# COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

## Liverpool Steadiness and New York Export Sales Support Wheat Market.

## CORN MARKET IS SLOW AND HEAVY

### Oats Market Firm—Provisions Open Steady Because Hog Receipts Are Under Estimate, but Turn Weak on Commission Liquidation.

CHICAGO, March 1.—The steadiness of Liverpool and a New York report of liberal export sales were a support to the wheat market today. May closing firm, ½c over yesterday, at 65¼@65⅜c. May corn closed ⅛c lower and May oats a shade up. At the close provisions were steady, unchanged to ⅛c higher.

A splurge of activity, due to the report from New York that 46 loadloads of wheat had been taken for export, was the only incident to break the monotony of trading in the wheat pit today. It was a day, generally speaking, of covering by shorts, with the underlone steady because of the steadiness of Liverpool in the face of the slump here yesterday. The abrupt curtailment of the Liverpool session was something of a damper on activity in the local pit. The fight was waged around 65c for May. This option opened a shade over yesterday at 65⅛c, touched 65⅝c and then sold off to 64⅞c. At 65c some wheat came out on stopless orders. On covering by shorts the market steadied and fluctuated narrowly till near the end. The report that 46 loads had been taken for export advanced May to 65⅝c before further reports less bullish concerning the foreign sales arrived. The market then reacted to 65¼c and shortly afterward closed firm. May ⅛c over yesterday at 65⅛@65⅜c. Atlantic port clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 47,000 bu. Primary receipts were 526,000 bu., compared with 580,000 bu. last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 530 cars, against 409 a year ago. Local receipts were 30 cars, none of contract grade.

In the corn market the selling pressure and the demand were arrayed against each other, apparently, to see which could be the more indifferent. The result was a slow and heavy market. Country offerings were small, but so was the export demand. The open reduction in eastern freight rates was taken indifferently. Receipts here were 451 cars, 75 cars over the estimate. May ranged from 35c at the opening to 34⅞c and closed ⅛c down at 34⅞@34⅞c.

The oats market was firm, helped by the reduction in freight rates, as much of the oats business is for interior points. Trade was quiet. Local receipts were 100 cars, 35 cars over the estimate. May ranged from 25⅛c to 25⅛c and closed a shade improved from yesterday at 25⅛@25⅛c.

Provisions opened steady because hog receipts were under the estimate, but turned weak on commission house liquidation. Later in the day the general demand improved, packers buying, and the market rallied sharply. On the bulge there was the usual profit taking, which took off the edge of the advance, but the close was steady. May pork ranged from $10.45 to $10.60 and closed unchanged at $10.55; May lard, from $6.77½ to $6.85@6.87½, closing 2½@5c up at $6.85, and May ribs, from $5.72½ to $5.82½, with the close 5c improved at $5.80@5.82½.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 18 cars; corn, 200 cars; oats, 100 cars; hogs, 12,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

| Articles. | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yes'y. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Wheat | | | | | |
| Mch. | ..... | ..... | ..... | 64⅞ | 63⅞ |
| May. | 65⅛@⅛ | 65⅝ | 64⅞ | 65⅛@⅜ | 65⅛@⅛ |
| July. | 66⅛@⅛ | 66⅝@⅝ | 65⅞ | 66⅛ | 66⅛@66⅛ |
| *Corn— | | | | | |
| Mch. | ..... | ..... | ..... | 33⅞ | 33⅞ |
| May. | 35 | 35 | 34⅞ | 34⅞@⅞ | 34⅞@35 |
| July. | 35⅛@35⅛ | 35⅛ | 34⅞ | 34⅞ | 35 |
| Sept. | 35½ | 35½ | 35⅛@⅝ | 35⅛@⅝ | ..... |
| *Oats— | | | | | |
| May. | 23⅞ | 25⅛ | 23⅞ | 25⅛@⅛ | 23⅞ |
| July. | 22⅞ | 23⅞ | 22⅞ | 23⅞@⅞ | 22⅞@⅞ |
| Pork— | | | | | |
| May. | 10 55 | 10 60 | 10 45 | 10 55 | 10 55 |
| July. | 10 57½ | 10 65 | 10 50 | 10 62½ | 10 60 |
| Lard— | | | | | |
| May. | 5 82½ | 5 87½ | 5 77½ | 5 85 | 5 82½ |
| July. | 5 90 | 5 95 | 5 87½ | 5 92½ | 5 90 |
| Ribs— | | | | | |
| May. | 5 77½ | 5 82½ | 5 72½ | 5 82½ | 5 77½ |
| July. | 5 77½ | 5 85 | 5 75 | 5 82½ | 5 80 |

