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Uncertainty Over Government Crop Report Dulls the Wheat Market.

CORN MARKET REGAINS YESTERDAY'S LOSS

Prices in Provision Pit Are Active and Strong, Although Hogs Are Easier —Oats Market Follows Corn with Quiet Fidelity.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Uncertainty over the government crop report, due this afternoon, and the prudence of a large short interest fearing it would be bullish, produced a dull but firm wheat market today. May wheat closed ½@⅝c, May corn ½@⅝c and May oats ⅛c over yesterday. Provisions were strong and active, closing from 2½ to 5c higher for May ribs to 25c improved for May pork.

Wheat began the session firm, May ⅛c over yesterday at 67⅝@67¾c. Paris was higher and the Michigan condition was put at 64 per cent. Ordinarily such items would have received but little notice, but as there was no early news of another sort traders took what they could get and acted on it. The market touched 66⅞c, following the opening, but reacted later, helped by Bradstreet's decrease in the world's visible and the strength of corn, May ascending to 67⅝c. The close was firm, May ¼@⅜c up at 67¾c. The market was narrow and mostly local in character. Uncertainty over the government report had the effect of blocking any big moves either way. As the session progressed the belief that the report might put the condition under previous expectations grew and undoubtedly had some effect in boosting the price. Receipts here were 77 cars, none of contract grade. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 258 cars, against 529 last week and 186 last year. Primary receipts were 558,000 bu., compared with 280,000 bu. a year ago. Atlantic port clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 75,000 bu.

Corn was strong but rather dull. The provisions strength was a help and renewed buying by a prominent long who had recently confined himself to taking heavy profits contributed much to the advance which regained what the market lost yesterday. The news was rather bearish, but it was ignored generally. It was not a big market despite its strength. Local receipts were 566 cars. May sold from 39⅝@40c to 40⅛c, closing ½@⅝c over yesterday at 39⅞@40c. Many of yesterday's sellers were buyers today. The low rates west expired today and a reduction in receipts is expected in consequence. Some sources reported country acceptances freer—others said they were still tight.

Provisions were active and strong, although hogs were easier. Liverpool was higher for bacon, lard and ham, which was a consideration, but the market owed its strength to the heavy cash demand against which packers were liberal buyers of futures. A July product made a record for high prices, pork for delivery during that month touching $13.15, lard $7.10 and ribs $7.10. May pork ranged from $12.82½ to $13.05 and closed 25c over yesterday at $13.05; May lard, from $6.80@6.82½ to $7, closing 17½@20c up at $7, and May ribs, from $7.05 to $7.17½, with the close 2½@5c better at $7.15.

The oats market followed corn with quiet fidelity. May ranged from 24⅝@24½c to 24⅝c and closed firm, ⅛c up, at 24⅝c. Receipts here were 244 cars.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 40 cars; corn, 300 cars; oats, 135 cars; hogs, 28,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
April	.....	.....	.....	67	66⅝
May	67@67⅛	67⅝	66⅞	67¾	66⅞@67
July	68⅝@⅞	68½	68	68¼@⅜	68⅛@¼
Sept.	69@69⅛	69⅛	68⅝	69	68¾
*Corn—					
April	.....	.....	.....	39¼	38¾
May	39⅝@⅞	40⅛	39¼@⅜	39⅞@40	39⅝
July	40⅛@⅛	40⅞	40@40⅛	40⅝	40⅛@¼
Sept.	40⅝@⅞	41⅛	40⅝	41⅛	40¾
*Oats—					
May	24⅝	24¾	24⅝@⅞	24⅝	24⅛
July	24⅛	24¼@⅜	24	24⅛@⅛	24@24⅛
Sept.	23⅛	23⅛	23	23⅛	23⅛
Pork—					
May	12 82½	13 05	12 82½	13 05	12 80
July	12 90	13 15	12 90	13 15	12 90
Lard—					
May	6 82½	7 00	6 80	7 00	6 82½
July	6 90	7 10	6 90	7 10	6 92½
Sept.	7 00	7 20	7 00	7 17½	7 00
Ribs—					
May	7 12½	7 17½	7 05	7 17½	7 12½
July	6 97½	7 10	6 97½	7 10	6 95
Sept.	7 00	7 10	6 97½	7 10	6 95

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $2.95@3.40; clears, $2.70@3.10; spring specials, $3.80@3.90; patents, $3.10@3.45; straights, $2.60@3.00; bakers, $2.00@2.45.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 64@66c; No. 2 red, 69½@70c.

