GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Values Steady After Nervous Opening and Selling is Heavy.

PRICES ON DECLINE AT START

Wheat is Nervous and Uncertain at the Outset—Good Commission House Buying—Corn is Higher.

OMAHA, March 12, 1908.

Grain values were steady after a very nervous opening. Selling was heavy at the start and prices were on the decline, receiving little or no opposition. Later values narrowed, after some recovery, and the close was steady.

Wheat was nervous and very uncertain at the opening. Values were higher on good commission house buying and a higher sample market. The close was steady to strong and showed an advance. May wheat opened at 92c and closed at 97½c.

Corn was higher at the opening and held firm until profit taking took the edge off when a decided drop was registered. Buying started on the decline and values were bushed back up and closed with a gain. May corn opened at 58½c and closed at 59½c.

Oats were strong to higher from the start on good buying and covering by shorts. Arrivals on decreasing, and a good demand noticeable. May oats opened at 50½c and closed at 50¾c.

Primary wheat receipts were 691,000 bushels and shipments 370,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 720,000 bushels and shipments of 225,000 bushels.

Corn receipts were 256,000 bushels and shipments 372,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 325,000 bushels and shipments of 361,000 bushels.

Clearances were 135,000 bushels of corn, 140,000 bushels of oats, and wheat and flour equal to 436,000 bushels.

Liverpool closed ¼@¾d higher on wheat and unchanged to ¼d higher on corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May	92	92¾	92	92¾	91⅞
July	88	88	88	88	88
Sept	80½	80½	80	80	80⅝
Corn—					
May	59⅝	59⅞	59⅝	59⅞	58⅝
July	57½	57½	57½	57½	57½
Sept	56⅝	56⅝	56⅝	56⅝	56⅝
Oats—					
May	50¾	51	50¾	50¾	50¼
July	44¼	44¼	44¼	44¼	44¼
Sept	34¼	34¼	34¼	34¼	34¼

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 96@98c; No. 3 hard, 94@95½c; No. 4 hard, 90@93½c; No. 2 spring, $7@71c.

CORN—No. 3, 57½c; No. 4, 56½@57c; No. 2 yellow, 58c; No. 3 white, 57½@57¾c.

OATS—No. 3 white, 50c; No. 4 white, 49½c.

RYE—No. 2, 70@71½c; No. 3, 70@70c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	30	141	235
Minneapolis	214	..	..
Omaha	26	24	69
Duluth	60	..	..

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, March 12.—Higher prices for wheat in foreign grain markets and a continued good demand for the cash grain had a strengthening effect today on the local wheat market, the May delivery closing at a net gain of ¾@⅞c. Corn was off ⅛@⅛c, oats were ⅛@¼c higher and provisions were 10c to 17½@30c lower.

Sentiment in the wheat pit was inclined to be bullish all day, although the market at times was nervous. Shorts and commission houses were active buyers early in the day because of the firm tone of European markets and liberal sales of cash wheat. Later in the day numerous reports of excellent condition of the fall sown crop weakened the market materially and caused a loss of nearly all the early gain. The close was steady. May opened ⅝@⅞c higher at 94¼@94⅝c, sold at 94c and then advanced to 95⅛c. The close was at 94⅞@94⅞c. Chances of wheat and flour were equal to 436,000 bu. Primary receipts were 691,000 bu., against 720,000 on the same day last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 288 cars, against 194 last week and 304 one year ago.

The early corn market was firm because of higher cables and continued small receipts. In the final hour the market declined about 1c from the high point because of increased offerings in Illinois, Kansas and Nebraska. The market closed weak. May opened ⅛@⅜c higher at 59¼@59⅝c, sold off to 58⅞c and closed at 59⅛@59⅜c. Local receipts were 141 cars, none of contract grade.

Oats were firm because of steady buying by bulls. Trade was in larger volume than for some time past. May opened ⅛c higher at 50⅝c, advanced to 50¾c and closed at 50¾@50⅞c. Local receipts, 235 cars.

