

WAITING HINDERS BUSINESS

Feeling of Uncertainty Injures All Kinds of Trade.

LITTLE DANGER OF A PANIC ENSUING

Financial Condition of the Country is Better Than for Many Years, with a Remarkable Decrease in Futures.

NEW YORK, March 25.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade will say in tomorrow's issue:

A waiting state of things always hinders business to some extent. With more than \$200,000,000 gold received or on its way since this movement began, with ample bank reserves and treasury reserves, and a redemption of notes in all ways nearly a third smaller than in February, with not so stringency in the money market, and sterling exchange at a premium, the volume of business at clearing houses outside of New York larger than in 1902 by 6.9 per cent this month, and with failures nearly 20 per cent smaller than last year and 62 per cent smaller than in the same month of 1902.

There is not much visible ground for panic, even if earnest efforts should fail to keep pace with honor.

Warlike reports come every day, and stock operators make the most of them, and yet the average price of railroad stocks ago today, \$33.75, against \$32.20 two weeks ago today. Nor have industrial operations perceptibly suffered except where extraordinary buying for some weeks past has made necessary a pause for breath, so to speak, or where unattractive prices had caused a halt before the destruction of the Maine.

Some decrease in the volume of business is expected with war apparently near, but as yet scarcely any indication of decrease for that reason is seen.

It is difficult to take dim views when the nation is surpassing all records in marketing products. At least \$2,000,000 bushels for the week have been 2,160,825 bushels, against 1,272,230 bushels last year, and in four weeks 8,704 bushels, four months ago against 5,105,425 bushels last year, with Pacific exports 4,232,002 bushels, against 390,242 bushels last year, an increase of 10.25 per cent, and the heavy shipments and quotations for export are having a constant influence.

Corn has declined only a small fraction, with exports not a sixth lower than a year ago to date.

Cotton has fallen a sixteenth in spite of large exports, because sales of fertilizers and other commodities indicate a prospect of average this year will be less than was expected. Domestic exports from New York in two weeks have reached \$24,000,000, over \$100,000,000 for the month and \$240,000,000 over imports. In such conditions no stringency in money is needed to bring money tight.

Sales of wool have been only 11,411,000 pounds in three weeks at the three chief markets, against 46,000,000 pounds last year, and quotations are yielding, with sales of old wool 1/2 to 1 cent below current quotations for clothing and for blankets, but in proportion to orders smaller than for five years past, and find natural explanation in an advance of prices greater in some lines than in others, and in the fact that the mills are nearly all full of orders for some months to come, and rather more demand for goods is seen since colder weather appeared.

Cotton mills at Fall River still increase their accumulated stocks, about 2,000 pieces, and print cloths have declined to 2 1/2 cents, the lowest quotation on record. Some print cloths indicate a prospect of being firm and the better grades of dress goods are sold well ahead.

The iron and steel market is more fully employed than ever before in its history, and although production of Bessemer pig iron is beyond all past records, and orders and bills are still bought in open market by some of the largest producers. Other pig iron is being produced in the east, and appears in finished products, especially sheet plates at the east, but for these the demand at Chicago is enormous. Orders for agricultural implement materials, pending orders for cars covering 50 to 200,000 each.

The structural demand during the first quarter was 80 per cent larger than in the same quarter any previous year, and it is said the demand for steel for the first quarter was 125 per cent larger than in the same quarter any previous year, and it is said the demand for steel for the first quarter was 125 per cent larger than in the same quarter any previous year.

Secret Orders Entertain. A very enjoyable theatrical entertainment was given by the foresters of Omaha on the 25th inst. at the Woodmen Circle, No. 120, Modern Woodmen of America, Inc. The play given, "The Woodman," was the parts of which were played by the members of the club. The entertainment was a success in every particular. The attendance was very large and the proceeds were \$1,000.

Don't Judge Justice's Jurisdiction. John E. Wagner has brought suit against the Board of Public Works, asking for \$1,000,000 damages for the loss of his property. The case is now pending in the district court.

No Reason to Hold Douglas. Samuel S. Douglas, who is wanted in Oklahoma, and who was arrested, and who afterward applied for a writ of habeas corpus, has been released. The court found that there were not sufficient grounds for holding the man. Douglas said that he was ready and willing to return to Oklahoma.

Arrested for Petty Larceny. Isaac Catlin, 13 years old, was arrested last night for petty larceny. He was discovered by the watchman at the express store in carrying away some copper trimmings.

