PLENTY OF CANTS

Enormous Crop in California This Year.

FIRST ARE DUE THIS WEEK

Scarcity of Strawberries in Local Market — Development in Potato Situation — English Hop Crop Prospects.

The first canteloupes from California should be in market before the week is over. The Southern districts have begun making express shipments in a small way, but most of them have gone East. Last year Portland received its first crate on May 25, and it sold for $7. This year the crop is a little later.

Imperial Valley, California, will begin shipping in Colorados from El Centro and Heber about June 1 and other points in the valley about June 10. According to advices received yesterday, Imperial Valley gives a promise of a total crop of something more than 2000 cars, though this estimate may have to be scaled down somewhat later. Recent winds have set the crop back about a week and have injured it a little. Besides that, the new ground has not yielded as well as that which has been cultivated before. The total acreage is something over 7000. These figures do not include the Coachella Valley.

Brawley alone will have about 800 carloads, according to present estimates, obtained from growers themselves by agents of the Pacific Fruit Express. Brawley is the big cantaloupe center of the valley, but other points give the following estimates: El Centro, 375; Holtville, 100; Gleason, 30; Melonland, 20; Calexico, 90; Heber, 300; Imperial, 200; Keystone, 200.

Yuma will this year begin to ship cantaloupes in carload lots for the first time, and will have about 75 cars. Phoenix, Ariz., will have 200 or 300 cars.

A new cantaloupe country which has just been opened is the Moapa Valley in Nevada, on the Salt Lake line. It is just about being settled, but it will have about 75 cars of cantaloupes for shipment this year. They will not come on, however, until after the Imperial and Yuma crops are disposed of.

HOW THE POTATO GAME IS WORKED

San Francisco Trade Trying to Corner the Market.

What appears to be a complicated situation exists in the potato market, but the appearance is probably due to manipulation on the part of the San Francisco trade. Dealers in the Bay City are sending telegrams here to the effect that the market is overloaded, weak, declining and otherwise going to the dogs. This looks like a sad state of affairs, but the telegrams fool no one. San Francisco is not overloaded with Oregon potatoes, unless storage stocks are much larger than they were believed to be, and a crumbling market is impossible with the available supply in Oregon practically exhausted and the end of the season a month and a half off. It is evident from the tactics of the San Francisco trade that they want to get Oregons low so they can buy up what is left and after they have cornered the market, let prices take their natural course. If there is going to be an advance, and it looks that way, the Oregon farmer is more entitled to the benefit than the San Francisco dealer. The growers in this state are fully posted on the situation and are turning down all offers made on the basis of the lately current prices. No business in the country was reported yesterday.

The local jobbing trade is affected by the general situation and the Front-street market has become very firm. Some of the dealers raised the jobbing price to $1 per sack yesterday.

HOP PROSPECTS IN ENGLAND POOR

Ironmonger Believes an Import Duty Is Improbable.

The hop market has been quiet this week, as dealers have found it almost impossible to buy, because of the firmness of growers. A good demand is reported for both new and old hops, both on export and speculative account. J. N. Hoffman, of Forest Grove, who has one of the best lots left in Washington County, says he was offered 7 cents for the lot, but refused to accept it.

Ironmonger, of London, yesterday cabled to Isaac Pincus & Sons, of Tacoma, as follows:

"Estimate grubbing at 6000 acres. Cultivation is below the average. In our opinion, a tariff on imported hops is very improbable. Market is steadier with firmer feeling."

STRAWBERRY SUPPLY IS INADEQUATE

California Season About at an End—New Apricots Arrive.

There was a shortage in the supply of strawberries yesterday. The California shipping season is about over, only 300 crates coming up, while the Oregon crop is not yet ready to take the place of the Southern product. The market was consequently very firm. California Dollars sold at $1.85@1.90, no Jessies arriving. Oregon berries were quoted at 15@17½ cents, with not half enough on hand to fill orders. Cherries were also in light supply and firm. Gooseberries were plentiful and steady. A few crates of California apricots were received in rather green condition. They sold at $3 per crate.

