WHEAT FUTURES DECLINE.

Further Drop of a Cent Yesterday in Chicago.

Market Dull, With Some Speculative Liquidation—Corn Market on the Contrary Higher on Dry, Hot Weather in Kansas—Local Grain, Produce, Fruit, Sugar and Live Stock Markets.

World Office.
Friday Evening, Aug. 17.

In Liverpool to-day wheat futures closed ½d to ¾d below yesterday's final figures.

Liverpool maize futures declined ¼d to ½d.

Chicago wheat futures declined about a cent a bushel to-day and closed at the bottom. Market dull, with speculative liquidation. Corn futures advanced about half a cent to-day on bad reports re Kansas crop.

Liverpool receipts of wheat during the past three days 108,000 centals, including 14,000 American. Receipts of American corn during the past three days 258,500 centals.

Argentine shipments of wheat this week to the United Kingdom and the Continent amount to 816,000 bushels, as against 1,004,000 bushels last week and 728,000 a year ago. Maize 384,000, as against 536,000 bushels last week and 835,000 a year ago. The maize crop conditions are further improved. It is estimated that the exportable surplus of wheat will amount to 300,000 tons; of maize, 250,000 tons.

Northwest cars to-day: Duluth 28, Minneapolis 187, total 195, as compared with 225 last week and 212 last year.

Primary receipts at Chicago were 935,000 bushels; shipments 717,000 bushels.

Leading Wheat Markets.

Following are the closing quotations at important wheat centres to-day:

	Cash.	Aug.	Sept.	Dec.
Chicago	....$....	$....	$0 72⅞	$0 73⅝
New York	....	....	0 78¼	0 80¼
Toledo	0 75	....	....	....
St. Louis	0 70	0 69⅝	0 69½	0 72¼
Toledo	0 75½	0 75½	0 76	0 78
Detroit, red	0 76½	0 76⅝	0 76⅞	....
Detroit, white	0 75⅝	....	....	....
Minneapolis, No. 1 Northern	0 75⅞	....	0 75⅝	0 75⅞
Minneapolis, No. 1 hard	0 75⅞	....	....	....
Duluth, No. 1 Northern	0 73¾	0 73	0 72⅞	0 74¼
Duluth, No. 1 hard	....	0 75¾	....	....

GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

Flour—Ontario patents in bags, $3.60 to $3.75; straight rollers, $3.35 to $3.50; Hungarian patents, $4.50; Manitoba bakers', $4.25, all on track at Toronto.

Wheat—Ontario, red and white, north and west, 70c bid and 68c asked; No. 1 Manitoba hard, 87½c, Toronto, and No. 1 Northern at 85½c.

Oats—Quoted at 26½c old, 25c new, north and west, 27½c old, 26c new, east.

Barley—Quoted at 38c to 39c for No. 2 west, and No. 3, new, at 33c.

Rye—Quote at 47c north and west and 49c east.

Bran—City mills sell bran at $13 and shorts at $15.50, in car lots, f.o.b., Toronto.

Corn—Canadian, none offered; American, 48c to 49c on track here.

Oatmeal—Quoted at $3.20 by the bag and $3.30 by the barrel, on track at Toronto, in car lots.

Peas—New sold at 56c north and west, and 58c east.

Toronto Sugar Market.

St. Lawrence sugars are quoted as follows: granulated at $5.38, and No. 1 yellow at 4.88 per cwt. Car load lots at 5c per cwt. less.

The demand for sugar is a little better and outside markets keep steady.

ST. LAWRENCE MARKET.

Receipts of farm produce were 450 bushels of grain, 7 loads of hay, 1 of straw and 50 dressed hogs.

Wheat—One load of new sold at 69½c per bushel.

Oats—Four hundred bushels of new sold at 27c to 27½c.

Hay—Seven loads sold at $12 to $13.50 per ton.

Straw—One load sold at $10 per ton.

Dressed Hogs—William Harris, jr., bought 50 dressed hogs at $7.50 to $8 per cwt.

