INDITION OF OMAHA'S TRADE

sather Conditions Are More Favorable for a Good Business.

ODS GENERALLY MOVING IN FAIR VOLUME

plous Rains in the Country Give Promise of a Presperous Year-Bank Clearings Still Show that Omaha is Stead-Hy Advancing.

The change to warm and pleasant weather s been most grateful to business men in all es. The long spell of wet and unseasonle weather acted to the disadvantage of ade generally and rendered business operaons dull in the northern cities long after nere had been a revival in the cities farther

During the past few days the streets have een full of people out making their pureases of summer goods, and the local retail mlers have been apparently quite busy. he change to warm weather also has the tural tendency to stimulate the demand rall kinds of summer fabrics. The weather now apparently sufficiently settled to enpurage the commencement of building perations and of public improvements on a irger scale, which will put additional money ate circulation and help to keep up the blume of business with the retail merchants. In jobbing circles trade has been only fair, fithout any very important features of e eral interest. As a rule, jobbers claim nat the volume of business thus far has een fully up to last season, but some look or a little falling off later. Reports from liferent sections of the state indicate that here have been rains in nearly all parts, and that the fears of a drouth are removed for the present at least. This has given country retail dealers more confidence in the future, and the natural tendency will be to hold up the volume of business. Still there are complaints that a good many of the orders sent in from the country are small, indicating that the trade in the country is

not very active at the present time.

According to the reports of the grain men there is still a very large percentage of last year's corn crop in the hands of farmers and with another good crop on top of it Nebraska could not help but experience a mest pros-perous season. As soon as farmers feel rea-sonably sure of another fair crop the surplus of last year's crop will be thrown on the narket and they will be in easy circum-stances, a condition that never fails to cause

an improvement in business.

While the financial conditions prevailing some sections of the country are naturally disquieting they do not appear to have pro-luced any apprehension in this state as the causes are too far removed to have any local bearing. The Wool and Cotton Reporter in commenting upon the financial dis-turbances remarks that while speculators were in a frenzy at the exchanges, the merchants and manufacturers of the country who do not speculate, and they are he majority, were pursuing the even tenor of their way, and the wheels of trade were revolving at their normal rate. If one listens to the whispers of embarrassments among some merchants and manufacturers, it will be found on investigation that the few in-dividual examples of disturbance are of parties who, while apparently pursuing a legitimate business, have been secretly dabbling or delving in speculative schemes which have had no direct relation to the business with which in the world of trade and industry, they were supposed to be identified. In the meanwhile, the vast con-suming power of the people keeps the demand close up to the production of goods and the movement of produce. Omaha's bank clearings still show a ma-

terial increase over the corresponding time last year, amounting during the past week to almost 20 per cent. The clearings of the past week also make a good showing as compared with previous weeks since the

first of the year.

The following will show the clearings for The following will show the clearings for each day of the past week, together with the

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Friday 1,334,549.32
Faturday 1,130.001.33
Total \$7,145,646.61
Week ending May 6
Week ending April 29
Week ending April 21 5,310,299.89
Week ending April 15 6,560,669.91
Week ending April 8 6.801,188.07
Week ending April 1 6,181,140.48
Week ending March 25 6,045,146.65
Week ending March 11 7,236,421.64
Week ending February 25 7,910,887.89
Week ending February 18 7,557,119,99
Week ending February 11 7,155,119,58
Week ending January 28 7.742,531.63
Week ending January 21 8,285,140.07
Week ending January 7 7,234,427.61

AS DUN SEES IT.

Omaha's Business and Prospects Compared and Criticized. Mr. W. H. Roberson, local manager of R

G. Dun & Co., speaking of trade in Omaha and Nebraska says:

"The last two days of sunshine have stim alated retail trade quite a good deal, but the week has been dull. Even grocers complain that sales are not up to the average on ac count of short receipts of strawberries and garden vegetables. "Among commission men complaint is

seard not only as to the quality and quantity of the strawberry supply, but also on ac count of the situation in connection with California oranges. The orange growers undertook by a combination to sustain prices and held back their fruit when it was in demand. The result has been unsatisfactory to them, and has kept good fruit out of the market. It is believed that Washington navels will be received in large numbers

"In wholesale circles trade is good gener ally speaking, though some lines find orders no better than a year ago. The milliners trade has been especially effected by the lat spring and dealers in dry goods, clothing, and hats and caps have also noted the evil

effects of the delayed spring.
"Collections are only fair. One or two
houses say that they are bad. The uncasi-

pess caused by eastern failures is appre-ciably effecting collections throughout the "The bank failures in New York state, Chleago, Indianapolis and elsewhere are cre

ating, in my judgment, unjustifiable alarm throughout the country. Nothing is so sensitive as capital, and a little flurry among the speculators on Wall street makes ultra conservative men cautious from one end of the country to the other. To my mind there is nothing alarming about the failures that have occurred. A little reflection will corvince almost any thoughtful person that these bank rupteles are merely clearing storms. In boom times when people were crazy over real estate speculations a great many persons made money. The natural tendency of a man who has acquired a fortune to enage in banking is well known. The formation of trust companies, investment companies and similar corporations is incident to the bonking spirit which controls men of means everywhere. Conse quently the years of unexampled activity in real estate and stocks were followed by the organization of a great many trust com-panies and similar financial concerns. New banks were organized all over the country also, many of them with large capital. The trust companies, controlled adventurous spirits in many cases took too much chance in making loans and have suffered the natural consequence. Foreclosed real estate represents a very large sum of money among trust companies. The dull market for this commodity has caused them distress for want of cash and the weaker ones are going to the wall and must inevitably go unless there is a change in the conditions. Boom times brought into the banking business of the country a new and less conservative element than has ever been there before. Old, tried bankers have kept their heads and conducted their business along proper lines, and their business is solid, but the Napoleons solid, but the Napoleons of finance, as they are called, have plunged into the financial world with so-called progressive methods and the country is

just now feeling the results. America has hever been more prosperous. Our farmers and producers have never been in better condition and wage earners are well employed and conservative business men everywhere are solid. These local storms producing financial wrecks will soon be passed and there is reason to believe that the country at large will be all the better for the bankruptcies that are now taking place. Of course some well conducted taking place. Of course some well conducted but weak concerns will be carried down through causes for which they are not responsible but grow out of the through causes for which they are not responsible but grow out of the conditions under which they are forced to do business. I am confident, however, that within the next six months the financial situation will materially improve and we shall enter upon an analysis of the confidence of the confidenc other era of prosperity which will be free for a long time from the evils of overspeculation which have caused so much grief in the last

fifteen years.