Provisions were weak on scattered selling by pit traders and packers and because of liberal receipts of live hogs. At the close May pork was off 17½@20c at $11.92½@$11.95. Lard was 10c lower at $7.72½. Ribs were 10c down at $6.67½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 23 cars; corn, 152 cars; oats, 283 cars; hogs, 23,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May	94¼@94⅝	95¼	94	94¼@94⅝	93⅞
July	88⅝@89	89⅝	88⅞	89	88⅝
Sept.	87 @87¼	87¼	85⅝	86	86⅝
Corn—					
May	67¼@67⅜	67⅜	64⅝	64⅝@64⅞	65
July	62⅝@62⅞	62⅞	61⅝	61⅝	62⅝@62⅞
Sept.	61⅝@61⅞	61⅞	60⅝	60⅝	61⅛
Oats—					
May	45¼	45¼	43⅝	43⅝@43¾	43⅝
July	44⅛	45	44⅛	44⅝	44⅛@44⅜
Pork—					
May	12 10	12 12½	11 90	11 95	12 12½
July	12 50	12 60	12 30	12 35	12 62½
Lard—					
May	7 80	7 82½	7 72½	7 72½	7 82½
July	8 00	8 05	7 96	7 96	8 05
Sept.	8 22½	8 22½	8 15	8 15	8 22
Ribs—					
May	6 77½	6 77½	6 67½	6 67½	6 77½
July	7 07½	7 07½	6 97½	6 97½	7 07½

*No. 2. a Old. b New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $4.40@4.65; winter straights, $4.20@4.35; spring patents, $5.30@5.50; spring straights, $4.20@4.30; bakers, $2.25@4.35.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.07@1.10; No. 3 spring, 97c@$1.08; No. 2 red, 97½@98½c.

CORN—No. 2, 62½@63c; No. 2 yellow, 62½@63½c.

OATS—No. 2, 50@50½c; No. 2 white, 54½c; No. 3 white, 50½@54c.

RYE—No. 2, 80c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 53@60c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $1.19½. Prime timothy, $4.75. Clover, contract grade, $10.00.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs, sides (loose), $6.00@6.50. Mess pork, per bbl., $11.62½@11.75. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $6.50@6.75.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	46,600	49,700
Wheat, bu	32,200	71,100
Corn, bu	114,000	152,300
Oats, bu	414,000	296,400
Rye, bu	6,000	2,900
Barley, bu	52,800	28,100

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 19@26c; dairies, 20@26c. Eggs, firm, at mark, cases included, 26c; firsts, 19½c; prime firsts, 17½c; extras, 19½c. Cheese, steady, 12@12½c.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 12.—BUTTER—Steady; extra western creamery, 26c; extra nearby prints, 32c.

EGGS—Market is lower; Pennsylvania and other nearby firsts, 20c, at mark; current receipts, in returnable cases, 19c; fair to good, 18@19c, at mark.

CHEESE—Firm, good demand; New York full creams, choice, 12½@12½c; New York full creams, fair to good, 11@12½c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 12.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.08@1.10; No. 2 northern, $1.06@1.08; May, 99½c, asked.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 56c; sample, 45@60c.

CORN—Firm; No. 3, cash, 60@60½c; May, 61½c.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Ill., March 12.—CORN—Lower; No. 2 yellow, 63c; No. 3, 62½@62½c; No. 4, 62@62½c; 10 grade, 60@60½c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 3 white, 52@52½c; No. 4 white, 51@51½c.

WHISKY—$1.26.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 12.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 1 red, western, winter, 7s 10½d. Futures, steady; March, 7s 12½d; May, 7s 11½d.

CORN—Spot, steady; prime mixed American, new, 5s 2d; prime mixed American, old, 5s 5d. Futures, quiet; March, 5s 1¾d; May, 5s 4½d.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 12.—FLOUR—Receipts, 10,550 barrels; exports, 8,959 barrels. Market steady with a fair demand; Minnesota patents, $5.15@5.75; winter straights, $4.40@4.60; Minnesota bakers, $4.50@4.60; winter extras, $2.60@3.35; winter patents, $4.60@5.00; winter low grades, $3.55@4.15. Rye flour barely steady; fair to good, $4.10@4.90; choice to fancy, $5.00@5.25. Buckwheat flour, nominal, $2.00 per 100 pounds.

CORNMEAL—Firm; coarse, $3.35@1.40; kiln dried, $3.35.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 87@88c, f. o. b. New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 14,000 bushels; exports, 7,906 bushels. Spot market steady; No. 2 red, 98½c, elevator; No. 2 red, $1.00½, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.13½, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.11½, f. o. b. afloat. At first wheat acted quite strong today, advancing about 1c on better cables and large cash sales in the west. It later reacted on big Argentina estimates, bearish home news and liquidation and closed net unchanged. May, $1.01⅞@1.02⅛, closed at $1.02; July, 96⅝@97 11-16c, closed at 96⅞c.