District Court Notes. The case of Mary A. Kerr, Thomas against the supreme court, was argued. Alexander was dismissed, the defendant paying \$1,500 in full settlement of the \$2,000 claim.

The case of Anna Meredith against the City of Omaha has been decided in the courts. The holding being that the grading tax levied on the property is a lien. The plaintiff is to pay the tax, less the interest and penalty. The city pays the costs.

L. A. Mable is on trial in the criminal court, charged with the murder of Alexander Stephens. The man reside in South Omaha and last July they had some trouble over a horse trade. Stephens struck Mable over the head with a club, inflicting serious injuries.

WEEKLY CLEARING HOUSE TOTALS.

Aggregate of Business Transactions by the Associated Banks.

NEW YORK, March 25.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at eighty-seven cities for the week ended March 21, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year.

Table with columns: CITIES, Amount, Inc., Dec. Lists cities like New York, Boston, Chicago, St. Louis, Philadelphia, etc.

DOMINION OF CANADA. Montreal, \$12,173,038; Toronto, \$10,502,000; Winnipeg, \$4,000,000; Hamilton, \$2,000,000; St. John, N. B., \$1,000,000.

Have You Gold Fever? If so you want a good map of Alaska and the gold fields. Have you seen the beautiful map issued by The Bee? It is very complete. On sale at news stands and at the office for 10 cents.

Bids on Grading. The Board of Public Works opened seven bids yesterday for the job of grading half a mile of the main street of the city. The lowest bid was \$1,000.

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LOOMIS LOSES BY ONE BIRD

Leaders Drop Out One by One Till Only Two Are Left.

OMAHA MAN MISSES TWENTY-THIRD BIRD

Frank Parmelee Shoots a One-Hundred Bird Contest with Captain Brewer and Wins with Four to Spare.

NEW YORK, March 25.—E. D. Fulford of Utica, N. Y., won the Grand American handicap shoot at Elkwood Park, N. J., today, with forty-eight straight kills by his credit. His work throughout the contest was faultless.

Last evening nine men had tied with twenty-five kills each, and after they divided the money they agreed to shoot off for the silver cup, which was the trophy offered by the Interstate association for the winner of the big event.

There was scarcely a breath of wind blowing when the shooters were called to their marks, the first round ending with seven men standing straight. All these shooters killed the birds up to the fourth round, and the only miss recorded in that time was a bird that died out of bounds after R. O. Heikes had hit it.

T. R. Ladin of Rock Island failed to hit his seventh bird, then "Jim Jones" of Philadelphia missed and had to retire; "Walters" lost his tenth bird.

Fulford and Loomis went straight ahead until the latter missed his twenty-third bird, thus leaving Fulford standing alone as winner of the Grand American handicap, with forty-eight straight kills.

Immediately after the Grand American handicap was finished Frank S. Parmelee of Omaha, Neb., tackled Captain Jack Brewer in a contest of 100 birds each. The western man proved to be by far the cleverer and won out with a score of ninety-four kills against ninety made by Captain Brewer.

Dr. J. G. Knowlton of this city was the next to face the trap. He shot a match of twenty-five birds, against T. A. Marshall of Kirtland, Ill., and won with a score of twenty-four kills against twenty-two.

Several other sweepstakes and "miss and out" contests were decided during the afternoon, but none of them proved to be of any importance, as the entries were few, and several times split up the money without much advantage to the shooters.

Strong and Armstrong Box. PHILADELPHIA, March 25.—(Special Telegram)—Strong and Armstrong of Chicago boxed six rounds at the Arena tonight. Armstrong, who is about six inches taller than his opponent, won the contest by a decision. The fight was very tight, but the work on both sides was very light. No decision was announced.

Indians Want a Game. A. L. Truedell, manager of the Pine Ridge Indian Base Ball club, is in the city trying to arrange games with some local team for April 3 and 4. The team is made up of the Indians from the various agencies in the west and is reputed to play good ball. It is on its way for an eastern tour.

England's Great Steeplechase Event. LIVERPOOL, March 25.—The Grand National steeplechase, the grand event of its kind in the world, was held at Aintree, near here today, and was won by the favorite, Cannon, trained by G. M. Stewart. The race was a very close one, and the winner was not expected.

Sports Are Postponed. LONDON, March 25.—The Oxford and Cambridge rowing races were postponed indefinitely today on account of bad weather.

