LACK OF SPECULATION CAUSED APATHETIC MARKETS.

DULLNESS WAS THE CHIEF FEATURE OF THE DAY.

All Grains Suffered Alike and Price Changes Were Insignificantly Small.

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There was not a really new or interesting feature to be noticed in speculative grains to-day. There was a noticeable lack of speculative interest shown, and more apathetic markets have seldom been witnessed. The markets all through the session were dull and stupid affairs, and much of the time were without a single redeeming feature. There were several periods when values were practically stationary, moving neither up nor down. Occasionally they would be aroused from their seeming stupor by some news of a stimulating nature, but the changes that took place were small and narrow. This was particularly true of corn, which was practically a "dead one" at times, showing no speculative life or animation. Wheat did a little better, but not much, trade being light all through the day, operators apparently holding off, awaiting further developments, with the result that there was little stir at any time. The close in all grains was slow, with wheat 1-16c to ⅛c better, but corn was that much off, while oats were ⅛c to ¼c lower for the day.

It was evident from actions of the market that speculative sentiment in wheat did not improve any over night, as on the resumption of trading this morning there was shown a decided lack of speculative interest, and after a very insignificant rise right at the opening prices commenced to sag and for some time thereafter continued to droop. This was somewhat surprising, in view of the fact that there were several developments, which, under ordinary conditions, would have exerted a strengthening influence, but which to-day were not impressive enough to cause buying to any great extent, and prices were but slightly influenced. During the entire day the fluctuations in prices were of the narrowest description, the widest range being only ⅜c, which was the difference between top and bottom prices, the former being 73⅜c and the latter 73⅛c for Dec. The most significant item that confronted traders this morning was the shipments from the Argentine, which were largely off from those of last week, one report making them only 160,000 bu., another 432,000 bu., the former being considered by traders as the most reliable.

There was a small advance of ⅛d at Liverpool, said to be due to this report. Our market opened only 1-16c better at 73⅜c for Dec., and at 71⅞@72c bid for Oct., but this improvement, small as it was, did not hold for any length of time, developments arising that had a weakening effect. The most impressive of these was the continued very liberal run of winter wheat to the markets. Arrivals at this point were 100,500 bu., or over 3,000 bu. in excess of last Friday, and 41,500 bu. larger than a year ago. Chicago reported 340,000 bu., against 24,000 a week ago, and 90,000 bu. last year, while Kansas City had in 231,000 bu., as compared with 232,000 and 146,000 bu. respectively. Northwestern receipts were also larger. The decline that took place sent Dec. to 71⅛c and Oct. to 71⅝c. Advices from the Continent were not of a character to encourage trading operations, cables reporting ⅛c decline at Paris, and ⅛c at Berlin, Antwerp was again unchanged, and Buda-Pesth ⅛c higher. The export clearances from the ports were once more small at 278,000 bu. Speculative trading in the local pit continued small, but for some unexplained reason there was a flurry, and Dec. went up to 73⅜c, 71⅛c being paid for Sept., though later 71c was the best price obtainable. There were 10,000 bu. of this option delivered on contracts during the session. During the balance of the day's session, the market was dull and listless, with no changes of importance in values, Dec. did not go below 73⅛c or above 73⅜@⅜c and at the close was 1-16c up for the day at 73⅛c buyers. At close Sept. was ⅛c better at 71⅛c bid, and Oct. 1-16c higher at 72c bid. The news on cash was not so encouraging as it has been, New York reporting but 41 loads worked for export.

There was nothing that was new or particularly interesting to the corn situation. Dullness was again one of the chief features, the tone was inclined to be weak and the close was at a small loss in price. There was little news of any kind and the most received was of a domestic nature. Receipts to-day at Western primary markets were 432,000 bu., against 638,000 bu. a year ago, in which was included 53,000 bu. here, against 64,000 bu. last year. Shipments were 228,000 bu., and the day's exports 252,000 bu. Nothing new was heard on the crop. Snow in his weekly statement estimated it at 2,000,000,000 bu. Argentine shipments were some larger and Liverpool, after selling ⅛d lower, closed unchanged. As far as speculation was concerned, it was nearly at a standstill. The only trading indulged in here up to nearly noon was in December at 32⅞c, which was 1-16c off. There was no improvement in this respect later, the market being almost dead. At the close Sept. was nominally ⅛c lower at 38⅜c, Oct. also that much off at 36c bid, Dec. 1-16c down at 32⅞c bid and year ⅛c lower at 32⅜c bid.

Oats were very dull all day, with bids of 21c for Sept. and 22c for Dec., while 24c was asked for May. Western market receipts were 649,000 bu., against 510,000 bu. last year. St. Louis received 27,000 bu., against 45,600 bu. a year ago. Shipments were 580,000 bu. and exports 16,000 bu.

Trade Gossip.

—One of the most bearish statements from a foreign standpoint on the breadstuffs situation comes from a Stockholm, Sweden, importer, who writes: "No business possible at present, and unless your market comes down heavily, or this side advances in proportion, we shall see no trade between us this autumn. Prospects this side are simply brilliant. In this country we are harvesting a crop the like of which, as to quality and quantity, we have not seen for many years back, and our neighbors have much the same thing to show up, so that we have to count on large supplies and low prices over on our own side this year. Home-grown wheat of excellent quality is now selling as low as equal to M. 122 c. i. f., and North German wheat is offering at a very little more than this."

—If Broomhall is correct, there has been a big slump in Argentine wheat shipments. That English publication reports that the Argentine shipped 160,000 bu. this week, compared with 384,000 bu. last week and 364,000 bu. one year ago. This makes the total since Jan. 1, 62,898,000 bu., where it was 47,088,000 bu. during same period last year. Corn exports were 778,000 bu. this week, against 536,000 bu. last week and 1,864,000 bu. one year ago. Beerbohm cables these shipments for the week as 432,000 bu. wheat and 1,080,000 bu. corn.

—Supplies of wheat and wheat flour afloat for and in European stocks increased 280,000 bu. during Aug., according to the Liverpool Corn Trade News. Bradstreet's, by the way, noted 800,000 bu. decrease during last month. The total on Sept. 1 was 62,760,000 bu., which was 1,210,000 bu. smaller than on same date last year, when there was 150,000 bu. increase during Aug., but 25,330,000 bu. larger than on Sept. 1, 1898. There was 7,810,000 bu. that year during Aug.

—Wheat receipts at the primary markets were 1,288,000 bu., against 1,042,000 bu. last Friday, 1,182,000 bu. a year ago and 1,351,000 bu. two years ago.

—Minneapolis wires: Our Dec. wheat ⅝@⅞c under Chicago, against 1⅛c a week ago. No pressure to sell. Millers buying moderately every day.

—Broomhall cables that the condition of the British wheat crop on Sept. 1 was 87.6. Also that throughout the Argentine the wheat crop is reported to be in excellent condition.

—The Argentine wheat visible is now 2,296,000 bu., an increase for week of 160,000 bu., but 5,152,000 bu. smaller than a year ago, when there was 368,000 bu. increase. The corn visible is 1,064,000 bu., against 1,024,000 bu. a week ago, and 6,226,000 bu. a year ago.

—Snow's weekly crop report says that the possibility of frost damage to corn is very remote and that a larger proportion of the crop than usual is now made. The crop is very uneven, ranging from complete failure in parts of Kansas to unusual production in Iowa, with all grades between these extremes represented in some portion of the commercial belt. On the basis of his estimate of area, which is 86,000,000 acres, he puts the indicated crop at 2,100,000,000 bu. On the basis of the acreage reported by the Government the same indication of yield would give a crop of a round 2,000,000,000. In either case the crop is slightly smaller than that of last year. Stocks, commercial and private, are used up closer than for some years, so that the consumptive demand for the coming year must practically be met from the crop of this year. Last year we disposed of a crop of 2,210,000,000 bu., and besides made deep inroads into old stocks, and there seems no reason to expect any smaller rate of consumption during the coming twelve months. Thrashing returns for winter wheat indicate a rate of yield a fraction of a bushel higher than was indicated at time of harvest, and if maintained for the whole crop would warrant an expectation of a total production of about 220,000,000 bu.

—The Modern Miller outlook: The flour trade was fair; not so brisk as for a week or two past, yet about up to the average for this season of the year. The weakness in the wheat market had a tendency to temporarily curtail business in flour, yet the situation is one of confidence, as the superior quality of this year's winter wheat flour is meeting with the recognition that it merits. The movement of grain is moderate, many holding for better prices. Steady and satisfactory progress is being made in preparing the soil for fall seeding, and in some localities plowing is finished. The indications are that the acreage will be fully equal to, if not above, the average west of the Mississippi River and in the Southwest, but will be curtailed in the districts infested by the Hessian fly last season.

Cash Grain, Flour, Etc.

WHEAT—Cash market—Received 4,391 sks. and 187 cars local and 7 cars through. Still strong; supply on sale of soft winter very moderate and well cleaned up early through the purchases principally by millers and shippers, latter to outside mills and markets. By sample, switched, No. 2 red sold at 71½@73c; No. 3 red at 71c to 73½c; No. 4 winter at 64c to 70c; no grade at 58c to 65c. Hard winter quiet, as offerings and demand smaller; sales of ordinary at 68c for No. 2 and 67c for No. 3c, but choice worth ½c more. In elevator—No. 2 red 71⅛c; No. 3 red 69½c; No. 4 66½c; rejected 61c.

CORN—Cash market—Received 234 sks. and 25 cars local and 41 cars through; firmer, but the demand nothing extra. By sample on trk.: No. 2 at 40½c, mainly to 40⅝c; No. 3 at 40½c; No. 2 yellow at 40⅝c; No. 2 white at 41@41½c, No. 3 do. at 40c for dirty to 40@40½c.