Another car of red onions arrived, also two cars of mixed vegetables. Bermuda onions are now quoted lower at $2 per crate.

Weekly Grain Statistics.

The weekly grain statistics of the Merchants' Exchange follow:

American visible supply—

	Bushels.	Decrease.
May 25, 1908	24,072,000	2,415,000
May 27, 1907	50,780,000	196,000
May 28, 1906	21,965,000	1,650,000
May 29, 1905	21,126,000	1,422,000
May 23, 1904	24,084,000	3,000,000
May 25, 1903	27,202,000	3,453,000
May 26, 1902	30,629,000	2,948,000
May 27, 1901	40,964,000	2,454,000
May 28, 1900	44,755,000	1,568,000

Quantities on passage—

For—	Week ending May 23 Bushels	Week ending May 16 Bushels	Week ending May 25, '07 Bushels
U. K.	23,920,000	23,040,000	28,560,000
Continent	15,040,000	16,160,000	20,240,000
Totals	38,960,000	39,200,000	48,800,000

World's shipments principal exporting countries, flour included—

From—	Week ending May 23 Bushels	Week ending May 16 Bushels	Week ending May 25, '07 Bushels
U. S., Can.	2,930,000	2,701,000	3,360,000
Argentina	2,832,000	2,384,000	3,648,000
Australia	216,000	112,000	480,000
India			1,112,000
Dan., ports	160,000	272,000	848,000
Russia	688,000	1,024,000	1,769,000
Totals	6,766,000	6,693,000	11,217,000

Northern Inquiry for Butter.

A steady Northern demand for butter continues to hold the local market in a firm position.

Poultry is very weak on the street. Receipts are not particularly heavy, but buying is on a small scale, even at the low prices quoted.

There was no change in prices or conditions in the egg market.

BOARD OF TRADE QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour and Feed.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 89c per bushel; red Russian, 87c; bluestem, 92c; Valley, 90c.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.85 per barrel; straights, $4.05@4.55; exports, $3.70; Valley, $4.45; ¼-sack graham, $4; whole wheat, $4.20; rye, $5.50.

BARLEY—Feed, $25.50 per ton; rolled, $27.50@28.50; brewing, $26.

OATS—No. 1 white, $27.50 per ton; gray, $27.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $24 per ton; middlings, $30.50; shorts, country, $25.50; city, $28.50; wheat and barley chop, $27.50.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $17 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, $15; Eastern Oregon, $18.50; mixed, $16; clover, $14; alfalfa, $12; alfalfa meal, $20.

Meats and Provisions.

DRESSED MEATS—Hogs, fancy, 8c per pound; ordinary, 7c; large, 6c; veal, extra, 7c; ordinary, 6c; heavy, 5c; mutton, fancy, 8@9c.

HAMS—Hams, 10-13 lb., 15c per pound; 14-16 lb., 14½c; 18-20 lb., 14½c.

BACON—Breakfast, 15@22c per pound; picnics, 10c; cottage roll, 11c.

DRY SALT AND SMOKED—Regular short clears, smoked, 11½c per pound; unsmoked, 10½c; unsalted bellies, 10-13 lbs., smoked, 10@18c; 10-13 lbs., unsmoked, 12c; clear bellies, unsmoked, 13c; smoked, 14c; shoulders, 11c; pig tongues, $19.50.

LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 12¾c per pound; 5s, 12¾c; 50s, tins, 12¾c; S. rendered, 10s, 11¾c; 5s, 11¾c; compound, 10s, 9½c.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER—Extras, 25c per pound; fancy, 24c; choice, 20c; store, 16c.

EGGS—Candled, 19@20c per dozen; uncandled 18½c per dozen.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 13c per pound; full cream triplets, 13c; full cream Young Americas, 14@14½c; cream brick, 20c; Swiss blk., 20c; limburger, 22½c.

