COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

May Wheat Shows Great Strength and Closes at Highest Point This Season.

LEITER INTERESTS PROMINENT IN TRADING

Selling Out of Long Corn the Feature in that Cereal—Scalpers Take Charge of Oats—Provisions Rule Dull.

CHICAGO, March 2.—There were plenty of legitimate reasons for an advance in wheat today, and the market, up to a late hour, did show a great deal of strength. May closed at an advance of 1⅜c. Shorts in July, however, got filled up, and that option closed ⅛c lower than yesterday's final price. Corn and oats suffered somewhat from closing out of long lines, corn closing ¼@⅜c lower and oats ⅛@¼c lower. Provisions were dull and showed very little change at the close.

Wheat was clearly a bull market at the opening. The strength which marked yesterday's close made traders more apprehensive than ever of the short side, and the firmness caused by small offerings was increased by the nature of the news, which as a whole was of an encouraging character. Opening quotations for July were unchanged to ⅛c higher than yesterday's close at 91⅛@91⅜c. There was a good buying demand right from the start, and for two hours the market advanced slowly but steadily, July getting up to 91⅝@91⅞c by 11 o'clock. There was an extremely limited trade done in May, but that option exhibited even more strength than the later delivery, everything offered being taken by the Leiter interests. This support of May and the fact that Leiter's buying of March was also prominent exerted no small influence on July shorts. Liverpool was firm and showed good advances. Outside markets showed strength, particularly New York, which market reported the best buying in some time. The stocks of wheat at Odessa, the principal Russian shipping port, were reported at but 1,080,000 bu., compared with 6,000,000 bu. a year ago. Northwest receipts were very small, Minneapolis and Duluth reporting 185 cars, against 370 last week and 283 a year ago. Chicago receipts amounted to 50 cars, 10 of which were of contract quality. Minneapolis reported another big sale of wheat for shipment to Duluth. Fresh advices from Argentine said damaging rains continued. Bears took some comfort out of the fact that the predicted cold wave following the recent soft weather did not materialize, and the rather poor response of Liverpool to our yesterday's advance. A little before the noon hour, with the strength displayed, the market began to bring in some outside shorts, who had some difficulty in covering, and the best prices of the day were scored, July getting up to 92⅛c. After noon, however, the market gradually eased off. Shorts had apparently got pretty well filled up and realizing on the advance became pretty free. The weakness displayed by corn also had some effect. July finally got down to 91c, where it closed. May, however, continued strong. That option opened unchanged at $1.05½. It sold at $1.05¼, then slowly advanced to $1.07, reaching the latter point about midday. Realizing which followed caused a reaction to $1.06¼, but during the last few minutes of the session May was caught up in another Leiter swirl and carried up to $1.07. The closing price was at $1.06⅞, the highest closing price this season. Leiter was credited with some July selling.

Selling out of long corn was the feature of that market and kept things rather easy in spite of the strength of wheat. The market at first was rather strong, but free selling, mostly by buyers of yesterday, caused a gradual weakening of prices. May ranged from 30⅝@30⅞c to 30⅜c, and closed ¼@⅜c lower at 30¼@30⅜c.

Trading in oats was principally of a scalping nature, and not heavy at that. The market, in a general way, followed corn, and prices in consequence averaged lower. Prices early were stronger with wheat, but the firmness did not last long. May ranged from 26⅞c to 26⅝@26½c, and closed ⅛@¼c lower at 26⅜@26½c.

Provisions were dull. Opening prices were firmer, due to higher prices at the yards, and figures showing very small increases in stocks of lard and ribs. There was some good commission house buying during the first hour or so, but after that moderate selling by packers and a little general realizing caused a gradual easing off. The market closed steady, with May pork 2½c higher at $10.45, May lard unchanged at $5.17½ and May ribs 2½c lower at $5.17½.

Estimated receipts for Thursday: Wheat, 51 cars; corn, 400 cars; oats, 175 cars; hogs, 33,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
*Wheat— March	1 05¼	1 07	1 05¼	1 06⅞	1 05½
May...	1 05½	1 07	1 05¼	1 06⅞	1 05⅝
July...	91⅛@⅜	92⅛	91	91	91⅛
*Corn— May...	30⅝@⅞	30⅞@⅞	30⅜	30¼@⅜	30⅝
July...	31⅝@⅜	32	31⅜	31⅜	31⅝
Sept...	32⅞ 33	33@⅛	32⅜	32⅜	33
*Oats— May...	26⅞@¾	26⅞	26½@⅜	26⅜@½	26½@⅝
July...		24⅝	24⅜	24⅜	24⅝
Pork— May...	10 50	10 55	10 40	10 45	10 42½
July...	10 57½	10 57½	10 47½	10 50	10 45
Lard— May...	5 22½	5 22½	5 17½	5 17½	5 17½
July...	5 27½	5 30	5 25	5 27½	5 25
Sh'ribs— May...	5 22½	5 22½	5 17½	5 17½	5 20
July...	5 27½	5 30	5 22½	5 25	5 25

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy; winter patents, $4.80@5.00; straights, $4.30@4.80; spring specials, $5.40@5.50; spring patents, $4.70@5.10; straights, $4.40@4.60; bakers, $3.50@3.90.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 93@95c; No. 3 spring, 88@95½c; No. 2 red, $1.05@1.06⅜.

CORN—No. 2, 29¼@29⅜c; No. 2 yellow, 29¼@29⅜c.

OATS—No. 2, 26½c, f. o. b.; No. 2 white, 29⅜c; No. 3 white, 28@29¼c.

RYE—No. 2, 50c.

BARLEY—F. o. b., No. 3, 33@40c.

FLAXSEED—No. 1, $1.21@1.25½.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.95@3.00.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $10.40@10.45; lard, per 100 lbs., $5.10@5.12½; short ribs, sides (loose), $4.95@5.30; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.75@5.00; short clear sides (boxed), $5.35@5.55.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.18½.

SUGARS—Unchanged; cut loaf, $6.01; granulated, $5.51.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	31,000	31,000
Wheat, bu	100,000	116,000
Corn, bu	944,000	314,000
Oats, bu	553,000	227,000
Rye, bu	8,000	4,000
Barley, bu	601,000	23,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady, creameries, 1[illegible]@20c; dairies, 11@18c. Cheese, quiet at 8@8½c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 12c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 2.—FLOUR—Receipts, 13,595 bbls.; exports, 9,804 bbls.; inactive but firmly held at some advance on top grades; Minnesota patents, $5.35@5.60; winter straights, $4.65@4.75. Rye flour, firmer; fancy, $2.80@3.25. Buckwheat flour, quiet at $1.30.

BUCKWHEAT—Firm at 41c.

CORNMEAL—Dull; yellow western, 70c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 59½c.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 40c.

BARLEY MALT—Steady; western, 52½@67c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 26,825 bu.; exports, 39,583 bu.; spot, easy; No. 2 red, $1.07⅝ f. o. b. afloat. Options opened firm at ⅛c advance and later showed positive strength on clique support, bullish Argentine reports and foreign buying. The trade was overloaded, however, and in an afternoon effort to get profits broke prices sharply. The close was ⅜c up on near and ⅜c off on late months; No. 2 red March closed at $1.06⅝; May, $1.00⅝@1.01⅞; closed, $1.01⅜.

CORN—Receipts, 23,400 bu.; exports, 43,550 bu.; spot, easy; No. 2, 37⅛c. Options opened firm at ⅛c advance on cables and sympathy with wheat, but later declined under small clearances and realizing and closed ⅛c net lower; May, 35 3-16@35⅜c; closed, 35⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 70,800 bu.; exports, 235 bu.; spot dull; No. 2, 31@31¼c. Options quiet and easier with corn, closing ⅛c net lower; May closed, 30⅛c.

FEED—Quiet; bran, 80@82½c; middlings, 80c; rye feed, 82½@85c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 30@35c; good to choice, 55@70c.

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 7@9c; 1897 crop, 17@19c; Pacific coast, 1895 crop, 4@6c; 1896 crop, 8@10c; 1897 crop, 17@19c; London, 95c@$1.00.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 15c; Texas, dry, 12c; California, 17½@18½c.

LEATHER—Quiet but firm; hemlock sole, 19½@20c.

WOOL—Quiet; fleece, 17½@23½c; Texas, 13½@15½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $11.25@11.75; extra mess, $8.00@8.50; beef hams, $22.50@23.00; packet, $10.00@11.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $5.75@7.00; pickled shoulders, $4.75; pickled hams, $7.75@8.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $5.42½; refined, quiet. Pork, quiet; mess, $10.25@10.75; short clear, $10.75@12.50; family, $11.50@12.00. Tallow, steady; city, 3⅝c; country, 3⅜@3⅝c.

