FIX STORAGE RATES

Grain Men Appear Before Washington Commission.

TO HAVE UNIFORM RECEIPT

Stronger Demand for Spot Hops Sends the Oregon Market Higher—Produce Supplies Full in All Lines.

A party of Portland grain men returned from Tacoma yesterday, where they attended a hearing of the Washington State Railroad Commission. The warehouse companies operating in Washington had been invited to send representatives to the meeting, which was called for the purpose of adopting a uniform country warehouse receipt and fixing handling and storage charges. There was a full representation of all the leading companies.

The question of a uniform warehouse receipt was first taken up and was fully discussed, the main points being agreed upon.

In the matter of storage charges, most of the representatives were of the opinion that the present charge of 75 cents a ton was fully justified. The representatives of the Pacific Coast Elevator Company and the Puget Sound Warehouse Company, however, stated that they thought the charge should be 50 cents a ton; though the representative of the Puget Sound Warehouse Company admitted that the charge was insufficient. The matter was thoroughly discussed and the Commissioners stated that they would arrive at a decision at an early date.

The Portland grain men present at the hearing were R. Kennedy, of the Pacific Coast Elevator Company; Thomas Kerr and N. A. Seach, of Kerr, Gifford & Co.; A. Cohn, of the Northern Grain & Warehouse Company, and D. A. Pattullo, of Balfour, Guthrie & Co.

Foreign Grain Shipments.

The local grain market was dull yesterday, with prices unchanged.

The Merchants' Exchange reported foreign wheat shipments as follows:

Argentine shipments, 1,424,000 bushels; last week, 2,656,000 bushels; last year, 2,836,000 bushels. India shipments, 2,464,000 bushels; last week, 1,512,000 bushels; last year, nothing.

Local receipts, in cars, were reported by the Merchants' Exchange as follows:

	Wheat	Barley	Flour	Oats	Hay
June 12-13	1	1	13	4	9
June 14	1	1	7	..	4
June 15	5	..	7	..	2
June 16	2	..	3	..	2
June 17	4	..	8	2	4
Total last week	15	..	51	11	50

CARLOAD OF CANTALOUPES IS COMING.

Strawberries in Lighter Supply and Firm. Cherries More Plentiful.

A straight car of cantaloupes, the first of the season, is on the way to Portland from Brawley, Cal., and is due to arrive here Monday. Small shipments of cantaloupes have been coming in regularly and they are now selling at $4@4.50 per crate.

Strawberries were not very plentiful and were firm. Magoons sold on the public market at $1.50. Shipping stock was quoted on the street at $1.75@2. Cherries are arriving more freely from The Dalles, Royal Annes moving at 10 cents a pound and blacks are bringing 6@7 cents. Apricots were in demand and quoted at $1.15@1.25. Peaches were scarce and firm at $1@1.25. A car of Florida pineapples was received. A car of California loganberries went through to the Sound.

Merced tomatoes are in better supply and are quoted at $1.25@1.50 per box. Mississippi tomatoes are selling at $1.75. Another car of Mississippi stock is yet to arrive.

SPOT HOPS IN STRONG DEMAND.

Fifteen Cents Freely Offered for Futures. Foreign Conditions.

The strength of the local hop market is shown by the advanced prices of spot hops, which are obtainable, rather than by the bulge in contracts, which cannot be secured. Offers of 10½ cents have been made in the past two days to several growers for 1908 hops. Dealers freely offered 15 cents for 1909 contracts, but without success.

A California letter reported the sale of 300 bales of 1908 Sacramentos at 7½ cents. Another letter stated the growing crop in California is in excellent condition and estimated at 85,000 bales.

A cable from Ironmonger, of London, to Isaac Pincus & Sons, of Tacoma, said:

"Reports not so favorable. Vermin increasing. About 50 per cent of growers spraying thoroughly. Weather continues to improve, but is too cold. Crop of 1908, Pacifics, dull; English firm. Brewers' trade dull."

