COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

All Markets Show Heavy Losses Due to Entire Lack of Support.

DEALERS ARE WAITING FOR DEVELOPMENTS

Wheat Declines Over a Cent and a Half and Corn and Oats Smaller Fractions—Provisions Down a Dime.

CHICAGO, March 22.—Wheat today closed weak at a decline of 1½c. Statistical news as a rule favored an advance, but no attention was paid to it, the market at times being almost entirely without support. Other markets were weak, partly in sympathy with wheat, corn declining ⅜c, oats ⅛c and provisions 7½@12½c.

In spite of bullish statistics and much bad crop news wheat was dull and heavy. The extreme dullness or narrowness in trade and the weakness in the early Liverpool cables more than offset the bullish statistics and caused a good deal of liquidation, which accounted chiefly for the weakness. Crop advices from Illinois, Indiana and Missouri were bad, but those from Kansas and Ohio were fairly favorable. The visible supply decreased more than expected, the figures being 1,019,000 bu. and the clearances from the seaboard were again large, about 435,000 bu. in wheat and flour, but no demand for export use. The world's shipments last week were a trifle less than 3,000,000 bu., against 3,687,000 bu. the week before and 5,400,000 bu. the same week last year. Nothing could infuse spirit into the bulls, however, and the price within an hour of the opening was 1¼c below the price it closed at Saturday for May delivery. Crop damage reports from St. Louis and the fact of that delivery showing no decline in that market caused comparative firmness in July. Minneapolis and Duluth received 394 cars of wheat against 302 a week ago and 581 cars the corresponding day of last year. Chicago receipts were seventeen cars, against twenty-eight a year ago. The St. Louis support to July was finally withdrawn, owing to the bearishness of this market, and in the last half hour bears were in control everywhere. May started at 73⅞c to 74¼c, against yesterday's close of 74½c. It eased off to 73¼@73⅜c, recovered to 73½@73⅝c, then declined to 73⅛c, closing at 72⅞c.

Speculative business in corn was fairly active and a stiff fight was kept up between the bulls and bears, with the final result decidedly in the latter's favor. Much of the weakness was due to the decline in wheat, although the reduction of 1¼c in western freight rates announced to go into effect at once undoubtedly had great influence. Seaboard clearances were 1,112,000 bu. May opened ⅛c lower at 24⅝@24¾c and declined to 24½c, where it closed.

Oats were rather dull, although a fair business was transacted. Fluctuations were influenced entirely on wheat and corn, but on a moderate scale. May started at a shade lower, 17⅛@17¼c, sold at 17⅛c up to 17¼c, and closed at 17⅛c bid. The visible supply showed an increase of 269,000 bu., which may have assisted in the heavier feeling.

Provisions were weak under the influence of some realizing by holders, who, although still feeling bullishly on the market, were said to be taking chances of getting the property back later for less money. The tendency of prices was downward from the start. At the close May pork was 12½c lower at $8.72½, May lard 7½c lower at $4.20 and May ribs 10c lower at $4.70.

The estimated receipts for Tuesday are: Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 150 cars; oats, 150 cars; hogs, 18,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'd'y.
*Wheat—					
March..	72¾ 3¾	73¼	71¾	71⅞	73⅛
May....	73¾ 4⅛	74¼	72¾	72⅞	74⅝
July...	71⅝	72	71	71	72⅛
Sept...	69⅛	69⅜	68¾	68¾	69⅞
*Corn—					
March.	23⅝@¾	23¾	23½	23½	23⅞
May....	24⅝@¾	24¾	24½	24½	24⅞
July....	25⅛	25⅛	25½@⅝	25½@⅝	25⅞
Sept....	26⅞	26⅞	26⅜	26¾	27
*Oats—					
March.	16⅜	16⅝	16⅜	16⅜	16⅞
May....	17⅛-¼	17¼	17⅛	17⅛	17¼
July....	18	18⅛	17⅞-18	18@⅛	18@⅛
Pork—					
May....	8 80	8 85	8 67½	8 72½	8 85
July....	8 90	7 95	8 80	8 85	8 95
Lard—					
May....	4 25	4 25	4 20	4 20	4 27½
July....	4 37½	4 37½	4 30	4 30	4 37½
Sh't Ribs—					
May....	4 80	4 80	4 70	4 70	4 80
July....	4 80	4 80	4 72½	4 72½	4 82½

* No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Quiet; winter patents, $4.30@4.50; straights, $4.00@4.20; spring specials, $4.50; spring patents, $4.00@4.10; straights, $3.40@3.70; bakers, $2.00@3.30.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 71⅞@72⅛c; No. 3 spring, 72c; No. 2 red, 84⅞@88⅞c.

CORN—No. 2, 23⅝@24⅛c; No. 2 yellow, 23⅝@24c.

OATS—No. 2, 16⅝@16⅞c; No. 2 white, 21c; No. 3 white, 18⅛@20c.

RYE—No. 2, 33c.

BARLEY—No. 2, nominal; No. 3, f. o. b., 28@32c; No. 4, f. o. b., 25c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, 78½@81½c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $8.65@8.70. Lard, per 100 lbs., $4.10@4.12½. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.60@4.90. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $4.75@4.87½.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.17.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.26; granulated, $4.64.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	7,000	4,000
Wheat, bu	10,000	34,000
Corn, bu	140,000	47,000
Oats, bu	200,000	152,000
Rye, bu	2,000	......
Barley, bu	25,000	8,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creamery, 10@18½c; dairy, 10@17c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 9c. Dressed poultry, steady; turkeys, 12½@13c; chickens, 7@8c; ducks, 11@12c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 22.—FLOUR—Receipts, 9,163 bbls.; exports, 52,047 bbls.; dull, weaker and lower, to sell; city mill patents, $4.80@5.05; city mills, clear, $4.70@4.80; Minnesota patents, $4.20@4.40; Minnesota bakers, $3.75@3.90; winter patents, $4.55; winter extras, $3.15; winter low grades, $2.60. Rye flour, steady; superfine, $2.60@2.6; Buckwheat flour, 35@35½c, c. i. f., track.

BUCKWHEAT—Quiet at 35c.

CORN MEAL—Dull; yellow western, 58c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 37½c.

BARLEY—Quiet at 28⅝c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 45@53c.

WHEAT—Quiet; receipts, 7,400 bu.; exports, 142,455 bu.; No. 2 winter, hard, 79½c. Options opened easier and ruled weak all day, with few reactions; closing 2c off on near months and 1⅜@1⅝c on late months. The bear factors were weak cables, general liquidation and improved crop weather conditions. A good export demand developed near the close; No. 2 red, March, closed at 80c; May, 78⅞@80⅛c, closed at 78⅞c.

CORN—Receipts, 49,490 bu.; exports, 40,370 bu. Spot, weaker; No. 2, 29⅝c; steamer mixed, 29c; No. 3, 28c. Options opened weak and declined under heavy cables. Cut rates on western roads and sympathy with wheat; closed ⅝@¾c net lower; March closed at 29⅝c; May, 29⅝@30⅛c, closed at 30⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 98,400 bu.; exports, 90,953 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 22c. Options quiet and easier, with other markets; closing ⅛c lower; May, 21⅝@21 13-16c, closed at 21⅝c.

