WHEAT STRONG, BUT LOWER

Market Ranged Within a Fluctuation of 5-8c All Day.

Cables Closed ¼d Lower—Bad Weather Reports From Northwest Continue Coming in—Corn Trade Improving—Good Demand for Oats—Provisions Dull.

Friday Evening, July 7.

Receipts of wheat at Liverpool the past three days were 327,000 centals, including 128,000 centals of American. Corn same time, 284,000 centals.

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Danubian shipments of wheat for the week were nil, as against 112,000 bushels the corresponding week of last year.

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Bradstreet reports a decrease of 1,706,000 bushels in the world's visible supply of wheat for the past week.

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Duluth stocks of wheat will decrease about 750,000 bushels this week.

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Receipts of wheat at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day 424 cars, as against 43 cars the corresponding day of last year.

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Argentine shipments of wheat this week were 1,088,000 bushels, as against 952,000 bushels last week and 24,000 bushels the corresponding week of last year. Corn shipments were 944,000 bushels, as against 560,000 bushels last week and 464,000 bushels the corresponding week of last year.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing prices at important centres to-day:

	Cash.	July.	Sept.	Dec.
Chicago	$	$0 72½	$0 73⅜	$0 75½
New York	0 79½	0 78⅝	0 78⅝	0 80¼
St. Louis	0 74½	0 74½	0 75¼	0 77¼
Toledo	0 73½	0 75⅝	....	....
Detroit, red ..	0 74⅝	0 74⅝	0 76⅛	....
Detroit, white.	0 74½	....	....	....
Duluth, No. 1 Northern ...	0 74½	0 73¼	0 73¼	0 72⅞
Minneapolis ..	0 70⅝	....	0 70¼	....

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ontario patents, in bags, $3.70 to $3.80; straight roller, $3.25 to $3.35; Hungarian patents, $4.15 to $4.25; Manitoba bakers', $3.75 to $3.90, all on track at Toronto.

Wheat—Ontario, red and white, at 70c north and west; goose, 68c to 69c north and west; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 81c at Toronto, and No. 1 Northern at 78c. Prices are nominal.

Oats—White oats quoted at 29c west.

Rye—Quoted at 54c.

Barley—Quoted at 40c to 41c west.

Buckwheat—Firm; 48c north and 50c east.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $13 and shorts at $16, in car lots, f.o.b., Toronto.

Corn—Canadian, 36c west, and American, 41c to 42c on track here.

Peas—Sold at 67c west, in car lots.

Oatmeal—Quoted at $3.80 by the bag and $3.50 by the barrel, on track at Toronto.

TORONTO FRUIT MARKET.

Receipts of fruit were large, with prices fairly firm at following prices: Strawberries, 6c to 7c; raspberries, 8c to 10c; cherries, common, 70c to 85c per basket, with English varieties at $1.20; red currants, 20c to 40c per basket; black currants, $1; gooseberries, 35c to 45c per basket for small varieties, and 75c for large; cucumbers, 15c; peas, 20c to 25c; beans, 40c; new potatoes, 30c to 35c per basket, and $1.10 per bushel; Canadian tomatoes, $1.25 to $1.50 per basket.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were light—500 bushels of grain, 15 loads of hay and 4 of straw, with a few lots of butter, eggs and poultry.

Wheat easy; 200 bushels of red and white sold at 71½c.

Oats steady, 300 bushels selling at 35c to 36c.

Hay steady at $11 to $11.50 for old, $7 to $8.00 per ton for new.

Straw steady at $5.50 to $6.50 per ton.

Eggs, 15c to 16c per dozen.

Butter, 15c to 18c per lb., the latter price being for choice dairy to special customers. The bulk went at 15c to 16c per lb.

Poultry—Chickens sold at 50c to 90c per pair, the latter price only being paid for choice heavy birds. Ducks, 80c to $1 per pair.

