

RAIN BREAKS WHEAT.

BEARS HAVE A DAY LIKE OLD TIMES AT CHICAGO.

Wheat Closes 2 Cents Off—Corn and Provisions Both Sell Lower—Live Stock at Chicago—The General Market Report.

Chicago, June 12.—Wheat broke about 1½ during the morning from the closing figure yesterday. The close yesterday was nearly 1½ off from the best point of the day. With this reaction of nearly 3¢ from the top on the bull market which followed the Washington crop figures, the selling forces appeared to be exhausted and there were signs of a rally. July wheat opened 79¢ to 79½, sold 79½ and up, with good support to 80¢ and then off to 79¢, with rally before midday to 79½@79¾. Of course the rains in Illinois and portions of Indiana were the chief influence. Bearish feeling was helped for the time by the very light export clearances, the lightest of the year; the primary receipts of 278,000 far in excess of shipments; the easier Liverpool market. On the other hand northwest cars were light at 161, compared with 226 last year. Late private and public cables from Paris flour advanced, Berlin wheat 1½ to 2½ marks up. The damage to California wheat from rust was repeated. Buffalo reported 110,000 bu wheat sold to be shipped back to Cleveland. The Ohio town quoted 87¢ bid for cash wheat. Cincinnati a little later sent messages reporting 90¢ bid there for cash wheat. Duluth wired sales of 65,000 bu wheat for export and 60,000 to winter wheat millers. After midday the selling pressure returned, and 3¢ additional break followed. July sold off to 78¢ and September to 79½, 2¢ under last night.

There was raiding and selling of wheat the last half hour, and prices broke easily. July sold off to 78½ and closed 78½@78¾, exactly 2¢ lower. September sold at 79¢ and closed 79½@79¾. Sales were reported of 55,000 cash wheat mostly at July price. New York reported no export sales.

It was conceded by all that the rains have done and will do corn more good than anything else. Yet while wheat broke 2¢ or more the July corn showed less than 1¢ decline and acted quite stubborn on the break. July corn sold ½¢ lower at the opening at 50½¢, touched 50½¢, got quick rally to 51½¢, and later sold off to 50½¢ with ten buyers for every seller at the low point. September sold 52¢ to 51½¢ to 52½@52½¢ and off to 51½¢. Local receipts were light at 134 cars. Estimated receipts for to-morrow 170. Liverpool was lower.

Corn touched 50½@50½¢ and closed at 50½¢ only 3¢ lower. September closed at 51½¢. Corn charters were reported at 150,000 bu.

The run of hogs continues to surprise the trade. There appears to be no end of hogs. Pork sold nearly 2¢ lower at \$12.65 and closed 12½¢ off at \$12.70 September. Lard and ribs lost but 5¢ at the close.

Quotations were:

	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—No. 2	79½	77½	79½
June	79½	77½	79½
July	80½	78½	80½
Sept.	81	79½	81½
Corn—No. 2	50½	50	50½
June	51½	50½	50½
July	52½	51½	52½
Sept.	52½	51½	52½
May	43	42½	42½
Oats—No. 2	30½	29½	30½
June	29½	29½	30½
July	30	29½	30½
Sept.	30½	29½	30½
May	33½	32½	33
Pork—			
June	12.30	12.45	
July	12.50	12.35	12.40
Sept.	12.77½	12.65	12.70
Lard—			
June	6.47½	6.52½	
July	6.57½	6.57½	6.62½
Sept.	6.80	6.77½	6.77
Short ribs—			
June	6.17½	6.22½	
July	6.30	6.27½	6.32½
Sept.	6.50	6.45	6.47½

Chicago Produce Market.

The following quotations are for large lots only; small quantities are usually sold at advanced prices:

Vegetables—Asparagus, home-grown, 50@60c per 1-3 bu box; beets, 60@75c per doz; cucumbers, \$1.75 per crate; green onions, 20@25¢ per case; green peas, 50@60c per bu; lettuce, home grown, 50@60c per bu of 4 doz; new cabbage, \$2.75@3 per crate; onions, Michigan, \$1@1.75 per bu; pie plant, 25¢ per 50 lbs; radishes, 25@75¢ per bu; string beans, green, 75¢@1.15 per bu box; wax, 75¢@1.15; turnips, rutabagas, 25@30c per bu.