CORN—Receipts, 1,700 bushels; exports, 17,203 bushels. Spot market firmer; No. 2, 78½c, elevator, and 81c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, 67½c, and No. 2 yellow, 67½c, f. o. b. afloat, all nominal. Option market was without transactions, closing ⅝@⅞c net lower. May closed at 73⅝c; July closed at 70⅞c.

OATS—Receipts, 109,500 bushels. Spot market steady; mixed oats, 26 to 32 pounds, 57c; natural white, 26 to 32 pounds, 57@60c; clipped white, 32 to 40 pounds, 60@62c.

HAY—Good trade; good to choice, $1.00@1.05.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1907 crop, 80@14c; 1906 crop, 4@6c; Pacific coast, 1907 crop, 56@8c; 1906 crop, 8@8c.

HIDES—Quiet; Bogota, 17½c; Central America, 17½c.

LEATHER—Quiet, acid, 20@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $24.50@25.00; mess, $21.00@21.50; beef hams, $35.00@37.00; packet, $22.00@18.00; city, extra India mess, $31.00@32.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, 7¼@8c; pickled hams, 8@9c. Lard, barely steady; western prime, $7.70@7.80; refined, easy; continent, $8.10; South America, $8.75; compound, $6.75@7.12½. Pork, quiet; family, $18.00@16.00; short clears, $14.50@15.75; mess, $14.00@14.75.

TALLOW—Firm; city ($2 per package), 5½c; country, (package free), 4⅞@5⅛c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 5¼@6½c.

BUTTER—Irregular; process, second to special, 19@22c; western factory, held, first, 21½@22c.

CHEESE—Firm, unchanged.

EGGS—Easier; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy selected white, 23c; good to choice, 22@22c; brown and mixed extra, 22@22½c; first, 19@21½c; western and southern first, 21c; second, 20½c.

POULTRY—Alive, quiet; fowls, 14c; turkeys, 15c. Dressed, quiet and steady; turkeys, 12@18c; fowls, 10@13½c.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair and Colder is the Forecast for Friday.

OMAHA March 12, 1908.

A barometric depression, accompanied by warmer weather, has developed over the extreme upper Missouri valley. This depression is followed by an area of high pressure over the extreme northwest, accompanied by much colder weather, and this condition will cause a cold wave over the upper Missouri valley tonight. The cold wave will extend over northern Nebraska, and the weather will be much colder in this vicinity tonight and Friday, with continued fair tonight and probably Friday.

Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding da of the past three years:

	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.
Minimum temperature	42	29	7	22
Precipitation	.00	.00	.00	.10

Normal temperature for today 35 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, .15 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, .61 inches.

Excess corresponding period in 1906, .13 inches.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 12.—WHEAT—Weak; track, No. 2 red cash, $1.00@1.06; No. 3 hard, 96@98c; May, 96½c; July, 85½c.

CORN—Weak; track, No. 2 cash, 67½@68c; No. 2 white, 64½@66½c; May, 60½c; July, 59½c.

OATS—Firm; track, No. 2 cash, 53c; No. 2 white, 54½@55c; May, 52c.

RYE—Scarce at 84c.

FLOUR—Firmer; red winter patents, $4.65@4.85; extra fancy and straight, $4.20@4.50; clears, $3.60@3.80.

SEEDS—Timothy steady at $3.75@4.25.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $3.00.

BRAN—Strong; sacked, east track, $1.15@1.20.

HAY—Strong; timothy, $11.00@17.00; prairies, $10.00@12.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—4½c.

HEMP TWINE—6c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, $12.12½. Lard, lower; prime steam, $7.37½@7.42½. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $7.12½; clear ribs, $7.00; short clears, $7.87½. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $7.87½; clear ribs, $7.75; short clears, $8.12½.

POULTRY—Dull; chickens, 13½c; springs, 14c; turkeys, 12@13c; ducks, 11c; geese, 6@7c.

BUTTER—Dull; creamery, 19@26c.

EGGS—Lower at 14½c, case count.

