MARKET CONDITIONS GOOD.

The Early Advances Retained Throughout the Day.

Higher Prices for American Stocks From London—President Roosevelt's Sintement and the End of the Steel Strike Favorable Factors.

NEW YORK, Sept. 16.—On the resumption of business this morning the dealings in the stock market were plainly governed by several controlling influences. Beyond question the most important was the brief statement made by Mr. Roosevelt, just before formally taking the oath of office as President—his simple and loyal declaration that his aim and policy as President would be to continue absolutely unbroken the policy of President McKinley.

All day this declaration was the main subject of conversation wherever men gathered to discuss the financial situation and outlook. The country has now been told what it can count upon in the administration of public affairs and the country knows that it can rely absolutely upon the word and the performance of its new Chief Magistrate. Probably next in order in point of importance to Mr. Roosevelt's utterances was the announcement, late on Saturday afternoon, of a final settlement of the protracted strike of the Amalgamated Association, which has now been in progress for over two months.

When this announcement was first made its significance was overshadowed by the interest taken in the situation at Buffalo, but today its importance was clearly realized. Then again, the very extensive advances which were scored in American stocks in London, prior to the opening of the local board, naturally played a decided part in shaping sentiment. These advances extended from 1 to 4 points throughout the American quarter and the dealings in American stocks were reported as being on a more animated scale than for a long time.

They were followed up also by exceedingly heavy purchases here for foreign account and the latter would doubtless have been in still greater volume but for the rapidity of the advance in the local market.

Still another encouraging influence was Saturday's bank statement, which showed the first considerable reduction in the loan account in a fortnight. There was little change in sterling exchange conditions, and the remainder of the day's routine was made up of the large traffic returns submitted for various periods.

The usual monthly statement of the country's foreign trade for August showed an excess of exports of merchandise amounting to $24,500,000 against $41,700,000 for the corresponding month of last year. Merchandise imports increased about $10,000,000, while exports increased less than $4,000,000.

In view of the general circumstances under which the market opened it was not remarkable that a large number of very extensive advances should have been made right at the opening, but it was particularly noteworthy that these were exceedingly well retained, and in a large number of cases materially bettered with the course of the session. Technically considered, there was an active borrowing demand for stocks and an excellent enquiry from commission houses, while supporting orders were evident throughout the market. There seemed, however, to be little occasion for the introduction of the latter, as the short interest proceeded from the opening precipitately to reduce its commitments.

It was apparently the case also that a number of commission houses had elected to close out their customers' stocks during last week's unsettled conditions, and at all events many close observers of the dealings thought they detected counter transactions in today's dealings. Inasmuch as the trading at large was governed by commercial influences and the market moved with more or less uniformity, it would appear hardly necessary to particularize regarding special movements.

The railway list furnished the bulk of the dealings, but trading was very active in all quarters.

New York Stock Exchange, Sept. 16.

