LOCAL LIVE STOCK.

Leading Features of Markets at the East Liberty Yards.

CATTLE BELOW THE AVERAGE.

The Prices of Last Week Fairly Maintained on Good Grades.

BUTCHERS AND EXPORTERS HAPPY

OFFICE OF PITTSBURG DISPATCH, WEDNESDAY, August 7, 1889.

Supplies for the week aggregated 115 carloads, against 135 loads last week. The quality did not average up as well as those received a week ago. While there were about 15 loads of good shipperf, weighing 1,400 to 1,500 pounds, there were no extra primes in this week's receipts. The bulk of supplies were common to good butchering cattle. Chicago furnished 17 loads of light stock, mostly heifers and cows. Of this grade supply exceeds demand and sales were only made by liberal concessions. This is the time of the year when markets are usually overstocked with lightweight cattle from near-by districts. The heavy run from Chicago demoralized markets, and on these lightweights prices this week were the lowest of the season.

The range for this grade of cattle was $2 10 to $3 00, and at these figures markets were slow. Ten carloads of 1,400 to 1,450-pound cattle which were bought for export sold at $4 10 to $4 80. Three loads of the best on the market were bought for New York at $4 85. This was the highest price paid this week. There is no essential difference in prices as compared with last week, except for lightstock, which were in liberal supply.

Herr's Island drovers report a loss on this week's operations because of the higher prices they were forced to pay in Chicago, while butchers here could not be brought to pay the advance. Drovers this week have generally suffered loss, if they bought last week. One drover said, "I would be glad to close this week's deals at a loss of $75." Another placed his losses at $100, and another at $50. The opportunities of our butchers to secure stock at low figures this week have been first class. It is not learned that the consumer has yet derive any benefit from low-priced cattle. He will no doubt be required to pay the same for his roasts and steaks as when the price of live stock was at least 3c per pound above rates of to-day. The butcher's excuse for holding up prices is that tallow, hides and rough meat are so much reduced in price.

It is assuredly time that our steaks and roasts should join the downward movement of cattles. With choice beeves selling at $4 to $4 50, 15 to 20c per pound for beef, is too high or it was dreadfully low a few years ago when cattle brought 7 to 8c per pound.

The present must be a harvest time for butchers and exporters.

Sheep and Lambs.

The run was light, Monday's receipts being 18 loads against 26 the previous Monday. Tuesday's receipts were 6 to 8 loads, and to-day but one load was reported. Markets varied little from last week, the light run being the saving clause.

The range for wethers was 3½ to 4¼. Nothing above the latter figure could be traced. Lambs brought from $4 65 to $5 50. Anything of a choice quality in sheep or lambs found ready sale. Low grades, which were in the majority, were dull and slow at inside quotations. In these days of low prices and narrow margins good goods have the lead more decidedly than in high-price times. Low grades can only be foisted on to markets by concessions.

Hogs.

Markets present no new features. Supply was light as it always is in midsummer. Sheep meat seems to be more in demand than pork. Heavy hogs are particularly slow. Lard keeps drifting downward, and while this is the case, heavy hogs will inevitably go slow.

McCall & Co.'s Review.

The supply of cattle has been fair and the market ruled strong on all grades, especially good, which was in light supply. We give the following as ruling prices, the market closing strong: Prime, 1,300 to 1,600 lbs, $4 60@4 80; good, 1,200 to 1,400 lbs, $4 20@4 20; rough fat, 1,100 to 1,300 lbs, $3 50@3 70; good butcher grades, 900 to 1,100 lbs, $3 30@3 65; common to fair, 800 to 1,000 lbs, $2 75@3 25; bulls and fat cows, $2 00@2 75; fresh cows and springers, $20 00@35 00 per head.

The supply of hogs on Monday was about equal to the demand, and while prime light grades sold readily at former prices, medium and heavy were slow sale. Tuesday the receipts were light, but composed of grassers and stubbers, which were hard to dispose of at 15@20 per cent less than corn-fed. To-day the receipts are light and all sold at the following quotations: Best light Yorkers, $4 75@4 80; common to fair Yorkers, $4 40@4 65; heavy medium, selected, $4 50@4 65; rough grass and stubs, $3 25@4 00.

The receipts of sheep this week were heavy, and the market slow at a decline of 10c to 15c per cwt. from last week's prices. We give the following as ruling prices: Prime Ohio and Indiana wethers, weighing here 110 to 120 lbs, $4 50@4 85; good, 90 to 100 lbs, $4 25@4 40; fair to good, 75 to 80 lbs, $3 50@4 00; good yearlings, 75 to 80 lbs, $4 25@4 60; common to fair, 50 to 60 lbs, $3 50@4 15; veal calves, 110 to 120 lbs, $4 00@5 00.