HAY—Shipping, 50@55c; good to choice, 67½@75c.

HOPS—1895 crop, 2½@5½c; 1896 crop, 6@11c; coast, 1895 crop, 3@5½c; 1896 crop, 8@12½c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 13c; Buenos Ayres, 18½@19c; Texas, 10½c; California, 16c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock, 20@21c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $9.00@11.00; extra mess, $7.50@8.00; beef hams, 17c; packet, $7.50@8.00; city, extra India mess, $13.50@15.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, 5¼@5¾c; pickled shoulders, 5¼c; pickled hams, 9@9½c. Lard, dull; western steam, $4.40; refined, quiet. Pork, mess, $9.00@9.50; short clear, $9.25@9.75. Tallow, dull and steady; city, 3¼@3⅜c; country, 3⅜@3½c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 9,236 pkgs.; market steady; western creamery, 13@19c; Elgins, 19c; factory, 7@12c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,849 pkgs.; market quiet; state, large, 9@12½c; state, small, 9@@12½c; part skims, 5@7½c; full skims, 3@4c.

EGGS—Receipts, 19,667 pkgs.; market steady; state and Pennsylvania, 10½@11c; western, 10½c; southern, 10@10½c.

OILS—Petroleum, steady; United closed at 92c bid; Pennsylvania crude, strong; April, 92c bid. Rosin, quiet; strained, common to good, $1.65@1.67½. Turpentine, quiet; 29½c. Cottonseed, prime crude, 20@20½c; f. o. b. mills, 16@17½c; f. o. b., summer, 23½c asked; off summer yellow, 23@23½c; butter grades, 26@27c; prime, white, 26@26½c.

RICE—Steady; fair to extra, 3⅜@6½c; Japan, 4½@4⅜c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, 23@30c.

METALS—Pig iron, dull; southern, $10.00@11.50; northern, $10.50@12.50. Copper, quiet; brokers, $11.85; exchange, $11.85@12.00. Tin, dull; straits, $13.35@13.40; plates, quiet. Spelter, quiet; $4.15. Lead, firm; exchange quotes spot at $3.22@3.47½, and leading brokers call the price at $3.30.

Coffee Markets.

NEW YORK, March 22.—COFFEE—Options opened steady at 5 points lower. European cables were unsatisfactory and in the absence of outside interest trading was light and fluctuations extremely narrow. Continued heavy receipts at Brazil check speculation, both here and abroad. Closed quiet and unchanged to 5 points lower; sales, 9,000 bags, including: March, $8.30; April, $8.25; May, $8.20@8.25; September, $8.35@8.40. Spot, Rio, weak; No. 7, Rio, $8.50, invoice; $9, jobbing. Mild, steady; Cordova, $14.00@15.75; sales, 200 bags Maracaibo. Total warehouse deliveries from the United States, 8,917 bags, including 7,471 bags from New York; New York stock today, 224,190 bags; United States stock, 408,980 bags; afloat for the United States, 329,000 bags; total visible for the United States, 737,980 bags, against 568,262 bags last year.

HAMBURG, March 22.—COFFEE—No market; holiday.

HAVRE, March 22.—COFFEE—Closed quiet; net unchanged to ¼f decline; sales, 16,000 bags.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 22.—COFFEE—Quiet; No. 7, Rio, 9,400 reis; exchange, 7 9-32d; receipts, 3,000 bags; cleared for the United States, 5,000 bags; for Europe, 3,000 bags; stock, 282,000 bags. Weekly report: Coffee, quiet; coffee exchange standard, 9,900 reis; receipts during the week, 54,000 bags; shipments to the United States, 56,000 bags; stock, 282,000 bags.

SANTOS, March 22.—COFFEE—Quiet; good average Santos, 10,200 reis; receipts, 11,000 bags; stock, 418,000 bags. Weekly report: Coffee, quiet; good average Santos per 10 kilos, 10,200 reis; receipts during the week, 8,000 bags; shipments to the United States, 15,000 bags; stock, 418,000 bags.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh gathered, 8c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 7½@8c; choice to fancy roll, 10@12c; separator creamery, 18c; gathered creamery, 14c.

GAME—Blue winged teal ducks, $1.50; green wing, $1.25; red heads and mallards, $2.50@2.75; Canada geese, large, $6; small, $3.50@4.00.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., are quoted at 7½@8c; large and coarse, 4@5c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, 7@8c; turkeys, hens, 11@12c; geese, 8@9c; ducks, 9@10c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 6@6½c; cocks, 3@4c.

PIGEONS—Live, 75@90c; dead pigeons, not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $4.50; midland, $3.50; lowland, $3; rye straw, $3.50; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best; only top grades bring top prices.

BROOMCORN—Extremely slow sale; new crop, delivered on track in country; choice green self-working carpet, per lb., 2@2½c; choice green, running to hurl, 2@2½c; common, 1½c.

VEGETABLES.

GREEN PEAS—Per 20-lb. box, $2.25.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., $2.00.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $3.

ASPARAGUS—Per lb., 20c.

SPINACH—Per 2-3 bu. box, 75c.

TOMATOES—Per 7-basket crate, $2.50@3.00.

PIE PLANT—Home grown, per lb., 8@10c.

SWEET POTATOES—Fancy Illinois, per bbl., $1.50@1.75.

ONIONS—Good stock, per bu., $1.25.

LIMA BEANS—Per lb., 3½c.

BEANS—Hand picked navy, per bu., $1.10@1.20.

CABBAGE—Fancy stock, per 100 lbs., $1.75.

CELERY—Per doz., large, California, 75c.

POTATOES—Good native stock, per bu., 30c.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Florida, per quart, 25c; Texas, per 24-quart cases, $5.00.

MALAGA GRAPES—Per keg, $7.

CRANBERRIES—Best Jersey, per bbl., $5.

APPLES—Extra fancy, large, $2.25; choice, $2.00.

CALIFORNIA PEARS—Per box, $1.75.

TROPICAL FRUIT.

ORANGES—California navels, 150s to 200s, $3.75; large sizes, $3.25@3.50; seedlings, $2.25@2.50.

LEMONS—Messinas, $3.25@3.50; choice California, $2.75; fancy, $3.

BANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; medium-sized bunches, $1.50@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, California, per lb., large size, 13c; Brazils, per lb., 10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, 12@12½c; standards, 10@11c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, large, 9@10c; jumbo, 11@12c; large hickory nuts, $1.25 per bu.; cocoanuts, 4½c each.

FIGS—Imported fancy 4 crown, 20-lb. boxes, 10c; 5 crown 50-lb. boxes, 13@14c.

HONEY—Choice, 13@14c.