Grain—		
Wheat, white, bush	$0 71 to $....	....
" red, bush	0 69½	....
" fife, bush	0 71	....
" goose, bush	0 68½	....
Oats, old, bush	0 29	0 33
Oats, new, bush	0 27	0 27½
Barley, bush	0 40½	....
Rye, bush	0 50	....
Peas, bush	0 59	....
Buckwheat, bush	0 58	....
Seeds—		
Alsike, choice No. 1	6 50	....
" good, No. 2	6 00	....
Hay and Straw—		
Hay, per ton	$12 00 to $13 50	
Straw, sheaf, per ton	10 00	....
Straw, loose, per ton	4 00	5 00
Dairy Produce—		
Butter, lb. rolls	$0 18 to $0 22	
Eggs, new-laid	0 13	0 15
Poultry—		
Chickens, per pair	$0 60 to $0 70	
Turkeys, per lb.	0 10	0 12
Spring chicken, per pair	0 50	1 00
Spring ducks, per pair	0 70	1 20
Fruit and Vegetables—		
Potatoes, new, per bush	$0 30 to $0 35	
Beets, per doz	0 10	....
Cabbage, per doz	0 30	....
Carrots, per doz	0 10	....
Apples, per bbl.	0 75	1 00
Fresh Meats—		
Beef, forequarters, cwt	$4 00 to $5 00	
Beef, hindquarters, cwt	8 00	9 00
Lamb, per lb	0 08	0 09
Mutton, carcase, per cwt.	7 00	8 00
Veal, carcase, per cwt.	7 00	8 50
Dressed hogs, per cwt.	7 50	8 00

FARM PRODUCE WHOLESALE.

Hay, baled, car lots, per ton	$9 00 to $9 50	
Straw, baled, car lots, per ton	4 75	5 00
Butter, dairy, lb. rolls	0 19	....
Butter, creamery, lb. rolls	0 21	0 22
Butter, creamery, boxes	0 20	0 21
Butter, tubs, per lb	0 17	0 18
Eggs, new-laid	0 12	0 12½
Honey, per lb.	0 09	0 10

Hides and Wool.

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

Hides, No. 1 green	$0 07 to $0 07½
Hides, No. 1 green steers	0 07½	0 08
Hides, No. 2 green steers	0 06½	0 07
Hides, No. 2 green	0 06	0 06½
Hides, No. 3 green	0 05½	0 06
Hides, cured	0 06¾	0 07¾
Calfskins, No. 1	0 08	0 09
Calfskins, No. 2	0 07	....
Deacons (dairies), each	0 50	0 60
Sheepskins, fresh	0 50	1 00
Lambskins	0 40	0 50
Pelts	0 40	0 50
Tallow, rendered	0 04	0 04¾
Wool, fleece	0 15	0 16
Wool, unwashed, fleece	0 09	0 10
Wool, pulled, super	0 18	0 18
Wool, pulled, extra	0 18	0 21

Chicago Markets.

J. J. Dixon reports the following fluctuations on the Chicago Board of Trade to-day:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—Sept	73¾	73⅞	72⅞	72⅞
" —Oct.	74⅞	74⅞	73¾	73¾
Corn—Sept	39	39½	39	39⅛
—Oct.	37½	37¾	37½	37½
Oats—Sept	21⅞	22	21⅞	21⅞
" —Oct.	22¼	22¼	22⅛	22⅛
Pork—Sept	11 40	11 40	11 00	11 00
Lard—Sept	6 67	6 67	6 57	6 57
Ribs—Sept.	6 85	6 85	6 80	6 85

British Markets.

Liverpool, Aug. 17.—(12.30.)—Wheat, No. 1 Northern spring, 6s 3d; No. 1 Cal., 6s 3½d to 6s 4d; red winter, 6s 2½d; corn, new, 4s; old, 4s 1d; peas, 5s 8½d; pork, prime western mess, 72s 6d; lard, prime western, 34s 9d; tallow, Australian, 26s 6d; American, good to fine, 25s; bacon, long clear, light, 41s 6d; heavy, 41s; short, clear heavy, 39s 6d; cheese, white, 51s; colored, 52s; wheat, dull; corn, firm.

Liverpool—Open—Wheat, spot quiet; No. 1 Cal., 6s 3½d to 6s 4d; Walla, 5s 10d to 6s 0½d; No. 2 red winter, 6s 1½d to 6s 3½d. Maize, spot firm; mixed American, old, 4s 1d to 4s 2d; new, 4s to 4s 0¼d; futures steady; Sept., 3s 11¾d; Oct. and Nov., 4s. Flour, 19s 3d to 20s 6d.

London—Close—Wheat, cargoes off coast, 1; waiting orders, 1; wheat, on passage, buyers and sellers apart; parcels No. 1 hard Duluth, steam, Sept., 31s 9d, paid; steam, Aug. and Sept., 31s 9d, paid; No. 1 hard Manitoba, steam, Sept., 31s 9d, paid. Maize, on passage firm but not active; cargoes Danubian, steam, Aug., 18s 10½d, paid; maize, spot mixed American, 19s 6d. Flour, spot Minn., 25s 3d.