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 12@13c lb.; fancy hens, 13c; roosters, 8c; fryers, 20@22½c; broilers, 22½@25c; ducks, old, 16@17c; Spring, 22½@23c; geese, 8@9c; turkeys, alive, 16@18c for hens, 14@16c for gobblers; dressed, 17@19c.

Fruits and Vegetables.

APPLES—Select, $2.50 per box; fancy, $2; choice, $1.50; ordinary, $1.25.

POTATOES—Buying price, old Oregons, choice, 70@80c per hundred; new California, 3½c per pound; sweet, 5½c per pound.

FRESH FRUITS—Oranges, fancy, $3.25@3.75; lemons, $3.75@4; strawberries, California, $1.85@1.90 per crate; Oregon, 15@17½c per pound; grape fruit, $2.75@3.25 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound; cherries, $1@1.50 per box; gooseberries, 6c per pound; apricots, $3 per crate.

VEGETABLES—California red, $1.65@1.75 per sack; Bermudas, $2 per crate; garlic, 25c per pound.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.50 per sack; carrots, $1.50@1.75; beets, $1.25; parsnips, $1.25; cabbage, $1.75@2 per cwt; beans, wax, 7@8c per pound; head lettuce, 12½@15c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c@$1 dozen; celery, 85c per dozen; asparagus, $1.50 per box; egg plant, 20c per pound; parsley, 25c per dozen; peas, 5@6½c per pound; peppers, 20c per pound; radishes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 3c per pound; spinach, 3c per pound; cauliflower, $2.50 per crate.

JOBBERS' QUOTATIONS.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10c per pound, peaches, 11@12½c; prunes, Italian, 5@6½c; prunes, French, 3@5c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9¼c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white, fancy, 50-pound boxes, 6¼c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good 16@18c; ordinary, 12@16c per pound; Arbuckle, $16.50; Lion, $15.88.

RICE—Southern Japan, 5¼c; head, 6¼@7c; Imperial Japan, 6¼c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 90c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

SUGAR—Granulated, $6.25; extra C, $5.75; golden C, $5.65; fruit and berry sugar, $6.25; plain bag, $6.15; beet granulated, $6.05; Chile (barrels), $6.05; powdered (barrels), $6.50. Terms: On remittances within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days, and within 30 days, deduct ½c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 10½@13c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 10c; filberts, 16c; pecans, 16c; almonds, 16½@18c; chestnuts, Ohio, 25c; peanuts, raw, 6¾@8½c per pound; roasted, 10c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $18 per ton; $2.25 per bale; half ground, 100s, $1 per ton; 50s, $11.50 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 4.75c; large white, 4.75c; pink, 4c; bayou, 4c; Lima, 6c; Mexican red, 4½c.

HONEY—Fancy, $3.50@3.75 per box.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, per barrel, $7; lower grades, $5.50@6.50; oatmeal, steel-cut, 45-pound sacks, $8 per barrel; 9-lb. sacks, $4.25 per bale; split peas, per 100 pounds, $4.25@4.80; pearl barley, $4.50@5 per 100 lbs; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.75 per bale; flaked wheat, $2.75 per case.

Coal Oil and Gasoline.

REFINED OILS—Water white, iron barrels, 10½c; wood barrels, 14½c. Pearl oil, cases, 18c; head light, iron barrels, 12½c; cases, 19½c; wood barrels, 16½c. Eocene, cases, 21c. Special W. W., iron barrels, 14c; wood barrels, 18c. Elaine, cases, 23c. Extra star, cases, 21c.

GASOLINE—V. M. and P. naphtha, iron barrels, 12½c; cases, 19½c. Red Crown gasoline, iron barrels, 16½c; cases, 22½c; motor gasoline, iron barrels, 13½c; cases, 22½c; gas gasoline, iron barrels, 30c; cases, 37½c; No. 1 engine distillate, iron barrels, 9c; cases, 16c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1907, prime and choice, 5@6½c per pound; olds, 2@3c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, average best, 11@16c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 19@12½c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 18@18½c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—3½@4c per pound.