CIDER—Clarified juice, per half bbl., $2.50; per bbl., $4.00@4.25.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five gal. cans, each, $2.50; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 6c; No. 2 green hides, 5c; No. 1 green salted hides, 7½c; No. 2 green salted hides, 6½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 7c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 4c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 9@10c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 8@9c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 8@9c; part cured hides, ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 25@60c; green salted, shearings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado Murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; feet cut off, as it is useless to pay freight on them.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 2⅝c; tallow, No. 2, 2c; grease, white A, 3c; grease, white B, 2c; grease, yellow, 2c; grease, dark, 1¾c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 15@22c; rough tallow, 1c.

WOOL—Unwashed, fine heavy, 6@7c; fine light, 8@9c; quarterblood, 10@12c; seedy, burry and chaffy, 8@9c; cotted and broken, coarse, 7@9c; cotted and broken, fine, 6@8c. Fleece washed—medium, 15@18c; fine, 14@16c; tub washed, 16@18c; black, 8c; bucks, 6c; tag locks, 2@2c; dead pulled, 5@6c.

BONES—In car lots, weighed and delivered in Chicago: Dry Buffalo, per ton, $12.00@14.00; dry country; bleached, per ton, $10.00@12.00; dry country, damp and meaty, per ton, $6.00@8.00.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 400 to 600 lbs., 6½c; good forequarters, steers, 5c; good hindquarters, steers, 8½c; western steers, 6c; fancy heifers, 6c; good heifers, 5¾c; good forequarters, heifers, 4¾c; good hindquarters, heifers, 7¾c; good cows, 5¾c; fair cows, 5½c; common cows, 4¾c; cow forequarters, 4½c; cow hindquarters, 7¼c.

BEEF CUTS—Tenderloins, 20c; boneless strips, 9c; strip loins, 7c; rolls, 8½c; sirloin butts, 8½c; shoulder clods, 5½c; rump butts, 5c; steer chucks, 4¼c; cow chucks, 3¾c; boneless chucks, 4¼c; cow plates, 2¼c; steer plates, 4c; flank steak, 6c; loins, No. 1, 13c; loins, No. 2, 11c; loins, No. 3, 8½c; No. 1 short loins, 15c; No. 2 short loins, 13c; No. 3 short loins, 11c; sirloin ends, 7½c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; ribs, No. 2, 9c; ribs, No. 3, 6½c; steer rounds, 6¼c; cow rounds, 5¾c; cow rounds, shank off, 6¾c; cow rounds, shank and rump off, 7¼c; trimmings, 4c; beef shanks, 2½c; brains, per dozen, 25c; sweetbreads, per lb., 15c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per dozen, 35c; ox tails, each, 3c; livers, per lb., 3c; hearts, per lb., 2c; tongues, per lb., 12c.

MUTTON—Lambs, 7½c; yearlings, 7c; sheep, 6¾c; market racks (long), 8½c; hotel racks (short), 11½c; legs and saddles, 8c; lamb legs, 9c; breasts and stews, 3c; tongues, each, 5c; plucks, each, 3c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5½c; dressed hogs, 5c; tenderloins, 14c; loins, 6½c; spare ribs, 5c; ham sausage butts, 5¼c; shoulders, rough, 5c; shoulders, skinned, 5¼c; trimmings, 5c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5c; heads, cleaned, 3½c; snouts and ears, 3½c; backbones, 3c; cheek meats, 3½c; neckbones, 3c; pigs' tails, 3½c; plucks, each, 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per dozen, 25c; stomachs, each, 3c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per dozen, 10c; brains, per dozen, 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 30c; livers, each, 3c.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, March 22.—FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged; patents, $4.65@4.85; extra fancy, $4.40@4.50; fancy, $3.75@4.00; choice, $3.20@3.50.

WHEAT—Futures dull and weak at the opening, but after declining for a while, there was a reaction, the early loss being recovered. There was but little support, however, and the market continued weak and featureless; closing steady for May, with July ⅝c to ⅞c under Saturday. Spot lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 93c bid; track, 96½@98c; May, 98½c; July, 72⅝c.

CORN—Futures dull and easier throughout the day; closing a shade off from Saturday's finals. Spot steady; No. 2 cash, 21¼c bid; May, 22¼c bid; July, 23⅝@23½c.

OATS—Easy in tone, but steady in price for May. Spot, lower; No. 2 cash, 17⅛c bid; May, 18⅛c.

RYE—Higher at 34½c.

BARLEY—Nominal.

CORN MEAL—$1.40@1.45.

BRAN—Scarce; east track, nominally, 52@55c.

FLAXSEED—Nominal, at 75c.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.60@2.65.

HAY—Quiet and firm; prairie, $4.00@7.50; timothy, $6.00@11.00.

DRESSED POULTRY—Dull; chickens, steady; old and young, 6@6½c; turkeys, quiet at 6½@9½c; ducks, steady at 7½@8½c; geese, dull at 3@4c.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 14@19½c; dairy, 8@15c.

EGGS—Lower at 7c.

WHISKY—$1.17.

METALS—Lead, held at $3.20. Spelter, firm at $3.90 bid.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; standard mess, jobbing, $8.50@9.10. Lard, lower; prime steam, $4; choice, $4.07½. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $4.55; extra short clear, $5.30; ribs, $5.40; shorts, $5.55. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.80; extra short clear, $4.95; ribs, $5.10; shorts, $5.20.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 14,000 bu.; corn, 187,000 bu.; oats, 40,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 203,000 bu.; oats, 101,000 bu.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, March 22.—WHEAT—Steady; demand indifferent; No. 2 hard, 76c; No. 3, 70@75c; No. 4, 58@65c; No. 2 red, 93c; No. 3, 86@91c; No. 2, 75@85c; No. 2 spring, 74@75c; No. 3, 70@73c.

CORN—Steady and active; No. 2 mixed, 18⅝c.

OATS—Steady and fairly active; No. 2 white, 19@21c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 31c.

HAY—Firm and fairly active; choice timothy, $8.65@9.00; choice prairie, $5.50@6.00.

BUTTER—Quiet and firm; creamery, 15@17c; dairy, 10@12c.

EGGS—Barely steady at 7½c.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, March 22.—The visible supply of grain Saturday, March 20, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, was as follows: Wheat, 40,480,000 bu.; decrease, 1,019,000. Corn, 23,077,000 bu.; decrease, 718,000 bu. Oats, 13,797,000 bu.; increase, 269,000 bu. Rye, 3,648,000 bu.; increase, 22,000 bu. Barley, 3,688,000 bu.; decrease, 61,000 bu.

Cotton Markets.

NEW YORK, March 22.—COTTON—Spot steady; middling, 7⅝c; middling uplands, 7⅜c; middling gulf, 7⅝c; sales, 1,940 bales. Futures quiet and steady; sales, 41,400 bales; January, $6.58; February, $6.89; March, $7.00; April, $7.03; May, $7.07; June, $7.11; July, $7.15; August, $7.16; September, $6.89; October, $6.77; November, $6.78; December, $6.81. The market was firm on better news from Liverpool and reports of damage by flood, and from 1 to 3 points higher. Light port receipts caused a further advance of 2 points. Later cables were disappointing and prices fell back to the opening figures. Trading was extremely dull. Sales reach but 20,000 bales to 11 o'clock. There were no outside orders and the market was easy for local traders.