CORN—No. 2, 39⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 39¾@40⅛c.

OATS—No. 2, 25¼@25⅜c; No. 2 white, 27½@28½c; No. 3 white, 27¼@28¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 57c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 40½@44c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.73. Prime timothy, $2.35@2.40. Clover, contract grade, $7.60.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.25@13.05. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.75@7.00. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.95@7.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.75@7.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.25@7.35.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.25½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.00; granulated, $5.44. Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	29,000	49,000
Wheat, bu.	78,000	101,000
Corn, bu.	357,000	192,000
Oats, bu.	379,000	384,000
Rye, bu.	14,000	3,000
Barley, bu.	56,000	19,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was easy; creameries, 14@18c; dairies, 13@16c. Cheese, firm at 12@13c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 10¾c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 10. — FLOUR — Receipts, 23,717 bbls.; exports, 8,864 bbls.; sales, 8,800 pkgs.; fairly active on low grade winters and winter straights, but there was little call for spring bakers or other wheat brands; winter straights, $3.45@3.60; Minnesota patents, $3.70@4.00; winter extras, $2.65@2.95; Minnesota bakers, $2.85@3.00; winter low grades, $2.25@2.40. Rye flour, easy; fair to good, $2.90@3.15; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.50.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, 89c; city, 87c; Brandywine, $2.25@3.25.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 62½c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 60c, c. i. f., New York, car lots.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 44½@45½c, New York; malting, 50@53c, New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 109,025 bu.; exports, 23,687 bu. Spot quiet; No. 2 red, 73⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, spot; No. 2 red, 76⅝c, elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 77⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 79⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt. Options displayed firmness pretty much all day as a result of local covering inspired by bullish gossip on the government report, together with strong continental markets and good foreign buying. Closed firm at ¼@⅝c net advance. May, 73 15-16@74⅝c, closed at 74⅝c; July, 73 15-16@74⅝c, closed at 74⅝c; September, 74⅛@74⅝c, closed at 74⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 26,025 bu.; exports, 105,630 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 47⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, and 47c, elevator. Options opened firm and later advanced on light country offerings, a good speculative demand west and the strength in provisions. Closed firm at ⅛c net advance. May, 45⅛@45⅜c, closed at 45⅝c; July, 45⅝@46⅛c, closed at 46⅛c; September closed at 46⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 210,000 bu.; exports, 3,665 bu. Spot, easier; No. 2, 28⅛c; No. 3, 28½c; No. 2 white, 31½@31¾c; No. 3 white, 30⅝@31c; track mixed western, 29@30c; track white, 31@35c. Options inactive but steady; May closed at 28½c; No. 2 white, May, closed at 30⅛c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80@90c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 6@1 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@23c; Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1898 crop, 7@8c; 1899 crop, 12@13c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19½c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 15c.

WOOL — Dull; domestic fleece, 25@28c; Texas, 15@18c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 25@25½c; acid, 23@26½c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@5½c; Japan, 4¾@4⅞c.

COAL—Steady.

PROVISIONS—Beef steady; family, $12.00@13.50; mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $20@22.00; packet, $11.50@12.50; city extra India mess, $18.50@22.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $7.50@8.00; pickled shoulders, $6.75@7.00; pickled hams, $10.50@10.75. Lard, strong; western steamed, $7.35; refined, strong; continent, $7.65; South America, $8; compound, $6.00. Pork, strong; family, $14.25@14.75; short clear, $13.00@14.50; mess, $13.25@13.75. Tallow, steady; city ($2 per pkg.), 5⅛c bid; country (pkgs. free), 5¼@5⅜c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 44@55c.

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy handpicked, 4 9-16@4¾c; other domestic, 3½@4c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, market strong; cotton by steam, 35d; grain by steam, 2¾d.

BUTTER—Receipts, 9,409 pkgs.; steady; western creamery, 17@20c; factory, 16@17½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,123 packages; weak; fancy, large, white, 12⅜@12¾c; fancy, large, colored, 13c; fancy, small, white, 12½@12¾c; fancy, small, colored, 13@13¼c.

