

FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, March 18. MONEY. The money market closed at 4 per cent.

GOVERNMENT BONDS. Currency 6's 126 bid 1/2 coupon 118 bid 1/2 coupon 113 bid 6's continued 100 bid

RAILROAD BONDS. Pacific railroad bonds closed as follows: Union Pacific 113 1/2 bid 1/2 Union Land Grants 115 1/2 bid 1/2 Union Sinking Fund 114 1/2 bid 1/2 Centrals 114 1/2 bid 1/2

The stock market to-day was active and in the main strong. There were several slight reactions during the day, but were all recovered, and the market finally closed strong, with prices at or near the highest prices of the day.

Following are the closing bids. Western Union 83 1/2 H & St J. 90 Adams 118 1/2 Pref. ed. 100 American 93 Kan & Tex. 32 1/2 United States 73 L. S. & W. 32 1/2 Fargo 120 Louis & Nash. 75 C & O 101 L. S. & W. 32 1/2 C & Q 113 1/2 M & N 121 1/2 N. Y. C. 132 1/2 Northwest. 132 1/2 N. J. C. 132 1/2 Pref. 132 1/2 L. C. & W. 132 1/2 O. & W. 132 1/2 Ohio 132 1/2 Ohio & Miss. 41 1/2 Michigan Cen'l 84 1/2 Pac Mail. 41 1/2 Nor. Pacific. 84 1/2 Quick Silver 114 1/2 Preferred 78 1/2 N. P. 100 C. P. 91 1/2 Reading 108 1/2 N. Y. Pacific. 113 1/2 R. I. 132 1/2 N. Y. Elevated. 105 San Francisco. 38 1/2 Met. elevat. 29 St. Paul. 113 1/2 Manhattan R. 95 Preferred. 113 1/2 A. & T. H. 89 St. P. & O. 38 1/2 Preferred 73 Preferred 105 1/2 C. S. 49 Nash & Chat. 63 C. & O. 101 L. S. & W. 32 1/2 O. & W. 131 Wash. 34 1/2 D. & H. 103 1/2 Preferred 29 1/2 D. L. & W. 122 1/2 M & C. 1st. 131 1/2 D. & R. G. 52 Mo. Pac. 37 Erie bonds dull.

The following were the sales of the most active stocks to-day. Total sales, 520,000 shares. W. Union 4190 D & R. G. 6500 Adams 1000 K & T. 14500 C & O 600 L & N. 42500 C. B. & Q. 100 L. S. & W. 12000 N. Y. C. 22800 N. W. 6900 I. J. C. 100 Preferred 5000 M. C. 1100 O & W. 8700 N. P. 1000 Preferred 5000 Preferred 2000 P. M. 5000 Cent'l Pac. 15600 Reading 8300 Union Pac. 11000 R. I. 9000 Met. El. 100 San Francisco. 100 A. & T. H. 100 St. P. & O. 10000 Can Southern. 600 Preferred 1400 D. & H. 1000 Preferred 1500 D. L. & W. 29100 Wash. 15000 Erie 32100 Preferred 15800 Preferred 200 Mo Pac. 19000

FINANCIAL REVIEW.

The money market was easy throughout the week, and rates to borrowers on call ranged from 4 to 5 per cent.

Foreign exchanges were weak and lower, and rates were reduced to \$4 86 @ 89.

Government bonds have been firm on moderate dealings.

Miscellaneous speculation was active throughout the week, and some large blocks of stock changed hands.

In the early dealings a weak tone prevailed, and prices generally declined under the strong attacks of the bears.

Subsequently there was active buying, and prices began to advance, the quotations on late dealings showing an advance of 2 to 12 per cent.

NEW YORK BANK STATEMENT.

The bank statement to-day is favorable. The following are the changes: Loans decreased 1,399,300 Specie increased 2,692,200 Deposits increased 1,058,100

Circulation increased 84,900 Legal tenders increased 37,900 Reserves increased 2,645,475

CHICAGO MONEY.

CHICAGO, March 18. Preston, Kear & Co. bankers, report money in fair demand at 6 1/2 per cent on call and 6 3/4 per cent on time.

Eastern exchange between city banks was firm at 75 @ 80 per \$1,000.

The clearings of the associated banks were \$6,010,000.

Government bonds stronger. Local securities quiet. Foreign exchange unchanged. But little trading in railroad bonds.

In addition to 50 Minnesota state bonds taken recently for the school fund, the state intends taking another \$100,000 during 30 days.

UNITED STATES BONDS.

3 1/2's Extended sixes, 1881 102 @ 101 1/2 3 1/2's Extended sixes, 1881 102 @ 101 1/2 4 1/2's Coupons, 1891 113 @ 112 1/2 4 1/2's Coupons, 1897 117 @ 116 1/2

COMMERCIAL.