	Open-est.	High-est.	Low-est.	Clos-ing.	Net ch'g's.
Amalgamated Copper	106½	107⅞	106½	107⅞	+3⅞
Am. Car & Foundry	29⅝	29	29½	29½	+1⅝
Am. C. & F. pfd	85	84⅝	85	85	+2
Am. Cotton Oil	32⅝	30½	32⅝	32⅝	+3¼
American Ice	30¼	29¾	30¼	30¼	+ ¼
American Ice pfd	66½	66½	66½	66½	−1½
Am. Linseed Oil pfd	50	45	50	50	+10
American Locomotive	25	24¾	25	25	+ ½
Am. Locomotive pfd	85½	84¾	85½	85½	
Am. Malting	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	− ¾
Am. Malting pfd	25½	24½	25½	25½	+ ½
Am. Smelting	46½	45½	46	46	+2
Am. Smelting pfd	103¾	100½	103¾	103¾	+2¾
Am. Sugar Ref	133½	128¾	133¼	133¼	+4½
Am. Woolen	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞	−1⅛
Anaconda	45¼	44	45¼	45¼	+2¼
Atchison	76¼	73⅞	76	76	+3⅞
Atchison pfd	96⅝	95	96¾	96¾	+2¾
Baltimore & Ohio	102½	100	102¼	102¼	+4¾
Balt. & Ohio pfd	94	93¼	93¼	93¼	+1½
Brook. Rap. Tran	68	65¼	66½	66½	+3⅝
Can. Southern	79	75	77½	77½	+4½
Can. Pacific	111½	109¾	111	111	+3
Cent. of N. J	163½	163½	163½	163½	+3½
Ches. & Ohio	46½	44½	46½	46½	+3½
Chi. & Alton	39	37½	38⅞	38⅞	+2⅞
Chi. Gt. West	24¼	23½	24	24	+1¾
Chi., Ind. & L	44½	42¾	43½	43½	+3½
Chi., Ind. & L. pfd	77¾	75	76½	76½	+4
Chi., M. & St. P	161¼	157½	161¼	161¼	+6
C., M. & St. P. pfd	188	186	188	188	−1
Chi. & N. W	193½	193½	193½	193½	+1½
Chi., R. I. & Pa	141	138½	141	141	+6
Chi. Ter. Tran	22¼	21	22	22¼	+2¼
Chi. Ter. Tr. pfd	43½	39¾	41½	41½	+2⅝
C., C., C. & S. L	97¾	94½	97¾	97¾	+4¾
Col. F. & I. Co	99½	97	98	98	+4
Col. South	14¼	13¾	14¼	14¼	+1¼
xCol. So. 1st pfd	54¼	54	54¼	54¼	+2½
Col. So. 2d pfd	25	24⅝	24⅞	24⅞	+1½
C. & H. C. & I	18¾	18¾	18¾	18¾	+2⅝
Consolidated Gas	221¾	219	221¾	221¾	+6
Con. Tobacco pfd	116	116	116	116	+1
Delaware & Hudson	163	161½	163	163	+2½
D. L. & W	222½	221	222½	222½	+4½
Den. & R. G	46	45	46	46	+4
D. & R. G. pfd	94	92⅞	94	94	+3
Diamond Match	144	143½	144		
Dist of Am	7½	7½	7½	7½	+ ¼
Dist of Am. pfd	25½	25¼	25½	25½	+2¼
D., S., S. & At	12	11⅞	12	12	+1
D., S., S. & At. pfd	29	29	29	29	+ ¼
Erie	42⅝	40¾	42⅝	42⅝	+3¼
Erie 1st pfd	70¼	69	70⅛	70⅛	+2⅛
Erie 2d pfd	57½	56	57	57	+3
Ev. & T. H	66	65	65⅛	65⅛	+3⅝
Gen. Elec. Co	262	259	260	260	+7
Glu. Sugar Ref. Co	57	56	57	57	+1½
Great. Nor. pfd	184	183	183½	183½	+2½
Hocking Valley	75	75	75	75	+2
Illinois Central	144½	144	144½	144½	+2½
Inter. Paper Co	25¼	24¼	25	25	+2½
Inter. Paper pfd	79⅝	78	79⅝	79⅝	+ ¾
Inter. Power	95	94	95	95	+2
Inter. Pump	45	44½	44¾	44¾	+ ¼
Iowa Central	38	38	38	38	+2½
Iowa Central pfd	72	72	72	72	+2
Kan. C. & So	19	19	19	19	−1
Kan. C. & So. pfd	46½	46⅝	46½	46½	+1½
