COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Wheat Made a Struggle to Score Another Advance But Failed.

IT STARTED STRONGER AND HIGHER

Corn Was Steady for a Minute or so at the Opening but Soon Weakened and Declined—Stocks and Bonds.

CHICAGO, March 13.—Wheat did its best to score another advance, but, loaded down by the heavy sales of the takers of profits on yesterday's bulge, it finished weak with May ⅝c lower. Corn and oats sagged after wheat, May corn closing ¾c and May oats ½c lower. Provisions went the other way, winding up higher all around.

Wheat started at a shade advance on the price it closed at yesterday. The government's figures on the amount of wheat in farmers' hands had not lost its effect on the crowd, although very few took the Washington estimates seriously. The Liverpool market gave an intimation of how the United States Agricultural department was regarded there by quoting a decline of ¼d in the price of futures. That was discouraging to the buyers, but Paris cables quoted the weather cold and the market firm and higher. London quoted everything strong. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 228 cars today, compared with 277 a week ago, and 335 the week before that. Primary western markets received a total of 240,000 bu., against 316,000 bu. on Wednesday of last week. The most anxious of the shorts appeared, however, to have covered, and the general tendency of prices was downward during the forenoon. At 11:45 o'clock May was selling at 56½c. It had opened at from 57c to 56¾c, and declined to 56⅛c, and recovered again to 57c previous to the 56½c quotation at the time named. The closing cables were a little mixed. Berlin and Antwerp are each a fraction lower, with Paris equivalent to 1⅛c per bu. for March and ½c per bu. for the May-August term. Liverpool had recovered from its opening weakness and closed at a slight advance over yesterday for futures. The market, however, was loaded down with long wheat, seeking a realization of a profit there was in it, and there was no sufficient demand from shorts to take it all without depressing the prices. Half an hour from the close May had declined to 56¼c, sold back, and finished at 56½c.

Corn was steady for a minute or so at the opening, but soon weakened and declined. Opening prices for May were at from 46⅝c to 46⅝c, and those were the best prices realized today. About half an hour from the end of the session the price was down to 46c, and in the next fifteen minutes another ¼c was knocked off its value, leaving it at 45¾c about 1 o'clock. The shorts were wanting on the buying side. They even had some of the corn they covered yesterday for sale again. The Liverpool market was quoted firm, but there was an absence of all excitement here, and dullness was the general characteristic of the trade. May closed at 45⅞c.

Oats were fairly active, and through sympathy with wheat and corn suffered a reduction in value. Bartlett-Frazier sold freely, and were credited with having weakened the market to some extent. May started at 29⅜c, sold down to 29⅛c and closed at 29⅛c.

The provision market was weak at the opening and strong at the close. It was weak on the receipt of 42,000 hogs at the yards and strong when the packers began to take all the offerings. Armour & Co., who were reported to have been sellers yesterday, were credited with largely contributing by their buying today to the rise which took place. The opening price of May pork was $11.45, and $11.72½ was the closing quotation, a gain of 22½c since last night. Lard closed 7½c higher and May ribs 7½c higher.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 25 cars; corn, 130 cars; oats, 140 cars; hogs, 39,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
March.....	55	55¼	54⅝	54⅝
May.....	56⅝@57	57	56	56⅛
July.....	57⅝@⅞	58	56⅝@57	57
Corn No. 2.				
March.....	45⅝	45¾	44⅝	44⅝@¾
May.....	46⅝@⅝	46⅝	45⅝	45⅝@⅞
July.....	46⅝@⅝	46⅝	45⅝	45⅝
Oats No. 2.				
March.....	29¾	29¾	29⅛	29¼
June.....	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛@¼	29⅛
July.....	28¼	28¼	27⅞	27⅞
Pork per bbl				
May.....	11 45	11 80	11 25	11 72½
July.....	11 67½	11 85	11 50	11 85
Lard, 100 lbs				
May.....	6 70	6 82½	6 70	6 80
July.....	6 82½	6 92½	6 82½	6 92½
Short Ribs—				
May.....	5 70	5 87½	5 70	5 80
July.....	5 85	5 97½	5 82½	5 92½

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 58⅛@60⅛c; No. 3 spring, nominal; No. 2 red, 54⅝@54⅞c.