"The business fraternity is very much of the organgratified over the completion of the organ-ization of the Commercial club. Now if every member (and every business man should be a member) will give every memoer (and every business man should be a member) will give the new organization the cordial support which its purposes warrant, and enable it to be a power for good in the community for which it is organized.

"Possibly some of the business men do not appreciate the great value to the business of the city of the exposition. We are surprised to learn that several manufacturers who last year con-tributed largely to the success of the extributed largely to the success of the ex-hibit will not do anything in that line at the present time. It is probably now too late for them to get space in the building, but by all means every manufactured article in Nebraska should be represented on the 32d, and arrangements should be completed, so that when the electric button is touched and the exposition opened there will be no carpenters or other me-chanics placing finishing touches upon ex-hibits. The country merchants are to be here in large numbers and the two weeks of the exposition ought to be and will be, if the

the exposition ought to be and will be, if the people appreciate the opportunity, very profitable to the trade of the city.

"It is more interesting than gratifying to compare the national bank statements of September 30, 1892, with those of the last call, and yet I fancy no other city can make a better comparative showing. The former date represented a congested condition of the many market and the latter than the the money market and the latter the re-verse. The dates are extremes. Following are the figures for the two dates, except that the December statement of two of the South Omaha banks is taken because I could not put my hands on the September figures of these banks readily:

Loans and discounts \$13.071.316 \$13.799.744 Cash items 10.176.184 8.431.078 Deposits 19.961.492 18.151.807

'It is comforting to observe that although there is a heavy falling off in cash and deposits there is nearly 47 per cent of the former with which to do business. I think in view of the general situation the banks should feel encouraged and the people should feel entirely safe. We have been so accustomed for a year or so to a flush money mar-ket that the comparison is almost startling, but the figures speak well for the city never-

FACTORY FACTS.

Notes About the Mea Who Make the Wheels

The great event of the whole year so far as concerns the manufacturers is the annual exposition of the Manufacturers and Consumers association, which will open in the Coliscum building one week from tomorrow, that is, on May 22. For two months or more the manufacturers have been preparing for the coming event, and it has been no easy matter to get them to talk about any other subject, unless one happened to be a customer with an order for goods in his pocket. The good impression made on the public by the last exposition and the largely increased business that was traceable directly to that source has made the manufacturers enthusiastic on the subject.

At the same time they realize that they have a much harder task on their hands have a much harder task on their hands than last year when the first exposition was held. At that time visitors did not expect to see very much of an exhibit and were greatly surprised at the really fine showing of Nebraska factory products. This year the condition is reversed and every visitor will be expecting a great deal and the manufacturers are fully alive to the fact that they will have to put forth a great effort to meet the expectations of the Manufacturers association. In order to do this they have preciation. ciation. In order to do this they have pre-pared to put in a much larger amount of machinery and carry on the actual work of manufacture to a much greater extent than before, as it was found that that feature was

especially interesting to the public The number of exhibitors that will take part is also much larger than last year and that promises to give a greater variety to the exhibits. About every line of manufacture of any importance in the state will be

The manufacturers have also striven to avoid a mere duplication of last year's exposition and they believe that they have succceded in introducing new features that will make the exhibit equally interesting to those who saw the one last year.

A large proportion of the manufacturers were at the Coliseum building yesterday marking off their space and getting ready to commence operations on Monday, and from now until the close of the week, when the work will be completed, the Coliseum building will be about the liveliest place in city. The lumber for the booths is being hauled to the building and a large force of carpenters has been engaged to put it in

Several of the manufacturers out in the state who will take part in the exposition have been in looking over the ground and getting an idea of what they will want.

The Thomson-Houston Electric Lighting company is putting in the lights and-power and will also have an electric cooking apparatus that is expected to prove an interesting feature.

Congressman Bryan has been invited to be present on the opening night and assist Secretary of Agriculture Morton and Mayor Bemis in getting the exposition started out in the proper manner.

CONTEST THE TITLE.

Another Step in the American Water Works Company Litigation.

A new phase of the American Water Works company controversy was turned toward the light sester lay when papers were filed in United States court contesting the title to the lots upon which the settling basins at Florence are located.

The petitioner is E. Hyde Rust, receiver

of the American Water Works company, and the defendants are C. H. Venner, Frederick H. Mills and Delos A. Chappell. It is alleged by Mr. Rust that in 1891 Mr. Venner, acting for the American Water Works company, purchased some lots in Florence, to be used for a site for reservoirs settling basins. The lots were purchased for \$3,675, and the deed was made out to F. H. Mills with the understanding and provision in the deed that the property should be deeded by Mills to the American Water Works company. But trouble coming on soon after between Mr. Venner and other stockholders. it is alleged in the petition that Mr. Venner prevailed upon Mr. Mills to deed the lots to Delos A. Chappell, in whom the title now appears on the county records. This transaction was not discovered, it is in the petition, until February, 1893, and the receiver is now anxious to get the title to the property transferred to the American Water Works company for the reason that Chappell has threatened to bring suit against the comprny for possession and ejectment. This would bring about a serious complication, for the large settling basins are located on these lots and they are

absolutely necessary to the company in the operation of the plant.

The petitioner states that as the representative of the company he stands ready at any moment to pay to Mr. Chappell the purchase price of the lots with interest from the time of purchase, if it should be ascertained that Mr. Venner has not already been paid for the lots.

paid for the lots.

It is also alleged in the petition that Mr. Venner mutilated and destroyed the original deed from Mr. Lantry to Mr. Mills in order to cover up the provision contained in the deed, making it necessary on the part of Mr. Mills to deed the property to the American Warks company. Water Works company.