Lake E. & W	65¼	63	65	65	+5½
Louis. & Nash	103¼	101¾	103	103	+2¾
Manhattan Con	119¾	116¼	119	119	+5
Met. Street Ry	164	162	164	164	+3¾
Mt. W. S. Elev	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝	—	¼
Mexican Central	24¼	23¾	24¼	24¼	+1¼
Mex. Nat. tr	14⅝	14⅛	14½	14½	+ ½
M. & St. L	108¾	106	108¾	108¾	+4¼
M. & St. L. pfd	116	116	116	116	+1
M., S., P. & S. S. M.	27	25	25	25	+1½
M., S., P. & S. S. M. pf.	72	72	72	72	+2
M., K. & T	28⅞	27½	28⅝	28⅝	+2⅝
M., K. & T. pfd	54½	53½	54	54	+2
Missouri Pacific	103¾	100¼	103¾	103¾	+5¼
Nat. Biscuit Co	44	43¼	43½	43½	+2
Nat. Bis. Co. pfd	102	101	102	102	− ½
Nat. Lead Co	19½	19½	19½	19½	+1
Nat. Salt	41	40½	40½	40½	− ½
N. Y. Air Brake	142	140	142	142	+2
N. Y. Central	155	151	155	155	+5
N. Y. C. & St. L	45¾	41¾	45¼	45¼	+4¾
N. Y. C. & St. L. 1 pfd	114	113	114	114	+4
N. Y. C. & St. L. 2 pfd	87	82¾	86¾	86¾	+3¼
N. Y. O., & W	34	32¾	33¾	33¾	+2¾
Norf. & West	54½	53¼	54¼	54¼	+2¾
North Am	98½	97½	98½	98½	+5⅝
Ont. Silver Min	12	12	12		
Pacific Mail	41⅝	39½	41⅝	41⅝	+2⅝
Pennsylvania	145	143	145	145	+4¼
P. G. of C. xrts	109	107¾	109	109	+2¾
Peo. & East	33¾	33	33¾	33¾	+ ¾
Peo. Gas. rts	1¼	1	1¼	1¼	
Press. S. Car	41¾	39½	41¾	41¾	+2¼
Pullman	210½	210½	210½	210½	−1½
Reading	41¾	40	41¾	41¾	+2¾
Reading 1st pfd	76	75	76	76	+2⅝
Reading 2d pfd	52¾	51¼	52¾	52¾	+3¼
Repub. Steel	15	13½	15	15	+2
Repub. St. pfd	67	64⅞	67	67	+3½
Rubber Goods	29	29	29	29	+2
St. Jo. & G. I. 1 pfd	67	67	67	67	
St. L. & Adir	119⅝	117¼	119⅝	119⅝	+2⅝
St. L. & S. F.	46¼	45	45⅝	45⅝	+2⅝
St. L. & S. F. 2 pfd	68⅝	67	68¼	68¼	+3
St. L. South	30½	30	30½	30½	+3½
St. L. South. pfd	63⅝	60	63⅝	63⅝	+5½
Sloss Shef. St	30	30	30	30	
Sloss Sh. St. pfd	80½	80	80½	80½	−1½
South. Pacific	58¾	56	58	58	+3⅝
Southern Ry	33	31¼	32⅞	32⅞	+2½
Southern Ry. pfd	88¼	86½	87⅞	87⅞	+2
Tenn. C. & I. Co	63½	61¾	63½	63½	+3⅝
Texas Pacific	43	41⅝	43	43	+3
Tol., S. L. & W	20⅝	20	20	20	
T., S. L. & W. pfd	34	34	34	34	
Twin C. R. T	102½	101	102½	102½	+3½
Union B. & P	16	16	16	16	+ ½
U. B. & P. pfd	73	73	73	73	+1
Union Pacific	98¼	96	98	98	+3¾
Union Pacific pfd	88½	88¼	88½	88½	+1¾
U. S. Express	95	95	95	95	
U. S. Leather	12⅞	12½	12¾	12¾	+ ¾
U. S. Leather pfd	81¼	79⅞	81¼	81¼	+3
U. S. Rubber Co	18	18	18	18	+ ½
U. S. Steel	44⅝	43	44⅝	44⅝	+3⅝
U. S. Steel pfd	94⅝	93	94⅝	94⅝	+4
Va. Caro Ch	60	60	60	60	+1
Wabash	22½	21¼	22½	22½	+2¼
Wabash pfd	40	38½	39⅞	39⅞	+2⅝
West. Un. Tel	92½	91⅝	92	92	+1½
W. & L. E. 1 pfd	50	49	49	49	+2½
Wis. Central	23½	20¾	23¼	23¼	+2¼
Wis. Central pfd	44	43	43¾	43¾	+3¾