EGGS—Receipts, 24,887 packages; firm; storage, western, at mark, 12½@12¾c; regular packing, 12½c.

SUGAR—Raw, strong; fair refining, 3 15-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 7-16c; molasses sugar, 3¾c. Refined, strong.

METALS—The local market for tin reacted from yesterday's decline to $30.50@30.75, a net rise of 25 points. The advance was due chiefly to favorable advices from London and the scarcity of sellers. The close was firmer but quiet at $30.50@30.75. Lake copper continues to hold firm at $17. Pig iron warrants were dull and nominal. Lead ruled dull and nominally unchanged, closing at the old basis of $4.67½ bid and $4.72½ asked. Spelter was steady and unchanged, closing at $4.72½ bid and $4.77½ asked. The brokers' price for lead was $4.45 and for copper $17.25@17.50.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts liberal fresh stock, 10@10½c.

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

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 8½c; spring chickens, 8c; young, staggy and old roosters, 4@6c; ducks, 7½c; geese, 7½c; turkeys, 8c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 12c; choice, 14@15c; separator, 22c; gathered creamery, 19c.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 18c; standard, per can, 22c; bulk standard, per gallon, $1.25; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.60@1.75; New York counts, per can, 37c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25.

FISH—Herring, per lb., 5c; round perch, 5c; sun, 5c; cod, 6c; haddock, 6c; blue pike, 6c; scaled and dressed perch, 6c; cisco, 6c; medium dressed trout, 7½c; crocple, 7½c; blackrel, 7½c; finnan haddies, 7½c; white fish, 9c; yellow pike, dressed, 9c; small trout, dressed, 9c; red snapper, 9c; smelts, 9c; smoked white fish, 9c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., $1.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $6.50; midland choice, $5.50; lowland, choice, $5; rye straw, choice, $5; No. 3 corn, 35½c; No. 2 white oats, 25c; cracked corn, 2 lbs. ton, $14.50; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $15; bran, per ton, $13.50; shorts, per ton, $13.50.

VEGETABLES.

ASPARAGUS—California, per lb., 15c.

NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 50c.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 40@60c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 35@40c; fancy head lettuce, per bbl., $5.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 30@35c.

SEED SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.25@2.50; Kansas, $2.75.

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 35@30c.

CABBAGE—California, per lb., 2½@3c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.75.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; California, per bunch, 60@90c.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c.

TOMATOES — Florida, per six-basket crate, $4.50.

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

RHUBARB—Per lb., 8@9c.

ONIONS—Retail, yellow, $1; red, $1.20@1.25. Ohios, per bbl., $2.25@2.50.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Texas, per 24-qt. case, $6; Louisiana, per 24-qt. case, $3.25@3.50.

APPLES—Choice western, shipping stock, $4.50; New York stock, $5; fancy, $5.50.

GRAPES—Malaga, per bbl., $7.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., $10.50; per crate, $3.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

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

LEMONS—California, choice, per box, $3; fancy, $3.50; Messinas, choice, per box, $3.50; fancy, $4.

BANANAS—Per bunch, medium, $2.26@2.50; large, $2.75@3.00.

HIDES.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7¼c; No. 2 green hides, 6½c; No. 1 salted hides, 8¼c; No. 2 salted hides, 7¼c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.50.

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

CHANGES IN AVAILABLE SUPPLIES.

Telegraphic and Cable Reports of Grain Afloat and Ashore.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Special cable and telegraphic communications to Bradstreet's show the following changes in available supply, as compared with the last account:

WHEAT—United States and Canada, east of Rocky mountains, decrease, 2,577,000 bu.; (Liverpool Corn Trade News) afloat for and in Europe, increase, 2,100,000 bu.; total supply, decrease, 477,000 bu.

CORN—United States and Canada, east of Rocky mountains, increase, 1,304,000 bu.

OATS—United States and Canada, east of Rocky mountains, decrease, 67,000 bu.

Among the important decreases reported to Bradstreet's not given in the official supply statement are those of 1,200,000 bu. at northwestern interior elevators, 1,199,000 bu. at Manitoba storage points, 188,000 bu. at Port Huron, 161,000 bu. in Milwaukee private elevators, 100,000 bu. at Cleveland, 94,000 bu. at Chicago private elevators and 63,000 bu. at depot harbors. Principal increases are those of 150,000 bu. at St. Louis and 64,000 bu. at Portland, Me.