HIDES—Dry, 12@12½c, dry calf, No. 1, under 5 lbs., 10@16c; culls, 2c per lb. less; salted hides, 9c; salted calf, 9c; green (unsalted), 1c per lb. less; culls, 1c per lb. less; sheep skins, shearlings, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, 25@30c; short wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, 50@60c; medium wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, 75c@$1; long wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, $1.25@1.50; horse hides, salted, each, according to size, $2.00@2.50; dry, according to size, each, $1.00@1.50; colt's hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, common, each, 15@25c; Angoras, with wool on, each, 50c@$1.50.

FURS—For No. 1 skins: Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, each, $5.00@10.00; cubs, each, $1@3; badger, prime, each, 25@50c; cat, wild, with head perfect, 50@50c; house, 5@20c; fox, common gray, large prime, each, 40@50c; red, each, $3@5; cross, each, $5@15; silver and black, each, $100@300; fishers, each, $5@8; lynx, each, $4.50@6.00; mink, strictly No. 1, each, according to size, $1@2; marten, dark northern, according to size and color, each, $10@15; marten, pale, according to size and color, each, 75c@$1; muskrat, large, each, 12@15c; skunk, each, 30@40c; civet or polecat, each, 5@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $8@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@3; raccoon, for prime large, each, 30@75c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, $3.50@5.00; prairie (coyote), 60c@$1.00; wolverine, each, $5@8.00.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 790,674	$ 86,876
Seattle (holiday)		
Tacoma	726,673	76,636
Spokane	788,509	123,307

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, May 26.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 2.25	Parrot	26.50
Aliouez	26.50	Quincy	82.50
Amalgamated	63.25	Shannon	15.00
Atlantic	16.25	Tamarack	57.00
Bingham	75	Trinity	15.50
Cal & Hecla	665.00	United Copper	7.25
Centennial	22.50	U. S. Mining	37.00
Copper Range	69.75	U. S. Oil	23.00
Daly West	10.00	Utah	40.50
Franklin	8.50	Victoria	3.75
Granby	92.00	Winona	3.25
Isle Royale	19.25	Wolverine	133.00
Mass Mining	3.00	North Butte	62.50
Michigan	9.00	Butte Coal	22.50
Mohawk	53.00	Nevada	11.75

NEW YORK, May 26.—Closing quotations:

Alice	225	Leadville Con	5
Breece	10	Little Chief	8
Brunswick Con	8	Mexican	50
Com. Tun stock	37	Ontario	3.62½
Com Tun bonds	175	Ophir	2.60
C. C. & Va	30	Small Hopes	19
Horn Silver	3.50	Standard	1.75
Iron Silver	1.00	Yellow Jacket	70

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, May 26.—On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was firm. Creameries, 18@22c; dairies, 16@20c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 14½@14¾c; firsts, 15½c; prime firsts, 17c. Cheese, steady, 10¾@12¼c.

NEW YORK, May 26.—Butter, steady, unchanged.

Cheese, steady, unchanged.

Eggs, easy; Western firsts, 16c; seconds, 15½@16c.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, May 26. — Cotton futures closed barely steady. Closing bids: May, 10.20c; June, 10.22c; July, 10.23c; August, 10.17c; September, 9.40c; October, 9.35c; November, 9.25c; December, 9.21c; January, 9.17c; February, 9.16c; March, 9.16c.

PILOT ROCK SALE

Better Average Price for Wool Than at Pendleton.

ONE CLIP IS WITHDRAWN

Improvement at Boston, Owing to Better Foreign Advices and Increased Buying—Active Bidding at London Auction.

PENDLETON, Or., May 26.—(Special.)—Nine out of ten clips offered at the Pilot Rock wool sales today were taken by the buyers at prices ranging from 10¼ to 13¾ cents. The total number of pounds sold was something over 200,000. The average price paid was about half a cent higher than that paid at the Pendleton sales yesterday, the reason being that the Pilot Rock wool is all from foothill flocks and free from sand.

The clip on which the bids were all refused was only a 12,000-pound one.

BOSTON WOOL MARKET IMPROVES.