Antwerp—Close—Spot wheat, firm; No. 2 red winter, 16¾f.

Paris—Close—Wheat, steady; Aug., 19f 95c; Nov. and Feb., 21f 30c. Flour, steady; Aug., 25f 70c; Nov. and Feb., 27f 55c.

Chicago Gossip.

J. J. Dixon has the following this evening from Chicago:

Wheat—The weakness in wheat is due more to pit conditions than to statistics. Limited speculative trade and liquidation by holders have been the features of the market. There has been buying of good character. Offerings from country of cash wheat have been limited; charters here for shipments were 400,000 bushels. Weather in Northwest favorable, receipts there lighter. They bought very liberally. Local trade is very bearish, and recent efforts on short side being successful encourages them in further efforts.

Corn—Corn has ruled rather firm, without much trade; prices up about ½c over yesterday. The light receipts and very small country offerings have been the features. Kansas, hot and dry, and a continuation of these conditions is predicted. Shorts and commission houses bought, elevator people sold, shipping demand slow; 110 cars estimated for to-morrow.

Oats—Oats have ruled about steady, at a shade decline from yesterday. Country offerings moderate and receipts not so large. There are some reports from Illinois and Iowa of too much rain and a delay of threshing. Elevator people and crowd sold. Shipping demand indifferent; 280 cars estimated for to-morrow.

Provisions—Opened steady on buying of September and October by shippers, and then ruled panicky, weak and lower, on selling of January product by packers. Stop orders came on market, and further decline was prevented by Armour buying September pips. Market closed steadier, with part of decline regained. Estimated hogs to-morrow, 14,000.

Dun's Canadian Trade Review.

There was a slight increase in the volume of wholesale trade at Toronto this week. Good crops in Ontario are having a beneficial effect, and a heavy trade in general merchandise is expected this fall. The orders for dry goods show an increase this week. The demand for dress goods and hosiery was especially active, and shipping departments are kept busy in forwarding goods. The outlook for business with Manitoba merchants is probably not as bright as a year ago, but a fairly satisfactory movement seems to be anticipated. Generally speaking, the merchants at Toronto expect trade to equal that of last autumn. In hardware, there is a quiet trade, with little change in prices; pig iron is still irregular. Groceries are fairly active for the season, with prices firm as a rule. Cheese is firmer, in sympathy with the higher market in Liverpool. Stocks of cured meats are light; prices firm all round. Hides are dull and weaker, and leather is quiet, with prices unchanged. The wool market is very dull; there is little disposition to buy this season's clip of fleece, and so far we understand no exports have been made. The grain movement has begun, with moderate receipts of wheat and oats, but no barley is coming in yet. Prices of both wheat and oats are easy. Money market is unchanged; prime commercial paper is discounted at 6 to 6½ per cent., and call loans are negotiable at 5 to 5½ per cent. on choice collateral.

TORONTO FRUIT MARKETS.

Deliveries of fruit at the foot of Scott-street to-day were moderately large, and the quality good. Fully 8000 packages arrived by the morning and afternoon boats, and a good general demand cleaned up almost everything in sight. Tomatoes were a trifle firmer, with stocks not any too large, and altogether, unless to-day's receipts are more than ordinarily large, the week promises to round up in good shape for producers and commission houses. The market was devoid of any special feature, and prices ruled as follows: Tomatoes, 10c to 20c; cucumbers, 10c to 15c; pears, 20c to 40c; apples, 10c to 20c per basket; choice, per bbl., $1 to $1.50; green corn, 5c to 7c per doz.; potatoes, 20c to 35c per bag; Canadian peaches, 15c to 40c per basket; Lawton berries, 5c to 7c per basket; plums, 50c to 75c; muskmelons, 15c to 20c per basket, and 50c to 75c per case; celery, 35c to 50c per doz; huckleberries, 65c to 90c per basket; Southern grapes, $2.75 to $3 per crate, and bananas, $1.25 to $2 per bunch.

New York Produce Markets.