Omaha Wholesale Market.

OFFICE OF THE OMAHA BEE, Saturday Evening, March 18.

Taking the week as a whole it is to be said of the wholesale trade that there has been increased volume of business transacted over that of last week, and as a rule prices were uniformly steady.

The grain trade does not meet with any very decided improvement as to prices. Our local reports of this evening show the following changes over one week ago, with receipts only moderate:

Wheat—No. 2 advanced 1/2; No. 3 advanced 1/2; rejected advanced 1/2. Barley—No. 2 advanced 1/2; No. 3 advanced 1/2.

Corn—Advanced 1/2. Oats—Advanced 1/2. Rye—Slow and unchanged. Flour—Remains quiet and prices un-

changed, but bran and chopped feed is scarce and in demand; prices firm.

Provisions—Rice stronger and a larger volume of business transacted.

Produce—Receipts are reported heavier than last week owing to more moderate weather.

Eggs—Are in large supply and prices declining.

Butter—Receipts are heavier and prices weakening slightly, yet the demand is good and choice lots meet with ready sale at quotation prices.

Potatoes—Are scarce and in demand at quotation prices, selling to-day in carlots at 1 25 and small lots at 1 30 @ 35 per bushel.

Apples—Are scarce and stock poor; quotation prices well maintained.

Poultry—Receipts are only moderate and find ready sale.

Oranges—Are in fair supply and prices advancing.

Lemons—Are steady at quotation figures; sales only moderate.

Seeds—Show considerable activity as the weather moderates; supply is good.

Green Vegetables—Are in fair supply. The trade in luminating oils is slackening off as the season advances; prices remain unchanged, while paraffin and paint oils are in active demand and prices ruling firm.

Window Glass—Has advanced slightly; 50 and 10 discount on single and 60 and 5 discount on double being present prices.

Increased activity is reported in lumber and heavy hardware at quotation prices.

Hides—Are in moderate demand and steady.

Leather and Findings—Show stronger movement and prices well maintained.

In dry goods there was a satisfactory business done by the jobbing trade; prices were uniformly steady; though bleached cottons are reported lower.

The only changes in to-day's market are as follows: Barley—No. 2 advanced 1/2; No. 3 advanced 1/2.

Corn—De-lined 1/2. Oats—Advanced 1/2. Potatoes—Advanced 5 @ 10c.

Eggs—Declined 2 1/2c. Butter—Declined 3c. Celery—Advanced 5c. Bleached Cotton—Declined 1 @ 1/2c.

Local Grain Dealings.

WHEAT—Cash No. 2, 1 15; cash No. 3, 90 @; rejected, 67 @.

BARLEY—Cash No. 2, 92 @; No. 3, 67 @.

RYE—Cash, 67c.

COAL—No. 2, 2 50c.

OATS—Cash, 35c.

STREET PRICES—Corn, 50 @ 45; oats, 50 @ 45.

HAY—\$6 @ 6 50 per ton.

Provisions.

FLOUR—Spring wheat, straight grade, 25 @ 25 1/2; Pioneer, California, 24 @ 24 1/2; Patent, 25 @ 25 1/2; winter wheat straight grade, 23 1/2 @ 24; patent, 24 @ 24 1/2; granular, 23 1/2 @ 24; wheat, 23 @ 23 1/2; Big Sioux, 23 @ 23 1/2; Jasper, 23 @ 23 1/2; Big Sioux, 23 @ 23 1/2.

MEAL—Spring wheat, 23 @ 23 1/2; winter wheat, 22 @ 22 1/2; screenings, per cwt. 10 @ 10 1/2; middlings, per cwt. 10 @ 10 1/2; chopped feed, per cwt. 10 @ 10 1/2; white, 10 @ 10 1/2.

SWEET POTATOES—Genuine Muscatine, 4 @ 5c per lb.

WILD DUCK—\$1 25 @ 50.

EGGS—12 @ 12 1/2.

BUTTER—Creamery, 40 @ 42; choice roll, 38 @ 40; common roll, 26 @ 28.

APPLES—Good, sound, very scarce at 45 @ 50 per bushel.

LEMONS—Steady; per box, 34 @ 35 @ 40.

ORANGES—Per box 4 25 @ 4 50. BEESWAX—Yellow, 20 @ 22c. ONIONS—10 @ 10 1/2 per bushel. CRANBERRIES—Per bin, \$10 00 @ 11 00.

25c; millet, German, \$1 00 to \$1 25; Hungarian, 80c.

HONEY—Osgood orange, 1 to 5 bushels, 50c; orange, 10 bushels or over, \$4 50; honey locust, per lb, 35c; per cwt, \$35 00.

