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Heavy Decrease in the Visible Supply Encouraged Wheat Yesterday.

GAINED TWO CENTS ON THE DAY FOR MAY

Corn Opened Tame and Rather Weak, but Become Fairly, and at Times Quite, Strong—Stocks and Bonds.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—After a lower opening and the promise of a weak session today wheat took courage from a decrease in the visible supply larger than was expected, and ended with a gain of 2c for May. Corn, which gained ½c for May, also helped the wheat market. May oats closed ¼c higher and provisions made slight gains.

There was an easier feeling in wheat at the opening, due to the heavy receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth, and slightly easier cables. Minneapolis reported receipts of 257 carloads and Duluth 335, or 592 together, against 472 on the Monday preceding, and 273 on the corresponding day of the year before. Those items, together with a weak opening in the New York stock market were the influences which started May wheat at from 52⅝c to 52¾c. The orders from outside were few and far between during the first hour. An impression which began to prevail that the visible supply was likely to show a heavier decrease than had been expected advanced the price in the course of the first hour from 53c to 53⅛c. The visible supply decreased 1,257,000 bu., and as it was not generally expected to have fallen off more than half that much, was an element in causing the further advance in price which followed the publication of the visible figures. An advance which took place in the price of corn about the same time was perhaps even more influential than the decrease in the visible supply.

Trade was dull but the shorts continued to cover moderately, and with fair buying May advanced to 52¼c, finishing at 53⅛c.

Corn opened tame and rather weak, but became fairly active and at times quite strong. May opened at 44½c, with a sale or two at the same time at 1 1-16c under that. It rose to 44⅝c in a few minutes, then sold down again to its opening price, after which commenced the advance, which lasted substantially up to the close. May rose to 45¼c, and in the end there were buyers at from 45⅝c to 45¾c. The trade was largely local, and much of the day's buying was due to a belief that the breaking up of country roads in consequence of the present thaw would decrease receipts heavily. Some of the most persistent and influential among the recent local short sellers were named as the chief buyers today. The estimate of 305 carloads as tomorrow's probable receipts helped to confirm the opinion about prospectively smaller receipts.

The market for oats attracted but little attention. Prices were confined to a narrow range and were entirely influenced by corn. May started at from 29c to 29⅛c sold up to 29⅜c, and closed with sellers at that price.

Provisions were quiet and firm, closing with a slight advance in price. Compared with Saturday's closing rates May pork is 10c higher, lard and ribs each 2½c higher. Hog receipts today were 44,000 head, but only 29,000 are looked for as the run tomorrow. The early weakness was due to the heavy hog receipts and the recovery was the result of the lighter estimate for tomorrow and moderate buying by packers.

Estimate of cars for Tuesday: Wheat, 33 cars; corn, 305 cars; oats, 255 cars; hogs, 29,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat, No. 2				
Feb.....	50¼	50¾	50¼	50¾
May.....	52⅝@⅝	53⅛@¼	52⅝@⅝	53⅛
July.....	53⅜	54⅛@¼	53⅜	54⅛
Corn No. 2..				
Feb.....	42¾	43⅛	42¾	43⅜
May.....	44⅛	45¼	44⅛	45⅛@¼
July.....	44¼	44⅝@⅞	44¼	44⅝@⅞
Oats No. 2...				
Feb.....	28¼	28⅜	28¼	28¼
May.....	29@29⅛	29⅜	29	29¼@⅜
June.....	29	29⅛@¼	29	29⅛@¼
Pork per bbl				
May.....	10 12½	10 27½	10 12½	10 25
Lard, 100 lbs				
May.....	6 47½	6 50	6 47½	6 50
Short Ribs...				
May.....	5 27½	5 30	5 25	5 30

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Unchanged.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 55@57c; No. 3 spring, nominal; No. 2 red, 50⅝@52c.

CORN—No. 2, 42⅝c; No. 3 yellow, 41½@41⅝c.

OATS—No. 2, 28½@28⅝c; No. 2 white, 31½@32c; No. 3 white, 31¼@31½c.

RYE—No. 2, 51½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 52½@53½c; No. 3, 50@52½c; No. 4, nominal.

FLAX SEED—No. 1, $1.29.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $5.85.