CORN—No. 2, 44⅛@44⅜c; No. 3 yellow, 42⅝@42⅞c.

OATS—No. 2, 29c; No. 2 white, 32½@32½c; No. 3 white, 31½@32½c.

RYE—No. 2, 52c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 54@55c; No. 3, 52@55c; No. 4, 52c.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.40.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $5.55.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $11.37½@11.50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.67½@6.70. Short ribs sides, loose, $5.65@5.70. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $4.62½@4.75; short clear sides, boxed, $6.00@6.10.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.28½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, unchanged.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.....	20,000	18,000
Wheat, bu.....	19,000	35,000
Corn, bu.....	161,000	68,000
Oats, bu.....	242,000	228,000
Rye, bu.....	5,000	4,000
Barley, bu.....	27,000	11,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 10@18c; dairy, 8@16c. Eggs, steady; 11c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Closing Quotations on the Principal Commodities and Staples.

NEW YORK, March 13.—FLOUR—Receipts, 19,600 bbls.; exports, 13,700 bbls.; sales, 42,000 pkgs. Market fairly active, and held at old prices. Good business in spring patents. Buyers have present need specially well supplied. Winter straights, $2.35@2.80; Minnesota patents, $3.15@3.75; city mill patents, $3.95@4.15; winter patents, $2.60@3.15; city mills clears, $3.25@3.20; winter, $1.90@2.40; Minnesota bakers', $2.00@2.60; winter low grade, $1.80@2.50; spring low grade $1.75@1.90; spring extras, $1.85@2.25. Rye flour, firm; sales, 600 bbls.; superfine, $2.70@2.90; fancy, $2.90@3.15. Buckwheat flour, dull at $1.50@1.65.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 49@53c.

CORN MEAL—Unsettled; sales, 500 bbls. 2,000 sacks; yellow western, $1.08@1.10; Brandywine, $2.75@2.80.

RYE—Nominal; car lots, 55c; boat loads, 55@56c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 70c; two-rowed, state, 60@61c; Canadian, 70@72½c.

BARLEY MALT—Steady; western, 70@72c; Canadian western, 68@70c; six-rowed, 73@75c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 15,000 bu.; exports, 72,700 bu.; sales, 6,055,000 bu. futures; no spot. Spot market weaker; No. 2 red, in store and elevator, 60⅝c; afloat, 62¼c; f. o. b., 62⅝c afloat; No. 1 northern, 70¼c, delivered; No. 2 hard, 72½c, delivered. Options opened firmer on a sharp drop in temperature in the northwest, but soon gave way under foreign selling, with a sharp rally following at noon on talk of stronger French market. Long wheat came out freely in the afternoon, breaking the market nearly a cent a bushel, and the close was heavy at ⅜c net loss; No. 2 red, March closed at 60¼c; May, 61⅝@62⅛c, closed at 61¼c; June, 61 5-16@61⅝c, closed at 61⅜c; July, 61 7-16@62⅛c, closed at 61½c; August, 61⅞@62⅜c, closed at 61⅝c; September, 61⅞@62⅝c, closed at 61⅞c; December, 62⅛@64⅝c, closed at 61¾c.

CORN—Receipts, 6,500 bu.; exports, 59,900 bu.; sales, 155,000 bu. futures, 121,000 bu. spot. Spot market dull and weaker; No. 2, 50⅜c in store; elevator, 50½c; afloat, 50¾c. Options had a steady decline about all day, except for a brief firmness at the opening. The selling was on talk of better receipts and general realizing by the crowd; closed ⅜@⅝c lower; May, 50 2-16@51⅛c, closed at 50⅛c; July, 50⅝@50⅞c, closed at 50c; September, 50 5-16@51c, closed at 50⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 34,100 bu.; exports, none; sales, 70,000 bu. futures, 37,000 bu. spot. Spot market dull; No. 2, 32½c; No. 2 delivered, 34½c; No. 2, 33c; No. 2 white, 37c; No. 3 white, 35½c; track, white western, 37@41. Options very quiet, and sympathized with the weakness in other markets; closed ⅛c lower; March closed at 33⅜c; April closed at 32⅝c; May, 32⅝@32⅞c, closed at 32⅝c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 45@50c; good to choice, 85@70c.