OATS—Cash market—Received 21 cars local and 2 cars through; steady, offerings moderate, and so was the demand. By sample—No. 2 on trk. at 22½c; No. 3 at 21½c; No. 4 at 21c; No. 2 Northern 22c; No. 2 white at 25½c, No. 3 do. at 24@25c; No. 4 do. at 23½@24c.

RYE—Higher; grade No. 2 selling at 52c this side.

BARLEY—The first actual business in this cereal for the season was consummated to-day, when C. Marquard Forster, buyer for the St. Louis Brewing Association, came into the market and purchased about 75,000 bu. Iowa, to come in.

FLOUR—Steadily held, but quiet; some acceptances of flour by the other side, but only small lots. Foreigners are haggling over the prices asked and some have pulled out altogether for lower prices. This is the result of the decline in wheat and the strong ocean freights, which are still advancing. Domestic trade is fair, but nothing extra. Quotations on soft winter wheat flour are as follows: Patents $3.45@3.60, straights $3.25@3.45; extra fancy $3.10@3.20, clear $2.90@3, low and medium $2.25@2.50. Hard winter in jute sks. $2.25@2.60 for bakers', $2.80@3 for straights, and $3.15@3.40 for patents.

RYE FLOUR—Jobbing at $3.25 in sks. and $3.45 in bbls.

CORNMEAL—$2@2.05; pearl meal, grits and hominy $2.20.

MILLFEED—Steady, but quiet. On East trk. bran salable at 68@69c in large and 70c in small sks., and bulk at 63@64c; mixed feed sks. at 72@74c, latter choice; shipstuff at 75c and mills, 78@80c. At mill bran 70c and ships 77c.

HAY—Received 239 tons local and 20 tons through; shipped, 283 tons. While the market holds steady for timothy, it is quiet, as demand, though fair for medium to best grades, is met by the offerings. Low grades are dull, as is clover of about all kinds. Prairie in small supply and firm. Prices for new on trk. range: Timothy $11.50 for choice and $12 for occasional car fancy; $10.50@11.50 for No. 1; $9.50@10 for No. 2; $8@9 for No. 3. Prairie, $7.50 for choice, $7@7.50 for No. 1, $6@6.50 for No. 2, $5.50@6 for No. 3. Clover, $7.50@11.

STRAW—Wheat on trk. $3.50@4; rye $4.50@5.

GRASS SEED—Clover lower at $8@8.50; timothy $3.25, red top 20@30c for chaff to $7@8 for fancy. Other seeds nominal.

CASTOR BEANS—Bid $1.25 per bu. for prime in car lots.

HEMP SEED—$3 per 100 lbs., pure basis.

FLAXSEED—Higher at $1.47½ bid spot and to arrive.

LEAD—Steady at $4.32½, which bid for chemical hard and asked for common.

SPELTER—Dull and declining, the latest sales at $3.90.

Prices on 'Change.

The following tables show the range of prices in futures and cash grain:

	Closed Thursday.	Ranged To-day.	Closed To-day.
Wheat—Sept	71 b	71¼@71	71⅛ b
Oct	71⅞@72 a	71⅞@72	72 b
Dec	73⅛@⅜ b	73¼@73⅜	73⅛ b
Corn—Sept	38½ b	....37....	38⅜ n
Oct	36⅜ b	....36....	36 b
Dec	32⅝@33 b	32⅝@....	32⅞ b
Year	32⅜ b	....37....	32⅜ b
Oats—Sept	21½ b	....	21 b
Dec	22⅜ b	....	22
May	24 a	....	24 a

Cash wheat, corn and oats ranged:

	Last Year.	Thursday.	To-day.
Wheat—No. 2 red	69½@70	72 @72⅞	72½@73
No. 3 red	66½@68½	71 @72½	71 @72½
No. 4 winter	64 @66	67 @71½	64 @70
No. 2 hard	67 @69	68½@....	68 @68½
No. 3 hard	65½@66	67½@67⅞	67 @67½
Corn—No. 2	32 @....	40 @40½	40½@40⅝
No. 3	31½@....	40 @....	40 @....
No. 2 white	32½@....	41½@41½	41 @41½
No. 3 white	31½@....	40 @....	40 @40½
Oats—No. 2	22½@23	21⅝@22½	22 @22½
No. 3	21 @22	21½@21½	21½@....
No. 2 Northern	23½@....	22½@....	22 @....
No. 2 white	25 @....	25 @25½	25½@....
No. 3 white	22½@25	22½@25½	24 @25
No. 4 white	22 @22½	23½@24	23½@24

Movement of Grain.

Cities.	Receipts. Wheat.	Receipts. Corn.	Shipments. Wheat.	Shipments. Corn.
St. Louis	100,877	38,785	57,250	48,450
Chicago	340,000	272,000	17,282	92,471
Toledo	66,081	26,000	56,000	23,000
Detroit	19,948	791	667	3,652
Kansas City	231,200	16,500	288,000	15,750
Milwaukee	33,500	16,200	4,600	......
Minneapolis	307,300	15,880	57,600	2,880
Duluth	185,773	7,727	141,777	......
New York	86,025	20,025	56,719	180,278
Baltimore	49,226	36,262	64,999	68,571
Philadelphia	14,496	28,701	36,425	2,300
Boston	52,686	73,781	......	......
New Orleans	74,000	19,000	......	......
Galveston	148,526	......	......	......

Stocks of Grain in Store.

	To-day.	Yes'day.	Last yr.
Wheat	4,578,151	4,444,286	2,308,902
Corn	109,546	94,039	128,124
Oats	76,226	76,226	30,919
Rye	2,671	2,071	2,652
Barley	......	......	717
Contract Grades—			
No. 2 red	1,664,978	1,642,801	1,702,585
No. 2 hard	222,200	196,554	44,268
No. 2 corn	21,824	18,322	43,873
No. 2 white corn	49,598	45,196	39,011
No. 2 oats	61,362	61,867	12,217
No. 2 rye	1,314	1,314	1,229

Shipments of Flour.

St. Louis, 12,320 bbls.; Chicago, 15,277 bbls.; Detroit, 1,600 bbls.; Milwaukee, 4,625 bbls.; Minneapolis, 41,244 bbls.; New York, 2,323 bbls. and 2,101 sks.; Baltimore, 558 bbls.; Philadelphia, 19,775 sks.; New Orleans, 290 sks. and 504 bbls.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Local Fruit, Vegetable, Poultry, Egg and Butter Quotations.

St. Louis, Friday, Sept. 7, 1900.

The produce markets were generally in better condition to-day, as there was an improved demand, and receipts were not quite so heavy. Shippers were fair buyers and there was also a good local demand for nearly everything.

Potatoes were steady and in good demand. Receipts were liberal, but there was an active local inquiry, and shippers also bought freely.

Cabbage was firm, as there was a better demand, and receipts were only moderate.

Tomatoes were steady and unchanged. Receipts were fairly heavy, but the demand was about equal to the offerings.

Onions were steady and unchanged. Receipts were heavy and there was a good demand for good to choice stock, but inferior offerings were difficult to place.

Sweet potatoes were plentiful and the market was easier.

Eggplant was dull and weak. Receipts were moderate, but in excess of the demand.

String beans were scarce and firm.

Celery was weaker on account of the heavy receipts, and other vegetables were dull.

Apples were quiet and the market somewhat easier, as shippers were practically out of the market. The local demand was confined to fancy, large, good-colored, well-packed fruit. Most of the arrivals were inferior stock, which was slow of sale.

Peaches were somewhat irregular. There was a good demand for fancy, high-colored fruit, which was scarce, but common and inferior stock was dull and weak. Receipts were heavy, but mostly medium or small-sized or otherwise inferior fruit.

Pears were dull and weak, with the exception of choice Bartletts, which were in fair demand and scarce.

Plums were quiet and steady, with offerings of Damsons light.

Grapes were plentiful and easier.

Watermelons were quiet and unchanged. There was only a limited demand for choice, large melons, and small or medium sized stock was almost entirely neglected. Receipts were light, but in excess of the requirements.

Cantaloupes were more plentiful, and many of the offerings were in poor condition, but choice Rocky Fords were in good demand at unchanged prices.

Oranges were scarce and firm, with the demand fully equal to the offerings.

Lemons were firm and in good demand, with offerings light.

Other fruits were quiet and steady at unchanged prices.

Live poultry was quiet, but prices were well sustained.

Spring chickens were in fair demand, with moderate offerings.

Old chickens were in good demand, but receipts were light.

Young turkeys were lower, with light receipts, but lighter demand. Young ducks and geese were quiet and steady, and old turkeys, ducks and geese were dull.

Veals were firm and in good demand. Receipts were light and all offerings were taken.

Sheep and lambs were quiet and steady at unchanged prices.

Game was firm. Choice stock was in good demand, but a large part of the receipts were in poor condition.

Wool was again quiet and unchanged. There was very little demand, but holders were firm in their views, and would not make any concessions.

Hides were in good demand, and the market was active. Receipts were light.

Eggs.

The market was quiet but firm to-day, and there was a good demand for fresh stock. Good current receipts sold at 12½c, loss off, but heated held or stale stock sold for much less.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 2,282 cases and shipments were 1,060 cases.

Dairy Products.

Butter—There was only a limited demand for butter to-day and this was confined mostly to the best grades of creamery. The market was quiet. Creamery—Extra 22c; firsts 18@19c; seconds 17c. Dairy—Extra 17c; firsts 16c; grease 4@4½c. Country store-packed 12c for good to 8@10c for poor. Ladle-packed—Extra 16c; firsts 15c.

Cheese—Quote: Twins at 11½c; singles at 11¾c; Y. A. 12½c; New York 12c; Limburger 10@10½c; Swiss 14@15c; brick at 11@11½. Foregoing are jobbing prices.