COTTONSEED OIL—Steady; prime crude, 21@21c; prime yellow, 23@23½c. Petroleum, nominal. Rosin, steady; strained, common to good, $1.40@1.45. Turpentine, quiet but firm at 35@36½c.

METALS—With the exception of tin the market for metals continues to show a healthy undertone with some departments reporting further improvement. Pig iron warrants closed quiet at $6.70 bid and $6.75 asked; lake copper firm at $11.85 bid and $12.00 asked; tin barely steady at $14.15 bid and $14.25 asked; spelter unchanged at $4.12½ bid and $4.25 asked, and lead steady at $3.72½ bid and $3.75 asked. The firm fixing the settling price for miners and smelters quotes lead at $3.60.

RICE—Firm; fair to extra, 4⅜@5⅞c; Japan, 5@5¼c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 28@33c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Good stock, 10@10½c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 9@11c; separator creamery, 20c; gathered creamery, 15@16c.

VEAL—Choice fat, 80 to 120 lbs., quoted at 8@9c; large and coarse, 6@7c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Chickens, 6@7c; turkeys, 8@10c; geese, 7@8c; ducks, 7@8c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, 6c; old roosters, 3c; ducks, 6c.

GAME—Small rabbits, per doz., 75c; large, $1.25; squirrels, 50@60c.

PIGEONS—Live, 75c; dead pigeons not wanted.

HAY—Upland, $5.50; midland, $5.00; lowland, $4.50; rye straw, $4.50; color makes the price on hay; light bales sell the best; only top grades bring top prices.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—Good stock, large, 40c; small, 25@30c.

ONIONS—Per bu., $1.10@1.25.

BEANS—Hand-picked navy, per bu., $1.25@1.30.

SWEET POTATOES—Kansas, 10-peck bbls., $2.50.

CABBAGE—Good stock, per lb., 1½c.

POTATOES—Home grown, 50@55c; Colorado stock, 70c.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Winter stock, $3.00@3.50; California Bellefleur, boxes, $1.50; Colorado Jonathans, boxes, $1.75; Oregon, boxes, $1.25.

CRANBERRIES—Wisconsin Bell and Bugle, $7.50@7.75; Wisconsin Bell and Cherry, $6.00.

GRAPES—Malagas, $5.00@6.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California navels, $2.75@3.00; fancy seedlings, $2.50; choice, $2.25.

LEMONS—California, fancy, $3.00; choice, $2.75.

BANANAS—Choice, large stock, per bunch, $2.00@2.25; medium sized bunches, $1.75@2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., large size, 12@13c; small, 11c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 10@11c; standards, 8@9c; filberts, per lb., 10c; pecans, polished, medium, 6@7c; extra large, 8@9c; large hickory nuts, $1.00@1.10 per bu.; small, $1.25@1.35 per bu.; cocoanuts, per 100, $4.00; peanuts, raw, 5@5½c; roasted, 6@6½c.

FIGS—Imported, fancy, 3-crown, 14-lb. boxes, 10c; 5-crown, 44-lb. boxes, 13c; 2-lb. boxes, 22@23c per box; California, 10-lb. box, $1.00.

HONEY—Choice white, 12c; Colorado amber, 10@11c.

KRAUT—Per bbl., $3.50; half bbl., $2.25.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. can., each, $2.75; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12.00; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

DATES—Hallowee, 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 5½c; Sair, 5c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 9c.

CIDER—Per half bbl., $3.00; bbl., $5.00.

FRESH MEATS.

DRESSED BEEF—Good native steers, 6¾c; good forequarters steers, 5½c; good hindquarters steers, 8½c; western steers, 6¼c; fancy heifers, 6¼c; good heifers, 6c; good forequarters heifers, 5c; good hindquarters heifers, 8c; good cows, 5¾c; fair cows, 5½c; cow forequarters, 4½c; cow hindquarters, 7½c.

BEEF CUTS—Hanging tenderloins, 4½c; ribs, No. 1, 11c; ribs, No. 2, 8c; ribs, No. 3, 6½c; No. 2, 6¾c; rounds, No. 1, 7¼c; rounds, No. 2, 6¾c; rounds, No. 3, 6½c; trimmings, 4½c; beef shanks, 3c; brains, per doz., 35c; sweetbreads, per lb., 12½c; sweetbreads (calves), per lb., 40c; kidneys, per doz., 35c; ox tails, each, 3c; livers, per lb., 2½c; hearts, per lb., 2½c; tongues, per lb., 11c; calf livers, each, 25c; calves, whole carcass or sides, 9c; calf head and feet, scalded, per set, 75c; tenderloins, fresh, 18c; tenderloins, frozen, 15c; boneless strips, fresh, 10c; boneless strips, frozen, 9c; strip loins, fresh, 8c; strip loins, frozen, 6½c; rolls, boneless, 9c; rolls, spencer cuts, 9c; sirloin butts, boneless, 9c; shoulder clods, boneless, 6½c; rump butts, boneless, 5½c; No. 1 chucks, 5c; No. 2 chucks, 4½c; No. 3 chucks, 4c; boneless chucks, 4½c; cow plates, 3½c; steer plates, 4c; flank steak, 6½c; loins, No. 1, 13½c; loins, No. 2, 10½c; loins, No. 3, 8½c; short loins, market style, 2c above loins; short loins, hotel style, 4c above loins; cow loin, ends, 8c; steer loin, ends, 9c.

MUTTON—Fancy lambs, 9c per lb.; lambs, 8c; sheep, 7c; market racks, long, 9c; hotel racks, short, 11c; loins 9c; saddles, 8½c; legs, 8½c; lamb legs, 8½c; breasts and stews, 3½c; tongues, each, 3c; forequarters, 5½c.

PORK—Dressed pigs, 5½c per lb.; dressed hogs, 5¼c; tenderloins, 15c; loins, short, 6c; long, 6c; spare ribs, 5c; ham sausage butts, 5¾c; Boston butts, 5½c; shoulders, rough, 5c; shoulders, skinned, 5½c; trimmings, 4½c; leaf lard, not rendered, 5½c; heads, cleaned, 4c; snouts and ears, 3c; neckbones, 2c; cheek meat, 4c; neck bones, 2c; pigs' tails, 3c; plucks, each, 5c; chitterlings, 5c; hocks, 4c; hearts, per doz., 25c; stomachs, each, 3c; tongues, each, 7c; kidneys, per doz., 10c; brains, per doz., 15c; pigs' feet, per doz., 30c; livers, each, 3c; hog rinds, 2c; blade bones, 5c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7½c; No. 2 green hides, 6½c; No. 1 salted hides, 9c; No. 2 green salted hides, 8c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

SHEEP PELTS—Green salted, each, 15@75c; green salted shearings (short wooled early skins), each, 15c; dry shearings (short wooled early skins), No. 1 each, 5c; dry flint Kansas and Nebraska butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint, Kansas and Nebraska murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c; dry flint Colorado butcher wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 4@5c; dry flint Colorado murrain wool pelts, per lb., actual weight, 3@4c.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3@3¼c; tallow, No. 2, 3c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@2¾c; yellow and brown grease, 1½@2¼c.

FURS—Bear (black or brown), $5.00@20.00; otter, $1.50@8.00; mink, 15@60c; beaver, $1.00@6.00; skunk, 15c, 25c, 50c; muskrat, 3c, 5c, 7c; raccoon, 15@50c; red fox, 25c@$1.25; gray fox, 25@50c; wolf (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie coyote), 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c; silver fox, $50.00@75.00.

NEW YORK WHEAT MARKET.

Report that Leiter Was Buying Causes a Sharp Advance.

NEW YORK, March 2.—In response to a rumor that Leiter interests were buying wheat here this morning the market scored an active advance, with covering by scalpers a feature. There was very little for sale at any time during the forenoon and prices moved up readily on the demand. May started at $1.00⅞ and by noon had reached $1.01⅞. The light northwestern receipts and damage reports for Argentine also had some influence. The afternoon feature in wheat was a sharp break near the close, due to general realizing. Near months left off ⅜c higher than last night, but distant deliveries closed partly ⅜c lower. May closed at $1.01⅜, having reached $1.01⅞ earlier in the day. Export trade was again light.