Wheat Market Yesterday Struggled with

Two Opposing Forces. NO IMPROVEMENT IN WINTER WHEAT

Under These Conditions the Market Was Strong and a Shale Higher at the Opening and for a Short Time Thereafter.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 13.-The wheat market today struggled with two opposing force. The foreign news was bullish and put to e price up temporarily; the financial disturbance at home had a decidedly bearish effect and pulled it down. In the end the nearby influence proved the stronger and closed the market at from 3c to 3c decline from yesterday's closing quotations. The more remote deliveries of corn were easier in sympathy with wheat, but for May It was firm, owing to the good demand for spot stuff. Provisions were subjected to a mild-raid and closed 22% lower

for pork, 27)4c for lard and 15c for ribs. Extreme drouth was reported in many large and important areas in England and the quotations from there were higher and gave the color of truth to the dismal reports. In the country there was no improvement noted in m some of the most important states it had retrograded during the week. Under these conditions the market was strong and a shade higher at the opening and for a short time thereafter. But traders were not disposed to do much as it was a half holiday and outside business was lighter than for some days. Then there came a report of some small failures in New York and stocks began to break. A Milwaukee dispatch said that a run had begun on the Plankinton bank there and all this caused operators to lose confidence. There was a wild rush to get rid of long wheat and it did not take long to cause considerable demoralization and carry prices off. There was a slight reaction, but the market continued nervous and inclined to weakness.

At the opening prices were advanced from ye to &c, but later became weak and there was a scrious decline, with some fluctuations of 14c for July and 14c for September futures, then railied slightly and the closing was &c lower for July and lower for September than yesterday. The feeling at the start was quite firm, being a continuation of the sentiment prevalent at the close of yesterday's session and first trades were at about the same prices. Small receipts and a good cash demand, together with unfavorable news from abroad were the strengthening factors. The market held steady for a while until wheat began to break and then acted in sympathy, selling of %c, the financial situation having a good deal to do with the easier feeling. Prices afterward rallied from 4c to &c.

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at the close.
Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 165 cars; corn, 195 cars; oats, 205 cars; hogs, 64,000 head.
The leading futures ranged as follows:

ARTICLES.	OPEN.	man.	LOW	CLOP in	6 . 6 6 . 4629
Wheat No 2.		*****	man.		790000
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Sept		8074	7954	79 4 60 /6	11/16(0)
Corn No.2-					
May.		12766-43		4234/343	43004356
June			42.50	4276	4113419034
July				431644.46	
Sept		4456	4434	4414/16/14	4434
Oats No. 2-		100000	44.00	CONTRACT.	
May			30%	3016	3034
June			30%	3014	304
July	2016				2 34 (43)
Sept		2734	20340627	2014/027	2754
Mess Pork		10000000	100000		
July	20236	20 35	20 25	20 35	20 35
	20 60	20 63	20.40	20 4750	23 75
Lard-		1000000		Paral Modernia	20 75
May	10 4214	10 4256	10 40	10 40	100000000000000000000000000000000000000
July	10 15	11 80 11 05	10 00	10 65	11 1214
Sept	11 05	11 05	10 8236	10.90	11 375
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Miny	10 00	10 00	9.95	0.02	
July	10 15	10 15	10 0234	16 07%	10 30
Sept	10 2214	10 22%	10 07%		10 374

\$1.13. Sugars—Unchanged; cut loaf, 6c; granulated 5.45c; standard "A." 5%c. The following were the receipts and ship-

Articles.	Recalists	enipm ents.
Four bbls	15,000	9,00
Wheat, bu	51,000	74,00
Corn. bu	91,000	294,00
Onte, bu	295,090	434.00
Hye, bu	6.600	6,00
Barley, bu	9.030	13:00

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was weak; creamery, 20@23 je; dairy, 20@22c. Eggs, dull, strictly fresh, 14c.

Ngw York, May 13.—Plour-Receipts, 19,-400 pigs.; exports, 3,600 bils., 10,014 sacks; sales, 2,200 pigs.; market very dull, rather

CORN MEAL-Dull, steady; yellow western. 2.65%2.75. RYE—Quiet, firm; western, 64%67c. BARLEY MALT—Steady, quiet; western, 60%

Rye—Quiet, firm; western, 64@67c.

Barley Malty—Steady, quiet; western, 60@ 90c.

Wheat—Receipts, 40,600 bu.; exports, 142,500 bu.; sales, 3,320,000 bu. futures, 42,900 bu. spot. Spot market dull, lower, closing steady; No. 2 red. in store and elevator, 78½@79c; afloat, 79½c; f. o. b., 79½@80½c; No. 1 northern, 83½c. Options opened strong, advanced ½6½c on firmer cables, free foreign buying and shorts covering, declined 161½c with the west, weaker late cables, reports of financial trouble in Wall street and longs realizing, closed heavy at ½60½c under yesterday. Trading fairly active; No. 2 red. June, 79½c; July, 81c; August, 82½c; September, 83½c.

Corn—Receipts, 103,900 bu.; exports, 17,100 bu.; sales, 280,000 bu. futures, 92,000 bu. spot. Spots fairly active on export account; closing firm; No. 2, 51½@51½c in elevator, 52½@52½c afloat. Options dull, ½6½c, weak; declined, owing to weakness in wheat and with the west; May, closing 50½c; June, 50c; July, 50½c; August, 50½c; September, 51½c.

Oars—Receipts, 1,500 bu.; exports, 1,300 bu.; sales, 15,000 bu. futures, 28,000 bu. spot. Spots dull; mixed, easier. Options duil, easier; June, 35½c; July, 35½c; spot, No. 2 white, 41½@42c; No. 2 Chicago, 37c; No. 3, 35½c; No. 3 white, 41@414c; mixed western, 36@38c; White western, 40@48c.

Hay—Light receipts; firm; shipping, 75@80c; good to choice, 85c@\$1.00.

Hops—Dull, steady; state, common to choice, 186.21½c; Pacific const, 18@21½c.

Hobs—Quiet, easy; wet salted, New Orleans selected 45 to 60 lbs., 4½@6c; Texas selected, 50 to 60 lbs., 527c; Bucmos Ayres dry, 20 to 30 lbs., 12½c; Texas dry, 20 to 25 lbs., 12 @12½c.

Provysions—Cut meats, inactive, firm include believed, shoul-

206226; western creamory, 25626;5c; western factory, 206226; Elgins, 28628;5c.
CHEESE—Quiet; part skins, (new 2568c, Edos—Liberal supply; receipts, 9,300 pkgs; western, fresh, 15c; duck, 17621; goose, 25628c.