*No 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull; patents, $3.60@3.70; winter straights, $3.00@4.00; clears, $2.80@3.10; spring specials, $3.90; patents, $3.20@3.35; straights, $2.60@3.00; bakers, $2.00@2.40.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 61@65c; No. 2 red, 66⅞@68½c.

CORN—No. 2, 33½c; No. 2 yellow, 34c.

OATS—No. 2, 23@23½c; No. 2 white, 26c; No. 3 white, 25@28c.

RYE—No. 2, 59@55c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 29@43c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.60; prime timothy, $2.46; clover, contract grade, $8.25.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.60@10.65. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.65@5.75. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.65@5.95. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.25@6.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.90@6.00.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, on basis high wines, per gal., $1.21.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.66; granulated, $5.49. Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

| | Receipts. | Shipm'ts |
|---|---|---|
| Flour, bbls. | 57,000 | 63,000 |
| Wheat, bu. | 41,000 | 37,000 |
| Corn, bu. | 407,000 | 247,000 |
| Oats, bu. | 230,000 | 193,000 |
| Rye, bu. | 7,000 | 1,000 |
| Barley, bu. | 105,000 | 24,000 |

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was strong; creameries, 18@23½c; dairies, 15½@21c. Cheese, firm at 12@13c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 15½c.

## NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

### Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 1.—FLOUR—Receipts, 20,120 bbls.; exports, 2,976 bbls.; quieter than usual, but fairly steady and without changes; Minnesota patents, $3.85@4.10; Minnesota bakers, $2.90@3.05; winter patents, $3.65@3.85; winter straights, $3.40@3.55; winter extras, $2.60@2.90; winter low grades, $2.25@2.40. Rye flour, fair to good, $3.00@3.20; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.60. Buckwheat flour, steady at $1.70@1.80.

BUCKWHEAT—Firmer at 56@57c c. i. f. New York.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 58c; city, 58c; Brandywine, $2.20@2.30.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 61c f. o. b. afloat; state rye, 56@60c c. i. f. New York, car lots.

BARLEY—Weak; feeding, 43½@46½c; malting, dull at 51@55c. New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 21,900 bu.; exports, 23,980 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2 red, 73½c, elevator; No. 2 red, 75½c f. o. b. afloat, in store; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 77½c f. o. b afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 79½c f. o. b. afloat, prompt. Options opened firm on foreign demand and local buying, followed by a sharp setback under weak French cables, short selling, snow west and light clearances. In attempting to cover in the last hour, however, shorts prompted a quick rally and the close was steady at unchanged prices to ⅛c advance, helped also by a liberal export advance; March, 72½@73⅛c, closed at 73c; May, 71 5-16@71⅝c, closed at 71⅝c; July, 71 7-16@71 13-16c, closed at 71¾c; September, 71 7-16@71⅝c, closed at 71⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 77,025 bu.; exports, 46,897 bu.; spot, easy; No. 2, 41½c f. o. b afloat and 41¾c elevator. Options opened steady with wheat and on the idea that stormy weather west would curtail the movement; it subsequently eased off, however, under liquidation and closed easy at ⅛c net decline; May, 40¼@40⅜c, closed at 40⅛c; July closed at 40c.

OATS—Receipts, 50,900 bu.; exports, 200 bu.; spot, dull; No. 2, 28½c; No. 2, 28c; No. 2 white, 31½c; No. 3 white, 30½c; track, mixed western, 28@29c; track white, 31@35c. Options barely steady and quiet.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80@87½c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1898 crop, 6@8; 1898 crop, 70@8c; 1899 crop, 12@15c; Pacific coast, 1898 crop, 4@6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@15c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 15c; California, 11 to 25 lbs., 21½c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 25@25½c; acid, 23@25½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, dull; family, $11.00@13.00; mess, $10.00@10.50; beef hams, $20.50@21.00; packet, $11.00@11.75; city, extra India mess, $19.00@22.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $6.62½@7.50; pickled shoulders, $6; pickled hams, $8.00@10.50. Lard, firm; western steam, $6.15; February, $6.17½, nominal; refined steady; continent, $6.40; South America, $6.60; compound, $6.00@6.12½. Pork, firm; mess, $10.75@11.25; short clear, $12.00@13.25; family, $13.00@14.50. Tallow, firm; city, 5 7-16c; country, 5½@5⅝c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4@6½c; Japan, 4⅝@5c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 40@55c.

