

Council Bluffs Loan and Trust Company.

First Mortgage Loans Negotiated, Commercial and all Good Securities dealt in, 59 Pearl Street, and 505 First Avenue, Council Bluffs.

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

NEW YORK. February 20.
Money--Easy at 1½ per cent, closed off at 1½ per cent.

Prima Paper--4½ per cent.
Exchange Bills--Strong at 4 8/8; demand, 4 8/8.

Governments--Firm?

Stocks--Firm. The result of to-day's trading was that out of thirty-two leading active stocks twenty-eight closed higher than last.

Of these six were 1 per cent and over.

There was special activity in Union Pacific and St. Paul. The Post understands that the assistant treasurer of the United States has addressed the clearing house association inquiring the probable effect of the government paying its clearing house balances in silver in case it (the government) should be forced to do so, and that subject is now under advisement. It may be remembered that shortly before specific payments were resumed, the latter part of 1878, the clearing house passed resolutions making all balances between banks payable in gold or legal tender notes, only except under special contract when silver might be received. The sub-treasurer became a member of the clearing house under this rule and it requires thirty days notice to change the rule.

OUTPOUNDS

3 a. 100
4 a. Coupons.....114
4 a.123
Pacific 6 a. 95.....129

STOCKS AND BONDS.

American Express.....96
Burl. & C. Rapids & Northern.....75
Central Pacific.....162
Chicago & Alton.....134
do do pfd.....145
Chi., Burl. & Quincy.....127
Erie.....262
do pfd.....194
Fort Wayne & Chicago.....183
Hannibal & St. Joseph.....28
do do do pfd.....88
Illinois Central.....133
Ind., Bloom. & Western.....17
Kansas, Tex.....218
Lako Shore & Michigan So.....163
Michigan Central.....63
Minneapolis & St. Louis.....17
do do do pfd.....84
Missouri Pacific.....163
Northern Pacific.....213
do pfd.....47
Northwestern.....121
do pfd.....146
New York Central.....117
Ohio & Mississippi.....21
do do pfd.....90
Peoria, Decatur & Evansville.....15
Rock Island.....124
St. Paul & Atlantic.....92
do do do pfd.....117
St. Paul Minn. & Manitoba.....95
St. Paul & Omaha.....32
do pfd.....94
Texas Pacific.....204
Utah Pacific.....83
Wabash, St. L. & Pacific.....17
do do do pfd.....28
Western Union Telegraph.....76

* Asked.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.

Chicago, February 20.--Flour--Quiet; unchanged; good to choice wheat flour, \$100½ 5/8; spring, 4 00½ 4 50; Minnesota flour, 4 00½ 5/8; for March; 4 50½ 5/8; for May; 1 00½ 5/8; for June; No. 2 spring 92½ 6/8; No. 3 spring 82½ 6/8; No. 2 red winter, 6/16 1/2.

Corn--Good; speculative dealers, lower; closing 10½ to 11 cents; becoming weak, and closed off under yesterday, 53½ 6/8 to 54½ for cash; 53½ 6/8 to 53½ for March; 53½ for April; 58½ 6/8 for May; 53½ for June; 6 2/8 for July; rejected, 43c.

Oats--Dull and easy; 33½ 6/8 for cash; 32½ for April; 32½ 6/8 for March; 32½ for April; 36½ 6/8 for May.

Rye--Dull at 5¢.

Bailey--Dull at 60c.

Flax Seed--Nominal at 1 54 on track.

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WHEAT--Cash No. 2, 75½ 6/8; for April; 79 5/8 6/8 for May; 9 8/8 6/8 for June; 10 2/8 for July; rejected, 43c.

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TIMOTHY--Steady; good to choice, 1 24½ 6/8; good prime, 1 26½ 6/8.

MISCELLANEOUS--Fair trade open, 10½ 15½ rec'd, rec'd 12½ 15½; additional, rallied 2 30; rec'd 10@15c, and closed steady at 30@17 35 for cash; 17 30@17 32 for February and March; 17 40@17 42½ for April; 17 52@17 55 for May; 17 65@17 67½ for June.

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