Grain—		
Wheat, white, bush.	$0 71½	$ ....
" red, bush.	0 71½	....
" fife, bush.	0 67	0 69
" goose, bush.	0 69½	0 70
Barley, bush.	0 42½	....
Peas, bush.	0 60	....
Oats, bush.	0 35	0 36
Buckwheat, bush.	0 55	....
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, old	$11 00	to $11 50
Hay, new	7 00	8 50
Straw, sheaf, per ton	5 50	6 50
Straw, loose, per ton	4 00	5 00
Dairy Products—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 14	to $0 18
Butter, large rolls	0 12	0 13
Eggs, new-laid	0 15	0 16
Fresh Meats—		
Beef, forequarters, cwt.	$4 50	to $5 50
Beef, hindquarters, cwt.	7 50	8 50
Lamb, per lb.	0 10	0 12
Mutton, carcase, per lb.	0 06	0 07
Veal, carcase, cwt.	0 07½	0 08½
Hogs, dressed, light	5 75	6 15
Poultry—		
Chickens, per pair	$0 50	to $0 90
Turkeys, per lb.	0 10	0 11
Ducks, per pair	0 80	1 00
Fruits and Vegetables—		
Cabbage, per dozen	$0 80	to $1 00
Onions, per bag	1 00	1 25
Beets, per bag	0 60	0 75
Potatoes, per bag	0 90	1 00

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, car lots, per ton	$7 50	to $8 75
Straw, baled, car lots, per ton	....	....
Potatoes, car lots, per bag	0 85	4 50
Butter, dairy, tubs	0 13	0 14
" medium, tubs	0 09	0 11
" dairy, lb. rolls	0 13	0 15
" large rolls	0 13	0 14
" creamery, lb. rolls	0 17	0 18
Eggs, choice, new-laid	0 12½	0 13
Honey, per lb.	0 03	0 07

Hides and Wool.

Price list revised daily by James Hallam & Sons, No. 111 East Front-street, Toronto:

Hides, No. 1 green	$0 08½	to $....
" No. 2 green steers	0 08½	....
" No. 2 green steers	0 07½	....
" No. 2 green	0 07½	....
" No. 3 green	0 06½	....
Calfskins, No. 1	0 08½	0 09
Calfskins, No. 2	0 06	....
Sheepskins, fresh	0 80	1 00
Lambskins, each	0 30	....
Pelts, each	0 30	....
Wool, fleece	0 13	0 14
Wool, unwashed, fleece	0 08	....
Wool, pulled, super	0 15	0 16½
Tallow, rough	0 01½	0 03
Tallow, rendered	0 03	0 04

LOCAL LIVE STOCK.

The run of live stock at the Cattle Market to-day was not large, generally speaking, but sufficient for the demand in most of the classes—65 carloads, all told, composed of 1000 cattle, 560 sheep and lambs, 1400 hogs, with 75 calves.

Quality of fat cattle was only medium, very few well-finished, exporters or butchers being offered. The great bulk were of half-finished cattle, that ought to have been left at least six weeks longer on the grass. There were many old cows, and even some young heifers and steers, with little flesh and no fat on their bones, being offered as fat cattle. Farmers that have plenty of grass show poor judgment when they send cattle of this description to market, and drovers who bring them forward are only hurting themselves, as these cattle help to depreciate the prices of good beef.

Trade slow, with prices for all classes of fat cattle much lower, excepting for a very few well-finished, stall-fed animals, which brought the old prices.

Export Cattle—Choice exporters of heavy weights sold at $4.75 to $5.12½, with light exporters at $4.66 to $4.75 per cwt. The bulk of exporters went at the former quotations. One or two carloads of well-finished cattle brought 10c per cwt. more than the above prices.

Export Bulls—None offered, but worth from $3.60 to $4.25 per cwt. for well-finished animals, which are wanted.

Butchers' Cattle—Choice picked lots of butchers' cattle, equal in quality to best exporters, weighing 1000 to 1100 lbs. each, sold at $4.37½ to $4.50 per cwt.

Loads of good butchers' cattle sold at $3.90 to $4.25, and medium butchers', mixed cows, heifers and steers, $3.55 to $3.90 per cwt.

Common butchers' cattle sold at $3.40 to $3.65, and inferior at $3.12½ to $3.35 per cwt.

Very inferior rough cows and bulls at $2.60 to $2.85 per cwt.

Loads of good butchers and exporters, mixed, sold at $4.25 to $4.50 per cwt.

Stockers—Buffalo stockers easier at $3 to $3.40 per cwt.

Light Feeders—Feeders weighing from 900 to 1000 lbs. each are worth from $3.60 to $3.90, and choice, well-bred steers, in picked lots, will bring $4 per cwt.

Stock heifers sold at $2.75 to $2.90 per cwt.

