THE SPECULATIVE MARKETS

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NOTHING DECISIVE IN THE WAY OF NEWS

Crop Prospects in Russia and France Said to Be Apparently Growing Worse—Conflicting Statements Kept Traders in a Condition of Uncertainty.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 1.—Wheat was quiet and changes were rather narrow, but the undertone was firm and prices averaged a small fraction higher than at the close yesterday. There was nothing very decisive in the way of news and it was pretty impartially distributed, each side getting a little encouragement. Cables came rather weak and Liverpool was lower with a general falling off in the demand reported, both in the United Kingdom and on the continent with buyers demanding concessions. Stocks on hand were said to be ample, and one dispatch stated that since September 1 the United Kingdom had received 20,000,000 bu. more than its requirements for the same time. The amount on ocean passage showed an increase during the week of 68,000 bu., which was a considerable disappointment, as a decrease was expected.

The continued exports of gold had a rather depressing effect on business, yet the friends of wheat found a little encouragement in the fact that the English visible supply had decreased 500,000 bu. during the past week; that the crop prospects in Russia and France were apparently growing worse and that there was no great selling pressure here. Some private dispatches from Kansas and Missouri were in sharp contradiction of those received yesterday and told of a good deal of damage in those states by freezing and thawing and quoted the general outlook as rather poor. The conflicting statements kept the traders in a state of uncertainty and materially restricted operations. Still, considering the break of yesterday, the bears did not seem disposed to press their advantage much further and for the moment a rather strong feeling ruled most of the time, shorts covering freely, and there was also some investment buying up to the noon hour.

Then the market became weak, the advance secured in the forenoon brought out a large amount of long stuff which shoaled a profit and the short selling became more aggressive. Late cables were also less assuring. The result was that the advance was lost, but there was some reaction before the close, which was at medium figures. May opened unchanged at 89¾c, advanced to 90⅛c, receded to 89⅞c, and closed steady at 90⅛c.

Corn was decidedly strong and higher. The offerings were light, and with a good demand for cash corn from shippers, shorts seemed disposed to cover, and the bears were doing what they could to increase the firmness. The firmness in wheat, the small receipts of corn and estimations for tomorrow were also strong factors. It weakened a little in sympathy with wheat during the last hour, but closed at about the top. May opened unchanged at 42⅛c, advanced to 42⅜c, weakened to 42⅛c, and closed at 42⅜c.

Oats sympathized with wheat and corn and closed with ¼c advance.

Hog products were unsettled. Pork opened higher on the smaller receipts of hogs than expected and advanced from 5c to 9c in prices and marked an improvement of 10c per bbl. but there was an absence of buyers, and on offers by a prominent speculator there was a recession of 15c, then a period of steadiness and the close was a point higher than yesterday's. The deliveries on all of the articles traded in were light.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 150 cars; corn, 150 cars; oats, 100 cars; hogs, 14,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	HIGH.	LOW.	CLOSE.
WHEAT—No. 2				
March.....	$ 87	$ 87¾	$ 87	$ 87⅜
May.....	89¾	90⅛	89¾	90⅛
CORN No. 2—				
March.....	41¾	41¾	41⅝	41¾
May.....	42⅛	42⅜	42⅛	42⅜
June.....	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝
OATS No. 2—				
March.....	30⅝	31	30⅝	30⅞
MESS PORK—				
March.....	11 25	11 27½	11 12½	11 20
May.....	11 50	11 52½	11 37½	11 45
LARD—				
March.....	6 42½	6 45	6 40	6 45
May.....	6 55	6 57½	6 52½	6 57½
SHORT RIBS—				
March.....	5 85	5 85	5 80	5 85
May.....	5 95	5 95	5 90	5 90

The closing quotations on bonds:

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady, unchanged; patents, $4.30@4.55; spring patents, $4.30@4.55; bakers, $3.40@3.60.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring wheat, 87⅞c; No. 3 spring wheat, 8 @83½c; No. 2 red, 92⅜c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2, 41½c; No. 3 yellow, 39½c.

OATS—No. 2, 29½c; No. 2 white, f. o. b., 31@32c; No. 3 white, f. o. b., 30@31c.

RYE—No. 2, 84½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 56c; No. 3, f. o. b., 42@53c; No. 4, f. o. b., 36@43c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, 99c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $1.20@1.26.

