COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Oats the Only Redeeming Feature of the Day's Dull Market.

BUYING ORDERS MAKE IT A FEATURE

Light Demand Discourages Holders of Wheat—Corn and Provisions Both Close Lower—Estimated Receipts Tomorrow.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—With the exception of oats the leading speculative markets of the Board of Trade were dull today. The very light demand discouraged holders of wheat and that market declined ⅝c. Corn closed a shade lower and oats a shade up. Provisions at the close were 2½@5c lower.

Wheat was dull to the point of stagnation all day. May started out ¼@¼c higher at 75⅝c to 75¾@75½c merely because Liverpool, which has been indifferent alike to our declines and our advances, failed to reflect the drop here yesterday and because northwestern fresh arrivals were moderate. The market quickly touched 75½c. Soon, however, driblets of long stuff came out, some for New York, some for the foreign account and more from local scalpers. May gradually worked off to 75c, where something of a surprise was in store for the talent. Selling on stop-loss orders had been expected at that point, but instead of these the majority of commission houses had small purchases to make. This steadied the market for a few minutes, but the close was heavy, 5c under the previous close, at 74⅝c. The change of sentiment after the opening was shown to a degree by the way export engagements of 35 loads were ignored, although reports of the prospective closing of certain Minneapolis flour mills were on hand at that time as a counter irritant. Consul Mayer at Buenos Ayres reported that Argentine crop prospects indicated an exportable surplus of only 40,000,000 bu. and that the weather in that country is unfavorable to the crop. Seaboard clearances—229,000 bu. in wheat and flour—were disappointingly small. Primary receipts aggregated 444,000 bu., compared with 410,000 bu. the like day last year. Local receipts were 30 cars, one of contract grade, while Minneapolis and Duluth reported 283 cars, against 299 last week and 403 a year ago.

Corn suffered from neglect, but nevertheless maintained a firm front. Light country acceptances and moderate receipts—403 cars—combined with the poor grading were responsible for the steadiness. May sold between 39⅞c and 39¼c and closed a shade lower at 39⅛c.

Oats were slightly lower and firm, the feature of the trade being the large number of buying orders around 25⅝c. The market opened a shade up, on an active general demand. A bid of 25½c for 10,000 bu., however, brought out not only the amount wanted, however, but so much more that it looked as if the whole crop was for sale. The secret of the market's strength lay in the active cash demand. May sold between 25¼c and 25½c and closed a shade higher at 25⅝c. Receipts were 238 cars.

Provisions were flat. The opening was 2½c lower under the influence of heavy hog receipts and a drop in prices at the stock yards. A little rise caused a small rally early, but prices settled back later, packers having taken advantage of the slight bulge to sell. May pork closed 2½@5c lower at $13.97½; May lard 5c down at $7.47½, and May ribs 2½@5c down at $6.97½.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 300 cars; oats, 100 cars; hogs, 38,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Feb.	72⅞@73	73	72⅝	72⅞	72¾@73
Mar.	73⅝	73⅞	73⅝	73⅞	73¾
May	75⅝@75¾	75½	74⅞	74⅞	75¼
*Corn—					
Feb.	37¼	37¼	37⅛	37⅛	37⅜
Mar.	37⅞	38⅛	37⅞	38	38
May	39¼@39⅜	39⅜	39	39⅛	39⅛@39¼
*Oats—					
Feb.	24⅝	24⅝	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛
May	25⅝	25½	25¼@25⅜	25⅜	25¼@25⅜
Pork—					
Feb.				13 77½	13 80
May	13 97½	14 05	13 95	13 97½	14 00
Lard—					
Feb.				7 37½	7 42½
Mar.				7 40	7 45
May	7 50	7 52½	7 47½	7 47½	7 52½
Ribs—					
Feb.				6 87½	6 90
May	6 97½	7 02½	6 97½	6 97½	7 02½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull; winter patents, $3.60@3.80; straights, $3.20@3.35; clears, $2.70@3.30; spring specials, $4.20@4.30; patents, $3.60@3.80; straights, $3.10@3.40; bakers, $2.20@2.40.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 65@73c; No. 2 red, 74@75½c.

