TRANSACTIONS IN THE FINANCIAL WORLD

EVAPORATED 'COTS HAVE ADVANCED

MARKET FOR APRICOTS IS RULING STRONG ON ACCOUNT OF A LARGE SHORTAGE IN THE YIELD OF 1903 —MANY CHANGES MADE IN A MONTH.

Storm Causes Scarcity of Razor Clams—Fish Dealers Complain that the Close Season Works a Hardship on Them While Their Idaho Brethren Reap the Benefits—Taxed for Something They Do Not Receive—Business Very Quiet.

Evaporated Apricots Advance.

The quotations on evaporated apricots have been showing a steady tone of late and prices have been advancing.

Front Street, Oct. 6.—A shortage in the apricot yield during the past season is the cause of several late advances in the market price of that product. The yield of apricots in California during the season was much shorter than for many previous seasons. The price has shown several cents' advance during the past month. Today's advance will amount to about three-quarters of a cent a pound.

Storm Causes Scarcity.

A storm on the Pacific has caused a scarcity in the clam markets in this city. Receipts of salmon from the lower Columbia are again smaller and it is now difficult to get a sufficient amount of local fish to supply the ever-increasing demand.

Close Season Hurts Trade.

"The close season on salmon is a farce," says a well-known fish dealer, "inasmuch as it does not accomplish the object sought after. While the fishermen of this state and Washington are compelled to lie idly by and watch the salmon go up the river the fishermen up in Idaho gather in as much fish as they want. The closing of the season here does not make the fish any more plentiful in the river, for the fish run up the stream and are caught by the men at that end of the line. There they have no restrictions and can fish as often as they can find fish to catch. The law is working a hardship on the very people it proposed to protect. We are taxed every year for the building and operations of fish hatcheries while the people of Idaho reap the benefits."

In the Produce Market.

Business on the street was a dead letter today and quiet reigned everywhere. One car of sweet potatoes arrived from Merced this morning and an effort will be made to advance the price a trifle. Some peaches arrived from The Dalles this morning, but they were of the small and unsightly variety. Concord grapes are too plentiful and are drugging the market. Some fine stocks of tomatoes arrived from The Dalles and are quoted at 35 and 40 cents a box. Pomegranates are in larger supply from the South. One car of bananas arrived yesterday.

Hay Arrives, but Price Is Up.

Several carloads of hay are now arriving daily from valley and Eastern Oregon points, but still the market is retaining its great firmness and another advance is noted in quotations today. Valley timothy is selling at $16 and $17 a ton, while the Eastern Oregon grade is going at $19 and $20. Clover hay is slightly higher. Other feed prices are unchanged.

No Cars for Potatoes.

The shortage in the car supply is wrecking what little business that was offered for shipments of Oregon potatoes to the Southern markets. Several local dealers have been trying for a week to obtain a sufficient amount of cars to ship their product to Arizona points, but so far they have been refused. "California potato men—or, in fact, any fruit or produce dealers in that section—can get all the cars needed for shipments to the South while the dealers of Oregon and Washington are turned down. We can obtain a few cars for Portland shipment, but all of our potatoes are out in the country and the railroad refuses to furnish us with any cars at those points." The local potato market is weaker and, although there were no changes in today's quotations, the tendencies are all in that direction. The potato market will probably rule very weak for perhaps a month or so and then a reaction is due. The onion market is in the same condition as potatoes.

Wheat Prices Are Weaker.

"Valley wheat quotations are weaker today," said a prominent miller. "The market at the moment looks like a decline and I wouldn't be a bit surprised if it went that way either tomorrow or the next day." Other grades are in the same condition as valley. Flour prices are quoted the same as yesterday.

Fresh Eggs at 26 Cents.

Twenty-six cents is now being obtained for most of the arrivals of Oregon eggs. A few sales are reported at 25½ cents, but that was early in the morning when the market was without any special tone or price. Later in the day the market settled strong at 26 cents. Eastern and cold storage remain firm at former quotations.

A Glut in Chickens.

"You can tell them," said a poultry man today, "that we have all the poultry we can use during the present week. If not another coop of chickens arrived during the remainder of the week we will still have a sufficient amount of stock on hand to supply all the demands at present quotations. In fact it is hard to sell poultry at any price."

Today's quotations, as revised, are as follows:

PORTLAND WHOLESALE PRICES.

