

THE CONDITION OF TRADE.

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COLLECTIONS REPORTED BETTER.

A Brisk Business in Jobbing Lines Since the First of the Month.—A Busy Building Season Predicted.

Mr. Hughes reports the clearings for the week as totaling \$15,000,000 an increase of 17-18 per cent. Balances were \$6,000,000. Money continues easy, but rates are steady at 8 per cent for prime paper. As summer approaches money usually grows cheaper in this market and the prospects are that the supply this year will be larger than usual and that first class paper will be in strong demand. Our bankers are conservative, but their conservative policy on the subject is not without its effects and it is only the gift-edited variety of paper that passes their scrutiny at bottom rates. There has been quite an influx of new banks within the past three months and several of the older institutions have increased their resources and display renewed energy in the pursuit of business. The Dime Savings, the German American, the German Savings of the Globe Loan and Trust company, safe from all the recent financial trouble of the Board of Governors, began Monday at the National Bank of Commerce under what is virtually new management, and the Union National consolidated with the Douglas County bank with a new and aggressive character. They will all seek for trade and necessarily the new institutions will be compelled to offer discounts for money and thereby enable our traders to procure the supplies of war at lesser cost than heretofore, and undoubtedly nothing will be done to encourage them to do so as cheap money. Collections by bankers are reported as fairly easy to make and city firms are generally in better condition than they are better than for some time past.

Jobbers have had a brisk trade since the first of the month and the amount of business is up 15 per cent. Jobbers are anxious to dispose of their goods for the present and it is only the gift-edited variety of paper that passes their scrutiny at bottom rates. There has been quite an influx of new banks within the past three months and several of the older institutions have increased their resources and display renewed energy in the pursuit of business. The Dime Savings, the German American, the German Savings of the Globe Loan and Trust company, safe from all the recent financial trouble of the Board of Governors, began Monday at the National Bank of Commerce under what is virtually new management, and the Union National consolidated with the Douglas County bank with a new and aggressive character. They will all seek for trade and necessarily the new institutions will be compelled to offer discounts for money and thereby enable our traders to procure the supplies of war at lesser cost than heretofore, and undoubtedly nothing will be done to encourage them to do so as cheap money. Collections by bankers are reported as fairly easy to make and city firms are generally in better condition than they are better than for some time past.

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Comparative Tables.

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Days	This week.	Last week.
Morning	\$4.90-\$4.15	\$4.05-\$4.12
Tuesday	\$4.90-\$4.15	\$4.05-\$4.12
Wednesday	\$4.05-\$4.15	\$4.05-\$4.12
Thursday	\$4.05-\$4.15	\$4.05-\$4.12
Friday	\$4.05-\$4.15	\$4.05-\$4.12
Saturday	\$4.05-\$4.15	\$4.05-\$4.12

Range of Prices—Hogs.

The following table shows the range in prices paid for hogs:

Good steers, 1,000 to 1,100 lbs.	\$4.12-\$4.15
Good steers, mixed	\$4.05-\$4.12
Good hogs	\$4.10-\$4.12
Good choice hogs	\$4.10-\$4.12

Average Cost of Hogs.

The following table gives the average cost of hogs on the dates mentioned, including the cost today, as based upon our reports:

Days	Price
May 1	\$4.12
May 2	\$4.12
May 3	\$4.12
May 4	\$4.12
May 5	\$4.12
May 6	\$4.12
May 7	\$4.12
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May 18	\$4.12
May 19	\$4.12
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May 21	\$4.12
May 22	\$4.12
May 23	\$4.12
May 24	\$4.12
May 25	\$4.12
May 26	\$4.12
May 27	\$4.12
May 28	\$4.12
May 29	\$4.12
May 30	\$4.12
May 31	\$4.12
June 1	\$4.12
June 2	\$4.12
June 3	\$4.12
June 4	\$4.12
June 5	\$4.12
June 6	\$4.12
June 7	\$4.12
June 8	\$4.12
June 9	\$4.12
June 10	\$4.12
June 11	\$4.12
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June 13	\$4.12
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June 25	\$4.12
June 26	\$4.12
June 27	\$4.12
June 28	\$4.12
June 29	\$4.12
June 30	\$4.12
July 1	\$4.12
July 2	\$4.12
July 3	\$4.12
July 4	\$4.12
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July 7	\$4.12
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