By Telegraph.

NEW YORK—Beeves—Receipts, 48 carloads for the market, 35 carloads for exportation and 27 carloads for city slaughterers direct. Opening prices for good steers were a trifle stronger than on Monday, but the market closed barely steady; extremes for steers, all natives, $3 60@4 90 per 100 lbs; for bulls, $2 10@3 20; shipments to-day, 1,270 beeves and 4,460 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 2,400 head; market firmer and higher, with a good clearance at $2 50@3 25 per 100 lbs for grassers and buttermilks; $3 50@4 25 for mixed lots, and $4 50@5 25 for veals. Sheep—Receipts, 6,000 head, and 2,000 head were left over yesterday; sheep quiet and steady; lambs active and ¼@⅜c per pound higher; sheep sold at $3 50@5 25 per 100 lbs; lambs at $5 50@7 50, with about five carloads of choice lambs at $7 75. Hogs—Receipts, 6,000 head; market firmer, with sales alive at $4 60@5 10 per 100 lbs.

KANSAS CITY—Cattle—Receipts, 4,778 head; shipments, 3,442 head; good Texas and native dressed beef steers active and steady to a shade higher; common dull and weak; stockers and feeding steers steady; good to choice corn-fed steers, $4 00@4 25; common to medium, $3 00@3 75; stockers and feeding steers, $1 80@3 00; cows, $1 50@2 50; grass range steers, $1 75@2 45. Hogs—Receipts, 5,573 head; shipments, 1,891 head; market strong to 5c higher, closing weak; good to choice light, $4 27½@4 32½; heavy and mixed, $4 05@4 25. Sheep—Receipts, 482 head; shipments, 150 head; market steady; good to choice muttons, $3 75@4 00; common to medium, $2 50@3 50.

ST. LOUIS—Cattle—Receipts, 1,700 head; shipments, 800 head; market active and strong; choice heavy native steers, $4 30@4 45; fair to good, $3 80@4 25; stockers and feeders, $2 25@3 25; rangers, corn fed, $3 25@3 75; grass fed, $2 30@3 00; range cows and heifers, $1 60@2 25. Hogs—Receipts, 2,400 head; shipments, 1,000 head; market opened strong and closed tame; fair to choice heavy, $4 35@4 50; packing, $4 25@4 40; light grades, fair to best, $4 40@4 55. Sheep—Receipts, 3,200 head; shipments, 2,200 head; market active and firm; fair to choice, $3 40@4 50. Lambs, $3 75@5 50.

CHICAGO—Cattle—Receipts, 25,000 head; shipments, 6,000 head; market steady; beeves, $4 20@4 85; steers, $3 50@4 55; stockers and feeders, $2 30@3 30; cows, bulls and mixed, $1 60@3 00; Texas cattle, $1 60@3 10; natives and half-breeds, $3 30@3 80. Hogs—Receipts, 14,500 head; shipments, 6,000 head; market steady; mixed, $4 25@4 55; heavy, $4 10@4 40; light, $4 35@4 75; skips, $3 50@4 60. Sheep—Receipts, 11,000 head; shipments, 2,000 head; market steady and a shade weaker; natives, $3 60@4 70; western, $3 60@4 10; Texans, $3 40@4 15; lambs, $4 75@5 75.

BUFFALO—Cattle—Receipts 98 carloads through; 5 carloads for sale; market unchanged. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 9 carloads through; 5 carloads for sale; sheep unchanged; lambs higher; good to best sheep, $4 75@5 00; fair to good, $4 50@4 70; common, $4 00@4 50; lambs, good to best, $6 25@6 50; fair to good, $6 00@6 25; common, $5 50@6 00. Hogs—Receipts, 13 carloads through; 12 for sale; market active and 5c higher; medium, $4 55@4 70; mixed, $4 65@4 80; Yorkers, $4 70@4 80; pigs, $4 80.

A Signal Improvement.

The rail circuit system of automatic block signalling will be put into formal service to-day between the Union station and Wilkinsburg on the Pennsylvania road. If it proves successful the system will be extended along the entire line.

CLARET WINES.

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MARKETS BY WIRE.

The Bull Side of the Wheat Pit Gets a Black Eye—Good News for Consumers—A Big Buyer Checks the Decline and Saves the Day.

CHICAGO, August 7.—The trend of wheat values was downward to-day. The local trading crowd have been working the bull side of the market for the past two or three days, but this morning the feeling was weak in the extreme, before as well as after the opening. Cables came in unfavorably, both spot and futures of wheat at Liverpool being quoted lower, with a limited demand. The increase for the week in the quantity on ocean passage, according to the boards report, was 880,000 bushels, but Beerbohm made the increase 1,040,000 bushels, and explained that it was almost all Russian wheat.