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy hand-picked, 4 @4½c; other domestics, 3½@4c.

METALS—Apart from the advance in tin from $32.50 to $33.00 today, there has been no quotable change in the market for metals, nor has there been a material improvement. Pig iron warrants ruled dull and easy; lake copper was quiet and unchanged at $16.25; lead, quiet at $4.70@4.75, and spelter quiet at $4.55@4.60. The broker price for lead is $4.45 and for copper $16.25.

## OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

### Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, light; fresh stock firm at 15c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Choice to fancy turkeys, 10@11c; ducks, 10c; geese, 10c; spring chickens, 8½@9c; hens, 8½@9c; roosters, 5@6c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 7@7½c; spring chickens, 10@12c; young, staggy and old roosters, 4@5c; ducks, 8c; geese, 8c; turkeys, 7½@8c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 15c; choice, 17@18c; separator, 20c; gathered creamery, 22@23c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 90c@1.00.

WILD GAME—Prairie chickens, 90@90c; mallards, $3.00@3.25; blue wing teal, $1.75; green wing teal, $1.25@1.50; mixed ducks, $1.50@2.00.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 18c; standards, per can, 22c; bulk standard, per gal., $1.25; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.00@1.75; New York counts, per can, 37c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $6; midland, choice, $5.50; lowland, choice, $5; rye straw, choice, $4.50; No. 3 corn, 27½c; No. 3 white oats, 22½c; cracked corn, per ton, $12; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $12.50; bran, per ton, $12.50; shorts, per ton, $13.50.

VEGETABLES.

NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 50c.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 40@50c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 40c; fancy head lettuce, per bbl., $.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 25c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., Illinois, $3; Jerseys, $5; large bbls., Kansas, $2.75.

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 40@40c.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, 2c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.25.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; California, per bunch, 40@75c.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crate, $4.

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

RHUBARB—Per doz., 65@75c.

ONIONS—Retail, yellow, 75c; red, 85@90c; Ohios, per bbl., $2.25.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $3.50@3.75; New York stock, $4; fancy, $4.50@4.75.

GRAPES—Malaga, per bbl., $7.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, per bbl., $9.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California, fancy navels, per box, $3.25@3.50; choice navels, $2.75@3.00; California seedlings, per box, $2.50@2.75.

LEMONS—California, choice, per box, $3.00; fancy, $3.50; Messinas, choice, per box, $3.00; fancy, $4.00.

BANANAS—Per bunch, medium, $1.75@2.00; fancy, $2.00@2.25.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.50.

NUTS—Hickory, large, per bu., $1.25; shellbarks, $1.25.

FIGS—California, layers, per 10-lb. box, 90c; California carton, per 10-lb. box, $1.00; imported figs, per lb., 12c.

HIDES.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7½c; No. 2 green hides, 6½c; No. 1 salted hides, 8½c; No. 2 salted hides, 7½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

### St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, March 1.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 69⅝@68⅝c; track, 71@72c; March, 69⅝c; May, 68⅝@68⅞c; July, 69½c; No. 2 hard, 65@66c.

FLOUR—Quiet and unchanged.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 33c; track, 34@34½c; May, 33⅝c; July, 33⅝@33⅞c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 24c; track, 24½c; May, 24⅛@24½c; No. 2 white, 26@26½c.

RYE—Firm at 55c.

SEEDS—Timothy, quiet at $2.00@2.30 for ordinary; flax, nominal at $1.67.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $1.80@1.85.

BRAN—Firmer; sacked lots, east track, 64@65c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $9.00@12.00; prairie, $7.50@9.00.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.21½.

IRON COTTONTIES—Quiet at $1.20.