NEW ORLEANS, March 22.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 6 5-16c; low middling, 6⅛c; ordinary, 6⅛c.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Upward Tendency Partly Checked by New Jersey Central Rumors.

NEW YORK, March 22.—The market opened today with a tendency toward higher prices, the steadiness for American securities on the London exchange being reflected here. The strong demand for New York Central also tended to improve values in the Vanderbilt properties more immediately, but to some extent all through the list. This demand was stimulated by reports of the early promulgation of the refunding plan. Chicago Gas had numerous supporters and heavy orders for the purchase of the stock were executed, the aggregate of the shares sold reaching over 23,000, making it the leader of the day's market. The bright seasonable weather with its encouragement to revival of trade in some lines was also a factor in giving strength to the opening market. But in the course of trading, other features soon developed, which overrode the encouraging elements and prices were depressed. New Jersey Central proved too heavy for any business to sustain and was the decisive factor in impeding the advance in the market, and well defined rumors were in constant circulation, though with no authority given for their basis, of an intention on the part of the directors to reduce the dividend. The coalers seemed little affected and the decline in them was only fractional. The statement of the Northwestern showing a decrease in gross earnings in February of $77,340 aggravated the weakening of the group and robbed Northwestern itself of the strength injected from the common advance of Vanderbilts. The news of the day from Washington was the reversal by the supreme court of the decision of the court below and the upholding of the contract of the government against the Transmissouri Freight association to fix rates of transportation in the northwest. It affected the grangers more immediately than otherwise, but on account of its far-reaching possibilities it depressed the whole of the list. The Joint Traffic association agreement, under which the trunk lines apportion their business, being in litigation, the supreme court's decision is felt to have important bearings on traffic. The heaviness in the market was somewhat counteracted for a time by the demand for New York Central and Omaha, the former touching 102, the best price yet reached in the present improvement. Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis of the Vanderbilts also showed gains and the others of that group shared in the day's decline. Manhattan and Western Union developed rather conspicuous weakening in the late dealings, the former losing 1½ per cent, with a rally of ¾ per cent at the close. Leather also lost 1¼ per cent, and the whole list fell off. Jersey Central advanced a point. The decision at Toledo of the Arbuckle suit in favor of the Sugar company only slightly affected Sugar shares, as the prosecution of the war which sought to enjoin has been a rather depressing influence in Sugar.

In the bond market the changes were not great, and the undertone of the market was fairly firm. The sales were $135,000. Government were lower for the 5s and 4s on dealings of $35,000.

The Evening Post's London financial cablegram says: "The stock markets were steady but stagnant today, awaiting political developments. Consols were up to 112. Mines were good. The settlement in mines will begin tomorrow. Americans were very dull. Buying of New York Central was the only feature. The close was steady. A sharp rise in silver is partly due to the statement that the Japanese government will not sell its present stores of the white metal. The continent and Japan continue to buy gold. The Paris bourse is in the same condition as the London markets. There is simply no lead yet in either direction, and even the largest financial houses appear to have no special knowledge inducing them to operate."

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

Atchison	11¼	Ontario & W	14⅝
Adams Ex	147	Oregon Nav	11
Alton, T H	56	O. S. L. & U. N.	16
Am. Express	111	Pacific Mail	27⅛
Baltimore & Ohio	15¼	Peoria, Dec. & E	1
Canada Pacific	48	Pittsburg	164
Canada Southern	49⅛	Pullman Palace	160¼
Central Pacific	8⅝	Reading	23⅛
Ches. & Ohio	17⅜	R. G. W.	12⅛
Chicago & Alton	165	do pfd	38⅛
C. B. & Q.	76⅛	Rock Island	68⅜
Chicago Gas	81	St. Paul	77⅛
Consolidated Gas	158	do pfd	137¼
C. C. C. & St. L.	30⅛	St. Paul & Omaha	61⅛
Colo. Coal & Iron		St. P. & O. pfd	140
Cotton Oil Cert	11⅛	Southern Pacific	14
Delaware & Hud	108⅛	Sugar Refinery	114⅛
Del., Lack. & W	154	Tenn. Coal & Iron	27¼
D. & R. G. pfd	39⅛	Texas Pacific	9⅛
East Tenn	13⅛	Tol. & O. Cen. pfd	50
Erie	33	Union Pacific	6¾
Erie pfd	19	U. S. Express	36
Fort Wayne	162	W. St. L. & Pac	5⅜
G. Northern pfd	120	W. St. L. & P. pfd	14⅛
C. & E. I. pfd	95	Wells Fargo Ex	100
Hocking Valley	3⅜	Western Union	83⅛
Illinois Central	95	Wheeling & L. E.	1⅛
St. P. & Duluth	19	W. & L. E. pfd	3⅛
K. & T. pfd	31	Minn. & St. Louis	18
Lake Erie & West	16⅛	Den. & R. G.	9⅝
do pfd	65⅛	Gen. Electric	34⅛
Lake Shore	168	Nat'l Linseed	12
Lead Trust	23⅛	Col. Fuel & I	20⅛
Louisville & N	48⅛	do pfd	35
L. & N. A	¼	Tol. St. L. & K. C.	5⅛
Manhattan Con	85	do pfd	18⅛
Memphis & C	15	Southern	8⅜
Michigan Central	98	Southern pfd	28⅛
Mo. Pacific	18⅛	Tobacco	76
Mobile & Ohio	22	Tobacco pfd	105⅛
Nashville Chat	66	Am. T. & C. Co	87
N. J. Central	88⅛	C. C. Co	156
N. & W. pfd	27⅛	Am. Sugar pfd	104
North Am. Co	4⅛	Leather pfd	57⅛
Northern Pacific	12⅛	Rubber	14⅛
N. Pacific pfd	36⅛	Rubber pfd	61⅛
U. P., D. & G	1⅛	Cotton Oil pfd	56⅛
Northwestern	108⅛	P. C. C. & St. L pfd	46
do pfd	156	Am. Spirits	13
N. Y. Central	100⅛	Am. Spirits pfd	33
N. Y. & N. E	37	O. R & N. 4s	41

The total sales of stock today were 163,257 shares, including the following: American Sugar, 20,700; Burlington, 18,300; Canada Southern, 1,700; Chicago Gas trust receipts, 23,000; Manhattan Consolidated, 4,700; New York Central, 5,000; Northwestern, 3,700; Reading, 3,500; St. Paul, 12,600; New Jersey Central, 15,700.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 22.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1½@1¾ per cent; last loan, 1¾ per cent; closed at 1½@1¾ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@4 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87¼@4.87½ for demand and $4.85½@4.85¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.86@4.86½ and $4.88@4.88½; commercial bills, $4.84½.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—62¾@63¼c.

BAR SILVER—63c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Weak.

STATE BONDS—Dull.