This was regarded as a bear circumstance. Coupled with the depressing cables was the fine weather on this side and free movement of wheat into the primary markets. Influences were in fact pretty generally favorable for lower prices, barring the good cash demand for both wheat and flour, and this did not appear to have as much weight, either yesterday or to-day, as the bulls had hoped for and confidently expected. The opening was ¼@⅜c under yesterday's closing range, and before noon the market weakened ¼@⅜c more, December selling down to 78⅝c. At that figure a prominent local operator was a free buyer, taking, it was said, fully a million and one-half of December at 78¾c and under.

The effect of this buying was to check the decline, and the market slowly rallied to the opening price of 78½c. Later it became weak and receded to about inside figures, closings being at a net loss for the day in leading futures of ¼@½c. Considerable long wheat was closed out by the local bull houses and at times was fairly active, though the volume of trade on the aggregate was not large.

Corn ruled rather quiet the greater part of the session, though there were periods of temporary activity. The feeling on the whole was easier, and trading was at slightly lower prices of yesterday and easy and offerings were quite free, influenced some by the fine weather, and prices declined ½c. A large local speculator was a buyer on the decline and the market rallied, eased off a little and closed ¼c lower than yesterday. There was some selling on country account early in the day. The demand for cash when the market opened also had a strengthening influence on the market. Cables were less favorable to holders, and domestic markets were easy and steady.

There was less trading in oats and a quiet and easier feeling prevailed, but price changes were confined to a small range.

Considerable interest was manifested in the market for mess pork throughout the day. Prices were advanced 10@12½c, and closed at outside figures.

The market for lard attracted considerable attention. Early the feeling was firm and prices were advanced 7½@10c. Later prices receded 2½@5c. At the close it rallied again and ruled firm.

Fair attention was given short ribs. Early the feeling was stronger and prices ruled 2½@5c higher. Later prices receded again. To-day the close ruled 5@7c and closed steady.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

WHEAT—No. 2, September, 76¾@76⅞@76¼@76⅝c; December, 78⅝@78¾@78⅛@78¼c; year, 76@76¼@76⅛c.

CORN—No. 2, September, 36@36⅛@35⅞@35⅞c; October, 36@36c; December, 35⅝@35¾@35⅛@35⅛c.

OATS—No. 2, September, 20⅝@20⅞c; year, 20⅝c; October, 20⅝@20¾c; May, 24¼@24½c.

MESS PORK, per bbl—September, $10 62½@10 75; October, $10 70@10 75; October, $10 45@10 57½; January, $9 80@9 92½@9 97½@9 92½.

LARD, per 100 lbs—September, $6 32½@6 45; October, $6 37½@6 45; January, $6 37½@6 45; year, $6 07½@6 10.

SHORT RIBS, per 100 lbs—September, $5 45@5 55; $5 45@5 52½; October, $5 45@5 52½; January, $4 92½@5 00.

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour dull and unchanged. No. 2 spring wheat, 76½c; No. 3 spring wheat, new, 71½c; No. 2 red, 76½@76¾c; No. 2 corn, 36½@36¾c. No. 2 oats, 20½c. No. 2 rye, 43½@43c. No. 2 barley nominal. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 26. Prime timothy seed, $1 42@1 43. Mess pork, per barrel, $10 70@10 75. Lard, per 100 pounds, $6 37½@6 40. Short rib sides (loose), $5 45@5 55. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4 87½@5 00. Short clear sides (boxed), $5 75@5 87½. Sugars unchanged. Receipts—Flour, 18,000 barrels; wheat, 202,000 bushels; corn, 492,000 bushels; oats, 293,000 bushels; rye, 6,000 bushels; barley, 4,000 bushels. Shipments—Flour, 11,000 barrels; wheat, 179,000 bushels; corn, 206,000 bushels; oats, 301,000 bushels; rye, none; barley, none.

On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was active for finest and unchanged. Eggs in good demand at 12c.