Total sales of stocks, 901,977 shares.
+Advance. —Decline. xEx-dividend.

Government Bonds.

	Bid.	Asked.
U. S. 2's, R. 1930-30, Q. J	108	109
U. S. 2's, C. 1930-30, Q. J	108½	109½
U. S. 3's, R. 1908, Q. F	108¼	109
U. S. 3's, R. 1908, R. C	108¼	109
U. S. 4's, 1906, Q. J	112¾	113
U. S. 4's, 1907, Q. J	113¼	114
U. S. 4's, R. 1925	138	140
U. S. 4's, C. 1925	138	140
U. S. 5's, R. 1904	108	109
U. S. 5's, C. 1904, Q. F	108	109

Wall Street was for the most part vastly surprised at the way the stock market went yesterday. The general opinion had been that a decline in prices was inevitable on the first market day after the death of the President. Others had been confident enough to hope that the great inside interests would be able to stem the tide of selling orders and hold prices with little decline. The thing that really occurred was a sharp advance in prices, the best that has been seen in the market for many days. The opening prices were from one to six points up from the close of last Friday. The advance was excellently held during the entire day, a few stocks only showing much tendency to lose their gains and quite as large a number even making good further advances.

The causes of this unusual buoyancy are numerous. London took a hopeful view of the New York market situation, and was a buyer of stocks early in the day. The Continental markets also were buoyant for American securities. This matter may have been engineered from this side, but it has its effect at any rate. The words of President Roosevelt as he took the oath of office last Saturday were conspicuously conservative, and hence most reassuring to Wall Street. He is considered a man of his word in the street, and therefore he is taken at his word when he says that the policy of the Administration will not be changed in any important particular. The ending of the steel strike has been waited for some time and expected by the street, but nevertheless the actual accomplishment of harmony between the steel workers and their employers, the Steel Trust, was a bullish factor of importance. The bank statement of last Saturday and the strong policy of the Treasury Department have caused a great lessening of anxiety over the financial situation. In addition to the buying of bonds by the Treasury last week Secretary Gage yesterday announced that he will anticipate the next interest payment on the Government bonds. This will mean that nearly $5,000,000 will be paid out immediately, two weeks in advance of the regular time. The Secretary also announced that if necessary he will also pay out at once the $15,000,000 pension money that would not be disbursed in the ordinary course of events until next week.

The attitude of the clearing house is also entirely reassuring. No formal conference was held at the clearing house, but the large banking interests and the clearing house committee are prepared to act at a moment's notice. A prominent member of the Clearing House Committee yesterday outlined the general policy of the banks in an emergency as follows:

"There has not been the slightest evidence or suggestion of weakness in any of the banks and none is apprehended. There have been no applications for clearing house certificates. The Clearing House Committee will issue certificates only in case of dire necessity and when all the banks are pressed for money. However the outlook is very reassuring. It should be understood that no bank that had securities to put up will be left unprotected. If a solvent bank should be pressed we will assist it, but as I said before, the issue of clearing house certificates will be resorted to only as an extreme measure and in the altogether improbable remote contingency of all the banks being pushed for cash."

It was thought yesterday that some reaction from the high price level established might be seen later this week, but the street was full of confidence that there is to be no great break at any time in the near future. Some people even talk of an early revival of the advance in prices that has been the chief characteristic of the market for the past five years. The basic reasons for this belief are in line with the causes that made the market buoyant for one day yesterday, though not entirely the same. The fact that the strike is ended and that President Roosevelt has announced a conservative policy are factors of importance not only for the present week but for the entire present year and for next year, too. They both mean that the country has a larger chance for a continuance of its great prosperity than it would have had under other circumstances. The present monetary situation, however, need not be taken into consideration in any surmises regarding the future of the market, for it is certain that there will be a plentiful supply of money later in the year. This fact will indeed contribute largely to the hopefulness of the situation. American gold will be abundant again shortly and the money now going West and South will in time come back to New York. The wonderful earnings of the railways are a bullish factor of the utmost importance. It is entirely probable that in all cases these earnings will continue for the remainder of the fiscal year. In some cases there will be increases during the entire period over the stupendous figures of last year. The technical matter that the important people have the stocks and the public have none must not be overlooked. To some people this is one of the most important facts in the entire list of bull arguments. The insiders cannot absolutely control the market all the time against the impetus of real intrinsic conditions, but they can go a long way toward directing the market as they wish for a time at least, and it would seem the only thing for them to do in the present instance to put up the price of stocks and get the public interested in them at some time before the present wave of prosperity has visibly reached its climax and is on its wane.