CORN—No. 2, 37⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 37⅝@37¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 25¼@25⅝c; No. 2 white, 27⅜@28½c; No. 3 white, 27@28c.

RYE—No. 2, 51c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 57@63c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.69; No. 1 northwestern, $1.69; prime timothy, $4.60; clover, contract grade, $11.25@11.40.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $13.80 @13.85. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.40@7.42½. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.85@7.15. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.25@6.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.15@7.20.

WHISKY—On basis of high wines, per gal., $1.27.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.29; granulated, $5.77; confectioners' A, $5.59; off A, $5.44.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	32,000	29,000
Wheat, bu	93,000	44,000
Corn, bu	580,000	154,000
Oats, bu	423,000	26,000
Rye, bu	11,000	4,000
Barley, bu	48,000	10,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was inactive; creameries, 14@21c; dairies, 11½@18c. Cheese, dull at 10¼@11¼c. Eggs, dull; fresh, 18c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—FLOUR—Receipts, 21,536 bbls.; exports, 19,082 bbls.; market dull and lower with wheat; winter patents, $3.65@4.00; winter straights, $3.45@3.55; Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.25; winter extras, $2.50@2.85; Minnesota bakers, $3.00@3.25; winter low grades, $2.45@2.60. Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, $3.30@3.15; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.35. Buckwheat flour, dull, at $2.17@2.30.

BUCKWHEAT—Steady at 62@62½c, c. i. f., New York.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 96c; city, 95c; Brandywine, $2.40@2.45.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 60½c. f. o. b. afloat; state rye, 56@57c, c. i. f., New York; malting, 60@61c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 65@72c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 32,400 bu.; exports, 68,833 bu. Spot, weak; No. 2 red, 75½c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 80c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 80½c, f. o. b. afloat. Options opened steady on English cables and small northwest receipts, but developed subsequent weakness that lasted all day. Light speculative trade, poor outside support, weak continental markets, small clearances and short selling contributed to the heaviness. Closed ¼@⅝c net decline; May, 76½@76⅝c closed at 76½c; July, 79⅝@79¾c, closed at 79⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 92,625 bu.; exports, 267,129. Spot, steady; No. 2, 47c, elevator, and 46½c, f. o. b. afloat. The option market was moderately active and steady during the day on higher cables and light country offerings and heavy seaboard clearances; closed steady at ⅛c net advance. May, 44 11-16@44 13-16c, closed at 44¾c; July closed at 41½c.

OATS—Receipts, 65,800 bu.; exports, 5,559 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 30½c; No. 3, 30c; No. 2 white, 32½@32½c; No. 3 white, 31½c; track western, 30@31½c; track white, 31@35c. Options dull but steady.

HOPS—Irregular; state, common to choice, 1900 crop, 17@20c; 1899, 11@15c; old, 20@6c; Pacific coast, 1900 crop, 17@19c; 1899, 11@15c; old, 20@6c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18½@19c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas, dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 15c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 24@25c; acid, 23½@24½c.

WOOL—Dull; domestic fleece, 24@26c; Texas, 15@19c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, dull; family, $11.00@12.00; mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $11.50@12.00; packet, $10.00@10.50; city extra, India mess, $14.00@16.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $7.62½@8.75; pickled shoulders, $6.75@6.00; pickled hams, $8.00@9.50. Lard, firm; western steamed, $7.75, refined, firm; continent, $7.50; South America, $8.60; compound, $5.50@5.62½. Pork, steady; family, $15.00@15.75; short clear, $13.75@16.50; mess, $13.25@14.50.