BAGGING—Quiet at 6⅝@6⅞c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, old, $10.50; new, $11.25. Lard, higher; prime steam, $5.60; choice, $5.65. Dry salt boxed meats, firmer; extra shorts, $6; clear ribs, $6.12½; clear sides, $6.25. Bacon, extra shorts, $6.50; clear ribs, $6.62½; clear sides, $6.75.

METALS—Lead, dull at $4.57½@4.60. Spelter, nominal at $4.45@4.50.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 6@7½c; turkeys, 7@8c; ducks, 8½c; geese, 5½@6c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 2,000 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 21,000 bu.; oats, 5,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 19,000 bu.; corn, 37,000 bu.; oats, 14,000 bu.

### Butter, Egg and Cheese Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 1.—BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 20@24½c; dairy, 16@19c.

EGGS—Higher at 16c.

KANSAS CITY, March 1.—BUTTER—Creamery, 20@22c; dairy, 18c.

EGGS—Firm and ½c higher; receipts small; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 12½c, cases returned; new white wood cases included, 13c.

NEW YORK, March 1.—BUTTER—Receipts, 4,238 packages; firm; June creamery, 18@23c; western, 19@24½c; factory, 16½@19c.

EGGS—Receipts, 3,405 packages; market strong at 15@15½c; southern, at mark, 14 @15c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,545 packages; strong; full made, fancy, large, 13c; full made, fancy, small, 13@13½c; choice grades, 12@12½c.

PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy western creamery, 25c; fancy western prints, 26c.

EGGS—Firm and good demand; fresh nearby, 14@15c; fresh western, 14@14½c; fresh southwestern, 14c; fresh southern, 13c.

CHEESE—Firmer; New York full cream, fancy small, 13@13½c; New York full cream, fair to choice, 12@12½c.

### Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, March 1.—WHEAT—Spot, dull; No. 1 northern, spring, 5s 11d; futures, quiet; March, 5s 8½d; May, 5s 8½d; July, 5s 8½d.

CORN—Spot, firm; American mixed, new, 3s 8½d; American mixed, old, 3s 9d. Futures quiet; May, 3s 3d; July, 3s 3¼d.

PROVISIONS—Lard, prime western, in tierces, firm at 30s. Tallow, Australian in London, steady at 29s.

Following are the stocks of wheat and corn in store and on quays (railway and canal depots not included): Wheat, 1,471,000 centals; corn, 797,000 centals.

### Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 1.—WHEAT—May, 61⅞c; cash, No. 2 hard, 63c; No. 3 59@62c; No. 2 red, 70c; No. 3, 65@69c.

CORN—May, 31⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 31½c; No. 2 white, 32½c; No. 3, 32c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 24½c.

RYE—No. 2, 52c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50@10.00; choice prairie, $7.00@7.25.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 5,400 bu.; corn, 22,700 bu.; oats, 1,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 19,200 bu.; corn, 18,200 bu.; oats, 10,000 bu.

### Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 1.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, March, 63½c; May, 63½c; July, 65½c. On track: No. 1 hard, 65½c; No. 1 northern, 63½c; No. 2 northern, 60½c.

FLOUR—10c lower; first patents, $3.35; second patents, $3.25; first clear, $2.60; second clear, $2.05.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.00@11.25.

### Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, March 1.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 65½c; No. 1 northern, 64c; May, 65½c; July, 65½c; July, 66½c; No. 2 northern, 61½c; No. 3 spring, 58c.

OATS—25@25½c.

CORN—23½c.

### Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 1.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, 63½@65½c; No. 2 northern, 62@63½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 57c.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 44@45c; sample, 36@42½c.

### Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, Ill., March 1.—CORN—Nominal; nothing doing.

OATS—Inactive; No. 2 white, 24½c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.24 for finished goods.

## MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

### Outside Business is Hampered by Interrupted Telegraphic Service.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The stock market reflected from the outset today the reduction of the unwieldy short interest by the large covering which took place yesterday and which caused so lively a rally at the weak points of the market. Practically all these stocks showed renewed weakness today. Third Avenue conspicuously so. This stock fell in the last hour to a new low level, a full point below yesterday's lowest, and rallied but feebly, closing with a net loss of 3¼. Rumors were circulated of a heavy assessment to be levied on the stock to effect the reorganization. The other local traction stocks relapsed weakly in sympathy, declines ranging in the group from 2 in Manhattan to 6¾ in Metropolitan.