Due to Better Foreign Advices and Increased Buying.

BOSTON, May 26.—There is a better feeling in the local wool trade, due to improved foreign advices and increased buying. Sales during the past week have run higher than for some months, half a million pounds of Ohio and Michigan quarter blood fleece going at 21c to 22c. The movement in new Arizona clip has reached over 500,000 pounds.

California—Northern, 43@45c; middle country, 37@38c; Southern, 47@48c; Fall free, 30@32c.

Oregon—Eastern No. 1 staple, 53@55c; Eastern No. 1 clothing, 48@50c; valley No. 1, 38@40c.

Territory—Fine staple, 53@55c; fine medium staple, 50@52c; fine medium clothing, 48@48c; fine clothing, 45@50c; half blood, 45@46c; three-eighths blood, 44@45c; half blood, 42@43c.

Pulled—Extras, 56@57c; fine A, 50@52½c; A supers, 44@45c.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, May 26.—A good selection, amounting to 13,182 bales, was offered at the wool auction sales today. Merinos sold briskly and a large supply of cross breds brought forward ruled in sellers' favor. New Zealand greasies were in keen demand for home trade, but faulty scoureds were irregular. Americans bought New Zealand greasy half bloods and fine cross breds combings.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, May 26.—Wool, dull. Territory and Western mediums, 12@15c; fine medium, 10@13c; fine, 9@11c.

BOND MARKET IMPROVES

QUICK SALES OF NEW BURLINGTON ISSUE.

Stocks Decline as Wheat Prices Advance—Contraction in the Volume of Dealings.

NEW YORK, May 26.—The signal contraction of the volume of the stock market was the most notable feature about it today. Dullness overcame the dealings after the experimental attempt to continue the advance yesterday. When it became manifest that no important operations were following this rise in prices, it was concluded that the sponsors for the market were satisfied with the protection they had afforded against the acute depression at the end of last week. Their manifest disinclination to follow the advance with buying prompted the late fresh outpouring of stocks.

Some influence was allowed to the sale of Chicago, Burlington & Quincy bonds as the cause of the early advance in prices. The intention to issue these bonds had not been heard of when the market closed yesterday and the subscription of $16,000,000 was announced almost as soon as business had commenced. The subscription price was 95½, as compared with 96 at which the Pennsylvania is were sold. Modifying conditions in the transaction were the large amount of the total authorization for the new issue, $300,000,000, being larger than has ever been authorized by an American railroad, and the lower lien of the Burlington bond. The difference was indicated in the price at which the new bonds were sold "when issued" on the curb, the first sale at 98 being subsequently shaded to below 97, while in the case of Pennsylvania bonds, par value was reached before the subscriptions were closed. The quick sale of the offering and the price realised for it were judged by bond men to represent an improvement over the bond market position, as compared with the Pennsylvania sales. The deductions drawn from the incident were considered important. A free supply of capital for fixed investment was inferred.

London was a free seller of stocks here early in the day. Reports of flood damage and the sensitiveness of the commodities markets to crop news were not regarded favorably. Declines in discount rates in London and Berlin marked the decreasing force of the probable demand for gold on New York. At the same time, Western money markets reported a gradual change in the course of the currency movement which marks the approach of the crop-moving season. Any further decline in interest rates here seems to be arrested, although there is no positive rise in rates yet to report.