Cheese—Young Americans, choice, 70@8c; twins, 6½@6½c; cheddars, 6½@7½c; brick, 8@8½c; Limburger, 6½@7c; Swiss, 5@7c.

Butter—Creameries, extra, 17½ per lb; first, 16½¢; second, 13@14½¢; third, 10@12c; dairies, extra, 16c; first, 13@14c; second, 11@12c; imitation creameries, extra, 14@15c; ladies, extra, 11@12c; first, 8@9c; second, 7@8½¢; packing stock, fresh, 7@8c; grease, 3@5c.

Live Poultry—Turkeys, choice 8c per lb; fair to good, 6@7c; ducks, fair to choice, \$2.50@3 per doz; geese, 3@4 per doz.

Apples—\$2.50@4.50 per bu; 10@12c.

Potatoes—Hebron, 40@42c per bu; Burbank, Michigan, 36@45c; mixed, 35@40c.

Eggs—Salable at 1½ per doz when cases are returned; 1½@2 cases included.

Wall Street.

New York, June 12.—The stock market opened strong and active. The trend of prices continued upward for a brief time after 10:15, Susquehanna and Western preferred gaining 1½ and Panhandle preferred ½ per cent. Reading sales then caused a general recession. In the bond speculation Cordage firsts were in demand and advanced 3½ per cent to 40. The stock speculation at 11 o'clock continued heavy. The market continued to sag during the half hour following 11, the losses, however, being merely fractional. In the next half hour speculation was steadier in tone and prices advanced ½@1½ per cent, the latter in Lake Shore, and 1 per cent in Sugar and Canadian Pacific. The market at 12 o'clock was strong, and the upward movement still in progress.

Money on call nationally 1 per cent, prime mercantile paper, 2½@3½ per cent; sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 489½@489½ for demand and 483½@483½ for sixty days; posted rates, 483@490; commercial bills, 487½@487½. Silver certif-

TO BE INVESTIGATED.

BRITISH CONSUL WILL TAKE ACTION IN A STRANGE CASE.

The Reason for the Abandonment of the Burning Vessel, Why Not, by Its Crew, Not Yet Known—Yesterday's News from Across the Water.

St. Malo, June 12.—Particulars have been received here of the desertion of the passengers by the crew of the British vessel Why Not after fire broke out on board the ship while on her way to the Island of Jersey. It appears that fire was discovered in the Why Not's hold Saturday and while the sailors were attempting to quench the flames a bucket was dropped overboard. A boat was lowered to recover it and the captain jumped into this boat and was followed by the crew.

One passenger sprang overboard and swam after the boat, into which he was reluctantly taken. The deserted passengers were greatly alarmed and the excitement among them increased when a small boat was seen to be pulling for Erquay, where the crew eventually landed. Taking advantage of a breeze the passengers handled the Why Not as best they could and succeeded in beaching her near Erquay. The incident has caused intense excitement at St. Brieux, the nearest town to Erquay, and the matter is being thoroughly investigated by the local authorities.

The captain of the Why Not, although not under arrest, is closely watched by the police. It is understood that the British consul here will take the matter up and upon his report will depend further action.

CHINESE INDEMNITY LOAN.

Likely the Amount Will Be Advanced by French and Russian Bankers.

London, June 12.—A Berlin dispatch to the Standard says the Chinese loan which Russia has guaranteed forms a part of the war indemnity and was raised in accordance with the terms of a recently concluded secret Russo-Chinese treaty. Japan has agreed that if £15,000,000 is paid forthwith the remainder may be paid within six years. It is therefore likely that the whole of the indemnity will be advanced by French and Russian bankers, only China hopes to induce Russia to be satisfied with 4 per cent interest.

More Rioting Expected.

London, June 12.—A dispatch from Shanghai to the Times says the English, French, Canadian and American mislions were wrecked at Ching-Too-Foo, Kia-Ting, Yachou, Ping-Shan and Sinking. Some of the mislions are missing, but no lives are known to have been lost. Sutu and Luchou are threatened. A riot is considered inevitable at Chang-Tang. All the whites left Ching-Too-Foo yesterday. A firm policy is now more than ever necessary.