Provisions.

Market firmer and lard higher.

Pork—New standard jobbing f. o. b. $12.50.

Lard—Choice steam E. side $6.70.

Green Hams, Etc.—Held in car lots f. o. b. E. side: Hams—On basis 8½c for 16-lbs. and 8¾c for 14s; New York shoulders at 6¼c. From the block, del.: Run-of-house hams at 8½c; bellies at 7¾c to 10c, as in average.

D. S. Meats—Bxd. lots: Extra shorts 7½c; c'ribs 7¾c; clear sides 7¾c; bellies 8¾@9c, as in average; plates 6¾c. Dealers charge higher on small orders.

Bacon—Bxd. s. c. meats in a jobbing way: Breakfast bacon 11½c for heavy to 13c for fancy light; hams 10½@11¼c, [illegible] erage; New York shoulders 7c. Plain smoked

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Country Lard—6@6½c, according to quality and package.

Country Bacon—Fair average prices, uniformly cut and well smoked: Shoulders at 5½@6c; sides 6@7c; hams at 7@8c; most of the late irregularly cut and poorly handled; these sell on their merits.

Tallow—Country No. 1 4@4½c; No. 2 3¾@3¾c; packers' choice 4¾@5c.

Grease—Quote: Brown 2½c; yellow 3c; white 3¼c; packers' choice, white 4½@5c; yellow 4c.

Beef—On orders: Barreled—Mess $9.75; Fulton Market $11; tongues at $8 per doz.; dried at 12@13½c.

Wool.

Missouri & Illinois—		Tex., I. T. & Ok.—	
Med. combing	20½@21	Medium	19
Med. clothing	19 @20	Coarse & low	15 @16
Braid & low	18 @18½	Fine medium	14 @16
Burry & clear mixed	17 @18	Light fine	14 @15
Slightly burry	15 @16	Heavy fine	11 @12
Hard burry	12½@13	Dakota & Western—	
Light fine	16 @17	Bright med. ...	18 @18½
Heavy fine	12 @14	Dark medium	14 @16
Wisconsin & Iowa—		Fine medium	14 @16
Med. combing.	19	Light fine	14 @15
Cloth & braid	18 @18½	Heavy fine	12 @13
Semibright	16 @17½	Arkansas & South—	
Dark medium	15 @16	Med. (fleeced)	19 @20
Fine medium	15 @16	Med. (loose)	18 @19½
Light fine	14 @15	Burry	14 @15
Heavy fine	11 @12	Hard burry ..	12
Kansas & Neb.—		Tubwashed—	
Bright med. ...	18 @18½	No. 1..........	29
Dark & sandy	14 @16	No. 2..........	23 @24
Fine medium	14 @15½	Burry	18 @20
Light fine	13 @14	Angora goat hair—	
Heavy fine	11 @12	Clean & clear	18 @20
		Burry	10 @11

Black and seedy from 4c to 6c a pound less than quotations.

Hides.

When sold round: Green-salted 7c; Southern 6½c. Dry flint—Choice Texas 15c; average receipts 14c; dry fallen 14c; dry-salted 12c. When sold on selections: Green-salt No. 1 7½c; green salt No. 2 6½c, bull 5½c. Dry flint—No. 1 16c, No. 2 14½c; dry flint, bull 10½c; dry cull and glue 8c. Dry-salted—No. 1 12½c; No. 2 11½c. Uncured 1c less than cured; part cured ½c less.

Poultry, Game and Veals.

LIVE POULTRY—Average receipts: Young turkeys 9c; old 8½c. Chickens—Hens 7½c; old roosters 3½c. Ducks—White 7c; dark 6c. Live pigeons 50c per doz. Old geese 4½c. Spring chickens quoted at 8½c per lb. Spring ducks 7c. Spring geese 6½c.

GAME—Quote: Plover at $1.25 per doz.; woodcock at $7 per doz. for select large; squirrel at $1.50 per doz. for young, 75c for old; jacksnipes $1.25 per doz.

FROG LEGS—Quote at 25c per doz. for small to 60c for medium and $1 for large.

VEALS—Choice small fat (110 to 170 lbs.) at 6@6½c per lb.; heavy do. (180 to 170 lbs.) at 5@5½c per lb.; heretics, rough and thin at 3½c. Sheep and yearlings dull at 3½@4c; thin ewes and bucks at 2½@3c per lb. Spring lambs—Ewes at 4c to 4½c per lb. for choice 50 to 65 lbs.; buck lambs at 3@3½c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

APPLES—Sound in bbls. at from 75c to $1 for poor, $1.25 to $1.75 for fair to choice and $1.75 to $2 for fancy high-colored varieties. Home-grown selling loose from wagons at 15c to 50c per bu. and at from 50c to $1.50 per bbl. measure—latter for bellefleur.

WATERMELONS—Iowa melons nominal at $30 to $50 per car on trk. and in a jobbing way at $4 to $6.50 per 100 del.

CANTALOUPES—Colorado Rocky Fords: Sales of choice refrigerated stock at $1.25@1.50 for standard, 75c for pony and 60@75c for 2-3-crate—off stock selling at 25c to 50c per standard crate. Home-grown supplies about exhausted.

PEACHES—Near-by consigned lots sold at range of 20c to 30c for small to medium, up to 40@75c for choice and fancy per ⅓-bu. basket, and 60@75c per bu. box for medium to fancy. Home-grown wagon receipts brought 20@30c per ⅓-bu. basket for small to medium, to 40@50c for choice large stumps, and at 75c for fancy Elbertas.

PEARS—In bbls.—Duchess at $1.75@2; Bartlett at $3@3.25. Tennessee Kiefer at 40@50c per bu. box. Near-by common and sugar at 15@20c, Duchess and Kiefer at 25c; Bartletts and Howell at 35@40c per ⅓-bu. basket; 1-3-bu. box Duchess at 30c.

PLUMS—Per ⅓-bu. basket: Newman at 40c; wild red at 30@35c; Damsons at 65c; soft, over-ripe, etc., less. Illinois Damsons at 65c per 4-gallon case.

GRAPES—Climax baskets Concords quotable at 15c; ⅓-bu. baskets Concords and white varieties at 25@30c.

CRAB APPLES—Dull and nominal, at 20@25c per ⅓-bu. basket and at $1.50 per bbl. for choice Siberian; common unsalable.

PACIFIC COAST FRUITS—Oregon prunes—Italian, Hungarian and silver at 90c@$1 and gross prunes at $1.25 per 20-lb. box. California—Bartlett pears at $2@2.25, Flemish beauty at $1.75@2, Buerre d'Anjou and Buerre hardy at $1.65@1.75 per 40-lb. box. Plums, per 20-lb. crate—Gross prunes and German prunes $1.25, Columbia and Kelsey Japan at $1@1.25; Tokay grapes at $1.25@1.50, and Muskat at 90c@$1 per half crate. Peaches at 85c to $1 per 20-lb. box.

PINEAPPLES—Florida smooth Cayenne quotable at $4 per case, containing 15 pines.

ORANGES—Scarce and firm. Sicily, $5.50 per box for choice to $6 for fancy. California at $5@6.50.

BANANAS—On orders: Port Limon at $1.75 per bunch for firsts and $1.25@1.50 for seconds.

COCOANUTS—Quotable at $35 per 1,000—in a small way at $3 per 100.

LIMES—90c@$1 per 100.

POTATOES—Home-grown early Ohio; sales loose from farmers' wagons ranging mainly at 25@28c per bu.; fancy buff stock bringing more. Boat receipts bring 25@27c.

ONIONS—North Missouri red 27c to 46c.

CELERY—Quote sound at 40c to 50c per case for Michigan containing three doz. and at 25@30c per bunch for blue ribbon—a carload sold yesterday at that range.

TOMATOES—Home-grown catsup stock quotable at 15c per bu.; loose and selected stock 30c. Orders charged higher.

CUCUMBERS—Home-grown sell at 50@60c per bu. loose for choice green.

CABBAGE—Home-grown selling on orders at $1.25 for large crates.

STRING BEANS—Home-grown scarce and firm, selling loose at $1.50 per bu. for round green.

CARROTS—Northern quotable at 75@90c per bbl. and at 75@80c per 100 lbs. bulk, del.

GUMBO—Dull. Home-grown selling at 60c per ½ bu. and 20c per peck basket.

TURNIPS—Home-grown sell at $1.25 per bbl. on shipping orders. Consignments not wanted.

SWEET POTATOES—Home-grown Bermuda sold at 50@60c and Nansemond at 75@80c per bu. loose and at $2.00@2.25 per bbl. on orders, respectively.

EGG PLANT—Home-grown sell at 25@30c per doz.

BEETS—Sell at $1 per bbl. in shipping order.

HORSERADISH—Quote new home-grown at $5 per bbl. on orders.

NEW SAUERKRAUT—Quote bbls. at $2.25, ½-bbls. at $1.35; small orders charged higher.

Miscellaneous Markets.

HIGHWINES—Selling on a basis of $1.24.

SCRAP IRON AND METAL—Iron—Wrought 40c per 100 lbs.; heavy cast 35c; steel and malleable 25c and 30c; stove pipe 20c; burned 15c. Brass—Light $7; heavy $10.50. Copper $11. Lead $3.50. Zinc $2.75. Pewter $12.

COOPERSTUFF—In car lots on trk.: Staves—Cottonwood flour bbl. $6.50@7. No. 2 $4@4.50; half bbl. $5@5.50; beer keg $12@14; lard tierces $28; pork bbl. $15. Headings, per set—No. 1 flour bbl. $6. Shaved hoops—Flour bbl. $4@4.50 for cooper; $3 for Hoosier; half bbl. $2.50; coiled elm (6 foot) $8; oak lard tcs., cooper-shaven, $6@8; pork bbl. $5.