RAILROAD BONDS—Irregular.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s, reg	123¼	D. & R. G. 4s	89
U. S. new coup	123¼	Erie 2ds	65¾
U. S. 5s, reg	113¾	G. H. & S. A. 6s	103½
U. S. 5s, coup	113¾	do 7s	100
U. S. 4s, reg	111	H. & T. C. 5s	110
U. S. 4s, coup	113¼	do 6s	103
U. S. 2s, reg	95½	M., K. & T. 1st 4s	84¾
Pacific 6s of '95	103½	do 2d 4s	59⅛
Ala., class A	104½	Mutual Union 6s	110
Ala., class B	104½	N. J. C. Gen. 5s	112⅛
Ala., class C	98	No. Pacific 1sts	116
Ala. Currency	94	do 2ds	54⅛
La. New Con. 4s	96⅛	N. W. Consols	141½
Missouri 6s	100	do S. F. Deb. 5s	112½
N. C. 6s	124	St. P. C. & P. W. 5s	115½
N. C. 4s	103	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5	75⅛
S. C. nonfund	⅛	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	111⅛
Tenn. new set 5s	105	Texas Pac. 1sts	89⅛
Tenn. new set 3s	79	Texas Pac. 2ds	21⅛
Tenn. old 6s	60	U. P. 1sts of '95	101⅛
Va. Centuries	62⅛	West Shore 4s	107⅛
do deferred	5	L. & N. unified 4s	79
Atchison 4s	83	Southern 5s	90⅛
Atchison 2d A	46⅛	N. P. 4s	88
Canada So. 2d	105¾	O. R. & N. 1sts	113⅛
D. & R. G. 7s	112	O. R. & N. 4s	88

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 22.—Call loans, 2@3½ per cent; time loans, 2½@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	11⅛	W. Elec. pfd	51
American Sugar	114⅛	Wis. Central	1⅜
Am. Sugar pfd	103¾	Ed. Elec. Ill	145
Bay State Gas	5	Atchison pfd	22⅛
Bell Telephone	222	Atchison 4s	80
Boston & Albany	215	New England 6s	113⅛
Boston & Maine	160	Gen. Elec. 5s	94⅛
C., B. & Q	76⅛	Wis. Cent. 1s	36
Fitchburg	92⅛	Allouez Mining Co	1
General Electric	34⅛	Atlantic	61⅛
Illinois Steel	33	Boston & Montana	128
Mexican Central	8	Butte & Boston	18⅛
N. Y. & N. E.	59	Calumet & Hecla	370
Old Colony	177¼	Centennial	7⅛
Ore. Short Line	16⅛	Franklin	11
Rubber	14⅛	Kearsarge	107¼
Union Pacific	6⅛	Osceola	31
West End	71	Quincy	106
West End pfd	90	Tamarack	130
West. Elec	23⅛	Wolverine	9⅛

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	2	Gould & Curry	30
Alpha Con	5	Hale & Norcross	80
Andes	17	Julia	4
Belcher	17	Kentucky Con	4
Best & Belcher	65	Mexican	25
Bullion	10	Occidental Con	15
Caledonia	11	Ophir	88
Challenge Con	32	Overman	8
Chollar	110	Potosi	35
Confidence	70	Savage	29
Con. Cal. & Va	110	Sierra Nevada	27
Con. Imperial	1	Silver Hill	1
Con. New York	1	Union Con	27
Crown Point	18	Utah Con	5
Exchequer	3	Yellow Jacket	26

Silver bars, 62¼c; Mexican dollars, 50¼@51c; drafts, sight, 17½c; drafts, telegraph, 20c.

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, March 21.—4 p. m. closing:

Consols, m'y	111 15-16	Mexican ordinary	24½
Consols, acc't	112	St. Paul common	79¾
Can. Pacific	50	*N. Y. Central	103⅝
Erie	14⅜	Pennsylvania	54⅛
Erie 2ds pfd	34	Reading	12
Ill. Central	94½	Mex. Cen. new 4s	69¼

*dividend included.

BAR GOLD—Quoted at 77s 9¼d.

AMERICAN EAGLES—76s 4½d.

BAR SILVER—28 15-16d per oz.

MONEY—1½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills and three months' bills is 1 9-16@1⅝ per cent.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Receipts Fall Far Short of the Dealers Anticipations.

LOCAL DEMAND HOLDS UP THE PRICES

Supplies Rather Light and Request Good, So that Lower Markets at Other Points Lose Their Effect Here.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 22.—Receipts for the days indicated were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Horses.
March 22	1,781	1,838	1,257	....
March 20	1,137	[illegible]	[illegible]	24
March 19	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	5
March 18	1,884	5,458	2,138	1
March 17	2,159	5,601	[illegible]	....
March 16	[illegible]	2,769	2,291	3
March 15	2,489	1,019	5,596	....
March 13	630	3,871	4,179	21
March 12	1,216	[illegible]	1,101	20
March 11	1,739	4,81[illegible]	2,348	1
March 10	2,765	3,745	2,975	....
March 9	[illegible]	5,081	3,095	2
March 8	831	1,351	3,821	25
March 6	770	2,895	....	34

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
C. M. & St. P. Ry	..	1	..
Union Pacific system	26	7	4
C. & N. W. Ry	2	..	..
F. E. & M. V. R. R.	6	5	2
C. St. P. M. & O. Rd	16	3	..
B. & M. R. R. R.	16	9	..
C. B. & Q. Ry	..	1	..
C. R. I. & P., east	5	..	..
Total receipts	71	26	6

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
G. H. Hammond Co	318	200	....
Swift and Company	308	850	....
Cudahy Packing Co	99	516	1,255
P. D. Armour, Chicago	157	....	....
R. Becker & Degan	113	....	....
Vansant & Co	25	....	....
J. L. Carey	36	....	....
Lobman & Rothschilds	56	....	....
Hill & Lewis Co	160	....	....
Benton & Underwood	85	....	....
Huston & Co	1	....	....
Krebbs & Co	130	....	....
Other buyers	253	....	....
Left over	....	300	....
Totals	1,741	1,906	1,255

CATTLE—Today's receipts of cattle proved to be light for a Monday, only seventy-one cars being reported in, a falling off of 700 head as compared with a week ago. Of the cattle here, about thirty cars were corn fed beeves and the balance consisted of butchers' stock and feeders.

The beef steers on sale were mostly fair to medium, with quite a number of commonish westerns, really desirable or choice cattle being scarce. There was, however, one bunch good enough to bring $3.75, and a single steer weighing 2,030 pounds sold up to $5.00, showing what choice cattle would bring on this market.

The demand for beef cattle was good, both local and shipping, and in spite of the fact that reports from other markets were not particularly encouraging, the market here was fully steady. The buyers got down to business early and by the middle of the forenoon practically everything in the yards was sold.

The market on butchers' stock was also steady and the few cows and heifers here met with ready sale.