INDIC BROOKLYN CITY OFFICERS. Nine of them charged with looting the treasury. NEW YORK, March 25.—Nine former republican officeholders of Brooklyn were indicted today. All of the men have been indicted for looting the treasury of the city.

These are the men under indictment: William A. Phillips, republican police commissioner of the city of New York, indicted on a charge of receiving \$1,000 on a contract; Theodore B. Willis, former city works commissioner of Brooklyn, indicted jointly with Commissioner Phillips on a charge of receiving \$1,000 on a contract; Frederick Milne, inspector in the old city works department, three indictments, accusing him of auditing fraudulent bills; bail fixed at \$10,000.

A. T. Janson, former bond clerk in the comptroller's office, indicted, charged with taking a fee of \$150 for an official act for which there was no fee; admitted to \$4,000 bail.

William Leaycraft, alderman, indicted, charged with conspiracy to pass a resolution in the former Board of Aldermen for which he received a bribe.

Joseph R. Clarke, former president of the Brooklyn common council, indicted on a charge of conspiracy jointly with Alderman Leaycraft.

William H. Goff, former superintendent of sewers, indicted on a charge of accepting a fee for an official act for which there was no fee.

The Weekly Bee and New York Tribune for 90 cents a year. You can have the Weekly Bee sent back to the old home and advertise the west and the exposition and have the Tribune sent to your address. Give your order to a carrier or leave at this office.

RAILROADS ARE ON EASY STREET

Not Worried by the Prospective Outcome of the Tibbles Case.

The announcement that the State Board of Transportation has fixed another hearing of the Tibbles case against various railroads of the state because of unreasonably high charges for April 1 is not causing any perceptible amount of worry among the leading railroad officials of this city. Either they are confident that the State Board of Transportation is not going to push the revived case against the railroads very hard, or else they believe that they have such a strong defense to meet the charges of high freight rates that the plaintiff will not stand much chance to win out in his fight against the railroads.

The railroads have decided on the line of defense that they will pursue. All the railroads of the state will stand together on the same argument. The facts have already been decided upon. The defense will mainly consist of the argument that the suit that Tibbles now seeks to reopen is outlawed by the statute of limitations. The argument of the railroads companies is to the effect that this case was allowed to lapse so long during the pending of the Nebraska maximum rate case before the United States supreme court that it cannot now be taken up by the State Board of Transportation, but that an entirely new case will have to be prepared. It is considered likely that the latter course may then be adopted by the plaintiff.

The hearing will take place at Lincoln, and is still ten days off. Some new developments in the situation may arise in the meantime, but unless they do the program above outlined will be carried out. The State Board of Transportation is unofficially cognizant of this fact. Railroad men, whose position entitles their opinions to be credibly received, are firm in their belief that the hearing will not result in great distress to Fulford and his associates. The action of the legislature, which was also somewhat feared by the railroads just after the announcement of the United States supreme court's decision in the Nebraska case, is not so unfortunate. This statement is made upon the very best authority.

EXTRA FARE FOR FAST TRAINS. One Dollar for Day Coaches and Four Dollars for Pullman. CHICAGO, March 25.—Chairman Caldwell of the Western Passenger association, who is the arbitrated arbitrator of the question whether an excess fare should be charged on the fast trains put on between Chicago and Denver by the Burlington and the Northwestern and the Union Pacific, has decided that on the fast trains an excess fare of \$1 shall be charged all passengers who use the day coaches and \$4 for all passengers who ride in the sleeping cars.

He has decided that the extra fare shall apply to all westbound business originating or passing through Chicago, or to those for points within the state of Colorado. Excess fares shall apply to all business originating within the state of Colorado and passing through Chicago, or to those for points in Colorado. The decision is to become effective on April 1.

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UNITED STATES SENATOR PRITCHARD

Mrs. Pritchard Got Entire Relief from Rheumatism by Use of Paine's Celery Compound

United States Senats, WASHINGTON, D. C. I found Paine's Celery Compound an excellent remedy for Rheumatism. With but a few doses I am myself running down again. I shall certainly give it another trial, and will in the mean time recommend it to every one needing it.

Washington D. C. Mrs. Pritchard, Ed. Bee. Burlington Vermont. 1820 I St. A. W.