PROVISIONS—Pork, mess, per bbl., $10.10@10.20. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.37½. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.15@5.20. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.67½@4.75; short clear sides (boxed), $5.45@5.50.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.28.

The following were the receipts and shipments today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.....	11,000	9,000
Wheat, bu.....	11,000	8,000
Corn, bu.....	89,000	50,000
Oats, bu.....	144,000	147,000
Rye, bu.....	10,000	13,000
Barley, bu.....	74,000	25,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady: creamery, 11@22c; dairy, 9@20c. Eggs, unsettled; 20@27c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Closing Quotations on the Principal Commodities and Staples.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—FLOUR—Receipts, 5,227 bbls.; exports, 12,400 bbls.; sales, 33,800 pkgs. Quiet on all grades but city mills, in which most of today's business was done. Springs neglected, but steady. Southern flour, dull; common to fair extra, $1.80@2.40; good to choice extra, $2.40@2.95. Rye flour, firm. Buckwheat flour, quiet at $1.65@1.70.

CORN MEAL—Dull; western, $1.08@1.10; Brandywine, $2.90.

RYE—Nominal; car lots, 55c; boat loads, 55@56c.

BARLEY—Dull; two-rowed state, 60@61c; Canada, 70@72½c.

BARLEY MALT—Nominal; western, 70@72c; six-rowed, 73@75c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 1,000 bu.; exports, 56,100 bu.; sales, 2,460,000 bu. futures, 154,000 bu. spot. Spot market, firm; No. 2 red, in store and elevator, 57c; afloat, 58½c; f. o. b., 59c, afloat; No. 1 northern, 67½c delivered; No. 2 hard, 68½c delivered. Options easier at the opening on heavy northwestern receipts and disappointing cables, advanced sharply on a larger visible decrease than expected, and after a reaction on an unexpected increase in the English weekly supplies finally rallied, and closed firm at ⅛c advance: No. 2 red, February closed at 56⅝c; March closed at 57¼c; May, 57⅝@58⅛c, closed at 58⅛c; June closed at 58⅝c; July, 58 5-16@58⅜c, closed at 58⅜c; August, 58 7-16@58⅝c, closed at 58⅝c; September, 58⅞@59c, closed at 59⅛c; December, 62c.

CORN—Receipts, 1,300 bu.; exports, 2,100 bu.; sales, 255,000 bu. futures, 1,500 bu. spot. Spot market firm; No. 2, 49c in elevator; steamer mixed, 49⅝c delivered. Options opened decidedly weak under heavy receipts, but had a full recovery on smaller estimates for tomorrow, and closed ⅛c higher; February closed at 49c; May, 48⅝@49⅛c, closed at 49⅛c; July, 48⅝@49⅝c, closed at 49⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 31,500 bu.; exports, 200 bu.; sales, 110,000 bu. futures, 104,000 bu. spot. Spot market firm; No. 2, 34c; No. 2, delivered, 35c; No. 3, 33½c; No. 2 white, 38@38½c; track, white western and state, 36@42c. Options quiet, but steady; closing unchanged; February closed at 33⅝c; March closed at 33⅝c; May, 33⅛@33½c, closed at 33½c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 45@50c; good to choice, 85@95c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, old, 3@7c; Pacific coast, old, 3½@7c; 1894, 7@11c.

HIDES—Steady; wet salted New Orleans, 4½@5c; Buenos Ayres, 13@13½c; Texas, dry, 6@7½c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavy weights, 14½@17c.

WOOL—Quiet; domestic fleece, 16@23c; pulled, 19@24c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady. Cut meats, quiet. Lard, dull; western steam closed at $6.70@6.75; city at 6⅝c; February closed at $6.72, nominal; May, $6.82, nominal. Pork, steady.

BUTTER—Easy; western dairy, 9@15c; western creamery, 15@23c; factory, 8@14½c; Elgins, 23c; imitation creamery, 16@17c; state dairy, 14@20c; state creamery, old, 12@19c.

CHEESE—Quiet; state, large, 9@11½c; small, 9@12c; part skims, 3@8½c; full skims, 1½@2½c.

EGGS—Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 21c; ice house, 22@27c; western fresh, 20@20½c; southern, 20@20c; receipts, 1,908 pkgs.