Tallow Scarce, strong; city (\$2 per pkg.) 5% c bid. COTTONSEED OIL-Quiet, firm; crude, 48c bid;

Sac bid.
Cottonseed Oil.—Quiet, firm; crude, 48c bid; yellow, 51c bid.

Pernoleus—Quiet, firm; crude in bhis. Washington, 85; crude in bulk, \$2.50; refined, New York, \$2.50; Philadelphia and Baltimore, \$5.15; Philadelphia and Baltimore in bulk, \$2.65/22.70; United, closed at 58c.

Rosin—Quiet, steady; strained, common to good, \$1.27\sightarrowself, steady at 31\sightarrowself, and the central presenting—Quiet, steady at 31\sightarrowself, and to extra, 362.5\sightarrowself, and the central presenting—Quiet, steady; fair to extra, 362.5\sightarrowself, and the control of the centrifugats, 58 test, 4\sightarrowself, fair to fair of the centrifugats, 58 test, 4\sightarrowself, fair refining, 3\sightarrowself, and and A. 5\sightarrowself, 51.5\sightarrowself, 51.5\sightarrowself,

COPPER—Quiet and weak; lake, \$10.85@11.00. LEAD—Easy; domestic, \$3.75. TIN—Steady; Straits, \$19.90 bld, \$20 asked;

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL plates, quiet but stendy Spetter, quiet; do-

Omaha Froduce Market.

The week closed with this aride in produce rather quiet, as the markots on a good many lines are apparently on the down grade and buyers do not seem inclined to take any more than their immediate wants compel them to. The demand for berries is good and when they are to be had the market is active. There was only one car of berries is good and when they are to be had the market is active. There was only one car of berries somewhat better than the previous cars good shapping stock is still scarce and it is difficult to fill orders from the country. Dealers have been forced to write a good many explanations to country customers whose orders they have been unable to fill for the very good reason that stock that would stand shipping was not tole had.

Potatoes continue on the up grade and the market is still firmer. The demand holds up well and stocks in sight are not large.

The butter market is very weak and it is difficult to make quotations that will not be misleading. The time is passed when shippers can expect to receive 20 cents for even the best country butter. A good share of the butter that is of fair quality sells considerably below that figure even now and everything seems to indicate that it is only a question of a few days when it will go still lower. The packers are only offering about 11 to 12 cents and when it is taken into consideration that a targe proportion of the receipts have gone to the packers, shippers can draw their own conclusions as to the condition of the market.

The egg market is lower and weak at the decline. Some dealers were predicting a 12-cent market for the opening of the week.

ERUITS*

Applies**-Choice stock \$3.75.24.00 per libb. Omalia Produce Market.

PRUITS.

APPLES—Choice stock, \$3.75@4.00 per bbl.
STRAWBERRIES—Choice shipping stock, \$3.50 per 24-qt. case. Lawons - Choice, \$4.25@4.50; fancy, \$4.75@

5.00.

Bananas—Per bunch, including crates and packing, \$2.00.32.50.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., \$2.00.32.25.

ORANGES—Newcastle California seedlings, \$2.50; Newcastle Mediterrancan sweets, \$2.50; California mountain oranges, \$2.2572.50; Washington navels, choice, \$4; Washington navels, large sizes, \$3.50.3.75; Riverside seedlings, \$2.75; Redlands, \$128 size, \$2.50.

BUTTER, EGGS, GAME, POULTRY. BUTTER-Packing stock, 11@12c; fair to good country roll, 12@14c; choice to fancy country, 15@18c. 154618c. Edus—General market, 13c. POULTRY—Choice hens, 9c; mixed coops, 7488c; old roosters, 5256c; geese and ducks. 825c; pigeons, \$1.50 per doz. live.

REGe; pigeons, \$1.50 per doz. live.

VEGETABLES.

PEAS — Per 15-bu. box, \$1.00 £1.10

BEANS—Choice may, \$2.20 £2.30; common stock, \$1.90 £2.00.

CALIFORNIA CABBAGE—Per Ib., 3c.

SOUTHERN CABBAGE—Per date, \$3.

CUCUMBERS—Choice, per doz., \$1.50.

WAX BEANS—Per 15-bu. box, \$1.00 £1.10

STRING BEANS—Per 15-bu. box, \$1.00 £1.10

STRING BEANS—Per 45-bu. box, \$1.00 £1.10

STRING BEANS—Per doz., 30.70c.

LETTUCE—Per doz., 30.740c.

RADISHES—Per doz., 25.630c.

PARSLEY—Per doz., 25.630c.

POTATOES—Colorado stock, \$1.10 £1.20; Wisconsin burbanks, \$1; western Nebraska, \$1.

PIE PLANT—Per 50-1b. boxes, \$1.25.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 75c.

NEW CARROTS—Per doz. bunches, 75c.

NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 75c.

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NEW POTATOES—Southern, per bbl., \$5.00; per ba. box, \$2.25.

MISCELLANSOUS.

HAY—The market on good unland box, \$7.75.

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MISCELLANEOUS. HAY—The market on good upland hay, \$7.75 @8.00 in car lots. VEAL—Choice and small fat, 7@814c; large and thin, 3@6c.

Business Changes. The following changes in firms and locations

The following changes in firms and locations are reported:
Curtis, Neb., Mrs. E. Ellison, fruits, etc., succeeded by P. M. Dailey.
Curtis, Neb., G. Anderson, restaurant, succeeded by P. M. Dailey.
Lincoln, Neb., Joseph Frass, groceries, gave bill of sale for \$1,169.
Lincoln, Neb., Mrs. A. Field, groceries, succeeded by J. P. Hendry.
Lincoln, Neb., George Danley, groceries, succeeded by J. Kettinger.
Lincoln, Neb., Nebraska Mantel and Cabinet works, Capital City Carpet company and Interior Decorative company consolidated and incorporated under the style of the Interior Decorative company.
Lincoln, Neb., Kendall & Smith, grain, gave Decorative company.
Lincoln, Neb., Kendall & Smith, grain, gave bill of sale for \$25,000 and real estate mortgage for \$77,000.
Omaha, Burnett Bros., clothing, moved to South Omaha.

Council Bluffs. Ia., Burnett Bros., clothing, sold out. Sloux Falls, S. D., William Quinn, manufac-turer of eigars, sold out, St. Louis Markets.

