WHEAT FOR STORAGE

Country Buyers Trying to Start the Movement.

TRANSACTIONS ARE SMALL

Some Demand for Old Bluestem in the Local Market—Watermelon Prices Are Shaded—Peaches Are Very Scarce.

The amount of business under way in new wheat in the interior is not large. Very few farmers are disposed to sell at this time and the full prices offered in some localities do not produce business. Country buyers are trying to stimulate the movement of wheat to their warehouses and this is probably the reason for most of the offers that have been made this week.

There is a moderate local inquiry for old bluestem, principally from milling sources, and as only a limited quantity is available a premium is offered for it. At the Board of Trade yesterday there were bids of 89, 90 and 91 cents for old bluestem wheat.

December wheat was the interesting feature of the Board of Trade. The bidding was active but buyers and sellers were still 2 cents apart in their views and no inquiry resulted. Wheat for that delivery was offered at 89@90 cents and 86@87 cents was bid. September wheat opened and closed at Thursday's prices.

Oats and barley were very firm. For September oats $1.20 was bid and $1.22½ was offered for December, being an advance of 5 cents over Thursday's closing price. For barley, $1.15 was offered for both months.

Receipts for the day were 1 car and 630 sacks wheat, 2 cars and 314 sacks oats and 4 cars hay.

The range of futures was as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
Sept.	$ .85	$ .88	$ .83	$ .88
Dec.	.86	.90	.86	.87
OATS.				
Sept.	1.17½	1.20	1.17½	1.20
Dec.	1.22½	....	....	1.22½
BARLEY.				
Sept.	1.15	....	....	1.15
Dec.	1.15	....	....	1.15

CALIFORNIA FRUIT MOVEMENT.

Pear Shipments Are Now the Heaviest of the Season.

The movement of California deciduous fruits is reported by the California Fruit Distributors as follows:

Peaches, 116 cars—The shipment for the next seven days will remain steady. Early Crawfords are getting pretty well along but other yellow frees, Ethertas and some Clings will go forward. The Elbertas are reported as being especially nice this year.

Plums and Prunes, 140 cars—The shipment has remained steady for the week with a slight decrease. There will be a slight decrease for the next seven days. Quality of this fruit going forward now is generally very nice.

Pears, 364 cars—There was a slight increase in the shipment of Bartletts during the week on account of the fact that the Suisun district commenced shipping liberally before expected. Bartletts have, however, reached the apex and while the shipment will remain reasonably steady at any change there will be a tendency to decrease. Quality is O. K. in all respects, everything that could be desired, clean and smooth, no worms, no smut and fairly good size. We will have a goodly quantity of all varieties of Fall pears as well as a number of cars of fancy Winter stock.

Grapes, 40 cars—Thompson Seedless are going forward liberally in straight carload lots. Other early varieties coming in in more or less quantities. The later grapes are all reported as doing nicely and are giving splendid promise of being fine in all respects for shipping and keeping. Although some report from burn has been received we have no reason as yet to cut down former estimates in regard to the total crop available for shipment.

HOP CROP CONDITIONS IN ENGLAND

Prospects as Viewed by the Merchants and Factors of London.

The latest circulars of the English hop trade, like the plantation reports in the English papers, show the hop crop to be in generally good condition. The circulars follow:

Cattley, Gridley & Co., London—The genial rains which have fallen during the past week have further benefited the plantations, especially those on the shallower soils. The temperature has been somewhat lower, and this has to some extent stopped the rapid progress of the bine. Some little vermin and mould are reported, but at present there is nothing to cause any alarm. Continental and American prospects are also on the whole favorable. Market quotations are unaltered, and trade is principally of a hand-to-mouth character. Very few good hops are now left in first hands.

Wild, Neame & Co., London—Trade continues dull and uninteresting. There is a general sprinkling of fly in the plantations, and washing is taking place in most districts.

Manger & Hentey, London—The inquiry for hops continues and some good business has followed. The bine has been considerably checked by the cold nights, and does not look anything like so favorable for a crop as it did a fortnight ago. Some growers are washing, fearing the increase of vermin of the last few days.