Milch Cows—About 20 were offered; trade dull and prices easy, at $25 to $45 each.

Calves—Too many calves have been offered—175 in two days—prices were lower, $8 each, or about $4 to $4.50 per cwt., and only good calves wanted.

Sheep—About 560 came in to-day, and prices were easier at $3.25 to $3.40 for ewes, and $2.50 to $2.75 per cwt. for bucks.

Lambs—Spring lambs were plentiful, with prices lower, at $4.75 to $5.25 per cwt.

Hogs—About 1400 hogs came in to-day; market steady and prices unchanged, at $5 per cwt. for choice select bacon hogs, weighing not less than 160 nor more than 200 lbs. each, off cars, and $4.25 for thick fats and lights.

Average price for uncalled car lots of hogs was from $4.75 to $4.85 per cwt.

The class of hogs offered to-day was better than usual, fewer lights and thick fats being offered.

There were some western corn-fed hogs on the market, which only brought from $4 to $4.25 per cwt. by the car lot, and are not wanted, even at these prices.

William Levack bought 150 cattle, mixed butchers and exporters, at $3.85 to $5.10 per cwt.

Dunn Bros. bought five loads of exporters at $5 to $5.25 per cwt.

D. O'Leary sold 22 butchers' cattle, 1025 lbs. each, at $3.55, and 20 butchers', 1125 lbs. each, at $3.70, and one milch cow at $42.

J. Featherston sold 24 export cattle, 1250 lbs. each, at $4.75 per cwt., and 150 hogs at $4.80 per cwt., uncalled; these were said to be as fine a lot of hogs as were offered to-day.

W. J. Moore sold one car of 160 hogs to the Dawson Packing Company at $5 for selects and $4.25 for thick fats and lights; out of this lot only 18 were rejected. Mr. Moore was complimented on the quality of this lot.

Beall & Stone sold three milch cows at $37.50 each; two fat cows at $3.25, and one at $3.75 per cwt.; 60 lambs at $5.10 to $5.25 per cwt.

Andrew Derby sold 104 hogs at $4.80 per cwt., uncalled; nine butcher cattle, 950 lbs., at $4.40 to $4.50 per cwt., grain-fed and finished on grass.

J. Minton bought 10 butchers' cattle, choice, at $4.25 to $4.50 per cwt.

A. Ironsides bought two loads of exporters at a little over $5.15 per cwt.

J. H. Brown sold 15 exporters, 1288 lbs. each, at $5 for four butchers' cows, 1250 lbs. each, at $3.50, and two heifers, 950 lbs. each, at $4 per cwt.

Shipments per G.T.R.: William Levack, three loads of export cattle and one double-deck of sheep; W. H. Dean, four cars cattle, and William Harris, two double-decks of sheep, all for export.

Shipments per C.P.R.: A. Ironsides, one load export cattle; M. Vincent, four carloads butcher cattle, to Montreal; A. Montreuil, also for Montreal; D. A. Kennedy, one car, and P. Gillies, four cars of stockers, to Buffalo; A. Shortreid, one car cattle to St. John.

Export cattle, choice	$4 75	to $5 12½
Export cattle, light	4 65	4 75
Butchers' cattle, picked lots	4 37½	4 50
" good	3 90	4 25
" medium	3 55	3 90
" common	3 40	3 65
" inferior	2 75	3 35
Milch cows, each	28 00	48 00
Bulls, heavy, export, good quality	3 87½	4 25
Bulls, medium, export	3 60	3 80
Loads good butchers' and exporters, mixed	4 25	4 50
Stockers and medium to good	3 00	3 40
Feeders, light	3 60	3 90
Calves, each	2 00	8 00
Sheep, per cwt.	3 25	3 40
Sheep, bucks, per cwt.	2 50	2 75
Lambs, per cwt.	4 75	5 25
Hogs, 160 to 200 lbs. each	5 00	....
" light fats	4 25	....
" heavy fats	4 25	....
" sows	3 00	....
" stags	2 00	....

British Markets.