There were a few bunches of feeders in the yards in addition to the usual showing of odds and ends and pieces of loads. The market was fairly active and cattle in first hands met with prompt sale. One bunch of western steers sold for feeders at $4.35 and others brought $3.95@$4.20. Representative sales:

NATIVES.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
22	1122	$3 65	17	1127	$3 95	22	1173	$4 25
1	830	3 75	54	1172	4 00	41	1274	4 25
1	800	3 75	56	1137	4 05	21	1300	4 25
78	1234	3 80	16	1114	4 05	17	1474	4 25
1	1290	3 90	13	984	4 15	21	1279	4 25
41	1230	3 90	22	1401	4 15	22	1173	4 25
50	1402	3 90	4	1307	4 15	41	1274	4 25
20	1096	3 90	14	1160	4 15	22	1253	4 35
43	1016	3 95	40	1273	4 20	20	1650	4 75
41	1196	3 95	18	1330	4 20	1	2030	5 00

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	900	1 50	3	923	2 50	16	1101	3 10
1	1080	1 75	3	1000	2 55	3	1126	3 15
1	930	1 75	2	1020	2 55	2	1090	3 15
1	750	1 75	1	900	2 55	1	1050	3 15
1	749	1 75	13	900	2 55	1	1110	3 20
1	880	2 00	9	902	2 75	2	1065	3 25
1	730	2 25	3	1090	2 75	1	1170	3 25
5	1084	2 25	2	1090	2 90	1	1010	3 35
1	840	2 35	1	1050	3 00	1	1280	3 35
1	900	2 40	1	1140	3 00	1	1370	3 40
1	1030	2 50	1	1230	3 00	1	1520	3 90
1	1110	2 50						

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	740	2 50	4	702	3 15	1	900	3 50
2	1070	2 80	20	775	3 20	5	1024	3 50
1	860	2 90	4	677	3 25	1	620	3 50
3	716	2 90	1	810	3 40	1	1090	3 50
1	1040	3 00	1	540	3 45	1	950	3 90
18	631	3 10	1	620	3 50	4	807	3 90
4	580	3 10						

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	1156	2 00	1	1400	2 60	1	1120	3 00
1	1130	2 25	1	1430	2 60	1	1460	3 10
1	1110	2 25	1	1240	2 65	1	1060	3 15
1	1210	2 50	1	1680	2 90	1	1040	3 35
19	1136	2 50	1	2240	2 85			

STAGS AND BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.
35	1041	3 30

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
5	376	2 75	1	90	4 00	34	360	4 20
4	350	3 25	5	394	4 30	1	130	5 25
1	370	3 50						

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
4	495	3 20	4	932	4 00	1	660	4 15
3	390	3 50	14	914	4 00	5	890	4 15
1	550	3 75	1	830	4 00	45	500	4 25
1	870	3 75	31	959	4 05	11	544	4 30
1	1070	3 75	9	925	4 10	1	430	4 30
43	436	3 75	3	853	4 10	1	460	4 30
1	530	3 75	9	794	4 15	1	390	4 35
2	945	3 85	21	736	4 15			

WESTERNS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1 feeder	1280	$2 75	89 feeders	775	$4 15
1 feeder	1000	3 00	25 feeders	642	4 20
1 feeder	820	3 35	36 feeders	628	4 35
28 feeders	963	3 95			

COLORADO.

1 bull	1250	3 00	79 feeders	644	4 20
1 feeder	710	3 00			

IDAHO.

1 bull	1470	2 50	16 feeders	1098	4 65
1 feeder	810	3 00	26 feeders	819	4 25
2 heifers	900	3 20	13 feeders	715	4 25

HOGS—The hog market was not the kind that salesmen like to see and still there was no very decided change in values. The chief cause of dissatisfaction was the lack of snap and vim which was a characteristic of the market from start to finish.

At the opening hogs sold at about steady prices, that is largely at $4, with a $4.05 top. After about half of the hogs had changed hands the trade came to a standstill, and the last end was very slow. A lower provision market and the prospect of large receipts for the morrow made the heaviest packers rather bearish. They would take the hogs, but they wanted them at easier prices, while salesmen were not inclined to make any concession. In the end everything sold, the late sales being mostly at $3.95.

The week opens with the market close to 20c higher than it was at the opening of the previous week, and over 30c higher than it was Monday two weeks ago. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
10	301	...	$3 90	65	310	80	$4 00
18	295	160	3 90	52	285	40	4 00
10	252	...	3 92½	57	266	80	4 00
83	255	40	3 95	83	213	...	4 00
52	310	80	[illegible]	69	262	...	4 00
69	276	80	[illegible]	65	255	...	4 00
59	290	80	[illegible]	60	298	80	4 00
47	359	...	[illegible]	64	272	120	4 00
76	259	80	[illegible]	61	252	...	4 00
60	224	120	[illegible]	66	255	...	4 00
79	227	160	[illegible]	62	261	...	4 00
69	259	120	[illegible]	28	242	80	4 00
66	265	...	[illegible]	84	227	...	4 02½
62	277	...	[illegible]	76	187	...	4 05
66	290	80	[illegible]				

PIGS—ODDS AND ENDS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
1	460	...	[illegible]	5	312	...	3 95
5	292	...	[illegible]	5	274	...	3 95
4	382	...	[illegible]	5	310	...	3 95
6	186	...	[illegible]	4	137	...	4 00

SHEEP—Receipts of sheep were light and all sold quickly at steady prices. Representative sales:

No		Av.	Pr.
1	buck	220	$3 50
2	western ewes	145	3 50
382	western ewes	112	3 50
870	western ewes	93	3 50

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, March 22.—BEEVES—Receipts, 22,510 head; fairly active and generally steady; little firmer for good steers; all sold; native steers, $4.35@4.95; stags and oxen, $2.00@4.00; bulls, $2.95@3.75; dry cows, $1.90@3.35. Cables quote American steers at 11@12c; sheep at 11@12c; refrigerator beef at 9@10c.

SHEEP—Receipts, 5,157 head; a little firmer all around; all sold; sheep, $3.00@4.45.

HOGS—Receipts, 11,301 head; higher at $4.20@4.45.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, March 22.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,500 head; market steady on good grades and a shade off on others; fancy export steers, $5.00@5.25; native shipping steers, $4.00@5.00; steers under 1,000 pounds, $3.40@4.15; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4.25; cows and heifers, $2.25@4.60; Texas steers, $2.75@4.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,000 head; market 5c higher; light, $3.95@4.10; mixed, $3.70@4.10; heavy, $3.65@4.20.

SHEEP—Receipts, 4,000 head; market slow; native muttons, $3.50@4.25; lambs, $4.50@5.40.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, March 22.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,500 head; shipments, 800 head; market strong to 10c higher; Texas steers, $3.00@4.25; Texas cows, $2.00@3.65; native steers, $3.15@5.10; native cows and heifers, $1.50@3.75; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4.60; bulls, $1.50@3.55.

HOGS—Receipts, 5,700 head; shipments, 400 head; market strong to 10c higher; bulk of sales, $4.00@4.10; heavies, $4.00@4.17½; packers, $3.85@4.10; mixed, $4.00@4.17½; lights, $3.75@4.05; Yorkers, $4.00@4.05; pigs, $3.20@3.75.