The shorts in Sugar were much less eager to cover and that stock also fell back, falling an extreme 4⅝ and closing with a net loss of 3½. Very marked weakness in the metal stocks was an added factor toward reaction, American Hoop leading the decline with a loss for the common stock of 4⅝ and for the preferred of 4 points. Colorado Fuel, the Federal Steel stocks, Tin Plate, Steel and Wire, National Steel and Tennessee Coal lost from 1¼ to 3½ from the best prices, the last named having shown considerable strength in the early dealings. People's Gas reacted 2⅞.

Outside business was very much hampered on account of interrupted telegraphic communication and the buying orders through commission houses, which have been growing in volume for a number of days past, fell to insignificant proportions.

There was, however, a good demand early in the day for railroad stocks, based on the continued reports of large earnings for January, in spite of the high level of operating expenses. The great Pennsylvania system showed a gain in net earnings for January of the lines directly operated, both east and west of Pittsburg, of 73 per cent. The Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, with only a small increase in operating expenses, showed an increase in net earnings of nearly less than 172 per cent. The Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis system increased its surplus for January over tenfold and Louisville & Nashville net earnings were 40 per cent greater than last year.

Such notable growth in earning power naturally led to buying of railroad stocks, many of the less prominent stocks joining in the movement, but the whole list succumbed to the influence of the weakness in the specialties. St. Paul's statement for January also had a disappointing effect, as it showed the gross increase nearly all eaten up by additional operating expenses. The decision of railroad presidents to give official sanction to the notorious cutting of grain rates in Chicago had some influence on the railroad list. Sugar was a general buyer of stocks during the day on the strength of the relief of Ladysmith and took fully 30,000 shares. Sterling exchange rate yielded ⅛ on this account and on continued expert demand for cotton.

The subtreasury absorption of cash since Friday reached nearly $7,000,000 today. In spite of the March disbursements, both for corporation and government account, it is realized that this must have a marked effect on the showing of the banks in the coming weekly statement. No effect was manifest, however, in the day's money market.

The bond market was active and prices were well maintained. Total sales, par value, $2,515,000. United States 5s, registered, advanced ¼ on the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The news of the relief of Ladysmith caused a scene of unprecedented excitement in the city today, particularly in the Stock exchange. A mob of thousands of persons surrounded the Mansion house, cheering and waving flags and stopping traffic. Business in the house was superseded by champagne drinking and a general jollification. The oldest members of the exchange say they never saw anything like it. Patriotic songs were heard everywhere instead of stock quotations and dealings were infinitesimal. Principal dealers were similarly engaged and the wires usually devoted to business were blocked by messages of congratulation. The markets opened nominally stronger, but sagged in the absence of transactions. The tone finally was harder on a rumor that General French was at Bloemfontein. Consols were merely steady. In short, the public was too much preoccupied to speculate. American shares were the liveliest. The market for them opened strong on free general buying. New York supplied stock, but London absorbed it cheerfully, closing almost at the top. Berlin was stolid, but Paris bought specialties, tintos rising 2 points on heavy bear closing. Copper statistics for the fortnight show that stocks increased 292 tons. The bank bought £6,000 gold in bars. Call money was firm. Bills were steady. Silver was good on French tender of 600 kilos. Paris cheque, 25.18½; Berlin, 20.59.