COOPERAGE—Lard tcs. $1.15; pork bbls. 80c; half bbls. 75c; slack work, round-hoop flour bbls. 35@36c; flat hoop do. 33c; half bbls. 25c; meal bbls. 30c; produce bbls. 24c; apple bbls. 22c.

BROOMCORN—Nominally $60@100 per ton.

BEESWAX—Firm. Prime 28c per lb.

FEATHERS—Prime, large, white 48c in small and 46c in large sks.; gray 36c; white, old, 30@38c; X 25@30c; XX 20@22c; XXX 12@15c; XXXX 8@10c. Tare 3 per cent for large to 10 per cent for small sks. Duck—White 30@35c; dark 27@30c. Chicken 4c. Turkey—Body 3c; tail 20c; wing 17c; wing, tail and pointers 13c; wing and tail 20c; wing and pointers 9c; pointers 5c.

DEERSKINS—Prime 25c per lb.; antelope 12½c; goat 20@30c. Kid and damaged out. Texas 20c.

ROOTS—Ginseng at from $3.50@3.75; lady slipper 6c; Seneca 22c; pink 12c; golden seal 40c—old worth more; May apple 2@2½c; snake 25c; black 4½c; angelica 2@3½c; wahoo—bark of root, 6c; bark of tree 2@2½c; blood 2½c; blueflag 3c; skull-cap leaves 3½c for prime green; sassafras bark 4c. All roots should be thoroughly dry and clean before being shipped to market.

SHEEP PELTS—Wool pelts at 50@80c; lambs 25@40c; shearlings 20@25c. Dry or fallen pelts 8@9c per lb.

DRIED FRUIT—We quote: Apples—Evaporated rings at 3½c for ordinary to 4c for choice; extra nice lots would probably bring more; evaporated quarters at 3c to 3¼c; sun-dried quarters at 2½c for fair to 3½c for prime.

DRIED GREEN PEASE—Jobbing from store at $1.15; split at $1.40.

WHITE BEANS—Choice hand-picked pea beans in a jobbing way from store at $2.20@2.25—screened 5c per lb. less. Western at $1.50; weevilly less. Lima beans at 6c per lb.

HONEY—Comb at 10c to 12½c—fancy white clover 13@14c; inferior, dark and broken less. Extracted and strained in bbls. 5@5½c, and in cans ½@1c per lb. higher.

LINSEED OIL—Per gal.: Raw at 62c; boiled at 63c; 1c per gal. less in car lots. Castor oil in bbls., per lb.—No. 1 12c; No. 3 10½c. Cottonseed oil—Summer yellow 35c, white 38c; winter yellow 43c, white 44c.

POULTRY.

Market for the Week Is Closing Quiet and Steady.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Sept. 7.—Live poultry—Receipts to-day were confined to a few coops by express. This stock sold at unchanged prices. The demand for the week is over and the market is closing quiet but steady, with about three cars of fowls and less than one car of spring chickens unsold. Other descriptions of live stock remain at yesterday's figures.

Dressed poultry—Receipts to-day were 539 pkgs., as against 575 pkgs. the same day last year. Most of the stock received came from Iowa and the Southwest. The trade was confined largely to retailers. Nice scalded chickens were sold at 11c and very useful lots of both dry picked and scalded are cleaning up at 10@10½c.

Southwestern fowls 10@10½c; old cocks 6@6½c; spring turkeys are in abundance and are lower on the basis of 12@14c for the best and 8@10c for best toms and hens.

Chicago Poultry Quotations.

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Iced poultry firm; turkeys 7½@8c; chickens 9@10½c.

Butter, Cheese and Eggs.

New York, Sept. 7.—Butter—Receipts 3,691 pkgs.; weak; creamery 17½@21¾c; June creamery 20@21½c; factory 14@16½c. Cheese—Receipts 2,569 pkgs.; strong; large white 10¾c; small white 10¼@10¾c; large colored 10½c; small do. 10¼@10½c. Eggs—Receipts 4,974 pkgs.; firm; Western regular packing, at mark 15@16c; Western, loss off 17@18c.

Hides and Leather.

New York, Sept. 7.—Hides steady; leather steady.

Turpentine and Rosin.

New York, Sept. 7.—Turpentine firm; rosin steady.

Petroleum.

New York, Sept. 7.—Petroleum quiet.

Oil City, Pa., Sept. 7.—Credit balances, $1.25; certificates, no bid; shipments, 114,659; average, 86,542; runs, 91,240; average, 90,454.

California Dried Fruits.

New York, Sept. 7.—The market for evaporated apples ruled quiet and a shade easier for fancy grades; very little business done; State common was quoted from 3c to 5c; prime 4¾@5¼c; choice 5½@6c; fancy 6@6½c. California dried fruits were inactive. Prunes were quoted from 3½c to 7¾c per lb. as to size and quality; apricots, royal 11@14c; Moor Park 15@16c. Peaches, peeled 14@18c; unpeeled 6@9c.

WHEAT CLOSED HIGHER IN THE CHICAGO PIT.

GOOD SHIPPING DEMAND FOR CORN.

Five Hundred Thousand Bushels Taken—Oats and Provisions Closed Firm.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Notwithstanding the higher rate of freight commanded, both for lake and ocean tonnage, a large business was done for export at the seacoast and for shipment east from Chicago. New York reported 41 boatloads sold for export, and room for 500,000 bu. was taken here. That caused wheat to close firm at ⅛@¼c gain on yesterday's prices. Corn was in good shipping demand also, with 500,000 bu. reported taken, and it closed firm, as did likewise oats and provisions.

Wheat.

Oct. wheat ranged from 73⅜c to 73⅝c, and closed at 73½@73⅝c, compared with 73⅜c at the end of yesterday's session. Notwithstanding scarcity of vessels, room was taken to ship 500,000 bu. at from ¼c to ⅜c over yesterday's rate, some of the boats so chartered not having yet arrived.

The wheat market was firmer and higher to begin with than at the close Thursday, the transactions in Oct. wheat being at from 73½c to 73⅝c, as compared with 73⅜c at the end of yesterday's session. In the course of ten minutes from the start the opening gain had been rubbed off, and the market after that settled down for a protracted rest. The one especial point of the early market news was a remarkable falling off in the volume of Argentine exports, which amounted to only 160,000 bu. for the week, as compared with 824,000 bu. the preceding week, and 904,000 bu. the similar week of the year previous. It was due to that apparent "portioning out" of Argentine reserves that the opening spurt was made possible, for otherwise the general bearishness prevailing would in the absence of other particularly bullish features have caused an opening of a different character. The Chicago receipts were 228 cars, Minneapolis and Duluth got 483, in comparison with 821 last year. The falling off at the latter places was especially noticeable in the receipts at Duluth, only 39 carloads being received to-day, as against 383 cars a year ago. Duluth is the market from where the deficiency of this year's opening wheat crop will be most distinctly traceable, for the necessities of the Minneapolis millers will cause them to reach out into Nebraska, Iowa and Kansas, as they are doing already to supply themselves, so that the failure in the Northwestern sections of North Dakota and Minnesota will not be so distinctly visible in comparison with the number of cars that came to hand the year previous.

The aggregate receipts of wheat at Western primary markets were 1,241,000 bu., as against 1,087,000 bu. the like day of 1899. Seaboard clearances were equal in wheat and flour to 270,000 bu. Liverpool closed ⅛d higher than it did Thursday. Paris was unchanged to ⅛c a bu. lower. Spot wheat at Liverpool was reported ½d lower. Weather abroad was said to be fine, and Argentine reported favorably of sown wheat. The general tenor of reports from the seaboard was that export business was all but impossible on account of scarcity of ocean tonnage, and a somewhat similar state of affairs existed here regarding scarcity of lake vessels.

Corn.

Corn maintained the strength for Sept. and Oct. deliveries the greater part of the day that characterized the market Thursday. No better response made from the country to the bids sent out by receiving houses, together with the continued excellence of the shipping demand, gave further confidence to the local bull party in the correctness of its attitude toward the market as far as concerned the deliveries for Sept. and Oct. The brilliant prospects for the growing crop and the premiums offered for the immediate delivery of old corn should bring it out in large quantities if it plentifully existed, and its failure to come forward under such inducements was taken as presumptive evidence of general scarcity. Business in the pit was extremely dull, the traders who are free of the market preferring to keep away from the near deliveries and the discount of the more distant months being too heavy to invite much speculation for a fall.

Local receipts were 321 cars, and the total at the principal markets in the West was 534,000 bu., as against 758,000 bu. the year previous. The seaboard clearances were 252,000 bu. Argentine shipments for the week amounted to 778,000 bu., as against 536,000 bu. the week preceding and 1,064,000 bu. the corresponding week of the previous year. Liverpool closed at the same prices for both spot and futures as it did yesterday. Estimated receipts for to-morrow, 330 cars.

Sales for shipment of 500,000 bu. corn were reported, although the c. i. f. brokers were for the most part idle and cast a doubt upon the genuineness of the business reported. Oct. corn opened at 38@38⅛c, advanced to 38⅜c and closed at 38¼@38⅜c, or ⅛@¼c over final prices yesterday.

Oats.

The oats market was dull and featureless, with general firmness in its tone, but exceedingly little alteration in price. The receipts were fairly liberal, but were absorbed readily, and, as a rule, are provided with a billet before arrival. The day's inspection returns showed receipts of 453 cars, and 440 were estimated for to-morrow. The range for Oct. delivery was from 21⅛c to 21⅜@21½c, opening at the first and closing at the latter. Sales for shipment of 110,000 bu. were reported.

Rye.