TALLOW—Dull.

PETROLEUM—Nominal; United closed at $1.04¾.

ROSIN—Firm; strained, common to good, $1.40@1.45.

TURPENTINE—Firm at 32c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4¾@6¼c; Japan, 4¼@4¾c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 33@38c.

ORANGES—Steady; California Navals, $3.25@3.50; Havanna, 40@5c.

METALS—Pig iron, quiet; Scotch, $19.00@20.00; American, $9.50@12.50. Copper easy; brokers' price, $9.60; exchange, $9.65. Lead, firm; brokers' price, $3.02½; exchange price, $3.10. Tin, steady; straights, $15.10. Sales on 'change, 10 tons July tin at $13; 50 tons at $12.95; 15 tons spot at $13.02½; 35 tons at $13.05; 25 tons spot at $13.07½; 2 cars February lead at $3.07½. Plates, market weak. Spelter, dull; domestic, $3.10.

COTTON SEED OIL—Inactive; off crude, 29@31c; prime summer yellow, 26@28c; yellow butter grades, 27@28c; prime white, 29@30c.

Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 25.—FLOUR—Firm; western superfine, $1.80@2.10; extra family, $2.00@2.75; winter wheat patents, $2.85@3.15; spring wheat patent, $3.40@3.65; (special brands higher); spring wheat straight, $2.15@2.35; receipts, 16,421 bbls.; shipments, 20,965 bbls.; sales, 730 bbls.

WHEAT—Steady; spot and month, 57⅛@57⅜c; March, 57¼@57½c; May, 58⅛@58⅜c; steamer No. 2 red, 54@54¼c; receipts, 7,720 bu.; shipments, 24,000 bu.; stock, 624,885 bu.; sales, 31,650 bu.; southern wheat by sample, 56@58c; southern wheat on grade, 54¼@57⅜.

CORN—Firm; spot and month and March, 47@47⅛c; May, 48⅛@48⅜c; steamer mixed, 46½@46¾c; receipts, 4,134 bu.; shipments, 12,965 bu.; stock, 311,219 bu.; sales, 20,000 bu.; southern white corn, 48@49c.

OATS—Quiet and easy; No. 2 white western, 35½@36c; No. 2 mixed, 33½@34c; receipts, 9,383 bu.; stock, 252,000 bu.

RYE—Slow; No. 2, 56@57c.

BUTTER—Steady; fancy creamery, 24@25c; fancy imitation, 18@20c; fancy ladle, 16@17c; store packed, 10@14c; good ladle, 14@15c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh, 20c; cold storage, 20@22c.

CHEESE—Firm; fancy New York, 60c; southern, 11¾c; southern size, 12¾c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

BUTTER—Culled stock, 8c; common to fair, 10@11c; fair to good country, 12@12½c; choice to fancy, 14@16c; gathered creamery, 18c; separator creamery, 19@20c.

EGGS—Strictly fresh laid, 22@24c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, 6@7c; ducks, 6c; turkeys, 6c; heavy toms, 5c; geese, 6c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, fair, 6@6½c; choice large, 6½@7c; choice small, 7@8c; turkeys, fair to good, 8@8½c; choice heavy, 8½@9c; choice small, 9@10c; ducks, fair to good, 7½@8c; fancy, full dressed, 9@10c; geese, fair to good, 7½@8c; fancy, full dressed, 9@10c.

GAME—Blue wing teal, per doz., $1.50; green wing teal, per doz., $1.25@1.50; ducks, mixed, per doz., $1.00@1.25; canvasbacks, $4.00@5.00; mallards and red heads, $3.00@3.25; small rabbits, 50c; jack rabbits, 75c; squirrels, 60c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 70 to 110 lbs., are quoted at 5½@6c; large and coarse, 3@4c.

CHEESE—Wisconsin full cream, Young Americans, 12c; twins, 12½c; Nebraska and Iowa, full cream, 11c; Nebraska and Iowa, part skims, 7@8c; Limburger, No. 1, 11c; brick, No. 1, 11c; Swiss, No. 1, 15c.

HAY—Upland hay, $9; midland, $8.50; lowland, $8; rye straw, $6. Color makes the price on hay. Light shades sell the best. Only top grades bring top prices.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Western stock, car lots, 65c; small lots, 70c.

