

NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

MARKET DULL.

Holdings not Pressing their Stock on the Market.

OUTSIDE ORDERS SCARCE.

Sugar the Most Active Stock.

Metropolitan Tr ction Strong.

Total Sales To-day 133,200.

New York, July 29.

The general market has been irregular. The Grangers and Pacifics have been steady business in them has been light and prices well maintained.

The specialties have been strong and show manipulation.

Sugar in which most trading has been done opened at an advance of one cent and though it immediately reacted a cent and a quarter, soon showed great strength sell-up to 138½ with only occasional slight setback. It closes at 138½ bid; there still remains a large short interest in it.

Rubber, common and preferred, have also made gains, both having advanced 2 points. They close at best prices of the day.

Metropolitan Street was not dealt in very largely, but advanced to 153½ with one or two reactions. Its close was not quite so strong, 152 being bid, and 153 asked.

Brooklyn Rapid Transit shows a strong tone and sold up to 57½. The steady increases shown by this road makes it a favorite.

Peoples' Gas opened strong, but reacted 1½ closing under last night's prices. The short interest in it is considerable.

New York, 9.40 a. m., July 29.

Bulls in Sugar and Manhattan made the early market, and advance in Peoples' Gas, on a favorable decision, kept stocks strong in the afternoon.

Grangers showed heaviness, on unfavorable crop reports, but Industrials acted firm.

It is understood that a dividend will be paid on Rubber Common in September.

There is continued talk of an early decision in the Manhattan tax case, but it is stated that Referee Odell will not return to town till the middle of September.

Insiders on Peoples' Gas say the suits will be fought out to the end.

There is buying of Big Four, on reports that the Monon deal will shortly be announced.

Foreign despatches indicate that progress is likely to be made with peace negotiations.

New York, 9.45 a. m., July 29.

Stock speculation has the opportunity for enjoying more variety than is usual in mid-summer, owing to a number of exceptional circumstances. The conditions differ from those of last summer, when practically only one side was presented by the market.

To-day there is room for dispute over several points, and there are several operators willing to back their ideas, in conflict at the Stock Exchange.

The advances made by Spain will afford an opportunity for many contradictory rumors and theories.

Another important element of uncertainty relates to the corn crop. The closest observers are already satisfied of the safety of the wheat crop, and of its large dimensions. It is well known that corn has been backward, and unless weather conditions are particularly good, the limit for possible damage by hot winds is extended beyond the average season. The development of the corn crop, from now on, should play an important part in influencing the sentiment of Stock Exchange traders.

New York, 10 a. m., July 29.

The market for Americans in London, this morning, shows advances from 1-8 to 1-2 per cent.

Saturday and Monday are both Bank holidays in London, and this fact is said to be causing moderate covering of shorts on the part of jobbers, who are not willing to remain on the short side of the market, over the holiday, while peace negotiations are under way between this country and Spain.

News from Porto Rico this morning states that the situation there is

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET.

July 29, 1898.

	CLOSING PRICES FROM JULY 22 TO 28.						TO-DAY'S PRICES			
	22	23	25	26	27	28	Open	Highest	Lowest	Closing
American Sugar	132	132½	136½	139½	137½	136½	137½	138½	136	138½
American Sugar pfd.										
Am. Spirits Mfg. Co.										
Am. Spirits Mfg. Co pfd.										
Am. Tobacco x d 2 p.c.	119½	119½	120½	121½	121	121	121	121½	120½	121½
American Tobacco pfd.										
Atch T. & S. Fe.	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½	13½
Atch T. & S. Fe pfd.	34½	34½	34½	35	34½	34½	34½	34½	33½	34½
Baltimore & Ohio	12½	12½	13½	14½	14½	14½	14½	14½	13½	14
Bay State Gas										
Brooklyn Rap. Tran.	54½	55	55	55½	55½	55½	55½	57½	55½	57½
C.C.C. & St. L.	41½	41½	41½	42½	42½	42	42	42½	42	42½
Canadian Pacific	85½			85	84½					83½
Canada Southern		53½		53½	54½	53½		53	53	53
Chesapeake & Ohio	22½	22½		22½	22½	22½		22½	22½	22½
Chicago B. & Q.	105½	105½	106½	106½	106½	105½	106	106½	105½	106½
Chicago Mil. & St. P.	98½	99	99	100	100	99½	99½	100	99½	99½
Chi. Mil. & St. P. pfd.										
Chicago R. I. & Pacific	9½	9½	9½	9½	97	96½	96½	96½	95½	96½
Chicago & Northwest	128½	129½	129½	130½	131	130	130	131	129½	131
Chic. & Northwest pfd.										
Consolidated Gas x d 2%	196		197	199	199½	198				
Delaware & Hudson										
Del. Lack. & Western										
Erie										
General Electric	39½		38½	39½	38½	39½	39½	39½	39½	39½
Illinois Central										
Laclede Gas										
Lake Shore										
Louisville	52½	53½	53½	54	53½	53½	53½	53½	53½	53½
Manhattan con.	105½	105½	105½	106½	106½	107½	107½	107½	106½	107½
Met. Street Ry. Co.	150½	151½	151½	151½	152	151½	152	153½	151½	152½
Michigan Central										
Missouri Kan. & Tex.				35½	34½	34½				
Missouri Kan. & T. pfd.	34	34								
Missouri Pacific	34½	35½	35	35½	35½	35	35½	35½	35½	35½
Nat. Lead										
Nat. Lead pfd.										
New Jersey Central	*88	*88½	90½	90½	90	90½				
New York Central	117½	118½	118½	118½	118½	118½	118½	118½	118½	118½
Northern Pacific	29½	30	29	29	29	29	29	29	29	29
Northern Pacific pfd.	70½	71½	71½	71½	71½	71½	71	71	71	71
Omaha		82½		84½	83½	84½		83½	83½	83½
Oregon Rail. and Nav.										
Pacific Mail	28½	28½	28½	29½	30	29½		29½	29½	29½
Peo. Gas L. & Coke Co.	98½	98½	99½	100	99½	99½	100	100	98½	99½
Pullman Palace Car Co.										
Reading	16½	17	18	18	18½	17½	17½	17½	17½	17½
Southern Pacific	30½	31	30½	31½	31½	31½	31½	31½	31½	31½
Texas Pacific										
Tenn. Coal & Iron	24½	25	25	25½	25½	25½				
Third Avenue R. R.										
Union Pacific	24	24½	24½	24½	24½	24½		23½	23½	23½
Union Pacific pfd.	60	60½	61		61½	61	61½	61½	60½	61
U. S. Rubber pfd.	91	90½	91½	91½	92½	92½	93	95	93	94½
U. S. Leather pfd.	68½	68½	67½	67½	66½	67½	67½	67½	67	67
Wabash										
Wabash pfd.		18½	18½			19		19½	19	19
W. U. Telegraph	92	92½	92½	93½	93	92½		92½	92½	92½