The late break in prices was a direct response to the contrary movement in the price of wheat.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,298,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Adams' Express				181
Amal Copper	28,000	65¾	63½	63¾
Am Car & Foun.	1,100	36½	35¾	35¾
do preferred				96¾
Am Cotton Oil	700	31	30¾	29¾
do preferred				90
Am Express				190
Am Hid & Lt pf				18⅞
American Ice	8,700	28½	26	27
Am Linseed Oil				19
do preferred				33
Am Locomotive	800	49½	48¾	48
do preferred				102
Am Smelt & Ref	25,100	73⅝	72⅜	72¾
do preferred	900	97½	97	97¼
Am Sugar Ref	700	128¾	127½	127⅝
Am Tobacco ctfs.	300	90	90	90
Anaconda Min Co	3,900	41¼	40	40
Atchison	8,900	81½	80¾	80½
do preferred	800	93½	92¾	90¾
Atl Gulf & W I	800	90	87	87
Balt & Ohio	3,400	89¼	87¾	87⅝
do preferred				84½
Brook Rap Tran	1,100	51½	49¾	49¾
Canadian Pacific	2,400	158¾	156¼	156½
Central of N J	100			185
Ches & Ohio	8,600	44½	43¾	43½
Chi Gt Western	600	6¾	6¾	6½
Chicago & N W	1,900	152¾	151¼	151
C M & St Paul	30,200	135¾	129¾	129¾
Chi Terre & Tran				8
do preferred				25
C. C. C & St L				57
Colo Fuel & Iron	3,100	28½	27	26⅞
Colo & Southern	700	32	31½	31⅝
do 1st preferred	200	50½	50¼	50
do 2d preferred	100	49¾	49¾	49
Consolidated Gas	700	125½	123¾	123¾
Corn Products	300	16¾	16	16
do preferred				69
Del & Hudson	200	159¾	159	159
Del, Lack & West				340
D & R Grande	100	25	25	25
do preferred	100	64	64	64
Distillers' Securi	200	34¾	34¼	34¼
Erie	8,400	22¾	21¾	21¾
do 1st preferred	6,100	40¾	39¾	39
do 2d preferred	800	29½	28	27
General Electric	700	136	135	133½
Illinois Central	1,100	136¼	134¾	133¾
Int Paper	400	11½	10¾	10¾
do preferred				66
Int Pump	600	23¾	22	22¼
do preferred				72
Iowa Central	800	16¾	16	16¼
do preferred	200	34	34	33½
K C Southern	500	24	22	22
do preferred	300	58	55½	55
Louis & Nashville	2,500	107½	105	105
Mexican Central				18½
Minn. & St Louis	200	29¾	29¾	29¾
M, St P & S S M	100	111	111	111
do preferred				138
Missouri Pacific	3,800	59¾	58¾	58⅝
Mo, Kan & Texas	3,400	25	24	24¼
do preferred	200	61¾	61¼	60⅞
National Lead	34,900	68¾	65¾	65¾
Mex Nat R R pf				18½
N Y Central	2,000	104¼	102⅝	102¾
N Y, Ont & West	1,200	40¾	39¼	48½
Norfolk & West	500	70	69¼	69¼
do preferred				80
North American	900	60	59½	59½
Pacific Mail	1,300	27	26	26
Pennsylvania	14,900	121¾	119¼	119¾
People's Gas	100	91½	91½	91½
P, C C & St L				79
Pressed Steel Car	400	27¾	27½	27¾
do preferred				83
Reading	162,300	114	110⅝	110⅝
do 1st preferred				81½
do 2d preferred	200	88½	88	87
Republic Steel	500	18	17½	17½
do preferred	200	67½	67¼	67½
St L & S F 2 pf				29⅜
St L Southwest	100	15¾	15¼	15
do preferred	100	37½	37½	38½
Southern Pacific	18,000	85¾	83	83
do preferred	100	118½	118½	118¾
Southern Railway	500	17⅜	16½	16½
do preferred	1,900	45¾	44½	44
Texas & Pacific	1,000	24½	23¾	23½
Tol, St L & West				18½
do preferred	600	45¾	45½	43⅝
Union Pacific	187,600	146⅜	142¼	142⅝
do preferred				88
U S Express				55
U S Realty	300	52	52	51
U S Rubber	200	25½	25¼	25
do preferred				90½
U S Steel	49,300	37¾	36½	36½
do preferred	5,300	101¾	100¾	100⅝
Va-Caro Chemical	100	23	23	24
Wabash	700	13	12½	12¾
do preferred	1,200	26½	25¼	25¾
Wells-Fargo Ex				205
Westinghouse Elec	800	61½	59	59
Western Union	100	58	58	58
Wheel & L Erie	700	10	9	9½
Wisconsin Central	100	17¼	17½	18½
do preferred				39
Northern Pacific	18,700	133¾	130¾	130¾
Central Leather	600	24¾	24⅛	24¾
do preferred	200	94¼	94¼	94½
Sloss-Sheffield				49¾
Gt Northern pf	10,200	129½	127½	127½
Inter Met	4,000	12¾	12	11¾
do preferred	5,700	33¾	31¾	31¾
Utah Copper	700	81¾	81	81
Tenn Copper	700	37¾	36¾	37¼