PORK—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.20; lard, per cwt., $6.42½; short ribs sides (loose), $5.12½@5.85; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.50; short clear sides (boxed), $5.25.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.14.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, unchanged at 5@5¾c.

Receipts and shipments today were as follows:

ARTICLES.	RECEIPTS.	SHIPMENTS.
Flour, barrels.....	14,000	13,000
Wheat, bushels.....	88,000	50,000
Corn, bushels.....	154,000	156,000
Oats, bushels.....	216,000	209,000
Rye, bushels.....	14,000	3,000
Barley, bushels.....	79,000	50,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firmer; fancy creamery, 28c; fine western, 25@27c; ordinary, 20@24c; selected dairy, 22@25c; ordinary, 18@21c. Eggs, 14½@15c.

CHEESE—Firm; full cream cheddars 11@11¾c; flats, 11½@12c; Young Americas, 12@13c.

HIDES—Unchanged.

TALLOW—Unchanged.

New York Markets.

NEW YORK, March 1.—FLOUR—Receipts, 35,415 pkgs; exports, 6,730 bbls., 16,000 sacks; sales, 16,000 bbls.

CORN MEAL—Dull; yellow western, $2.75@3.10.

WHEAT—Receipts, 172,500 bu.; exports, 188,954 bu.; sales, 640,000 bu. of futures; 172,000 bu. of spot. Spot market quiet, irregular, weaker; No. 2 red, $1.03½@1.04½ in store and elevator; $1.00@1.07 afloat; $1.05¼@1.08 f. o. b.; No. 3 red, 99c; ungraded red, 91c@1.06¾; No. 1 northern, $1.04@1.04½; No. 1 hard, $1.06¾@1.06¾; options declined ½@⅝c on easier cables and increase on passage, advanced ¼@¾c in light deliveries on contracts and decreased visible supply, declined ⅝@⅞c on weak late cables, advanced ¼@⅝c on local buying, closed weak at ⅛c dec ine to ⅛c advance; No. 2 red, March, $1.02⅝@1.03⅝ closing at $1.03⅝; April, $1.03¼@1.04, closing at $1.03¾; May, $1.00 15-16@1.01 1-16, closing at $1.01⅛; June, 99⅞@1c, closing at 99¾c; July, 97¾c, closing at 97¾c; August, 95¾@95¾c, closing at 95¾c.

RYE—Quiet and firm; western, 92c@$1.00.

BARLEY—Dull and lower; No. 2 Milwaukee, 66@68c.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet; Canada country made, 85c.

CORN—Receipts, 179,002 bu.; exports, 64,678 bu.; sales, 1,490,000 bu. futures; 143,000 bu. spot. Spot market firmer, but less active; No. 2, 49⅝c 49¾c in elevator; 50⅝@50¾c afloat; ungraded mixed, 48⅝@52c; No. 2 white, 52c; No. 3, 48⅝@49¾c; steamer mixed, 48⅝@50c. Options ⅛@¼c higher and firm on better cables, light receipts and good export demand; March, 49⅝@49¾c, closing at 49¾c; April, 49⅝@50¼c, closing at 50c; May, 49¾@50⅛c, closing at 49½c; June, 48⅝@48¾c, closing at 48⅝c; July, 49⅝@49¾c; closing at 49¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 3,750 bu.; exports, 345,000 bu.; sales, 85,000 bu. futures; 113,000 bu. of spot; spot market weaker, but moderately active; options, dull and irregular, closing steady; March, 37⅞@38¼c, closing at 38⅛c; May, 36¾@37c, closing at 36⅞c; spot No. 2 white, 38¾c; mixed western, 36@37½c; white western, 38@44c.

HAY—Quiet, but firm.

HOPS—Quiet and easy.

SUGAR—Raw, quiet and steady; refined, quiet and steady.

MOLASSES—Foreign, easier; New Orleans, quiet and steady.

RICE—Quiet and firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@5¼c; Japan new, 5¼@5¾c.

COTTON SEED OIL—Quiet and steady; crude, 25½c; yellow, 26@29½c.

TALLOW—Quiet and firm; city ($2.00 for packages), 4 1-16c.

ROSIN—Quiet and steady; strained common to good, $1.30@1.32½.