The aggregate stock of wheat at Portland, Ore., and Tacoma and Seattle, Wash., increased 128,000 bu. last week.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, April 10.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 72c; track, 73c; April, 71⅞c; May, 71c; July, 67⅝c; No. 2 hard, 64½@67c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 38½c; track, 39½@39¾c; April, 38½c; May, 38⅝c; July, 39⅝c.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 25½c; track, 26c; April, 25½c; May, 25c; July, 24c; No. 2 white, 28c.

RYE—Firm; 56c.

FLOUR—Dull; patents, $3.55@3.65; extra fancy, $3.20@3.30; clear, $2.70@3.00.

SEEDS—Timothy, lower, $1.50@1.75 for poor, $2.15 for good. Flax, nominally higher at $1.70.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.05@2.10.

BRAN—Nominal; sacked lots, east track, 75c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $10.00@13.00; prairie, $7.00@9.00.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.25½.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.30; bagging, 6⅞@7½c; rope, 7c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $13.00, old; $13.50, new. Lard, nominally higher; prime steam, $6.60; choice, $6.65. Dry salt meats (boxed), steady; extra shorts, $7, clear ribs, $7.12½; clear sides, $7.25. Bacon (boxed), steady; extra shorts, $7.50; clear ribs, $7.62½; clear sides, $7.75.

METALS—Lead, steady; $4.55@4.57½. Spelter, steady; $4.55.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 6@8c; turkeys, 7@9c; ducks, 8c; geese, 39@5c.

EGGS—Steady; 9½c.

BUTTER—Lower; creamery, 18@21c; dairy, 15@18c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 25,000 bu.; corn, 230,000 bu.; oats, 61,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 11,000 bbls.; wheat, 32,000 bu.; corn, 159,000 bu.; oats, 24,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, April 10.—WHEAT—Spot firm; No. 2 red western winter, 6s 1d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s 1½d. Futures steady; April, nominal; May, 5s 10¼d; July, 5s 10¾d.

CORN—Spot American mixed, new, steady at 4s 2d; American mixed, old, firm at 4s 3½d. Futures steady; May, 4s 2½d; July, 4s 3d; September, 4s 1½d.

PROVISIONS—Pork, prime mess western, firm at 63s 9d. Lard, American refined, in pails, firm at 37s 3d; prime western, in tierces, firm at 35s. Hams, short cut, firm at 50s 6d. Bacon, Cumberland cut, firm at 46s; short ribs, firm at 42s 6d; long clear middles, light, firm at 42s 3d; long clear middles, heavy, firm at 41s 6d; short clear backs, firm at 39s 6d; clear bellies, firm at 43s.

Receipts of wheat during the last three days, 221,000 centals, including 61,000 centals American.

Receipts of American corn during the last three days, 162,300 centals.

Weather clear and fine.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, April 10.—WHEAT—Dull but higher; No. 2 cash, 73c; May, 73⅞c.

CORN—Dull and lower; No. 2 mixed, 40½c.

OATS—Weak and lower; No. 2 mixed, 25½c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 cash, 58c.

CLOVER SEED—Firm and unchanged; prime cash, old, $4.90; new, $5.20; April, $5.10; October, $5.10; No. 2 seed, $4.40@4.65.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, April 10.—CORN—Easier; No. 2, 34c.

OATS—Quiet; No. 3, white, 26½@26¾c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.25½ for finished goods.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, April 10.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 69c; May, 69¼c; September, 68½c; July, 70¼c; No. 1 northern, cash, 67c; May, 67½c; July, 68⅝c; September, 67½c; No. 2 northern, 65c; No. 3 spring, 62c.

OATS—24@24½c.

CORN—37⅝c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 10.—WHEAT—May, 62⅝c; cash, No. 2 hard, 62½@63c; No. 3, 59@62c; No. 2 red, 69c; No. 3, 66@68c.

CORN—May, 36⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 37¼@37½c; No. 2 white, 38c; No. 3, 37½@37⅝c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 28½c.

RYE—No. 2, 54½c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.00@10.50; choice prairie, $7.25@7.75.

BUTTER—Creamery, 17@19c; dairy, 17c.