W. H. & Le May, London—There is no alteration to report in our market; a small retail trade is doing and prices remain nominal.

J. H. Meredith & Co., Worcester—Warm rains have refreshed the plantations and the bine continues to make vigorous growth with pin already beginning to show for burr on some of the earlier sorts. Blight has not entirely disappeared, but growers have to study strict economy and washing is only being continued in a few grounds.

WATERMELON PRICES ARE DECLINING

Peaches the Scarcest Article in Fruit Line on Front Street.

Six cars of watermelons came in yesterday and with the heavy receipts of Thursday weakened the market. Quotations ranged from 90 cents to $1.25 loose, with the usual additional crated charge. Cantaloupes were steady and unchanged.

Peaches were very scarce and firm. The receipts were only a few shipments of Oregons of small size, which, however, sold readily at 85@90 cents. A mixed car of California Crawfords and Elberts is due Monday. Pears were in light supply. Loganberries were scarce and other berries fairly plentiful.

ALL DESCRIPTIONS OF POULTRY WEAK

Local Egg Receipts Falling Off—Seattle Buying Cheese.

The poultry market continued very weak yesterday and hens were sold at 12½ cents, while some dealers cut Springs to 15 cents.

Egg receipts were 400 cases Eastern and 170 cases local. The market was strong for fresh stock and extras were firmly held at 25 cents, with firsts steady at 23@24 cents.

Butter receipts were 83 boxes. The market was firm for all descriptions.

The feature of the cheese market was the continued buying of Seattle. At the Board of Trade 100 cases of Tillamook twins were offered at 12¾ cents.

Olives and Syrup Advance.

An advance of 10 cents per gallon in bulk olives was announced yesterday. Syrup advanced 2 to 5 cents per gallon.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Board of Trade Grain Quotations.

WHEAT—Track prices: Club, 83c per bushel; forty-fold, 87c; red Russian, 83c; bluestem, 89c; Valley, 86c.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.85 per barrel; straights, $4.05@4.55; exports, $3.70; Valley, $4.45; ¼-sack graham, $4.40; whole wheat, $4.65; rye, $5.50.

BARLEY—Feed $23.50 per ton; rolled, $25@26; brewing, $26.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26.00 per ton; middlings, $30.50; shorts, country, $28.50; city, $28; U. S. Mill chop, $22.

OATS—No. 1 white, $26.50 per ton; gray, $26.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $14 per ton; Willamette Valley, ordinary, $11; Eastern Oregon, $16.50; mixed, $13; alfalfa, $11; alfalfa meal, $20.

Vegetables and Fruit.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, new California, $1.50 per box; cherries, 3@10c per lb.; peaches, 85@$1 per box; prunes, $1 per crate; Bartlett pears, $1.75 per box; plums, 40@50c per box; grapes, $1.50@1.75 per crate.

BERRIES—Raspberries, $1 per crate; loganberries, $1 per crate; blackberries, $1@1.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, Mediterranean sweets, $3@3.75 per box; Valencia Oranges, $4@4.25 per box; lemons, fancy, $5@5.50 per box; choice, $4.50@5; standard, $2 per box; grapefruit, choice to fancy, $3.50 per box; bananas, 5½@6c per pound.

POTATOES—New, $1@1.25 per 100 lbs.; old Oregon, 75c per 100 pounds; sweet potatoes, 6½c per pound.

MELONS — Cantaloupes, $2@2.50 per crate; watermelons, 90c@1.25 per 100 loose; crated, ¼c per pound additional; casabas, $2.75 per dozen.

ONIONS—California red, $1.25 per sack; Walla Walla, $1.50; garlic, 10c per pound.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.50 per sack; carrots, $1.75; parsnips, $1.75; beets, $1.50.