*Ex-dividend. †Ex-dividend of 1½ per cent. and bonus of 10 per cent.

CHICAGO MARKET.

The Bartlett Frazier Co., Limited.—H. J. Coon, manager, 39 St. Sacramento St., quote the opening, highest, lowest and closing prices in Chicago to-day as follows:

July 29, 1898.

	CLOSING PRICES JULY 23 TO 28.					TO-DAY'S PRICES.			
	23	25	26	27	28	Opening	Highest	Lowest	Closing
Wheat—									
July.....	\$ 76½B	\$ 74	\$ 70½B	\$ 70	\$ 71½B	\$ 72-	\$ 73	\$ 70½	\$ 70½
Sept.....	67½-½	67½A	65½B	64½-½	65½A	64½-½	65-	63½-	64A
Dec.....	67½-½B	67½B	65½-½	64½-A	65½	64½-½-5	65½-	64-	64½
Corn—									
July.....	34½A	35½-½N	34½	34A	34½B	34-	33½-	33½-	33½A
Sept...	34½A	35½-½B	34½A	34A	35B	34-½	34½-	33½-	33½B
Oats—									
July.....	24	24½	25	25½A	26	26-	26-	24½-	24½
Sept.....	20½	20½B	20½B	20½-½	20½-	20½-½-½	20½-½	20½-½	20½-½
Pork—									
July.....	9 87N	9 87N	9 55N	9 30N	9 27N		9 30N	9 30N	9 30N
Sept...	9 97	10 00	9 62B	9 37A	9 37A	9 35-45	9 45-	9 20	9 40B
Lard—									
July.....	5 52	5 55N	5 42N	5 30N	5 30N	5 27	5 42N	5 42N	5 42N
Sept.....	5 60-2	5 62-5A	5 52-	5 37A	5 37B	5 42	5 47-	5 37-40	5 47
Sht ribs—									
July.....	5 60A	5 62N	5 45N	5 32N	5 32N		5 40N	5 40N	5 40N
Sept...	5 65	5 67-0	5 52	5 37A	5 37B	5 42-	5 45-	5 35-7	5 42
Puts and Calls for July 30 :									
Wheat, Sept. Calls			64½-½	Puts					63½
Corn, Sept. Calls			33½-4	Puts					33
Curb, Sept. Wheat									64

practically unchanged, and so far everything has been favorable to American interests. It is not thought that the Spaniards can hold San Juan for any length of time against our superior forces.

The decrease in net earnings in St. Paul, for the month of June, was taken as a Bear factor, by the traders yesterday, and all the Grangers stocks came in for a moderate amount of selling on this account.

According to the figures published yesterday, St. Paul road has earned for the year, something like 8 per cent. on the Common stock, and an increase of 2 per cent. over last year.

New York, 11.25 a.m., July 29.

Randolphe, Hunter, Cooper and London sold Atchison Preferred.

Flower is buying Brooklyn Rapid Transit.

He bought between 2,000 and 3,000 shares.

New York, Noon, July 29.

At the opening of the market this morning prices were irregular. In a number of cases, however, quotations were fractionally better, and there were a good many small buying orders distributed in the market. Up to the present time, however, there has been really no general activity, and the market has been one mostly of specialties, the activity being confined to a few stocks, and there being very little general business.

London's operations in this morning's market amounted to almost nothing, with the exception of small sales in Atchison Preferred. This stock has been inclined to be heavy, this morning, both on selling for London and local accounts.

For the last week or so a prominent commission house has been a large seller of Atchison Preferred, and a correspondingly large buyer of Rubber Common. It looks as if they were transferring a considerable line of At-

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chison Preferred into Rubber Common.

The other Grangers to-day have been inclined to heaviness. There continues to be contrary rumors as to the crop prospects throughout the West, and as this is a critical period, there will probably be considerable nervousness for some time to come, so far as the near future of the Grangers is concerned.

Sugar continues to fluctuate in the most erratic manner, opening strong, and selling down, and subsequently rallying to the highest point of the day.

Of the other industrials, Rubber and Peoples' Gas have been the most active.

Rubber advanced, on buying by the interests mentioned above.

Peoples' Gas suffered a material decline, on large selling by Chicago interests. Just why this selling should occur now is hard to say.

In spite of the emphatic denials given out yesterday, Referee Odell filed his decision in the tax case, and