NEW YORK—Flour heavy and moderately active. Cornmeal dull. Wheat—Spot dull, ½@¾c lower and heavy; options moderately active and ⅝@¾c lower. Rye firm. Barley malt dull. Corn—Spot dull and weaker; options dull and weak. Oats—Spot quiet and lower; options fairly active and heavy. Hay firm and in fair demand. Hops quiet and easy. Coffee—Options opened dull and unchanged to 5 points up and closed barely steady 5@10 points down; sales, 27,500 bags, including August, 14.85c; September, 14.90 @ 15.10c; October, 15.00 @ 15.05; November, 15.05; December, 14.90 @15.05c; March, 14.90@15.10c; May, 15.00@15.10c; spot Rio a shade easier; fair cargoes, 18¾c. Sugar—Raw quiet and nominal; refined firm and in better demand. Molasses—Foreign dull; New Orleans quiet. Rice steady and quiet. Cottonseed oil steady. Tallow irregular and unsettled. Rosin steady and quiet. Turpentine quiet at 40½@41½c. Eggs firmer and in good demand; western, 15½@16c; receipts, 4,053 packages. Pork steady and fairly active; mess, inspected, $12 00@12 50; mess, uninspected, $11 75@12 00; extra fine, $11 00. Cut meats lower but more active; pickled hams, 11@11¼c; sales pickled bellies, 12 pounds, 7¾c; smoked bellies, 9¾c; pickled shoulders, 5¾c; middles dull. Lard—Options opened 6@8 points up, lost 2@3 and closed dull; sales, 500 tierces western steam, delivery in two weeks for export, $6 70; 50 tierces spot, $6 70; September, closed at $6 74; October, $6 74; November, $6 73; December, $6 49; January, $6 45; February, $6 49. Butter steady and quiet; western dairy, 10@12½c; do creamery, 11@17c; do factory, 8@12½c. Cheese in moderate demand and firm; western, 7c.

PHILADELPHIA—Flour—Market dull, except for choice old winters, which were scarce and wanted. Wheat opened weak; futures beyond this month declined about ½c, but cash No. 2 red wanted at 1c advance; all freights and the August option ruled steady; rejected in grain depot, 70c; do in export elevator, 78c; ungraded in grain depot, 86c; No. 3 red in export elevator, 78c; No. 2 red in do, 84c; No. 2 red, August, 83⅝@84c; September, 84¼@84⅜c; October, 84⅝@84¾c; November, 84⅝@85¼c. Corn—Options barely steady; carlots quiet but firm; No. 2 mixed, track and grain depot, 45½c; do in grain depot, 46c; No. 2 mixed August, 43¾@44c; September, 43⅝@44c; October, 44⅝@44¾c; November, 44⅝@44¾c. Oats—Carlots dull and barely steady; No. 3 white, 32½c; No. 2 white, 44½@34½c; futures quiet but steady; No. 2 white, August, 32½@32c; September, 30½@30¾c; October, 30¾@31½c; November, 31¼@31½c. Eggs firm; Pennsylvania firsts, 15½@16c.

ST LOUIS—Flour quiet and unchanged. Wheat—Fine we her and large increase in amount on passage put prices down, but the market was better sustained than at other points; August, 73⅝@73½c, closed 73½c asked; September, 73½@74½c, closed 74c bid; December, 78½@78¾c, closed 78½c year, 73½c. Corn lower; offerings were greater than demand; No. 2 mixed, cash, 33½c; August, 33⅝@33½c, closed 33⅝@33½c; September, 33½@33¾c; October, 32½@33; year, 31½@31½c. Oats easier; No. 2 cash, 19½c bid; August and September, 20c bid; May, 23½@24½c. Rye better; No. 2, 40c. Barley—No market. Flaxseed active at $1 23½@1 25. Provisions firm, but very quiet.

CINCINNATI—Wheat easier; No. 2 red, 76c; receipts, 12,000 bushels; shipments, 6,000 bushels. Corn steady; No. 2 mixed, 38½c. Oats heavy; No. 2 mixed, 24½@25½c; November, 22c. Rye weaker; No. 2, 46@46c. Pork firm at $11 37½. Lard stronger at $6 15. Bulkmeats and bacon firm. Butter steady. Sugar in light demand; refined, 6½@6¾c; New Orleans, 7¼@8¼. Eggs firm at 11½c. Cheese strong.

MILWAUKEE—Flour steady. Wheat easy; cash, 67½c; September, 73½c. Corn dull; No. 3, 36@36½c. Oats dull; No. 2 white, 25½@25½c. Rye dull; No. 1, 42½c. Barley quiet; September, 56½c. sellers. Provisions firm. Pork, $10 67½. Lard, $6 32½. Cheese higher; cheddars 8@8½c.

BALTIMORE—Provisions dull. Butter steady; creamery, 15@17c. Eggs firm; fresh 14c. Other articles unchanged.

TOLEDO—Cloverseed quiet; cash, $4 45; October, $4 40.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS—Increased receipts had no marked effect, and the market ruled quiet and unchanged.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK—Copper irregular, but tendency upward; lake, August, $11 85; copper, $9 40. Lead dull and steady; domestic, $3 87½. Tin firm and brisk in tone; straits, $19 95.