BUTTER—Receipts, 8,525 pkgs.; dem; fresh creamery, 16@21½c; June creamery, 15@18½c, factory, 11@14½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 3,428 pkgs.; firm; fancy large, fall made, 11¼@11½c; fancy small fall made, 11¾@12c.

EGGS—Receipts, 9,190 pkgs.; firm, western, at mark, 21c; southern, at mark, 19½@20½c.

TALLOW—Weak; city, 5c; country, 5¼@5½c.

METALS—The local metal market was irregular and generally easy today. Speculative dealings, however, were very meager and business was of a hand-to-mouth character. Tin in London ruled unchanged at £122 17s 6d, but locally tin was about 25 points lower, chiefly due to a lack of demand and the large arrivals of late. The close was at $26.25@26.50. Trading was slow. Copper was weak, reflecting a lower market abroad, where prices went off about 5s. Business, however, was very slack here and the basis of operations was unchanged at $17.50 for Lake Superior and $16.62½ for casting electrolytic, but sellers could be found readily at these figures. Spelter was weak and 5 points lower. Prices abroad were 5s lower at £15. The local market closed weak, with little trading noted, at the decline. In domestic iron markets little disposition was manifested to buy, prices ruling unchanged. English markets were firmer, but failed to influence the local situation. At Glasgow the close was 54s and at Middlesborough 47s 6d.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; fowls, 11c; chickens, 9c; turkeys, 9@10c. Dressed, slow; turkeys, 8½@10½c; chickens, 9@10c; fowls, 9½c.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Conditions of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, light; good stock, 16c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 5½@6c; spring chickens, 5½@6c; roosters, 3@4c; ducks, 6@6½c; geese, 6½@7c; turkeys, 6@7c.

FRESH DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 7c; roosters, 5@7c; ducks, 7½@8c; geese, 8@8½c; spring chickens, per lb., 7c; turkeys, 9c.

GAME—Mallard ducks, per doz., $3.00@3.50; teal, $1.50@1.75; mixed, $1.50@1.75; jackrabbits, $1.25@1.50; cottontails, 75c@$1.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 11@11½c; choice, 12@14c; separator, 22c.

FRESH OYSTERS — First grade, solid packed, New York counts, per can, 38c; extra selects, 32c; standards, 28c; medium, 20c. Second grade, slack filled, New York counts, per can, 30c; extra selects, 26c; standards 20c; bulk standards, per gal., $1.25.

FROZEN FRESH FISH—Black bass, 10c; white bass, 10c; bluefish, 11c; bullheads, 10c; blue fins, 7c; catfish, 12c; cod, 9c; croppie, 10c; cisco, 8c; halibut, 11c; herring, 4@6c; haddock, 9c; mackerel, 20c; perch, 5@7c; pickerel, 7c; pike, 9c; red snapper, 10c; salmon, 14c; sunfish, 5c; smelts, 10c; trout, 10c; whitefish, 8c.

CHICKENS—Live, per doz., 90c.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Price quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers association: Choice upland, $8; No. 1 upland, $7.50; medium, $7; coarse, $5.50. Rye straw, $5.50. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair. Receipts, 1 car.

OATS—No. 3 white, 26c.

CORN—No. 3, 32c.

BRAN—$14.50.

VEGETABLES.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 50c.

TURNIPS—Per bu. basket, 40c.

BEETS—Per bu., 40c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 40c.

LETTUCE—Per doz., 40@45c.

RADISHES—Per doz., 35c.

PARSLEY—Per doz., 50c.

BEANS—Wax, per 1-2 bu. basket, $1; string, 90.

POTATOES—Per bu., 50@60c; Idaho, per bu., 80c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, 1¾c.

TOMATOES — California, per 4-basket crate, $2.

ONIONS—Native, per bu., $1; Colorado yellow, per lb., 3c.

CELERY—California, as to size, 45@75c; Kalamazoo, 25@30c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $3.

FRUITS.

GRAPES—Malaga, per keg, $6.50@9.00.