VEGETABLES—Beans, 7c per pound; cabbage, 2c per pound; corn, 50c per doz.; cucumbers, hothouse, 35@40c per dozen; outdoor, $1.00 per box; eggplants, 17½c per pound; lettuce, head, 15c per dozen; parsley, 15c per dozen; peas, 4c per pound; peppers, 10c per pound; radishes, 12½c per dozen; rhubarb, 1@2c per pound; spinach, 2c per pound; tomatoes, 75c@$1.25 per crate; celery, $1.25 dozen; artichokes, 75c dozen.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—Extras, 27½c per pound; fancy, 25c; choice, 20c; store, 18c.

EGGS—Oregon extras, 25c; firsts, 23@24c; seconds, 22@22½c; thirds, 15@20c; Eastern, 23@24c per dozen.

CHEESE—Fancy cream twins, 14½c per pound; full cream triplets, 14½c; full cream Young America, 15½c.

POULTRY—Mixed chickens, 11c lb.; fancy hens, 12@13½c; roosters, 9@10c; Spring, 15@16c; ducks, old, 8c; Spring, 12@12½c; geese, old, $7; goslings, 10@11c; turkeys, old, 18@19c; young, 20@24c.

VEAL—Extra, 8@8½c per lb.; ordinary, 7@7½c; heavy, 5c.

PORK—Fancy, 7c per lb.; ordinary, 6c; large, 5c.

MUTTON—Fancy, 8@9c.

Provisions.

HAMS—10 to 15 lbs., 17c; 14 to 16 lbs., 16½c; 18 to 20 lbs., 16½c; hams, skinned, 16c; picnics, 11c; cottage roll, 12c; shoulders, 12c; boiled ham, 24c; boiled picnic, 19c.

BACON—Fancy, 23½c per lb.; standard, 19½c; choice, 15½c; English, 17½c; strips, 15c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 11½c, smoked, 12½c; short clear backs, dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 13½c; Oregon experts, bellies, dry salt, 13½c, smoked, 14½c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 13½c; tubs, 13½c; 50s, 13½c; 20s, 13½c; 10s, 14c; 5s, 14½c; 3s, 14c. Standard, pure: Tierces, 12½c; tubs, 12½c; 50s, 12½c; 20s, 12½c; 10s, 13c; 5s, 13½c. Compounds: Tierces, 8½c; tubs, 8¾c; 50s, 8¾c; 20s, 8¾c; 10s, 9¼c; 5s, 9½c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 70c; dried beef sets, 16c; dried beef outsides, 15c; dried beef insides, 18c; dried beef knuckles, 15c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $13; pigs' tongues, $19.50; lambs' tongues, $23; S. P. beef tongues, $20; pig snouts, $12.50; pig ears, $12.50.

MESS MEATS—Beef, specials, $13 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; pork, $21 per barrel; brisket, $25 per barrel.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 7½c per pound; peaches, 12@12½c; prunes, Italian, 5½@5¾c; prunes, French, 3@5c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white, fancy, 50-pound boxes, 6½c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12@14c per pound; Columbia Roast, 14c; Arbuckle, $16.50; Lion, $15.75.

RICE—Southern Japan, 5¾c; head, 8c; Imperial Japan, 6½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; flats, $2.25; 1-pound flats, $2.40; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockleye, 1-pound talls, $2.

SUGAR—Granulated, $6.25; extra C, $5.75; golden C, $5.65; fruit and berry sugar, $6.25; plain bag, $6.05; beet granulated, $5.75; cubes, barrels, $6.65; powdered (barrels), $6.50. Terms: On remittance within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days, and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 16½@18c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; 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, $14.50 per ton, $2 per bale; half ground, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s, $10.50 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 5¼c; large white, 5¼c; pink, 4½c; bayou, 4c; Lima, 6c; Mexican red, 4¾c.

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.

GRAIN BAGS—6½c each.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1907, prime and choice, 4½@5c per pound; olds, 2@2½c per pound; contracts, 9@10c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, average best, 19@16½c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 15@15½c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 18@18½c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 14c pound; dry kip, No. 1, 13c pound; dry salted, one-third less; dry calf, 13c pound; salted steers, 7@8c pound; salted cows, 6c pound; stags and bulls, 4c pound; kip, 6c pound; calf, 10@11c pound; green stock, ½c less; sheepskins, shearlings, 10@25c; short wool, 30@40c; medium and long wool, according to quality, 50@90c; dry horses, 50c@1.50; dry colt, 25c; angora, 80c@$1; goat, common, 10@20c.