New York, Aug. 17.—Flour—Receipts, 22,638 bbls.; exports, 5028 bbls.; sales, 870 pkgs.; quiet, weak and a shade lower on spring patents; Minnesota patents, $3.50 to $4.25; rye flour, steady. Cornmeal—Firm; yellow western, 88c; city, 87c. Rye—Steady; No. 2 western, 57½c, f.o.b., afloat. Barley—Quiet; feeding, 40½c to 43c, c.i.f., New York. Barley malt—Dull. Wheat—Receipts, 107,925 bush; spot weak; No. 2 red, 79¾c, f.o.b., afloat; No. 2 red, 77½c, elevator; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 82½c, f.o.b. afloat, to arrive; No. 1 hard Duluth, 84½c, f.o.b., afloat, to arrive; options reflected continued bearishness of sentiment with liquidation again a feature, inspired by more liberal country offerings of new wheat, very small seaboard clearances, weakness abroad and scant export inquiry; closed weak at ½c to ⅝c net decline; Sept., 78⅛c to 78⅝c, closed 78¼c; Dec., 80 3-16c to 80⅝c, closed 80⅛c. Corn—Receipts, 117,000 bush; exports, 12,242 bush; sales, 160,000 bush futures, 220,000 bush export; spot steady; No. 2, 40⅝c, f.o.b., afloat, and 44⅞c, elevator; option market had another fairly strong day, governed by light offerings, small receipts, bullishness at Chicago and scattered coverings; closed steady and unchanged; May, 40c to 40⅛c, closed 40c; Sept., 43c to 44⅛c, closed 44c; Dec., 40c to 40¼c, closed 40c. Oats—Receipts, 46,200 bush; exports, 400 bush; spot steady; No. 2, 26c; No. 3, 25½c; No. 2 white, 28½c; No. 3 white, 27½c; track mixed western, 26c to 27c; track white, 26c to 33c; options dull, but steady. Butter—Firm; creamery, 17½c to 21c; dairy, current packed, 14c to 16c; imitation creamery, 15c to 18c; State dairy, 16c to 19½c. Cheese—Irregular; large colored, 10⅜c; small colored, 10¾c; large white, 10⅜c to 10½c; small white, 10½c to 10¾c. Eggs—Firm; State and Pennsylvania, at mark, 15c to 18c; western, at mark, regular packing, 10c to 14c; western, loss off, 15c to 16c. Rosin—Quiet. Molasses—Firm. Pig Iron—Dull; Northern, $13 to $17; Southern, $13 to $17. Copper—Steady; broker, $16.75; exchange, $16.62½. Lead—Dull; broker, $4; exchange, $4.25. Tin—Weak; Straits, $31.50, sellers; plates dull. Spelter—Weak; domestic, $4.12½ to $4.17½. Coffee—Spot Rio, barely steady; No. 7, invoice, 8⅝c; mild market quiet; Cordova, nominal. The market for coffee futures opened steady, with prices unchanged to 5 points lower under weak Brazilian cables, heavy receipts and brisk general selling; later the market steadied on covering, and a lull in liquidation; spot weak and irregular; the market for futures closed steady at net unchanged prices to 5 points advance; total sales, 21,750 bags. including Nov., 7.65c to 7.70c; Dec., 7.75c to 7.80c; Jan., 7.80c; Feb., 7.80c to 7.85c; March, 7.85c to 7.90c; April, 7.90c to 7.95c; May, 7.95c to 8c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining, 4½c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅞c; molasses sugar, 4c; refined firm.

Montreal Markets.

Montreal, Aug. 17.—Flour—Receipts, 3400 bbls.; market quiet. Flour—Patent winter, $3.75 to $4; no spring, $4.50; straight roller, $3.40 to $3.60; strong bakers, $4.20 to $4.40; Ontario bags, $1.70 to $1.80. Grain—Wheat, No. 2 Man., hard, 82c to 84c; corn, 45c to 47c; peas, 70c to 71c; oats, 29c to 30c; barley, 50c to 51c; rye, 56c to 58c; buckwheat, 55c to 57c; oatmeal, $1.90 to $1.70; cornmeal, 90c to $1. Provisions—Pork, $17 to $18; lard, 6c to 7½c; bacon, 12c to 14c; hams, 12c to 14c. Produce—Cheese, 9c to 10c; butter, townships, 19c to 20c; Western, 16c to 17c; eggs, 11c to 13c.

LOCAL LIVE STOCK.

Receipts of live stock were again light, 43 carloads all told, composed of 733 cattle, 314 hogs, 468 sheep and 20 calves.

The quality of shipping cattle was fairly good, while that of butchers' was, generally speaking, bad, and good to choice animals were very scarce. What the local butchers' trade requires is well finished heifers and steers weighing from 1000 to 1100 lbs. and fewer old cows and heavy unfinished steers, of which there are too many being offered.

Trade was a little better than on Thursday, but still very dull in some classes, especially for shipping cattle and stockers, prices for which declined from 15c to 20c per cwt.

Export Cattle—Choice lots of export cattle sold at $4.85 to $5 per cwt., while lights sold at $4.25 to $4.40.