EGGS—Market continues firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 9c, cases returned; new white wood cases included, 9½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 18,800 bu.; corn, 28,600 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 109,800 bu.; corn, 14,000 bu.; oats, 7,600 bu.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 10.—WHEAT—In store; April, 65⅝c; May, 64¾@64⅞c; July, 66¼@66⅝c; September, 65⅝c. On track: No. 1 hard, 66⅝c; No. 2 northern, 64½c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.65; second patents, $3.55; first clears, $2.80; second clears, $2.15.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.75@12.00.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—BUTTER—Steady; fancy western creamery, 20c; fancy western prints, 22c.

EGGS—Firm; ½c higher; fresh nearby, 13c; fresh western and southern, 13c; fresh southwestern, 12½c.

CHEESE—Quiet but steady.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, April 10. — WHEAT — Steady; No. 1 northern, 67½@68c; No. 2 northern, 66@66c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 58@58½c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 44@45c; sample, 41@42½c.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bearish Forces Prevail in Market and It Closes Weak.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The movement of prices in today's stock market largely represented a contest of speculative forces for supremacy. The forces of reaction finally prevailed and the market closed decidedly weak and at a level generally below last night's close. This result was achieved after many vicissitudes and extreme irregularity, but the mere fact of the presence of an aggressive bear clique in the market served as a deterrent to the buying demand from outsiders, which has constituted the underlying strength of the market. Commission houses report a large falling off in the volume of orders, which have made the market open for many days with a rush to buy and which served to conveniently absorb the profit-taking sales of the professional element. This class of orders has either been withdrawn or has been offset by a large list of prices below that now existing. The operators for the decline have not yet succeeded in bringing out any very heavy volume of offerings, but they work in the confidence that they will reach stop-loss orders, which will precipitate a sudden drop all around. Their efforts were contested today by pool operations in a number of stocks and the continued demand from London for stocks was against them. But the operators for a rise seemed to lose courage toward the close and were afraid of realizing in stocks which had shown strength was very general. These included the railroad list, particularly the Baltimore & Ohio stocks, Missouri Pacific and other southwestern railroads, Norfolk & Western and some of the coalers. The Industrials and specialties were extremely active and irregular, under the influence of special causes. Sugar rallied sharply from an early decline on the announcement that the company's principal competitor had advanced the price of refined sugars to a parity. The stock sold off again with the general weakness of the market. Third Avenue shot up nearly 10 points on the announcement that its bond issue had been placed. A long standing short interest was forced to take losses and close out, after which the stock relapsed somewhat. Realizing by the Brooklyn Rapid Transit pool forced the stock down 4½ points from the early high level. The metal stocks were under bear pressure, especially Steel and Wire. The bears circulated rumors that difficulties had been encountered in the projected listing of the stock on the London Stock exchange. Continental Tobacco suffered from rumors of a poor showing of earnings to be made in the annual report, which is expected tomorrow. The Pacific stocks suffered especially from bear pressure and realizing and the grangers were somewhat affected by the forecasts of the government crop report, which had a bullish effect in the wheat market. The signs of discouragement on the part of the manipulators for the advance accentuated the reactionary tendency as the day progressed and some sharp net losses in railroad stocks are the result. A further rise in sterling exchange to within a fraction of the gold export point led to a discussion of the prospect of an outward movement of gold. The continued ease of money here would favor such a movement, but the taking up of the installment of the British loan, which stiffened the money market in London, may be followed by a relaxation in money rates there and a sympathetic response in sterling exchange here.

The bond market was moderately active and price changes were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,200,000. United States new 4s declined ⅛ and the old 4s advanced ⅜ and the 5s ½ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here are neglected but steady today. Business is likely to be dead until next week. Americans were very idle but hard, both the continent and London buying slightly. New York took some Norfolk & Western and Baltimore & Ohio, jerking the former up in the street and then letting it drop. Copper shares were steady. The bank bought £20,000 gold in bars. Money was hard. The bank did a fair loan business at 5 per cent and considerable discounting. Paris cheque, 25.20; Berlin, 20.48½.