FURS—No. 1 skins Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, each, $5.00@10; cubs, each, $1@3; badger, prime, each, 25@50c; cat, wild, with head perfect, 30@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; fisher, each, $5@8; lynx, each, $4.50@6; mink, strictly No. 1, each, according to size, $1@3; marten, dark northern, according to size and color, each, $10@15; marten, pale, according to size and color, each, $2.50@4; muskrat, large, each, 12@15c; skunk, each, 20@40c; civet or polecat, each, 5@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $6@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@5; raccoon, for prime large, each, 50@75c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, $3.50@5.00; prairie (coyote), 60c@$1.10; wolverine, each, $6@8.00.

CASCARA BARK—New, 3½c; carloads, 4c; old, 4c; carloads, 4½c per pound.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, July 31.—The London tin market was higher today with spot closing at £138 10s and futures at £139 15s. The local market was quiet, but higher in sympathy with the foreign advance, spot being quoted at 30.50@31c.

There was a further slight gain in the London copper market, with spot closing at £59 17s 6d and futures at £60 10s 6d. Locally the market was firm and a shade higher, with Lake quoted at 13.12½@13.37½c; electrolytic, 13@13.25c, and casting, 12.75@13c.

Lead closed at £13 3s 6d in London. The market locally was also firm and higher at 4.40@4.45c.

Spelter was lower at £18 17s 6d in London, but the local market was firm and unchanged, at 4.70@4.75c.

Iron was unchanged locally.

London Sheepskin Sales.

LONDON, July 31.—A sale of sheepskins was held today and 118,584 skins were offered, of which 79,452 were sold. The moderate supply and condition of the offerings seemed to be fairly satisfactory. The attendance was good, though competition was chiefly confined to the home trade. Longwooled realized ⅛@¼ dearer while shortwooled sold at unchanged prices. Shorn showed ¼ to ¼ over last sale. Coarse was in better demand and sold ¼ dearer.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 757,932	$107,119
Seattle	1,146,329	228,584
Tacoma	659,804	43,558
Spokane	824,603	123,039

FORM COPPER POOLS

Syndicates to Operate in Most Prominent Stocks.

INDUSTRIAL LIST HIGHER

Gould Group Strengthened by Report of Settlement of Wheeling & Lake Erie Financial Trouble—Bonds Are Steady.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Today's desultory speculation centered in the copper stocks and other industrials. The effect of the general list was distinct but moderate, except for the late bulge in Reading. The feature of the market was the scarcity of stocks offered so that the advances were made on comparatively light dealings.

There were rumors in circulation of the formation of speculative pools to operate in some of the most prominent copper stocks. The movement was widespread, affecting Amalgamated Copper, and, abroad, Rio Tinto, the principal foreign producing company. Minor copper stocks moved in company, both on the stock exchange and in the outside market. American Smelting and National Lead showed their usual close sympathy with the movement in this group of securities. The interest shown in the rest of the market was somewhat languid and lapsed with the pauses of the buying of the coppers.

The Gould stocks were first to move outside of the coppers. The announcement that provision had been made to meet the $8,000,000 obligation of Wheeling & Lake Erie notes maturing tomorrow gave some strength to the group, although the impression remained strong that the principal benefits from this settlement will accrue to other properties. No authoritative information was forthcoming of the terms which had induced banking relief for in the situation, but it was supposed that the Harriman interests were insured some advantage for their properties in the operation of the Gould lines.