St. Louis General Markets.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—FLOUR—Firm, but unchanged; patents, $4.75@4.90; straights, $4.40@4.50; clears, $4.00@4.25; medium, $3.50@3.75.

WHEAT—Irregular, closing ¼c higher for May and ⅜@½c lower for July, compared with yesterday; July opened unchanged, advanced ⅜c, fell back ½@⅝c, recovered that and then declined 1¼@1¼c, closing with sellers at the bottom. Spot, higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 99c; track, 98c@$1.00; March, 99c; May, $1.01; July, 84⅞@85c; No. 2 hard, cash, 92@94c.

CORN—Futures lower, closing ⅛@½c under yesterday. Spot, stronger; No. 2, cash, 27⅝c; March, 27⅝c; May, 27⅜@27⅝c; July, 28⅞c.

OATS—Futures dull, but higher. Spot, better; No. 2, cash, 26½c; track, 27½c; March, 26½c; May, 27c asked; July, 21⅛c; No. 2 white, 29c.

RYE—Better; 49½@49⅝c.

FLAXSEED—$1.19.

TIMOTHY SEED—Prime, $2.90@3.00.

CORNMEAL—$1.50@1.55.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, east track, 59.

HAY—Strong for timothy at $7.25@10.50; prairie, quiet and easy at $4.00@8.25.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 16@21c; dairy, 9@16c.

EGGS—Lower at 10½c.

WHISKY—$1.20.

COTTONTIES—Unchanged.

BAGGING—Unchanged.

METALS—Lead, higher, $3.60 bid. Spelter, higher, $4 bid.

PROVISIONS—Pork, quiet; standard mess, jobbing, $10.50. Lard, nominal; prime steam, $4.92½; choice, $5.05. Bacon (boxed lots), extra short clear, $5.62½@5.87½; ribs, $5.87½@6.12½; shorts, $6.00@6.25. Dry salt meats (boxed), shoulders, $4.75@5.00; extra short clear, $5.25@5.50; ribs, $5.37½@5.62½; shorts, $5.50@5.75.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 18,000 bu.; corn, 29,000 bu.; oats, 29,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 14,000 bu.; corn, 92,000 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, March 2.—FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; western superfine, $2.85@3.20; western extra, $3.25@4.10; western family, $4.40@4.70; winter wheat patent, $4.85@5.10; spring wheat patent, $5.20@5.40; spring wheat straight, $5.00@5.10; receipts, 12,530 bbls.; exports, 8,800 bbls.

WHEAT—Strong; spot and month, $1.01⅜@1.02; May, $1.02⅜@1.02½; receipts, 49,000 bu.; exports, 40,000 bu.; southern wheat, by sample, 98@$1.02⅜; southern wheat, on grade, 98¼@$1.01⅜.

CORN—Firm; spot and month, 34⅛@34¼c; steamer mixed, 33⅜@33⅝c; receipts, 151,300 bu.; exports, 47,000 bu.; southern white and yellow corn, 33⅜@34⅜c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 34½@35c; No. 2 mixed, 32@32½c; receipts, 48,800 bu.; exports, none.

RYE—Firmer; No. 2 nearby, 55½@56c; No. 2 western, 56½@57c; receipts, 9,050 bu.; exports, none.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $12.50@13.00.

GRAIN FREIGHTS—Quieter; not so much doing; unchanged.

BUTTER—Firm; fancy creamery, 21@22c; fancy imitation, 17@18c; fancy ladle, 15c; good ladle, 13@14½c; store packed, 10@12c.

EGGS—Quiet; fresh, 15c.

CHEESE—Steady; fancy New York, 6, large, 9⅜@9⅝c; fancy New York, 37, medium, 10@10⅛c; fancy New York, 23, 10⅛@10⅛c.

Weare Commission Company.

OMAHA OFFICE, March 2.—The tactics of today have registered another one of those surprises characteristic of the "clique" deal, whose attention apparently is directed entirely to wheat. With the assistance of higher cables to the extent of ⅜c, our market opened at $1.05½ for May and 91⅛c for July, and fluctuated rapidly, and during the session netted a 2c advance, later closing at $1.06⅞, or at a premium of 1⅜c over last night for May, while July lost ⅛c, which in itself is positive evidence of where the strain is, and which the most dangerous option to operate in.

Under the influence of the strength or force in May, and usual March scares July wheat may go somewhat higher, and should it, it certainly is a good sale upon the general supposition that Mr. Leiter would not attempt to carry his deal into that month with so flattering a prospect for a crop.

The corn and oats markets fluctuated proportionately with wheat, but closed at a surprisingly low figure of ⅜c under yesterday's close for corn and ⅛c for oats in both options, which is a very good break considering the strength exhibited in wheat, and we believe either of them a purchase for a fair profit on a short turn.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 2.—WHEAT—1@2c higher; brisk demand for hard northern millers; No. 1 hard, 91c; No. 2, 88@90½c; No. 3, 85½@88½c; No. 1 red, 98@99c; No. 2, 93c; No. 3, 88@91c; No. 2 spring, 86@88c; No. 3, 85c.

CORN—Active and ¼c higher; No. 2 mixed, 26¼@26⅜c.

OATS—Active and about ¼c higher; No. 2 white, 27c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 46c.

HAY—Best grades, firm and higher; choice timothy, $8.50@9.00; choice prairie, $7.00@7.25.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 15@18½c; dairy, higher at 14@16c.

EGGS—Weak; receipts, heavy; fresh, 10½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 46,800 bu.; corn, 61,700 bu.; oats, 15,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 52,300 bu.; corn, 129,300 bu.; oats, 4,000 bu.

New Orleans Provisions.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—HOG PRODUCTS—Quiet and steady; pork standard mess, $10.75@11.00. Lard, refined tierce, $3.75@4.00; pure lard, $5.25@5.37½. Boxed meats, dry salt shoulders, $5.12½@5.25; sides, $5.75@5.87½. Bacon, clear rib sides, $6.37½@6.50. Hams, choice sugar cured, $8.50@9.50.

COFFEE—Ordinary to fair, $7.25@9.00.

RICE—Firm; ordinary to good, 3⅝@4⅝c.

FLOUR—Quiet; extra fancy, $4.65@4.75; patents, $5.00@5.10.

CORNMEAL—$1.65@1.70.

BRAN—72c.

HAY—Prime, $11.00@12.00; choice, $14.00@14.50.

CORN—No. 2 white, mixed and yellow, sacked, 37½c.

OATS—No. 2 western, sacked, 32c.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, March 2.—FLOUR—Quiet; fancy, $4.45@4.60; family, $3.60@4.10.

WHEAT—Firmer; No. 2 red, 98c.

CORN—Quiet; easier; No. 2 mixed, 31½c.

OATS—Firmer; No. 2, 28½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 2, 51c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, steady at $5. Bulk meats, easy at $5.10. Bacon, steady at $5.90.

WHISKY—Quiet at $1.20.

BUTTER—Firm; fancy Elgin creamery, 22c; Ohio, 13@18c; dairy, 11@12c.

EGGS—Easy at 10½c.

SUGAR—Quiet; hard refined, $4.32@5.97.

CHEESE—Steady; good to prime Ohio flat, 9@9½c.

Copper Market.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Lake copper reached the highest price for many months today. At one time 11⅝c a lb. was bid and 11¾c asked. Copper brokers say that the advance is due to a generally heavy demand, both domestic and foreign. Foreign stocks are now only about 29,000 tons, which is less than ever before known in the history of the copper trade. Much of the metal now being exported is used for the manufacture of ammunition for European armies and there is a constant demand in this branch of the trade.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

CHICAGO, March 2.—Receipts today: Wheat, 50 cars; corn, 669 cars; oats, 225 cars; Estimated car lots tomorrow: Wheat, 51; corn, 609; oats, 175.

DULUTH, March 2.—Receipts: Wheat, 8 cars.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 2.—Receipts: Wheat, 177 cars.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—Receipts: Wheat, 26 cars.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, March 2.—WHEAT—Active; No. 2 cash, $1.00; May, 99⅜c.

CORN—Active and higher; No. 2 mixed, 31½c.

OATS—Dull but steady; No. 2 mixed, 27½c.

RYE—Dull and easy; No. 2 cash, 51c.

CLOVER SEED—Active and steady; prime cash, $3.07½.

OIL—Unchanged.

Liverpool Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 2.—PROVISIONS—Hams, short cut, easy, 33s. Bacon, dull, 31s; clear bellies, dull, 33s. Shoulders, square, dull, 25s.