ALL apothecaries sell that true and tried strengthening and worm medicine, Dr. D. Jayne's Tonic Vermifuge. If a child is weak and wanting in appetite, a finer tonic and appetizer cannot be given it; while, if worms be present, their removal by the Vermifuge is safely effected.

Visitors to Paris Exposition

Can find "Holmes' Best" rye whisky at A. D. Gerhard's, No. 30 Boulevard des Capucines, Paris. TTSSU

A FARMER'S MISTAKE.

He Didn't Read the Papers and Didn't Know the Value of Walnut.

PAPER HOUSES THE NEXT THING.

Timely Advice to Country Boys Who Have an Itching for the City.

THIRTY-FOUR DOLLARS A FOOT FOR LAND

Mr. J. S. Fisher, a prominent local lumber dealer, in conversation yesterday, told how an Ohio farmer made a mistake. He said: "I was in the Buckeye State on business a short time ago. In walking along a railroad I discovered a large lot of black walnut ties. They had been furnished by a farmer who, presumably, never reads the papers and did not know the value of the wood. When I told him he was mad enough to kick himself. I was mad, too, to see such waste of a valuable wood. He could have got dollars for it in Pittsburg, where he got cents from the railroad."

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Thirty-two mortgages were filed for record yesterday. The largest was for $11,400 to Bank of Pittsburg. The next largest was for $10,000 to J. R. Mellon. Thirteen were for $1,000 and up to $4,000. A large proportion of these mortgages was for purchase money. The activity in this business bids fair to eventually absorb all the idle money of which so much has been said.

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It would be interesting to know how many men in the city these hot August days, who are tied down to business in close, hot and dusty stores and offices while the blazing sun makes the streets, the sidewalks and even the very brick walls radiate an increased heat, wish they were barefooted boys again, and out in the country in the cool shade, where they could dress as they pleased. As a rule, the city man wants to go to the country and the countryman wants to come to the city. It is the same with boys. But, as Shakespeare puts it, they had better bear the ills they have than fly to others they know not of. Comparatively few country boys succeed in the city. A large majority of them prove pronounced failures, and sink out of sight and remembrance in a few years. A few of those with exceptional energy, natural force of character, or special advantages acquire fortunes and fame. Country boys, unless they have trades, professions, capital or some other special calling or advantage, should avoid the city.

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The lumber trade is unusually active for the season. This is attributed to the large number of buildings going up in the city and suburbs. This industry will improve later on, when there will be an advance in prices. There are already signs of an awakening. No towns, houses or transportation lines can be built without lumber. If all the projected booms and improvements materialize, and there is good evidence to show that a great many of them will, there will be a rush for lumber at an early date.

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Recently there has been an addition made to the food plants produced in this country, which in time may prove a strong rival of Indian corn. The new plant is called cassava, and it can be grown to perfection in almost all the Southern States. A person who has given special attention to the cassava thinks that from 10 to 50 tons of roots of one year's growth ought to be obtained from an acre of land, according to its quality. This is little better than conjecture, but certainly the plant yields enormously under certain conditions. It makes an excellent flour. This is alarming news to lovers of Johnnycakes, hoecakes and dodgers.

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Lots in the Orchard plan, at Wilkinsburg, are selling at the rate of $34 a foot. Six or eight years ago they went a-begging at half the money. Water works, churches of nearly all denominations, the finest school building outside of the cities and unsurpassed railroad facilities are attracting attention to Wilkinsburg as one of the most desirable places for residence around Pittsburg.

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The advance in prices during the past two weeks was not confined entirely to Wall street. Within that time wheat has risen 7 cents per bushel, corn 7 cents per bushel, coffee 70 points, cotton 1-16, lead 10 points, tin 15 points, copper 25 points, and oil about 6 cents per barrel. Local stocks have also participated in the upward movement.

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The prophet who a few years ago proclaimed that all houses for common use would ultimately be built of paper, was laughed at as impractical. But it is quite rapidly coming true that cheap houses can be built entirely of paper. What is needed is a building material so inexpensive that we shall have no temptation to retain them when infected by diseases, or when partially decayed and unwholesome. The *Paper World* boasts that we are entering the paper age, and we shall not only live in paper houses, but wear paper clothes, and use paper napkins, handkerchiefs and plates.

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A deed has just been executed in Virginia City, Nev., by the United States Marshal, conveying to the Union Trust Company, of New York, all property of the Sutro Tunnel Company included in the sale of the property January 14, 1889. The sale was made to satisfy a mortgage held by Hugh McColland et al. A suit for foreclosure was called in the United States Circuit Court at Carson, October 1, 1888, resulting in a decree ordering the sale of the property. The property was bid in by agents of the Union Trust Company for $1,625,000.

TOO MANY ABSENTEES.

Local Securities Well Sustained Under Adverse Conditions—Central Raided.