Say She Is to Be Wedded.

London, May 12.—The Mascot, a weekly newspaper, repeats the report which has been denied by the friends of the lady concerned that Miss Frances Willard, president of the W. C. T. U., is to be married in the autumn to an Englishman of wealth and position who has obtained prominence in the work of reform.

Umra Khan in Prison.

London, June 12.—A dispatch from Simla, India, says news has been received here from Cabul that the Amur of Afghanistan has imprisoned Umra Khan, therefore removing the reproach that the amur was receiving England's enemy as a guest.

Dead Number Twenty-Six.

Berlin, June 12.—The fire in the Antonenhuette mine, in Prussian Silesia, has been extinguished. All of the imprisoned miners except twenty-six were saved.

Student Ohl Is Dead.

Princeton, N. J., June 12.—Frederick Ohl, the student who was shot by the negro Collins Saturday night, died at 4 o'clock this morning.

Student Cochrane, who was also shot by the same negro, is not yet out of danger, but the attending physicians are hopeful of his recovery. County Prosecutor Stockton will present the case of the murderer Collins to the Mercer county grand jury, which is now in session at Trenton. Collins' friends among his own race will see that he has able counsel to defend him. They believe his statement that he shot the students in self-defense. It is admitted even by the Princeton college people that the shooting would not have occurred had not Ohl and Cochrane foolishly followed Collins and Downes to Anderson's saloon, the scene of the shooting.

The St. Louis Is Sighted.

Southampton, June 12.—A special dispatch announces that the American line steamship St. Louis passed that point at 3:45 o'clock p. m. A crowd surged in front of the offices of the American line eagerly watching for the raising of a flag, which would announce the coming of the new American liner St. Louis, which left New York Wednesday.

There is much local interest in the event and the office of the steamship company is deluged with telegrams.

Lawyer Wooley a Forger.

London, June 12.—It transpires that L. A. Wooley, a prominent lawyer who committed suicide in March, was involved in extensive forgeries, extending over a period of several years. It is estimated that they amount to from \$250,000 to \$700,000. He effected mortgages on the property of others, in some instances mortgaging the same property two or three times. His frauds were discovered by accident when he was ill.

Brewers in Session.

Milwaukee, Wis., June 12.—The National Brewers' association met in convention this morning. The entire morning was consumed by the delivery of the president's address and the reading of reports. The report of the board of trustees pays particular attention to the proposed increase in the tax on beer, and gives a history of the movement.

Newfoundland's Governor to Retire.

St. Johns, N. F., June 12.—Sir Terence O'Brien, governor of Newfoundland, expects to retire at the end of June, and is preparing to sail by the steamer leaving on June 29. Sir Roger Goldsworth, late governor of British Honduras, is expected to succeed him.

Recovery Is Assured.

Washington, June 12.—Eight brick stores, five frame stores, the Episcopal church, and two residences were burned at Washington, Ga., last night. The loss is \$40,000.

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

Work Being Rushed in the Closing Days of the Session.

Springfield, Ill., June 12.—Senator Crawford called up his bill providing for the payment of 5 per centum per annum on municipal warrants drawn in anticipation of the tax levy, and it was passed. The governor sent a list of his appointments since the adjournment of the thirty-eighth general assembly and asked their confirmation. Senator Hunter called up the house bill providing for taxation of the unsold land of the Illinois Central railroad. The bill was then sent to the judiciary committee. House bills advanced were: The bill allowing town authorities to condemn gravel pits to improve roads; limiting the time boys shall be kept in training schools. The house bill compelling the placing of flags on public buildings was referred to the committee on military affairs. The house bill regulating the sale of convict-made goods of other states was advanced to second reading. Consideration of the governor's veto messages on Crawford's two bills and Wells' convict cigar bill was postponed. The bill providing for the regulation of department stores passed by a vote of 28 yeas to 11 nays. Mr. Salomon then moved to reconsider the vote by which his bill classifying goods was defeated, which prevailed by a vote of 30 yeas to 8 nays. Senator Kingsbury's motion to reconsider the vote by which his bill providing for the appointment of food inspectors failed to pass, which was a special order, was defeated. The house arbitration bill on second reading was then reached and the several amendments of the committee were concurred in. The house bill passed by a vote of 36 yeas to 2 nays. The house bill authorizing drainage districts to issue bonds passed.