OLD BEANS—Hand picked, navy, $1.90@2.00; Lima beans, per lb., 5½c.

ONIONS—On orders, $1.00@1.10; per bbl., $2.75@3.00.

CABBAGE—On orders, 2c.

CELERY—Per doz., 50@60c; California, 90@$1.00.

SWEET POTATOES—Good stock, $2.50; Kansas, $2.00@2.25.

BEETS—Per bbl., $1.50.

CARROTS—Per bbl., $2.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate of a doz. and half or two doz., $2.25.

HORSERADISH—Per lb., 6@7c.

PARSNIPS—Per bbl., $2.

RUTABAGAS—Per lb., 1½c.

PARSLEY—Per doz. bunches, 35c.

TURNIPS—Per bbl., $1.50.

SPINACH—Per bbl., $3.50@4.00.

PIE PLANT—Per doz., 75c.

FRUITS.

PEARS—Winter Nellis, none.

APPLES—Choice stock, $4.50@4.75.

GRAPES—Concord, none; Malagas, per 65 to 68-lb. bbls., gross, $10.00@10.50.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, fancy, $11.00@11.50 per bbl.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Floridas, per box, $3.75@4.00; California navals, $3.50; seedlings, $3.

BANANAS—Choice stock, $2.00@2.50 per bunch.

LEMONS—Messinas, sizes 200 to 360, choice, $3.25; fancy, $3.50@4.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 16c; horseshoes, 20c; extra standards, 21c; extra selects, 25c; company selects, 26c; New York counts, 30c; bulks, standard, per gal., $1.70.

NEW FIGS—Extra fancy, 16c; fancy, 14c; choice, 12@13c; California, bags, 7c.

HONEY—New York, 17c; dark, 14@15c; California, 16c; strained, 4 to 10-lb. cans, per lb., 10c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Gallon jugs, per doz., $12; Bixby, 5-gal. cans, $6.

NUTS—Almonds, 15c; English walnuts, soft-shelled, 12c; standards, 10c; filberts, 8@9c; Brazil nuts, 8c.

SAUR KRAUT—Choice white, per bbl., $4.50@5.00; per half bbl., $2.50@2.75.

MINCE MEAT—Fancy, in half bbls., per lb., 5½c; 10-gal. kegs, 6c; condensed, per case of 3 doz. pkgs., $2.50.

CIDER—Pure juice, per bbl., $5; half bbl., $3.

HIDES AND TALLOW.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 3½@4c; No. 2 green hides, 3c; No. 1 green salted hides, 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 4½c; No. 1 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 5c; No. 2 green salted hides, 25 to 40 lbs., 4½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 8 to 15 lbs., 5c; No. 1 dry flint hides, 6c; No. 2 dry flint hides, 5c; No. 1 dry salted hides, 5c; part cured hides ½c per lb. less than fully cured.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 25@60c; green salted shearlings (short wooled early skins) each, 5@15c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins), No. 1, each, 5@10c; dry shearlings (short wooled early skins) No. 2, each, 5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 5@8c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6½c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@6c.

TALLOW AND GREASE—Tallow, No. 1, 3¾c; tallow, No. 2, 3c; grease, white A, 3¾@4¼c; grease, white B, 3c; grease, yellow, 3c; grease, dark, 2½@3c; old butter, 2@2½c; beeswax, prime, 17@20c; rough tallow, 2c.

FURS.