CHEESE—American, finest white and colored, dull, 38s.

CORN—March, steady, 3s 4⅛d; May, steady, 3s 3d; July, steady, 3s 2⅛d.

Detroit Markets.

DETROIT, March 2.—WHEAT—No. 2 white, 96⅞c; No. 2 red, 97⅞c; May, 97⅞c.

CORN—No. 2 mixed, 32c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 30½c.

RYE—No. 2, 52½c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, March 2.—CORN—Firm and higher; No. 2, 29½c.

OATS—Quiet and easy; No. 2 white, 27¼c.

WHISKY—High proof spirits, $1.19½.

San Francisco Wheat Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—WHEAT—Quiet; December, $1.30⅛; May, not quoted.

BARLEY—Quiet; May, $1.01⅛.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

Tuesday's Gains Wiped Out on a Diminished Volume of Business.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The net result of today's trading in stocks is the practical wiping out of yesterday's gains in prices. This was done on a diminished volume of business. The decline was not accompanied by any development of general conditions which could account for it, and there was no reflection on any news of the day in the movement, unless in the slightly increased selling movement in the final hour. This was started on rumors attaching importance to the sending of two war ships to Cuban waters with provisions for the reconcentrados. But today's decline for the most part was technical and marked the culmination of the recovery from last week's sharp fall. A short rally invariably follows a heavy decline and the professional traders were vigilantly alert for its ending this morning. Dealings in the first hour were large and the movement of prices very narrow. The commission house buying invited by yesterday's strong market was sufficient to absorb realizing offers for a time, but the market became overweighted and commenced to sag. A period of intense dullness intervened and then the bears opened an attack on a number of the specialties, notably Sugar, Manhattan, People's Gas and Metropolitan Street Railway. The grangers were also under pressure and New York Central was heavily sold. Most of the day's business was done in these stocks and all suffered marked net losses running from 1 to 3 per cent. The movement in Metropolitan was very erratic, the opening transactions carrying it to 156, the high point of the day. London was both buyer and seller here, but the sales predominated, although the tone of American securities on foreign exchanges was rather better and Spanish bonds were also higher. The money market continued firm today without any very active pressure to borrow. There was a good supply, however, of commercial paper and the rates were fractionally higher. There was a payment of $1,000,000 to the government today on account of the Kansas Pacific sale, so that the subtreasury had a balance at the clearing house of $818,725. This had its effect on the money market and took the place of the regular weekly withdrawal of an installment of government deposits on account of the Union Pacific sale, which has been discontinued for the present. Sterling exchange hardened an additional fraction in response to the firmer tone of the London market.

The tendency of the bond market showed weakness with stocks. Sales, $2,657,000. United States 4s were ⅜ per cent higher bid.

The Evening Post's financial cablegram says: The stock markets here were of a better tone today, but inactive. Americans and Grand Trunks opened better, but relapsed later. New York absorbed the stocks offered willingly and business here was almost at a standstill. Prices closed better. Signs are evident again in both Americans and Kaffirs that the recent weakness at the settlement has not been cleared off. Reports that the Bank of England is to pay the dividends here on certain big American railroads are believed to be correct. Kaffirs were flat, partly on forced sales and also on rumors that President Kruger is about to place a further tax on mining profits. Gold was in less demand at 77s 9¾d. Tomorrow's bank return will show the bank's profits for the last half year. Indian finance is to be discussed in Parliament March 29. The meeting of the Chartered South African company on April 20, the first meeting for three years, elicits the greatest interest.

Following are the closing quotations of the leading stocks on the New York market today:

Atchison	11¾	Hawaiian Com Co.	30⅛
do pfd	28	St. P. & Om	72
Baltimore & Ohio	16	do pfd	150
Canada Pacific	83¾	St. P. M. & M.	134
Canada Southern	49¾	So. Pacific	18
Central Pacific	12½	So. Railway	8¼
Ches. & Ohio	21¼	do pfd	28⅜
Chicago & Alton	160	Texas & Pacific	10⅛
C., B. & Q.	95⅞	Union Pacific	30⅛
C. & E. I.	54½	U. P. D. & G.	9⅛
C. C. C. & St. L.	31	Wabash	6⅞
do pfd	75	do pfd	16⅞
Del. & Hudson	110	Wheel. & L. E.	2⅛
Del. L. & W.	150	Wheel. & L. E. pfd	10⅞
Den. & Rio G.	12	Adams Ex.	101
do pfd	47⅝	American Ex.	125
Erie (new)	14⅜	United States Ex.	42
Erie 1st pfd	38⅜	Wells Fargo Ex.	115
Ft. Wayne	169	A. Cot. Oil	18⅞
Great Northern pfd	156	do pfd	72
Hocking Valley	6¾	Am. Spirits	7⅜
Illinois Central	102	Am. Spirits pfd	18⅛
Lake Erie & W.	15¾	Am. Tobacco	90⅛
do pfd	71	do pfd	115
Lake Shore	190½	People's Gas	92⅛
Louisville & Nash.	54⅞	Cons. Gas	183
Manhattan L.	105⅝	Com. Cable Co.	175
Met. St. Ry.	150⅝	Col. F. & Iron	20⅞
Michigan Central	107	do pfd	78
Minn. & St. L.	28⅛	Gen. Electric	33⅞
do 1st pfd	85	Illinois Steel	46
Mo. Pacific	27⅝	La Clede Gas	43
Mobile & Ohio	28⅛	Lead	31⅜
Mo. K. & T.	11⅛	do pfd	104⅜
Mo. K. & T. pfd	36⅝	Nat. Lin. Oil	18⅛
Chi., Ind. & L.	7	Oregon Imp. Co.	27
do pfd	27⅛	Pacific Mail	27⅜
N. J. Central	93⅞	Pullman Pal.	179½
N. Y. Central	113⅞	Silver Certificates	55⅞
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	12⅛	Stand. Rope & T.	4
do 1st pfd	68	Sugar	126⅛
do 2d pfd	33	do pfd	112⅜
Norfolk & West.	14⅛	T. C. & Iron	21⅝
No. Amer. Co.	5⅛	U. S. Leather	6⅞
No. Pacific	23⅜	do pfd	62
do pfd	62⅝	U. S. Rubber	16⅛
Ontario & W.	15⅛	do pfd	66
Ore. R. & Nav.	48	Western Union	88⅛
Ore. Short Line	28⅞	Northwestern	122⅞
Pittsburg	169	do pfd	175
Reading	18⅜	Rio Grande West	23
Rock Island	87	do pfd	57
S. L. & S. F.	6⅞	S. L. & S. W.	4⅛
do 1st pfd	56⅞	do pfd	9⅛
St. Paul	93⅞	Chicago Great W.	10⅞
do pfd	147	Reading 1st pfd	44⅛

Total sales of stocks today, 298,608 shares, including: Atchison preferred, 3,680; Chesapeake & Ohio, 5,470; Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, 26,728; Louisville & Nashville, 5,829; Manhattan, 21,430; Metropolitan, 2,220; Reading preferred, 5,290; Missouri Pacific, 4,925; New York, Chicago & St. Louis, 19,880; Northern Pacific, 11,400; Northern Pacific preferred, 9,640; Reading, 5,310; Rock Island, 11,920; St. Paul, 13,945; Southern preferred, 3,986; Union Pacific, 6,680; Tobacco, 8,970; Chicago Great Western, 4,513; People's Gas, 9,120; General Electric, 3,257; Sugar, 73,937; Western Union, 6,120.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 2.—MONEY ON CALL—Firm at 2@2½ per cent; last loan, 2 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3⅞@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firmer, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.84½@4.84¾ for demand and at $4.81¾@4.82 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.83@4.83½ and $4.85½@4.86; commercial bills, $4.81¼@4.81½.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—55¾@56⅜c.

BAR SILVER—54⅝c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—45c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Steady.

STATE BONDS—Dull.

RAILROAD BONDS—Weak.