Grain, Flour and Feed.

WHEAT—Export quotations, new—Walla Walla, 74c; bluestem, 78c; Valley, 77@78c.

BARLEY—Feed, $20.00; rolled, $21.00@22.00.

OATS—No. 1 white, $1.10; gray, $1.05@1.07½.

FLOUR—Eastern Oregon: Patents, $4.15@$4.60; straights, $3.60; Valley, $3.75@3.80; graham ¼s, $3.40; 10s, $3.70.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $20.00 per ton; middlings, $23.50; shorts, $20.00; chop, $18.00.

HAY—Timothy, $16.00@17.00; Eastern Oregon, $19.00@20.00; clover, $10.00@13.00; wheat, $12.00; cheat, $12.00.

Hops, Wool and Hides.

HOPS—New, 23@25c for best; 21@22c for prime; poor grades, 18@20c.

WOOL—Valley, coarse to medium, 16@16½c; fine, 16@16½c; Eastern Oregon, 10@15c; mohair, nominal, 35@37c.

SHEEPSKINS—Shearing, 14@19c; short wool, 22@23c; medium wool, 30c; long wool, 60c@$1.44 each.

TALLOW—Prime, per lb, 4@5c; No. 2 and grease, 2@2½c.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 lbs and up, 14c per lb; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 lbs, 11c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 lbs, 15c; dry salted, bulls and stags, 1-3 less than dry flint; salted hides, steer, sound, 60 pounds or over, 7@8c; 50 to 60 lbs, 7@8c; under 50 lbs and cows, 6@7c; stags and bulls, sound, 5c; kip, sound, 15 to 30 lbs; 7c; sound, 10 to 14 lbs, 7c; calf, sound, under 10 lbs, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c per lb less; culls, 1c per lb less; horse hides, salted, each, $1.25@1.75; dry each, $1.00@1.50; colts' hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, common, each, 10@15c; Angora, with wool on, each, 25c@$1.00.

Butter, Eggs and Poultry.

BUTTER—Extra, 27½c; Eastern, 26@27½c; renovated, 22½c; creamery, 20@23c; dairy, 18@20c; store, 16@18c.

EGGS—Fresh Oregon, 25½@26c; cold storage, 23@24c; baker's, 21c; Eastern, 23c.

CHEESE—Full cream, twin, 15½@16c; Young America, 16@17c.

POULTRY—Chickens, mixed, 10c per lb; hens, 11@11½c per lb; roosters, 8@9c per lb; broilers, 11½@12c per lb; fryers, 10@10½c per lb; ducks, 12½@14c per lb; geese, 7@8c per lb; turkeys, live, young, 15@18c per lb; old, 12@14c per lb.

Fruits and Vegetables.

POTATOES—New, 65@70c; buyers' prices, for shipping, 55c per cwt; ordinary, 40@45c sack; buying, 35@40c; sweets, 2c per lb.

ONIONS—Oregon, $1.00; buying prices, 85@90c; garlic, 6c.

FRESH FRUITS—Apples, fancy Oregon, $1.00@1.50 per box; oranges, late Valencias, $3.50@4.00 box; Mediterranean sweets, $3.00; bananas, 5c per lb; blackberries, 4c per lb; lemons, choice, $3.00; fancy, $3.50@4.00; limes, Mexican, 65c per 100; peaches, 50@65c; pineapples, $3.50; figs, green, $1.50; white, $1.00@1.20; plums, 40@50c; prunes, Italian, 75c; watermelons, Oregon, 70c; Oregon Cantelloupes, $1.25 per crate; pears, 50c@$1.00 per box; grapes, 75c; New York Concords, 35c basket; Yakimas, 30c per basket; crabapples, 60c per box; huckleberries, 10@11c; quinces, $1.00; cranberries, local, $9.00 bbl; Jersey, $10 bbl.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1.00 sack; carrots, $1.25; beets, $1.25 per sack; radishes, 12½@15c per doz; cabbage, Oregon, 1c per lb; lettuce, head, 15c per doz; green peppers, 20c per lb; horseradish, 7@8c per lb; celery, Denver, 90c; local, 75c per doz; beans, green, 4½@5c per lb; rhubarb, 5c per lb; tomatoes, 20@35c per box; parsnips, $1.75 peas, 3@4c; cucumbers, 50@75c per box; corn, 7½c per doz; eggplant, 10c per lb; butter beans, 10c per lb.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, evaporated, 6@7c per lb; apricots, 11@13c per lb; sacks, ½c per lb less; peaches, 6@7c per lb; pears, 5½c per lb; prunes, Italian, 4½@5½c per lb; French, 8½@4½c per lb; figs, California blacks, 6@6½c per lb; do, white, 7½@8c per lb; plums, pitted, 5@6c.