St. Louis Markets.

St. Louis, Mo., May 13.—Flour—Dull, steady, with no demand; patents, \$3.45@3.55; extra faney, \$3.15@3.25; faney, \$2.75@2.85; choice, \$2.30@2.40; family, \$2.05@2.15.

Wheat—Options showed some very violent fluctuations, finally closing \$2c below yesterday; No. 2 red, cash, steady; 70%; May 70%; July, 73%@74c; September, 76%; Cors.—Options weakened by crop news.closed \$4c below yesterday; No. 2 mixed, cash, steady; 39%@39%; May, 39%c; July, 40%@40%c.

OATS—Fairly strong, dull; No. 2 cash, 31%c; May, 32c; July, 28%c. May, 32c; July, 28/4c.

PROVISIONS—Quiet, in light demand; pork, \$20.75; lard, \$10.25; dry salt meats, loose shoulders, \$10; longs and ribs, \$10.40; shorts, \$10.65; boxed, 15c more, Bacon, packed shoulders, \$10.50; longs and ribs, \$11.25; shorts, \$11.62/4; hams, sugar cured, 13@14c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls; wheat 9,000 bu; corn, 44,000 bu., oats, 54,000 bu.; SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbs; wheat, 2,000 bu; corn, 42,000 bu; cats, 3,000 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu; barley, 1,000 bu.

Kansas ity Markets. KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13.—WHEAT—Dull and easy; No. 2 hard, 65\(\pi\)266c; No. 2 red, 68c.
CORN—Weak and lower; No. 2 mixed, 3614c;
No. 2 white, 371438c.
OATS—Weak; No. 2 mixed, 291433014c;
No. 2 white, 3233c.

EGGs-12c. Butter-Unchanged; creamery, 20@26c; airy, 15@19c. RECEIPTS-Wheat, 4,000 bu.; corn, 1,000 bu.; oats, none. SHIPMENTS-Wheat, 3,000 bu.; corn, 1,000

Cotton Market.

New Orleans, La., May 13.—Quiet and steady; good middlings, 7 13-16c; middling, 7 9-16e; low middling, 74e; good ordinary, 6 15-16e. Net receipts, 757 bales; gross, 871 bales; exports to Great Britain, 3,100 bales; to the continent, 1,465 bales; constwise, 3,110 bales; sales, 150 bales; stock, 162,028 bales. Futures quiet and steady; sales, 20,500 bales; May, 87.29 bid; June, 87.3167,32; July, 87.37; August, 87.4367,44; September, 87.4567,756; October, 87.5167,52; November, \$7.5567,56; December, \$7.5067,61.

Liverpool Markets.

Liverpool, May 13.—Wheat—Firm; demand moderate; holders offer sparingly; No. 1 California, 6s 2d:66s 3d per cental; No. 2 red winter, 6s 11d. CORN-Firm; demand fair; mixed western, Conn-Firm; demand fair; mixed western, 48 354 per cental. Beer-Extra India mess, 68s 9d per tierce. Ponr-Prime mess, western fine, 100s per bbi. Land Prime western, 54s per cwt. Tallow-Fine American, 28s 6d per cwt.

Milwaukes markets. Milwaukee, Wis., May 13.—Wheat—Firm; July, 725;c; No. 2 spring, 71c. Corn—Quiet; No. 3, 43c. OATS—Quiet; No. 2 white, 354@36c; No. 3, 34@35c. Bauley—64c. Ryk—61;c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 13.—Market featureless and very weak and draining today; cash markets strong, No. 1 northern sold, 69%; 71c. Receipts, 139 cars. Closed on July, 70%; September, 72%; On truck; No. 1 hard, 71%; No. 1 northern, 69%; No. 2 northern, 67%;

Collee Market. New York, May 13.—Options firm, 5 to 20 points up, closed barely steady, 10 to 20 points up, sales, 9,500 bags, including: June, \$15,25; July, \$15,05@15.15; August, \$15.15; September, \$14.85@14.95; December, \$14.85@14.90. Spot Rio, quiet, firmt No. 7, \$16.125; 3216.25.

Cincinnati Markets. CINCINNATI, O., May 43.—WHEAT-Easy; No. red, 70c. CORN—Quiet; mixed, 45c. OATS—Steady; No. 2 red, 23%. WHISKY—Quiet at \$1.13.

Philadelphia térain Market. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 13.—WHEAT—Steady: No. 2 red, May, 76% 677c.
CORN—Cash and May, No. 2 mixed, 50@50%c.
OATS—Futures dull and unchanged: No. 2 white, May, 41@42c.

New York Dry toous Market. New York. May 13.—Business in dry goods was light with a half-holiday feeling in the market. Nothing transpired to disclose any important change or incident. Baltimore Grain Market.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 13.—WHEAT—Weak; No. 2 red, spot and June, 77; 277%c. CORN—Easy; mixed, spot and May 49%c. OATS—Firm; No. 2 white western, 42c. STOCKS AND BONDS.

Securities Were Extremely Weak During the Greater Part of the Sessi B. New York, May 13.-The stock market was extremely weak during the greater part of the session. Rumors of neavy gold exports during the coming week, dispatches that the outlook for the crops was more discouraging

combined to depress prices, the bears making violent attacks upon the leading shares. To assist their operations, they gave currency to ramors affecting the credit of prominent houses, the attack culminating with a story that R. B. Hollins & Co. had failed.

As a matter of fact, the firm in question at the time the story was put out, sent an emphatic denial to the president of the Stock exchange, and stated that they were fully prepared to meet every obligation. The result was a raily in the final dealings of 4 to 14 per cent, the latter in Rock Island, which soid up from 6s to 694. The previous decline was equal to from 4 to 54 per cent, and there was considerable liquidation. The short setting was far greater, however, as was evidenced by cont. the latter in Rock Island, which sold up from 68 to 69%. The previous decline was equal to from 15 to 54 per cent, and there was considerable liquidation. The short setting was far grenter, however, as was evidenced by the sharp borrowing demand near the close, when pretty much everything on the list was wanted. Sugar fell off 3% per cent to 614; per cent to 25; Cotton Offel % per cent to 53%; American Tobacco 4 per cent to 64, Canada Southern 14 per cent to 50 Big Four 1 per cent to 33%; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 3% per cent to 33%, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 3% per cent to 34%, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 3% per cent to 54%, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 3% per cent to 51%; per cent to 54%, Endand 3% per cent to 58, Lackawanna 2% per cent to 13%, belaware & Hudson 2 per cent, Whisky 2% per cent to 15, General Electric 1% per cent to 2%. Lackawanna 2% per cent to 2%. Lake Shore 1% per cent to 90, Louisville & Nashville 1% per cent to 50, Louisville & Nashville 1% per cent to 35%, Cordage 1% per cent to 128, Michigan Contral 2 per cent to 97. Missouri Pacific 1% per cent to 10%, New York Central 3 per cent to 10%, New Jersey Central 3% per cent to 10%, New England 1% per cent to 23, Union Pacific 1% per cent to 30 and Western Union % per cent to 82%.