HOPS—Market weak; state, common to choice, old, 26@7c; 1894, 4@10c; coast, old, 3½@7c; 1894, 6@11c.

HIDES—Wet salted New Orleans selected, 45 to 50 lbs., 5½@6c; Buenos Ayres, dry, 20 to 24 lbs., 15@15½c; Texas, dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 7@7½c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy, 16@18c.

WOOL—Quiet; domestic fleece, 16@28c; pulled, 19@24c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $10.00@12.50; extra mess, $7.50@8.50; beef hams, $18; rec-eipts beef, packed, $8.00@10.00; extra India mess, $16.00@18.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, 5½@6½c; pickled shoulders, 4½c. Lard, steady; western steam closed at $6.85@7.00; city at $6.62½; sales, 150 tierces; March, $7, nominal; May, $7.10, nominal; refined, steady; continent, $7.40; S. A., $7.75. Pork, higher; new mess, $12.50@13.00; family, $12.00@12.50; short clear, $12.75@15.25.

BUTTER—Unsettled; western dairy, 8@13c; western creamery, 11@18c; western factory, 7@12c; Elgins, 18c; imitation creamery, 9@14c; state dairy, 10@18c; state creamery, old, 10@15c.

EGGS—Weak; state and Pennsylvania, 12½@13c; western fresh, 12½c; southern, 12@12½c; receipts, 5,274 pkgs.

CHEESE—Steady; large, 8@11½c; small, 8½@12c; part skims, 6@7c; full skims, 1½@2½c.

TALLOW—Firm; city, 4½@4¼c; country, 4⅝@4⅝c, as to quality.

PETROLEUM—Nominal; United closed at $1.83½ bbl; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $6.80.

ROSIN—Firmer; strained, common to good, $1.60@1.65.

TURPENTINE—Firm, 36@36½c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 33@38c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4⅝@6¾c; Japan, 4½@¼c.

ORANGES—Steady; California, $2.50@3.75; Havanas, $2.50@4.50.

METALS—Pig iron, weak; Scotch, $19.00@20.00; American, $9.50@12.50. Copper, quiet; brokers' price, $9.37½; exchange price, $9.50@9.50. Lead, strong; brokers' price, $2; exchange, $2.07½@2.10. Tin, firm; straits, $13.25@13.35; plates, weak. Sales on 'change, 25 tons July tin at $13.25; 25 tons March, $13.30; 5 tons March, $13.30; 35 tons this week, $13.20; 25 tons July, $13.12½.

COTTON SEED OIL—Generally featureless, some traders claiming improvement, but sizable parcels still offered at old figures; prime crude, 22c; off crude, 20@22c; prime yellow, 26c; off summer yellow, 26@26c, nominal; yellow butter grades, 27@28c; prime summer white, 28@29c, nominal.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Per doz., 10@11c.

BUTTER—Called stock, 6@8c; common to fair, 10c; fair to good country, 11@12c; choice to fancy, 13@15c; gathered creamery, 18c; separator creamery, 18@19c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7@8c; young roosters, 6c; ducks, 7@8c; turkeys, 7@8c; heavy toms, 6c; geese, 7@8c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, fair, 7½c; choice large, 8@8½c; choice small, 9@10c; turkeys, fair to good, 8½@10c; choice heavy, 10@10½c; choice small, 11c; ducks, fair to good, 7@8c; fancy, full dressed, 10@11c; geese, fair to good, 7@8c; fancy, full dressed, 10@11c.

GAME—Blue wing teal, per doz., $1.50; green wing teal, per doz., $1.25@1.50; ducks, mixed per doz., $1.00@1.25; canvasbacks, $4.00@5.00; mallards and red heads, $2.50@3.00; small rabbits, 50c; jack rabbits, 75c; squirrels, 60c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 70 to 100 lbs., are quoted at 6@6½c; large and coarse, 3@4c.