SHEEP—Receipts, 6,100 head; shipments, 100 head; market steady; lambs, $4.00@4.70; muttons, $3.25@4.10.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Cattle Mostly Slow—Hogs Generally Steady—Sheep Stronger.

CHICAGO, March 22.—There was a fair trade in cattle. The best grades sold well, but common and fairly good lightweights were rather slow. Sales were on a basis of from $3.70 to $4 for the poorest native dressed beef steers, up to from $5 to $5.40 for choice to prime cattle. The bulk of the sales occurred at from $4.25 to $4.90. Butchers' cattle were active and steady and canners sold fairly well at the late decline.

Trade in hogs started off actively at an advance of about 2½c, but the improvement was lost a little later, as buyers refused to pay the higher figures. The offerings were well taken at an extreme range of from $3.75 to $4.25, the bulk of the hogs bringing from $4.15 to $4.20.

Prices for sheep were stronger and from 10c to 15c higher under the influence of an active local and shipping demand. Common to prime flocks of sheep were wanted at from $3 to $4.60, western fed selling at from $3.50 to $4.50. Lambs sold actively at from $3.85 to $5.50, Colorados selling up to $5.40.

Receipts: Cattle, 17,000 head; hogs, 21,000 head; sheep, 17,000 head.

Stock in Sight.

Record of receipts of live stock at the four principal markets for March 22:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha	1,781	1,838	1,257
Chicago	17,000	21,000	17,000
Kansas City	2,500	5,800	6,000
St. Louis	2,500	5,000	4,000
Totals	23,781	33,638	28,257

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, March 22.—WHEAT—Spot, quiet; demand poor; No. 2 red, winter, nothing quoted; No. 2 red, spring, 6s 3½d; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, nothing quoted; No. 1 California, 6s 3½d. Futures opened steady and closed quiet, with near and distant positions ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; March, 6s 2d; May, 6s 2¼d; July, 6s 2¼d.

CORN—Spot, easy; American mixed, new, 2s 8d. Futures opened steady and closed quiet, with near and distant positions ¼d lower; business about equally distributed; March, 2s 7¾d; April, 2s 8d; May, 2s 8¾d; June, 2s 9¼d; July, 2s 10d.

FLOUR—Quiet; St. Louis, fancy winter, 18s 6d.

PROVISIONS—Bacon, firm; demand fair; Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., 29s; short ribs, 20 to 24 lbs., 28s 6d; long clear, light, 35 to 38 lbs., 27s 6d; long clear, heavy, 40 to 45 lbs., 27s; short clear backs, light, 18 lbs., 27s; short clear middles, heavy, 45 to 50 lbs., 25s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 29s 6d. Shoulders, square, 12 to 18 lbs., 24s. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., 43s. Tallow, fine North American, 18s 3d. Beef, extra India mess, 56s 3d; prime mess, 47s 6d. Pork, prime mess, fine western, 48s 9d; medium western, 43s 9d. Lard, steady; prime western, 22s 3d; refined, in pails, 24s 6d.

CHEESE—Firm; demand moderate; finest American, white and colored, 57s 6d.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 90s; good, 55s.

OILS—Turpentine spirits, 21s. Petroleum, refined, 6¼d. Linseed, 15s. Naphtha, 6¼d.

REFRIGERATOR BEEF—Forequarters, 4⅛d; hindquarters, 5⅞d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), £2 15s.

London Colonial Wool Sales.

LONDON, March 22.—The wool sales were continued today with a good attendance. The American buyers purchased a good selection of crossbreds at extreme rates and their total purchases for the day were 3,500 bales. Prices ruled firm, with faulty stock not received there. The offerings amounted to 16,000 bales, and of this number 1,000 bales were withdrawn. Sales in detail: New South Wales, 6,046 bales; scoured, 3¾d; greasy, 4½d. Queensland, 1,145 bales; scoured, 11½d; greasy, 4½d. Victoria, 2,500 bales; scoured, 8½d; greasy, 5½@6d. South Australia, 1,118 bales; scoured, 1s 1d; greasy, 4@4½d. New Zealand, 349 bales; scoured, 11½d; greasy, 5¾d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 119 bales; scoured, 7½d; greasy, 4½@7¼d.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 22.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Bulwer	30	Ontario	900
Chollar	110	Ophir	85
Crown Point	18	Plymouth	18
Con. Cal. & Va	110	Quicksilver	100
Deadwood	165	Quicksilver pfd	1000
Gould & Curry	28	Sierra Nevada	200
Hale & Norcross	82	Standard	165
Homestake	2000	Union Con	25
Iron Silver	35	Yellow Jacket	25
Mexican	25		

Sugar Markets.

LONDON, March 22.—SUGAR—Cane, dull; little demand; centrifugal Java, 11s; Muscovado, fair refining, 9s. Beet, dull and irregular; March, 9s 3d; April, 9s 3½d.

NEW YORK, March 22.—SUGAR—Raw, firm; sales, 9,500 bags centrifugal, 96 test, 3 5-16c, ex-shipment; 300 tons Muscovado, 89 test, 2 15-16c; molasses, 89 test, 2 11-16c, ex-shipment. Refined, firm; crushed, 5⅛c; powdered, 4⅞c; granulated, 4⅝c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, March 22.—CORN—Market firm; new No. 2, 22½c.

OATS—Market quiet and firm; No. 2 white, 20½c.

WHISKY—Market steady; finished goods on the basis of $1.17 for high wines.

RECEIPTS—Corn, 100,850 bu.; oats, 31,200 bu.; rye, none; whisky, 75 bbls.; wheat, none.

SHIPMENTS—Corn, 6,450 bu.; oats, 42,700 bu.; rye, none; whisky, 225 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Although many orders were at hand for more or less assortments of all classes of goods, the general demand was not up to the corresponding day of last week, and on the whole, cotton grades were quiet, though for foreign manufactures, flannels and blankets, the inquiry was well maintained.

Toledo Markets.

TOLEDO, March 22.—WHEAT—Lower and weak; No. 2 cash, 93½c; May, 95c.

CORN—Lower and active; No. 2 mixed, 24½c.

OATS—Dull but steady; No. 2 mixed, 18c.

RYE—Quiet; March 27½c.

CLOVER SEED—Active.

Wool Markets.

NEW YORK, March 22.—WOOL—Steady; fleece, 16@20c; pulled, 15@20c.

ST. LOUIS, March 22.—WOOL—Unchanged.

Oil City Markets.

OIL CITY, March 22.—Credit balances, 92c; certificates, no bids; shipments, 175,837 bbls.; runs, 172,394 bbls.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., March 22.—BUTTER—Steady; offerings, 1,836 tubs; sales, 810 tubs at 18c; 1,026 tubs at 18⅛c.

San Francisco Wheat Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 22.—WHEAT—Inactive; December, $1.16¼; May, $1.34⅛.

Financial Notes.

BOSTON, March 22.—Clearings, $11,702,336; balances, $1,448,293.

BALTIMORE, March 22.—Clearings, $1,905,013; balances, $319,902.