The grangers and the Pacific securities were the features of the session. During the entire session they were buoyant in the extreme and they closed at the highest prices of the day with gains of from 3 to 5 points from the close of last Friday. St. Paul, despite the momentary disappointment felt last week over the failure of the company to increase its dividend was perhaps the strongest of the group with an advance to above 161. The Atchisons also were very strong, the common getting to 76 and closing at the top. The reasons for this buoyancy are clear. The prosperity of these systems has been phenomenal and the great community of interest plan was built by the greatest railway and financial men in the world for the purpose of perpetuating this prosperity.

The Steel securities were both very strong under the stimulus of the ending of the strike and the belief held by many careful people that the company will continue its dividend on the common despite the losses of the past three months. The support of the Keene clique, of course, contributed to the buoyancy of the stocks.

The coal securities were all buoyant, the Eries especially showing excellent buying all day, and closing at the top prices after good advances. There is much bullish talk of these stocks in the street.

The Washington Stock Market.

Sales—Metropolitan R. R. B's: $4,000@106; Union Trust and Storage Co.: 2@109, 35@108½; Capital Traction: 1@103; Mergenthaler Linotype: 10@166⅝, 30@166¾, 10@166½, 20@166, 15@165⅝; Lanston Monotype: 200@13¾; American Graphophone Co., pref.: 14@10. After call—C. and P. Telephone 5's: 1,000@104½.

Notice—On motion, the Board decided to hold no sessions on Tuesday and Thursday of this week on account of the funeral services of the late President of the United States.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BONDS.	Bid.	Asked.
Funding currency, 2.65's	125	----
MISCELLANEOUS BONDS.		
Capital Traction R. R. 4's	108	109
Wash. Trac. & Elec. Coll. 4½'s	----	68
Met. R. R. 5's, 1925	115	119
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness A	105¾	----
Met. R. R. Cert. Indebtedness B	105¾	109
Columbia R. R. 6's, 1914	115	117
Columbia R. R. 2d mort. 5's	105	110
City & Suburban R. R	91	----
Anacostia & Potomac 5's	----	----
Wash. Gas Co., ser A, 6's, 1902-'27	107	----
Wash. Gas Co., ser. B, 6's, 1901-'29	107	----
U. S. Elec. Light, Deb. Imp., 1907	105¾	----
U. S. Elec. Light, Cert. Indebt	105	105½
Ches. & Pot. Tel., Con. 5's	104	105½
Wash. Mkt. Co., Imp. 6's, 1912-'27	110	----
Wash. Market Co., 1st 6's, 1892-1911, $7,000 retired annually	110	----
Wash. Mkt. Co., Imp. 6's, 1912'-27	110	----
Wash. Mkt. Co., ext. 6's, 1914-'27	110	----
Masonic Hall Ass'n 5's, C, 1908	100	----
American Graphophone Deb. 5's	----	100
SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANIES.		
National Safe Deposit	148	----
Wash. Loan and Trust	172	175
American Security and Trust	218¾	220
Washington Safe Deposit	60	----
Union Trust and Storage	108⅝	108¾
NATIONAL BANK STOCKS.		
Bank of Washington	370	----
Metropolitan	725	800
Central	230	----
Farmers and Mechanics'	240	----
Second	165	----
Citizens	165	----
Columbia	170	----
Capital	155	170
West End	120	130
Traders'	140	----
Lincoln	125	130
RAILROAD STOCKS.		
Capital Traction	103	104
City & Suburban	8	25
INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Firemen	----	27½
Franklin	40	----
Metropolitan	75	----
Corcoran	60	----
Potomac	66	----
Arlington	30	32
German-American	215	----
National Union	7⅞	9
Columbia	10	11
Riggs	7½	8
People's	6	7
Commercial	4	5
Colonial	----	115
TITLE INSURANCE STOCKS.		
Real Estate Title	85	95
Columbia Title	4¾	5½
Washington Title	1½	3½
District Title	4	----
TELEPHONE STOCKS.		
Chesapeake & Potomac	60¼	62¼
GAS STOCKS.		
Washington Gas	60⅝	61
Georgetown Gas	68	75
MISCELLANEOUS STOCKS.		
Mergenthaler Linotype	*165⅝	166¾
Lanston Monotype	13⅝	14⅝
American Graphophone	*8	+⅞
American Graphophone, pfd	8¾	10
Pneumatic Gun Carriage	.06	.10
Washington Market	14	----
Norfolk & Washington	105	----

*Ex-dividend.