Another London cable to the same firm follows:

"Hops backward. Growers spraying unsuccessfully. Brewers' trade dull. Growers holding for higher prices."

Poultry Demand Not Strong.

Poultry is not moving as briskly as last week. Receipts are large and while everything cleans up, it is with some difficulty that present prices are being maintained.

Eggs are also going into consumption slowly.

Butter cleans up well and cheese is firm.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,165,122	$132,619
Seattle	1,501,220	180,430
Tacoma	906,230	114,538
Spokane	1,140,241	201,005

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Track prices: Bluestem milling, $1.30@1.35; club, $1.20@1.22½; Valley, $1.17.

FLOUR—Patents, $6.25 per barrel; straights, $5.30; exports, $4.70; Valley, $5.30; graham, $5.00; whole wheat, quarters, $5.80.

CORN—Whole, $35 per ton; cracked, $36 per ton.

BARLEY—Feed, $34@35 per ton.

OATS—No. 1 white, $41@42 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $26.50 per ton; middlings, $33; shorts, $29@32; chop, $24@30; rolled barley, $36@37.

HAY—Timothy, Willamette Valley, $17@20 per ton; Eastern Oregon, $20@23.

Vegetables and Fruits.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, $1@2.50 per box; strawberries, $1.50@2 per crate; cherries, California, $1@1.65 per box; Oregon, 6@10c per pound; gooseberries, 5@6c per pound; peaches, $1@1.25 per box; apricots, $1.15@1.25 per box; plums, $1@1.50 per box; cantaloupes, $4@4.50 per crate.

POTATOES—Jobbing price, $1.25@2 per hundred; new California, 3@3½c per lb.

SACK VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.50 per sack; carrots, $1.75.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Oranges, navels, $2.25@3.25 per box; lemons, $3@4.25; grape fruit, $3.50@4 per box; bananas, 5@5½c per pound; pineapples, $2@3.50 per dozen.

ONIONS—Bermuda, $1.25@1.50 per crate; red, $1.25@1.50 per sack.

VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 50@60c doz.; asparagus, 75@90c per dozen; beans 7@10c; cabbage, 2c per pound; cauliflower, $3 per crate; corn, 25c per dozen; cucumbers, 50c @1.25 per dozen; lettuce, hothouse, $1.50 per box; lettuce, head, 25c per dozen; onions, 12½@15c per dozen; parsley, 35c per dozen; peas, 3@5c per pound; radishes, 15c per dozen; rhubarb, 3@3½c per pound; spinach, 5c per pound; squash, 75c@$1.25; tomatoes, $1.25@1.75 per crate.

Dairy and Country Produce.

BUTTER—City creamery, extras, 26½c; fancy outside creamery, 25@26½c per lb.; store, 18c. (Butter fat prices average 1½c per pound under regular butter prices.)

EGGS—Aregon ranch, 24@24½c per dozen.

POULTRY—Hens, 13½@14c; Springs, 18c; roosters, 8@9c; ducks, young, 16@17c; geese, 9@10c; turkeys, 18c; squabs, $2@2.25 per dozen.

CHEESE—Full cream twins, 16c per pound; young Americas, 17c.

PORK—Fancy, 10c per pound.

VEAL—Extras, 8½@9c per pound; ordinary, 7c; heavy, 6c.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, Etc.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, 9¾c per lb.; peaches, 7¾@8c; prunes, Italians, 5¼@6¼c; prunes, French, 4@6c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white fancy, 50-lb. boxes, 6¼c; dates, 7¾@7½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-lb., talls, $2 per dozen; 2-lb. talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10½; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 90c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12¾@16c per lb.

NUTS—Walnuts, 12@13c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 15c; peanuts, 7c; almonds, 13@14c; chestnuts, Italian, 11c; peanuts, raw, 5¾c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SUGAR—Granulated, $6.05; extra C, $5.55; golden C, $5.45; fruit and berry sugar, $6.05; Honolulu plantation, fine grain, $6; plain bag, $5.85; cubes (barrel), $6.45; powdered (barrel), $6.30. Terms, on remittances within 15 days, deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—Granulated, $13 per ton, $1.90 per bale; half ground, 100s, $7.50 per ton; 50s, $8 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 8c; large white, 6¼c; Lima, 5¼c; bayou, 6½c; red kidney, 4½c; pink, 4¼c.