CHEESE—Wisconsin full cream, Young Americans, 12c; twins, 12½c; Nebraska and Iowa, full cream, 11c; Nebraska and Iowa, part skims, 7@8c; Limburger, No. 1, 11c; brick, No. 1, 11c; Swiss, No. 1, 15c.

HAY—Upland hay, $9; midland, $8.50; lowland, $8; rye straw, $5.50; color makes the price on hay. Light shades sell the best. Only top grades bring top prices.

PIGEONS—Per doz., $1.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Western stock, car lots, 75c; small lots, 80c.

BEANS—Hand picked, navy, $2; Lima beans, per lb., 5½c.

ONIONS—On orders, $1.30@1.50; per bbl., $3.

CABBAGE—On orders, 2½c.

CELERY—California, 90c@$1.00.

SWEET POTATOES—Good stock, $2.50; Kansas, $2.00@2.25; seed, $2.25@2.50.

BEETS—Per bbl., $1.50.

CARROTS—Per bbl., $1.50.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate of a doz. and half or two doz., $2.25.

HORSERADISH—Per lb., 6@7c.

PARSNIPS—Per bbl., $2.

RUTABAGAS—Per lb., 1½c.

PARSLEY—Per doz. bunches, 35c.

TURNIPS—Per bbl., $1.50.

SPINACH—Per bbl., $3.50@4.00.

PIE PLANT—Per doz., 75c.

FRUITS.

PEARS—Winter Nellis, none.

APPLES—Choice stock, $4.75@5.00; box apples, $2.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, fancy, $11.50@12.00 per bbl.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Floridas, per box, $3.50@3.75; California Redlands, $3.75; navals, $3.50.

BANANAS—Choice stock, $2.00@2.50 per bunch.

LEMONS—Messinas, sizes 300 to 360, choice, $3.50; fancy, $3.75@4.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 16c; horseshoes, 20c; extra standards, 21c; extra selects, 25c; company selects, 26c; New York counts, 30c; bulks, standard, per gal., $1.30.

FIGS—Extra fancy, 16c; fancy, 14c; choice, 12@15c; California, bags, 7c.

HONEY—New York, 16c; dark, 14c; California, 15@16c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Gallon jugs, per doz., $12; Bixby, 5-gal. cans, $3.

NUTS—Almonds, 15c; English walnuts, soft-shelled, 12c; standards, 10c; filberts, 8@9c; Brazil nuts, 8c.

SAUER KRAUT—Choice white, per bbl., $5.50; per half bbl., $3.00@3.25.

PICKLED MEATS—Fancy, in half bbls., per lb., 5½c; 10-gal. kegs, 6c; condensed, per case of 3 doz. pkgs., $2.50.

CIDER—Pure juice, per bbl., $5; half bbl., $3.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES—Per lb., green hides, 3½@4c; No. 2 green hides, 3c; No. 1 green salted hides, 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 4½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 6c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 5c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 5c; dry flint hides, 5c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 3c; dry salted hides, 3c; part cured hides ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 25@60c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins), each, 5@15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5@10c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 2, each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 5@6c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c; dry flint, Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6½c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 4c; tallow, No. 2, 3½c; grease, white A, 3¾@4½c; grease, white B, 3c; grease, yellow, 3c; grease, dark, 2½@3c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 17@20c; rough tallow, 2c.

FURS.