Total sales for the day, 602,500 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, May 26.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	103¼	N Y C G 3½s	90
do coupon	103¾	North Pacific 3s	71½
U. S. 3s reg.	100¾	North Pacific 4s	101½
do coupon	100¾	South Pacific 4s	88¾
U. S. new 4s reg.	120	Union Pacific 4s	101¾
do coupon	122	Wisn Cent 4s	85
Atchison adj. 4s	88½	Japanese 4s	78¼
D & R G 4s	93¾		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, May 26.—Consols for money, 80 9-16; do for account, 80⅝.

Anaconda	8.37½	do pref	73.00
Atchison	83.25	Ont & West	39.75
do pref	95.00	Ont & West	39.75
Can Pacific	162.25	Pennsylvania	62.25
Chi Grt West	7.00	Rand Mines	6.00
C, M. & P.	157.00	Reading	58.25
De Beers	10.62½	Southern Ry	18.37½
D & R G	25.50	do pref	45.50
Erie	22.75	South Pacific	87.62½
do 1st pf	42.00	Union Pacific	149.25
Grand Trunk	17.50	do pref	85.00
Ill Central	139.00	U. S. Steel	38.37½
L & N	109.50	do pref	104.00
Mo. K. & T.	28.62½	Wabash	13.75
N Y Central	107.00	do pref	28.37½
Norfk & Wes	71.50	Spanish 4s	92.50

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, May 26.—Money on call easy, at 1¼@1¾ per cent; ruling rate, 1¾ per cent; closing bid, 1¼ per cent; offered at 1¾ per cent.

Time loans very dull and steady; 60 days, 2¼@2¾ per cent; 90 days, 2¾@3 per cent; six months, 3¼@3½ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange steady with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8710 for demand and at $4.8525 for 60-day bills. Commercial bills, $4.84¾.

Bar silver, 53¾c.

Mexican dollars, 47c.

Bonds, Government steady; railroads irregular.

LONDON, May 26.—Bar silver steady, 25 11-16d per ounce.

Money, 1@1¼ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1¾@1¾ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for three months' bills is 1¾@1¾ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—Silver bars, 53¾c; drafts, sight, 9 per cent; drafts, telegraph, 9½ per cent.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.85¾; sight, $4.87¾.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, May 26.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances shows:

Available cash balance, $237,168,257; gold coin and bullion, $14,488,567; gold certificates, $45,719,450.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Quoted Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

Former conditions prevailed in the livestock market yesterday. Sheep were weak, with only the best merinos at top quotations. Lambs held steady. There was an active demand for the best grades of cattle with the medium grades slow. Prime fat hogs were in strong demand. Receipts were 110 cattle.

The following quotations were current on livestock in the local market yesterday:

Cattle—Best steers, $5; medium, $4.50@4.75; common, $3.50@4; cows, best, $4.50@5.00.

Hogs—Best, $6@6.25; medium, $5.75@6. Sheep—Best sheared wethers, $4@4.25; mixed, $3.75@4; Spring lambs, $5.

Eastern Livestock Markets.

OMAHA, May 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 3100. Market slow and 10@15c lower. Native steers, $4.50@6.75; cows and heifers, $3.00@5.85; Western steers, $5.50@6.00; Texas steers, $4.75@5.25; range cows and heifers, $2.75@4.50; canners, $2.00@3.50; stockers and feeders, $3.00@5.25; calves, $3.25@6.25; bulls and stags, $3.00@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,100. Market shade stronger. Heavy, $5.15@5.25; mixed, $5.12½@5.15; light, $5.10@5.17½; pigs, $4.25@5.00; bulk of sales, $5.12½@5.17½.