Not much attention was paid to reports of rust damage to wheat in the Dakotas, the large offerings of wheat for sale serving to discredit these reports to an extent. Developments in the money situation were not important. The Reading movement held up prices elsewhere after they had begun to sag.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, $3,356,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Amal Copper	57,300	77¾	76½	77¼
Am Car & Foun	2,000	39¾	39¼	39¾
do preferred	....	....	....	101½
Am Cotton Oil	600	34	33¾	33½
Am Hd & Lt pf	....	....	....	20½
Am Ice Securi	1,500	28¾	27¾	28½
Am Linseed Oil	....	....	....	10½
Am Locomotive	12,800	56½	55¾	56
do preferred	....	....	....	106
Am Smelt & Ref	45,700	90½	88	89¾
do preferred	400	108	107½	107½
Am Sugar Ref	3,200	132¾	131	132
Am Tobacco	500	96	95	95
Am Woolen	100	24¾	24¾	24¾
Anaconda Min Co	20,800	48¼	46¾	47¼
Atchison	5,500	87½	86¾	87¾
do preferred	100	93½	93½	93½
Atl Coast Line	400	96¾	93	92½
Balt & Ohio	400	92	91¾	91¾
do preferred	....	....	....	81
Brook Rap Tran	5,800	51¾	51	51½
Canadian Pacific	4,600	174¾	173½	174¼
Central Leather	200	27¾	27¾	28
do preferred	....	....	....	96½
Central of N J	....	....	....	290
Ches & Ohio	600	43¼	43¼	43¼
Chi Gt Western	1,700	7¼	6¾	7
Chicago & N W	1,900	160¾	158	159¾
C. C. C. & St L	19,300	141¾	140	141½
C, C, C & St L	....	....	....	55½
Colo Fuel & Iron	2,600	32½	31¾	32¾
Colo & Southern	900	32¼	32	32
do 1st preferred	400	61¾	61¾	61¾
do 2d preferred	400	52	52	51½
Consolidated Gas	800	139¾	138¾	139¼
Corn Products	2,900	19¾	19	19¼
Del & Hudson	2,300	169	167¼	168¾
D & R Grande	100	27¾	27¾	27½
do preferred	300	67	66	66
Distillers' Securi	2,100	35¾	34¾	35
Erie	12,100	25	24	24¾
do 1st preferred	1,200	41¾	40	41¼
do 2d preferred	800	31	30	30¾
General Electric	300	148	146½	146½
Gt Northern pf	10,400	137	135¾	136¾
Gt Northern Ore	3,300	68	67½	67¾
Illinois Central	2,400	142½	141	142¾
Interborough Met	100	11¼	11¼	11¼
do preferred	500	32	31¼	31¾
Int Paper	200	10¾	10¾	10½
do preferred	....	....	....	56½
Int Pump	2,100	24	22½	22¾
Iowa Central	....	....	....	17½
K C Southern	700	25¼	25	25¼
do preferred	100	57¼	57¼	57¼
Louis & Nashville	200	109¾	108¼	109
Mexican Central	....	....	....	14
Minn & St Louis	....	....	....	28
M, St P & S S M	1,400	116¾	115	116¼
Missouri Pacific	1,100	56¾	55¼	56¾
Mo, Kan & Texas	3,800	31¾	31¼	31¾
do preferred	....	....	....	63¾
National Lead	15,200	73	71	72¼
N Y Central	1,800	108¼	107¾	108¼
N Y Ont & West	1,400	42¼	41	42¼
Norfolk & West	500	73½	73½	73½
North American	800	65¾	65¼	65¾
Northern Pacific	9,300	141¾	140¾	141¾
Pacific Mail	500	25	24½	25
Pennsylvania	22,300	125¾	124½	125¾
People's Gas	....	....	....	94¾
P, C, C & St L	....	....	....	75
Pressed Steel Car	800	33½	33½	33¾
Pullman Pal Car	....	....	....	168
Ry Steel Spring	200	45	44½	44¾
Reading	166,500	122¼	117¾	121¾
Republic Steel	300	21	21	20¾
do preferred	500	73¾	73¾	73¾
Rock Island Co	700	17¾	17¾	17¾
do preferred	3,500	33¾	33½	33¾
St L & S F 2d pf	300	28¾	28½	28¾
St L Southwestern	700	18¾	18¼	18¾
do preferred	800	41½	40¾	41½
Sloss-Sheffield	500	62¼	61½	62¼
Southern Pacific	17,700	93¾	92¼	93
do preferred	....	....	....	118¾
Southern Railway	300	19	18¾	18¾
do preferred	900	56¾	48½	56¾
Tenn Copper	8,100	40	38	38¼
Texas & Pacific	2,600	25½	25¼	25
Tol, St L & West	....	....	....	22½
do preferred	800	49¾	48¾	49¾
Union Pacific	108,500	155¼	152¾	155¼
do preferred	700	82½	82½	82½
U S Rubber	800	31	29¾	30¾
do 1st preferred	1,700	97½	97	97
U S Steel	42,100	45½	44½	45¾
do preferred	3,000	109	108½	108¾
Utah Copper	5,200	40½	39¾	40¼
Va-Caro Chemical	400	25½	24¾	25
do preferred	....	....	....	101½
Wabash	900	12¾	12¼	12½
do preferred	3,800	28¾	27¾	28
Westinghouse Elec	600	77¼	76¾	76¾
Western Union	400	55¾	55	55
Wheel & L Erie	600	10	9½	9¾
Wisconsin Central	200	21½	21¼	21½