FURS—Bear, black, No. 1 large, $20.00@25.00; No. 1 large, medium, $15; No. 1 small, $8.00@10.00; bear, black, yearlings, No. 1 large, $12.00@15.00; No. 1 medium, $10; No. 1 small, $7; bear, black, cubs, No. 1 large, $6.00@8.00; No. 1 medium, $5.00@6.00; No. 1 small, $4; bear, black, Montana and Rocky mountain, No. 1 large, 18.00@20.00; No. 1 medium, $14; No. 1 small, $10; bear, black, Montana yearlings, No. 1 large, $12; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $5; bear, black, Montana cubs, No. 1 large, $6.50; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; bear, silver tip, No. 1 large, $20; No. 1 medium, $12; No. 1 small, $8; bear, silver tip, yearlings, No. 1 large, $11; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $5; bear, silver tip, cubs, No. 1 large, $6; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; bear, brown, No. 1 large, $20.00@25.00; No. 1 medium, $16; No. 1 small, $12; bear, brown, yearlings, No. 1 large, $10.00@12.00; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $6; bear, brown, cubs, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $5; No. 1 small, $3; badger, No. 1 large, $1.00@1.50; No. 1 medium, 60c; No. 1 small, 50c; fisher, No. 1 large, $8; No. 1 medium, $6; No. 1 small, $4; fox, silver, as to color, according to beauty, No. 1 large, $100; No. 1 medium, $60; No. 1 small, $20; fox, cross, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $3; No. 1 small $2; fox, red, No. 1 large, $1.50; No. 1 medium, $1.25; No. 1 small, $1; fox, gray, No. 1 large, 75c; No. 1 medium, 50c; No. 1 small, 40c; fox kits, No. 1 large, 50c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 30c; lynx, No. 1 large, $3; No. 1 medium, $2; No. 1 small, $1.50; marten, No. 1 large, $2; No. 1 medium, $1.50; No. 1 small, $1; mink, No. 1 large, 60@65c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 25@30c; mink, dark, No. 1 large, 65c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 30c; mountain lion, perfect head and feet, No. 1 large, $11.00@12.00; imperfect skin, $6.00@7.00; No. 1 small, $5; otter, pale, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $5; No. 1 small, $4; raccoon, No. 1 large, 60@70c; No. 1 medium, 50c; No. 1 small, 25c; raccoon, black, as to beauty, No. 1 large, 50c@$2.00; skunk, black, cased, narrow striped, No. 1 large, 50c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 25c; skunk, broad striped, No. 1 large, 20@25c; wolverine, No. 1 large, $4; No. 1 medium, $3; No. 1 small, $2; wolf, mountain, No. 1 large, $3; No. 1 medium, $2; No. 1 small, $1.50; wolf, prairie, No. 1 large, 65@90c; No. 1 medium, 60c; No. 1 small, 40c; beaver, per skin, No. 1 large, $5.00@6.00; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; beaver kits, No. 1 large, $2; No. 1 medium, $1.50; No. 1 small, 75c; muskrats, winter, No. 1 large, 8@10c; No. 1 medium, 9c; No. 1 small, 7c; muskrats, fall, No. 1 large, 4@6c; No. 1 medium, 7c; No. 1 small, 6c; muskrat kits, 2@3c.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, March 13.—FLOUR—Firm and higher; patents, $2.80@2.90; extra fancy, $2.55@2.65; fancy, $2.30@2.40; choice, $2.15@2.20.

WHEAT—Although the market opened ¼c higher than yesterday's closing, it was by no means strong, sellers outnumbering buyers; prices declined steadily, dropping off ⅛c from opening; later reacted, closing ⅝@⅞c for May and July ⅛c below yesterday's final quotations; No. 2 red cash, 55c; July, 54½c bid.

CORN—Weak and heavy in sympathy with wheat, closing ⅝c under yesterday, the bottom price of the day; No. 2 mixed, 42c; May, 42⅛c bid; July, 43⅛c asked.

OATS—Weak, without much demand, May selling ¼c lower; No. 2 cash, 30½c; May, 30¼@30⅜c asked; June, 30⅝c asked.

RYE—Steady; 56c asked for No. 2, cast side.

FLAX SEED—Quiet at $1.37.

CLOVER SEED—Easier; choice, $8.50@8.60.

TIMOTHY SEED—$5.25@5.60.

CORN MEAL—$1.25@2.20.

BRAN—Firm; east track, $11.

BUTTER—Quiet; fancy Elgin, 20½@21c; separator creamery, 14@15c.

EGGS—Weak and unchanged; 10c for fresh.

HAY—Dull and easy; prairie, strictly prime, $8.75; fancy timothy, $11.50.

WHISKY—$1.28 for distillers' finished goods.

SPELTER—Firm and in demand at $2.97½.