Closing quotations on bonds were as follows:

U. S. new 4s, reg.	125	N. J. C. 5s	113¼
U. S. new 4s coup.	125	N. C. 6s	125
U. S. 4s, reg.	111	N. C. 4s	103
U. S. 4s, coup.	112½	No. Pacific 1sts	118¼
U. S. 2s, reg.	99	No. Pacific 3s	61⅜
U. S. 5s, reg.	112½	No. Pacific 4s	98
U. S. 5s, coup.	113¼	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	105¼
District 3.65s	110¼	N. & W. 6s	125
Ala., class A	108¼	N. W. Consols	142¼
Ala., class B	107	N. W. Deb. 5s	117
Ala., class C	107	Ore. Nav. 1sts	114
Ala. Currency	100	Ore. Nav. 4s	95
Atchison 4s	100	O. S. L. 6s, t. r.	123¼
Atchison adj. 4s	92	O. S. L. 5s, t. r.	100¼
Canada So. 2nds	61	O. Imp. 1sts, t. r.	109
C. & N. P. t. r. 5s	85¼	O. Imp. 5s, t. r.	58
C. & O. 5s	115	Pacific 6s of '97	103¼
C. H. & D. 4½s	104¼	Reading 4s	84
D. & R. G. 1sts	110¼	R. G. West 1sts	82¼
D. & R. G. 4s	93	St. L. & I. M. Con. 5s	90
East Tenn. 1sts	107	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6s	118¼
Erie Gen. 4s	72¼	St. P. Consols	141
F. W. & D. 1s. t. r.	71¼	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	120¼
Gen. Elec. 5s	101¼	St. P. C. & P. 5s	116¼
G. H. & S. A. 6s	101	S. R. & T. 6s	57
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	105	Tenn. new set 3s	87¼
H. & T. Cent. 5s	112	Tex. Pac. L. G. 1sts	101
H. & T. C. con 6s	106	Tex. Pac. Rg. 2ds	33¼
Iowa C. 1sts	101	U. P. 1sts	127¼
K. P. Con., t. r.	108¼	U. P. D. & G. 1sts	57¼
K. P. 1sts, t. r.	131¼	Wab. 1st 5s	108
La. New Con. 4s	102	Wab. 2ds	79
L. & N. Uni. 4s	88¼	West Shore 4s	110¼
Missouri 6s	100	Va. Centuries	69¼
M. K. & T. 2ds	62	Va. deferred	3
M. K. & T. 4s	88¼	Union Pacific pfd.	55¼
N. Y. C. 1sts	116¼	Union Pacific 4s	94

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 2.—Call loans, 2@3½ per cent; time loans, 3@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	11¾	W. Elec.	22
American Sugar	126	W. Elec. pfd	52
Am. Sugar pfd	112	Boston L.	59½
Bay State Gas	1¾	Ed. Elec. Il.	165
Bell Telephone	258	Gen. Elec. pfd	90
Boston & Albany	122	Atchison pfd	30
Boston & Maine	165	N. Eng. 6s	100
C. B. & Q.	95¾	Allouez Mining Co	1¾
Fitchburg	99	Atlantic	32
General Electric	33¾	Boston & Montana	188
Illinois Steel	48	Butte & Boston	26
Mexican Central	5¾	Calumet & Hecla	535
N. Y. & N. E.	89	Centennial	11
Old Colony	191	Franklin	15
O. S. L.	29¼	Osceola	42¼
Rubber	16¼	Quincy	111
Union Pacific	30¼	Tamarack	155
West End	83¼	Wolverines	21¾
West End pfd	183¼	Parrott	25¾

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—The official closing quotations on mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	15	Julia	1
Alpha Con	3	Justice	30
Andes	9	Kentucky Con	2
Belcher	19	Mexican	28
Best & Belcher	31	Occidental Con	155
Bullion	7	Ophir	42
Caledonia	29	Overman	11
Challenge Con	26	Potosi	13
Chollar	34	Savage	23
Confidence	64	Scorpion	5
Con. Cal. & Va.	80	Sierra Nevada	95
Con. New York	2	Silver Hill	1
Crown Point	11	Union Con	32
Exchequer	3	Utah Con	8
Gould & Curry	15	Yellow Jacket	20
Hale & Norcross	125		

Silver bars, 55⅛c; Mexican dollars, 45½@46c; drafts, sight, 20c; telegraph, 22½c.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The following are the closing mining quotations:

Chollar	30	Ontario	250
Crown Point	12	Ophir	40
Con. Cal. & Va.	75	Plymouth	8
Deadwood	90	Quicksilver	100
Gould & Curry	15	Quicksilver pfd	200
Hale & Norcross	135	Sierra Nevada	90
Homestake	3700	Standard	175
Iron Silver	43	Union Con	40
Mexican	30	Yellow Jacket	20

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, March 2.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, m'y	112 1-16	N. Y. Central	118
Consols, acct	112 5-16	Pennsylvania	59¾
Can. Pacific	86½	Reading	10
Erie	14¾	Mex. Cen. new 4s	67
Erie 2nds	40¾	Atchison	13
Ill. Central	105¾	L. & N.	57⅞
Mexican ordinary	22½	Grand Trunk	8
St. Paul common	97¾		

BAR SILVER—Flat at 25⅝d per ounce.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 2⅞ per cent; for three months' bills, 2 15-16 per cent.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, March 2.—American eagles, 76s 2⅜d. Bar gold, 77s 9⅜d; bar silver later declined to 25⅜d. Beet sugar, March, 9s 9⅜d. The Stock exchange today Spanish 4s were quoted at 59⅜d against 59⅛d, the closing price of yesterday. The market for American securities advanced at the opening and remained steady until near the close, when prices flattened. Canadian securities, Milwaukee & St. Paul and Louisville & Nashville fell ½d. Indian council bills were allotted today at 1s 2 9-32d. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £10,000.

PARIS, March 2.—Spanish 4s on the bourse today were quoted at 59 29-32d against 59 15-32d yesterday. Prices were firm almost throughout, notwithstanding realizations, and at the close of business international securities were strong, especially Spanish on satisfactory American news.

BERLIN, March 2.—Prices were firm, owing to the ratification of the Chinese loan. American securities and Canadian Pacifics were harder on New York advices, but closed easier on the apprehension of a rise in the English bank rate.

Financial Notes.

OMAHA, March 2.—The bank clearings today aggregated $1,015,015.40 and the balances amounted to $53,359.99.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—Clearings, $5,438,196; balances, $778,721. Money 5@8 per cent; New York exchange, 25c discount bid, par asked.

CHICAGO, March 2.—Clearings, $19,857,353; New York exchange, par; posted rates, $4.83½@4.86.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—Clearings, $1,662,451; New York exchange, bank, par; commercial, $1 per $1,000 discount.

MEMPHIS, March 2.—Clearings, $498,326; balances, $153,212; New York exchange, selling $1.50 premium.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Clearings, $180,291,255; balances, $10,976,142.

BOSTON, March 2.—Clearings, $22,597,766; balances, $2,314,298.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—Clearings, $16,555,294; balances, $1,888,477.

BALTIMORE, March 2.—Clearings, $3,508,137; balances, $557,576.

Cotton Markets.

NEW YORK, March 2.—There was a further rise in cotton futures today. The advance was due to higher cables from Liverpool and heavy exports. The opening was steady at an advance of 2@4 points on the more active positions on covering by shorts and large purchases for Wall street account. New Orleans and Liverpool were also buyers and what little selling there was was chiefly by longs securing profits. In the afternoon prices held to the higher level on continued covering by shorts and predictions of smaller receipts than estimated tomorrow. Closed steady with near months at 4@5 points higher and distant months unchanged to 3 points higher; market dull; middling, 6 5-16c; net receipts, 841 bales; gross, 3,399 bales; exports to Great Britain, 13,856 bales; to France, 59 bales; to the continent, 974 bales; stock, 187,889 bales. Total net receipts, 24,557 bales; exports to Great Britain, 26,152 bales; to France, 7,020 bales; to the continent, 33,090 bales; stock, 1,152,825 bales. Consolidated: Net receipts, 166,749 bales; exports to Great Britain, 45,348 bales; to France, 40,167 bales; to the continent, 93,329 bales. Total since September 1: Net receipts, 7,288,209 bales; exports to Great Britain, 2,570,121 bales; to France, 639,262 bales; to the continent, 2,419,451 bales.

MEMPHIS, March 2.—COTTON—Firm; middling, 5 13-16c; receipts, 2,572 bales; shipments, 2,329 bales; stock, 109,113 bales; sales, 2,600 bales.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—COTTON—Steady and 1-16c higher; middling, 5 3-16c; sales, 704 bales; receipts, 1,749 bales; shipments, 2,218 bales; stock, 69,242 bales.