There was not much of a stock market yesterday, only 310 shares changing hands. There are too many brokers and investors away to expect much business. An attempt to bear Central Traction developed more inherent strength in that stock than it was thought to possess. It gave way a trifle in the afternoon, however, selling at 31⅞. Later 32 was bid and 32½ asked. Pittsburg continued to flounder around in the soup, but Citizen's was strong.

The natural gas stocks, with the exception of Charters, on which was weaker and neglected, were a shade firmer. Pipeage was fractionally lower. Manufacturers' Gas was firm at Tuesday's advance. La Noria was weaker and Switch and Signal slightly stronger. Bids, offers and sales follow:

	MORNING. Bid.	Asked.	AFTERNOON. Bid.	Asked.
P. P., S. & M. Ex.	450	500	....	....
First Nat. Bank, Pitts.	....	....	24	....
Fourth National Bank	128½	....	....	....
Keystone Bank of P'g	....	....	69¾	....
German Nat. Bk. All'y	150	....	150	....
R. E. L. & T. Co., All'y	....	....	80	....
Third Nat. Bank, Ay.	135	....	135	....
Sen Francisco Gas Co.	47¾	....	....	....
Bridgewater Gas.....	46	46	....	....
Charters Val. Gas Co.	....	50¾	....	50
Manufacturers' Gas Co.	26½	....	....	....
Nat. Gas Co. of W. Va.	72	75	....	....
Ohio Valley Gas.....	....	....	35	....
N. O. & P. F. Co.....	17	17¾	17	17¾
Pennsylvania Gas Co..	15¼	....	....	....
Philadelphia Co.....	37½	37¾	37	37½
Wheeling Gas Co.....	30	30½	....	....
Forest Oil Co.....	100	....	....	....
Tuna Oil Co.....	....	68	....	69
Washington Oil Co....	79¾	85	79	81
Central Traction.....	32	32½	32	32½
Citizens' Traction.....	70½	71½	70½	71½
Pittsburg Traction.....	40	40½	....	40¼
Pleasant Valley.....	....	....	200	....
Pitts., Allegh. & Man.	....	....	250	....
Pitts. & Western R. R.	12¾	13½	....	....
P. & W. R. R. Co. pref	19¾	20¾	....	....
La Noria Mining Co...	18	18	18	18¼
Westinghouse Electric	52¼	53	52½	....
Monongahela Water...	....	....	....	35
B. S. & Sig. Co.....	21¼	22	21	....
Westinghouse A. B. Co.	115	117	....	....

At the first call were 50 shares of La Noria at 18¼, 10 Central Traction at 32¼, 100 b. o. 800@32, and 50 Philadelphia Gas at 37¾. In the afternoon 100 shares Central Traction sold at 31⅞.

Mr. A. Caster sold $2,000 Westmoreland and Cambria 6's at par and interest. This company is rapidly recovering from the effects of the flood. The stock is strong at 25 bid.

The total sales of stocks at New York yesterday were 156,388 shares, including: Atchison, 12,330; Missouri Pacific, 5,830; Northwestern, 4,260; Northern Pacific, preferred, 7,410; Reading, 7,785; St. Paul, 16,036; Union Pacific, 8,720.

Boston Stocks.

Atch. & Top. R. R.	36⅝	AllouezMg Co(new).	⅝
Boston & Albany	217	Calumet & Hecla	224
Boston & Maine	201	Catalpa	....
C., B. & Q.	108¼	Franklin	10
Eastern R. R.	99	Oceola	11
Eastern R. R. 6s	115¾	Pewabic (new)	3
Mexican Cen. com	14⅝	Quincy	65
Mex. C. 1st mtg. bds.	65½	Bell Telephone	232
N. Y. & New Eng.	36⅝	Boston Land	6¼
Old Colony	167½	Water Power	....
Rutland preferred	40	Tamarack	302½
Wis. Central, com.	21⅝	San Diego	25
Wis. Central pf.	60		

VERY LITTLE SHRINKAGE.

Clearing House Figures Show Trade to be in Excellent Condition.

Reports at several of the local banking institutions yesterday were to the effect that money was plenty and rates unchanged. A slight improvement in the borrowing demand was noted, but as depositing was liberal and checking rather light, the flow of money was toward the banks. That there will be a good demand for money when the fall trade sets in is the opinion of nearly every financier in the city. The Clearing House report indicated a large movement for August in the various lines of trade.

One of the largest wholesale dry goods firms reported July sales $20,000 larger than in the same month last year, and a still larger business so far this month. The clearings were $1,795,265 84, and the balances $458,769 03. Currency was scarce, and some of the banks used considerable gold in making settlements.