FURS—Bear, black, No. 1 large, $20.00@25.00; No. 1 medium, $15; No. 1 small, $8.00@10.00; bear, black, yearlings, No. 1 large, $12.00@15.00; No. 1 medium, $10; No. 1 small, $7; bear, black, cubs, No. 1 large, $6.00@8.00; No. 1 medium, $5.00@6.00; No. 1 small, $4; bear, black, Montana and Rocky mountain, No. 1 large, $18.00@21.00; No. 1 medium, $14; No. 1 small, $10; bear, black, Montana yearlings, No. 1 large, $12; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $5; bear, black, Montana cubs, No. 1 large, $6.50; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; bear, silver tip, No. 1 large, $20; No. 1 medium, $12; No. 1 small, $8; bear, silver tip, yearlings, No. 1 large, $11; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $5; bear, silver tip, cubs, No. 1 large, $6; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $3; bear, brown, No. 1 large, $20.00@23.00; No. 1 medium, $16; No. 1 small, $12; bear, brown, yearlings, No. 1 large, $10.00@12.00; No. 1 medium, $8; No. 1 small, $6; bear, brown, cubs, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $5; No. 1 small, $3; badger, No. 1 large, $1.00@1.50; No. 1 medium, 90c; No. 1 small, 50c; fisher, No. 1 large, $8; No. 1 medium, $6; No. 1 small, $4; fox, silver, as to color, according to beauty, No. 1 large, $100; No. 1 medium, $60; No. 1 small, $30; fox, cross, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $3; No. 1 small, $2; fox, red, No. 1 large, $1.50; No. 1 medium, $1.25; No. 1 small, $1; fox, gray, No. 1 large, 75c; No. 1 medium, 50c; No. 1 small, 40c; fox kits, No. 1 large, 50c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 30c; lynx, No. 1 large, $3; No. 1 medium, $2; No. 1 small, $1.50; marten, No. 1 large, $2; No. 1 medium, $1.50; No. 1 small, $1; mink, No. 1 large, 60@65c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 35c; mink, dark, No. 1 large, 65c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 30c; mountain lion, perfect head, and feet, No. 1 large, $1.00@2.00; imperfect skins, $6.00@7.00; No. 1 small, $5; otter, pale, No. 1 large, $7; No. 1 medium, $5; No. 1 small, $4; raccoon, No. 1 large, 60@70c; No. 1 medium, 50c; No. 1 small, 35c; raccoon, black, as to beauty, No. 1 large, 50c@$2.00; skunk, black, cased, narrow striped, No. 1 large, 50c; No. 1 medium, 40c; No. 1 small, 25c; skunk, broad striped, No. 1 large, 20@25c; wolverine, No. 1 large, $4; No. 1 medium, $3; No. 1 small, $2; wolf, mountain, No. 1 large, $3; No. 1 medium, $2; No. 1 small, $1.50; wolf, prairie, No. 1 large, 65@90c; No. 1 medium, 60c; No. 1 small, 40c; beaver, per skin, No. 1 large, $5.00@6.00; No. 1 medium, $4.50; No. 1 small, $2; beaver kits, No. 1 large, $2; No. 1 medium, $1.50; No. 1 small, 75c; muskrats, winter, No. 1 large, 8@10c; No. 1 medium, 9c; No. 1 small, 7c; muskrats, fall, No. 1 large, 4@6c; No. 1 medium, 7c; No. 1 small, 6c; muskrat kits, 2@3c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 25.—WHEAT—Sold off early ¼@¾c with declines elsewhere, but inherent strength put prices back with the aid of buying to a close slightly below the top, and ⅛c higher than Saturday: No. 2 red, cash and February, 51½c; March, 51¼c; May, 52⅛c bid; July, 53⅞c bid.

CORN—Opened weak and ⅛c lower, but firmed up on cables and buying ⅜c, closing ⅛c above Saturday; No. 2 mixed, cash, 41½c; May, 43⅜c asked; June, 42⅝c bid; July, 42½c, nominal.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash and February, 29⅜c; May, 29⅞c bid; July, 30c bid.

RYE—No. 2, east side, held at 57c.

BARLEY—Quiet, without change.

BRAN—Firm; 72c, east track, sacked; 70c bid.

FLAX SEED—$1.36.

CLOVER SEED—Choice, higher; $8.22@8.35.

TIMOTHY SEED—$3.25@3.60.

HAY—Dull and heavy; prime to choice timothy, $9.50@10.50; prime to choice prairie, $8.50@9.50.

EGGS—Lower at 20c.

LEAD—Held at $2.90.

SPELTER—Steady at 2.97½.

COAL OIL—Steady at 9.50@9.60.

WHISKY—Higher at $1.25.

COTTON TIES—65c.