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

Atchison	26⅞	Union Pacific	57½
do pfd	76⅝	do pfd	76⅝
Amer. Sugar	109	Wabash	8
do pfd	110	do pfd	21
Bell Telephone	316	W. & L. E.	17⅝
Boston & Al.	245¼	do 2d pfd	30½
Boston Elevated	170	Wis. Central	18½
C. B. & Q.	129¼	Adams Ex.	117
Dom. Coal	43½	Am. Express	115
do pfd	115	Wells-Fargo Ex.	123
Federal Steel	47	Am. Cot. Oil	37
do pfd	75½	do pfd	94
Fitchburg pfd	135¼	Amer. Malting	4¼
Gen. Electric	132	do pfd	21
do pfd	136	Amer. S. & R.	39⅝
Ed. Elec. Ill.	206	do pfd	89¼
Mex. Central	12⅝	Amer. Spirits	2½
N. E. G. & C.	17⅝	do pfd	17
Old Colony	206	Amer. S. H.	32
Old Dominion	92¼	Amer. S. & W.	52⅝
Rubber	34⅝	do pfd	88¼
Union Pacific	57¼	Am. Tin Plate	32¼
		do pfd	87½
		Am. Tobacco	106¾
		do pfd	135
		A. Min. Co.	53⅝
		Brk. Rap. Tr.	76⅝
		Colo. F. & I.	48⅝
		Con. Tobacco	28⅝
		do pfd	81
		Federal Steel	47¼
		do pfd	72⅝
		Gen. Electric	132
		Glucose Sugar	51½
		do pfd	98½
		Int'nl Paper	23
		do pfd	64
		Laclede Gas	70
		National Biscuit	34¼
		do pfd	88
		National Lead	23½
		do pfd	104½
		National Steel	41
		do pfd	91
		N. Y. Air Brake	125
		N. American	15¼
		Pacific Coast	52½
		do 1st pfd	81
		do 2d pfd	65½
		Pacific Mail	35
		People's Gas	107⅝
		Pressed S. C.	52½
		do pfd	82
		Pullman P. C.	183
		S. R. & T.	6⅝
		Sugar	109½
		do pfd	109
		Tenn. C. & I.	93⅝
		U. S. Leather	12¼
		do pfd	77
		U. S. Rubber	34
		do pfd	109
		Western Union	82½
		Republic I. & S.	29¼
		do pfd	64
		P. C. C. & St. L.	67

Foreign Financial.

BERLIN, April 10.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash in hand, increase 10,820,000 marks; treasury notes, increase 140,000 marks; other securities, decrease, 66,620,000 marks; notes in circulation, decrease 92,320,000 marks. Prices were irregular on the bourse today. Spanish 4s were easier on the rumor that a large internal loan was to be negotiated. Americans and Canadian Pacifics were steady. Mine shares were firm, but subsequently fluctuated. Exchange on London, 20 marks 50½ pfgs. for checks. Discount rates: Short bills, 4 per cent; three months' bills, 4⅝ per cent.

LONDON, April 10.—American securities opened steady at about parity level and remained generally firm throughout with trading rather light. The final tone was steady. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £20,000. Gold premium at Madrid, 20.10.

PARIS, April 10.—On the bourse today prices were irregular. International securities commenced in a hesitating manner, being influenced by the weakness of Spanish 4s. Kaffirs were strong on a British success at Bloemfontein. Three per cent rentes, 101f 55c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 20c for checks. Spanish 4s closed at 75.07½.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 10.—MONEY—On call, steady at 3@4 per cent; last loan, at 4 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE — Strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87¼@4.87⅝c for demand and at $4.83½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84@4.84½ and $4.88; commercial bills, $4.83¼@4.83½.

SILVER — Certificates, 60¼@61¼c; bar, 60½c; Mexican dollars, 47⅝c.