APPLES—Per bbl., $2.50; eastern, $3.25@3.50. California Bellflowers, per box, $1.50.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, $10 per bbl.; Jerseys, per bbl., $9; per crate, $3.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES — California seedlings, $2.25@2.50; navels, $2.75@3.25; Mexicans, $2.50; Floridas, $3.25.

LEMONS—California, extra fancy, $3.50; choice, $3.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.00@2.50.

FIGS—California, new cartons, 80c; layers, 75c; imported, per lb., 13@15c.

DATES—Persian, in 60-lb. boxes, Sairs, 5c per lb.; Halloween, 5½c per lb.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7c; No. 2 salted, 6c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, 8@13c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.25.

NUTS—English walnuts, per lb., 13c; filberts, per lb., 13c; almonds, per lb., 18@20c; raw peanuts, per lb., 5@5½c; roasted, 6½@7½c; Brazils, 13c; pecans, 10@12c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 5.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red cash, track, 73½@74½c; May, 73¼c; July, 72¾c; No. 2 hard, 70¾@71c.

CORN—Strong; No. 2 cash, 37c; track, 37½@37¾c; May, 38c; July, 38½c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 25¾c; track, 26¼@26¾c; May, 25¾c; No. 2 white, 28¾c.

RYE—Firm at 51c.

FLOUR—Quiet and steady; patents, $3.55@3.75; extra fancy and straights, $3.20@3.40; clear, $2.70@2.90.

SEEDS—Timothy, firm; average, $4.35@4.70, with prime worth more. Flax, lower at $1.67.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.05.

BRAN—Strong; sacked, east track, 69c.

HAY—Timothy, easy, $8.50@12.50; prairie, strong, $7.00@10.00.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.27.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.35.

BAGGING—7@7¾c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, firm; jobbing, $14.50. Lard, lower at $7.22½. Dry salt meats (boxed), firm; extra shorts, $7.12½; clear ribs, $7.25; clear sides, $7.37½. Bacon (boxed), firmer; extra shorts, $7.87½; clear ribs, $8.12½; clear sides, $8.25.

METALS—Lead: Nominal at $4.17½@4.20. Spelter: Weak at $3.80.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 7½c; turkeys, 9@9c; young, 5c; ducks, 8½c; geese, 5c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 15@22c; dairy 12@16c.

EGGS—Higher at 17½c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 9,000 bbls.; wheat, 50,000 bu.; corn, 95,000 bu.; oats, 32,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 21,000 bbls.; wheat, 110,000 bu.; corn, 214,000 bu.; oats, 84,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 5.—WHEAT—Spot, No. 1 California, steady, 6s 3½d; No. 2 red western, winter, firm, 6s 3¾d; No. 1 northern spring, firm, 6s 4d. Futures, quiet; March, 6s 3¾d; May, 6s 3¾d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American new, 3s 5d. Futures, steady; February, 3s 97½d; March, 3s 10d.

PROVISIONS—Beef, extra India mess, 65s. Lard, refined, in pails, quiet, 39s 5d; western, in tierces, quiet, 38s 3d. Bacon, clear bellies, quiet, 44s.

HOPS—At London, Pacific coast, 1900 crop, steady, £5@£5 15s.

BUTTER—Good United States, 84s 2d.

PEAS—Canadian, 5s 8d.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, during the last three days, 167,000 centals, including 157,000 American. American corn, during the last three days, 307,600 centals. Weather fine.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 5.—WHEAT—May, 67½c; cash, 70 hard, 67½@68c; No. 3, 66@67c; No. 2 red, 70@70½c; No. 3, 67@68c.

CORN—May, 36¾c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 35½c; No. 2 white, 37c; No. 3, 36½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 26¾@27¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 47½@48c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.50@11.00; choice prairie, $8.50@9.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, 17@20c; dairy, fancy, 16c.