Sheep—Receipts, $3500. Market steady. Yearlings, $4.75@5.25; wethers, $4.50@5.00; ewes, $4.00@4.35; lambs, $5.75@6.50.

CHICAGO, May 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 2000. Market steady. Beeves, $4.75@6.50; Texans, $4.50@5.65; Westerns, $4.50@5.75; stockers and feeders, $3.40@5.35; cows and heifers, $2.40@5.10; calves, $5.00@6.50.

Hogs—Receipts, about 10,000. Market steady. Lights, $5.15@5.45; mixed, $5.15@5.47½; heavy, $5.19@5.45; rough, $5.10@5.25; good to choice heavy, $5.20@5.45; pigs, $4.00@4.90; bulk of sales, $5.30@5.40.

Sheep—Receipts, about 1200. Market steady. Natives, $3.50@5.20; Westerns, $3.60@5.15; heavy, $5.50@6.50; lambs, $4.50@6.75; Western lambs, $4.50@6.70.

KANSAS CITY, May 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 8000. Market steady to 10c lower. Native steers, $5.00@7.00; native cows and heifers, $2.75@6.40; stockers and feeders, $3.25@5.25; bulls, $3.00@5.25; calves, $3.50@6.00; Western steers, $4.75@6.50; Western cows, $3.25@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 22,000. Market steady to 5c lower. Bulk of sales, $5.10@5.35; heavy, $5.25@5.40; packers and butchers, $5.20@5.35; light, $5.05@5.20; pigs, $4.00@4.25.

Sheep—Receipts, 8000. Market steady. Muttons, $4.00@4.40; lambs, $5.50@6.50; range wethers, $4.00@4.25; fed ewes, $3.50@4.10.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 26.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Vegetables—Garlic, 5@6c; green peas, $1.25@2.25; string beans, 3@6c; asparagus, 3@7c; tomatoes, $1.50@1.75; eggplant, 12½@15c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 24c; creamery seconds, 23c; fancy dairy, 22c.

Cheese—New, 11@11½c; Young America, 13@13½c.

Eggs—Store, 20½c; fancy ranch, 22c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $3.50@4.50; roosters, young, $7.50@10; broilers, small, $2.50@3.50; broilers, large, $3.50@4.50; fryers, $6@7; hens, $4@7; ducks, old, $4@5; young, $5@7.

Millstuffs—Bran, $32@33; middlings, $33@36.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 20c; Mountain, 4@8c; South Plains and San Joaquin, 8@11c.

Hops—New and old crops, 1½@6c; contracts, 8@12c.

Hay—Wheat, $16@19; wheat and oats, $16@18.50; alfalfa, $9@14; stock, $9@10; straw, per bale, 55@90c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.75; common, 60c; bananas, $1@3.50; Mexican limes, $3@6.50; California lemons, choice, $2.50; common, 75c; oranges, navels, $2.25@3.50; pineapples, $2@6.

Potatoes—Sweets, $2.50@3; Oregon Burbanks, $1@1.50.

Receipts—Flour, 4032 quarter sacks; wheat, 30 centals; barley, 2370 centals; oats, 960 centals; corn, 65 centals; potatoes, 3070 sacks; middlings, 632 sacks; hay, 250 tons; wool, 5 bales; hides, 830.

SHORTS BUY FREELY

July Wheat Advances 2 Cents at Chicago.

VERY STRONG AT CLOSE

Large Decrease in Visible Supply and Unfavorable Weather Cause the Strength—Jump of Over 5 Cents in May Corn.

CHICAGO, May 26.—The wheat market opened weak because of the failure of the market at Liverpool to respond to yesterday's advance here. During the first half of the session the market was nervous and moved easily in either direction. Toward the middle of the day, however, shorts began to buy freely and the market was strong from that time until the close. Dry weather in Hungary,