Liverpool, July 7.—(12.30.)—No. 1 Nor., spring, 6s 0½d; No. 1 Cal., 6s 2½d to 6s 3d; 3s 5¾d; peas, 5s 10½d; pork, prime western mess, 42s 6d; lard, prime western, 28s 6d; American, refined, 26s 6d; tallow, Australian, 25s 3d; American, good to fine, 22s 6d; bacon, l.c., light, 29s 6d; l.c., heavy, 28s 6d; s.c., heavy, 27s 6d; cheese, new colored, 42s; white, 42s. Wheat dull; corn firm.

Liverpool—Open—Wheat—Spot dull; No. 1 Nor., spring, 6s 0½d; futures quiet; July 5s 9d. Sept. 5s 11¾d, Dec. 6s 0¾d. Maize—Spot firm; mixed Am., 3s 5¾d, old; futures nominal; July 3s 4½d, Sept. 3s 5¾d. Flour—Minn., 18s. Peas—Spot, 5s 10½d.

Liverpool—Close—Wheat—Cargoes No. 1 standard Cal., 6s 2½d; Walla, 5s 11½d; futures dull; July 5s 8½d, Sept. 5s 11d, Dec. 6s 0¼d. Maize—Spot steady; mixed American, 3s 5½d, old; futures quiet; July 3s 4¼d, Sept. 3s 5¼d, Oct. 3s 5¾d. Flour—Minn., 18s.

London—Open—Wheat—Off coast less offering; on passage quieter and hardly any demand. English country markets steady. Maize—Off coast nothing doing; on passage quiet and steady; cargoes La Plata, yellow, 48 lbs.; rye terms, steamer, on passage, 17s 3d parcel; on passage, 17s 1½d parcel.

Paris—Open—Wheat—July 20f 50c. Sept. and Dec. 21f 05c. Flour—July 44f 30c, Sept. and Dec. 28f 70c. French country markets steady.

Mark Lane—Close—Miller market. Wheat—Foreign difficult of sale; English dull. Maize—American and Danubian nominally unchanged. Flour—American weak, with poor business. English flour weak.

London—Close—Maize—Spot quotations, Gal., Fox, Rees, 18s; mixed American, 17s 3d. Flour—Spot quotations, Minn., 23s 9d; Antwerp wheat, spot quiet; No. 2 R.W., 17s. Wheat—Number of cargoes arrived off coast since last report, 3; waiting at outports, offered for sale, 4; off coast buyers indifferent operators; on passage quieter and hardly any demand; parcels No. 1 hard, Man., steam passage, 29s. Maize—Off coast nothing doing; on passage easy; cargoes mixed American, sail grade, steam, July 16s 3d, Aug. 16s 7½d parcel. Oats—Parcels American, No. 2, clipt, mixed, July, 14s 3d.

Paris—Close—Wheat—Tone dull; Dec. and Sept. 20f 90c. Flour—Tone firm; July 44f 35c, Sept. and Dec. 28f 75c.

Chicago Markets.

Henry A. King & Co. report the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat—July	72⅛	72¼	71⅞	72¼
" —Sept.	73½	73⅝	73⅛	73⅝
" —Dec.	75⅝	75½	75	75½
Corn—July	33⅝	33⅝	33	33¼
" —Sept.	33½	33⅝	33¼	33⅝
" —Dec.	33	33	32⅝	33
Oats—July	20½	20¾	20½	20¾
" —Sept.	20¾	20⅞	20¼	20⅞
" —Dec.	20⅞	21⅛	20½	21⅛
Pork—July	....	....	....	8 35
" —Sept.	8 50	8 55	8 50	8 55
Lard—July	....	....	....	5 07
" —Sept.	5 20	5 22	5 20	5 22
Ribs—July	....	....	....	4 80
" —Sept.	4 90	4 92	4 90	4 92

THE CATTLE MARKETS.

Cables Quote Live Cattle Firm—New York Market Good.

New York, July 7.—Beeves—Receipts 3050; dry fed cattle firm to a shade higher; medium grass cattle shade lower; fat cows steady; bulls and thin cows weak to 10 cents lower; steers, $4.90 to $5.80; tops, $6.10; good to choice oxen and stags, $4.25 to $5.50, bulls, $2.65 to $4.10; cows, $1.75 to $4.20. Cables quote live cattle firm at 11½c to 12¼c; sheep 11½c to 12c; refrigerator beef 8¾c; exports to-morrow 1000 cattle, 235 sheep and 5676 quarters of beef. Calves—receipts 324; veals firm to 25c higher; buttermilks dull; yeals, $4 to $6.50; buttermilks, $2.75 to $3. Sheep and lambs—receipts 5546; sheep steady; prime to choice sheep, $5 to $5; wethers $5.25; lambs $5 to $7; one car choice, $7.40; culls, $4.25 to $4.50. Hogs—receipts 1747; slow at $4.25 to $4.30.