The Fost says: Of the bank report little need be said, except, for its reflection of the drain of money from the west to New York. Curliously enough, while in the interior exchanges are so universally in favor of thiscity as to compel such movement of currency into the west where demand for money is at present particularly keen, whereas in New York so immense have been the sums released by the forpight's liquidation, money can scarcely now be placed at all on call. Were the general situation less clouded, borrowers in the mercantile community would be the beneficiaries.

The following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York Stock exchange today:

Atchison	2034	Mortillen a	200
Adams Express	150	U. P., De. & Gulf.	10314
Alton, T. 11	25	Northwestern	135
do preferred	130	do preferred	
American Express.	114	N. Y. Central.	100%
Baltimore & Ohio	781	N. Y. & N. E	2714
Anada Pacific	7894	Ont & Western	15
Canada outhern	5014	Oregon Imp	16
Central Pacific	2594	Oregon Nav	50
thes & Oblo	19	U. S. L. & U. N	1234
Chicago Alton	135	Pacific Matt	10
C. B. & Q	8216	Peoria D. & E	10%
Chicago Gas	70%	Pittsburg	150
Consolidated Gas	115 %	Pullman Palace	173
C. C A St. L	80)4	:teading	22 4
Cotton Oll Cert	34	Hich good T'rmin'i	614
Del. Hudson	120%	do preferred	19
IN I. A W	135	Hio Grande W	20
D. L. & W D. & R. G. pf a	0834	do preterred	6034
D. & C. F. Co	15	Rock Island	60%
	10		6856
East Tenn	2.0	St. Paul	115
Erie	1814	do preferred	110
Erie preferred	39	t. Paul & Omaha .	8534
Fort Wayne	152	do preferred	114
Gt. Northern pf'd	120	Southern Pacific.	28.4
C. & E. I. pf d Hocking Valley	97	Sugar Refinery	8134
Hocking Valley	2156	Tenn. Coal & Iron.	1816
Illinois Central	95	Texas Pacific	314
t. Paul & Duluth	30	Tol. & O. Cen. pf d.	7.5
Kan. & Tex. pf'd	20%	Union Pacific	3034
Lake Erie & West	17	U. S. Express	88%
Jo preferred	6834	W. St. L. & P	1834
Lake Shore	120	do preferred	16%
Lead Trust	30%	Wells Fargo Exp	140
Louis. & Anan	67	Western Union	8214
Louis. & New Alby	- 15	Wheeling & L. E	1134
Manbattan . on	129	do preferred	49
Memp'is & Cha's'n.	4.5	Minn. & St. 1	1134
Michigan Central.	95	17. & R. G	1414
Missouri Pacific		General Electric	13
Mobile & Obto	19	Nat. Lin.	25
Nashville Chatt	87	C. Fuel & Iron	434
National Cordage.	1034		106
do preferred		Hous & Tex Cen	4
	35		12
N. J. Central	105	Fol. A. A. & N. M.	
Norfolk & W. p'fd	28	Tol. St. L. & K. C	11
North American Co	.8	do preferred	21
Northern Pacific	12%		

The total sales of stocks today were 215,800 shares, including: Atchison, 8,000; Chicago, Burlington & Quiney, 22,700; Cuicago Gas, 8,100; Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, 8,900; Distilling, 6,100; Eric, 3,000; General Electric, 3,000; Louisville & Nashville, 3,300; Manhattan, 4,600; Missauri Pacific, 4,100; New England, 6,200; Northern Pacific, 4,400; Reading, 9,100; Rock Island, 19,100; St. Paul, 30,000; Sugar, 7,700; Western Union, 4,600.

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London, May 13.—[New York Herald Cable—Special to The Bee.]—Business on the Stock exchange was on a limited scale. Leading markets presented a somewhat dull appearance. Two more failures were announced, making a total number of ten for the settlement completed yesterday, while further difficulty is anticipated. Consuls were a shade casier. Foreign government securities were weak. Argentine issues were dull at 4 per cent lower. Home rallways have shown weakness, especially southern lines. Americans in the absence of support, exhibited a deoping tendency. A decline of 1 per cent was marked in Louisville & Nashville and Lake Shore, 4 per cent in Atchison; 5 per cent in Union Pacific, and 4 to 4; per cent in Siveral others. On the other hand a moderate improvement was noticeable in Eric preferred, Eric second mortgage, Pennsylvania and Wabash ordinary. Grand Trunk was firm at a fractional advance. Canadian Pacific, however, relapsed 5 per cent. Mexicans were steady, but Argentine lines were dull and in many instances lower. Money was in moderate demand. ces lower. Money was in taoderate demand. Short loans were obtained at 2½ to 2½ per cent. The discount market was quiet. Two and three months bills were quoted at 3½ to

New York, May 13.—Money on Calt.— Nominally 3 per cent. PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—6@8 per cent. STERLING ENGUANGE—Strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at \$4.85\(\text{d}\)4.85\(\text{d}\) for sixty days and \$4.83\(\text{d}\)4.89\(\text{d}\) for demand. GOVERNMENT BONDS—Strady. State bonds, dull.