Receipts and shipments of flour and grain were as follows:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	7,000	8,000
Wheat, bu	41,000	47,000
Corn, bu	53,000	28,000
Oats, bu	67,000	15,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 12.—WHEAT—Unchanged; May, 89½c; July, 82½c. Cash: No. 2 hard, 94@97c; No. 3, 89½@96½c; No. 2 red, 92c@$1.00; No. 3, 90@96c.

CORN—½@1c lower; May, 58½c; July, 56½c. Cash: No. 2 mixed, 59½@59½c; No. 3 mixed, 58½@58½c; No. 2 white, 59@59½c; No. 3 white, 58c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 50½c; No. 3 mixed, 49@49½c.

RYE—74@76c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $13.00@13.00; choice prairie, $9.25@9.75.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, extra, 26c; packing stock, 17½c.

EGGS—½c lower; fresh extras, 16½c; current receipts, 14½c.

Following were the receipts and shipments of grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	83,000	77,000
Corn, bu	27,000	26,000
Oats, bu	6,000	11,000

Options at Kansas City:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	91¼	91¼@92½	90½	91¼A
July	83½	83½	82½	82½
Corn—				
May	57¼@58½	58½	56½	58½
July	57½	57½	56½	56½

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Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 12.—WHEAT—May, $1.04½@1.04¾; July, $1.03; No. 1 hard, $1.07½; No. 1 northern, $1.05½; No. 2, $1.02½@1.03; No. 3, 96@$1.01.

BRAN—Unchanged; in bulk, $20.00@21.00.

FLOUR—Unchanged; first patents, $5.25@5.50; second patents, $5.15@5.40; first clears, $4.25@4.35; second, $3.50@3.90.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, March 12.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.05⅝; May, $1.03⅝; July, $1.03⅝.

OATS—50c.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—METALS—The London tin market was higher today, with spot closing at £134 15s and futures at £132. The local market was steady, with quotations ranging from 29.00@29.25. Copper was higher in the English market, with spot closing at £59 7s 6d and futures at £58 10s. The local market was firm, with Lake quoted at $12.50@13.75, electrolytic at $12.87½@13.62½ and casting at $12.25@12.50. Lead was lower at £13 5s in the London market; locally, dull and unchanged, at $4.65@4.75. Spelter advanced 2s 6d to £23 1s in the London market, but remained dull and unchanged at $4.60@4.70 locally. Iron was higher in the English market, with standard foundry quoted at 48s 9d and Cleveland warrants at 45s 3d. The local market was nominally unchanged on northern, but showed improvement on southern. No. 1 northern foundry, $18.25@18.75; No. 2 foundry northern, $17.75@18.25; No. 1 southern foundry and No. 1 southern foundry, soft, $17.25@18.25.

ST. LOUIS, March 12.—METALS—Lead, unchanged, at $4.65; spelter, unchanged, at $4.60.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—COFFEE—Market for futures closed barely steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher. Sales reported of 60,000 bags, including March, 4.85c; May, 4.90c; July, 5.00c; September, 5.10c; December, 5.20c; January, 5.25c; March, 5.30c. Spot coffee, Rio, dull; No. 7 Rio, 6½c; mild coffee, steady; cordova, 10@14½c.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Strength of Market is Spotty and Intermittent.

VOLUME OF BUSINESS DIMINISHED

Investigations of Methods of Exchange by President Causes Hesitation — Bonds Are Irregular.

NEW YORK, March 12.—There was intermittent and spotty strength in the stock market today, but it was not comparable to the aggregate upswing of prices which occurred yesterday. The volume of the market was decidedly diminished also. The sustaining force of upward movements in special stocks was taken advantage of by profit-taking, which showed itself on every occasion when an advance was getting fairly under way.

Some of the factors which were of use in lifting prices yesterday had lost some of their influence today and there was a residue of damaging effect coming over from the previous day from some undigested factors. One of these was the setting on foot by instruction of the president of an investigation by the bureau of corporations of stock trading with the announced purpose of finding a way to penalize marginal operations in stocks. The attitude adopted among the Stock exchange membership toward this subject is that the Stock exchange itself has nothing to fear from revelations of its methods, but rather much to gain in the demonstration which would be made of safeguards and securities behind obligations assumed in the regular Stock exchange proceedures and the dominant rule of strict probity in the conduct of brokerage and commission business in stocks. There is no disposition in stock market circles to deny the evils of the bucket shop type of operations, against which, in fact, Stock exchange interests always have waged an incessant warfare. There is a recognition also of the discreditable side of occasional manipulations of prices and of plunging with the proceeds of bank loans. But these are evils which the Stock exchange members disclaim responsibility for, or indeed power, to prevent. Against this influence in the market was the continued stress laid on a report that a message from the president was to be forthcoming shortly which would follow permission by the Interstate Commerce commission to the railroad companies to advance their freight charges as a measure of prevention against the threatened fall in the rates of wages.