East Buffalo Market.

East Buffalo, July 7.—Cattle—There was about one load of stockers and half a load of mixed cattle. The feeling on stockers was somewhat improved, but the live beef trade is slow on account of the hot weather. Calves were in good supply, 150 head, fair demand and steady at the quoted figures. Choice to extra were quotable, $6.25 to $6.50; good to choice, $6.00 to $6.25.

Sheep and lambs—The supply of sheep and lambs was again good, 30 loads, the demand was good, and prices stronger with spring lambs about a shade higher. The through shipments were fairly liberal. Spring lambs, choice to extra were quotable, $6.25 to $6.50; good to choice, $6.00 to $6.25. Sheep, choice to extra, $4.25 to $5.00; good to choice, $4.50 to $4.75; common to fair, $3.00 to $4.25.

Hogs—The market opened slow with a total sale of 37 loads. The bulk was lower, being $4.10 to $4.12½, generally with a few sales at $4.15. Heavy were quotable, $4.10; mixed, $4.10 to $4.12½; pigs, $4.12½; roughs, $3.50 to $3.60; stags, $2.75 to $3.00.

A Drop at Chicago.

Chicago, July 7.—The cattle market was a little lower to-day, prices dropping 5c per cwt. An unusually large number of cattle for Friday received to-day. Hogs—Receipts fairly heavy, prices ruling about 5c lower. Light hogs brought $3.80 to $4; mixed lots, $3.75 to $3.90; heavy, $3.65 to $3.97½; pigs, $3.50 to $3.90; culls and rough lots, $1.50 to $3.70. The sheep trade was fairly active to-day, with prices unchanged. Receipts consisted largely of spring lambs. Inferior to prime hogs brought $3.75 to $6.90; yearlings, $5.00 to $6.25 for sheep; the ruling prices were $2 to $5.00, with occasional sales at $5.25.

Receipts of cattle 5000, hogs 31,700, sheep 12,000.

Chicago Gossip.

Henry A. King & Co. received the following despatch from Chicago to-day:

Wheat—Opening cables came ½d lower. Our market opened about ½c lower and has ranged within a fluctuation of ⅞c all day. Bradstreet showed an increase east of the Rockies of 1,794,000 bushels. Europe and afloat decreased 3,500,000 bushels; net decrease, 1,706,000 bushels. Receipts Northwest 424 cars, against 43 cars last year. Local receipts 32 cars. Closing cables ¼d lower. We look for Northwest receipts to show a large falling of to-morrow, and weather reports from the Northwest continue coming in and help to keep the market strong. We see no reason to change our opinion and advise buying on any soft spots. September closed firm at 73⅝c.

Corn—Trade improving. Crop reports favor it. Commission houses report more demand. Market closed steady.

Oats—Good cash demand. We think oats a purchase around present prices.

Provisions—Very quiet. Trade purely local. Estimated receipts hogs for to-morrow 22,000.

Cheese Markets.

Winchester, Ont., July 7.—Cheese registered on the board to-day, 768 boxes, 533 colored and 235 white; 7-16c was the white and colored 8 7-16c was offered, but none sold. Buyers: Ault, Weir, Logan and Wood.

Belleville, Ont., July 7.—Thirteen factories boarded 1245 cheese, all white. Whitton secured 430 at 8⅜c and Bird 280 at 8⅜c, Thompson offered 8¼c for the balance, with no acceptance. Buyers present: Whitton, Thompson, and Bird. Board meets again Friday, 14th, at 1 p.m.

Shelburne, Ont., July 7.—Cheese Board met here to-day. Seven factories boarded 880 boxes, all June make. Buyers present: Brill, Gruan and Porter. Eight and one-sixteenth cents offered; no sales. This board meets in two weeks, July 21, at 3 p.m.

Perth, Ont., July 7.—Two thousand one hundred and fifty-eight boxes of cheese were offered at the cheese market here to-day, all white and June make. Bissel, Webster and Scott secured 1058 boxes among them, the remainder being shipped to Montreal. Price of all cheese was 8½c.