The house reconsidered and passed Berry's bill allowing railroad corporations of another state to purchase leased lines in this state, providing that nothing in the act shall operate to authorize the consolidation of parallel lines. Mr. Miller of Cook called up the Tornens land bill on second reading. Several amendments were voted down. The bill was then advanced to third reading and was made a special order for tomorrow morning.

MERCHANTS RAISE A PURSE.

Havana Business Men Subscribe \$100,000 to Equip Cavalrymen.

Havana, June 13.—The largest meeting ever held in this country for the discussion of a single economic question convened at the Auditorium in this city this morning. While an overwhelming majority of the delegates to the convention called in the interest of the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 come from this section of the country, the representation includes almost every state south of the Ohio river and west of the Mississippi.

While the gathering comprises democrats, republicans and populists and is supposedly nonpartisan, there is much of interest to the political observer. There were probably over fifteen hundred delegates on hand when the convention was called to order at 2 o'clock.

President W. H. Brown of the Memphis Bimetallic League, the gathering to order, and ex-Congressman Casey Young delivered the speech of welcome, saluting the delegates as the advance guards of a mighty army to overthrow a power more ruthless and rapacious and more hurtful to human happiness and prosperity than any despot that ever shackled liberty and oppressed mankind. Senator Turp of Indiana, upon being introduced to the convention made a long speech, his principal effort being to destroy the contention of the enemies of silver, that the white metal was not "honest money."

Alexander Delmar of California, the next speaker, said the only monetary principles upon which all parties unite was stability, and that, he believed, could only be brought about by restoration of the ancient coinage laws of the republic. The fact that 95 per cent of the exchanges of the world were transacted with checks and bills or exchange proved that metallic coin, both gold and silver, was inadequate to measure the parity of exchange.

TRUST PEOPLE DISPLEASED.

Egan Intimates That They Will Not Accept Judge Merritt's Ruling.

Denver, Colo., June 12.—John M. Egan, sole receiver of the Union Pacific interests in the northwest outside of Utah and recently appointed co-ordinator receiver with W. H. Bancroft of the interests of the road in Utah territory, arrived in this city early this morning on a belated train from the west. Regarding the appointment of Mr. Bancroft as co-receiver of the Union Pacific interests in Utah Mr. Egan said: "Representatives of the American Trust company distinctly stated they would not submit to the appointment of a receiver who was friendly to the Union Pacific to act in conjunction with the receiver appointed by Judge Gilbert and Judge Sanborn. I cannot tell what action the company will take."

Pope Preparing for His Successor.

London, June 12.—The London correspondent of the Standard says it is announced there that the papal nuncios at Paris, Lisbon, Madrid and Vienna will be created cardinals. The news causes much interest in vatican circles because it will disturb the equilibrium of the preponderance of Italian cardinals in the sacred college. The pope in announcing the fact, said: "We hope thus to create a position more in conformity with papal interests in the world and to furnish the sacred college the means to successfully surmount the difficulty and delicate period of our succession."

Negro Brute Lynched.

Tyler, Texas, June 12.—News reached this city that a negro named Walter Johnson had been lynched by a mob at Lufkin, Texas. Johnson had assaulted the 7-year-old daughter of Robert Schaffer, and had been arrested and lodged in jail. The negro was identified and as soon as it was known for certain that he was the guilty fiend the sheriff was overpowered and the negro was strung up in the public square before a crowd of five hundred or more people.

Peach and Melon Crops Killed.

Atlanta, Ga., June 12.—A terrible storm swept over Worth county, in south Georgia, last night. The peach, watermelon and other crops were destroyed over a large area. At Isabella houses were blown down and merchants' stocks damaged by the flood, which poured into stores unroofed by the wind.

Confesses to a Murder.

Portland, Ore., June 12.—Louis Smithie, who was arrested last Saturday for the l