PROVISIONS—Pork, standard mess, jobbing, $11.75. Lard, prime steam, $6.60; choice, $6.70. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.87½; longs, $5.87½; ribs, $6; shorts, $6.12½. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.75; longs, $6.37½; ribs, $6.50; shorts, $6.62½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 2,000 bbls.; wheat, 3,000 bu.; corn, 19,000 bu.; oats, 21,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 17,000 bu.; corn, 40,000 bu.; oats, 15,000 bu.

Wool Market.

LONDON, March 13.—There was a good assortment offered at the wool auction sales today. Cross breds sold spiritedly at extreme figures. The general demand was very active, and American buyers bought liberally. The number of bales offered was 13,400, of which 900 were withdrawn. New South Wales, scoured, 5½@6½d; greasy, 4@8½d. Queensland, scoured, 6½@8½d; greasy, 6½@8½d. Victoria, scoured, 9½@8½d; greasy, 4d@8½d. South Australia, scoured, 11½d; greasy, 4½@8½d. Swan River, scoured, 9½@10d; greasy, 4@4½d.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, March 13.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 1 hard, cash and March, 61½c; May, 62⅛c; July, 62⅝c; No. 1 northern, cash and March, 61c; May, 61½c; July, 62½c; September, 60c; No. 2 northern, cash, 57½c; No. 2, 54⅝c; rejected, 51½c. To arrive: No. 1 hard, 61⅝c; No. 1 northern, 61c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 13.—WHEAT—Closed lower; March, 59⅝c; May, 59⅝@59⅞c; July, 60⅝@60½c; September, 58⅝c; on track, No. 1 hard, 61½c; No. 1 northern, 60½c; No. 2 northern, 59½c.

Flour, higher; first patents, in wood, $3.50@3.50; second patents, $3.75@3.00; first clears, $2.25; low grades, $1.70@1.80.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Speculative Securities Dull and Price Changes Were Light.

NEW YORK, March 13.—The stock market has been rather dull today, and the changes in prices at the close of the leading shares are as a rule slight. Speculation opened firm, and in the early trading the active list advanced a fraction; Central Pacific sold up 1¼ per cent on a purchase of 100 shares, and Great Northern preferred on a sale of 200 shares broke 3 per cent. When the buying orders on the board had been executed the market sagged off, and Chicago Gas was forced down 1⅝ per cent by a pressure to sell which was removed before noon. The raid on the stock weakened the general list and caused a further reaction, which did not, however, exceed a fraction. There were a few stocks which did not share in the depression, notably New England and Canadian Pacific, both of which rose 1 per cent. The market continued heavy until after midday, but the movement of prices was narrow, and the trading light. Before 1 o'clock the downward tendency was checked and a rally was begun, which, with slight interruptions, continued to the close. The transactions in Sugar, while the largest of any share on the list, were much reduced in volume, and the fluctuations were confined within a range of 1⅛ per cent, an advance being recorded on the day of ¾ per cent. General Electric, on purchases mainly for Boston account, made a gain of 1⅝ per cent, closing at the highest point touched. The market was strong at the close. The bond market displayed unusual activity during the day. The speculative issues were in demand, particularly for the Atchison and Missouri; Kansas & Texas mortgages, the combined sales of which were $576,000 out of a total for the day of $1,192,500. Among the inactive securities there were material recessions.

The Evening Post's London cablegram says: The stock markets were irregular today, but weak, with a good tendency. The new American loan was at 5½ per cent premium. The buying was largely from America, the purchasers carrying the loan here for six months, when it will become negotiable in America. Americans were generally better today, but closed under the best. St. Paul, Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunks were exceptionally weak.

The following were the closing quotations on the leading stocks of the New York exchange today:

Atchison.....	3⅞	Northwestern.....	88⅝
Adams Express...	143	*N. W. pfd.....	136
Alton, T. H	35	N. Y. Central.....	94⅝
Am. Express.....	111	N. Y. & N. E.....	31⅝
Baltimore & Ohio...	52⅝	Ontario & W.....	15¾
Canada Pacific...	65½	Oregon Imp.....	10
Canada Southern.	48	Oregon Nav.....	15
Central Pacific....	15¾	O. S. L. & U. N....	4⅞
Ches. & Ohio.....	16¼	Pacific Mail.....	22
Chicago Alton.....	150	P. D. & E.....	3⅛
C., B. & Q.....	70¾	*Pittsburg.....	155
Chicago Gas.....	71	Pullman Palace...	153⅛
Consolidated Gas.	131½	Reading.....	8
C., C., C. & St. L...	36	R. G. W.....	10⅝
Col. Coal & Iron.	9	R. G. W. pfd.....	43
Cotton Oil Cert...	22⅝	Rock Island.....	62⅛
Delaware & Hud..	124⅛	St. Paul.....	65⅛
Del., Lack. & W...	157⅝	do pfd.....	117
D. & R. G. pfd.....	31⅝	St. P. & Omaha....	60
E. A. C. F. Co.....	12⅝	do pfd.....	105
Erie.....	8	Southern Pacific..	17⅝
do pfd.....	15⅝	Sugar Refinery....	102⅛
*Fort Wayne.....	154	Tenn. Coal & Iron.	13⅞
G. Northern pfd...	150	Texas Pacific.....	8⅝
*C. & E. I. pfd ...	90	T. & O. Cent. pfd..	74
Hocking Valley...	23⅛	Union Pacific.....	84
Illinois Central...	83¾	U. S. Express.....	40
St. P. & Duluth ..	7⅝	W. F. & P.....	5⅛
K. & T. pfd.....	22⅝	do pfd.....	12⅞
Lake Erie & West	15⅛	Wells Fargo Ex...	103
do pfd.....	70¾	Western Union ..	87⅝
Lake Shore.....	135	Wheeling & L. E..	10⅛
Lead Trust.....	38⅛	do pfd.....	38⅛
Louisville & N....	47⅝	M. & St. L.....	25
L. & N. A.....	63¼	D. & R. G.....	10⅛
Manhattan Con...	108	G. E.....	29⅝
*Memphis & C....	90	N. P.....	10⅝
Michigan Central.	91½	C. F. & I.....	23
Missouri Pacific..	19⅛	do pfd.....	50
Mobile & Ohio..	12½	H. & T. C.....	2⅛
Nashville Chat...	63	T. A. A. & N. M....	1¼
National Cordage.	5⅛	*St. L. & K. C....	1
do pfd.....	8¼	*do pfd.....	7
N. J. Central.....	86⅝	S. R. R.....	9¾
N. & W. pfd.....	11⅛	do pfd.....	30⅝
North Am. Co.....	5⅝	Am. Tob. Co.....	93⅝
Northern Pacific..	2⅞	do pfd.....	105
No. Pac. pfd.....	13⅛	St. P., M. & M	104
U. P., D. & G.....	3		

* bid.

San Francisco Mining Stock Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 13.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta.....	33	Kentucky Con.....	5
Alpha Con.....	9	Mexican.....	92
Andes.....	29	Ophir.....	87
Belcher.....	42	Mount Diablo.....	10
Best & Belcher...	93	Navajo	5
Bodie Con.....	125	Occidental Con....	4
Bullion.....	22	Obhir.....	175
Bulwer Con.....	22	Overman.....	15
Caledonia.....	10	Potosi.....	50
Chollar.....	51	Savage.....	39
Confidence.....	150	Scorpion.....	5
Con. Cal & Va.....	285	Sierra Nevada....	80
Con. Imperial.....	2	Silver Hill.....	4
Con. New York...	1	Silver King.....	10
Crown Point.....	40	Union Con.....	57
Gould & Curry....	55	Utah Con.....	6
Hale & Norcross...	97	Yellow Jacket....	59
Julia.....	1		