Senator Pritchard of North Carolina became prominent in the co-operative movement in North Carolina, the success of which resulted in his election to the U. S. Senate to fill the term of the late Senator Z. B. Vance. He was re-elected to the Senate in 1887. Mrs. Pritchard's testimonial to her faith in Paine's celery compound is reproduced above. Below is a testimonial received from the wife of U. S. Senator Warren of Wyoming, whose distinguished services for the country's best farming interests are so well known.

"I was persuaded to try your Paine's celery compound in the early spring, when in a very run down condition. The duties devolving upon the wife of an official in public life are naturally very exhausting, and I was tired out and nervous when I commenced using the remedy. I take pleasure in testifying to the great benefit I received from its use, and can truthfully say that I am in almost perfect health again. If I ever find myself running down again, I shall certainly give it another trial, and will in the mean time recommend it to every one needing it." It is now time, if ever, to get health and strength.

Nothing should now interfere with building up weakened nerves and purifying the blood. Now is the time of year when rheumatism and neuralgia must be cured, when debility and nervousness must be checked, when health must be made—if one hopes ever to get well. It is not that rheumatism, neuralgia, indigestion, and kidney troubles are hard to cure—Paine's celery compound has made a host of sufferers well—but people make themselves chronic invalids by neglecting the early symptoms of disease. Thousands of lives that are now fast wearing out would be prolonged if Paine's celery compound were in each instance used to stop those ominous gains over the kidneys, to build up the run-down, nervous strength, and cure permanently those more and more frequently recurring attacks of headache and indigestion.



LETTER AND ARMOUR JOIN ISSUES. Between Them They Hope to Control the Wheat Market. CHICAGO, March 25.—A rumor was current on the Board of Trade today to the effect that Armour and Letter had patched up a truce in the wheat pit to which P. B. Weard was also a party. Mr. Letter said: "I will neither deny nor confirm the rumor of any amicable arrangement between me, Armour and Weard. I will not discuss the matter."

Mr. Armour said: "I have nothing to say about any agreement. The reason why wheat is not coming here from the north is because of the spread between the market here and here will not allow it to come. The advance in rail rates has made it impossible to work wheat on the old differential. When the market set right you will see the wheat come if it is in the country."

Mr. Weard also denied knowledge of any combination and if market exactness is evidence the story was discredited by the trade. Purchase of Chlorination Plant. RALPH CITY, S. D., March 25.—(Special Telegram)—Colonel M. H. Day has bought J. W. Nesmith, president of the Colorado Iron Works, here from Denver, it is announced that the chlorination plant, which has been idle for several years, has been purchased by the Denver company, representing J. A. Nesmith. The plant will be repaired immediately. It is also announced that the same company will erect a 250 ton smelter.

Missouri Rises at Pierre. PIERRE, S. D., March 25.—(Special Telegram)—The river last evening was at almost low water mark, but during the night a foot rise came and a large amount of ice is coming down today, making crossing difficult.

Looks more like war than ever—we may have to go—then what would you do about those teeth that need a dentist's attention so much?—It looks as though it would be better for you to come up now while we're home—the elevator will bring you up to the third floor—it won't take us very long to make a practical examination of your teeth—we do that free—it may be filling will answer—our small gold ones are \$2.00—silver and gold alloy \$1.00—if they have to come out we'll pull them at 50c—no gas—no pain—and furnish a set of thin elastic plates for \$10.00—best teeth made—Lady attendant.

Drexel Shoe Co., Omaha's Up-to-date Shoe House. 1419 FARNAM STREET. It don't make any difference what the weather man says—we're at the time of year when gardens must be attended to—we've everything that goes to till the soil in first class shape—spades—rakes—hoes—all at the nowadays popular cash prices—we also have a complete line of builders' hardware—no matter how large or how small the job you're going to do—it will pay you to get figures—especially our figures—we've saved lots of money for our people—why shouldn't we for you?—Our stock is large and complete in all details—no fear but that we have what you want.

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The Aloe & Penfold Co. Largest Retail Drug House. 1406 Farnam Street, OMAHA. In the spring a young man's fancy turns to thoughts of a good blood purifier—to rid the system of impurities and prevent an outbreak of skin eruptions—of some annoying skin eruption—if he is wise he will try one of the many excellent blood purifiers we sell and can recommend—they will cleanse the system and purify the blood—and make your complexion clear with the spring roses and lilies—our prescription department is in charge of competent registered pharmacists—open day and night.