Provisions.

BACON—Fancy, 24c per pound; standard, 19½c; choice, 18½c; English, 16@18c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 13¾c; smoked, 14¾c; short clear backs, heavy dry salted, 13¾c; smoked, 14¾c; Oregon exports dry salted, 14¾c; smoked, 15¾c.

HAMS—10 to 18 lbs., 16¼c; 14 to 16 lbs., 16¼c; 18 to 20 lbs., 16¼c; hams, skinned, 15½c; picnics, 11c; cottage roll, 12c; shoulders, 11c; boiled hams, 22@23c; boiled picnics, 19c.

LARD—Kettle rendered, 10s, 15¾c; 5s, 15⅞c; standard pure: 10s, 14¾c; 5s, 14⅞c; choice, 10s, 13c; 5s, 13¼c. Compound, 10s, 9¼c; 5s, 9⅜c.

SMOKED BEEF—Beef tongues, each, 60c; dried beef sets, 19c; dried beef outsides, 17c; dried beef insides, 21c; dried beef knuckles, 20c.

PICKLED GOODS—Barrels: Pigs' feet, $13; regular tripe, $10; honeycomb tripe, $12; pigs' tongues, $19.50.

BARRELED MEATS—Mess beef, $12 per barrel; plate, $14 per barrel; family, $14 per barrel; mess pork, $20 per barrel; brisket, $22 per barrel.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1909 contracts, 15c per pound; 1908 crop, 10@11c; 1907 crop, 5@5½c; 1906 crop, 2@2¾c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, 16@23c per pound; Valley, fine, 23c; coarse, 21½c.

MOHAIR—Choice, 24@25c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16@17c lb.; dry kip, No. 1, 15@16c pound; dry calfskin, 18@19c pound; salted hides, 9@9½c; salted calfskin, 13@15c pound; green, 1c less.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Angora goat, $1 to $1.25; badger, 25@50c; bear, $6@20; beaver, $6.50@8.50; cat, wild, 75c@1.50; cougar, perfect head and claws, $5@10; fisher, dark, $7.50@11; pale, $4.90@7; fox, cross, $3 to $5; fox, gray, 60@80c; fox, red, $3@5; fox, silver, $35 to $100; lynx, $8@15; marten, dark, $8@12; mink, $3.50@5.50; muskrat, 15@25c; otter, $2.50@4; raccoon, 60@75c; sea otter, $100@250, as to size and color; skunks, 55@80c; civet, cat, 10@15c; wolf, $2@3; coyote, 75c@$1.25; wolverine, dark, $3@5; wolverine, pale, $2@2.50.

CASCARA BARK—Per pound, 5 cents.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKETS.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

The recent heavy receipts of cattle, many of them inferior in quality, led to a reduction of 10 to 15 cents in prices at the yards yesterday. There was a fair demand for good sheep, but poor stock moved slowly. Hogs were firm. Receipts for the day were 80 cattle, 70 hogs and 82 horses.

Late sales at the yards included 348 ewes averaging 103 pounds, at $3.75; 681 wethers averaging 103 pounds, at $4.25; 158 lambs averaging 68 pounds, at $5.25; 135 sheep averaging 107 pounds, at $4.15; 19 steers averaging 1052 pounds, at $4.50; 9 cows averaging 944 pounds, at $3.50; 72 hogs averaging 187 pounds, at $8; 206 lambs averaging 65 pounds, at $5; 26 sheep averaging 127 pounds, at $3.50; 50 steers averaging 1157 pounds, at $5.00; 2 bulls averaging 1462 pounds, at $3; 52 lambs averaging 64 pounds, at $4.75; 52 lambs averaging 64 pounds, at $4.75; 87 hogs averaging 177 pounds, at $8; 59 lambs, averaging 71 pounds, at $4.75; 79 sheep averaging 115 pounds, at $3; 52 sheep averaging 101 pounds, at $3.75; 84 sheep averaging 96 pounds, at $3.25; 129 sheep, averaging 91 pounds, at $3.25; 88 ewes averaging 90 pounds, at $2.50; 188 lambs averaging 65 pounds, at $5; 60 lambs averaging 58 pounds, at $4.