Bulls—Heavy export bulls sold at $4 to $4.40 per cwt., while light export bulls sold at $3.40 to $3.65.

The bulk of exporters sold at $4.65 to $4.85 per cwt.

Loads of good butchers and exporters, mixed, sold at $4.25 to $4.37½.

Butchers' Cattle—Choice picked lots of butchers' cattle, equal in quality to the best exporters, weighing 1000 to 1100 lbs., each, sold at $4.50 to $4.70.

Loads of good butchers' cattle sold at $4.20 to $4.40, and medium butchers', mixed cows, heifers and steers, $3.95 to $4.10 per cwt.

Common butchers' cows (grassers), $3.12½ to $3.40; while inferior rough cows and bulls sold at $2.75 to $2.85 per cwt.

Heavy Feeders—Few of this class are coming forward, and steers with good breeding qualities, weighing from 1100 to 1200 lbs. each, are worth from $4 to $4.50 per cwt.

Light feeders—Steers weighing from 700 to 900 lbs., sold at $3 to $3.25.

Buffalo Stockers—Yearling steers, 500 to 600 lbs. in weight, sold at $2.25 to $3 per cwt., while heifers and black and white steers of the same weight sold at $2.25 per cwt.

Milch Cows—Twelve milch cows and springers sold at $28 to $50.

Calves—Fifty calves sold at from $3 to $10.

Sheep—Deliveries, 403; prices steady at $3.75 to $4 for ewes and $2.75 to $3 per cwt. for bucks.

Spring Lambs—Spring lambs sold from $3 to $4.25 each.

Hogs—Deliveries, 900; best select bacon hogs, not less than 160 nor more than 200 lbs. each, sifted and unwatered, off cars, sold at $6.25; thick fats at $5.37½, and lights at $5.25 per cwt.

Uncalled car lots of hogs sold at $5.80 to $6.00 per cwt.

William Levack bought 150 cattle, butchers and shippers, principally the latter, which were of choice quality. Mr. Levack paid the following prices: Exporters of choice heavy quality, $4.85 to $5; light exporters, $4.25 to $4.40; light export bulls, $3.40 to $3.60; heavy export bulls of choice quality, $4 to $4.40 per cwt.; medium to good butchers, at $4 to $4.10; and choice picked lots of steers and heifers, 1000 to 1100 lbs. each, equal in quality to best exporters, at $4.50 to $4.70.

Dunn Bros. bought 2 loads of exporters, one load, 1340 lbs. each, of choice quality, and sold by many to be the best load on the market, at $5.30 per cwt.; and one load, 1223 lbs. each, at $5.15.

Robert Hunter bought 13 butchers' heifers, 990 lbs. each, at $4 per cwt.

John Henderson bought 1 load butchers' cattle, 960 lbs., at $3.80 per cwt.

L. Jones bought 4 milch cows at $28 to $45 each.

Halligan & Rountree bought 30 cattle, with a few exporters among them, 1150 lbs. each, at $4 per cwt and $1 each over; 15 inland butchers and exporters, 1150 lbs. each, at $4.50 per cwt., less $7 on the lot; 20 steers, 1150 lbs. each, at $4.10 per cwt.; 5 fat cows at $35 each; 1 heifer, 920 lbs., at $4.30.

A. McGrimmon sold 2 butchers' cattle, 1100 lbs. each, at $4.25; 2 cattle, 1000 lbs. each, at $3.75 per cwt.; 9 cattle, 1050 lbs. each, at $3.25; 3 cattle, 1050 lbs. each, at $3.60 per cwt.

Alex Levack bought 20 butchers' cattle (choice), 1100 lbs. each, at $4.25 to $4.40½ per cwt.

R. J. Collins bought for M. Vincent 19 butchers' cattle, cows, heifers and steers, 1040 lbs. each, at $3.65; 17 cattle, mostly cows, 1100 lbs. each, at $3.45; 12 steers, 1100 lbs. each, at $3.90; and several fat cows at $3 to $3.50 per cwt.

E. Maybee bought 40 stockers and light feeders at $3 to $3.25 per cwt.

H. Hunnisett bought 9 bulls, 1300 to 2130 lbs. each, at $3.40 to $3.50 per cwt.

G. M. Campbell sold 18 heifers, 700 lbs. each, at $3 per cwt.; 12 stock steers, 650 lbs. each, at $2.90 per cwt.

W. B. Levack bought 60 sheep at $4 per cwt.; 30 lambs at $3.50 each, and 10 calves at $6 per cwt.

James Gilmore sold 10 stockers, 650 lbs. each, of good quality, at $3 per cwt.