THE CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET.

Confidence of Wall Street Reflected in the Advancing Prices.

CHICAGO, Sept 16.—The feeling of confidence exhibited by Wall Street was reflected by the grain markets today. Wheat opened higher and gradually advanced under local and commission house buying. With the exception of rather liberal sales for Northwestern account, offerings were small. Liverpool was steady, unchanged to ¼d lower; Paris, ¾@1c higher. World's shipments were 9,281,000 bushels, the amount afloat increased 2,304,000 bushels. The cash demand was slow; the seaboard reported only nine loads.

Under the influence of good local support corn ruled stronger, the factors being the fear of frost owing to the low temperature in the far West, the most confident feeling in the East, and the good enquiry for cash, 125,000 bushels being reported sold here. A much larger business would have been done but the advance checked it. With the exception of some fair selling for account of a prominent local professional at the opening, offerings were light. Local stocks increased 60,000; the visible decreased 621,000 bushels. Receipts were 365 cars, with 390 estimated.

Oats have been active and strong on the light receipts and good cash demand. Local bulls have been free buyers, and have added to their long lines. Commission houses were the sellers, but at no time were their offerings heavy; local stocks of oats increased 137,000 bushels, and the visible supply increased 997,000 bushels. Car lots 187 with 170 estimated.

Provisions advanced, led by September and October lard, which were in good request by packers and shippers, evidently against cash business. The nearby situation on lard continues very bullish. There was some increase in the investment buying of January product and the leading January bull interest added modestely to their lines. Other packers sold. The close was steady at some improvement.

Chicago Grain and Provision Market.

Corrected daily by W. B. Hibbs & Co., members of the New York Stock Exchange, 1419 F Street.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
WHEAT—				
December	70⅝	70⅝-71	70⅝	70⅝-¾
May	73⅞	74⅝-¾	73⅞	74¼
CORN—				
December	57¾	58	57¼	57¾
May	59¾	59⅝- 60	59¼	59½
OATS—				
December	35¾	36¼-⅜	35⅝	35⅞
May	37¾	38⅛	37¾	37⅞
LARD—				
January	9.15	9.17	9.15	9.15
RIBS—				
October	8.65	8.70	8.65	8.70

New York Cotton Market.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Clos.
October	7.45	7.54	7.52	7.52
November	7.46	7.46	7.46	7.46
December	7.56	7.59	7.52	7.56
January	7.54	7.63	7.52	7.61

BALTIMORE PRICE CURRENT.

BALTIMORE, Sept. 16.—Following are today's quotations in the local wholesale provision, coffee, and cotton markets:

Flour—Market was dull. Western Super, $2.45@2.55; Western Extra, $2.55@2.00; Western Family, $3.25@3.40; Winter Patents, $3.65@3.90; Spring Patents, $3.80@4.00; Spring Straights, $3.70@3.80; Spring Bakers', $2.90@3.10; Baltimore Best Patents, $4.60; Baltimore High-Grade Family, $4.50; Baltimore High-Grade Extra, $4.10; Baltimore Choice Family, $3.85; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania Super, $2.45@2.55; Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania Extra, $2.85@3.00; Maryland, Virginia, and Pennsylvania Family, $3.25@3.40; City Mills Super, $2.40@2.60; Rio Extra, $3.65@3.85; Rye flour, medium to choice, $2.90@3.25.

Oats—The market was firm. Stock in elevators, 279,986 bus; white, No. 2, 38½@38¾c; do, No. 3, 37½@38c; do, No. 4, 37@37½c; do, ungraded, 37@38½c; mixed, No. 2, 37½@38c; do, No. 3, 36½@37c; No. 4, 36@36½c; ungraded, 36@38c.

Rye—Market was steady. Stock in elevators, 55,209 bus; No. 2 nearby, in carlots, 56c; No. 3 rye, 54c; No. 4 rye, 52@52½c; No. 2 Western rye, 57c, in export elevator.

Hay—Market firm. No. 1 timothy, $16.50; No. 2, $15.50@16.00; No. 3, $14.00@15.00; No. 1 clover, mixed, $14.00@14.50; No. 2 clover, mixed, $12.50@13.00; No. 1 clover, $12.50@13.00; No. 2 clover, $11.00@12.00.

