

ACTIVE TRADING IN WHEAT

Chicago Options Declined Early, But Recovered.

Realizing and Short-Selling Responsible for the Slump—The recovery was on speculative buying through commission houses—Corn Aided Sympathetically—Liverpool Bull and Paris Weak—Local Markets.

Wednesday Evening, April 26.

Liverpool wheat futures today were easy, closing 3d per cent below yesterday's figures.

Paris wheat declined 10 to 20 centimes to-day, and Paris flour 10 centimes.

Chicago wheat futures were erratic to-day, the market opened weak and declined on liquidation and short selling. The May option fell 1/4c, the July option 3/4c, and the Sept. article 1c. At the decline there was buying through commission houses, and for the close futures had pretty fully recovered the early loss.

Liverpool maize futures declined 1/4d to 3/4d per cent to-day. Corn at Chicago fell 1/4c to 3/4c, and recovered most of the decline.

Wheat receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day, 252 cars, against 238 the corresponding day of 1892.

Cheese declined 1/4c at Liverpool to-day for both white and colored.

Exports at New York to-day: Flour, 10,000 barrels; 15,578 sacks; wheat, 153,190 bushels.

A Columbus special says: Weekly crop report says all crops need rain. On seedling corn, wheat and some corn has been planted. Argentina—The supplement to the Corn Trade News gives a list of 24 sailing vessels and steamers loading or engaged to load at Argentine ports on April 30.

The Chicago Daily Trade Bulletin has the following: A cable from Liverpool said that American wheat was two dear compared with Argentina and Russia, and that we need not look for a better demand until the Argentine market declines. New York wired there was an improved demand for open tonnage, and that rates were up to 3d, as against 1 1/2d recently.

A prominent North Dakota farmer says that the spring wheat acreage will decrease 20 per cent. On the other hand, the Minneapolis Market Record says that there is no indication of curtailment of spring wheat sowing.

Big Railway Haul—The heaviest train ever hauled on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad was moved on March 13. Fifty passenger cars, containing 4,738,100 lbs. of coal, with a gross weight of 4,435,100 lbs. (nearly 300 tons), was hauled by a special class engine.

Russian Farmers and Wheat.

The Liverpool Corn Trade News, April 11, referring to the Russian wheat movement, says that the late decrease of 8,000,000 quarters in the final, as compared with the preliminary official estimate of the spring wheat crop, goes some way towards accounting for the small export movement this season, but the main reason for the small export movement is the fact that the Russian farmers are taking long views. Farmers of all degrees hold stocks for years in order to catch a better market, so that sometimes big exports are found in seasons of small crops, or vice versa. In 1892-93, the average of the spring crops, but high prices, the exports were largely above the average. In 1893-94, at record, the exports were quite moderate.

The World wheat market is not above the fact that there is small probability of any great rush of Russian wheat during the remainder of this crop year. The news thinks that the exports will be small, and that the price of Russian wheat will be small.

The exports since Aug. 1 have been about 48,000,000 bushels. The news thinks that for the whole crop year the exports will reach 64,000,000 bushels, very little over 1,000,000 bushels per week for the remainder of the season.

Condition of European Crops.

The Liverpool Corn Trade News reports as to condition of growing crops: United Kingdom—The growing wheat conditions are given as satisfactory. The only fault with it being a slight backwardness.

Romania and Bulgaria—Conditions remain satisfactory.

France—Mild weather has prevailed, and it now appears that the winter did not harm to the winter crops, which still look very well. Spring seeding was nearly finished.

Austria-Hungary—The weather has been reasonable, and there is no complaint about the young crops.

Belgium and Holland—The weather is sea-sonable, and the crops look all right.

Germany—The weather has been milder and more favorable, with nice growing rains, which were much needed in many parts.

Russia—Europe—Harvest prospects are good.

Russia—Odesa advises that no complaints about the crops there are heard.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing prices to day at important centers:

Cash. April. May. July.

Chicago... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Milwaukee... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

St. Louis... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Port... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Detroit... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Baltimore... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Duluth... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Hard... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Minnesota... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Toronto... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Hard (new)... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

Soft... 70 1/4 70 1/4 70 1/4

THE CATTLE MARKETS

Potatoes firm at 80c to 85c per bag by the load from farmers' wagons.