Iroquois, Ont., July 7.—At the Cheese Board to-day 10 factories offered 686 cheese, of which 604 were colored, balance white. Forty-two colored and 22 white sold on the board at 8⅜c, which was the highest price offered on board. Balance not sold at close of the board. Buyers present: Bissell, Logan, Ault and McKee.

Kemptville, Ont., July 7.—One thousand two hundred and thirteen cheese boarded to-day; ruling price 8⅞c. Bissell, Scott and Webster, buyers.

South Finch, Ont., July 7.—Regular meeting of South Finch Cheese Board; buyers present, A. A. Logan, C. H. Wood, Prunner, Birdsell, and W. Wood; number of cheese boarded, 1527; 1001 white and 526 colored. Price offered on board for colored and white, 8⅝c; none sold, factorymen wanting half.

Rushing the Exhibition.

The Main Building at the Exhibition this year will be beautifully decorated throughout with native and tropical shrubs, plants and flowers, all the exhibitors having agreed to contribute to the display. Never before was the demand for space so great and so early, many leading firms decline to show their exhibits intended for the Exhibition in Paris before shipping them. Automatic machines and manufacturing processes will be especially numerous. Among other features will be a display of electroplating and an exhibit of artificial ferns, plants and flowers by a big firm in Holland. The mining exhibit will also be a huge success, upwards of 100 entries of ore having already been received.

Thousand Islands and Return.

Steamer Cambria leaves for Kingston and Thousand Islands to-day at 3 o'clock. The fare for round trip is $1.50. See hand bills or enquire at ticket office, 58 Yonge-street. Phone 270.

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STOCKS CLOSED STRONGER.

Wall Street Stocks Strengthened as the Day Advanced.

Southwestern Group of Railroads Were Active and Atchison Preferred Led the Market—Business Still Dull on Local Exchange, But Stocks Are Firm.

Friday Evening, July 7.

The local market continues very dull, and without special feature. In the general list, C.P.R. sold at 98½, Richelieu at 109½, General Electric at 156½, and Northwest Land pref. at 52. In mines, War Eagle sold from 369 to 369½ for 250 shares; Republic sold at 125 and 124½, and Golden Star (unlisted) opened higher at 40, sold up to 42, back to 40, and closed at 40½, 6500 shares changing hands.

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According to R. G. Dun & Co.'s report, the number of failures in the Dominion of Canada during the week ending July 6 was 21, as compared with 23 the previous week and 17 the corresponding week of 1898. The failures by Provinces were: Ontario 9, Quebec 9, Nova Scotia 2, and British Columbia 1.

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Kerr & Morson received the following despatch from Henry Clews & Co. of New York, at noon: "Market is strong, and looks like going higher. Money is easier."

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Forget & Co.'s cable from London quoted Grand Trunk first pref. at 2¾, second pref. at 55¼, and third pref. at 23¼.

Hudson Bay unchanged at £23¾, and Anaconda unchanged at 11½.

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There will be no afternoon session of the Toronto Stock Exchange until further notice.

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Consols are ¼ lower to-day, closing at 107 1-16 for money and at 107 3-16 for account.

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The Netherlands Bank has advanced its minimum rate of discount from 3 to 3½ per cent.

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The Bank of Bengal has reduced its discount rate from 5 to 4 per cent.

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Louisville & Nashville dividend next week expected to be 1 per cent. extra.

Railway Earnings.

The earnings of the Twin City Rapid Transit Company for the last week in June, 1899, were $61,117.35, being an increase of $10,501.70 over the same period of last year.

Southern Railway earnings for the fourth week of June increased $120,000, and for the month $276,000.

Denver & Rio Grande earnings for the fourth week of June decreased $15,600.

Missouri, Kansas & Texas earnings for the fourth week of June were $259,260, an increase of $55,101.

Wabash earnings for same week, $405,382, an increase of $70,700.

Ontario & Western earnings for the fourth week of June were $121,741, an increase of $15,829.

Montreal Street Railway earnings for Thursday, July 6, were $4424, a decrease of $40.

Aggregate Bank Clearings.