TURPENTINE—Quiet and steady.

EGGS—Steady; fair demand; western, 16½c; receipts, 10,681 packages.

WOOL—Quiet and steady; domestic fleece, 30@36c; pulled, 26@33c; Texas, 16@24c.

PORK—Moderate demand; firm.

CUT MEATS—Dull; pickled bellies, 6¾c; pickled shoulders, 5@5¼c; pickled hams, 12@12½c; middles dull; short clear, $6.60.

LARD—Firmer but quiet; western, $6.77½; sales, 1,250 tierces; options, no sales; March, $6.75; May, $6.86 bid; July, $6.98 bid.

BUTTER—Quiet but steady; western dairy 18@23c; western creamery, 21@30½c; western factory, 16@23c; Elgins, 30@30½c.

CHEESE—Quiet but firm; part skims, 6@10½c.

PIG IRON—Quiet and easy; American, $15.75@17.75.

COPPER—Dull; lake, $10.60@10.65.

LEAD—Firm but dull; domestic, $1.20@1.25.

TIN—Steady but quiet; straits, $19.35.

PETROLEUM—Opened firm on the renewal of some long accounts in April options, but there was no fluctuation in prices during the day and the market closed dull. Pennsylvania spot sales at 57½c; April option sales, 59⅝c; Lima oil, no sales; total sales, 29,000 bbls.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 1.—FLOUR—In good demand, firm and unchanged; patents, $4.30; extra fancy, $3.90@3.25; fancy, $2.65@2.15; choice, $1.90@2.00.

WHEAT—No. 2, cash, 87½c bid; No. 2 red, cash, 83c bid.

CORN—Steady; No. 2, cash, 32½c bid; March, 33½c asked.

OATS—Firmer; No. 2, cash, 29½c asked; March, 28c bid.

RYE—Weak; No. 2, 83c.

WHISKY—Steady, 81c.

BRAN—Weak at 63c.

HAY—Steady and unchanged; timothy, $8.50 per ton; fancy prairie, $4.00; good to choice, $5.00@5.50.

EGGS—Steady at 12½@13c.

BUTTER—Scarce and advancing; creamery, 22@28c; roll, 14@20c.

CHEESE—Young America, 10c; Kansas, 7½@8c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 19,200 bu.; corn, 19,200 bu; oats, none.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 20,000 bu.; corn, 3,600; oats, 300 bu.

Omaha Grain Market.

Prices based on delivery at Mississippi river points, Nebraska inspection, and ten days' shipment, unless otherwise stated. Cash grain calls for ship next within five days.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 86c bid.

RYE—No. 2, 83c bid; No. 3, 76c bid.

OATS—No. 2 white, 33½c bid; No. 3 white, 29½c bid; 30c asked; No. 3 colored, 29c bid, 30c asked.

CORN—No. 3 or better, 30 days, 36½c bid; 20 days, 36⅞@37½c; No. 3 white, 37½c bid.

Among the sales were: 200 cars No. 3 or better corn, Toledo and St. Louis terms, 37c; 143 cars No. 3 or better, Burlington terms, 37 days, 37½c.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,000; shipments, 714; choice steers steady and others weak to 10c lower; cows and feeders steady. Sales: Dressed beef and shipping steers, $2.30@4.60; cows and heifers, $1.65@3.30; stockers and feeders, $2.60@3.55.

HOGS—Receipts, 11,003; shipments, 625; the market opened active and 5@10c higher and closed weak; extreme range, $4.00@4.65; bulk, $4.45@4.55.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,221; shipments, none; good sheep and lambs were strong to 10c higher; others steady. Sales, $4.10@4.75.

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, March 1.—WHEAT—Quiet; holders offer moderately. Red western spring, 8s 4d@8s 6d per cental; No. 2 red winter, 7s 11d@8s 1½d; receipts of wheat past three days, 119,000 centals, including 21,000 American.

CORN—Steady; demand fair; mixed western, 3s 7d per cental. Receipts of American corn past three days, 197,000 centals.

PEAS—Canadian, 5s 3d per cental.

BACON—Long and short clear, 35 lbs, 34s per cwt.; long clear, 45 lbs, 34s 6d.