Shipments per C.P.R.: Gordon & Ironsides, 1 car; M. Vincent, 3 cars; William Croelock, 1 car.

Shipments per G.T.R.: J. W. Elliott, 3 cars; R. Howlett, 1 car; E. Maybee, 5 cars; and William Levack, 2 cars.

Export cattle, choice ..... $4 85 to $5 00
" cattle, light 4 25 4 40
" bulls, choice 4 00 4 40
" bulls, light 3 40 3 00
Loads good butchers and exporters, mixed 4 25 4 37½
Butchers' cattle, picked lots 4 50 4 60
" fair 3 90 4 00
" medium, mixed 3 65 4 10
" common grassers 3 12½ 3 40
" inferior 2 75 3 00
Feeders, heavy 4 00 4 50
Feeders, light 3 00 3 25
Stockers 2 25 3 00
Milch cows 28 00 50 00
Calves 3 00 10 00
Sheep, ewes, per cwt. 3 75 4 00
Sheep, bucks, per cwt. 2 75 3 00
Lambs, each 3 50 4 50
Sheep, butchers' 2 50 3 50
Hogs, fancy, over 160 and up to 200 lbs. ..... 6 25 ....
Hogs, thick fats ..... 5 37½ ....
" light, under 160 lbs. ..... 5 25 ....
" corn-fed ..... 5 37½ ....
" sows ..... 3 75 ....
" stags ..... 2 00 ....

THE CATTLE MARKETS.

New York, Aug. 17.—Beeves—Receipts, 3898; demand slack; steers 10c to 15c lower, some sales 25c off; rough stuff easier; native steers, $4.42½ to $5.60; no really choice here; bulls, $2.25 to $2.90; cows, $2.40 to $3.60. Cables slow. Shipments none.

Calves—Receipts, 74; steady; veals, $4 to $5.70; no very prime on sale; grassers and buttermilks, $3 to $3.50.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 6120; dull demand; prices a shade lower all round; common to choice sheep, $2.50 to $4.62½; culls, $2; lambs, $4.50 to $6.40; tops, $6.00; culls, $4.

Hogs—Receipts, 2592; half a car on sale; market lower, at $5.50 to $5.75 per 100 lbs.; choice and fancy light State hogs, $5.80 to $6.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Cattle—Receipts, 2500; good to prime steers, $4.60 to $5; poor to medium, $4.05 to $5.35; selected feeders, steady, $4 to $4.75; mixed stockers, $3.25 to $3.90; cows, $2.90 to $4.35; heifers, $2.50 to $4.75; canners, $2.20 to $2.75; bulls, $2.70 to $4.50; calves, $4.50 to $6.75. Texans—Receipts, 2200; Texas fed steers, $4.20 to $5; Texas grass steers, $3.25 to $4.10; Texas bulls, $2.50 to $3.25. Hogs—Mixed and butchers, $4.25 to $5.32½; good to choice heavy, $5.05 to $5.30; rough heavy, $4.85 to $5; light, $5.05 to $5.40; bulk of sales, $5.10 to $5.30. Sheep—Good to choice wethers, $4.10 to $4.30; fair to choice mixed, $3.60 to $4.10; Western sheep, $4 to $4.30; Texas sheep, $3 to $4; native lambs, $4.25 to $5.00; Western lambs, $4.75 to $5.75.

East Buffalo Market.

East Buffalo, Aug. 17.—Cattle, steady; calves, choice to extra, $7.25 to $7.50; good to choice, $7 to $7.25. Sheep and lambs—Choice lambs, fairly steady; common, dull and lower; sheep, lower; lambs, choice to extra, $6.75 to $7; good to choice, $6.50 to $6.75; common to fair, $4.25 to $5; yearlings and sheep, $4.50 to $4.75; common to fair, $3 to $4.25. close dull. Hogs—Heavy, $5.30 to $5.55; mixed, $5.40 to $5.45; Yorkers, $5.35; pigs, $5.35 to $5.60; roughs, $4.70 to $4.85; stags, $3.50 to $4; close steady.

Cheese Markets.

Perth, Ont., Aug. 17.—There were only 1400 boxes of cheese boarded here to-day. All cheese was white, and this month's make. Fowler bought 700 boxes, Webster 500 boxes and Bissell 200 boxes; price paid was from 10⅜c to 10⅝c.