The aggregate bank clearings in the Dominion for the past week, with the usual comparisons, are as follows:

	Clearings.		Balances.
	July 6, '99.	July 7, '98.	
Montreal	$12,006,003	$13,038,155	$1,440,348
Toronto	11,211,922	7,166,285	1,655,575
Winnipeg	1,014,175	1,609,889	1,668,061
Halifax	1,036,808	1,659,979	
Hamilton	806,038	799,033	
St. John	615,681	687,430	
Total	$28,240,627	$24,878,877	

Wall Street.

Sentiment on the stock exchange favored lower prices during the greater part of the day, but the selling changed in the late dealings and prices were brought well above yesterday's level before the close. The late strength originated in the southwestern group of railroads. Texas and Pacific was the largest buying as well as the greatest gainer, the gain being shown by St. Louis Southwestern, pf., which rose 2 points on the publication of the May statement of net earnings, showing a surplus over expenses of $86,488, compared with $7256 last year. Missouri Pacific, Kansas and Texas, pfd., Wabash pfd., Texas and Pacific and Southern Railway, pfd., all rose between 1 and 2 points and aroused an active buying movement in other portions of the list. It was notable, however, that some of the stocks which have enjoyed the largest share of attention recently, fell into comparative quietude when interest began to be manifested in the new southwesterns. The grangers, however, after morning declines averaging a point, were bid up well above last night's close in the late dealings. The reports of good weather in the Northwest and the weakness in the wheat market and Bradstreet's estimate of a decrease of 3,500,000 bushels in European wheat stocks were the motives for the buying of the grangers. Part of this buying was said to be to cover shorts put out yesterday. Atchison pfd. led the market in point of activity and strength, rising to 61¾, which was 2½ points above the early low point. Manhattan showed independent strength before the intimation that the elevated system might be in the line of absorption by New York Central. The stock rose to within a shade of 122, but reacted about a point. The upward movement in Pennsylvania and New York Central at the opening on a published report of a plan to consolidate, which was denied later, did not hold the general market, though these two individual stocks maintained the advance in prices pretty well. Practically the maximum gain for them was established in London before the opening here. Pennsylvania was held at 138 only momentarily and ruled not far from 137 all day. The early period of the market was given over to continued liquidation, the industrial specialties and local traction stocks being notably weak. The late strength of the Southwestern was shared by Chesapeake and Ohio, Cleveland C.C. and St. Louis, Tennessee Coal and Colorado Fuel. The growing ease of the money market helped on the late recovery in values. The fears of dearer money in London gave way under the advance of the continental exchanges on London. The call rate dropped from 3 to 2 per cent. in London; actual rates for sterling exchange fell ¼ to ½ in New York, and call money was offered down to 4 per cent. in New York.

Bank Clearings at Montreal.

Bank clearings at Montreal for the week:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Week ended July 6	$13,068,000	$1,351,849
Cor. week, 1898	13,038,155	1,440,348
Cor. week, 1897	13,580,459	1,655,575
Cor. week, 1896	11,348,107	1,668,061

Money Market.

The local money market is unchanged, with call loans quoted at 5 to 5½ per cent. Bank of England rate, 3 per cent. Open market discount rate, 2⅝ to 2½ per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

P. C. Goldingham, Jordan-street, Toronto, broker, to-day reports closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks— Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter.
N. Y. Funds	1-32 dis.	to par	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	1-10 dis.	to par	1-8 to 1-4
60 Days Sgt.	9 1-16	9 3-16	9 1-2 to 9¾
Demand Sgt.	9¼	9 9-16	9¾ to 9 7-8
Cable Transf.	9 9-16	9 5-8	9 7-8 to 10

—Rates in New York.—

	Posted.	Actual.
Sterling, demand	4.88½@4.87½	to ....
Sterling, 60 days	4.86 @4.85½	to ....

Toronto Stocks.