Stocks of breadstuffs: Wheat, 1,484,000 centals; corn, 241,000 centals; flour, 149,000 sacks.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Ill., March 1.—CORN—Steady; No. 2, 38c; No. 3, 37c; No. 4, 34@34½c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 white, 30½c; No. 3 white, 28½@29c.

RYE—Nominal; No. 2, 85@85½c.

WHISKY—Firm; wines, $1.14; spirits, $1.16.

RECEIPTS—Corn, 31,000 bu.; oats, 26,000 bu.; rye, 35,000 bu.; barley, 2,200 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Corn, 51,000 bu.; oats, 31,000 bu.; rye, none; barley, 3,000 bu.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 1.—Net receipts 5,072 bales; gross, 6,391 bales; exports to France, 4,000 bales; to the continent, 4,300 bales; in stock, 441,904 bales.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Cotton futures closed easy; sales (55,500) bales; March, $6.76; April, $6.84; May, $6.95; June, $6.93; July, $7.06; August, $7.26; September, $7.38; October, $7.46; November, $7.56; December, $7.66.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Options opened steady and unchanged to 10 points up; closed steady and unchanged to 5 points up; sales, 65,500 bags, including: March, $11.75@11.55; April, $12.95@12.65; May, $12.75@12.60; July, $12.40; September, $12.20@12.30; October, $12.15. Spot Rio dull and easy; No. 7, $13.00 asked.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The day being stormy business in dry goods was affected unfavorably as to special transactions. The southern demand showed improvement.

Foreign Oil Market.

NEW YORK, March 1.—CALCUTTA LINSEED—398 6d per quintal quarter.

REFINED PETROLEUM—5¼@5¾d per gallon.

Traders' Talk.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 1.—Kennett, Hopkins & Co. to S. A. McWhorter: The falling off in the world's shipment of wheat to Europe is evidently having its effect abroad. Though their cables follow to some extent they are relatively considerably stronger than American markets, and instead of holding back when prices break here they take advantage of our weakness to increase their purchases. Their supplies have been steadily decreasing for some time, and it is obvious that they must sooner or later turn our wheat on a more liberal scale. The market today has been a halting one, but at not me has it looked really weak, and it closes stronger than yesterday. The chances favor a substantial rally before prices go materially lower. The demand for corn has been conspicuously good, especially for cash stuff, and futures firmed up in sympathy. The market looks stronger and broader than for some time past and there is confident talk of considerably higher prices. Oats advanced moderately in sympathy, but trade was inconsequential. In provisions the situation shows some improvement and it should be encouraging to holders, but the market is narrow and yields readily to the little raids of the bears. It needs more speculation to bring about a boom and the lack of it may result in slightly lower prices for a time.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 1.—Counselman & Day to Cockrell Bros.: Wheat opened quiet and steady. Outside orders were nominal and local traders bearish and not inclined to cover shorts until cables show a decided improvement. The statement of English stocks and amount on passage had apparently no influence. The market closes a little higher in sympathy with better foreign markets. Corn firm, with really a good cash demand based on slackened receipts at country points, poor grading of current arrivals, and an oversold condition of the local market. Oats quiet, and early shipping demand only moderate but advanced on shorts covering in sympathy with the firmness in other grain. Provisions opened higher on a faint attempt by scalpers to bull the market. Packers sold freely at the advance and outside orders being light the market flattened out when scalpers attempted to unload. The later firmness was due to light estimated receipts for tomorrow.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 1.—F. G. Logan & Co. to J. Sands Commission Company: The wheat market has been rather quiet. English and continental cables are steady. The milling interest complains of dullness and the difficulty of selling flour with a profit. This with the fine weather is against higher prices. The fine weather may continue and if it does wheat will sell lower on sentiment, but it takes more than one swallow to make a summer, and it is early in the season to sell our present reserves on the prospect of the coming crop. There may be in store some wintry weather and if there is the change will be in favor of high prices. The corn market is decidedly firmer. We still feel friendly to it at about present prices. None in cribs and the current demand depending on farmers deliveries should give higher prices and we think it will before navigation opens. Oats are steady. May selling at 31c. Provisions have been steady with light fluctuations.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