LIVERPOOL, March 2—4 p. m.—COTTON—Spot, good business done; prices higher; American middling, 3⅜d; good middling, 3⅝d; American middling, 3 15-32d; low middling, 3 5-32d; good ordinary, 3 13-32d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 10,900 bales of American; receipts, 18,000 bales, including 14,000 bales of American. Futures opened steady, with a moderate demand, and closed steady; American middling, l. m. c., March 3 26-64@3 27-64d sellers; March and April, 3 26-64@3 27-64d sellers; April and May, 3 26-64@3 27-64d sellers; May and June, 3 26-64@3 27-64d value; June and July, 3 26-64@3 27-64d buyers; July and August, 3 26-64@3 27-64d buyers; August and September, 3 26-64@3 27-64d sellers; September and October, 3 25-64@3 26-64d sellers; October and November, 3 24-64@3 25-64d buyers; November and December, 3 24-64@3 25-64d sellers.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—COTTON—Futures steady; sales, 29,300 bales; March, $5.76@5.78; April, $5.80@5.81; May, $5.84@5.85; June, $5.89@5.90; July, $5.93@5.94; August, $5.93@5.94; September, $5.84 bid; October, $5.84@5.85; November, $5.84@5.85; December, $5.86@5.87; January, $5.89 bid.

Oil Markets.

CHARLESTON, S. C., March 2.—OILS—Turpentine, market firm at 33½c; sales, none. Rosin, firm; sales, none.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 2.—OILS—Spirits turpentine, firm at 36c; sales, 617 bbls. Rosin, firm; sales, 646 bbls.; receipts, 1,369 bbls. Closing: A, B, C, D, $1.25; E, $1.30; F, $1.30; G, $1.35; H, $1.60@1.65; I, $1.65; K, $1.75; M, $1.80; N, $1.90; window glass, $2.05; water white, $2.30.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 2.—OILS—Spirits turpentine, steady at 34⅛@34½c. Rosin, firm at $1.20@1.25. Crude turpentine, firm at $1.50@2.00.

OIL CITY, March 2.—Credit balances, 82c; certificates opened, cash offered at 95c; first sales of regular at 91½c; closed with sales of cash at 82½c; total sales, 96,000 bbls.; shipments, 113,292 bbls.; runs, 85,611 bbls.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Light Run and Better Feeling in All Branches at the Yards.

CATTLE PUT ON TEN CENTS IN PRICE

Trading Active at the Advance, Closing Strong All Along the Line—Hogs a Strong Nickel Higher.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 2.—Receipts for the days indicated were:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	Hor's.
March 2	1,494	5,349	4,834	5
March 1	2,779	7,800	4,230	3
February 28	1,834	4,541	4,051	....
February 26	940	5,275	3,612	....
February 25	1,222	5,696	4,040	43
February 24	1,582	4,954	6,743	53
February 23	3,831	8,402	5,027	42
February 22	3,783	9,254	7,929	....
February 21	1,598	2,375	3,226	....
February 19	309	3,934	1,459	....
February 18	1,898	6,843	5,402	....
February 17	2,299	7,926	7,354	....
February 16	2,652	6,890	6,646	3

The official number of cars of stock brought in today by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.	H'r's.
C., M. & St. P. Ry.	1	7	..	..
O. & St. L. Ry.	..	1	..	..
Missouri Pacific Ry.	1	1	..	..
Union Pacific System	11	11	3	1
C. & N. W. Ry.	..	..	..	1
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	12	13	2	..
S. C. & P. Ry.	2	1	..	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry.	6	4	..	..
B. & M. R. R. R.	18	31	17	..
C., B. & Q. Ry.	3	5	..	..
C., R. I. & P., east	1	3	..	..
C., R. I. & P., west	2	..	..	..
Total receipts	57	77	22	2

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co.	100	466	....
G. H. Hammond Co.	308	1,036	....
Swift and Company	262	1,136	1,027
Cudahy Packing Co.	285	1,590	1,870
R. Becker and Degan	52	....	....
Vansant & Co.	5	....	....
Lobman & Rothschilds	63	....	....
W. I. Stephens	15	....	....
Krebbs & Co.	73	....	....
Livingston & Schaler	75	....	....
Swift, from country	31	....	....
L. F. Husz	15	....	....
C. P. & P. Co., Neb. City	....	844	....
Other buyers	83	....	990
Left over	100	250	350
Totals	1,467	5,322	4,837

CATTLE—Today's receipts numbered fifty-seven cars, as against 121 yesterday and 169 loads a week ago. In other words, the cattle run today was very light for the middle of the week, and for that reason disappointing to buyers and sellers alike. Light receipts, however, were possibly an advantage in one way, as they contributed to the strength of the market.

Beef Steers—A considerable proportion of all the cattle on the market consisted of cornfed beeves, but the total receipts were so light that even then the offerings were small. Among the cattle here were some pretty decent steers, but not many. Buyers all appeared to want cattle and they were early in the saddle, with the result that the yards were soon cleared. Values were strong to 10c higher, the best cattle here being good enough to bring $4.75. The bulk of the sales fell inside the range, $4.00@4.50.

Butchers' Stock—Only ten to a dozen loads of cows and heifers were offered for sale. As the demand was good, the natural consequence of the light offerings was to render the market strong and active. It was of short duration and the sale was soon over with for the want of more cattle to sell.

Stock Cattle—In the feeder division business was somewhat limited by reason of the light supply. The fresh receipts consisted of a few odds and ends, a little of everything and not much of anything. There were a few light cattle and a few half-fat steers that would do for feeders. The supply in the hands of speculators was also small. At the same time there was considerable inquiry for stock cattle and feeders from the country. Strong prices and an active market were the natural result of the situation outlined above. Representative sales:

NATIVES.

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	990	$3 75	1	1130	$4 00	9	1219	$4 25
1	760	3 50	19	1006	3 90	6	1175	3 95
14	1150	3 95	12	1092	4 25	7	1214	4 50
25	1167	4 35	19	1219	4 40	16	1295	4 75
3	1183	3 75	1	1200	3 85	1	830	3 85
20	915	3 90	18	1156	4 00	49	1094	4 10
3	1160	4 15	7	1028	4 25	13	963	4 25
15	1106	4 50	37	1504	4 60	50	1411	3 95
2	775	4 00	19	1031	4 15	7	1231	4 25
31	1082	4 30	15	1206	3 95	10	1099	4 05
10	946	4 15	20	1163	4 20	13	1300	4 25
15	1156	4 45	5	1374	4 60	4	1540	4 65

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	980	2 50	1	1130	2 50	5	1128	3 15
1	1390	3 40	1	1070	3 40	1	1400	3 50
1	770	3 50	1	1070	3 75	1	880	1 80
1	900	2 65	2	925	2 75	2	890	2 85
18	871	3 10	2	1070	3 10	1	1120	3 15
10	772	3 15	2	1110	3 25	1	950	3 25
5	712	3 25	1	1240	3 25	1	1060	3 30
2	1200	3 25	1	1005	3 65	1	1260	3 65
1	920	2 25	1	1040	2 60	3	1160	3 00
1	1150	3 00	2	715	3 20	5	1160	3 25
1	1040	3 30	25	1061	3 35	1	1230	3 40
1	1215	3 40	1	920	2 25	1	880	2 65
5	932	2 75	1	839	2 75	1	1000	2 75
1	1080	3 00	2	1115	3 00	3	1123	3 25
1	1210	3 30	1	1090	3 40	5	1296	3 50
2	1350	3 55	2	1195	3 60	1	840	2 50
2	990	2 85	9	1106	3 00	1	1040	3 15
1	1200	3 25	1	1120	3 25	2	1250	3 40
8	1050	3 50	3	1286	3 50	1	1070	3 65
1	760	2 00	1	1120	3 00	2	1140	3 00
1	[illegible]	2 00	2	935	3 00	3	1073	3 10
2	1075	3 25	1	950	2 50	1	920	2 50
1	1190	2 50	1	1180	2 75	2	925	2 80
1	950	2 85	3	970	2 90	12	1024	2 90
2	1025	3 00	1	990	3 00	1	1010	3 15
1	1140	3 15	48	1065	3 20	3	1046	3 25
1	1330	3 25	1	1220	3 25	2	1197	3 25
3	1203	3 30	1	1150	3 30	7	1163	3 35
1	1280	3 35	3	1236	3 40	5	1178	3 40
12	1012	3 40	1	1050	3 65	2	1265	3 65
1	980	3 65	1	1190	3 75			