EGGS—Higher; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 16½c dozen, loss off, cases returned; new whitewood cases included, ½c more.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 65,600 bu.; corn, 40,800 bu.; oats, 9,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 21,600 bu.; corn, 33,600 bu.; oats, 6,000 bu.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 5.—BUTTER—Market ½c lower; fancy western creamery, 22c; fancy western prints, 22c; fancy nearby prints, 23c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh nearby, 22c; fresh western, 22c; fresh southwestern, 22c; fresh southern, 22c.

CHEESE—Dull and weak; New York full creamery, fancy small, 11¾c; New York full creamery, fair to choice, 10½@11½c.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 5.—WHEAT—Cash, 74½c; May, 74½c; July, 75¼@75⅜c. On track: No. 1 hard, 76½c; No. 1 northern, 74½c; No. 2 northern, 71@72c.

FLOUR—Quiet; first patents, $4.05@4.15; second patents, $3.85@4.00; first clears, $2.90@3.00; second clears, $1.90@2.50.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.25@11.50.

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 5.—WHEAT—Dull and lower; cash, 78c; May, 80c; July, 79c.

CORN—Active and strong; cash, 39½c; May, 39c.

OATS—Strong; cash, 27c.

RYE—52½c.

CLOVERSEED—Active; 1899 prime, $6.75; March, $7.20.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 5.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, 75½@76c; No. 2 northern, 72½@74c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 52½c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 60c; sample, 45@57c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 5.—CORN—Quiet; No. 2, 37c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 26¾@27c, billed through.

WHISKY—On the basis of $1.27 for finished goods.

Evaporated and Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—EVAPORATED APPLES—Trading in the market for evaporated apples continues of a hand-to-mouth order; prime goods receive the most attention and the market holds steady at current prices; state, common, 3½@3½c; prime, 4½c; choice, 4½@4¾c; fancy, 6@7c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Market ruled quiet and unchanged at 3¼@3½c per lb. for prunes, as to size and quality. Apricots, Royal, 7¾@12c; Moor Park, 8¾@15c. Peaches, peeled, 14@18c; unpeeled, 6¾@10c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Feb. 5.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 75½c; No. 1 northern, 73½c; May, 76½c; July, 77½c.

OATS—26¼@26c.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Day's Market is Very Active and Stocks Have Varied Career.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Today's market was very active and ended the day generally higher, but prices of stocks went through many variations in the course of the trading. The market was extremely spotty throughout, but the constant cropping out of new and aggressive points of strength served to overcome the disposition to sell on the part of the timid holders of long stock as well as by the bear traders, who were disposed to aggressive tactics early in the day. The opening bulge in prices met with a decidedly discouraging reception and some of the leading stocks on the list were carried below last night's level, under the heavy burden of profit-taking sales and operations by the bears. Yesterday's leaders in the speculative advance, including Louisville & Nashville, Atchison, Union Pacific and Rock Island, were all carried below last night's level and the drooping tendency of Southern Pacific became more manifest. With weakness in these complete stocks after yesterday's buying in them for speculation the whole market necessarily made some response and the earlier gains elsewhere were largely curtailed. The steel stocks showed themselves not so yielding as those in other portions of the list, when the force of the selling movement had expended itself; the recovery in the steel stocks was an important influence on the market. Buying was credited to insiders and there was a recurrence of recent rumors of a coming wholesale consolidation of the great corporations in the trade. The opening rise in the southwestern was not so well maintained, although Missouri Pacific made a strong recovery later, rising to 91⅞, and the Wabash securities were very largely bought. It was rumored that Chicago & Eastern Illinois had passed to the control of the Missouri Pacific or St. Louis Southwestern and the lately prevalent rumors of a general consolidation of the Southwestern railway systems still retained their form in the speculation. Chicago & Eastern Illinois rose 5¼ and the preferred 1½. A spurt of 3¾ in Tobacco about mid-day was a feature. There was a very large number of stocks which advanced sharply under the prevailing impression that absorption of such trade by the larger railroad systems is the order of the day. Hocking Valley rose 4½; Hocking Valley preferred, 3¼; Pere Marquette, 5; Minneapolis & St. Louis, 2½; Evansville & Terre Haute, 5; Lake Erie & Western, 2, and quite an extended list from 1 to 2 points. The most important movement of the day was the utter decline when the coalers and Pennsylvania showed aggressive after symptoms of heaviness early in the day on a statement that the dividend on Reading first preferred would not be increased for the present. The movement seemed to be based on rumors as to the disposition of Lehigh Valley, different people assigning it to Lackawanna, Erie and Reading. Gains on the movement were 3 for Lackawanna, 3 for Delaware & Hudson, from 1 to 2 for other members of the group. The movement in Pennsylvania was not explained, but it resulted in an advance of 4 points. Union Pacific and Southern Pacific also succeeded in throwing off their depression, the former advancing to 91 and the latter to 38, through heavy offerings in both cases. A flurry to 3 per cent call money rate was not much heeded, although it calls attention to the fact that last week's enormous incursion into the reserve forces by reason of the loan expansion of over $50,000,000 was a reality to be reckoned with. The reaction in sterling exchange and the impression that an outward gold movement to London is averted for the present, owing to the decline in the money rate there helped to offset the effect of the firmer tone of the local money market.