The closing quotations on bonds: M. K. & T. Gen. 58 42 Carolina (as. Mutual Union 6s. 106 N. J. C. int. Cert. 1114 C. Browns con. N. Pac. 18ts. 1.7 Can old 6s. N. Pac. 24s. 110 Va. 6s. N. W. Consols. 134 Va. 6x. Mat. coup. N. W. Lochents 7 s. 5s. 10814 Va. cons. 24 socies

Boston Stock Onorations. Boston, Mass., May 13.—Call loans, 54264 per cent; time loans, 627 per cent. Closing quotations on stocks, bonds and mining shares: Atch., T. & S. F., 25% Westingh electric, 29
American Sugar, 52 do preferred, 45
do preferred 84 Wisconsin teotral, 29
Bay State Gas. 844 Atchison 2ds. 474 Beil Telepaone.
Boston & Albany
Boston & Maine
do preferred
C B & Q
Fitchburg pfd.
General Electric 181 do 4s.
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16134 General Electric bs.
140 Wis Central is.
22 Allouer Mining o.
124 Boston & Montana. Atlantic 756
Boston & Montana 27
Butte & Boston . 2856
Contennal . 054
Franklin 1154
Kearsarge 614
Oscoola 2956 Illinois Steel Mexican Central... N. Y. & N. E. N. Y. & N. E. Old Colony. Oregon Short Line. Rubber Oregon Short Line | 13 | Kearsarge | Rubber | 40 | Osceola | |
San Diego | 12 | Quincy | Union Pacific | 2994 | Santa Fe Copper | West Kod | 14 | do proferred | Si |

San Francisco Mining Quotations. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., May 13.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows: Alta....

New York Mining Quotations. New YORK, May 13.—The following are the closing quotations on mining stocks on the New York board:

St. Louis Mining Quotations. Sr. Louis, Mo., May 13.—The following are the closing mining quotations: Adams \$ 75 68 85 Granite M \$4 10 62 4 35 Am Nettie 415 6 45 Hope ... 5 40 64 40 Elizabeth 415 65 Elizabeth 415 5 Hope ... 85

New ORLEANS, La., May 13.—Clearings, \$1,758,486.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 13.—Clearings, \$1,842,620. F1.842.620.

Panis, May 13.—Three per cent rentes, 96f
82c for the account.

BALTIMORE, Md., May 13.—Clearings, \$2.451,625; balances, \$375,631. Money, 6 per cent.

LONDON, May 13.—Amount of builion gone
into the Bank of England on balance today,
£23,000.

BOSTON, Mass., May 13.—Clearings, \$16,-916,219; balances, \$1,719,061, Money, 6 per cent. Exchange on New York, at par. than ever and the bank failures out west, all

For the week, clearings, \$99 200,193; balances, METPHS, Tenn. May 13. New York ex-change selling at \$1.50. Clearings, \$311.478 balances, \$99,000.

NEW YORK, May 13.—Clearings, \$122,229,297; balances, \$7,232,048. For the week—Clearings, \$750,410,306; balances, \$39,992,700. 750.410.306; balances, \$32,992.700.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 13.—Cicarings, \$10.351,122; balances, \$1,727,619. Money, 41s per cent. Clearings for the week end.st today were \$73.370,688; balances, \$11,599.974.

St. Louis, Mo., May 13.—Creatings, \$3,975.—702; this week, \$25,705,406; corresponding week last year, \$22,808,114; balances today, \$328,3344; this week, \$2,424,031; corresponding week last year, \$2,424,031; doney quiet at 0.385 per cent. Exchange on New York 90c premium.

CHICAGO, III., May 13.—Clearings, \$17,121,780; for the week, \$110,780,307, against \$19,780; for the week, \$110,780,307, against \$19,780,407 for the corresponding werk last year. New York exchange sold at 75c premium. Sterling exchange firm sixty-day bills, \$4,857; demand, \$4,89. Money firm at 7 per cent. New York.

Commercial paper slow

New York, May 13.—The imports of specie at the port of New York for the week were \$39,708, of which \$8,423 were gold am \$31,345 silver. The exports of specie from the port of New York for the week were \$899,455, of which \$516,300 were gold and \$383,155 silver. Of this amount \$505,300 gold and \$383,155 silver. Of this amount \$505,300 gold and \$482,2550 silver went to Europe and \$10,000 gold and \$400 silver went to South America. At the subtreasury today \$500,000 gold was received from the west and Canada.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Cattle Trade Not Satisfactory Nor Promising-Hogs Active with Fair Outlook.

As is usually the case on Saturday business was dull in the stocker and feeder time. Regular dealers report a very poor country demand even at prices 15c and 25c lower than the first of the week. Fresh offerings were scarce. Some 1,059-ib, westerns sold for \$4.10.

YEARLINGS. COWS. 910 935 HEIFERS. 3 30 3 30 10..... 865 CALVES. 230 BULLS.

1290 1180 1250 1130STAGS. 4.....1'380 3 35 16....1,298 STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.
2 825 3 65 9 793 3 65

Representative sales:
No. Av. Sb. Pr.
6. 150 — \$7 05
11. 225 80 7 15
9. 197 — 7 20
7. 273 — 7 20
11. 220 — 7 20
47. 293 — 7 20
70. 243 280 7 25
73. 253 280 7 25
60. 221 200 7 25
81. 221 40 7 25
81. 221 40 7 25
63. 234 160 7 25 Av. 8h. P₁,
252 80 87 30
233 7 7 90
263 120 7 30
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2. 105 — 6.75 1. 450 40 80 SHEEP There has been a steady decline in sheep values all week. This has been in sympathy with eastern markets where excessive receipts, especially of Texans, have closed up almost every available outlet and forced prices down. The decline here has been from 40c to 75c, but at the decline the demand is good. The run today was fair and the market slow and lower. Everything sold, however, lambs at \$5.25 and western wethers at \$5.40 and \$5.50. Fair to good nutives. \$4.50g5.50; fair to good westerns, \$4.00g5.50; common and stock sheep, \$2.50g4.00; cood to choles 40 to 100-1b, lambs, \$5.00g6.50. Representative sales: tive sales:

No. 480 Mexican lambs, 140 western wethers 279 western wethers

Receipts and Disposition of Stock. Official receipts and disposition of stock as shown by the books of the Union Stock Yards company for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 o'clock p. m., May 14, 1893. RECEIPTS.