A feeling of steadiness prevailed in the rye market to-day, with a moderate demand and light offerings, which were mostly damp grain. There was a fair export demand, but, as the bids were not up to the market, nothing was done. Sept. finished at 50⅛c, Oct. 50¾c, and Dec. 52c. Receipts were 8 cars, and shipments nothing. Exports out of New York amounted to nothing. A car of No. 4 grade sold at 48c. Withdrawals from store amounted to 11,680 bu. of No. 2 rye, and 21,319 bu. of No. 2 quality taken out of unlicensed elevators.

Range of Futures.

Articles.	Opening.	High.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—Sept.	73 @73⅛	73⅛	72⅞@73	73
Oct.	73½@73⅝	73⅝	73⅜	73½@⅝
Nov.	74½	74½	74	74⅜@½
Corn—Sept.	39⅝	39⅝@⅞	39¼	39½
Oct.	38 @38⅛	38⅜	38@38⅛	38¼@⅜
Nov.	35⅞@36	36	35⅞	35⅞@36
Oats—Sept.	21	21⅛	21	21⅛
Oct.	21⅛	21⅜@½	21⅛	21⅜@½
Nov.	21⅝	21⅝	21½	21⅝
Pork—Sept.	....	....	....	10.95
Oct.	10.97½	11.02½	10.85	11.02½
Jan.	11.05	11.22½	11.05	11.22½
Lard—Sept.	6.67½	6.70	6.67½	6.70
Oct.	6.70	6.72½	6.65	6.72½
Jan.	6.45	6.52½	6.42½	6.50
Sh. Ribs—Sept.	7.27½	7.40	7.27½	7.37½
Oct.	7.12½	7.20	7.10	7.17½
Jan.	5.85	5.92½	5.82½	5.82½

Receipts and Shipments.

Articles.	Rec.	Ship.
Flour, bbls.	23,000	15,000
Wheat, bu.	241,000	17,000
Corn, bu.	272,000	92,000
Oats, bu.	479,000	266,000
Rye, bu.	6,000	......
Barley, bu.	47,000	11,000

Barley.

The barley market continues to hold firm, with a good demand and somewhat smaller offerings at yesterday's prices. Malting averaged from 39c to 48c for fair to good, while extra fancy would bring as high as 50c; feed barley lots sold from 38c to 39c. Receipts are 50 cars, and shipments 11,385 bu. There were no exports out of New York.

Flaxseed.

Flaxseed was strong all through the session, but ruled quiet, with little trading and light offerings. The market received its strength from the firm feeling that existed in the Northwestern markets, which were up 8@9 points at one time, said to be due to a good foreign demand. At the close both spot seed and futures showed a gain of 2@3c over yesterday's final prices. Sept. closed at $1.48, and Oct. $1.44. Northwestern spot seed ended at $1.49, and Southwestern $1.48½. Receipts at Chicago were 23 cars, and shipments were 6 cars. Arrivals at Duluth were 22 cars, and Minneapolis 22 cars.

Timothy and Clover Seeds.

Timothy seed was very strong and from 20c to 22½c above former quotations. Demand was good and offerings light. Spot seed averaged from $3.25 to $4.30 as to quality. Receipts were 19 cars, and shipments 498,822 pounds. Sept. sold at $4.25 and closed at $4.30 bid. Oct. sold from $4 to $4.29, at which price it closed. There was no change in the clover situation; the market remained nominal without any trading. Oct. closed at $9.60 bid and $9.75 sellers. Receipts amounted to 64,823 bu. and shipments nothing.

Provisions.

Provisions were firm and higher. The shorts in Sept. ribs showed more disposition to cover, but offerings being quite light they could only buy by bidding the price up. The cash demand was still in favor of the bulls, making the holders confident and shorts afraid. The local run of hogs was 19,000, and receipts in the West 46,100, as against 38,000 a year ago. The estimated run for to-morrow at Chicago was 13,000 head. Liverpool quoted 6d decline in hams, and 3d in lard, but bacon 6d higher. Pork closed here from 20c to 20c up; lard 7½c and ribs from 7½c for Oct. to 12½c higher for Sept.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York, Sept. 7.—Flour—Receipts 17,841 bbls.; exports 4,738 bbls.; sales 7,400 pkgs.; market was slow and featureless, apart from a steady undertone; winter straights $3.45@3.50. Rye flour quiet; sales 500 bbls.; fair to good $3@3.25; choice to fancy $3.30@3.60. Cornmeal steady; yellow Western 85c; city 87@88c; brandywine $2.40@2.55. Rye steady; No. 2 Western 58c f. o. b. afloat. State rye 52@54c c. i. f. New York. Barley dull; feeding 43@44c c. i. f. New York; malting 48½@56c c. i. f. Buffalo. Barley malt dull. Western 62@68c. Wheat—Receipts 86,625 bu.; exports 36,729 bu.; sales 2,150,000 futures, 240,000 bu. export. Spot market steady; No. 2 red 79⅝c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red 78⅛c elevator; No. 1 Northern Duluth 85⅝c f. o. b. afloat; nominal hard Duluth 86⅝c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened steady on light offerings and after a brief decline under liberal receipts recovered in the afternoon on the strength in Northwest markets, small Argentine shipments and moderate covering; closed firm ⅜c net advance. Sales included No. 2 red March 82⅞@83c, closed 83c; May 82⅞@82 13-16c, closed 82⅝c; Sept. 77¾@78c, closed 77⅞c; Dec. 80 1-16@80½c, closed 80⅜c. Corn—Receipts 29,250 bu.; exports 10,228 bu.; sales 210,000 bu. futures, 168,000 bu. export. Spot market firm; No. 2 46¾c f. o. b. afloat, and 46⅛c elevator. Option market was generally steady all day on light country offerings, and a scattered demand from shorts. Closed firm at ⅛@¼c net advance; May 40⅝@40¾c, closed 40¾c; Sept. closed 41⅝c; Oct. closed 41c; Dec. 40⅜@40⅝c, closed 40⅝c. Oats—Receipts 163,100 bu.; exports 13,686 bu.; sales 110,000 bu. spot. Spot market quiet; No. 2 25c; No. 3 24½c; No. 2 white 26½c; No. 3 white 25½c; trk. mixed Western 24½@26c; trk. white Western 25@32c; trk. white State 25@32c. Options slow but fairly steady. Feed steady. Hay quiet. Hops quiet. Beef steady. Cut meats steady. Lard firm; Western steamed $7.05@7.07½, spot closed $7.25, nominal; refined steady. Pork steady. Tallow dull. Cotton oil firm; yellow 34½@35c. Rice steady. Molasses firm.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 7.—Wheat—Dec. 63@63⅛c; cash No. 2 hard 65@66c, No. 3 63@65½c; No. 2 red 68@70½c; No. 3 66@68c. Corn—Sept. 36½c; Dec. 33c, May 34⅝@34¾c; cash No. 2 mixed 37c; No. 2 white 37½c; No. 3 36c. Oats—No. 2 white 24½@25c. Rye—No. 2 44c. Hay—Choice timothy $9@9.25; choice prairie $6.75@7. Butter—Creamery 18@20c; dairy, fancy 17c. Eggs—Fresh 12c. Receipts—Wheat 231,200; corn 16,200; oats 12,000. Shipments—Wheat 244,000; corn 15,300; oats 4,000.

Chicago, Sept. 7.—Cash quotations were as follows: Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat—No. 3 73c; No. 2 red 74½@75½c. Corn—No. 2 40c; No. 2 yellow 40½c. Oats—No. 2 21½@22c; No. 2 white 24½@25c; No. 3 white 23¼@24¼c. Barley—Good feeding 36@40c; fair to choice malting 46@48c. Seeds—Flax No. 1 $1.45; No. 1 Northwestern $1.48@1.49. Provisions—Mess pork, per bbl. $10.95@11; lard, per 100 lbs., $6.67½@6.72½; short ribs sides (loose) 7.20@7.30c; dry salted shoulders (boxed) 6⅞@7⅛c; short clear sides (boxed) 7.70@7.80c. Whisky—Basis of highwines $1.27½. Clover—Contract grade, $9.25@9.50. On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was steady; creameries 15½@21½c; dairies 14@18c. Cheese steady, 10½@11½c. Eggs firm; fresh 14@15c.

Toledo, O., Sept. 7.—Wheat—Dull and higher; spot and Sept. 78⅛c; Oct. 78¾c; Dec. 79c. Corn—Dull and lower; No. 2 cash and Sept. 41½c; Dec. 34c. Oats—Dull and lower; No. 2 cash 21½c; Sept. 22c. Rye—Dull and unchanged; No. 2 cash 51c. Cloverseed—Dull lower; No. 2 $5.58. Oil unchanged.

Liverpool, Sept. 7.—Wheat quiet, ⅛d higher; Sept. 5s 11⅞d; Dec. 6s 1⅜d. Corn quiet, unchanged to ⅛d lower; Oct. 4s 1⅞d; Nov. 4s 1⅝d; Dec. 4s 1⅝d. Wheat—Spot dull. No. 2 red Western winter 5s 11½d; No. 1 Northern spring 6s 3d; No. 1 California 6s 4½d@6s 5d. Futures quiet; Sept. 5s 11⅞d; Dec. 6s 1⅜d. Corn—American mixed new 4s 2d; do. old 4s 2½d; spot firm; futures quiet; Oct. 4s 1⅞d; Nov. 4s 1⅝d; Dec. 4s 1⅝d. Receipts of wheat during the past three days, 199,000 centals, including 138,000 American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days, 83,900 centals. Weather overcast.

Lard—American refined steady 37s; prime Western steady 35s 3d. Pork—Prime mess Western steady 72s 6d; shoulders—square steady 33s. Bacon—Short clear backs firm 41s 6d. Cheese—American finest white firm 51s 6d; do. colored firm 52s 6d. Cottonseed oil—Hull refined Nov.-April strong, 15s 3d. Turpentine spirits firm 28s 9d. Linseed oil 34s 3d.