Local prices quoted at the yards yesterday were as follows:

CATTLE—Steers, top, $4.50@4.60; fair to good, $4.25@4.40; common, $4@4.15; cows, top, $3.75@3.85; fair to good, $3.25@3.50; common to medium, $2.50@3; calves, top, $5@5.50; heavy, $3.50@4; bulls and stags, $2.75@3.25; common, $2@2.50.

HOGS—Best, $8@8.15; fair to good, $7.50@7.75; stockers, $6@6.50; China fats, $6.75@7.

SHEEP—Top wethers, $4; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; ewes, ½c less on all grades; yearlings, best, $4.15; fair to good $3.75@4; Spring lambs, $4.75@5.25.

Eastern Livestock Markets.

CHICAGO, June 18.—Cattle—Receipts, estimated, 15,000; market, steady. Beeves, $5.20@7.25; Texas steers, $4.65@6.25; Western steers, $4.75@6.30; stockers and feeders, $3.60@5.50; cows and heifers, $2.50@6.30; calves, $5.75@6.75.

Hogs—Receipts, estimated, 14,000; market, 5c higher. Light, $7.30@7.90; mixed, $7.45@8.10; heavy, $7.55@8.15; rough, $7.55@7.75; good to choice heavy, $7.75@8.15; pigs, $6.25@7.15; bulk of sales, $7.65@8.

Sheep—Receipts, estimated, 8000, market, steady. Native, $3.75@6; Western, $3.75@5.90; yearlings, $6@7; lambs, native, $5@8.25; Western, $5.75@8.25.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Millstuffs—Bran, $28.50@30; middlings, $33@35.

Potatoes—Oregon Burbanks, $1.75@2; Salinas Burbanks, nominal; sweets, nominal.

Vegetables — Hothouse cucumbers, 50@65c; garlic, 4@5c; green peas, $1@1.50; string beans, 2@3¼c; tomatoes, 40@65c; eggplant, 7@10c; asparagus, $1@2; red onions, 40@50c.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 26½c; creamery seconds, 25½c; fancy dairy, 24c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4@5; young, $8@10; broilers, small, $2.50@3; broilers, large, $3.50@4.50; fryers, $5.50@6.50; hens, $5@10; ducks, old, $5@5.50; young, $6@8.

Eggs—Store, 25c; fancy ranch, 27c.

Cheese—New, 12½@13½c; young America, 15½@16c.

Wool—South Plains and San Joaquin, 12@17c; Mountain, 6@12c; Nevada, 12@20c.

Hay—Wheat, $15@19; wheat and oats, $16@17.50; alfalfa, nominal; stock, $8@9; barley, $11@14; straw, per bale, 50@80c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.50; common, 25c; bananas, 75c@$2.00; limes, $4@5; lemons, choice, $3; commons, $1; oranges, $1.50@3; pineapples, $2@3.

Hops—New crop, 10@14c.

Receipts—Flour, 1380 sacks; wheat, 70 centals; barley, 6170 centals; oats, 1025 centals; beans, 404 sacks; corn, 45 centals; potatoes, 2940 sacks; bran, 65 sacks; middlings 20 sacks; hay, 1051 tons; wool, 308 bales; hides, 470.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Coffee futures closed quiet, net unchanged to 10 points lower. Sales 1000 bags, including June and July at 5.40c, September 5.90c, March 5.80c, May 5.85c. Spot coffee quiet. No. 7 Rio 7⅞@8c; No. 4 Santos, 9@9¼c; mild quiet; Cordova, 9¾@12¾c.