The absorption of middle and lower grade bonds continued very heavy and at advancing prices. Total sales, par value, $7,710,000. United States 3s advanced ¼ per cent on the last call.

The following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	54⅝	do pfd	30
do pfd	89	W. & L. E.	12½
Baltimore & O.	92½	do 2d pfd	29¼
Can. Pacific	90	Wis. Central	17½
Can. Southern	58¼	Third Avenue	120
Ches. & Ohio	40¾	R. & O. pfd	86½
Chicago & W.	124¼	National Tube	68¾
C., B. & Q.	147⅝	do pfd	102¾
Chicago I. & L.	29½	Adams Express	155
do pfd	98¾	Am. Express	180
Chicago & N. W.	154	U. S. Express	55
C., R. I. & P.	127⅝	Wells-Fargo Ex.	140
C. C. C. & St. L.	77¾	Am. Cot. Oil	30½
Colo. Southern	11⅞	do pfd	89
do 1st pfd	42	Am. Malting	4½
do 2d pfd	17½	do pfd	25
Del. & Hudson	153¼	Amer. S. & R.	60½
Del. L. & W.	198¾	do pfd	93¼
Den. & R. G.	35½	Amer. Spirits	2
do pfd	86¼	*do pfd	17
Erie	29⅝	Amer. S. H.	30½
do 1st pfd	65⅞	do pfd	76
Gt. Nor. pfd	193	Amer. S. & W.	49
Hocking Coal	16	do pfd	93
Hocking Valley	48½	Am. Tin Plate	35¾
Illinois Central	129½	do pfd	85¼
Iowa Central	26½	Am. Tobacco	117¼
do pfd	54½	do pfd	140
L. E. & W.	42½	Ana. Min. Co.	42½
do pfd	111	Brit. Rap. Tr.	80
Lake Shore	220	Colo. F. & I.	48¾
Louis. & Nash.	93¾	Con. Tobacco	46¼
Manhattan L.	119½	do pfd	96
Met. St. Ry.	164¼	Federal Steel	51¼
Mex. Central	19⅞	do pfd	77¾
Minn. & St. L.	71⅝	Gen. Electric	291
do pfd	107½	Glucose Sugar	49½
Mo. Pacific	91¼	do pfd	96
Mobile & Ohio	69½	Int'n'l Paper	21
M., K. & T.	21½	do pfd	70
do pfd	49	Laclede Gas	73½
N. J. Central	152	Nat. Biscuit	39¼
N. Y. Central	145⅝	do pfd	93½
Nor. & West.	45⅝	National Lead	18½
do pfd	84½	do pfd	89
No. Pacific	87⅝	National Steel	46½
do pfd	87¼	do pfd	92½
Ontario & W.	23½	N. Y. A. Brake	163
*O. R. & N.	42	No. American	20¼
*do pfd	76	Pacific Coast	54
Pennsylvania	150⅞	do 1st pfd	87
Reading	33⅞	do 2d pfd	61
do 1st pfd	73¾	Pacific Mail	43¾
do 2d pfd	43½	People's Gas	102¾
Rio G. W.	65	Pressed S. C.	38⅞
do pfd	83	do pfd	76
St. L. & S. F.	37⅞	Pullman P. C.	199
do 1st pfd	85¼	Stand. R. & T.	32¾
do 2d pfd	58¾	Sugar	137¾
St. L. S. W.	25	do pfd	119
do pfd	53¾	Tenn. C. & I.	66¼
St. Paul	152¼	U. S. Leather	13
do pfd	181½	do pfd	74¾
**St. L. & O.	128	U. S. Rubber	19¾
So. Pacific	37¾	do pfd	53¾
So. Railway	27⅞	Western Union	84¼
do pfd	76	Amal. Copper	93½
Tex. & Pacific	38¼	Republic I. & S.	15⅞
Union Pacific	90⅝	do pfd	69¾
do pfd	78	P. C. C. & St. L.	90¼
Wabash	14		