While Realizations Were Heavy in Leading Securities, Trading Was Generally Dull.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The stock market failed to display either the animation or the strength today of yesterday, and while realizations were heavy in the stocks which have had the greatest advance of late, there was no lack of shorts' sales to give the downward movement character and impetus. The leading feature of the market today was New England, and while as usual its movements are not accounted for by any published change either in its management, its finances or its prospects, there were no lack of rumors afloat looking to that end. Its advance over its last price yesterday was very substantial, and most of the improvement was retained at the close. The only other feature in the market worthy of note was the increased animation and strength in the Vanderbilt stocks in the afternoon and rumor still connects the management of those properties with the supposed new deal with Delaware & Hudson, despite the repeated official denials. The most pronounced movement in them, however, was in Michigan Central, which emerged for the time being from the most utter oblivion to lead the list in strength, rising 3 per cent to 110¼, followed later by Lake Shore, which was forced up to 127¾ on a larger business than has been seen in some time in that stock.

The coalers were the weak points and the reactions from the high figures attained yesterday were heavy but not by any means to be compared with their late gains. The general list opened at insignificant changes from last night's prices, but developed a weak temper which gave way to a fractional advance under the influence of the strength in New England, but later there was a general decline and prices remained for the rest of the day below the level of first figures. The strength of the Vanderbilts seemed to have no influence upon the rest in the afternoon and the market finally closed quiet and heavy at fractional losses for the day. Jersey Central is down 1 per cent and Lackawanna 1¾, but Delaware & Hudson, after some wide fluctuations, closed unchanged, and Reading was traded in with narrow limits throughout the day. On the other hand New England is up 1 per cent, Lake Shore 2¼ per cent and Michigan Central 3 per cent.

Government bonds have been dull and steady. State bonds were neglected.

The following are the closing quotations for the leading stocks on the New York Stock exchange today:

Atchison.....	38⅝	Northwestern.....	110
Adams Express.....	144	do preferred.....	143⅝
Alton, T. H.....	32	N. Y. Central.....	115
do preferred.....	126	N. Y., Chi. & St. L.....	19¾
American Express.....	116	do preferred.....	79¾
B. C. R. & N.....	76	Ohio Mississippi.....	22
Canada Pacific.....	80¼	do preferred.....	85
Canada Southern.....	62⅝	Ontario & Western.....	20⅞
Central Pacific.....	37½	Oregon Improvement	26
Ches. & Ohio.....	20¼	Oregon Nav.....	88
do 1st preferred.....	62	Oregon Trans.....	158
do 2nd preferred.....	43	Pacific Mail.....	47¾
Chicago & Alton.....	143	P., D. & E.....	19½
C., B. & Q.....	105	Pittsburg.....	150
C., C., C. & St. L.....	72⅝	Pullman Palace.....	188
Del., Hudson.....	117¾	Reading.....	39
Del., L. & W.....	138	Rock Island.....	89
D. & R. G. pfd.....	51⅝	St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	76
East Tennessee.....	7⅝	St. Paul.....	79¼
do 1st preferred.....	46	do preferred.....	127¼
do 2nd preferred.....	110⅝	St. P., Min. & Man.....	113
Erie.....	22⅝	St. Paul & Omaha.....	47¾
do preferred.....	73¼	do preferred.....	113
Fort Wayne.....	*134	Tenn. Coal & Iron.....	45⅝
Chi. & East Ill.....	65⅝	Texas Pacific.....	10⅛
Hocking Valley.....	31½	Tol. A. & Can. pfd.....	84
Houston & Texas.....	3⅝	Union Pacific.....	46⅞
Illinois Central.....	105	U. S. Express.....	48
St. P. & Duluth.....	43	Wabash, St. L. & P.....	19¼
Kansas & Texas.....	17¾	do preferred.....	29⅝
Lake Erie & West.....	26¼	Wells Fargo Ex.....	*143
do preferred.....	96¼	Western Union.....	87¾
Lake Shore.....	127¾	Am. Cotton Oil.....	35⅝
Louisville & Nash.....	73¼	Colorado Coal.....	36¾
Louisville & N. A.....	23⅝	Homestake.....	*48
Memphis & Char.....	50	Iron Silver.....	120
Michigan Central.....	110¼	Ontario.....	43⅝
Mil. L. S. & W.....	92	Quicksilver.....	4½
do preferred.....	91	do preferred.....	20
Minn. & St. L.....	8¼	Satro.....	5
do preferred.....	19	Bulwer.....	45
Missouri Pacific.....	62¼	Rich. & W. P. Ter.....	16⅝
Mobile & Ohio.....	31	Wisconsin Central.....	18
Nashville Chatt.....	85½	Great Northern pfd.....	128
N. J. Central.....	142¾	Chicago Gas.....	70¾
Norfolk & West pfd.....	49	Lead Trust.....	16⅝
Northern Pacific.....	25⅝	Sugar Trust.....	85⅝
do preferred.....	67⅝	Southern Pacific.....	39
U. P., Denver & G.....	19⅝	Dist.....	46

*bid. †asked.