Sugar—Raw weak; fair refining, 3.36@3.42c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3.86@3.92c; molasses sugar, 3.11@3.17c. Refined, quiet; crushed, 5.65c; powdered, 5.05c; granulated, 4.95c.

CHECK THE DECLINE

Bears Worsted in Stock Market Contest.

BUT NO ADVANCE MADE

Departure of Many Financiers Responsible for the Decreased Activity—French Bankers Loaded Up With Steel.

NEW YORK, June 18.—The contest between opposing forces in the stock market today was quite lively while it lasted, but it was over in the course of the first hour of trading. The forces supporting prices against further fall established control in that time, but having done so, seemed disposed to discontinue operations.

The list of successive departures from the financial district of persons of influence is taken as partial explanation of the diminished activity. It is surmised that some of the heavy selling this week has been in preparation of such departures by closing up of outstanding speculative accounts in stocks.

London markets, acording to reports, are indulging in conjectures over what is to become of the United States Steel stock accumulated by French bankers in preparation for the expected listing on the Paris Bourse, and the prediction is made that the reselling of that stock would involve a renewal of shipments of gold from New York to Paris.

Another reduction in the London price of copper and the reported renewal of the war on freight rates were unfavorable incidents of the day.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $3,207,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Allis Chalmers pf	300	52	51⅞	51¾
Amal Copper	28,800	81⅝	79¾	81¼
Am Agricultural	1,000	42	41¾	41½
Am Beet Sugar	33,400	44¼	42⅝	43¾
Am Can pf	1,800	82	81	81¾
Am Car & Foun.	2,000	55	54⅝	55
Am Cotton Oil	33,000	73⅜	72	73½
Am Hd & Lt pf.	700	42¾	41½	41⅝
Am Ice Securi	1,400	40	39	39½
Am Linseed Oil	5,100	17⅜	16⅝	17¼
Am Locomotive	1,600	58½	57⅝	58¼
Am Smelt & Ref.	16,900	91⅛	89⅞	91⅛
do preferred	200	109½	109½	109¾
Am Sugar Ref.	2,300	125⅜	124½	124½
Am Tel & Tel	2,500	141⅝	140⅝	141
Am Tobacco pf	200	101	101	100½
Am Woolen	200	34½	34½	34¼
Anaconda Min Co.	1,800	49	47½	48⅛
Atchison	27,500	114⅞	112⅞	114½
do preferred	100	105	105	104⅝
Atl Coast Line	400	132	132	131
Balt & Ohio	4,100	117¼	116⅝	117¼
do preferred	100	94⅝	94⅝	94½
Bethlehem Steel	700	29	28⅝	28¾
Brook Rap Tran.	2,300	78½	77⅛	78½
Canadian Pacific	1,000	181½	180⅝	181½
Central Leather	34,200	32⅝	31	32
do preferred	1,100	104⅞	104	104
Central of N J	......	......	......	290½
Ches & Ohio	1,600	76¼	75⅝	76⅝
Chicago & Alton	500	68	67½	67½
Chicago Gt West	1,600	3¼	3	2⅞
Chicago & N W	500	183	182	182⅞
C, M & St Paul	6,000	152⅞	151⅝	152½
C, C, C & St L	200	74	74	75
Colo Fuel & Iron	1,200	42⅞	41⅝	42½
Colo & Southern	200	57½	57½	57½
do 1st preferred	300	81	81	81