RAISINS—Seeded, fancy 1-lb cartons, 50 packages to case, 8½c pkg; seeded, 12-oz cartons, 7½c; loose Muscatelles, 50-lb boxes, 7½@8½c per lb; London layers, $1.70@2.00; dates, 7c.

FIGS—10 1-lb cartons, choice brand, $100; 10 1-lb cartons, fancy brand, $1.10; 10 1-lb bricks, 2-crown, 90c; 10 1-lb bricks, 3-crown, 95c; 50 ½-lb bricks, per box, $2.25; 4-row layers, per 10-lb box, 90c; loose, 50-lb boxes, per lb, 6@6½c. Calimyrnas—6-crown, 10-lb cartons, per box, $2.00; 5-crown, 10-lb carton, per box, $1.75; 4-crown, 20 ½-lb cartons, per box, $1.75.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

SUGAR—"Sack basis:" Cube, $6.00; powdered, $5.85; dry granulated, $5.75; beet granulated, $5.60; extra C, $5.25; Golden C, $5.15; bbls, 10c; ½ bbls, 25c; boxes, 50c advance on sack basis less 25c per cwt for cash, 15 days; maple, 14@16c per lb.

HONEY—14½@15c.

COFFEE—Green Mocha, 21@23c; Java, fancy, 26@32c; Java, good, 20@22c; Java, ordinary, 16@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 19@20c; Costa Rica, good, 16@18c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 10@12c per lb; package coffee, $11.63.

TEAS—Oolong, different grades, 25@65c; gunpowder, 25@32c; English breakfast, different grades, 12½@65c; spider leg, uncolored Japan, 30@65c; green Japan, very scarce, 30@60c.

SALT—Bales, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 10s, $2.10; fine table, dairy, 50s, 38c; 100s, 74c; imported Liverpool, 50s, 48c; 100s, 88c; 224s, $1.85.

SALT—Coarse, half ground, 100s, per ton, $14.00; 50s, per ton, $14.50; Liverpool lump, rock, $23.00 per ton; 50-lb rock, $14.00; 100s, $13.50.

GRAIN BAGS—Calcutta, $5.75@6.00 per 100.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 5½c; No. 2, 5½c; New Orleans head, 8c.

COAL OIL—Cases, 22½c per gal tanks; water white, iron bbls, 16c, wooden 18½c, headlight cases, 24½c, iron bbls, 18c.

LINSEED OIL—Pure raw, in bbls, 49c; genuine kettle, boiled, cases, 56c, bbls, 51c.

BENZINE—63 deg. cases, 22c; iron bbls, 15½c.

GASOLINE—86 deg. cases, 28½c; iron bbls, 22c; stove, cases 24½c, iron bbls 18c.

TURPENTINE—In cases, 78c, wood bbls, 74½c, iron bbls 72c, 10-lb case lots 77c.

BEANS—Small white, 4c; large white, $3.85@4.00; pink, $3.75@3.90; bayou, $4.25; Limas, $5.00.

NUTS—Peanuts, 6@7c per lb for raw, 9@10c for roasted; cocoanuts, 85@90c per doz; walnuts, 14½@15c per lb; pine nuts, 10@12½c per lb; hickory nuts, 16c per lb; chestnuts, Eastern, 15@16c per lb; Brazil nuts, 16c per lb; filberts, 15@16c per lb; fancy pecans, 14@15c per lb; almonds, 14@15c per lb.

Meats and Provisions.

FRESH MEATS—Inspected: Beef, prime, 6¾c; cows, 5c; mutton, dressed, 5@5½c; lambs, dressed, 6c.

FRESH MEATS—Front street—Beef, prime, 6@6½c; bulls, 3½@4c; cows, 4½@5c; pork, 7@8c; veal, large 5½@7c; small, 7½@8c; mutton, dressed, 4½@5c; lambs, dressed, 5@5½c.