BAGGING—4⅝@5⅝c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, standard mess, jobbing, $10.25. Lard, prime steam, $6.25; choice, $6.40.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 1,200 bu.; corn, 48,000 bu.; oats, 31,000 bu.; rye, 1,000 bu.; barley, 17,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 13,000 bbls.; wheat, 9,000 bu.; corn, 59,000 bu.; oats, 24,000 bu.; rye, 2,000 bu.; barley, 1,000 bu.

Cotton Market.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 25.—COTTON—Futures, quiet; sales, 41,800 bales; February, $5.13 bid; March, $5.17@5.18; April, $5.13@5.14; May, $5.19@5.20; June, $5.24@5.25; July, $5.30@5.31; August, $5.35@5.37; September, $5.38@5.40; October, $5.41@5.42; November, $5.42@5.46.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—COTTON—Dull; middling, 5 9-16c; net receipts, 1,000 bales; gross, 11,623 bales; exports, to Great Britain, 2,369 bales; to France, 640 bales; to the continent, 1,647 bales; forwarded, 2,268 bales; sales, 116 bales; spinners, 756 bales; stock, 176,467 bales; total to date, net receipts, 29,384 bales.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—There was more stir in the market as the result of the presence of more visiting buyers and some orders in the hands of representatives of out of town houses. Engagements were more moderate and quantities of seasonable specialties, with a very pronounced request for dress goods, silks, dometts and white goods. There was an irregular demand for staples and fair sales were effected. Printing cloths, quiet at 2 9-16c, and moderate sales reported for orders.

Kansas City Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 25.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 2 red and No. 3 red, 51½@52c; rejected, 47@48c; sample rates, f. o. b. Mississippi river, No. 2 hard and No. 2 red, 57@58c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 46@46½c; No. 2 white, 46½@46¾c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 29@29½c; No. 2 white, 31c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 52c.

FLAX SEED—Dull, 28c.

BRAN—Firm; 62@67c.

HAY—Weak; timothy, $800@9.50; prairie, $7.00@8.00.

BUTTER—Easy; creamery, 17@21c; dairy, 12@18c.

EGGS—Unsettled at 21½@25c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 28,000 bu.; oats, 8,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 10,000 bu.; corn, none; oats, 2,000 bu.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Bears Have an Inning Backed Up by the Break in Canada Pacific.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—The break of 6 per cent in Canada Pacific on the London Stock exchange, owing to the passage of the dividend on the common stock and the consequent heaviness of the markets for American securities, exercised a very depressing influence on speculation here at the opening of business this morning. A brisk selling movement was inaugurated for both the home and foreign accounts. Canada Pacific, on sales of 100 shares, broke 6½ per cent to 43 during the morning, and in the afternoon on sales of 200 shares receded an additional 2 per cent, and closed at the lowest point touched. In the general market the lowest sales of the day were made as a rule before noon, except some of the industrial shares, which reached the lowest point later in the day. The decline ranged from ⅛ to 1⅝ per cent in the active list, the latter in Chicago Gas and Delaware & Hudson, 1½ per cent in Northwestern, 1⅜ per cent in New Jersey Central, 1¼ per cent in Baltimore & Ohio, 1⅛ per cent in Sugar, Manhattan and Louisville & New Albany preferred, 1⅜ per cent in Louisville & Nashville, 1 per cent in Illinois Central, Tobacco and Leather, 1⅞ per cent in General Electric, Delaware, Lackawanna & Western and Cleveland, Columbus, Chicago & St. Louis; ¾ per cent in Burlington, Distilling and Missouri Pacific preferred; ⅝ per cent in Lacclede Gas, St. Paul and Cordage preferred, and ½ per cent in Rock Island, New York Central, Northern Pacific preferred and Cordage common and guaranteed. Some of the specialties made heavier losses, notably National Starch second preferred, 3 per cent, and Sugar and Wheeling & Lake Erie preferred 1⅝ per cent. During the afternoon the market showed signs of improvement, the trading being strengthened by the rather unexpectedly good showing of the net earnings for January of the St. Paul road. While somewhat irregular, the tendency of prices was upward, and the market closed firm, the final figures being ⅛@1⅜ per cent above the lowest point, but generally lower than the closing prices of Saturday. The movement of prices in the day's bond market was generally downward, and material losses were recorded in a number of instances. The sales for the day were 887,000 shares.