Total sales for the day, 601,500 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Closing quotations:

U S. ref. 2s reg	103¾	N Y C G 3½s	91¼
do coupon	103¾	North Pacific 3s	72½
U. S. 3s reg	100	North Pacific 4s	101¾
do coupon	100¾	South Pacific 4s	88
U S new 4s reg	120¼	Union Pacific 4s	102
do coupon	122¼	Wisconsin Cent 4s	83
Atchison adj 4s	89¼	Japanese 4s	79
D & P G 4s	92		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, July 31.—Consols for money, 86¾; do for account, 86¾.

Anaconda	26.00	N. Y. Central	110.00
Atchison	89.00	Norfik & Wes	75.50
do pref	96.00	do pref	82.00
Balt & Ohio	94.00	Ont & West	43.00
Can Pacific	178.00	Pennsylvania	64.00
Ches & Ohio	44.00	Rand Mines	6.00
Chi Grt West	7.00	Reading	60.50
C. M. & S. P.	144.00	Southern Ry	19.62½
De Beers	19.75	do pref	50.00
D & R G	28.50	South Pacific	94.62½
do pref	67.50	Union Pacific	157.75
Erie	24.87½	do pref	86.00
do 1st pf	41.50	U. S. Steel	46.00
do 2d pf	31.00	do pref	111.50
Grand Trunk	18.37½	Wabash	13.50
Ill Central	142.00	do pref	28.50
L & N	111.00	Spanish 4s	92.75
Mo, K & T	32.87½	Amal Copper	79.00

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, July 31.—Money on call easy, 1@1¼ per cent; ruling rate, 1 per cent; closing bid, 1 per cent; offered at 1¼ per cent. Time loans, fairly firm, dull; 60 days, 2 per cent; 90 days, 2½ per cent; six months, 4 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8680 for demand and at $4.8330 for 60-day bills.

Commercial bills, $4.84¾@4.85.

Bar silver, 52½c.

Mexican dollars, 45c.

Bonds, Government, steady; railroads, steady.

LONDON, July 31.—Bar silver, steady, 23 3-16d per ounce.

Money, ¾@1 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1¼@1 7-16 per cent; for three months' bills, 1¼ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31.—Silver bars, 22¾c.

Mexican dollars, nominal.

Drafts, sight, 10c; telegraph, 12½c.

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

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Today's treasury balances statement shows:

Available cash balances	$206,460,337
Gold coin and bullion	45,981,112
Gold certificates	34,582,390

Government Cotton Report.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—The average condition of cotton was 83 per cent on July 25, as against 81.2 a month ago and 75 a year ago today, according to the report of the Department of Agriculture given out today. The condition on July 25 of previous years was 82.9 in 1906, 74.9 in 1905, 81.4 for the past ten years.