BONDS—Government, irregular; state, inactive; railroad, irregular.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 2s, reg.	99½	N. Y. C. 1s	110⅛
*do 2s, ref.	104	N. J. C. g. 5s	124
do 3s, reg.	109½	No. Carolina 6s	127
do coupon	110¼	do 4s	106
do new 4s, reg.	133	No. Pacific 3s	68½
do coupon	135	do 4s	104⅝
do old 4s, reg.	114⅝	N Y C & S L 4s	106
do coupon	114⅝	N. & W. con. 4s	97⅝
do 5s, reg.	114 *	do gen. 6s	133
do coupon	114	Ore. Nav. 1s	110
D. of C. 3.65s	120	do 4s	104⅝
Atch. gen. 4s	100⅝	O. S. L. 6s	128
do adj. 4s	84⅝	do con. 5s	111½
Canada So. 2s	107	Reading gen. 4s	89½
C. & O. 4½s	99⅝	R. G. W. 1s	99⅝
do 5s	122	St L & I M c. 5s	111
C. & N. W. c. 7s	141½	St L & S F g 6s	122⅝
do S. F. d. 5s	122	St. Paul con.	172
Chicago Per 4s	96⅛	St. P. C. & P. 1s	119⅝
D. & R. G. 1s	103½	do 5s	121⅝
do 4s	93¼	So. Railway 5s	113
E. T. V. & G. 1s	102½	S. R. & T. 6s	71
Erie gen. 4s	74⅝	Tenn. n. s. 3s	95
F. W. & D. C. 1s	72	Tex. & Pa. 1s	114
Gen. Electric 5s	117¼	do 2s	57
**G H & S A 6s	119⅝	Union Pacific 4s	106¼
do 2s	118	Wabash 1s	118⅝
H. & T. C. 5s	110	do 2s	104
do con. 6s	108	West Shore 4s	115
**Ia. Central 1s	115	Wis. Central 1s	92⅝
K. C., P. & G. 1s	73⅝	Va. Centuries	91
L. Erie 4s	102	do deferred	5
L. & N. uni. 4s	101	Colo. So. 4s	84¼
M., K. & T. 2s	69⅝	So. Pacific 4s	85
do 4s	93¼		

*When issued. **Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, April 10.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 4@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	26⅝	Union Land	2½
do pfd	70½	West End	93
Amer. Sugar	109	Wis. Central	18½
do pfd	110	Atchison 4s	100¼
Bell Telephone	316	N. E. G. & C. 5s	69½
Boston & Al.	245¼	Adventure	5½
Boston Elevated	170	Allouez Min. Co.	3
C. B. & Q.	129¼	Amal. Copper	95
Dom. Coal	43½	Atlantic	26
do pfd	115	Boston & Mont.	320
Federal Steel	47	Butte & Boston	80
do pfd	75½	Cal. & Hecla	725
Fitchburg pfd	135¼	Centennial	22½
Gen. Electric	132	Franklin	15½
do pfd	136	Humboldt	1
Ed. Elec. Ill.	206	Osceola	70
Mex. Central	12⅝	Parrot	47½
N. E. G. & C.	17⅝	Quincy	138
Old Colony	206	Santa Fe Cop.	6⅝
Old Dominion	92¼	Tamarack	193
Rubber	34⅝	Utah Mining	33½
Union Pacific	57¼	Wolverines	40½

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, April 10.—The following are the official closing quotations for mining shares:

Chollar	10	Ontario	$25
Crown Point	16	Ophir	75
Con. Cal. & Va.	160	Plymouth	12
Deadwood	65	Quicksilver	150
Gould & Currie	25	do pfd	750
Hale & Norcross	30	Sierra Nevada	48
Homestake	5000	Standard	315
Iron Silver	66	Union Con	28
Mexican	22	Yellow Jacket	35

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, April 10.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	101	Pennsylvania	72½
do acct.	101 5-16	Reading	16⅝
Can. Pacific	109½	No. Pacific pfd.	79¼
Erie	14⅝	Atchison	28½
do 1st pfd.	43⅝	Louisville	87½
Illinois Central	119	Grand Trunk	8⅝
U. P. pfd.	78⅝	Anaconda	11
St. Paul, com.	127½	Rand Mines	36⅛
N. Y. Central	142⅝		

BAR SILVER—Steady at 27⅝d per oz.

MONEY—3½@4 per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 4⅛ per cent; for three months' bills, 4⅛@4¼ per cent.

Financial Notes.

CHICAGO, April 10.—Clearings, $21,641,143; balances, $1,690,762. Posted exchange, $4.84½@4.88. New York exchange, 20c discount.

PHILADELPHIA, April 10.—Clearings, $17,858,772; balances, $1,749,024.

BALTIMORE, April 10.—Clearings, $4,935,435; balances, $857,852.

BOSTON, April 10.—Clearings, $21,674,464; balances, $1,588,471.

NEW YORK, April 10.—Clearings, $241,061,303; balances, $11,212,373.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $159,348,009; gold, $94,998,216.

Wool Market.