HAMS, BACON, ETC.—Portland pack (local) hams, 10 to 14 lbs, 16c; 14 to 16 lbs, 15½c; breakfast bacon, 18@20½c; picnics, 10½c; salted sides, 11½c per lb; smoked sides, 12½c; dry salted backs, 11½c; bacon backs, 12½c; butts, salted, 11½c; smoked, 10½c per lb.

EASTERN PACKED HAMS—Under 14 lbs, 16½; over 15 lbs, 15¾c; fancy, 15¾@16½c; picnics, 11c; shoulders, 11½c; dry salted sides, unsmoked, 11¾c; breakfast bacon, 16½@18½c; fancy, 20½c.

LOCAL LARD—Kettle leaf, 10s, 12½c; 5s, 12¾c; 50-lb tins, 12c; steam rendered, 10s, 12c; 5s, 12½c; 50s, 12½c; compound tierces, 8c; tubs, 8½c.

EASTERN LARD—Kettle leaf, 10-lb tins, 12c; 5s, 12@18c; 50-lb tins, 11¾c; steam rendered, 10s, 10¾c; 5s, 11c; 50s, 11½c.

Above packing-house prices are net cash, 15 days.

CANNED SALMON—Columbia river, 1-lb talls, $1.75; 2-lb talls, $2.40; fancy, 1-lb flats, $1.00; ½-lb fancy flats, $1.15; fancy 1-lb oval, $2.60; Alaska talls, pink, 80c; red, $1.50; 2-lb talls, $2.00.

FISH—Rock cod, 7c; flounders, 5c; halibut, 8c; ling cod, 7c; crabs, $1.50 doz; razor clams, 8@10c per doz; little neck clams, 3c; striped bass, 12½c; salmon, chinook, 4c; silversides, 4c; soles, 6c; shrimps, Puget Sound, 15c; catfish, 6c; silver smelt, 5c; black cod, 6c; salmon trout, 10@12½c; lobsters, 15c.

Range of Chicago Markets.

(Permission of Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Co.)

Chicago, Oct. 6.—The markets today ranged as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
Dec.....	$ .76⅝	$ .77½	$ .76⅝	$ .77¼
May.....	.77⅝	.78¼	.77⅝	.77⅝ B
Corn—				
Dec.....	.44½	.45¼	.44½	.44⅞
May.....	.44⅛	.44⅝	.44	.44⅝
Oats—				
Dec.....	.35¾	.36¼	.35¾	.35¼
May.....	.36⅝	.37⅛	.36⅝	.36⅝ B
Pork—				
Jan.....	12.40	12.42	12.35	12.35
May.....	12.45	12.50	12.45	12.47
Lard—				
Oct.....	7.45	7.45	7.42	7.45
Jan.....	6.82	6.85	6.82	6.82
Ribs—				
Oct.....	9.20	9.20	9.15	9.15
Jan.....	6.55	6.57	6.55	6.55

New York Cotton.

(Permission of Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Co.)

New York, Oct. 6.—Cotton today ranged as follows:

	Open	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan.....	$ 9.25	$ 9.38	$ 9.10	$ 9.14@15
Feb.....	9.27	9.36	9.15	9.15@16
Mar.....	9.29	9.39	9.14	9.18@19
Apr.....	9.24	9.35	9.18	9.18@20
May.....	9.36	9.37	9.20	9.20@21
June.....	9.40	9.35	9.24	9.24@26
July.....	9.41 B	9.41	9.25	9.25@26
Oct.....	9.15	9.18	9.01	9.04@05
Nov.....	9.26	9.22	9.07	9.08@10
Dec.....	9.24	9.28	9.10	9.14@15

Chicago Grain Cars.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—The grain car record for today shows:

	Cars.	Grade.	Est.
Wheat	133	...	100
Corn	545	52	560
Oats	296	16	300

The wheat cars today were: Minneapolis, 339.

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DECEMBER WHEAT IN ST. LOUIS BREAKING

A Drop of 2⅛ Cents in the Price There Yesterday Was Rather Expected by Those on the Inside.

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Chicago, Oct. 6.—The Record-Herald today says: A break of 2⅛ cents in the December wheat at St. Louis yesterday was evidence that somebody was selling wheat there on a large scale. The December there closed 1⅝ cents under Saturday. The trade expected some such movement, as a broker close to the St. Louis December holders had been a large buyer of puts on December wheat late Saturday and good for yesterday. The St. Louis crowd was a large buyer of May wheat. There was probably an undoing of the "Spread" selling of December wheat in St. Louis and buying of May here. There has been money in this spread for the December at St. Louis, as for two weeks it has been advancing faster there than anywhere else.