Straw—Market was quiet. No. 1 straight rye, new, $12.00@12.50; tangled rye, blocks, old, $7.50@8.00; wheat, $6.00@6.50; oat straw, $8.00@9.00.

Mill feed—Market was steady. Winter bran, as to weight, $16.00@18.00; spring bran, in 200-pound sacks, $18.00; do in 100-lb sacks, $18.50; Western middling, in bulk, $16.00@17.00; City Mills, middling steady at $18.00 a ton.

Grain freights—The market was dull; Liverpool, 1d, September; London, per qr, 1s, September; Glasgow, 1s, September; Belfast, 1s 6d, September; Bristol, 1s 6d, September; Dublin, 1s 6d, September; Leith, 1s 6d, September; Copenhagen, 1s 7½d, September; Cork, 1s 7½d, September; Denmark, 1s 7½d, September; picked ports, 1s 3d, September Antwerp, 1s 3d, September; Rotterdam, 1s 4½d, September; Bremen, 22½ pfgs, September; Hamburg, 1s 3@9s 4½d, September.

Butter—Market was firm. Creamery, separator, extra, 22@23½c; extra first, 22@22½c; creamery first, 21@21½c; do, imitation, extra, 18c; Iowa and Northwestern ladle, extra, 16@17c; do, extra first, 15@16c; Western store-packed, 13@14c; Ohio rolls, first, 15@16c; second, 13@14c; West Virginia rolls first, 14@15c; second, 13@14c; Elgin creamery prints, ½-lb, 25@26c; do, 1-lb, 24@25c; do, 2-lb, 23@24c; Maryland and Pennsylvania, creamery prints, ½-lb, 24@25c; do, 1-lb, 23@24c.

Eggs—The market is firm. Strictly fresh, 17c; Western, 17c.

Fish, crabs, and clams—Market was dull. Crocus, per sugar bbl, $3; rock, boiling, per lb, 15c; do, medium, per lb, 12c; do, pan, per lb, 8@10c; white perch, large, per lb, 12@15c; do, medium, per lb, 8c to 10c; perch, yellow, per lb, large, 5@6c; do, medium, 2@3c; pompanos, per lb, 12@15c; sheepshead, per lb, 8@10c; star or butter fish, per bbl, $5@6; mackerel, bay, per lb, large 12@15c; grey trout, per bbl, large, $8; do, per bbl, small, $2@3; flounders, per lb, 6c; sturgeon, per lb, dressed, 10c; do, skin on, per lb, 8c; tailors, per lb, large, 4@5c; do, small, 2@3c; catfish, per lb, 3c; green pike, native, per lb, 8@10c; snappers, per lb, 3½@4c; clams, white, per 100, 50c; hard crabs per flour bbl, 75c@$1; do, per sugar bbl, $1@1.25; soft crabs, per dozen, best stock, 50c; do chest, small, $2.50 to $3; oysters, bulk stock, per bus, 60@80c.

Green fruits and vegetables—Market was steady. Apples, Eastern Shore, Maryland and Virginia, per bbl, fancy, $1.75@2; do, fair to good, $1.50@1.75; do, common, small, 75c@$1; do, per ½ bbl bas, 50@75c; do, per bus box, 40@50c; do, Western Maryland and Pennsylvania, packed, per bbl, $2@2.50; do, New York, assorted, per bbl, $2.25@2.75; beets, native, per 100 bunches, $1@1.25; cabbage, native, per 100, $2@3; do, New York State, per ton, $16@18; carrots, native, per bunch, 1@1½c; celery, New York State, per dozen stalks, 30@40c; corn, sugar, per doz, native, 8@12c; dams sons, New York, per 10-lb bas, 35@40c; eggplants, native, per bas, 15c; do, per 100, 75c@$1; grapes, New York, per 5-lb bas, 9@11c; do, Niagaras, 12@13c; do, Delawares, 15@16c; lima beans, native, per bus box, 65@70c; onions, Maryland and Pennsylvania, yellow, per bus, 80@90c; do, Ohio, yellow, per bus, 80@85c; oyster plants, native, per bunch, 3@3½c; string beans, native, per bus, green, 40@50c; peaches, Eastern Shore, per box, yellows, 50@60c; do, reds, 35@50c; do, per bas, yellows, 30@40c; do, reds, 25@35c; do, per box, Smock, 50@60c; do, per box, pie fruit, 35@40c; do, per bas, pie fruit, 20@25c; do, mountain, per 20-lb bas, 30@45c; do, per 10-lb bas, 15@25c; do, per ½-bas, 30@50c; do, per box, good to fancy, 60@$1; do, per 5-bas carrier, 75c@$1.25; do, per bas, 40@60c; pears, Eastern Shore, Bartletts, per bas, 30@35c; do, per box, 40@50c; do, Duchess, per bas, 15@20c; do, per box, 25@30c; do, New York Bartletts, per bbl, $2.50@3.50; tomatoes, Eastern Shore, Md., per bas, 20@25c; do, fancy, 25@30c; do, per box, 40@45c; do, native, per measured bus, 50c; do, Anne Arundel, per bas, 25@30c; watermelons, per 100, selects, $8@12; do, primes, $4@7; do, culls and seconds, $3@5.