CATTLE. | HOGS. | BREEP. | HORSES & MLS. Cars, Head Cars | Head Cars | Head Cars. | Head, 183 2,000 53 3,463 5 856 13 285 DISPOSITION. CATCLE | HOGS. | SHEEP t maha Packing Co
The G. H. Hammond Co
Swift & Co
The Cutahy Packing Co
John P. Squires & Co.
Chicago P. & P. Co.
A. Haas
B. Becker & Fegan. 408 671 275 1,028 282 624 Shippers and teeders 150 Total...... 1,827 3,528 809

Chicago Live Stock Market. Chicago Live Stock Market.
Chicago, Ill., May 13.—(Special Telegram to The Ber.)—Cattle trade was inactive and prices without noteworthy change. The receipts were limited to about 500 head, which is an unusually light supply even for a Saturday, but buyers did not want them at any advance. Quotations were from \$1.65 to \$4.25 for cows and heifers, from \$3 to \$4.65 for stockers and feeders, from \$4.25 to \$6.10 for stockers and feeders, from \$2.25 to \$5 for Texans. The calf market was quiet at from \$2 to \$5.50.

The hog market was steady at the opening

\$2 to \$5.50.

The log market was steady at the opening of business. It was fully 5c lower later in the morning and closed very dull. The range of sales was from \$4.25 to \$7.80. Throwouts and pigs sold at from \$4.35 to \$6.75 and a few fancy medium weights found a buyer at \$7.80, but the bulk of the logs were unloaded at from \$7.55 to \$7.70. the bulk of the hogs were unloaded at from \$7.50 to \$7.70.

Prices for sheep were steady and firm at from \$3 to \$5.75 for poor to choice grades. Lambs were strong at from \$5.40 to \$7. There was only a light denand and a still more limited supply; 606 cattle, 10,000 hogs and 500 sheep, making 57.011 cattle, 108.491 hogs and 62.622 sheep for the week, as against 60.985 cattle, 103.818 hogs and 69.966 sheep for the previous week and 70.654 cattle, 173,332 hogs and 40,418 sheep for the corresponding week last year.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

Kansas City, Mo., May 13.—Cartile—Receipts, 1,500 head; shipments, 1,100 head; market steady; range steers, \$2,5064,40; shippers, \$4,5065,60; mative cows, \$1,8564,40; butthers' stock, \$3,6064,65; stockers and feeders, \$2,2564,70; bulls and mixed, \$2,0064,95.

Hogs—Receipts, 5,100 head; shipments, 4,000 head; market opened 10e higher, closed weak with advance lost; bulk of sales, \$7,2567,40; mixed, \$7,2567,40; packers, \$7,356,710; mixed, \$7,2567,40; packers, \$7,356,756,750,767,20.

Sheep—Receipts, \$600 head; shipments, none; market slow and weak; wool muttons, \$5,25; clipped, \$4,0064,75. Kansas City Live Stock Market.

St. Louis Live Stock Market. St. Louis Live Stock Market.

St. Louis, Mo., May 13.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,400 head; shipments, 1,200 head; market steady; no good natives on sale; fed Texas steers \$4.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,300 head; shipments, 3,200 head; market slow; heavy \$7.200, 7.60; mixed, \$7.10,07.50; light, \$7.15,07.45.

SHEEP—Receipts, 100 head; shipments, 700 head; market stronger; natives, \$4.000, 4.75; Texass, \$3.75,04.50.

Produce Politers.

The imports of potatoes from Europe for the month of April have been 69,365 sacks from Great Britain and 30,749 sacks from the continent. The figures for the previous north (March) were 250,658 sacks from Great Britain and 61,060 sacks from the

should remember, and that is that butter is graded much more closely than it was dur-ing the winter. When butter is as scarce as it was during the winter months, most any-thing would sell for good to choice, and the trade had to take it or go without. At this season, as butter becomes more plenty, the trade can be more particular, and choice butter means choice butter and not poor

lowa farmers are beginning to find their poultry a profitable investment. Eggs from Iowa are sent to the Atlantic coast during the summer and are in much greater demand than the eastern product. This is in the face of the prejudic e of eastern people who have deemed it practically impossible that western eggs should be placed before them in better condition than those of their own section. A well known dealer explains the cause for this as follows: "The lowa egg is firmer and stronger and is a much more." solid product than that of the east," From present appearances there will be a

any event, high prices will rule, even if a any event, and process with rule, even it as full supply is obtained from outside quarters, says a California paper. Stocks are lighter than they have been before for many years, and the advance in value has brought in shipments from the east as far back as Wisconsin. There are few dealers here who can relate another instance of the kind, although relate another instance of the kind, although
for years past Utah and Nevada have been
drawn upon to help out at times. The shipments referred to came to hand from
Waubacca, and as high as \$2.10 was
paid for choice lots. They were all
of the Burbank variety. Another carload is
expected to arrive and a higher rate is bid for them. From all accounts this will be a very bad year for California potatoes, and the crop will amount to little over one-half of that which is usually raised. The pro-longed rains interfered with the planting and did not benefit the crop put in early in the year. The egg case problem appears to be a dif-

ficult matter to arrange to the satisfaction of both parties, the commission men and the shippers. At the present time egg cases are sent out into the country to any one order-ing them, if one house will not furnish the cases to a certain shipper some other house will. Every commission house has a large amount of money tied up in egg cases and as the life of an egg case subject, to the rough handring of express companies and freight lines is short, there is a constant outgo for new cases. But this is not the worst feature of the question. Comthe worst feature of the question. Com-mission men do not complain at the amount of money tied up or of the wearing out of the cases. The great cause for dis-satisfaction lies in the fact that country shippers, as a rule, do not appear to realize that erg cases cost money and that the man that egg cases cost money and that the man sending them out into the country at the request of a shipper has a right to expect them back again.

A shipper recently declared that he held that egg cases were public property and that the man who would pay the most for the eggs should have the cases even if they had been sent out to him by a certain firm on request and on promise that the firm sending quest and on promise that the firm sending them should have the eggs. Few shippers would care to take that stand openly, but a great many of them conduct their business on that principle apparently. It happens very frequently that a commission firm is requested to send a certain number of cases to a shipper and after waiting a reasonable length of time for the eggs writes only to learn that some one offered more for them and was allowed not only to take the eggs but the cases as well. It does no good for the commission man to protest as the cases are gone and the country shipper will not pay for them. It frequently happens that a shipper after selling a firm's egg cases will not ship any more to that firm egg cases will not ship any more to that firm for fear that the firm will hold back enough money to pay for the cases. Thus the com-mission man not only loses his cases but shipper at the same time.