"Remarkable as it may appear," says Charles B. Murray of the Price Current, who was here yesterday on his way to Minneapolis, where he makes an address at the National Grain Dealers' convention, "the cold weather in September did corn more good than harm. It changed the process, stopped the growth and began the curing. The result was astonishing. The whole outcome of the corn this year has been amazing. The crop has developed beyond any expectation."

MARKET GOSSIP OF FINANCIAL CENTER

New York, Oct. 6.—Naturally holders of stocks are discouraged by the sluggishness of the markets in the Western houses and have been selling confidently for the short account and this element continues, however, but its efforts to force urgent liquidation are not successful. Standard stocks are well bought on the scale down, short interest is growing and conservative opinion last night was that the market is a good trading one and the standard stocks will do to buy.

137 BALES OF HOPS SELL AT 25 CENTS

(Journal Special Service.)

Eugene, Or., Oct. 6.—Two small sales, one of 100 bales and the last of 37 bales of hops, have been reported to have occurred on the local market at the figure of 23 cents per pound.

The report that local growers and dealers were to pool their interests seems to have had little foundation. The growers seem to feel that the hop market is an uncertain affair and that they had better get out of their holdings while small insurance, storage expense, etc., has mounted up and while the hops are of good weight.

There is no lively letting loose of the hops, but the few sales at the low price indicate an avalanche in a few days.

New York Summary.

New York, Oct. 6.—American stocks in London are heavy and lower, ⅛ to ½ below parity. The resignation from the British cabinet of the Duke of Devonshire weakens consols. A reduction of Dominion Coal dividend is considered likely. Steel common dividend is expected after 3 o'clock today. Fifty-nine roads for agust show an average net increase of 18.16 per cent; 48 roads for the third week of September show an average gross increase of 7.65 per cent. Chicago Terminal report surplus after charges $13,102, a decrease of $22,281. The banks gained from the subtreasury since Friday $468,000. Twenty-five banks report less than 25 per cent reserve on Saturday, against 160 per cent last week. Twelve industrials decreased .48 per cent. Twenty active railroads decreased .80 per cent.

Prices Sliding Upward.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Evidence seems to multiply that the tide has turned. The Standard Oil-Wall street party has been probing for many months for weak spots in the situation and corralling all the securities and influences which they desire in their manifold operations, so far as they could attain them. They have gathered about one-half of what they sought for, and are now spreading sales on the up track. They must wait a more convenient season to accomplish certain other industrial and railroad ends which they hope to accomplish at the present time and in this they have failed.

San Francisco Local Stocks.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—10:30 a. m.:

	Bid.	Asked.
Spring Valley Water	83	84
San Francisco Gas & Electric	67	68
do certificates	66½	..
Giant Powder	65⅛	66
Vigorit Powder	..	5
Hana Sugar	20	30
Honokaa Sugar	13	13¼
Hutchinson Sugar	..	13
Makawell Sugar	21	22
Paauhau Sugar	..	16½
Alaska Packers'	155½	156

Eastern Hogs Down.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Receipts of livestock in the principal packing centers of the country today were:

	Hogs.	Cattle.	Sheep.
Chicago	10,000	7,000	25,000
Kansas City	8,000	18,000	5,000
Omaha	12,000	5,000	2,000

Hogs opened 5 to 10 cents lower, with 3,700 left over from yesterday. Receipts a year ago were 19,000. Ruling hog prices are: Mixed, $5.65@6.40; good, $5.50@6.15; rough, $5.15@5.65; light, $5.75@6.45.

Cattle—Steady.

Sheep—Steady to 10 cents lower.

Primary Shipments and Clearances.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—The primary receipts show:

	Today Bush.	Year Ago Bush.
Wheat	1,537,000	1,770,000
Corn	712,000	215,000
Shipments were—		
Wheat	734,000	753,000
Corn	866,000	198,000

The clearances were: Wheat, 84,000 bushels; flour, 5,000 barrels; corn, 184,000 bushels; oats, 25,000 bushels; wheat and flour equal 109,000 bushels.