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

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Atchison | 22⅞ | Tex. & Pacific | 16⅛ |
| do pfd | 65⅝ | Union Pacific | 46⅞ |
| Baltimore & O. | 68 | do pfd | 74⅝ |
| Can. Pacific | 28½ | Wabash | 6½ |
| Can. Southern | 51 | do pfd | 20½ |
| Ches. & Ohio | 24½ | W. & L. E. | 10½ |
| Chicago Gt. W. | 13⅛ | do 2d pfd | 27⅛ |
| C., B. & Q. | 123⅝ | Wis. Central | 17⅛ |
| Chicago, L. & L. | 22⅝ | Adams Ex. | 115 |
| do pfd | 54½ | American Ex. | 145 |
| Chi. & E. I. | 95⅝ | U. S. Ex. | 45 |
| Chicago & N. W. | 150 | Wells-Fargo Ex. | 120 |
| C., R. I. & P. | 107⅝ | A. Cot. Oil | 13⅝ |
| C., C., C. & St. L. | 80½ | do pfd | 93½ |
| Colo. Southern | 6⅛ | Amer. Malting | 4⅝ |
| do 1st pfd | 43½ | do pfd | 22 |
| do 2d pfd | 16⅝ | Amer. S. & R. | 23⅝ |
| Del. & Hudson | 113⅛ | do pfd | 90½ |
| Del. L. & W. | 180¼ | Amer. Spirits | 5½ |
| Den. & Rio G. | 20⅛ | do pfd | 17 |
| do pfd | 72⅛ | Amer. S. H. | 37½ |
| Erie | 12⅝ | do pfd | 81½ |
| do 1st pfd | 38 | Amer. S. & W. | 36 |
| Gt. Nor. pfd | 157 | do pfd | 91½ |
| Hocking Coal | 16½ | Amer. Tin Plate | 9 |
| Hocking Valley | 34⅛ | do pfd | 81 |
| Illinois Central | 113 | Am. Tobacco | 107 |
| Iowa Central | 14 | do pfd | 135¼ |
| do pfd | 49½ | A. Min. Co. | 44⅝ |
| *K., C., P. & G. | 3⅝ | Brk. Rap. Tr. | 66 |
| L. E. & W. | 21⅝ | Colo. F. & I. | 44 |
| do pfd | 83⅝ | Con. Tobacco | 31⅝ |
| Lake Shore | 194 | do pfd | 84 |
| Louis. & Nash. | 82½ | Federal Steel | 52⅝ |
| Manhattan L. | 93⅝ | do pfd | 72½ |
| Mex. Central | 12⅝ | Gen. Electric | 127 |
| Mex. Central | 12⅝ | Glucose Sug. | 52 |
| Minn. & St. L. | 61 | do pfd | 99 |
| do pfd | 91½ | Int'l Paper | 20⅝ |
| Mo. Pacific | 45⅝ | do pfd | 85½ |
| Mobile & Ohio | 44⅛ | Leclede Gas | 74½ |
| Mil. & T. | 30½ | National Biscuit | 36 |
| do pfd | 32½ | do pfd | 90 |
| N. J. Central | 116 | National Lead | 23⅝ |
| N. Y. Central | 132 | do pfd | 103¼ |
| Nor. & West. | 22¼ | National Steel | 44⅝ |
| do pfd | 75 | do pfd | 94⅝ |
| No. Pacific | 55⅝ | N. Y. Air Brake | 177½ |
| do pfd | 74⅝ | No. American | 14½ |
| Ontario & W. | 24⅝ | Pacific Coast | 49 |
| Ore. Ry. & Nav. | 42 | do 1st pfd | 80 |
| do pfd | 76 | do 2d pfd | 60 |
| Pennsylvania | 134 | Pacific Mail | 37⅝ |
| Reading | 18½ | People Gas | 98⅝ |
| do 1st pfd | 50 | Pressed S. C. | 34⅝ |
| do 2d pfd | 30 | do pfd | 85 |
| Rio G. W. | 20 | Pullman P. C. | 183 |
| do pfd | 88 | Stand. R. & T. | 37 |
| St. L. & S. F. | 10½ | Sugar | 124⅝ |
| do 1st pfd | 68 | do pfd | 108 |
| do 2d pfd | 34⅝ | Tenn. C. & I. | 32½ |
| St. L. S. W. | 12½ | U. S. Leather | 11⅝ |
| do pfd | 30⅝ | do pfd | 71 |
| St. Paul | 122½ | U. S. Rubber | 23⅝ |
| do pfd | 17 | do pfd | 92 |
| St. P. & O. | 166 | Western Union | 82⅝ |
| So. Pacific | 38⅝ | Boston & Mont. | 265 |
| So. Railway | 13⅝ | Butte & Boston | 59 |
| do pfd | 38⅝ | P. C. C. & St. L. | 70 |

*First assessment paid.

### New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 1.—MONEY—On call, steady; actual transactions ranging at from 2 to 2½ per cent; last loan, 2½ per cent; ruling rate, 2½ per cent; closed at 2@2½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86½ for demand and $4.82⅞ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84@4.84½ and $4.87½@4.88; commercial bills, $4.82@4.82⅛.