NEW ORLEAIS, July 31.—While the crop condition report of 83 per cent, issued by the Government today, was regarded by the local trade as decidedly less bearish than expected, it did not have a very bullish effect on the market. The active months advanced 7 points, following the announcement of the report, but reaction followed and prices sank to the former level.

MILLERS NEED WHEAT

STRONG DEMAND AT SEATTLE, BUT WILL NOT PAY UP.

Barley Higher and Oats Firm. Poultry Received From Portland Weakens Market.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 31.—(Special.)—New wheat is needed here to run the flour mills. There is practically no old grain in the city and millers will not pay the prices demanded by the growers for what little they have left. There was a firm feeling all around in wheat. The State Grain Inspector's office today reiterated its 60 per cent estimate made on July 15 and insists that despite reports of heavy yields, the total crop will not be above the first estimate.

Oats and barley are firm. Barley is 50 cents higher than last week, at $23.50 for August and September delivery.

Oregon cherries are about all that is in the market at present. Commission men state they have to depend upon Southern shippers, owing to light receipts from local and Eastern Washington points.

Local potatoes are in heavier supply and weaker. Good stock can be had at $20 per ton.

All kinds of berries are disappearing from the market. Few supplies are being brought from California at present.

Owing to quite heavy shipments of live hens from Portland today, the poultry market turned weak, but did not break.

Veal dealers state that there should be a refrigerator car service between Portland and Seattle, which would admit of bringing in Oregon veal in hot weather, when the market is usually bare here.

The total Puget Sound sockeye salmon pack to date is 40,000 cases. The British Columbia pack Saturday was 130,000 cases.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 31.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Millstuffs—Bran, $28@31; middlings, $32.50@35.

Vegetables—Cucumbers, 40@75c; garlic, 4@5c; green peas, 2@3c; string beans, 3@6c; asparagus, 50@85c; tomatoes, 30@75c; eggplant, 75@85c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 23c; creamery seconds, 22c; fancy dairy, 20½c; dairy seconds, 20c.

Cheese—New, 10½@11½c; Young America, 12½@13c.

Eggs—Store, 28c; fancy ranch, 29c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $5.50@6.50; roosters, young, $5@8; broilers, small, $2.50@3; broilers, large, $3@4; fryers, $4.50@5; hens, $5.50@5.50; ducks, old, $4@5; young, $5@6.50.

Honey—Strong. Humboldt and Mendocino, 13@18c; Mountain, 4@8c; South Plains and San Joaquin, 7@9c; Nevada, 9@12c.

Hay—Wheat, $14@18; wheat and oats, $12@16; alfalfa, $11@13.50; stock, $8@10; straw, per bale, 30@75c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.15; common, 40c; bananas, $1@3.50; Mexican limes, $4@5; California lemons, choice, $3.25; common, $1; oranges, navels, $2.50@3.50; pineapples, $1.50@3.

Potatoes—Early Rose, 75@85c; sweets, 4@4½c.

Receipts—Flour, 5280 quarter sacks; wheat, 140 centals; barley, 3690 centals; potatoes, 2950 sacks; middlings, 100 sacks; hay, 290 tons; wool, 60 bales; hides, 380.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

There was a good market yesterday for cattle and hogs, but lambs continued weak. Prices may not decline, however, unless the quality of the offerings should be unsatisfactory. Values were unchanged throughout the week. Receipts were 50 cattle, 340 sheep, 350 lambs, 180 hogs and 35 calves.

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

CATTLE—Best steers, $5.63@5.85; medium, $3.50@3.75; common, $2.25@3.50; cows, best, $2.50@2.75; medium, $2.25@2.50; calves, $4@5.

SHEEP—Best wethers, $3.50; mixed, $3.25@3.50; ewes, $3; Spring lambs, $4@4.50.

HOGS—Best, $6.50@6.75; lights, $5.75@6; stockers, $5.50@5.75.

Eastern Livestock Prices.

CHICAGO, July 31.—Cattle—Receipts, about 1500; market, steady. Beeves, $3.90@7.80; Texans, $3.60@5.25; Westerns, $4.80@5.90; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.50; cows and heifers, $1.50@5.80; calves, $5.50@7.25.