Local Livestock Receipts.

Portland Union Stockyards, Oct. 6.—Receipts of livestock in the local yards during the past 24 hours consisted of 100 hogs, 40 cattle and 40 horses. Ruling prices are as follows:

Cattle—Best, $3.75; medium, $3.50.

Hogs—Best, 6c; medium, 5c.

Sheep—Best, 2¾c; medium, 2½c.

Portland Clearing House Report.

The report of the Portland clearing house for yesterday was as follows:

Exchanges	$911,852.78
Balances	99,143.83

Close of Liverpool Grain.

Liverpool, Oct. 6.—Close—Wheat, December, 6-3⅞, ¼ lower.

Corn—December, 4-2¾, ¼ higher.

MARKET QUARTER TO A HALF HIGHER

CABLES SHOWED SOME STEADINESS AND THERE WAS A LITTLE IMPROVEMENT IN THE CASH SITUATION—MODERATE MILLING DEMAND.

The Kansas City Market Is Firm—Corn Closed a Shade Higher—Was Not Very Active and there Was Nothing New in General Conditions—After the Recent Break there Is More or Less Scattered Buying for a Rally.

(Permission of Overbeck, Starr & Cooke Co.)

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Logan and Bryan advise:

The wheat market closed ¼ to ½ higher. The cables showed some steadiness and there was a little improvement in the cash situation. There was a moderate milling demand here. The Kansas City market is firm. There were rumors of considerable export business having been worked via Galveston, but so far it lacks confirmation. Seaboard exporters report bids out of line and business small. The bearish feature of the day was Bradstreet's estimate of 13,000,000 bushels in the world's visible supply. Primary receipts are a shade less than last year. The weekly government report says threshing and marketing in the Northwest has again been interfered with to some extent by rains. The strike situation in the Minneapolis mills is still a matter of some uncertainty. The mills seem to be gaining, but there is danger of further sympathetic strikes. On the whole, we see no material change in conditions. Stocks of wheat are likely to continue to increase somewhat for weeks to come and the lead in speculation grows a little heavier day by day. We do not, therefore, see anything encouraging to buyers of wheat.

Corn a Shade Higher.

The corn market closed a shade higher. It is not very active and there was nothing new in general conditions. After the recent break there is more or less scattered buying for a rally. It is not on a large scale, however. Country offerings are still small. The cash demand is moderate. The weather on the whole continues favorable and the weekly government report intimates that a week or 10 days more free from heavy frosts will put the remainder of the crop out of danger. Corn is around 45 cents, and we are inclined to think it is fair priced. On the rallies we would sell it, as we believe the market will drift towards a lower range of prices.

Oats Tone Heavy.

The tone of the oat market is rather heavy and prices are a shade easier. Patten was liquidating his line to some extent, but in any event he is not supporting prices. Receipts are moderate and the demand is moderate also. There is an active buying contingent, but we are inclined to think they have materially reduced their short interest recently.

Provisions.

The provision market closed irregular, but in the main prices were a little easier. It is still a dull market in every way. Receipts of hogs continue liberal and the quality is fine and the demand poor. All the offerings of stuff are strong at a material discount and stocks everywhere are liberal for this season of the year. We see nothing to make higher prices.

Visible Grain Supply.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—Wheat east of the Rockies increase of 4,028,000 bushels; Europe and afloat, increase of 8,900,000 bushels; world's total, increase of 12,928 bushels; corn, increase of 1,298,000 bushels; oats, increase of 43,000 bushels.

Cotton Closes Down.

Liverpool, Oct. 6.—Cotton closed unchanged to 1 point down; decline from yesterday's close.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