The Evening Post's London cablegram says: "The influence of the passing of the Canada Pacific dividend and the weakness of the Paris bourse flattened all the markets here today. Canada Pacifics were down ⅝, closing at the lowest. Americans and Grand Trunks have fallen sympathetically. The American loan is at ⅞ per cent premium; the allotment letters are going out tomorrow. South Americans were weaker on reports from Montevideo of the failure of a large firm with heavy liabilities to the South American banks. The banks, however, say the figures are greatly exaggerated. More gold is being purchased for America. I cannot learn how much. Money is scarcely easier. The Bank of England has lent largely today."

Sales of the new government 4s, when issued, were made late today at 118⅝. The deposits of gold at the subtreasury today on account of the bond syndicate were $378,000.

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

Atchison.....	3⅞	Northwestern.....	80¼
Adams Express...	142	*N. W. pfd.....	138
Alton, T. H	35¼	N. Y. Central.....	98⅞
Am. Express.....	110	N. Y. & N. E.....	29⅝
Baltimore & Ohio.	60⅛	Ontario & W.....	15⅞
Canada Pacific...	41	Oregon Imp.....	10
Canada Southern..	48	Oregon Nav.....	17
Central Pacific...	1⅝	Oregon S. L. & N...	4⅛
Ches. & Ohio.....	16⅝	Pacific Mail. N...	22
*Chicago Alton....	146	P. D. & E.....	2¼
C., B. & Q.....	70	*Pittsburg.....	154
Chicago Gas.....	72	Pullman Palace..	154
Consolidated Gas.	131	Reading.....	9¾
C., C., C. & St. L..	36⅛	R. G. W.....	16⅜
Colo. Coal & Iron..	5	R. G. W. pfd.....	43
Cotton Oil Cert...	19	Rock Island.....	62
Delaware & Hud..	129⅛	St. Paul.....	55⅛
Del., Lack. & W...	157½	do pfd.....	117¼
D. & R. G. pfd....	34½	St. P. A Omaha...	30
D. & C. F. Co.....	10⅛	do pfd.....	109
Erie.....	8⅞	Southern Pacific..	17⅛
*do pfd.....	16⅜	Sugar Refinery...	91⅜
*Fort Wayne.....	156	Tenn. Coal & Iron.	14¼
G. Northern pfd...	100	Texas Pacific.....	8⅜
*C. & E. I. pfd....	90	T. & O. Cent. pfd..	70⅛
Hocking Valley...	18⅝	Union Pacific.....	8⅜
Illinois Central...	85⅛	U. S. Express.....	42
St. P. & Duluth ...	20	W. St. L. & P.....	5½
K. & T. pfd.....	21⅜	do pfd.....	12⅞
Lake Erie & West	15⅜	Wells Fargo Ex...	102
do pfd.....	71	Western Union...	87⅜
Lake Shore.....	136⅛	Wheeling & L. E..	93
Lead Trust.....	27	do pfd.....	83
Louisville & N....	61⅛	U. S. Leather.....	26
L. & N. A.....	6⅛	D. & R. G.....	10⅜
Manhattan Con...	107⅜	G. E.....	29
*Memphis & C....	10	N. L.....	20
Michigan Cent...	92	C. F. & I.....	24
Missouri Pacific..	20	do pfd.....	55
Mobile & Ohio...	14	H. & T. C.....	2⅛
Nashville Chat...	64	T. A. A. & N. M...	1½
National Cordage.	8⅜	M. St. L. & K. C...	7
do pfd.....	17	do pfd.....	7
N. J. Central...	81⅞	S. R. R.....	9⅞
N. & W. pfd.....	11⅛	do pfd.....	31⅜
North Am. Co....	3⅛	Am. Tob. Co.....	87⅜
Northern Pacific..	21⅛	do pfd.....	102⅛
No. Pac. pfd.....	15⅛	St. P., M. & M...	105
U. P., D. & G.....	3		

* bid.