Hogs—Receipts, about 10,000; market, 10@20c higher. Lights, $6.15@6.90; mixed, $6.25@7; heavy, $6.20@7.05; rough, $6.20@6.45; good to choice heavy, $6.45@7.05; pigs, $5.40@6.50; bulk of sales, $6.45@6.75.

Sheep—Receipts, about 6000; market, strong. Natives, $2.60@4.65; Westerns, $2.65@4.70; yearlings, $4.50@5.15; lambs, $4.50@6.60; Westerns, $4.50@6.80.

SOUTH OMAHA, July 31.—Cattle—Receipts, 800; market, steady. Native steers, $4.25@7.50; native cows and heifers, $2.75@4.75; Western steers, $3.50@5.40; Texas steers, $3@4.60; range cows and heifers, $2.50@4.00; canners, $2@2.85; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4.80; calves, $3@5.75; bulls and stags, $2.50@4.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 4800; market, 10@15c higher. Heavy, $6.45@6.60; mixed, $6.40@6.45; light, $6.35@6.45; pigs, $5.50@6.15; bulk of sales, $6.40@6.45.

Sheep—Receipts, 4500; market, strong to 10c higher. Yearlings, $4.25@5; wethers, $3.75@4.35; ewes, $3.25@4.25; lambs, $6@6.50.

KANSAS CITY, July 31.—Cattle—Receipts 2900, including 1000 Southerns; market, steady. Native steers, $4@6.25; native cows and heifers, $2@4.25; stockers and feeders, $3@4.75; bulls, $2@4; calves, $4@6.25; Western steers, $3.75@6; Western cows, $2@3.75.

Hogs—Receipts, 5000; market, 10@15c higher. Bulk of sales, $6.00@6.80; heavy, $6.80@6.90; packers and butchers, $6.60@6.85; light, $6.40@6.75; pigs, $5@5.60.

Sheep—Receipts, 2000; market, steady. Muttons, $4@4.60; lambs, $4.20@6.25; range wethers, $3.75@4.40; fed ewes, $3.25@4.25.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, July 31.—The market for evaporated apples is quiet, but steady on spot with fancy quoted at 10@10½c; choice, 8@8½c; prime, 6¾@7¼c, and common to fair at 5½@6½c.

Prunes are higher on the Coast but spot quotations are unchanged, ranging 3½ to 13c for California, and 5 to 7c for Oregons.

Apricots are scarce with choice quoted at 8¾@9c; extra choice, 9½@10c, and fancy, 10½@11c.

Peaches are firm with choice quoted at 8½@8¾c; extra choice, 9@9¼c; fancy, 10@10½c; extra fancy, 10½@11c.

Raisins are in better demand with loose muscatels quoted at 4¼@6¼c; choice to fancy seeded, 6@7½c; seedless, 5@6c; London layers, $1.25@1.35.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, July 31.—The coffee futures market closed steady at a net loss of 5@15 points. Sales were reported of 26,000 bags, including August at 5.80@5.70c; September, 5.60@5.65c; October, 5.50c; December, 5.50@5.55c; January, 5.60c; March, 5.50@5.55c; May, 5.60c. Spot, quiet; Rio No. 7, 6½c; Santos No. 4, 8¾c. Mild, dull; Cordova, 9¾@12½c.

Sugar—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3.73c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.25c; molasses sugar, 3.45@3.50c. Refined, quiet; crushed, 6c; powdered, 5.40c; granulated, 5.30c.

BLIGHT NOT SEVERE

Rust Damage Reports Are Contradicted.

CAUSES HEAVY MARKET

Crop Said to Be Too Far Advanced to Be Seriously Injured—Chicago Prices Near Lowest Point at Close.

CHICAGO, July 31.—The wheat market opened easy and became weaker as trading progressed, the close being at almost the low point of the day. Additional black rust reports were received from the Northwest, but many advices were also received claiming that the new crop is now too far advanced to be seriously injured by the blight. The denials of damage