The Visible.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 7.—Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows a total of 566,620, against 2,351,228 last year. Of this the total of American cotton is 316,620, against 1,296,228 last year.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Natives Weaker—Texans Steady—Hogs Steady to Strong—Sheep Quiet.

St. Louis, Friday, Sept. 7, 1900.

	Rec.	Shp.
Cattle	1,652	1,069
Hogs	6,083	1,495
Sheep	1,723	None
Horses and mules	164	348

CATTLE—Native Cattle Trade—Nothing of any particular consequence arrived in this division to-day. Three or four loads of common to medium beef steers and a few odds and ends in the butcher and stocker department, besides small representations in the miscellaneous classifications constituted the day's business. Beef steers were considered easier to a little lower, and offerings in the other branches sold practically steady. Liberal runs have been the order of the week, and the demand proved itself more than equal to the occasion, consuming all offerings quickly at current prices. Several bunches were shipped to Chicago and every one of them without an exception lost money as a result. Under heavy receipts at all principal markets, beef values were forced downward and they now figure about 15 to 25 cents off from the close of last week. Although butcher cows and heifers are closing a little weak, the medium to best grades still figure about 10c better than a week ago. Feeding steers and the best class of stockers held active and firm, but just fair to common little stock steers weakened to the extent of 10c to 15c. Stock cows and heifers of a desirable character advanced slightly, calves show the same bulk as last week, bulls are fully as high and milkers declined $2 to $3 per cow and calf.

Sales to-day included beef steers, 1,190 to 1,284 lbs. average at $4.65 to $5.35; light Panhandle steers at $3.35; butcher cows and heifers at $1.75 to $3.85, stock steers and feeders at $2.90 to $3.45; stock cows and heifers at $2.75 to $3.20; veals calves up to 7c a lb. and bulls at $2.75 to $3.35.

Representative sales:

No.	Des.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Des.	Av.	Pr.
18	steers	1,284	$5.35	1	cow	770	2.00
29	steers	1197	4.35	1	cow	690	2.00
20	Panh. strs.	757	3.65	1	cow	790	2.00
12	Panh. strs.	821	3.35	2	cows	815	1.85
2	tailings	865	2.60	1	cow	690	1.75
1	cow	1070	3.85	6	stockers	755	3.35
1	cow	1170	3.75	2	stockers	560	3.40
1	cow	1020	2.50	20	Panh. fdrs.	850	3.35
3	heifers	966	3.50	42	stockers	762	3.20
2	cows	1145	3.20	2	stockers	520	2.90
1	cow	820	3.25	8	heifers	717	3.20
5	heifers	688	2.25	8	heifers	743	3.15
2	heifers	770	3.25	19	heifers	617	3.10
1	cow	940	3.15	1	heifer	720	2.90
1	cow	1290	2.10	4	heifers	415	2.75
2	cows	980	2.65	1	heifer	630	2.75
1	cow	970	2.00	1	calf	190	7.00
4	cows	939	3.00	1	calf	80	6.25
3	cows	856	2.90	2	calves	150	5.50
1	cow	1120	2.85	1	yearling	300	2.25
1	cow	730	2.75	1	bull	1320	3.25
4	cows	960	2.60	1	bull	1070	3.35
3	cows	873	2.50	4	bulls	902	3.15
1	cow	850	2.50	1	bull	695	3.00
1	cow	730	2.50	1	bull	850	2.75
2	cows	890	2.30	1	springer	300	3.00
2	cows	750	2.25				

Southern Cattle Trade—A fairly good run to-day brought the quarantine cattle receipts for the week up to 416 carloads, as against 171 last week, 425 the week before and 358 the corresponding week a year ago. Taken as a whole, the offerings have shown more flesh than at any time since grass season commenced, although the best steers lacked considerable of being as good as some that came in earlier. The best steers declined 10c in course of the week and the plainer kinds 15c to 20c, while cows and heifers held firm and some days under urgent demand advanced a point or two. Light weight calves remained steady, but heavier ones displayed a weaker tone. The 65 cars placed before the traders to-day brought steady prices.

Sales to-day included Arkansas yearlings at $2; calves at $6 per head, and cows at $2.50. Texas and Indian Territory calves at $5 to $10 per head, cows and heifers at $2.70 to $3, and steers, 715 to 1,112 lbs. average, at $3.15 to $4.30.

Representative sales:

No.	Des.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Des.	Av.	Pr.
46	yearlings	419	$2.00	28	steers	771	3.35
4	calves	each	6.00	168	steers	869	3.40
12	cows	687	2.50	27	steers	874	3.40
10	calves	each	5.00	25	steers	860	3.40
94	calves	each	10.00	23	steers	1030	3.60
1	stag	1080	3.25	26	steers	860	3.60
255	cows	732	2.70	23	steers	923	3.60
26	heifers	644	2.65	15	steers	961	3.85
28	cows	726	3.00	161	steers	893	3.90
100	steers	715	3.15	101	steers	969	4.00
26	steers	827	3.25	24	steers	1036	4.00
152	steers	804	3.30	21	steers	1045	4.10
56	steers	755	3.35	222	steers	1112	4.30

HOGS—The Friday market had a moderate run and makes the supply 3,000 more than arrived during the corresponding week of last year. The quality to-day was fair to good, but as light hogs are in fashion the best hogs take a back seat. An exception was made to-day in a load of 257-lb. hogs which were bought by Nelson Morris & Co. at $5.55, and topped the market. They were extra in quality and received a premium outside price. Compared with Thursday the light hogs of standard grade were a shade stronger and the others were about steady. The market advanced 5c to 10c since the opening of the week. The market closed a little slow, but was fairly well cleaned up. The Nelson Morris & Co. drove, 1,088 head, averaged 233 lbs. at $5.34. The Swift hogs, 1,569 head, were sorted in two bunches, one averaging 227 lbs., cost $5.34, and the other 172 lbs., average cost $5.42. The butcher selections cost $5.35 to $5.40. The bulk of the hogs and pigs and the strictly low-grade offerings not considered, sold at $5.30 to $5.45, as against $5.25 to $5.40 on Thursday. Pigs and light lights, 60 to 148 lbs. average, at $5 to $5.25, according to quality; light hogs, 150 to 190 lbs., sold at $5.15 to $5.45, the bulk at $5.40 to $5.42½; medium weights, 195 to 235 lbs., sold at $5.15 to $5.40, the bulk going at $5.30 to $5.37½. The heavy culls sold at $4.50 to $5, and fair to best heavy hogs at $5.10 to $5.55. Good mixed hogs at $5.30 to $5.40, and common to fair mixtures sold at $4.75 to $5.15.

Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
55	210	$5.10	22	348	$5.10	56	226	$5.10
8	188	5.15	29	225	5.20	5	276	5.20
52	183	5.20	12	236	5.25	40	209	5.30
45	164	5.20	57	170	5.30	45	157	5.30
13	236	5.30	88	171	5.30	61	210	5.32½
96	237	5.25	84	233	5.35	29	250	5.35
18	274	5.35	62	228	5.35	25	219	5.35
61	209	5.35	89	214	5.35	34	230	5.35
40	164	5.35	71	225	5.35	70	215	5.35
62	211	5.35	78	181	5.35	58	236	5.35
59	222	5.35	14	229	5.35	103	236	5.35
59	234	5.35	46	225	5.35	57	240	5.35
67	172	5.35	37	206	5.37½	61	228	5.37½
63	[illegible]	5.37½	66	248	5.37½	74	236	5.37½
61	220	5.37½	20	218	5.37½	84	219	5.37½
72	221	5.37½	38	226	5.37½	41	221	5.37½
69	200	5.37½	69	274	5.37½	62	216	5.37½
78	159	5.40	67	182	5.40	68	182	5.40
52	186	5.40	73	221	5.40	33	172	5.40
75	191	5.40	79	236	5.40	70	198	5.40
57	180	5.40	46	230	5.40	65	161	5.42½
124	154	5.42½	36	181	5.42½	14	170	5.42½
46	183	5.42½	75	172	5.42½	11	169	5.42½
57	178	5.42½	72	175	5.42½	60	173	5.42½
12	166	5.45	69	174	5.45	64	160	5.45
63	176	5.45	81	178	5.45	71	170	5.45
23	164	5.45	57	257	5.55			

SHEEP—The arrivals of sheep during the first four days of the present week were only moderate and the quality not very good. A good demand prevailed, but buyers were very particular as to quality and wanted only something good. The better class of both sheep and lambs sold readily at steady to strong prices, but common and inferior grades were slow sale and prices irregular and barely steady. A good demand existed for good stockers, but the supply was very small. Inferior stock sheep are very slow sale and common cull lambs are almost unsalable at any price. To-day a moderate supply was on sale and the market steady to strong.

Representative sales:

No.	Des.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Des.	Av.	Pr.
37	lambs	72	5.00	5	nat. sheep	82	3.50
48	lambs	69	5.00	5	nat. sheep	86	3.50
8	lambs	82	5.00	12	nat. sheep	105	3.50
27	lambs	84	5.00	9	nat. sheep	96	3.50
36	lambs	65	4.85	28	stockers	52	3.35
50	lambs	72	4.75	71	stockers	65	3.15
27	lambs	73	4.75	25	stockers	59	3.15
57	lambs	68	4.50	30	cull lambs	52	3.00
29	lambs	60	4.50	38	cull lambs	57	3.00
62	lambs	62	4.50	50	cull lambs	62	3.00
74	lambs	63	4.50	5	cull lambs	56	3.00
29	Sw. sheep	96	3.60	17	cull lambs	52	3.00
5	nat. sheep	122	3.60	17	cull lambs	52	3.00
29	nat. sheep	96	3.55	24	cull lambs	57	2.50
9	nat. sheep	90	3.25	1	buck	120	2.50
3	nat. sheep	90	3.50	2	bucks	126	2.50

HORSES—The horse trade was uneventful Friday. The week's receipts were very heavy, including large offerings of Western horses, but the general demand was equal to the situation and a practically cleaned-up market is the closing order of the week. In the native auction the Eastern and export demands have ruled large for chunks, drivers and coach horses, and many consignments have been bought, with prices ruling steady and generally satisfactory. The Southern demand has, too, been large, but the quality did not suit as well as it might, and less urgency was shown in the buying, with the result that values were a shade easier on the commoner end.