Yesterday's circumstantial reports that the Union Pacific plan for segregating its assets in a company to be distributed in scrip to the stockholders met with sufficient official countenance this morning to impair its influence as a market factor. The Northern Pacific extra dividend rumors revived with some show of force and made a rallying point against the effects of profit-taking in the market. Amalgamated Copper enjoyed the advantage of an advance in the price of copper, both at the local metal exchange and in London. An excellent impression was made by the over-subscription some sixteen times to the $4,000,000 of New York state bonds offered yesterday as an evidence of a plentitude of capital for attractive and well secured investment. The general bond market, however, was not responsive to this factor. Western Union suffered from its poor showing of quarterly earnings and Delaware & Hudson from the injunction against distribution of its declared dividend. Money and exchange conditions were little changed. The irregular tendency of stocks persisted throughout. An upward swing was in progress at the close and the day's changes showed gains in consequence.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,471,000. United States is registered declined ¼ per cent on call.

Number of sales and quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express				177
Amalgamated Copper	17,200	64¾	62¾	64¾
Am. Ca. & F.	300	29	28½	29
Am. C. & F. pfd	100	99½	99½	97½
Am. Cotton Oil				35
Am. Cotton Oil pfd				85
American Express				150
Am. Ill.	200	15	15	15
American Ice Securities	600	16¾	16¾	16¾
Am. Linseed Oil				8
Am. Linseed Oil pfd				20
Am. Locomotive	1,800	36¾	35¾	36¾
Am. Locomotive pfd	100	99¾	99¾	99
Am. S. & R.	25,300	67¾	66¾	67¾
Am. S. & R. pfd. ex-div	100	91¾	91¾	92¾
Am. Sugar Refining	1,600	118	116	118
Am. Tobacco pfd ctfs	500	82	81½	81¾
Anaconda Mining Co	5,600	48¾	47¾	48¾
Atchison	1,500	72¾	71¾	71¾
Atchison pfd	400	94¾	94¾	95
Atlantic Coast Line	400	95	95	95
Baltimore & Ohio	2,100	87¾	81¾	81¾
Bal. & Ohio pfd	100	91	91	92
Brooklyn Rapid Tr	21,400	42¾	42¾	42¾
Canadian Pacific	1,900	143¾	142	143¾
Central of New Jersey				179
Chesapeake & Ohio	200	39	38	38¾
Chicago Gt. W.	600	4¾	4¾	4¾
Chicago & N. W.	300	143¾	143	144
C. M. & St. P.	14,700	117¾	116	116¾
Chicago T. & T.				5
Chicago T. & T. pfd				30
C., C., C. & St. L.				65¾
Colorado F. & I.	400	18¾	18	18
Colorado & So.	1,500	24¾	23¾	24
Colo. & So. 1st pfd	900	55¾	55¾	55¾
Colo. & So. 2d pfd	200	45¾	45¾	45¾
Consolidated Gas	300	140	140	140