do 2d preferred	500	80¼	80¼	80¼
Consolidated Gas	3,400	141⅝	140¼	141¼
Corn Products	6,100	23⅛	22⅝	22⅞
Del & Hudson	600	188½	188½	188½
D & R Grande	1,600	49½	48¼	48½
do preferred	600	89	88½	88
Distillers' Securi	600	38⅝	38⅛	38⅜
Erie	3,900	35½	34⅝	34⅞
do 1st preferred	2,600	52⅞	52	52¼
do 2d preferred	300	43	43	42½
General Electric	400	160¼	160	160
Gt Northern pf	5,900	148⅝	147½	148
Gt Northern Ore	2,400	76⅝	75	76
Illinois Central	500	148	147⅝	147⅝
Interborough Met.	8,500	17¼	16⅝	16⅝
do preferred	10,100	48⅝	46½	47⅛
Inter Harvester	......	......	......	84
Inter-Marine pf	400	23¼	23½	23½
Int Paper	200	15	15	15
Int Pump	400	39⅝	39⅜	39⅝
Iowa Central	900	30½	29	30
K C Southern	2,800	45	44½	44½
do preferred	100	72⅞	72⅞	72¼
Louis & Nashville	200	140⅝	140½	140½
Minn & St L	300	56¼	55½	55½
M, St P & S S M	......	......	......	137⅞
Missouri Pacific	500	74	73⅝	73⅝
Mo, Kan & Texas	4,800	41½	41	41⅛
do preferred	......	......	......	73½
National Biscuit	......	......	......	105½
National Lead	800	84	83⅝	84
Mex Nat Ry 1st pf	......	......	......	50
N Y Central	25,300	134	132½	133⅝
N Y, Ont & West	2,400	53⅝	52⅝	53¼
Norfolk & West	800	89½	89¼	89½
North American	1,000	84	83½	83⅝
Northern Pacific	8,700	151⅝	150½	150⅝
Pacific Mail	200	29⅞	29½	29¾
Pennsylvania	5,700	136½	135⅞	136
People's Gas	600	113½	113	113¾
P, C C & St L	300	92	92	92
Pressed Steel Car	1,400	42	41¼	42
Pullman Pal Car	......	......	......	188
Ry Steel Spring	......	......	......	43¼
Reading	66,300	152¼	150⅝	151¼
Republic Steel	1,100	30½	30¼	30⅝
do preferred	800	106½	106	106½
Rock Island Co	14,700	31	29⅞	30⅞
do preferred	900	70	69¼	69½
St L & S F 2 pf	1,400	43	43	42½
St L Southwestern	1,000	68¼	68	68⅛
Sloss-Sheffield	500	82	80	82
Southern Pacific	36,800	130½	129	129⅝
do preferred	1,100	132¼	131⅝	131½
Southern Railway	6,100	30¼	29⅝	30⅛
do preferred	500	68	67½	67½
Tenn Copper	100	39½	39½	39½
Texas & Pacific	3,900	35½	34½	35
Tol, St L & West	300	49⅝	49½	47⅝
do preferred	300	68½	68	68
Union Pacific	40,400	191⅝	190	191
do preferred	800	97	97	97
U S Realty	......	......	......	81
U S Rubber	300	38⅛	38	38¼
U S Steel	79,700	67⅛	66¼	66⅝
do preferred	2,400	123⅝	122¾	123⅛
Utah Copper	1,000	50¼	49¼	50
Va-Caro Chemical	3,300	54¼	52⅞	53⅝
Wabash	400	22¼	21⅞	21⅝
do preferred	22,900	58	56⅝	57⅛
Western Md	900	19	18½	18½
Westinghouse Elec	1,600	84	83	83½
Western Union	1,400	73¼	73	73½
Wheel & L Erie	200	10½	10	10½
Wisconsin Central	......	......	......	57½

Total sales for the day, 623,200 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	101½	N Y C G 3½s	92⅝
do coupon	102	North Pacific 3s.	74½
U. S. 3s reg.	101½	North Pacific 4s.	102⅝
do coupon	102	Union Pacific 4s.	103
U S new 4s reg.	118⅛	Wiscon Cent 4s.	93¼
do coupon	121	Japanese 4s	87⅛
D & R G 4s	92½		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, June 18.—Consols for money, 84 5-16; do for account, 84⅜.