SILVER—Certificates, 59⅝@60⅝c; bar, 59⅞c; Mexican dollars, 45⅝c.

BONDS—Government, firm; railroad, strong.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| U. S. 2s, reg. | 103 | N. Y. C. 1s | 103⅝ |
| do 2s, reg. | 111⅛ | N. J. C. G. 5s | 123½ |
| do 5s, reg. | 113⅝ | No. Carolina 6s | 127 |
| do 5s, coup. | 113⅝ | do 4s | 105 |
| do new 4s, reg. | 137½ | No. Pacific 3s | 73⅝ |
| do coupon | 137½ | do 4s | 107⅝ |
| do old 4s, reg. | 116½ | N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s | 106 |
| do coupon | 117½ | N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s | 107⅝ |
| do 5s, reg. | 113⅝ | N. & W. ry. 4s | 95⅝ |
| do coupon | 115⅝ | Or. Nav. 4s | 109 |
| D. of C. 3-65s | 118 | Ore. Nav. 1s | 110 |
| Atch. gen. 4s | 101¼ | do 4s | 102 |
| do adj. 4s | 82⅝ | O. S. L. 6s | 127½ |
| Can. So. 2s | 106 | do cons. 5s | 117 |
| *Ches. & O. 4½s | 97½ | Reading gen. 4s | 85⅝ |
| do 5s | 118⅝ | R. G. W. 4s | 67½ |
| C. & N. W. c. 7s | 141 | St. L. & I. M. c. 5s | 111⅝ |
| do S. F. deb 5s | 121 | St. L. & S. F. g. 6s | 121⅝ |
| Chicago Ter. 4s | 93 | St. P. consols | 167¼ |
| D. & R. G. 1st | 109½ | St. P., C. & P. 1st | 120 |
| do 4s | 98½ | do 5s | 120⅝ |
| E. T. V. & G. 5s | 101 | So. Railway 5s | 109¼ |
| Erie gen. 4s | 81¼ | S. R. & T. G. 4s | 71 |
| F. W. & D. C. 1st | 71 | Tenn. n. s. 3s | 91 |
| Gen. Electric 5s | 116 | Tex. & Pac. 1st | 115½ |
| G. H. & S. A. 6s | 109 | do 2s | 70½ |
| do 2s | 107½ | Union Pacific 4s | 104½ |
| H. & T. C. 5s | 110 | Wabash 1s | 112 |
| do con. 6s | 119 | do 5s | 96½ |
| Ia. Central 1s | 113 | West Shore 4s | 114 |
| K. C. P. & G. 1s | 72⅝ | Wis. Central 1s | 93⅝ |
| La. new con. 4s | 105 | Va. Centuries | 88½ |
| L. & N. uni. 4s | 95⅝ | do deferred | 5⅝ |
| M. K. & T. 2s | 63⅝ | Colo. So. 4s | 77 |
| do 4s | 91¼ | So. Pacific 4s | 82½ |

*Ex-interest.

### Boston Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, March 1.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 4⅝@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| A., T. & S. F. | 22⅝ | Union Pacific | 46½ |
| do pfd | 67⅛ | Union Land | 2 |
| Amer. Sugar | 124⅛ | West End | 93½ |
| do pfd | 118 | West Electric | 122⅝ |
| Bell Telephone | 322½ | Wis. Central | 17⅛ |
| Boston & Al. | 240 | Atchison 4s | 98½ |
| Boston Elevated | 116 | N. E. G. & C. 5s | 71 |
| Boston & Me. | 196 | Adventure | 4½ |
| C., B. & Q. | 123⅝ | Allouez M. Co. | 2⅝ |
| Dom. Coal | 42½ | Amal. Copper | 31⅝ |
| do pfd | 116 | Boston & Mont. | 265 |
| Federal Steel | 52⅝ | Butte & Boston | 59 |
| do pfd | 72½ | Cal. & Hecla | 730 |
| Fitchburg pfd | 130 | Centennial | 16⅛ |
| Gen. Electric | 128 | Franklin | 14 |
| do pfd | 136 | Osceola | 75 |
| Mex. Central | 12 | Parrot | 13 |
| Mich. Telephone | 100 | Quincy | 133 |
| N. E. G. & C. | 18 | Santa Fe Cop. | 5½ |
| Old Colony | 207 | Tamarack | 180 |
| Old Dominion | 18½ | Utah Mining | 28 |
| Rubber | 23 | Wolverines | 41⅛ |

### Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $298,362,823; gold reserve, $127,325,335.