*Nominal.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: Though business on the Stock exchange here was restricted today the tone was cheerful and prices were pretty strong. The American department attracted the most interest and for its shares was strong throughout, in spite of the fact that business was greatly interfered with by the interruption for three hours of the cables. This delay was due to the storm. Buying was very free. The Erie shares and the Atchisons were in great demand. There was some selling to realize in the Southern and Union Pacific issues. Berlin was buying Canadian Pacific confidently all day. Bar gold to the extent of £48,000 was bought by the bank. Money was easier. Call loans were down to 3 per cent and time money to 3½ per cent. Discounts were 3¾@3⅞ per cent. Opinions are divided on the reduction of the bank rates, though the belief that gold will be coming from New York strengthened the expectation of a cut.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Call loans, 3@4 per cent; time loans, 3@4 per cent. Official closing:

A., T. & S. F.	54½	West End	93½
do pfd	89	*West. Electric	24½
Amer. Sugar	137¾	Atchison 4s	102
do pfd	119	N. E. G. & C. 5s	67
Am. Telephone	167	*Adventure	9¾
Boston & Al.	254	Bing. Min. Co.	18
Boston Elevated	163¼	Amal. Copper	90½
Boston & Me.	381½	Atlantic	28
C., B. & Q.	147¾	Boston & Mont.	318
Dominion Coal	35¾	Butte & Boston	8½
do pfd	119	Cal. & Hecla	850
Federal Steel	51	Centennial	22¾
do pfd	77½	Franklin	17½
Gen. Electric	293¼	Humboldt	25
do pfd	129	Oscoola	87¾
Ed. Elec. Ill.	290	Parrot	48
Mex. Central	16	Quincy	168
N. E. G. & C.	12½	Santa Fe Copper	6
Old Colony	208	Tamarack	530
Old Dominion	31½	Utah Mining	22¾
Rubber	19¾	Winona	5¼
Union Pacific	90¾	Wolverines	49
Union Land	2½		

*Ex-dividend.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—Money was abundant and weak today. Discounts were easy, the reduction of bank rates at Berlin and Paris believed to be imminent. On the Stock exchange activity was confined to Americans. The feature was Atchisons. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £48,000. Gold premiums were quoted at Lisbon at 41.50.

BERLIN, Feb. 5.—Prices on the bourse today were firm. Canadian Pacific and locals were in good demand and banks were harder, especially Deutschland, on anticipation of the balance sheet being favorable. Exchange on London, 20m, 49¼pfg for checks. Discount rates: Short bills, 2½ per cent; three months' bills, 3¼ per cent.

