pardoned. Smith asserts that the charges on which he was convicted were trumped up by parties whom he had authority to apprehend.

A number of other pardons of minor importance were granted by the President and a number of applications were denied.

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