Horse quotations: Heavy draft, common to good, $80 to $140; choice to fancy, $150 to $185. Drivers, common to choice, $60 to $100; bulk $100 to $150; coach horses $150 to $250. Saddlers, common to choice, $65 to $125; fancy $150 to $175; chunks, 1,150 to 1,600 lbs., common to good $55 to $80; choice to extra $85 to $120. Southern horses, common to good $25 to $50; choice to extra $55 to $75. Plugs $15 to $25.

MULES—The fairly liberal run received in commission hands during the first four days of the week was about cleaned out Friday, though the movement has at no time been active. With the dealers having pretty large supplies on hand, the exterior demand light and a liberal run this week, the conditions were not favorable and the best that sellers could do was to dispose of the offerings close to a steady basis, but very slowly. None quoted prices lower than the week before, but all admitted the medium and ordinary classes hard to negotiate. Good to choice big mules found a readier outlet. Friday's receipts were nominal and the market remained quiet.

Mule quotations (for broke mules 4 to 7 years old):

14 hands, extreme range	$30.00 to	$37.50
14 hands, bulk of sales	30.00 to	35.00
14½ hands, extreme range	40.00 to	62.50
14½ hands, bulk of sales	45.00 to	60.00
15 hands, extreme range	57.50 to	80.00
15 hands, bulk of sales	60.00 to	75.00
15½ hands, extreme range	60.00 to	95.00
15½ hands, bulk of sales	70.00 to	90.00
16 to 16½ hands, extreme range	90.00 to	135.00
16 to 16½ hands, bulk of sales	110.00 to	125.00

Bulk of sales represent mixed mules in first hands. Prices above bulk figures represent first-class mules, extra finish and weight, strictly fat, practically sound and classified.

By Telegraph.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 7.—Cattle—There was little change from the level of Thursday's values to-day under a run of 2,000 head. Some stale cattle were at hand, but such were not of an attractive kind and business in general was narrow as usual for Friday. Some exporters wanted cattle, but few were here suited to their needs, and local beef concerns seemed to have been well filled up from the heavy marketing of earlier days this week. Some beef steers sold around $5.25, but few were here with quality enough to land at or above $5.50, cows and heifers, veal calves and stockers showing no considerable change from prices recently quoted, and the only arrivals of branded cattle consisted of 6 loads of fair cows that went at $3.40@3.90, which prices were considered just steady. Hogs—Much larger receipts than came last Friday, or one year ago, found ready outlet to-day at stronger prices. Early trade was brisk and firm, and later many good hogs sold 2½@5c above prices paid here the day before. A 19-load string of big fat 225-lb. hogs sold early at $5.25, some prime hogs averaging over 400 lbs. sold up to $5.27½ and prime 208-lb. hogs landed as high as $5.40. Fancy light sold as high as $5.35, and prime butchers' weights up to $5.40, but the bulk of the plain heavy and mixed hogs sold to the local packing concerns at a range of $5.15@5.30, all that landed above that range being of the smooth shipping classes.

Sheep—All fat sheep and lambs included in a run of 6,000 head met with firm demand here to-day at prices up to the best of the week. Such run was about 3,000 head short of last Friday's receipts and only about half the volume of arrivals here one year ago, and local concerns, in view of the meager supply, bought freely. A string of 468 choice, fat, 123-lb. grass Utah sheep sold up to $3.90, and most of the good grass Western sheep, both for muttons and feeding purposes, sold close to $3.25. Some very plain heavy native ewes went at $3.40, and a few native sheep above $3.65. All fat lambs were in urgent demand at prices strong to 10c higher. A straight load of prime 76-lb. Indiana lambs sold up to $5.75, and most of the fair to choice fat lambs made $5.30@5.50. Feeding lambs were fairly ready sale at $4.50@4.60, and the cull lambs of the "pee-wee" variety went down around $4.

Kansas City, Mo., Sept. 7.—Cattle—Receipts 5,000 natives, 1,400 Texans; all grades killing cattle opened strong, closed shade easier; choice feeders steady; common grades slow; native steers $4.85@5.75; stockers and feeders $3.50@5; butcher cows and heifers $3@5.25; canners $2.25@3; fed Westerns $4@5; wintered Texans $3.75@3.95; grass Texans $3@3.80. Calves—Receipts 200; market steady; sales $5@6 per cwt. Hogs—Receipts 7,000; opened strong to 5c higher; closed 5@10c higher; heavy and mixed $5.20@5.30; light $5.20@5.32½; pigs $4@5. Sheep—Receipts 2,100; active trade, steady prices; lambs $4.75@5.10; muttons $3.50@3.75; feeders $3@4; culls $2.50@3.

South Omaha, Neb., Sept. 7.—Cattle—Receipts 1,400; market active, steady; native beef steers $4.40@5.50; Western steers $4@4.75; Texas steers $3.25@4.25; cows and heifers higher, $3.25@4.50; canners $1.75@3; stockers and feeders $3.50@4.75; calves $3@5.50; bulls and stags, etc., $2.25@4.10. Hogs—Receipts 5,400; market shade to 5c higher; heavy $5@5.10; mixed $5.05@5.10; light $5.05@5.17½; pigs $4@5; bulk of sales $5.05@5.10. Sheep—Receipts 8,300; market steady; native muttons $3.25@3.60; stock sheep $3@3.60; lambs strong, $4@5.25.

New York, Sept. 7.—Beeves—Receipts 3,751; market opened active and firm, closed quiet; steers $4.40@5.80, one car extra $6.15; bulls $2.40@3.80; cows $1.75@3.90. Cables steady. Shipments 400 cattle and 4,160 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts 288; steady to strong; veals $5@8.25; tops $8.50; little calves and culls $4@4.50; grassers $2.62½@3.50. Sheep and lambs—Receipts 4,399; active, prices shade higher, except for common stock; sheep $2.50@4.20; few choice wethers $4.50@4.75; culls $2; lambs $4.50@6.50; culls $3@4; Canada lambs $5.62@6. Hogs—Receipts 1,148; steady at $5.70@5.90; pigs $6.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 7.—Cattle—Receipts 1,601; market slow, steady; natives $4.15@5.60; Westerns $3.25@5.45; cows and heifers $2.10@4.85; veals $5@7; bulls and stags $2.10@4.75; stockers and feeders $3@4.90. Hogs—Receipts 3,817; market strong to 5c higher; light and light mixed $5.15@5.30; medium and heavy $5.12½@5.22½; pigs $4.75@5.10; bulk $5.15@5.22½. Sheep—Receipts 67; market steady.

THE COTTON SITUATION.

Speculative Cotton Meets Its Waterloo —Prices Hammered All Day.

St. Louis, Friday, Sept. 7, 1900.

Cotton met its Waterloo to-day and closed largely below yesterday's closing figures. The opening was marked by free selling on a cable from Liverpool stating that a sensational decline had taken place there. This was the signal for unloading, and the longs threw their cotton on the market regardless, with the result that initial prices showed a loss at New York of 20@30 points. Oct. lost 28 and Sept. 22 points. New Orleans was in a demoralized condition and declined sharply also. A stronger close and some recovery at Liverpool caused a reaction on this side, and the final figures showed a net decline for the day of 15 points for Sept., 19 points for Oct. and 20@22 points for other months, except July, which was off 20 points.

Local Market—Firm and ⅛c higher; sales 100 bales.

Ordinary	8 9-16
Good ordinary	9 1-16
Low middling	9 7-16
Middling	9⅞
Good middling	10
Middling fair	10⅜

Bagging—1¾-lb. 8.10c per yard; 2-lb. 8.35c; 2¼-lb. 8.85c. Iron ties $1.32. Hemp twine 9c per lb.

Warehouse statement to-day:

	1900.	1899.
Net receipts to-day	6	127
Net receipts since Sept. 1	79	827
Gross receipts to-day	76	192
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	325	4,629
Gross shipments to-day	214	874
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	2,358	6,453
Stock on hand	5,870	62,431

Liverpool Market—Spot demand fair and prices 3-16d higher; uplands, 6⅝d. Sales 12,000 bales. Futures closed steady. Sept. 6 14-64d n.; Sept.-Dec. 5 35-64d s.; Oct.-Nov. 5 12-64d s.; Nov.-Dec. 5 4-64d s.; Dec.-Jan. 4 63-64d s.; Jan.-Feb. 4 61-64d s.

New York Market—Spot steady and quiet and unchanged; middling 10⅛c. Futures closed strong.

	Close Thursday.	High To-day.	Low To-day.	Close To-day.
September	9.37	9.49	9.25	9.32
October	9.42	9.37	9.18	9.23
November	9.28	9.12	8.99	9.04
December	9.25	9.17	8.95	9.05
January	9.22	9.16	8.91	8.91
February	9.23	9.18	8.93	9.09
March	9.20	9.12	8.95	9.00

Net receipts at United States ports for seven days, 51,507 bales, against 21,213 for the same time last week, and 106,487 last year. Since Sept. 1, 51,507 bales, against 116,507 bales same time last season. Exports for seven days, 15,757 bales, against 14,778 for the same time last week. Stock on hand, 113,409 bales, against 457,549 bales last year.