Anaconda	9⅞	N. Y. Central	133¾
Atchison	116⅛	Norfolk & West.	91⅝
do pref.	107	do pref.	90
Balt & Ohio	119⅞	Ont & Western	53¾
Can Pacific	185½	Pennsylvania	69½
Ches & Ohio	77⅛	Rand Mines	108
Chi Grt West	2⅝	Reading	77¼
C. M. & S. P.	155½	Southern Ry	30⅝
De Beers	14⅝	do pref.	69
D & R G	50	South Pacific	131¼
do pref.	89½	Union Pacific	195½
Erie	35½	do pref.	100
do 1st pf.	53½	U. S. Steel	68¼
do 2d pf.	43½	do pref.	125⅝
Grand Trunk	23⅝	Wabash	22¾
Ill Central	150½	do pref.	58½
L & N	145½	Spanish 4s	97⅛
Mo K & T	42½	Amal Copper	82½

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4 per cent.

Sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8525@4.8535 for 60-day bills and at $4.8795 for demand. Commercial bills, $4.85½@4.86.

Bar silver, 52¼c.

Mexican dollars, 44c.

Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, irregular.

Money on call, easy at 1½@1⅞ per cent; ruling rate, closing bid and offered at 1¾ per cent. Time loans slightly easier; 60 days, 2¼@2½ per cent; 90 days, 2½@2¾ per cent; six months, 3¼ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.86⅝; sight, $4.88¼.

Silver bars, 52¼c.

Mexican dollars, 47c.

Drafts—Sight, 1c; telegraph, 3c.

LONDON, June 18.—Bar silver, 24½c.

Money, ¾@1 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1¾@1 13-16 per cent; for three months' bills, 1¾@1 13-16 per cent.

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SHORTS SELLING FREELY

Favorable Weather Conditions for Harvesting Are the Chief Bearish Factor in the Chicago Grain Pit.

CHICAGO, June 18.—The wheat market was heavy all day and, with the exception of the May option, all deliveries declined more than one cent from the high point. The distant deliveries displayed a show of firmness at the start, owing to light shipments from Argentina during the week and to reports of damage there to wheat by drought, but weather conditions in the Winter wheat belt at home were too favorable for harvest for the market to retain this firmness for any length of time. Prompted by the bright outlook for the new crop, shorts began to hammer the market shortly after the opening and continued to sell freely the greater part of the day, causing a steady decline. Cash houses reported that offerings of new wheat in the country were increasing daily and that the demand for cash grain was rather slack. Declines at the Northwestern grain centers had a weakening influence.

During the day the July delivery sold between $1.13¾@1.13⅞ and $1.15⅝. Prices rallied a little from the bottom late in the day on covering by shorts, but the close was weak, with July at $1.14⅜.

The corn market was firm at the start, but the favorable outlook for the new crop resulted in sharp declines in all deliveries. The market closed weak with prices off ⅝c to ⅝@¾c, compared with the previous close.

Oats displayed slight firmness at the opening, in sympathy with corn, but the market soon became weak. At the close prices were ¼c to ⅜c lower than yesterday's final figures.

Provisions closed firm, with prices unchanged to 15c higher, compared with the previous close.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July	$1.15⅝	$1.15⅝	$1.13⅞	$1.15⅜
Sept.	1.08	1.08	1.06⅝	1.07⅜
Dec.	1.06⅝	1.06¾	1.05⅝	1.06⅛

CORN.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July	.72⅜	.72⅜	.71½	.71⅞
Sept.	.70⅜	.70⅜	.68⅞	.69
Dec.	.59	.59⅛	.58¼	.58⅜

OATS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July	.51⅝	.51⅝	.50	.50½
Sept.	.43½	.43½	.42⅞	.43⅛
Dec.	.43⅞	.43⅞	.43¼	.43⅜

MESS PORK.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July	20.55	20.65	20.55	20.57½
Sept.	20.75	20.90	20.75	20.80

LARD.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July	11.90	11.95	11.90	11.92½
Sept.	11.92½	12.02½	11.92½	11.97½

SHORT RIBS.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
July	11.20	11.20	11.15	11.15
Sept.	11.10	11.17½	11.10	11.12½

Flour—Easy.

Rye—No. 2, 87c.

Barley—Feed or mixing, 78@79c; fair to choice malting, 79½@81c.