The total sales of stocks today were 320,250 shares, including: Atchison, 9,25; Canada Southern, 6,8; Chicago Gas, 1,600; Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 8,885; Delaware & Hudson, 14,555; Erie, 10,475; Lake Shore, 17,182; Louisville & Nashville, 9,900; Michigan Central, 7,640; New Jersey Central, 4,485; New York Central, 1,700; Northern Pacific preferred, 14,485; New England, 74,393; Reading, 28,850; St. Paul, 11,805; Union Pacific, 3,320; Western Union, 3,485.

Financial Review.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The Post says: What today's early market revealed so far as it revealed anything possessing any bias, desperate grouping of the traders to get their hands on these incipient combinations. The professional community was left so completely out in the cold during the Reading deal that they are leaving no nook unexplored for traces of the next sensation. Yesterday they were embroiled eagerly for all the coal stocks, in whose hands the latest New England mystery was then believed to rest. Today the scent was cold. The chase turned abruptly to the Vanderbilt stocks and little but selling orders was left in Delaware & Hudson and Lackawanna. This was the whole story of the market. Elsewhere there was only stagnation growing into positive weakness as the day went on. London sold moderately, and some of yesterday's buyers realized, which occasioned a gradual change. Chicago had its own peculiar troubles in the news of the day, and the manufacturers of sugar trust quotings were busy. There was not a sign of outside buying anywhere, and all spirit had died out of the market hours before the close.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 1.—MONEY ON CALL.—1½@2 per cent; last loan, 2 per cent; closed offered at 2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Quiet but steady at $4.85 for sixty-day bills and $4.87¼ for demand.

U. S. 4s reg.....	115⅛	Mutual Union 6s.....	108
U. S. 4s coupon.....	116⅛	N. J. C. Int. cert.....	11
*U. S. 4½s reg.....	109	North. Pacific 1st.....	118½
*Pacific 6s of '95.....	109	North. Pacific 2nds.....	107½
La. stamped 4s.....	94	Northwestern Con.....	137½
Tenn. new set 6s.....	104	*North. Debent. 5s.....	107
Tenn. new set 5s.....	98	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5s.	85⅞
Tenn. new set 3s.....	76½	St. L. & S. F. Gen. M.	107½
Canada So. 2nds.....	101⅛	St. Paul Consols.....	128½
*Cen. Pacific 1sts.....	106	*St. P., C. & P. 1sts.	117
Den. & R. G. 1sts.....	117¾	Tex. P. L. G. Tr. Rcts	81
Den. & R. G. 4s.....	81¼	Tex. P. R. G. Tr. Rcts	32½
Erie 2nds.....	107	*Un. on Pacific 1sts.	107
M. K. & T. Gen. 6s.....	80⅞	West Shore.....	103⅞
M. K. & T. Gen. 5s.....	49¼	D. & R. G. West. 1sts.	79

*bid.

Financial Notes.

PARIS, March 1.—Three per cent rentes 93f 32c for account.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 1.—The bank clearings today were $1,550,000.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Bank clearings today, $123,900,000; balances, $6,431,238.

BALTIMORE, Md., March 1.—Bank clearings today, $2,692,438; balances, $361,382; money, 6 per cent.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., March 1.—New York exchange selling at par. Clearings, $639,604; balances, $335,505.

CINCINNATI, O., March 1.—Money, 3@6 per cent; New York exchange, 40@60c discount. Clearings, $3,323,800.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 1.—Bank clearings today, $13,877,598; balances, $2,355,245. Money, 3½ per cent.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 1.—Bank clearings, $4,459,330; balances, $475,324. Money, 6@7 per cent. Exchange on New York, 25c premium.