Money on call at New York yesterday was easy at 2½@3½ per cent; last loan, 3; closed offered at 3. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@6½. Sterling exchange quiet but steady at $4 83 for 60-day bills and $4 87½ for demand.

Closing Bond Quotations.

U. S. 4s, reg	126½	M. K. & T. Gen. 5s	89½
U. S. 4s, coup	126½	Mutual Union 6s	101
U. S. 4½s, reg	109⅝	N. J. C. Int. Cert.	113
U. S. 4½s, coup	109⅝	Northern Pac. 1sts	117½
Pacific 6s of '95	118	Northern Pac. 2ds	118
Louisiana stamped 4s	88⅝	Northw'rn consols	140½
Missouri 6s	100¼	Northw'n deben's	114
Tenn. new set. 6s	105	Oregon & Trans. 6s	106½
Tenn. new set. 5s	100	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s	83¾
Tenn. new set. 3s	78	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M.	118
Canada So. 2ds	98½	St. Paul consols	125½
Cen. Pacific 1sts	118½	St. Pl. Chi. & Pac. 1sts	117
Den. & R. G. 4s	120½	Tex. Pac. L. G. Tr Rs.	90½
Den. & R. G. 4s	79	Tx., Pac. R. G. Tr. Rcts	87¼
D. & R. G. West. 1sts	101	Union Pac. 1sts	116½
Erie, 2ds	103	West Shore	106½

Government and State bonds were steady and unchanged.

NEW YORK—Clearings, $102,806,448; balances, $4,639,500.

BOSTON—Clearings, $13,800,300; balances, $1,482,902.

PHILADELPHIA—The bank clearings to-day were, $10,538,471; balances, $1,553,831.

BALTIMORE—Clearings, $1,932,580; balances, $252,079.

PARIS—Three per cent rentes, 85f 75c for the account.

CHICAGO—Money steady. On call, 5½@6 per cent; time loans, 6@7 per cent. Bank clearings, $6,842,000.

ABOVE A DOLLAR.

Oil Active and Dull by Turns—A Bullish Close.

The oil market was active and dull yesterday by turns. Business was of a spasmodic character, of moderate proportions, and confined to the room traders. About 10,000 barrels of cash oil were handled at ⅝c below the regular option. September oil held above the dollar mark all day, and closed within ⅜c of the highest point, with a bullish disposition. The demand for calls indicated belief in better prices to-day.

The fluctuations were: Opening, $1 00¼; highest, $1 00⅝; lowest, $1 00⅜; closing, $1 00⅝. Tuesday's clearings were 668,000. After the gong sounded two or three of the "boys" had their nervous equilibrium restored by the application of a bucket of water. One way and another, there is a good deal of fun at the Exchange.

Yesterday's Oil Range.

Corrected daily by John M. Oakley & Co., 45 Sixth street, members of the Pittsburg Petroleum Exchange.

Opened	100⅛	Lowest 100⅜
Highest	100⅝	Closed 100⅜

	Barrels.
Average runs	44,343
Average shipments	79,921
Average charges	42,999

Refined, New York, 7.40c.
Refined, London, 5¾d.
Refined, Antwerp, 18¾f.
Refined, Liverpool, 6¾d.
A. B. McGrew & Co. quote: Puts, 99⅜@99⅝c; calls, 81 @1⅜.

Other Oil Markets.

OIL CITY, August 7.—National transit certificates opened at $1 00⅝; highest, $1 01; lowest, $1 00⅜c; closed, $1 00⅜.

BRADFORD, August 7.—National transit certificates opened at $1 00⅝; closed at $1 00⅝; highest, $1 01; lowest, $1 00⅜c; closed, $1 00⅜.

TITUSVILLE, August 7.—National transit certificates opened at $1 00⅝c; highest, $1 01; lowest, $1 00⅜c; closed, $1 00⅜.

NEW YORK, August 7.—Petroleum opened firm at $1 00, and after moving up to $1 00⅝ on behalf of the trade, reacted and closed steady at $1 00. Sales, 461,000 barrels.

MOVING RIGHT ALONG.

A Bequet Street Dwelling and Large Lot Change Owners.

Samuel W. Black & Co., 99 Fourth avenue, sold a fine property on Boquet street, Fourteenth ward, containing 1 acre, 12½ perches of land, having erected thereon a two-story frame dwelling house, for $12,500. The price paid is considered very reasonable, as property in that vicinity is increasing in value quite rapidly.

Reed, B. Coyle & Co., 131 Fourth avenue, sold to Frank E. Lane lots Nos. 18, 19, 30 and 31, in the Marion Place plan, for a price approximating $1,600.

The Pittsburg Company, Lim., placed a mortgage for $10,000 on Wylie avenue business property at 4½ per cent, without State tax.