Ottawa, Aug. 17.—There were 1249 cheese boarded to-day here, 503 of which were colored and 746 white. There was a deadlock for over half an hour, only three factories, representing 167 cheese, selling at 10⅝c; the others refused to sell and the board closed.

Brighton, Ont., Aug. 17.—Eleven factories boarded 905 cheese, all white, of which 340 were secured by Whitton at 10⅝c. Buyers present: Whitton, Thompson, Bird and Bailey. Board adjourned to meet Friday, Aug. 31, at 3 p.m.

Winchester, Ont., Aug. 17.—The offerings on the Cheese Board this forenoon were 700 boxes, all colored but 50. The highest price offered for both was 10⅞c. At this figure Logan secured 250 boxes and Ault 230. The other buyers present were Brown and Strader.

Napanee, Ont., Aug. 17.—At the Cheese Board here to-day there were 700 boarded. Watkins got 100, Ayer got 315, Magrath got 150, Alexander 50 at 11 cents. Balance refused.

Bank Clearings.

New York, Aug. 17.—The bank clearings at the principal cities of the United States for the week ended show total clearances $1,262,802,786, a decrease of 16.6 per cent., as compared with corresponding week a year ago. Outside of New York the clearances were $56,104,928, a decrease of 2.2 per cent. For the Dominion of Canada the clearances were as follows:

Montreal, $13,863,863, decrease 2.1 per cent.; Toronto, $8,901,459, increase 9.5 per cent.; Winnipeg, $1,345,800, decrease 22.8; Halifax, $1,687,057, increase 24.3; Hamilton, $643,030, decrease 4.1; St. John, N.B., $834,682, increase 26.9; Vancouver, $973,941, increase 10.3; Victoria, $636,045, decrease 19.5 per cent.

WALL STREET REACTIONS.

British Consols Were Slightly Lower Yesterday.

Cheerful News From China Did Not Have Any Beneficial Effect and General Liquidation Continued — Canadian Issues Dull — Money Rates—Bank Clearings—Notes and Gossip.

World Office.
Friday Evening, Aug. 17.

Canadian securities were dull and steady to-day. There was a little doing in C.P.R. at a fractional reaction.

Forget's London cable to-day quoted G.T.R. first preferred at 84½, second at 35⅝, third at 21; Hudson Bay at 21⅝, Anaconda at 9⅝.

Montreal Street Railway earnings Aug. 16 were $5,784.66, an increase of $806 over same day last year.

According to R. G. Dun & Co. the business failures in Canada during the week ended Aug. 16 totalled 24, against 23 the preceding week and 25 the corresponding week of 1899. By provinces the failures were: Ontario 10, Quebec 8, Manitoba 2, British Columbia 2, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick each 1, Prince Edward Island nil.

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

	1900. Aug. 16.	1899. Aug. 17.
Montreal	$13,863,863	$14,165,212
Toronto	8,901,495	8,219,384
Winnipeg	1,345,800	1,744,708
Halifax	1,687,057	1,357,566
Hamilton	643,030	617,063
St. John	834,682	657,870
Vancouver	973,941	.....
Victoria	636,045	.....
Total	$28,906,513	$26,761,886

Notes by Cable.

Consols declined 1-16 to ⅛ to-day in London.

Holiday to-morrow in London.

A London cable quotes Rand Mines 40, bar silver steady at 28 1-16d per ounce.

The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany, issued to-day, shows the following changes: Cash in hand increased 14,580,000 marks, Treasury notes increased 920,000 marks, other securities increased 1,190,000 marks, notes in circulation decreased 15,890,000 marks.

In Paris at 4 p.m. three per cent. rentes 100f 45c for the account. Exchange on London 25f 17½c for cheques. Spanish fours closed at 71.92½.

On Wall Street.

If any expectation had been entertained that the rescue of the foreign Ministers in China would arouse speculative enthusiasm, Wall-street's reception of the news has been a disappointing one. In fact the speculation was more sluggish than at any time this week, and the tendency until the last hour was downward, so much so that the event had been taken into calculation early and fully discounted. There was a general sag in prices, but in no case did the fall reach a point in the railroad list. The most effective selling was in the steel stocks. The important movements of the day centered in Brooklyn Transit and Consolidated Gas. Both stocks, after momentary weakness started upwards and ended with good gains. An official announcement that the much-talked-of Brooklyn Transit annual report would be given out late to-day affected interest to the movement in the stock. No definite news accounted for the weakness in the railroad list, but the opinion prevailed that profit-taking was principally responsible. London's purchases of St. Paul failed to sustain the stock despite an increase in the earnings for the second week of August of $20,324. Foreign purchases were about 12,000 shares in all. In the late dealings an evening up of contracts was conducive in wiping out much of the day's losses. Preliminary figures of to-morrow's bank statement indicate a loss in cash by the banks of over $7,000,000. But for the gold exports, the banks would have gained almost $5,000,000 on the interior currency movement and pension and interest payment by the sub-treasury. An increase in the loan item of the banks is not considered unlikely in view of the easy activity in the stock market.