Silver bars, 60⅛@61c. Mexican dollars, 48⅝@49c. Drafts, sight, 10c; telegraphic, 12½c.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 13.—Call loans, 4@5 per cent; time loans, 4@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.....	3⅞	Westingh. Elec....	32⅛
Bos. Land.....	99⅝	W. Elec. pfd.....	50⅛
Am. Sugar pfd....	93¾	Wis. Central.....	3
Bay State Gas.....	7⅛	Gen. Elec. pfd.....	64
Bell Telephone...	191	Atchison 2ds.....	17
Bost. & Albany...	206	Atchison 4s.....	64¾
Boston & Maine...	161	New England 6s...	108
do pfd.....	151	Gen. Electric 5s...	80¾
C. B. & Q.....	70¾	Wis. Cent. 1sts....	45
Fitchburg.....	85	Atlantic.....	16
Gen. Electric.....	29⅛	Boston & Montana	35⅝
Illinois Steel.....	40	Calumet & Hecla.	275
Mexican Central..	7⅛	Centennial.....	50
N. Y. & N. E.....	31	Franklin.....	11⅛
Old Colony.....	179⅛	Osceola.....	20
Ore. Short Line...	5	Quincy.....	100
Rubber.....	39⅛	Tamarack.....	140
Union Pacific.....	8	Wolverine.....	2⅝
West End.....	62⅛		
do pfd.....	8		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 13.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Buiwer.....	10	Ontario.....	700
Cholor.....	50	Ophir.....	180
Crown Point.....	40	Plymouth.....	20
Con. Cal. & Va....	290	Quicksilver.....	212
Deadwood.....	40	do pfd.....	1400
Gould & Curry....	50	Sierra Nevada....	80
Hale & Norcross..	105	Standard.....	225
Homestake.....	1700	Union Con.....	55
Mexican.....	90	Yellow Jacket....	60

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, March 13.—4 p. m. closing:

Can. Pacific.....	38⅝	St. Paul com.....	55⅞
Erie.....	8⅝	N. Y. Central.....	96
Erie 2ds.....	60	Pennsylvania.....	50⅛
Ill. Central.....	85⅛	Reading.....	4
Mexican ordinary.	16⅛	Mex. Cen. new 4s.	59

BAR SILVER—27⅝d per oz.

MONEY—⅝ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 1 per cent; three months' bills, 1@1 1-16 per cent.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, March 13.—COFFEE—Options opened barely steady at 5@15 points decline; ruled easier for want of support, and except on the May options was dull all day, closing hardly steady at 5@20 points net decline; sales, 11,000 bags, including: March, $15.10@15.15; May, $14.75@14.80; June, $14.60@14.70; September, $14.45; December, $14.45; spot coffee, Rio, firm; No. 7, $16.75; mild, quiet; Cordova, $18.50@19.00. Warehouse deliveries from New York yesterday, 8,226 bags; New York stock today, 187,000 bags; United States stock, 244,000 bags; afloat for the United States, 194,000 bags; total visible supply for the United States, 438,000 bags, against 423,000 bags last year; cleared from Rio, March 12, 12,000 bags; cleared from Santos, March 12, 800 bags; cleared from Santos, March 12, S. S. Coleridge, 5,000 bags.

HAVRE, March 13.—COFFEE—Market opened steady, unchanged, ¼f decline; at 12 m., steady, unchanged; at 3 p. m., steady, unchanged; closed steady, unchanged to ¼f net decline. Sales, 12,000 bags.

SANTOS, March 13.—Quiet; good average, nominal; receipts, 3,000 bags; stock, 211,000 bags.

HAMBURG, March 13.—Steady; ¼@⅛ pfg advance; sales, 1,900 bags.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 13.—Weak; No. 7, Rio, $16.60; exchange, 9 9-16d; receipts, 16,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 3,000 bags; cleared for Europe, 6,000 bags; stock, 123,000 bags.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKETS

Stockers and Feeders Were in More Liberal Supply.

CATTLE WELL CLEANED UP IN FIRST HANDS

Hogs Opened Strong But Toward the Close Packers Seemed Inclined to Bear the Market on Unfavorable Reports from Other Points.

WEDNESDAY, March 13.

The receipts today were 1,300 cattle, 4,000 hogs and 250 sheep, as against 1,966 cattle, 6,477 hogs and 853 sheep on Wednesday of last week.

The total receipts for the week thus far are 8,900 cattle, 9,300 hogs and 1,680 sheep, as against 5,792 cattle, 12,944 hogs and 6,240 sheep the first half of last week. The receipts from January 1 to date show a loss of 40,434 cattle, 25,116 sheep, and a gain of 30,166 hogs, as compared with the corresponding period of 1894.

CATTLE—There were forty-five fresh loads of cattle in the yards, as against forty-seven loads yesterday. While the offerings