BOSTON, Mass., March 1.—Bank clearings, $16,484,979; balances, $3,304,783. Money, 1½@2 per cent. Exchange on New York, 15c discount.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 1.—Money easy on call. Bank clearings, $17,530,000. New York exchange, 60c discount. Sterling exchange weak at $4.85½ for sixty-day bills and $4.88 for sight drafts.

London Stock Market.

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LONDON, March 1.—Contrary to expectations this has been an extremely dull day in the stock exchange, only a few securities from special causes meeting with anything like active attention. Easier state of money has caused consols to improve ⅛ per cent. With a few exceptions foreign government securities have been tolerably firm all day in response to the good tone on continental bourses. Prices moved very little, the most important being an advance of 1½ to 2 per cent in Greek bonds. Home railways close more or less unsettled. Caledonians have not fully maintained the rise that took place while the dividend was announced. North British completely lost the rise of ½ per cent, Brighton deferred leave off ⅝ per cent higher, Metropolitan is ¾ per cent and others closed dull, mostly ⅛ to ¾ per cent lower, in view of the approaching crisis in the coal trade. American opened always after being firm the greater part of the day became somewhat heavy during the last hour owing to selling orders from New York, markets there evidently being influenced by further gold shipment and the lack of sustained support on this side. There has been a larger supply of floating capital on Lombard street today so that short loans have been obtained at 2 to 2½ per cent discount. The market has been quiet. Two and three months bills closed at 2¾ per cent.

LONDON, March 1.—The following were the London stock quotations closing at 4 p. m:

*Consols, money.....	95 9-16	Mexican Ordinary.....	20
do, account.....	95¾	St. Paul com.....	81⅝
Penn. & Ohio 1sts.....	36¼	New York Central.....	118⅝
Can. Pacific.....	82½	Reading.....	30⅝
Erie.....	33⅝	Mexican Central 4s.....	72½

*ex interest.

BAR SILVER—41½d.

MONEY—2¼@2½ per cent.

Rate of discount in the open market for both short and three months bills, 2¼@2⅜ per cent.

Denver Mining Stocks.

DENVER, Colo., March 1.—The following list is the closing quotations on the mining exchange today. Sales 33,155.

Alleghany.....	9	Ironclad.....	12
Amity.....	2½	John J.....	1
Argonaut.....	15	Justice.....	10⅝
Ballarat.....	10	Leavenworth.....	6
Bangkok Cora B.....	5	Lexington.....	42
Pater Hunter.....	49	Little Dale.....	40
Big Indian.....	10	May Mazeppa.....	89
Big Six.....	4	Morning Glim.....	38
Brownlow.....	4	Oro.....	40
Calliope.....	15	Park Consolidated.....	8
Claudia J.....	3	Pay Rock.....	5
Century.....	6½	Potosi.....	1⅛
Clay County.....	50	Puzzler.....	2
Cash.....	80	Reed National.....	70
Diamond B.....	4	Rialto.....	110
Denver Gas and Oil	8	Running Lode.....	40
Eumons.....	45½	Whale.....	3
Gettysburg.....	31	Sutton.....	24
Golden Treasure.....	75	Gold.....	9
Gold Rock.....	44½		

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 1.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta.....	80	Ophir.....	260
Bulwer.....	40	Potosi.....	120
Best & Belcher.....	210	Savage.....	190
Bodie Consolidated.....	55	Sierra Nevada.....	130
Con. Pac.....	2	Union Con.....	140
Consolidated Cal. & V.....	410	Utah.....	25
Crown Point.....	100	Yellow Jacket.....	65
Gould & Curry.....	150	Con.....	10
Hale & Norcross.....	150	N. Y.....	25
Mexican.....	170	N. O.....	25
Mono.....	75	N. B. L.....	10
Navajo.....	5		

St. Louis Mining Quotations.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 1.—The mining stock market was rather quiet today. Sales aggregated 2,700 shares. Following are closing bids:

Adams.....	75	Leo.....	8⅝
Am. Settle.....	92½	Little Albert.....	6
Bi-Metallic.....	18	Montrose.....	14
Con. Silver.....	21¼	Pat Murphy.....	4
Elizabeth.....	42¼	Riverside.....	1⅛
Granite Mountain.....	150	Yuma.....	9
Hope.....	20		

Boston Stock Market.