J. J. Dixon has the following to-day from Ladenburg, Thalmann & Co., New York:

After cables from London did not improve any lower this morning and general China news was cheerful, confirming the belief that the legations had been relieved by the allies, the market was heavy and liquidation continued. The news that the corn crop was less assuring inasmuch as rain was badly needed in Kansas was responsible for curtailing business and declining prices. The bank statement to-morrow will reflect the heavy gold shipments and show a comparatively large decrease in reserve. Sterling exchange $4.87¾.

In an interview President James J. Hill of the Great Northern says: I judge there will be a falling off in wheat crop this year of 50,000,000 bushels, leaving us a crop of 100,000,000. A short wheat crop is less of a blow than a few years ago, because the farmers have gone in for diversified farming.

Earnings Wabash second week August increased $11,792.

The Money Markets.

The local money market is steady. Money on call, 5 to 5½ per cent.

The Bank of England discount rate is 4 per cent. Open market discount rate, 4 per cent.

Money on call in New York at 1¼ per cent.

Foreign Exchange.

Buchanan & Jones to-day at 70 Jordan-street, Toronto, stock brokers, to-day report closing exchange rates as follows:

	Between Banks. Buyers.	Sellers.	Counter
N.Y. Funds	1-64 dis	par	1-8 to 1-4
Mont'l Funds	par	10 pre	1-8 to 1-4
Demand Stg	9 11-16	9 3-4	9 15-16 to 10 1-16
60 Days Sight	8 13-16	8 7-8	9 1-16 to 9 3-16
Cable Trans'rs	9 13-16	9 7-8	10 1-16 to 10 3-16

—Rates in New York.—

	Posted.	Actual.
Demand sterling	4.85½	4.87¼ to ....
Sixty days sight	4.85	4.84 to ....

Toronto Stocks.

	Aug. 16. Close. Ask.	Bid.	Aug. 17. Close. Ask.	Bid.
Montreal	255	250	....	250
Ontario, ex-allot.	....	124¾	127	126
Toronto	....	234	240	234
Merchants'	158	154	158	154
Commerce	148½	147	148¼	148
Imperial	220	217	220	217
Dominion	221½	220¾	222	220½
Standard	199	195	200	195
Hamilton	....	187	....	187
Nova Scotia	225	....	225	....
Ottawa	210	205	207	205
Traders'	113	111½	113	111
British America	....	100	....	100
West. Assurance	120	115¼	120	116¼
Imperial Life	....	146	....	146
National Trust	....	130	....	130
Tor. Gen. Trusts	....	146	....	146
do. part paid	....	142	....	142
Consumers' Gas	....	215	....	215
Montreal Gas	184	182	184	182
Ont. & Qu'Appelle	65	....	65	....
C N W L Co., pref.	50	48	51	48
C P R Stock	90¼	90¼	90¼	90¼
Toronto Electric	135	130½	133	130¾
General Electric	164	161	163	161
do. pref.	....	105	....	105
London Electric	115	111	115	111
Com. Cable Co.	166¾	166¼	166	165¾
do. coupon bonds	101½	101	101½	101
do. reg. bonds	101½	101	101½	101
Dom. Telegraph	....	124	....	124
Bell Telephone	175	172	175	172½
Richelieu & Ont.	100¾	100⅝	101	100⅝
Ham. Steamboat	....	....	....	85
Toronto Railway	97	96¼	96¾	96⅝
London St. Ry.	170	155	170	155
Twin City, xd	62	....	61	58⅝
Luxfer Prism, pref.	....	105	....	105
Cycle & Motor	84	....	85	....
Carter-Crume	103	101⅝	103	101⅝
Dunlop Tire, pref.	102½	101	102	101
War Eagle	152	151	153	150½
Republic, xd	75½	75	77	74½
Payne Mining	....	....	96	93
Cariboo (McK)	100	85	94	85
Golden Star	8⅝	8⅛	8⅛	8
Virtue	....	60	64	59
Crow's Nest Coal	150	146	155	146
North Star	99	94	98	93
Brit Can L & Inv.	70	....	70	....
Can. Landed	83	....	83	....
Can Per & W C	112½