NEW YORK, March 22.—Clearings, $65,195,764; balances, $5,626,678.

PHILADELPHIA, March 22.—Clearings, $6,977,923; balances, $1,348,943.

ST. LOUIS, March 22.—Clearings, $4,738,606; balances, $628,763. Money, 5@7 per cent. New York exchange, 25c premium bid; 50c premium asked.

CHICAGO, March 22.—Clearings, $12,116,681. New York exchange, 25@30c discount bid. Foreign exchange, firm; demand, $4.87¼; sixty days, $4.85⅝.

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, March 22.—Exchange on London, eight days' sight, 20 marks 37½ pfg.

LONDON, March 22.—Gold is quoted at Buenos Ayres today at 209.30; Lisbon, 44; Rome, 105.60.

PARIS, March 22.—Three per cent rentes, 102f 47½c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 16c for checks.

SUPREME COURT SYLLABI.

Affholder against State ex rel McMullen. Error from Burt county. Affirmed. Opinion by Commissioner Ragan.

Section 11, article iii, of the constitution should be so liberally construed as to admit of the insertion in a legislative act of all provisions which, though not specifically expressed in the title, are comprehended within the objects and purposes of the act as expressed in its title; and to admit all provisions which are germane and not foreign to the provisions of the act as expressed in its title.

2. Chapter 46, session laws of 1891, contains no subject that is not germane to the object of the act as expressed in its title; and therefore does not violate the provisions of section 11, article iii, of the constitution that "no bill shall contain more than one subject and that the same shall be clearly expressed in its title."

3. Said act is complete in itself and does not violate the requirement of section 11, article iii, of the constitution, that, "no law shall be amended unless the new act contain the section or sections so amended and the section or sections so amended shall be repealed."

Wilson against City National Bank. Error from Buffalo county. Reversed. Opinion by Commissioner Ragan.

Within the meaning of section 314 of the Code of Civil Procedure a judgment is contrary to law when the finding on which it is based is not responsive to the issues made by the pleadings.

2. A plaintiff in replevin alleged in his petition that he was the owner and entitled to the immediate possession of the property; the answer was a general denial, all the plaintiff's evidence tended to show that he had a special interest in or lien upon the property replevined and the court so found. Held: (1) That the evidence was irrelevant under the issues; (2) That the finding did not respond to the issues; (3) That the judgment based on such findings was contrary to law.

Beck against State. Error from Otoe county. Reversed and remanded. Opinion by Commissioner Irvine.

In a criminal case it is error to instruct that the burden of proof is upon the accused to establish an alibi by a preponderance of the evidence. Casey against State, 68 N. W. Rep., 643, followed.

2. Where the law is incorrectly stated in one instruction, the error is not cured by another which correctly states the law upon the same subject.

Flanders against Lyon & Healey. Error from Douglas county. Reversed and remanded. Opinion by Commissioner Irvine.

In a replevin suit where the plaintiff has taken the property it is error to permit a stranger to be substituted for the original plaintiff over the defendant's objection.

Woodbridge against Dewitt. Error from Douglas county. Affirmed. Opinion by Commissioner Irvine.

The ordinary rules of pleading do not apply in replevin. A party may prove fraud under general allegations of ownership and right of possession.

2. The foregoing rule applies equally to intervenors in a replevin suit.

3. The doctrine that the negligence of a party in signing a writing estops him from afterwards urging that it does not contain the true agreement of the parties, is not applicable in a suit between the original parties thereto or their privies, where the party seeking enforcement practiced fraud or deception in order to induce the other to sign without reading.

4. An assignment that the court erred in permitting the introduction of evidence must specifically designate the ruling complained of.

Slater against Skirving. Appeal from Holt county. Affirmed. Opinion by Commissioner Irvine.

There is a difference between the effect of a judgment as a bar or estoppel against the prosecution of a second action upon the same claim or demand, and its effect as an estoppel in another action upon a different claim or cause of action. In the former case a judgment on the merits constitutes an absolute bar to a subsequent action, not only as to every matter offered and received to sustain or defeat the claim, but as to any other admissible matter which might have been offered for that purpose. But where the second action is upon a different claim or demand, a judgment in the prior action operates as an estoppel only as to those matters in issue upon the determination of which the finding or verdict was rendered. Cromwell against Sac county, 94 U. S., 351, followed.

2. Where the record leaves it uncertain as to what issues were adjudicated, extrinsic evidence is admissible in another action for a different object to show on what issue or issues the first case was determined. But extrinsic evidence is not admissible to contradict the record.

3. A party may not present issues for determination and avoid the effect of an estoppel by withholding proof thereof.

4. Therefore, where a plaintiff alleges several facts the proof of any one of which entitles him to judgment and there is a general finding against him, it will be conclusively presumed that each fact so averred was determined against him.

5. Judgment by default was rendered against A and others. At a subsequent term they filed a petition under section 602 to vacate the judgment on the ground that it had been irregularly obtained, that the petition stated no cause of action, and that it had been procured through a fraud upon the jurisdiction of the court. This petition was dismissed on a general finding against petitioners. They then brought an original action to enjoin against the enforcement of the judgment on the ground that it was void, alleging the same matters. Held: That each of the matters pleaded in the former proceedings being pertinent to such a proceeding, the judgment in that case made them res judicatae here.

6. Where a defendant is in default, the allegations of the petition are to be taken as true against him, except allegations of value and amount of damage, and if the petition states a cause of action the plaintiff is entitled to judgment without proof, except as to the quantum of damages.

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company against Gardiner. Error from Adams county. Affirmed. Opinion by Commissioner Ryan.

An instruction which, though technically inaccurate in some respects, nevertheless, correctly states the principles really involved. Held: Not prejudicially erroneous.

2. A limitation of the liability of a common carrier contained in a shipping contract will not be recognized or enforced in this state, though valid in the state where made when such attempted restriction of liability is illegal and contrary to the public policy of this state.

Searching for General Fullerton.

OAKLAND, Md., March 22.—The search for the body of General Fullerton of St. Louis, who was killed in the railroad accident Saturday, was resumed this morning. The searching party was reinforced by a party of ten expert river men from Baltimore. This makes about 150 men engaged in the work on the Pullman car in which General Fullerton met his death and under which he is thought to be lying. Up to midday not a trace of the remains has been found.

THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS MISSING.

Secretary of a Chicago Building and Loan Association Also Missing.

CHICAGO, March 22.—President Julius Brieske of the Christopher Columbus Building and Loan association states that David J. Sachsel has left Chicago and that his accounts are being investigated by a committee of ten stockholders. President Brieske declared there was evidence to believe that the missing official would be called upon to explain why from $40,000 to $60,000 of the association's funds was not in sight. Mr. Sachsel appears to have left Chicago on Tuesday last. His wife says that he has gone into the country to raise some money. Those interested in the concern are largely laboring people employed in the vicinity of Deering.

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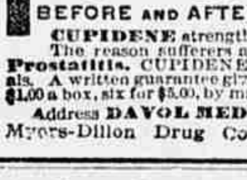

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