BOSTON, Mass., March 1.—The following were the closing prices on stocks on the Boston stock market today:

Atchison & Topeka.....	38⅝	Atlantic.....	9
Boston & Albany.....	207½	Boston & Montana.....	34¾
Boston & Maine.....	168	Calumet & Hecla.....	200
C. B. & Q.....	106⅝	Franklin.....	12¼
Eastern R. R. 6s.....	127	Keweenaw.....	11
Fitchburg R. R.....	87	Marcia.....	28
Flint & Pere M.....	25	Santa Fe Copper.....	12¾
Flint & Pere M. pfd.....	79	Tamarack.....	156
K. C., S. J. & C. B.....	72	San Diego Land Co.....	16
Mass. Central.....	11	West End Land Co.....	10⅝
Mex. Cen. com.....	19¾	Bell Telephone.....	203
Old Colony.....	171	Lamson Store S.....	15¾
Rutland Common.....	4	Water Power.....	3¾
Rutland com. pfd.....	65	Bet.....	27
Wis. Cen. com.....	19¾	A. B. U.....	14¾
Wis. Cen. com. pfd.....	47½	P. H.....	54¾
Allouez Min. Co. new.....	15¾		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The following are the closing mining stock quotations:

Aspen.....	55	Horn Silver.....	360
Best & Belcher.....	200	Mexican.....	120
Comstock.....	10	Ontario.....	4100
Con. Cal. & Va.....	210	Ophir.....	250
Deadwood.....	120	Savage.....	100
Eureka Con.....	180	Sierra Nevada.....	125
Gould & Curry.....	120	Standard.....	170
Hale & Norcross.....	150	Union Con.....	150
Homestake.....	1325		

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Cattle and Hogs Scarce and Higher—Demand Very Strong.

OMAHA, March 1.—Two days receipts foot up 5,577 cattle, 4,218 hogs and 1,881 sheep, against 5,843 cattle, 9,216 hogs, 2,459 sheep Monday and Tuesday of last week.

The supply of cattle was better than Monday, but the two days run falls 2,239 short of the first two days of last week. There was a greater proportion of good cattle here than on any day for a long time past, and the avidity with which the good heavy beeves were taken by both local and shipping buyers removes all doubt as to the strength of the demand on this market for heavy cattle. Another ten-load train of export cattle were shipped by Jake Lobman direct to M. Goldsmith, the well known New York exporter. Good heavy cattle are wanted and notwithstanding the liberal supply there was of 1,350 to 1,500 pound beeves on the market, they all sold readily at good strong prices, mostly from $4.70 to $4.10. A bunch of very fat 1,075 steers went to a local killer at $4.6. Three cows from the same bunch of cattle averaged 1,317 pounds and brought $4.60. The ordinary run of 1,000 to 1,300 pound steers sold at about steady prices from $4.25 to $4.65. Trading was more active than for several days past, local buyers, shippers and exporters taking hold freely, giving the market a good firm tone and clearing up the offerings better than on any day in over two weeks past.

The market for butchers and canners stock did not show the same amount of activity and while really desirable cows and heifers brought fully steady prices there was a decidedly weaker feeling on the under grades and prices shaded lower. Outside of a bunch of prime fat cows that brought $4.60 sales of good to choice cows and heifers were largely at from $2.65 to $4.00. Fair to good stock sold from $2.25 to $2.60 and inferior and canning lots from $1.90 to $2.00. Bulls, oxen and calves were unchanged at from $2.00 to $5.00.

The stocker and feeder trade was dull but prices remain firm for desirable grades. Sales were mostly in small bunches, with good stock from $3.00 to $3.35 and common as low as $2.30. Representative sales:

STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
6	640	$2 75	10	1028	$3 40	11	1152	$3 50
7	1179	3 00	18	1094	3 40	18	1298	3 55
1	850	3 00	17	1222	3 40	19	1107	3 60
6	768	3 15	22	1343	3 40	22	1158	3 60
2	1155	3 15	8	1253	3 40	19	1110	3 65
4	855	3 15	2	1165	3 40	21	1229	3 65
11	1109	3 25	36	1142	3 40	19	1301	3 70
4	1034	3 25	21	1133	3 45	1	1350	3 80
2	955	3 25	59	1142	3 45	37	1071	3 90
15	1036	3 25	5	1170	3 45