DESCRIPTION.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close Bid.
Anaconda Mining Co.	...	...	...	69
Amal. Copper Co.	40⅝	41½	40½	41
Atchison, com.	63⅛	63⅝	62⅝	63¼
do preferred	...	...	...	88¼
Am. Car & Found., com.	26¼	26¼	26	26⅛
do preferred	...	...	...	75
Am. Sugar, com.	111	112	110⅝	112
Am. Smelt., com	42⅛	42⅝	42⅛	42¼
do preferred	88	88⅛	88	87
Baltimore & Ohio, com.	74⅛	74⅝	73⅝	74
do preferred	...	...	...	86½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	33¼	33½	32½	33⅛
Canadian Pacific, com.	120½	120⅝	120¼	120¼
Chi. & Alton, com.	21⅝	21⅝	21½	21⅝
do preferred	61½	62	61½	61½
Chi. & Gt. West., com.	15	15½	15	14⅞
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	136	137	135¾	136⅞
Chi. & North., com.	157	157	156	156½
Chi Terminal Ry.	...	...	...	8½
Chesapeake & Ohio	30	30½	29½	30⅛
Colo. Fuel & Iron, com.	41	41	40⅛	40⅛
Colo. South., com	12¼	12¼	12	12⅛
do 2d preferred	...	...	...	20
do 1st preferred	...	...	...	48
Delaware & Hudson	...	...	...	153
D. & R. G., com.	20¼	20¼	20	20
do preferred	69⅝	70	69½	69½
Erie, com	27¼	28	26⅞	27⅝
do 2d preferred	47⅛	48	47¼	47⅝
do 1st preferred	66	66⅝	65¾	66⅞
Illinois Central	129½	129½	129½	129⅝
Louisville & Nashville	97⅝	98¼	97¼	98
Metro. Traction Co.	104⅝	105¼	104¼	104½
Manhattan Elevated	130½	131	130½	130½
Mexican Central Ry.	11⅛	11½	11	11¼
Minn., St. P. & Ste. M.	54	56⅝	54	55½
do preferred	119	119	118	118
Missouri Pacific	88⅞	89⅝	88⅝	88¾
M., K. & T., com.	...	...	...	18⅝
do preferred	35¼	35½	35	35
New York Central	116½	116⅝	115¾	116½
Norfolk & Western, com.	57⅞	58	57⅞	58
do preferred	...	...	...	88
North American	...	...	...	71
N. Y., Ont. & West	20½	20⅞	20½	20⅝
Pennsylvania Ry.	118	118⅝	117⅝	118⅝
P. G., L. & C. Co.	91⅝	92½	91⅝	92
Pressed Steel Car, com.	34	34	33⅝	33¾
do preferred	...	...	...	76
Pacific Mail Steam. Co.	19⅛	20	19⅛	20
Reading, com	46⅛	47½	46½	47⅛
do 2d preferred	...	...	...	60
do 1st preferred	...	...	...	75½
Rep. Iron & Steel, com.	9⅝	9½	9	9⅝
do preferred	62	62¼	62	62¼
Rock Island, com.	24⅝	25½	24½	24⅞
do preferred	58½	59	58½	59¼
Southern Railway, com.	18⅝	18⅞	18⅝	18⅝
do preferred	76½	76½	76¼	76¼
Southern Pacific	41⅝	41⅞	41⅛	41⅝
St. L. & S. F., 2d pfd.	46½	46½	46⅛	46⅛
St. L. & S. W., com.	14	15	14	15
do preferred	30⅝	31	30⅝	31
Texas & Pacific	23½	23½	22⅝	23
Tenn. Coal & Iron	32½	33⅝	32½	32½
T., St. L. & W., com.	17	17⅝	16¼	17¼
do preferred	...	...	...	24
Union Pacific, com.	70¼	70⅞	70	70⅝
do preferred	...	...	...	84½
U. S. Leather, com.	7½	7¼	7	7½
do preferred	76⅝	77	76⅝	76½
U. S. Steel Co., com.	16⅞	17⅞	16⅞	17½
do preferred	63½	66	63½	64⅝
Wheel. & L. E., com.	15	15	14½	14⅞
do 2d preferred	22	22½	22	22
do 1st preferred	41	41½	41	41
Wisconsin Central, com.	16½	16½	16¼	16
do preferred	36	36½	36	35½
Western Union Tele.	81⅝	82	81⅝	81½
Wabash, com.	19	19¼	18	19
do preferred	31	31⅝	30½	31

Money, 2 per cent.
Total sales, 316,300.

COLUMBIA RIVER'S SOLD AT LOW PRICES

Opening Price of Chinooks Was Only 5 Cents Above that of Alaska Reds —Personal Differences the Cause.