Corn Products				11¾
Corn Products pfd	500	61	60	59¾
Delaware & Hudson	1,300	122	120	120¾
Del., L. & W.				474
Denver & Rio Grande	100	19¾	19¾	19¾
D. & R. G. pfd				79¾
Distillers' Securities	500	39¾	39¾	39
Erie	2,700	19¾	19¾	19¾
Erie 1st pfd	600	28¾	27¾	27¾
Erie 2d pfd	300	19	18¾	18¾
General Electric	300	119	118¾	119
Illinois Central				139
International Paper				24
Int. Paper pfd	500	81	80	84
Int. Pump	200	34¾	34	34¾
Int. Pump pfd	400	75	73¾	73¾
Iowa Central				11
Iowa Central pfd	600	32	29¾	29¾
Kansas City So.	200	21	21	21
K. C. So. pfd	200	61¾	60¾	61¾
Louisville & N.	1,100	148¾	146	146
Mexican Central	400	18	17¾	17¾
Minn. & St. Louis	300	21¾	21¾	20¾
M., St. P. & S. S. M.				132
M., St. P. & S. S. M. pfd				132
Missouri Pacific	2,900	35	34¾	34¾
M., K. & T.	6,900	32¾	31¾	32¾
M., K. & T. pfd	200	52	52	52¾
National Lead	4,100	49¾	49	49
N. R. S. of M. pfd offered				100
New York Central	3,700	97¾	97¾	98¾
N. Y., O. & W.	200	21¾	21¾	22¾
Norfolk & W.	200	63¾	63¾	63¾
Norfolk & W. pfd				80
North American	100	47¾	47¾	47
Pacific Mail				26¾
Pennsylvania	16,400	117¾	116¾	117
People's Gas	1,100	99¾	97¾	97¾
P., C., C. & St. L.	200	67¾	66	67
Pressed Steel Car				21¾
Pressed S. C. pfd	100	78	78	78
Pullman Palace Car				180
Reading	131,700	108¾	107¾	108¾
Reading 1st pfd				88
Reading 2d pfd				81
Republic Steel	100	17¾	17¾	17¾
Republic Steel pfd	400	93¾	93¾	93¾
Rock Island Co.	2,800	21¾	19¾	19¾
Rock Island Co. pfd	1,100	35¾	34	34¾
St. L. & S. F. 1st pfd	900	54¾	53¾	53¾
St. Louis S. W.				18¾
St. L. S. W. pfd	200	36¾	36¾	36
Southern Pacific	7,300	73¾	72¾	73¾
So. Pacific pfd				100¾
So. Railway	2,900	31¾	30¾	31¾
So. Railway pfd	300	29¾	29¾	29¾
Texas & Pacific				34¾
T., St. L. & W.	200	14¾	14	14¾
T., St. L. & W. pfd	900	35¾	34	34¾
Union Pacific	134,200	132¾	131¾	132¾
Union Pacific pfd	200	80¾	80¾	80¾
U. S. Express				82
U. S. Realty	200	41	41	40
U. S. Rubber	600	21	20¾	20¾
U. S. Rubber pfd				46
U. S. Steel	74,300	32	32¾	32¾
U. S. Steel pfd	3,400	95¾	95¾	95¾
Va.-Carolina Chemical	300	17	17	17¾
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd	100	90	90	90
Wabash	800	5¾	5	5¾
Wabash pfd	400	18	17¾	18¾
Wells-Fargo Express				230
Westinghouse Electric				30¾
Western Union	1,500	48¾	47¾	48
Wheeling & L. E.				4¾
Wisconsin Central				21
Wis. Central pfd				69
Northern Pacific	28,800	127¾	126¾	127¾
Central Leather				17¾
Central Leather pfd				87¾
Sloss-Sheffield Steel	100	45¾	45¾	45¾
Great Northern pfd	3,300	32	31¾	32¾
Interborough Met.	300	7¾	7¾	7¾
Int. Met. pfd	2,100	29¾	29¾	29¾