	1 p.m. Ask.	Bid.	3.30 p.m. Ask.	Bid.
Montreal	....	253	....	252
Ontario	....	....	....	250
Toronto	135	133½	135	133½
Merchants'	....	239½	242	239½
Commerce	....	172	....	170
	151	150	151	150
Imperial	229	227	230	228
Dominion	270	266½	....	266½
Standard	....	191	....	191
Hamilton	....	191¼	....	191¼
Nova Scotia	....	220	....	220
Ottawa	....	200	....	200
Traders'	119	117	....	117
Brit. America	....	126¼	....	126¼
West. Assurance	167	164¾	167	164⅞
Imperial Life	....	155	....	155
National Trust	....	130¼	....	130¼
Consumers' Gas	....	227	....	227½
Montreal Gas	....	199¾	....	199¾
Dom. Telegraph	130	127	130	127
Ont & Qu'Appelle	65	58	65	....
Can N W L Co, pr.	53	51⅞	53	51¾
C P R Stock	98½	98¼	98½	98⅜
Toronto Electric	138	136¾	138	136¾
do. do. new	....	132	....	....
General Electric	157	156⅝	157½	156½
do. do. pref.	....	105	....	....
Com Cable Co.	187¾	186¾	187	186⅞
do. coup. bonds	104¼	103¾	104¼	103¾
do. reg. bonds	104¾	104	104¾	104
Crow's Nest Coal	160	....	155	....
Twin City Ry.	....	66¼	67¾	67
Payne Mining	....	138	145	138
Dunlop Tire, pr.	116	112	115	112
Bell Telephone	....	....	....	183
Richelieu & Ont.	110¼	109⅞	110	109⅞
Toronto Railway	116½	116	117	115¾
London St Ry.	....	178	....	178
Halifax Tram.	112	....	112	....
Ottawa St Ry.	208	200	208	200
Hamilton Elec.	81	78	81	78
London Electric	....	119	....	119
War Eagle	369¼	369	370	369
Republic	127	124¼	128	123¾
Cariboo (McK.)	130	....	126	....
Brit Can L & I	100	....	....	....
B & L Assn.	60	....	....	....
Canada Landed	103	....	....	....
Canada Per.	....	112	....	....
do. do. 20 p.c.	....	106	....	....
Central Can Loan	....	132	....	....
Dom S & I Soc.	....	75	....	....
Hamilton Prov.	....	110½	....	....
Huron & Erie	....	178	....	....
do. do. 20 p.c.	....	165	....	....
Imperial L. & I.	95	....	....	....
Landed B & L.	....	110	....	....
London & Canada	74⅞	....	....	....
London Loan	115	107½	....	....
London & Ontario	100	....	....	....
Manitoba Loan	....	35	....	....
Ontario L & D.	....	120	....	....
People's Loan	36	....	....	....
Real Estate	....	64	....	....
Union L & S.	42	38	....	....

Unlisted Mining Stocks.

	1 p.m. Ask.	Bid.	3.30 p.m. Ask.	Bid.
Alice A.	....	20	....	20
Athabasca	37¾	37	38	37
Brandon & G. C.	....	23	29	23
Dardanelles	....	13	13	10
Deer Park	....	3	....	3
Deer Trail No. 2	26½	26	27	26
Evening Star	10	8	10	8
Fairview Corp.	....	8	....	8
Golden Star	42	41½	41	40⅝
Hammond Reef	26	23	....	....
Iron Mask	....	65	....	65
Minnehaha	....	15	....	18½
Monte Cristo	10	5	5	4
Noble Five	....	20	....	....
Olive	80	75	80	75
Rambler Cariboo	22	....	....	20
Smuggler	....	3	6	3
St. Elmo	....	4	6	4
Toronto & Western	140	....	124	....
Van Anda	9	8	8½	8¼
Victory-Triumph	....	....	9	4
Virginia	....	12	....	....
Virtue	....	35	....	....
Waterloo	....	7	12½	....
White Bear	....	3½	....	....
Winnipeg	33	31½	33	31

Sales at 11.30 a.m.: Imperial Bank, 2, 1 at 228; Traders' Bank, 2, at 118; Montreal Gas, 25 at 199¾; Northwest Land, pref., 50, 50 at 52; War Eagle, 500, 500 at 369, 500, 500, 1000 at 369½.

Sales at 1 p.m.: C.P.R., 10 at 98. Gen. Electric, 10 at 156⅝, 15, 10 at 156½; War Eagle, 500 at 369¼; Republic, 500 at 125, 500 at 124½; Canada Per. Loan, 6, 14 at 115.

Sales at 3.30 p.m.: Imperial, 5 at 228; C.P.R., 50, 25 at 98⅛; Richelieu, 25, 25 at 109½; War Eagle, 750 at 369½.

Sales of unlisted mining stocks: Athabasca, 500 at 38; Golden Star, 500 at 40, 500, 500 at 41, 500 at 41½, 500, 500