Astoria, Or., Oct. 6—According to the Astoria correspondent of the Pacific Fisherman, an excellent Seattle publication, Columbia river packers have lost fully $1,000,000 because of their failure to agree on opening prices for Chinook salmon. The difficulty is attributed to personal strife. The Fisherman's correspondent tells the following interesting story of the manner in which the enormous loss was suffered:

The Columbia river cannerymen now have their thinking caps on as they never had before. The fact that Alaska salmon opened at $1.30, while the Columbia product opened at $1.35 and the pack of the Columbia has been sold at that basis, has done more for the Columbia river salmon industry than anything else that could have happened, and it was a rude shock to the commercial intelligence of many men who had been in the business for years and have made fortunes out of it. Three years ago an effort was made to form a combination of the Columbia river cannery owners to establish a price on Columbia river spring pack on the basis of $1.50 per dozen for talls f. o. b. Astoria, but it was not possible on account of the "personal" differences of a number of the cannerymen, and by the use of the word "personal" it describes the situation that existed. Last year and the present year similar efforts were made to establish a higher price, but as no agreements could be reached contracts were made on a basis of $1.35 for talls. As a matter of fact very few talls are packed, except of the lower grades, and the choice fish in halves, flats and ovals were sold, twice over, contingent on the pack before the season opened.

American Stocks in London.

London, Oct. 6.—2 p. m.—Anaconda Copper, declined 1; Atchison, declined ⅜; Atchison common, declined ⅛; Baltimore & Ohio, declined ¼; Chicago & Great Western, declined ⅛; Chicago & Alton, declined ⅝; Denver & Rio Grande, declined ⅝; Erie, declined ¼; firsts, declined ⅜; Illinois Central, declined ⅛; Louisville & Nashville, declined ½; Mexican Central, declined ⅛; Norfolk & Western, declined ½; New York Central, advanced ⅛; Ontario & Western, declined ⅜; Pennsylvania, advanced ½; Chesapeake & Ohio, declined ⅛; Southern Railway, declined ¼; Southern Pacific, declined ½; Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, declined ⅛; Union Pacific, declined ⅝; United States Steel, declined ⅞; preferred, declined ⅛; Wabash, declined ⅛; preferred, declined ¼.

Closing Grain Quotations.

San Francisco, Oct. 6.—The closing quotations on grain in the various cities today were:

Minneapolis — Wheat — December, 76⅛c; May, 76⅞@77c.

Duluth—Wheat—December, 75⅛c bid; May, 77⅛c bid.

St. Louis — Wheat — December, 83⅝@83⅞c; May, 82⅝c. Corn — December, 40⅝c bid; May, 40⅞c.

Milwaukee — Wheat — December, 77⅛c bid; May, 77⅝c asked. Corn—December, 44⅝c; May, 44¾c.

New York — Wheat — December, 83⅝c bid; May, 82⅝c bid. Corn — December, 51⅝c bid; May, 49⅞c bid.

Kansas City — Wheat — December, 66¼c; May, 68¼@68⅜c. Corn — December, 37x@37⅜c; May, 37¼@37⅝c.

San Francisco—11:30 a. m.—Wheat—December, $1.37⅝. Barley—December, $1.09⅝.

German Market Opens in October.

R. Graumann, representing Timm & Gerstenkorn, the large apple handlers and auctioneers of Hamburg, said to The Fruitman's Guide recently: "There is no use shipping apples to Germany before October. Last year the first auction sale in Hamburg that showed good results on American apples was on October 5. You see, Germany does not need apples for cooking purposes; what she wants is the real table apple, red fruit exclusively, and for fancy stock of that kind she is willing to pay remarkably big prices. Such stock as is now being shipped to London and Liverpool the Hamburg market has no manner of use for. As for the German home crop, it is very small, even smaller than last year."

Northwest Weather Forecast.

Minneapolis, Oct. 6.—The weather forecast is: Minnesota, clear today, rain tomorrow and cooler; North and South Dakota, fair in eastern portion today with rain in west today and tomorrow; Minneapolis, cloudy and cool; St. Louis, clear and pleasant; Kansas City, raining and warm; Omaha, raining and warm.

Chicago Cash Wheat.

Chicago, Oct. 6.—The cash market at noon was: No. 2 red, 80c; No. 3 red, 78@79c; No. 2 hard winter, 77@78c; No. 3 hard winter, 75c; No. 1 northern spring, 85c; No. 2 northern spring, 82c; No. 3 spring, 77@80c.

There are 526 islands numbered on the chart of the Mississippi north of the mouth of the Illinois river, besides many little fellows that are not considered worth numbering. The boatmen call them "towheads."

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