Groceries—Raw sugar is quiet; refined quiet. Per 100-lb lots: Granulated, $5.85; cut-loaf, $5.85; Keystone "A," $5.35; yellow sugars, $4.30@4.50. Molasses, N. O., St. Clare, 32c; Kingsland, 34c; Sunlight, N. O., 26c; St. Vincent, P. R., 25c; St. John's P. R., 19c; No. 12 Sugar House, 15c. Syrups—The market was steady; Gold Medal, 27c; King (Vanila), 29c; Rock Candy Drips, 27c; Gilt Edge, 24c; Corn, 22c; No. 12, 17c. Tea was firm; Hyson, superior to fine, 28@32c; choice to choicest, 42@46c; uncolored Japan (new crop), finest, 31@33c; choice to choicest, 32@34c; extra choice 46c; Oolong, Amoy and Formosa (new crop), finest, 40@45c; choice to choicest, extra, finest, 30@40c.

Potatoes—The market was easier. White, Virginia, per bbl, prime, $1.75@2; do, seconds, per bbl, $1@1.25; do, Eastern Shore, Maryland, per bbl, $1.75@2.00; do, native, per bus box, 75@80c; do, Maryland and Pennsylvania, per bus, No. 1, 70@75c; do, seconds, 50@60c; New York, per bus, prime, 80@85c; sweets, Eastern Shore, Virginia, per bbl, yellows, $1.85@2.00; do, reds, per bbl, $1.60@1.75; yams, Virginia, per bbl, No. 1, $1.25; do, No. 2, 75c@$1.00; do, North Carolina, per bbl, $1.25@1.50.

Poultry—Market steady. Old fowls, 10½@11c per lb; spring chickens, 12@12½c; roosters, 25@30c apiece; ducks, 8@9c lb.

Green coffee—Market steady. No. 7 (Rio grade), 5⅝@5¾c.

Roasted coffee—Pure Java, 31½c; Maracaibo, 21½c; pure Laguayra, 21½c; pure Santos, 18c; African Java, 18½c; Rio blend, 17c; Peaberry mixture, 16½c; pure Mocha, 29½c; Java-Mocha blend, 27c. (These coffees are in fancy bags, paper-lined.) If packed in cans or tubs, ½c higher.

Package brands—E. L. C., 100-lb case, 10½c; 60-lb cases, 10 6-10c; 36-lb cases, 10 7-10c; Lion coffee, in 100-lb lots, 10.68c; in 60-lb lots, 10.78c.

Cotton—Market firm; middling, 8½c; strictly low middling, 8⅜c; low middling, 8¼c. Stock in Baltimore, 782 bales.

TO CLOSE ON THURSDAY.

Banks, Trust Companies, and Exchanges Take Action.

The banks and trust companies of the District of Columbia will be closed on Thursday. There will be no business of any kind at the banks and no meeting of the clearing house.

The Bankers' Association held a special meeting yesterday morning to consider the matter. The national banks are not allowed to close except on national holidays, and it was at first a matter of some doubt to the association whether the proclamation of President Roosevelt constitutes Thursday a national holiday in the legal sense. The proclamation differs in its wording somewhat from the usual wording of the annual Thanksgiving proclamation, and from the proclamations that have been issued in the past appointing days of prayer. It was decided by the association, however, after taking legal