James W. Drape & Co. sold a house of six rooms, with lot 28x128 feet, on Shetland street, East End, for $4,800. They also placed two mortgages on houses and lots in McKeesport of $4,000 at 6 per cent; also closed a mortgage of $2,500 at 6 per cent on property in Wilkinsburg.

Thomas McCaffrey, 3509 Butler street, placed the following mortgages: Two for $1,000 on Thirteenth ward property, and one for $1,000 on Sixteenth ward property, all for three years, at 6 per cent.

Black & Baird, No. 95 Fourth avenue, sold to H. P. McCullough for William H. Watt the property No. 93 Webster avenue, with lot 25x120 feet, on which there are three small brick dwellings, for $3,800.

Ewing & Byers, No. 107 Federal street, placed a mortgage of $750 for two years at 6 per cent on property on Spring Garden avenue, Allegheny.

John F. Baxter, 512 Smithfield street, sold to W. D. Kirkland, lot No. 95, Bank of Commerce addition, Brushton station, having a frontage of 40 feet on Kelly street by 137 to a 20-foot alley, for $600.

Business Notes.

A NEW YORK telegram says the predicted tightness in money has not yet materialized.

STILL the query is heard: "Why is the La Noria statement not forthcoming?" Who knows?

THE Exchange bull showed up yesterday, but he didn't seem anxious to toss things. Maybe he was just laying out his work.

THE feeling as to Northern Pacific preferred is getting stronger, and 80 is talked of as a probable price for it within a month.

THE business of the Westinghouse Electric Company during July amounted to $350,000. August promises to do considerably better.

MR. A. CASTER is doing a rushing business in Westmoreland and Cambria bonds and stocks. What he doesn't know about bonds isn't worth knowing.

WHEN oil traders become too buoyant they are treated by their more lymphatic brethren to a drenching with cold water. It takes the starch out of them in a short time.

ROBINSON BROS., bankers, 415 Wood street, are offering for sale the 6 per cent debentures of the Equitable Mortgage Company. They are prepared to give all information desired.

THE little raid on Central Traction was a sort of test case, to ascertain the backbone of the stock. It developed, just what has been said, all along, that the market is in a condition to quickly respond to a movement in either direction. It could be beared or bulled without much effort.

HENRY KING has sold his interest in the firm of Duncan & King, Merchants' Law and Collection Bureau, to go into his old business of manufacturing iron. A. C. Duncan, who so successfully managed the business of A. C. Duncan & Co., afterward succeeded by Duncan Bros., and Duncan & King, will continue the bureau under the old firm name. This concern stands in the front rank in its business.

LOSING GROUND.

Business in Wall Street Continues to Shrink—The Bull Leaders Playing a Little Game—Final Changes Show No Particular Losses or Gains.

NEW YORK, August 7.—The stock market to-day again showed a loss in the amount of business done. It was irregular and prices at times sagged off slowly, while the movements in everything except the few leading shares were confined to the smallest fractions and were generally without special significance. The belief gained ground that the bull leaders were desirous of shaking off some of their too numerous small followers, and during most of the day did nothing and allowed prices to sag under the pressure of the tradhrs, while outside centers were also seemingly doing little, though London bought some of its favorites, which business, however, amounted to small proportions. The Chicago people who were so lately prominent in the upward movement were conspicuous by their absence, and the realizations included were sufficient to check the upward tendency in prices.

The opening was generally firm, but while Delaware and Hudson was exceptionally strong, with a rise of ¾ per cent, in but few cases were the further advances of any moment. Lake Erie and Western preferred was a feature and rapidly rose 1¾ per cent, touching 69¾, and later in the day rose ¼ more. The Chesapeake and Ohio stocks and Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati and St. Louis preferred also made marked advances, but outside of these the market had a drooping tendency which lasted throughout the forenoon, and at 12 o'clock almost everything traded in was slightly lower than at the opening.

After that time there was some support given to prices while the selling slacked off, and while the market became extremely dull there was a firm tone to the dealings, and before 2 P. M. most of the list had reached the highest prices of the day and were fractionally higher than first figures. Considerable animation was developed in Missouri Pacific and St. Paul, but the rest of the list were quiet and dull. There was a renewal of the selling in the last hour and prices again yielded, but the tone at the close was firm, with the dullness very marked. The only really active stocks were St. Paul, Chesapeake and Ohio common and Atchison. The final changes are about equally divided between gains and losses, and were fractionally only.

Railroad bonds were quiet. The market was generally firm, the only feature being the strength in the Kansas and Texas issues and the final changes are small and quite irregular. Kansas and Texas 5s rose 2, to 69½.

The following table