By Telegraph.

New York, Sept. 7.—Sentiment on the Cotton Exchange to-day swung completely around from a radically bullish point of view to a bearish standpoint, and the demoralization which prevailed throughout the fore part of the week in bear circles was followed by a panic among the bulls this morning. At the close there was no indication of a storm for the longs last night and the rank and file of the bull faction went home firmly convinced that to-day would record another considerable advance. The market opened weak and lower, however, with prices down 5 to 12 points under one of the heaviest selling movements which has ever been witnessed in the cotton pits. Orders to unload came to Liverpool, from the South, from the West, Wall street and the speculative public in general, and it was not until prices were down ¼c that the buyers could be induced to take hold. The first hour of the market was intensely excited, the fluctuations often violent in both directions. The main reason for the complete change in front upon the cotton trade in general was a sudden and entirely unlooked for break of 11@14 points in Liverpool from the opening figures, said by private cables to have been precipitated by a turn of small holders for profits, forcing the larger bulls to liquidate. The talk of a shutdown in Manchester and claims that English spinners had decided to buy no more cotton this month were at the bottom of the selling movement. The late advices from abroad were decidedly better and led to a reconsideration of the views here, with the result that hasty sellers of the first hour once more took the bull side, while selling for a further reaction completely ceased. Later in the day the market worked steadily upward, displaying considerable of a bull flourish on reports of active demand for spot cotton in the South and marked advances at nearly all points. Complaints of excessive rains in Southern Texas and parts of the Atlantic States helped to stimulate buying. The fact that futures were considerably below the price of spot cotton checked selling for the short account and encouraged investment buying. Trading was very active, except for a brief period around midday. The market once more shifted in the last few minutes and broke badly under heavy general selling. The close was weak, with prices net 15@25 points lower. Cotton spot closed quiet; middling uplands 10⅛c; do. Gulf 10⅜c; sales 112 bales. Cotton futures closed weak: Sept. 9.28c; Oct. 9.25c; Nov. 9.06c; Dec. 9.06c; Jan. 9.05c; Feb. 9c; March 9c; April 8.95c; May 8.98c; June 8.95c; July 8.98c.

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New Orleans, La., Sept. 7.—Cotton firm: sales 1,150 bales; ordinary 8 1-16c; good ordinary 8⅞c; low middling 9⅜c; middling 9⅞c; good middling 10⅛c; middling fair 10⅝c. Receipts 282 bales; stock 25,322 bales. Cotton futures closed steady: Sept. 9.75@9.77c; Oct. 9.14@9.15c; Nov. 8.90@8.91c; Dec. 8.86@8.88c; Jan. 8.86@8.88c; Feb. 8.88@8.90c; March 8.92@8.94c; April 8.90@8.92c; May 8.91@8.93c.

Liverpool, Sept. 7.—Cotton—Spot fair demand; higher; American middling fair 6 25-32d; good middling 6 9-16d; middling 6⅝d; low middling 6 3-16d; good ordinary 5 13-32d; ordinary 5 21-32d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 700 were for speculation and export, and included 8,300 bales American. Receipts 200 bales, all American. Futures opened higher and closed steady; American middling l. m. c. Sept. 6 14-64d v.; Sept.-Oct. 6 24-64@6 23-64d s.; Oct.-Nov. 5 12-64@5 13-64d s.; Nov.-Dec. 5 3-64@5 4-64d s.; Dec.-Jan. 4 62-64@4 63-64d s.; Jan.-Feb. 4 60-64@4 61-64d s.; Feb.-March 4 58-64d s.; March-April 4 56-64@4 57-64d s.; April-May 4 55-64d b.; May-June 4 53-64@4 54-64d s.; June-July 4 52-64d v.; July-Aug. 4 50-64d b.

Hester's Cotton Statistics.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 7.—Secretary Hester's New Orleans Cotton Exchange statement, issued during business hours to-day, shows that the amount brought into sight for the week ending this afternoon is 90,907 bales, against 125,584 last year, 76,228 year before last and 126,071 in 1897. Receipts at all United States ports since September 1 were 51,307, against 97,743 last year, 42,780 year before last and 62,471 same time in 1897; overland to Northern mills and Canada 3,272 bales, against 1,280 last year, 2,286 year before last and 225 in 1897; interior stocks in excess of those held at the close of the commercial year, 6,281, against 19,865 last year; 4,890 year before last and 64,859 in 1897; Southern mill takings, 16,000, against 25,000 last year, 23,344 year before last and 14,043 for the same time in 1897.

Foreign exports for the week were 15,989, against 20,519.

The total takings of American mills, North and South, and Canada thus far for the season have been 29,996 bales, against 32,046 last year. These include 5,866 by Northern spinners, against 22,592. Since the close of the commercial year stocks at American ports and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior centers have been increased 24,575 bales, against an increase for the same period last season of 77,178, and are now 342,678 less than at this time last year. Including the amount left over in stocks at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop, the supply to date is 221,264, against 772,352 bales for the same period last year.

London Exports and Imports.

London, Sept. 7.—The statement of the Board of Trade for the month of August shows increases of 1,462,700 lbs. in imports and 2,736,100 lbs. in exports.

Sugar.

New York, Sept. 7.—Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 4⅛c; centrifugal 96 test 4 15-16c. Molasses sugar 4c; refined firm.

Minneapolis Flour.

Minneapolis, Sept. 7.—Close: Wheat—Sept. 72⅝c; Dec. 74c; May 77c; on trk., No. 1 hard 76⅛c; No. 1 Northern 73⅛c, No. 2 Northern 71⅝c. Bran not quoted. Flour—First patents $4.05@4.20; second patents $3.85@4; first clears $3.05@3.25; second clears $2.65@2.85.

Coffee.

New York, Sept. 7.—Coffee—Spot Rio dull; No. 2 invoice 8⅝c nominal; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@14c. The market for coffee futures opened steady with prices 5 to 10 points higher in sympathy with European improvement, and continued to advance all day on firm later cables; foreign export demand from shorts and bull speculation; receipts were smaller than looked for, and American warehouse deliveries were decidedly larger. The spot demand continued slack. The market closed quiet with prices 15@25 points net higher; total sales were 19,250 bags, including Nov. 7.35c; Dec. 7.45@7.55c; Jan. 7.55c; March 7.65@7.70c; April 7.70c; May 7.70@7.80c.

Metal Market.

New York, Sept. 7.—There was a general weakening in tone in metal circles to-day. The iron markets of the country show easiness and are tending downward. Philadelphia reports a lower market: Light steel rails were quoted at $25, which was $10 below the common price for heavy rails. Pig iron warrants were quoted at $9.50@10.27½. Copper in London advanced 5s, but failed to strengthen the local market, which closed quiet and unchanged at $16.75. Lead and spelter ruled dull at $4.37½ and $4.07½@4.12½, respectively. There was a slight decline noted for tin, with the undertone rather easy in sympathy with a decline of 12s 6d abroad, closing here at $29.50@29.60. Tin plates ruled quiet. The mills have opened and commenced to make black plates, as no arrangements with the tinners have been made. The brokers' price for lead was $4 and for copper $16.75.

Wool.

New York, Sept. 7.—Wool dull.

Boston, Mass., Sept. 7.—The Boston Commercial Bulletin to-morrow will say of the wool market: The week just passed is the dullest in the year. Sales and receipts are unimportant, and the failure of sound money to score as big victory in Vermont as in 1896 has prevented the recovery, which in 1896, under a similar threat of free silver, began after the Vermont election. Most buyers now look for a continuation of present conditions till November. The sales for the week were 1,191,000 lbs. domestic and 32,000 lbs. foreign, a total of 1,897,000 lbs., against a total of 2,691,000 last week, and a total of 6,276,000 lbs. the corresponding week last year. The receipts to date show a decrease of 223,432 bales domestic and an increase of 38,717 bales foreign, against last year. The sales to date show a decrease of 69,258,200 lbs. domestic and 25,018,800 lbs. foreign.

DEBATE ON EGG QUOTATIONS.

Committee of Receivers Appointed to Determine Them.

There was another high old time in the "egg corner" on 'change yesterday. F. W. Brockman, who, a few days ago, presented a petition to have the quotation committee abolished, and the daily quotations made to conform to the actual sales made on the floor, surprised his associates in the egg corner by presenting another petition to have a committee of five egg receivers appointed to determine the daily quotations.

As soon as the egg men recovered from their surprise at Mr. Brockman's sudden turn a lively debate ensued. The petition was signed by a majority of the egg men, however, and F. W. Brockman, C. J. Dennis, William Colby, F. J. Roeder and William Knechans were appointed on the committee, and will determine the daily quotations, at least until another petition is presented.

RILEY'S POEM A FEATURE.

"The Name of Old Glory" Recited at a Soldiers' Reunion.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Altamont, Ill., Sept. 7.—The second day of the reunion has been a great success in the matters of both attendance and interest displayed, in spite of the hot weather. The principal address of the day was delivered by Horace Clark of Mattoon. Four thousand persons assembled in City Park, where an elaborate programme was rendered. Miss Jennie Linhoff recited James Whitcomb Riley's latest poem entitled "The Name of Old Glory." Benson Wood of Effingham addressed the old soldiers at the campfire to-night.

BRIDE OF SWEET SIXTEEN.

Miss Donerie's Mother Gave Her Consent to the Marriage.

A bride of sweet sixteen is Miss Kate M. Donerie of No. 2809 Gasconade street, who was yesterday escorted to the marriage license office by Andrew J. Ream of No. 3801 Texas avenue. Ream is 23.

Mrs. Mary Hutter, the young lady's mother, accompanied the young people to the City Hall and gave her consent to the marriage. Mrs. Hutter said she had been divorced from her former husband and was given the custody of her daughter.