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	500	3 00	11	943	3 60	10	597	3 65
1	580	3 65	20	850	3 70	1	690	3 00
1	840	3 00	1	1060	3 00	1	970	3 00
7	770	3 15	1	760	3 25	23	837	3 50
1	860	3 50	2	765	3 50	1	970	3 65
22	1007	3 80	1	1040	3 35	1	850	3 40
1	650	3 45	1	890	2 60	2	510	3 85
2	1230	4 25	3	850	3 50	4	912	3 85
1	1130	4 00	2	550	3 25	19	964	3 40
1	820	3 40	1	550	3 50	10	881	3 50
1	700	3 50	1	640	3 50	15	925	3 65
28	410	3 65	1	730	3 75	2	640	3 75
5	870	3 75	2	975	4 00			

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1250	3 20	1	1120	3 60	2	760	2 50
1	760	2 50	1	1170	2 50	1	1410	2 90
1	940	3 25	1	920	3 35	1	510	2 50
1	1410	3 15	1	1520	3 15	1	1620	3 20
1	1250	2 65	1	1540	3 25	1	1560	3 50
1	1800	3 35	1	790	2 75	3	1126	3 25
1	1260	3 00	1	670	3 00	1	1260	3 15
1	1820	3 25	1	1320	3 25	1	1520	3 30
1	1790	3 50	1	1770	3 50	1	1140	4 00

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	370	4 25	6	451	5 05	1	110	5 50
1	300	5 50	1	330	4 90	3	373	5 00
1	120	5 50	1	210	5 50			

STAGS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1079	3 00	1	1190	3 40

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	820	3 50	2	1090	4 00	8	945	4 15
12	855	4 15	1	740	3 50	8	558	3 50
14	971	3 85	1	800	4 00	49	533	4 00
6	807	4 15	19	1172	4 15	5	574	4 40
20	792	4 50	1	990	3 50	2	525	4 95
3	216	3 75	15	976	3 90	1	410	4 00
9	924	4 25	15	875	4 30	11	1045	4 30
1	870	4 60	2	840	3 50	1	870	3 75
1	890	3 75	1	880	4 00	3	1173	4 10
1	720	4 25	4	987	4 30	1	610	4 40
5	698	4 50	1	620	4 65	27	645	4 75
1	720	5 00						

HOGS—Receipts of hogs today numbered seventy-four loads, as against 111 yesterday.

Light receipts, favorable advices from other selling points, good shipping demand and strong provision market were a few of the bull features which gave values an upward tendency today. The market opened with a stronger feeling and was soon a strong 5c higher. The trade was active at the advance noted, and an early clearance was effected. In addition to the purchases of local packers, shippers bought about a thousand hogs, so that there were hardly enough here to meet the requirements of the market.

Prices ranged from $3.80@3.90, as against $3.75@3.85 yesterday, and $3.75@3.90 a week ago. The great bulk of the hogs sold today at $3.82½@3.85, with quite a sprinkling at $3.90. Yesterday three-fourths of all the hogs sold under $3.80.

The average of all the sales today was 6½c higher than yesterday, 4c higher than a week ago and 20@25c higher than a month ago. March a year ago opened with hogs selling on an average at $3.50, but the tendency was steadily upward until the 20th of the month, when the average touched $4.00. From that date until the close of the month it ranged between $3.80 and $4.00. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
13	316	...	$3 75	71	300	280	$3 80
33	300	40	3 80	39	251	...	3 80
55	305	80	3 80	92	182	...	3 80
46	303	120	3 80	59	298	...	3 80
20	280	...	3 80	21	276	...	3 80
46	347	...	3 80	39	297	40	3 82½
118	300	80	3 82½	66	241	40	3 82½
62	336	120	3 82½	65	313	120	3 82½
79	272	...	3 82½	52	222	80	3 82½
30	214	...	3 82½	11	279	...	3 82½
11	216	...	3 82½	63	266	40	3 82½
77	257	40	3 82½	51	234	40	3 82½
66	214	...	3 82½	61	247	...	3 82½
69	266	40	3 82½	97	189	80	3 82½
79	195	160	3 82½	67	222	80	3 82½
62	282	80	3 82½	69	260	80	3 82½
61	311	...	3 85	60	302	160	3 85
78	213	...	3 85	83	168	40	3 85
63	290	...	3 85	20	268	...	3 85
18	273	...	3 85	65	265	40	3 85
69	267	...	3 85	75	239	200	3 85
62	253	...	3 85	55	268	80	3 85
63	278	...	3 85	65	230	160	3 85
68	284	160	3 85	82	214	80	3 85
16	210	...	3 85	45	247	...	3 85
63	281	40	3 85	73	291	280	3 85
50	218	...	3 85	64	328	240	3 85
82	239	120	3 85	68	255	...	3 85
54	221	...	3 85	74	273	...	3 85
10	219	...	3 85	90	212	40	3 85
103	194	...	3 85	76	239	120	3 85
112	290	80	3 85	60	312	40	3 85
62	214	...	3 85	22	273	...	3 85
83	253	160	3 85	80	279	40	3 85
63	265	80	3 85	88	218	...	3 85
27	248	...	3 85	58	295	80	3 85
11	197	...	3 87½	61	303	...	3 87½
54	257	...	3 87½	69	229	40	3 87½
82	233	...	3 87½	67	261	...	3 87½
54	301	40	3 90	56	215	80	3 90
71	257	...	3 90	61	226	80	3 90
113	258	...	3 90	57	256	...	3 90
67	245	...	3 90	48	226	...	3 90
62	215	...	3 90	28	276	...	3 90

WAGON HOGS—THROW OUTS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
1	240	...	3 50	6	206	...	3 82½
2	305	...	3 70	1	208	...	3 82½
6	358	...	3 75	6	235	...	3 85
3	223	...	3 80	5	216	...	3 85
1	290	...	3 80	6	260	...	3 85
1	379	...	3 80	5	224	...	3 85
6	226	...	3 80	4	322	...	3 90
5	248	...	3 82½				

SHEEP—There were twenty-two loads of sheep and lambs in the yards, a pretty fair run and the largest of the week to date. The quality of the offerings was reasonably good on an average, and that fact, together with the liberal demand rendered the market quite active, so that the most of the offerings changed hands early in the day. As to values, there was not much change from yesterday, the market being just about steady on all kinds. Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
206	western ewes	104	$3 90
1	western ewe	90	3 00
155	western mixed	103	4 15
747	mixed wethers	85	4 30
261	western yearlings	73	4 60
100	western lambs	69	4 85
46	feeder lambs	62	5 00
18	native wethers	94	4 15
138	western yearlings	91	4 25
40	yearlings	88	4 25
380	yearlings	88	4 40
304	western yearlings	86	4 10
685	western lambs, feeders	44	$4 85

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Brisk Trade for Anything Fat and Well Finished.

CHICAGO, March 2.—In cattle there was a brisk market today for anything fat and well finished. Beeves that were good were strong at Monday's advance and choice offerings sold 20c higher than at the close of last week, there being a scarcity of prime heavy export steers. Sales were largely at from $4.30 to $5.10, the commonest lots going for from $3.85 to $4, and few being good enough to bring $5.25. Fancy cattle sold anywhere from $5.50 to $5.85, prices being usually merely nominal. Stockers and feeders sold chiefly at from $4 to $4.40, fat butcher choice yearlings bringing $4.50. Calves were lower, yesterday's heavy receipts having caused a slump to from $6.50 to $6.75 for the best grades, those prices prevailing today.

There was an active demand for hogs from Chicago packers and eastern shippers and prices ruled from 5c to 7½c higher. Most of the hogs were sold at an early hour, the bulk of the offerings crossing the scales at from $3.97½ to $4.10, while pigs sold largely at from $3.60 to $3.95. The commonest hogs sold at from $3.87½ to $3.90 and prime heavy hogs brought $4.15. The late market was weak and fully 5c lower.

There was a fairly active demand for sheep and lambs, but prices showed some weakness, particularly for lambs. Sheep were wanted at from $3.25 to $4.65 for common to prime flocks, fed westerns being salable at from $4 to $4.65 and yearlings at from $4.50 to $5. Lambs were in demand at from $4.50 to $5.55 for poor to prime, feeders selling at $5.25.

Receipts: Cattle, 13,000 head; hogs, 28,000 head; sheep, 22,000 head.