Total sales for the day, 621,400 shares.

Bank of England Statement.

LONDON, March 12.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve increased, £972,000; circulation decreased, £234,000; bullion, increased, £738,239; other securities, increased, £1,961,000; other deposits, increased, £766,000; public deposits, increased, £552,000; notes reserve, increased, £919,000; government securities, decreased, £350,000. The proportion of the bank's reserve to liability this week is 58.31 per cent; last week it was 49.59 per cent.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, March 12.—Money continued to be fairly scarce in the market today, but the market was good. Discounts were quiet. Trading on the stock exchange recovered from yesterday's depression, as the settlement was unclouded with only a small failure. Investors received a further stimulus in the shape of a good bank return, but consols closed below the best on the forthcoming issue of £2,000,000 of New South Wales stock. More cheerful advices from Paris assisted foreigners, kaffirs and Deboers, while copper shares were supported on firmness in the price of the metal and American advices. American securities received moderate attention on more cheerful news from Wall street in anticipation that the administration will favor increased freight rates. Prices opened above parity and made further fractional gains in the forenoon. The market reacted later in the day and, with no support from New York, prices eased. They hardened fractionally, however, near the close.

BERLIN, March 12.—Trading on the Bourse today was quiet, but American shares generally were active.

PARIS, March 12.—Trading on the Bourse today were firm on the advices from New York.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 12.—MONEY—On call, easy, 1¾@2 per cent; ruling rate, 2 per cent; closing bid, 1¾ per cent; offered at 2 per cent; time loans, quiet and steady; sixty days, 3½ per cent; ninety days, 3¾@4 per cent; six months, 4@4½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5½@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Weak, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8800@4.8825 for demand and at $4.8280@4.8325 for sixty-day bills; commercial bills, $4.82.

SILVER—Bar, 55⅝c; Mexican dollars, 42c.

BONDS—Government, easy; railroad, irregular.

Closing quotations on New York bonds were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	100¾	*L. & N. uni. 4s	95¾
do coupon	100¾	*Man. c. g. 4s	94
U. S. 3s, reg.	107	Met. Central 4s	90
do coupon	107	do 1st inc.	19
U. S. n. 4s, reg.	138¾	Minn. & St. L. 4s	80
do coupon	139¾	*M., K. & T. 4s	96
Am. Tobacco 4s	81	do 2s	79
do 6s	108¾	*N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	77¾
Atchison gen. 4s	99¾	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	98¾
do adj. 4s	93¾	**N. J. C. g. 5s	104
*Atlantic C. L. 4s	92¾	No. Pacific 4s	100¾
*Bal. & Ohio 4s	89	*do 3s	79
do 3½s	90¾	**N. & W. c. 4s	96
Brk. R. T. c. 4s	69¾	O. S. L. rdg. 4s	96¾
Central of Ga. 5s	105¾	Penn. cv. 3½s	94
do 1st inc.	67¾	Reading gen. 4s	94¾
do 2d inc.	40¾	St. L. & I. M. r. 5s	104¾
*do 5s inc.	38	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	93
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	98	St. L. S. W. c. 4s	87¾
Chicago & A. 5½s	61	*Seaboard A. L. 4s	45¾
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	94¾	*So. Pacific 4s	84
C., R. I. & P. 4s	80¾	do 1st ch ctfs	89
do col. 5s	64¾	So. Railway 5s	93
**CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	85¾	Texas & P. 2s	100¾
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A.	61	T., St. L. & W. 4s	69
Colo. Mid. 4s	50	Union Pacific 4s	104¾
*Colo. & So. 4s	88	do cv. 4s	95
*Chin. 5s	100	U. S. Steel 5f 5s	99¾
D. & R. G. 4s	90¾	Wabash 1s	118¾
Distillers' Sec. 5s	79¾	do deb. B	42
Erie g. 1. 4s	96¾	Western Md. 4s	93
do gen. 4s	79¾	*W. & L. E. 4s	87
Hocking Val. 4½s	99¾	Wis. Central 4s	89¾
*Japan 6s	77	Adchison cv. 4s	97¾
do 4½s	87¾	do 5s	97
do 2d series	87¾	Int. Met. 4½s	105¾

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, March 12.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 3@6 per cent. Official closing on stocks and bonds:

Atchison adj. 4s	95	Atlantic	29¾
do adj. 4s	90¾	Bingham	50
Mex. Central 4s	80	*Cal. & Hecla	605
Atchison	81¾	Centennial	23¾
do pfd	94¾	Copper Range	55¾
Boston & Albany	246	Daly West	17¾
Boston Elevated	128	Franklin	8
Fitchburg pfd	129	Granby	9
Merrimac Chemical	175	Isle Royale	21¾
N. Y., N. H. & H.	184	Mass. Mining	3¾
Union Pacific	132	Michigan	10
Am. Arge. Chem.	17	Mohawk	49
do pfd	90	Mont. C. & C.	2
Am. Pneu. Tube	4¾	Old Dominion	57
Amer. Sugar	118	Osceola	83
do pfd	116	Parrot	17¾
Am. T. & T.	126¾	Quincy	92
Am. Woolen	34¾	Tamarack	115
do pfd	92	Utah Con.	14¾
Dominion I. & S.	31¾	United Copper	4¾
Edison Elec. Ills.	239	U. S. Mining	90¾
General Electric	119¾	U. S. Oil	10
Mass. Electric	12¾	Utah	40
do pfd	49¾	Victoria	3¾
Mass. Gas	52	Winona	3¾
United Fruit	117¾	Wolverine	122
United S. M.	47¾	North Butte	39¾
do pfd	94¾	Butte Coalition	20¾
U. S. Steel	33	Nevada	19
do pfd	95¾	Cal. &