Flax seed—No. 1 Southwestern, $1.55¾; No. 1 Northwestern, $1.65¾.

Timothy seed—$3.90.

Clover—$10.25.

Pork—Mess, per barrel, $20.55@20.60.

Lard—Per 100 lbs., $11.92½.

Short ribs—Sides (loose), $11.10@11.20.

Sides—Short, clear (boxed), $11.50@11.75.

Grain statistics:

Total clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 54,000 bushels. Exports for the week, as shown by Bradstreet's, were equal to 1,089,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 230,000 bushels, compared with 423,000 bushels the corresponding day a year ago. Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Corn, 244 cars; oats, 146 cars; hogs, 13,000 head.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	16,300	75,100
Wheat, bushels	2,400	54,000
Corn, bushels	221,300	82,000
Oats, bushels	181,500	266,000
Rye, bushels	3,000	....
Barley, bushels	61,500	8,100

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Flour—Receipts 10,900 barrels; exports 5500 barrels; dull and barely steady. Wheat—Receipts 2400 bushels. Spot easy; No. 2 red old, $1.50 nominal; elevator, No. 2 red old, $1.50 nominal; new $1.17⅞ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth $1.35⅝, nominal f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard Winter $1.13⅝, nominal, f. o. b. afloat. Brilliant crop prospects, coupled with larger offerings of new wheat, encouraged bears to hammer the market severely today, and prices broke over a cent a bushel. In an effort to cover near the close, half the loss was regained and final prices showed ½c to ⅝c net loss. July closed $1.22½; September $1.14⅜; December $1.13¼.

Hops and hides—Firm.

Wool and petroleum—Steady.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 18.—Wheat, unchanged. Barley, weak.

Spot quotations—Wheat, shipping, $2.10@2.15; milling, $2.10@2.20. Barley, feed, $1.37½@1.42½; brewing, nominal. Oats, red, $2.10@2.20; white, $2.15@2.20; black, nominal.

Call-board sales—Wheat, no trading; barley, December, $1.38. Corn, large yellow, $1.87½.

Wheat at Seattle.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 18.—No milling quotations. Export wheat—Bluestem, $1.24; club, $1.14, red $1.09. Receipts—Wheat, three cars.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, June 18.—Cargoes firm, nothing doing. Walla Walla on passage at 35s.

English country markets quiet; French country markets firmer.

LIVERPOOL, June 18.—Wheat, July, 8s 11⅜d; September, 8s 5¼d; December, 8s 3¼d. Weather cloudy.

Wheat at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., June 18.—Wheat—Milling: Bluestem, $1.30@1.35; club, $1.14. Export: Bluestem, $1.24; club, $1.14; red, $1.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Evaporated apples, steady; fancy, 8¾@9¼c; choice, 7½@8c; prime, 6¾@7¼c; common to fair, 6@6½c.

No improvement is reported in the demand for spot prunes, but diminishing stocks of old goods and talk of another short crop promote firmness in the present holders. Quotations range from 2¾ to 11½c for California, and from 6 to 9c for Oregon fruit.

Apricots, firm; choice, 9@10⅛c; extra choice, 10½@10¾c; fancy, 11@13c.

Peaches, unchanged; choice, 5½@6c; extra choice, 6¼@6¾c; fancy, 7@8½c.

Raisins steady; loose Muscatels, 3½@4½c; choice to fancy seeded, 4¾@6c; seedless, 3¾@5½c, and London layers, $1.15@1.20.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, June 18.—Butter, easy; creameries, 22½@26c; dairies, 20@24c. Eggs steady at mark, cases included, 19c; firsts 20c; prime firsts, 21½c. Cheese, strong; daisies, 14@14¼c; twins, 14@14¼c; Young Americas, 14½@14¾c; long horns, 14c.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Butter—Unsettled; creamery specials, 26@26½c; thirds to extras, 21@25½c.

Cheese—Steady, unchanged.

Eggs—Steady.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, June 18.—Wool, quiet. Territory and Western mediums, 24@28c; fine mediums, 21@24c; fine, 15@22c.

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