FISH—Family white fish, 90 lb lb bbls, \$1 75; No. 1 white fish, 90 lb lb bbls, 67c; No. 1 white fish, 10 lb lbs, 70c; family 10 lb lbs, 85c; New Holland herring, per keg, 1 30; Russian sardines, 75c; Columbia river salmon, per 100 lbs, 80c; George's Bank codfish, 5c; Gen. bonell's codfish, 9c; homless fish, 5c.

MACKEREL—Half bbls mess mackerel, 100 lbs, \$12 50; h. bbl No. 1, ex shore, do, 100 lbs, 8 50; h. bbl, fat family do, 100 lbs, 6 00; mess mackerel, 12 lb lbs, 2 25; No. 1, ex shore, 12 lb lb, No. 1, shore, 12 lb lb, do, 1 00; fat family, 10 lb do, 70c.

CANNED GOODS—Oysters, 1 lb (Field's), per case, \$4 00; California, 1 lb (Field's), do, do, 2 1/2 (Standard), per case, 3 00; do, 1 lb (standard), per case, 2 50; do, 2 lb (black), per case, 2 75; do, 1 lb (black), per case, 2 00; Onions, 3 25; almonds, 1 lb per dozen, 2 25; Sardines, small fish, imported, one quarter boxes per box, 1 40; American, quarter boxes per box, 1 10; do half boxes, per box, 2 10; Lentils, 2 00; Beans, 1 30; Tomatoes, 2 30; do 1/2 lb per case, 3 00; Corn, 2 lb (Mountain) per case, 3 00; soaked corn, 2 10; do 2 lb (Armount), per case, 3 25; string beans, 2 25; Lima beans per case, 2 20. Succotash per case, 2 25. Peas, common, per case, 2 00; peas, choice, per case, 4 50. Blackberries, 2 lb, per case, 2 50; strawberries, 2 lb, per case, 2 75; raspberries, 2 lb, per case, 2 75; 2 lb, per case, 2 45. Bartlett pears per case, 3 00 @ 4 00. Whortleberries, per case, 2 00. Egg turnips, 2 lb, per case, 3 00; do, choice, 1 lb, per case, 4 50. Green grapes, 2 lb per case, 3 00; do, choice, 4 00 @ 5 00. Pine Apples, 2 lb, per case, 4 00 @ 5 00. Peaches, 2 lb per case, 3 10; do 3 lb, case, 4 00 @ 5 00. Apples, 2 lb, per case, 3 85; do, 1 lb, per dozen, 3 50.

RICE—Carolina, 7 @ 8c; Louisiana, 7 @ 8c; fair, 6 @ 6 1/2c.

SHOTS—Shot, \$1 35; Buck shot, \$2 10; Ostrich shot, \$2 40; 1/2 lb, half lb, \$3 48; do, quarter keg, \$1 88; Blastin' kegs, \$3 35; Fuse, per 100 feet, \$3 10; in less than 100 feet, \$3 10.

BA-BL WIRE—In car lots, \$3 10; in less than 100 feet, \$3 10.

Heavy Hardware List.

Iron, rails, \$3 40; pile steel, special cast, 7c; crucible, 8c; special or German, 6c; cast tool, do, 15 @ 20 wagon spokes, set, 2 25 @ 3 00; hubs, per set, 1 25; fallows, sawed, 1 40; long, 1 50; do, 1 75; do, 2 00; axles, 75c; square nuts, per lb, 7 @ 10c; washers, per lb, 8 @ 10c; rivets, per lb, 11c; coil chain, per lb, 6 @ 12c; malleable, 8c; iron, 10c; do, 12c; do, 14c; do, 16c; do, 18c; do, 20c; do, 22c; do, 24c; do, 26c; do, 28c; do, 30c; do, 32c; do, 34c; do, 36c; do, 38c; do, 40c; do, 42c; do, 44c; do, 46c; do, 48c; do, 50c; do, 52c; do, 54c; do, 56c; do, 58c; do, 60c; do, 62c; do, 64c; do, 66c; do, 68c; do, 70c; do, 72c; do, 74c; do, 76c; do, 78c; do, 80c; do, 82c; do, 84c; do, 86c; do, 88c; do, 90c; do, 92c; do, 94c; do, 96c; do, 98c; do, 1 00; do, 1 02; do, 1 04; do, 1 06; do, 1 08; do, 1 10; do, 1 12; do, 1 14; do, 1 16; do, 1 18; do, 1 20; do, 1 22; do, 1 24; do, 1 26; do, 1 28; do, 1 30; do, 1 32; do, 1 34; do, 1 36; do, 1 38; do, 1 40; do, 1 42; do, 1 44; do, 1 46; do, 1 48; 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