The sales of stocks today were 144,558 shares, including: American Tobacco, 5,700; American Sugar, 11,400; Burlington, 10,400; Chicago Gas, 18,100; Distilling & Cattlefeeding, 12,400; Louisville & Nashville, 6,900; Missouri Pacific, 3,500; New Jersey Central, 7,300; Northwestern, 19,600; Rock Island, 5,000; St. Paul, 12,200.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—MONEY ON CALL—Easy at 1@1½ per cent; last loan, 1½ per cent; closed at 1½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@5½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.88¼@4.88⅜ for demand, and at $4.87@4.87¼ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.87½@4.88 and $4.89½; commercial bills, $4.86@4.86¼.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—60⅝c bid.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Firm. State bonds, dull. Railroad bonds, weak.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. 5s. reg.....	116	D. & R. G. 4s.....	81
U. S. 5s. coup.....	116	Erie 2ds. S. A.....	58
U. S. 4s. reg.....	112⅛	H. & S. A. & A. 6s	95
U. S. 4s. coup.....	112⅛	G. H. & S. A. 7s...	100
*U. S. 2s. reg.....	95	H. & T. C. 5s.....	105⅛
*Pacific 6s of '95.	100	do 6s.....	101⅛
Ala. Class A.....	105	M. K. & T. 1st 4s.	80⅜
*Ala. Class B.....	105	do 2d 4s.....	40
*Ala. Class C.....	95	*Mutual Union 6s.	11⅛
*Ala. Currency...	95	N. J. C. Gen. 5s...	111⅜
La. New Con. 4s...	95	No. Pac. 1sts.....	112⅛
*Mexico 1st 6s.....	100	do 2ds.....	82
*N. C. 6s.....	125	N. W. Consols.....	140
*N. C. 4s.....	99	do S. F. Deb. 5s.	107½
S. C. nonfund.....	1⅛	R. G. West. 1sts...	68
*Tenn. new set 6s.	81	*St. P. Consols 7s.	125
*Tenn. new set 5s	100	do C. & P. W. 5s.	101⅛
*Tenn. old 6s.....	60	St. L. & I. M. Gen. 5.	77⅛
Va. Centuries.....	58⅜	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6.	103
do deferred.....	6	Tex. Pac. 1sts.....	84⅛
Atchison 4s.....	64⅛	do 2ds.....	23
do 2d A.....	17	U. P. 1sts of '96...	102⅜
Canada So. 2ds...	106	West Shore 4s.....	104⅞
*C. P. 1sts of '95..	100⅛	So. R. R.....	80⅜
*D. & R. G. 7s...	114		

* bid.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Feb. 25.—Call loans, 3@4½ per cent; time loans, 3½@4½ per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.....	4⅛	W. Elec. pfd.....	48⅜
Am. Sugar.....	91⅜	Wis. Central.....	4⅛
Am. Sugar pfd.....	91⅜	Edison Elec.....	123
Bay State Gas.....	7⅜	Gen. Elec. pfd.....	61
Bell Telephone...	192	Atchison 2ds.....	17
Boston & Albany..	208	Atchison 4s.....	64⅛
Boston & Maine...	162	New England 6s..	107⅜
do pfd.....	150	Gen. Electric 5s...	88⅛
C. B. & Q.....	69⅞	Wis. Cent. 1sts...	45⅛
Fitchburg.....	84	Atlantic.....	10
Gen. Electric.....	29@29⅜	Bost. & Montana	35
Mexican Central..	6⅜	Butte & Boston...	9⅛
N. Y. & N. E.....	29⅛	Calumet & Hecla.	290
Old Colony.....	170⅛	Centennial.....	20
Ore. Short Line...	4⅛	Franklin.....	12
Rubber.....	40	Kearsarge.....	7⅛
Union Pacific.....	8⅛	Osceola.....	21
West End.....	60	Quincy.....	102
do pfd.....	91	Tamarack.....	144
Westingh. Elec...	30⅛	Wolverine.....	3

San Francisco Mining Stock Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 25.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta.....	29	Hale & Norcross..	93
Alpha Con.....	7	Julia.....	1
Annes.....	21	Justice.....	5
Belcher.....	36	Mexican.....	70
Best & Belcher...	71	Mount Diablo.....	10
Bodie Con.....	76	Navajo.....	5
Bullion.....	17	Occidental Con...	5
Caledonia.....	6	Ophir.....	135
Challenge Con...	27	Overman.....	12
Chollar.....	21	Potosi.....	48
Confidence.....	95	Savage.....	40
Con. Cal. & Va...