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Three per cent rentes, 102f 17½c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 17½c for checks; Spanish 4s, 72.67½.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—MONEY—On call, steady at 2@2 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 3@4 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Easier, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.83¾ for demand and at $4.81¾@4.81¾ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.85½@4.89; commercial bills, $4.83¼@4.84¼.

SILVER—Certificates, 61@63c; bar, 61¾c; Mexican dollars, 47½c.

BONDS—Government, strong; state, steady; railroad, strong.

The closing prices on bonds today are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	105⅝	N. Y. C. 1s	106¾
do coupon	105⅝	N. Pacific 3s	73
do 3s, reg	110¼	do 4s	106¾
do coupon	110¼	N Y C & S L 4s	109
do new 4s, reg	137½	N. & W. c. 4s	101½
do coupon	137½	Ore. Nav. 1s	109
do old 4s, reg	113½	do 4s	103¾
do coupon	113½	O. S. L. 6s	130
do 5s, reg	110½	do consol 5s	116½
do coupon	110½	Reading gen. 4s	96
D. of C. 3s, 65s	123	R. G. W. 1s	99½
Atch. gen. 4s	103½	St L & I M c. 5s	116
do adj. 4s	93½	St L & S F g. 6s	128
Can. So. 2s	110	St. Paul cons. 4s	164
C. & O. 4½s	106⅞	St. P. C. & P. 1s	118½
do 5s	121½	do 5s	120½
C. & N. W. c. 7s	139½	So. Pacific 4s	96½
do S. F. deb. 5s	123	So. Railway 5s	116
Chicago Ter. 4s	96½	S. R. & T. 6s	63
Colo. So. 4s	84½	T. & P. 1s	116¾
D. & R. G. 4s	103	do 2s	96
Erie gen. 4s	81	Union Pacific 4s	106½
F. W. & D. C. 1s	82¾	Wabash 1s	119¾
Gen. Electric 5s	158½	do 2s	110
Ia. Central 1s	116	West Shore 4s	114
L. & N. uni. 4s	101¾	Wis. Central 4s	89
M., K. & T. 2s	75½	Va. Centuries	96
do 4s	97¾		

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—The following are quotations on mining stocks:

Adams Con	23	Little Chief	14
Alice	45	Ontario	600
Breece	200	Ophir	60
Brunswick con.	38	Phoenix	8
Comstock Tun.	5	Potosi	18
Con. Cal. & Va.	150	Savage	15
Deadwood Terra	50	Sierra Nevada	15
Horn Silver	110	Small Hopes	65
Iron Silver	64	Standard	415
Leadville Con.	6		

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Feb. 5.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	95⅝	Erie	30
do account	97	do 1st pfd	66⅞
Atchison	55	Pennsylvania	75½
Can. Pacific	93	Reading	17⅝
St. Paul	156	No. Pacific pfd	89¾
Illinois Central	131¾	Grand Trunk	7¾
Louisville	94	Anaconda	8¾
U. P. pfd	87¾	Rand Mines	37½
N. Y. Central	149		

BAR SILVER—Steady at 78 3-16d per ounce.

MONEY—2½@3½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills, 3¼@3⅜ per cent.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $140,529,491; gold, $70,551,840.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Feb. 5.—Bank clearings for today, $871,952, for the corresponding day last year, $1,035,698; decrease, $163,146.

CHICAGO, Feb. 5.—Clearings, $20,716,543; balances, $2,276,097; posted exchange, $4.85½@4.85; New York exchange, 5c discount.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 5.—Clearings, $7,207,635; balances, $1,131,193; money, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 10c discount bid, par asked.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Clearings, $291,918,734; balances, $11,188,509.

BOSTON, Feb. 5.—Clearings, $21,191,592; balances, $1,516,449.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 5.—Clearings, $3,768,350; balances, $625,842.

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