### London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, March 1.—4 p. m.—Closing:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| *Cons., money | 103⅝ | Pennsylvania | 65⅝ |
| do account | 103⅝ | Reading | 9½ |
| Can. Pacific | 91 | No. Pacific pfd | 76⅝ |
| Erie | 15⅝ | Atchison | 23⅝ |
| do 1st pfd | 39⅝ | Louisville | 85 |
| Illinois Central | 118⅝ | Rands | 37⅝ |
| L. & N. pfd | 76⅝ | Grand Trunk | 8⅝ |
| St. Paul, com | 125⅝ | Anaconda | 9⅛ |
| N. Y. Central | 137 | | |

BAR SILVER—Steady at 27 7-16d per ounce.

MONEY—3@3½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short and three months' bills is 3 11-16@3⅞ per cent.

### New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 1.—The following are the official closing quotations for mining shares:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cholar | 20 | Ontario | 825 |
| Crown Point | 9 | Ophir | 75 |
| Con. Cal. & Va. | 125 | Plymouth | 15 |
| Deadwood | 75 | Quicksilver | 175 |
| Gould & Curry | 10 | do pfd | 750 |
| Hale & Norcross | 28 | Sierra Nevada | 31 |
| Homestake | 5000 | Standard | 285 |
| Iron Silver | 50 | Union Con. | 18 |
| Mexican | 16 | Yellow Jacket | 15 |

### Foreign Financial.

PARIS, March 1.—The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation, increase, 77,600,000; treasury accounts current, decrease, 8,750,000; gold in hand, decrease, 42,000; bills discounted, increase, 25,050,000; silver in hand, decrease, 1,925,000. Three per cent rentes, 101f 25c for the account. Spanish is closed at 68.92½. Prices on the bourse today were firm on the advance in rentes and Rio tintos, which favored the whole list. Industrials were strong on the rumor that the Bank of France would reduce its rate next week. Rentes, stimulated by the increase in savings bank deposits, made a sharp advance and Rio tintos' rise was prompted by the rumor that a dividend of 8s would be declared at the end of April. Brazilians were hardening Kaffirs were weak.

LONDON, March 1.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decrease, £63,000; circulation, increase, £506,000; bullion, increase, £243,674; other securities, increase, £1,751,000; other deposits, increase, £1,361,000; public deposits, decrease, £69,000; notes reserve, decrease, £365,000. Government securities unchanged. The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liabilities, 43.56 per cent. Last week it was 45.19 per cent. Rate of discount unchanged at 4 per cent. The relief of Ladysmith gave a buoyant tone to the American securities on the Stock exchange and prices moved up generally with moderate demand. The final tone was firm. Spanish is closed at 67.87½. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £48,000. Gold premiums are quoted: Madrid, 30.75; Lisbon, 45.50.

BERLIN, March 1.—Discount rates: Short bills for settlement, 5½ per cent; three-months' bills, 5 per cent. Prices were firm on the bourse today, owing to the news of the relief of Ladysmith. Industrials were favored. International securities were neglected. American and Canadian Pacifics were strong on New York advices.

### Bank Clearings.

CHICAGO, March 1.—Clearings, $23,274,869; balances, $2,634,534. Posted exchange, $4.86@4.87½. New York exchange, 40c discount.

PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—Clearings, $17,284,053; balances, $2,990,795.

BALTIMORE, March 1.—Clearings, $3,953,000; balances, $489,207.

ST. LOUIS, March 1.—Clearings, $6,348,173; balances, $553,195. Money, steady at 5@7 per cent. Exchange on New York, 25c discount bid, 25c discount asked.

BOSTON, March 1.—Clearings, $22,605,291; balances, $1,530,284.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Clearings, $195,090,739; balances, $11,156,315.

### Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, March 1.—COTTON—Firm; sales, 3,000 bales; ordinary, 7 11-16c