Wheat, white, bush... 70 1/4 to 70 1/2

Red, bush... 68 1/2 to 69 1/2

Barley, bush... 60 1/2 to 61 1/2

Peas, bush... 50 1/2 to 51 1/2

Beans, bush... 40 1/2 to 41 1/2

Timothy, bush... 30 1/2 to 31 1/2

Hay, timothy, per ton... \$10.00 to \$12.00

Hay, clover, per ton... 8.00 to 9.00

Straw, sheaf, per ton... 4.00 to 5.00

Straw, loose, per ton... 4.00 to 5.00

Butter, lb. rolls... 10.00 to 11.00

Butter, large rolls... 10.00 to 11.00

Eggs, fresh-laid... 12.00 to 13.00

Beef, forequarters, cwt... \$5.00 to \$5.50

Beef, hindquarters, cwt... 5.00 to 5.50

Lamb, spring, each... 3.00 to 3.50

Mutton, carcass, cwt... 6.00 to 7.00

Hogs, dressed, light... 5.00 to 5.50

Hogs, dressed, heavy... 5.00 to 5.50

Chickens, per pair... 75 to 80

Turkeys, per lb... 12 1/2 to 13

Perch, per lb... 12 to 13

Carriage, per doz... 1.00 to 1.50

Onions, per bag... 0.50 to 0.75

Beets, per bag... 0.50 to 0.75

Potatoes, per bag... 0.50 to 0.75

Turnips, per bag... 0.50 to 0.75

Parasels, per bag... 0.50 to 0.75

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Two loads, with a fair demand, sold steady on Monday's basis. Cattle were in moderate supply, fair demand and steady.

Choice to extra were \$3.50 to \$3.75; good to choice, \$3 to \$3.50.

Sheep and Lambs—The market was in good position, with 40 loads on sale, and fairly active demand. The buying was not so good. Sheep in good demand and fairly active demand.

The sheep generally, but what were sold separate went at \$2.25 to \$2.50. Lambs, choice to extra, \$3.75 to \$4.00; good to choice, \$3.50 to \$3.75; common to fair, \$3 to \$3.50.

Sheep, choice to extra, \$4.75 to \$5; good to choice, \$4.50 to \$4.75; common to fair, \$4 to \$4.25; wool lambs, choice to extra, \$6.30 to \$6.75. There were a few decks left over at the close, and a little easier feeling.

Hogs—The market opened rather slow and so lower, with 20 total sale for the day. Bids of heavy hog prices were \$4.10; pigs, nominal under no demand. Yorkers, \$4 to \$4.05; mixed, \$4.05 to \$4.10; rough, \$3.25 to \$3.50; stags, \$2.50 to \$2.75. On the close heavy were not over \$4.05, and not all the offerings sold.

Chicago Cattle.

Henry A. King & Co., 111 East King street, received the following despatch to-day from Chicago:

Wheat—Further weakness developed in the wheat market during the early part of the session, principally by liquidation and short sales. The market was quiet, and the price declined to 71 1/4c for July. On the decline, the market was quiet, and the price declined to 71 1/4c for July.

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C. R. HAS TOUCHED 95

Big Trading in This Domestic Railway Issue.

Most Other Canadian Securities Neglected—Montreal Street Railway Higher and War Eagle Easier—More Strength Shown on Wall Street—Notes and Gossip.

Wednesday Evening, April 26.

C.R. was once more a feature on the Canadian exchanges to-day. Nearly 2300 shares were traded in on the Toronto board, while nearly 5000 in Montreal.

On the local exchange, the stock opened at 94, an advance of 1/4 point over Tuesday's closing. The buying was good, and sales were recorded up to 94 1/4.

The close was 94 1/4 and 94 1/2 asked. The closing figures in London to-day were 94 1/4, and in Montreal 94 1/4.

War Eagle indicated easier. Montreal Railway was sold up to 220, Sugar, 220, and stock closing at 225 on the Montreal board.

A London cable to Messrs. A. E. Ames & Co. gives the following quotations: G.T.H. 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 7