Louisville Live Stock.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 1.—CATTLE—Receipts, 300 head; market slow and dull; prices unchanged. Quotations follow: Extra good export steers, 1,350 lbs. and up, $4.50@4.70; light shipping steers, 1,200 to 1,350 lbs., $4.25@4.50; choice butcher steers, $4.25@4.50; fair to good butcher steers, $3.50@4.00; common to medium butcher steers, $3.00@3.50; choice butcher heifers, $3.60@4.00; fair to good butcher heifers, $3.25@3.50; common to medium butcher heifers, $2.75@3.15; choice butcher cows, $3.50@3.75; fair to good butcher cows, $2.75@3.25; common butcher cows, $2.35@2.65; canners, $1.75@2.25; choice feeders, $4.00@4.25; medium to good feeders, $3.50@4.00; common feeders, $3.00@3.25; bulls, good to extra, $3.00@3.50; bulls, common to medium, $2.25@3.00; thin, rough steers, poor cows and scalawags, $1.25@2.25; choice calves, $5.25@5.50; common calves, $4.00@5.00.

HOGS—Receipts, 3,000 head; market steady and unchanged; best heavy hogs, $4.00; medium, $3.90@4.00; light shippers, $3.65@3.85; pigs, $2.75@3.60.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 100 head; market steady on choice grades; dull on common; unchanged; good to extra shipping sheep, $3.50@3.75; fair to good sheep, $3.00@3.25; common to medium, $2.00@2.50; extra shipping lambs, $4.75@5.00; fair to good lambs, $4.25@4.75; best butchers, $4.00@4.50; fair to good butchers, $3.50@4.00.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,000 head, including 1,800 Texans; shipments, 2,100 head; market steady to strong; fair to fancy native shipping and export steers, $4.30@5.50; bulk of sales, $4.50@5.10; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.25@5.00; bulk of sales, $4.30@4.90; steers under 1,000 pounds, $3.75@4.65; bulk of sales, $3.90@4.40; stockers and feeders, $3.00@4.75; bulk of sales, $3.30@4.30; cows and heifers, $2.00@4.50; bulk of cows, $2.25@3.35; Texas and Indian steers, $3.60@4.35, with some heavy steers as high as $4.50; bulk of sales, $3.80@4.25; cows and heifers, $2.30@3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 9,500 head; shipments, 1,800 head; market 5c higher; yorkers, $3.80@3.95; packers, $3.85@4.00; butchers, $4.00@4.05.

SHEEP—Receipts, 1,100 head; shipments, 100 head; market steady; native muttons, $4.00@4.50; lambs, $5.00@5.50.

Indianapolis Live Stock.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 2.—CATTLE—Receipts, 750 head; shipments, 3,000 head; market rather slow; good to prime steers, $4.85@5.25; fair to medium steers, $4.50@4.75; common to good stockers, $3.00@3.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 4,500 head; shipments, 1,500 head; market active and all sold at a general decline of 2½c; good to choice medium and heavy, $4.05@4.10; mixed and heavy, $4.00@4.05; good to choice lights, $4.00@4.05; common lights, $3.90@4.00.

SHEEP—Receipts, light; shipments, none; market active; all sold; steady to strong; good to choice lambs, $5.00@5.40; common to medium lambs, $3.75@4.75; good to choice sheep, $3.85@4.25; common sheep, $2.25@3.00.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, March 2.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,000 natives, 450 southern; market steady to 10c higher; choice beeves, $5.00 to $5.30; quality not so good; cows and heifers, strong at from $2.25 to $4.40; stockers and feeders, unchanged at from $3.75 to $5.25; Texas and Indian steers, $3.70 to $4.40; cows, $3.00 to $3.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 13,100 head; market 5c to 10c higher all around; bulk of sales, $3.75 to $3.95; heavies and packers, $3.80 to $4.10; mixed and medium, $3.80 to $4.00; lights, $3.65 to $3.85; pigs, $3.25 to $3.70.

SHEEP—Receipts, 5,100 head; sheep, active and steady; lambs, weak to 5c lower; western muttons, $3.90 to $4.40; yearlings, $4.70 to $4.75; lambs, $4.70 to $5.25.

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, March 2.—BEEVES—Receipts, 1,322 head; active and steady; steers, $3.60@4.90; oxen, $3.50@4.00; bulls, $3.10@4.00; dry cows, $2.35@3.50. Cables quoted American steers at $10.50@11.00; dressed weights, refrigerator beef, 7¾@8⅝c per pound; exports today, 3,772 quarters of beef; tomorrow, 317 head cattle.

CALVES—Receipts, 945 head; 25c higher; veals, poor to prime, $4.50@7.75; choice, $8.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 7,047 head. Sheep, steady; lambs, less active, some sales 10@15c lower; sheep, $4.00@5.00; lambs, $5.50@6.37½.

HOGS—Receipts, 6,247 head; slow and 5c lower; quotations, $4.30@4.55.

Cincinnati Live Stock.

CINCINNATI, March 2.—HOG—Strong at $3.25@4.10.

CATTLE—Steady at $2.50@4.75.

SHEEP—Firm at $2.75@4.75. Lambs, steady at $4.00@5.80.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Midweek conditions in dry goods are practically unchanged. There is, perhaps, a trifle less strength in the market for cotton goods and print cloths are reported held at lower prices. But on the other hand, there is a fully sustained demand reported by jobbers. In woolen goods there is on the whole a feeling that stocks have been fairly well taken. Just now there is a noteworthy increase in the demand for worsted goods. In staple cottons there is no change in quotations, although buyers say they can purchase certain lines of brown goods at lower prices than a week ago. Converters are still very heavy operators in the market. Bleached goods are quiet in the market and coarse commons show no change of moment. Print cloths are said to be slightly weaker.

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Wool Markets.

BOSTON, March 2.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow of the wool market: A continued demand for bright wools has been the only feature of the market for the last week. The inquiry for that grade has been delayed about a month this year. As a rule the manufacturers began to buy bright wools shortly after they had taken account of stock the first of the year. Apart from this the market has been as featureless as at any time in its history. It is a period of waiting on the part of everybody, as much with the wool dealer as with the manufacturer. The latter has all the wool he needs for the present. It is believed the war scare has not been without quite a pronounced effect upon the wool market. The wool traders are still believers in higher prices and so are the wool growers. Foreign wools have been quiet. Sales for the week amount to 1,880,000 lbs. domestic and 413,000 lbs. foreign, making a total of 2,293,000 lbs., against a total of 3,090,000 lbs. for the previous week and a total of 4,491,900 lbs. for the corresponding week of last year.

Ohio and Pennsylvania fleeces, X and above, 27@28c; XX and above, 30@31c; Delaine, 30@31c; No. 1 combing, 30@31c; No. 2 combing, 30@31c; Michigan, Wisconsin, etc.—Michigan, 24c; No. 1 Michigan combing, 29c; No. 1 Illinois combing 29c; No. 2 Michigan, 28@29c; No. 2 Illinois combing, 28c; X New York, New Hampshire and Vermont, 23@24; No. 1 New York, New Hampshire and Vermont, 27c; Delaine Michigan, 28c. Unwashed medium, Kentucky and Indiana quarter-blood combing, 23c; Kentucky and Indiana three-quarter-blood combing, 23@24c; Missouri quarter-blood combing, 22@23c; Missouri three-eighths-blood combing, 23@24c; braid combing, 21c; lake and Georgia, 23c. Texas wools, spring medium, twelve months, 16@18c; scoured price, 42@48c; spring fine, twelve months, 15@19c; scoured price, 50c. Territory wools—Montana fine medium and fine, 15@18c; scoured 47@50c; staples, 52@53c; Utah, Wyoming, etc., fine medium and fine, 15@17c; scoured, 47@49c; staples, 50@52c. Australian wools, scoured basis, combing, superfine, 70@72c; good, 65@68c; average, 62@65c; Queensland combing, 65c.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—WOOL—Unchanged.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, March 2.—COFFEE—Total warehouse deliveries from the United States, 17,477 bags, including 16,000 bags from New York; New York stock today, 649,173 bags; United States stock, 771,819 bags; afloat for the United States, 343,000 bags; total visible for the United States, 1,114,819 bags, against 741,738 bags last year.

SANTOS, March 2.—COFFEE—Holiday.

HAMBURG, March 2.—COFFEE—Closed unchanged to ¼pfg higher; sales, 5,000 bags.

RIO DE JANEIRO, March 2.—COFFEE—Holiday; receipts, 6,000 bags.

HAVRE, March 2.—COFFEE—Closed steady net ¼f higher; sales, 16,000 bags.

Options opened steady at unchanged prices to 5 points lower under lack of speculative interest and indifferent European news, improved later on active local buying following favorable late Havre cables; closed steady at a net gain of from 5 to 10 points; sales, 27,500 bags, including March, $5.45@5.55; May, $5.60@5.70. Spot dull; No. 7 invoice, 6¼c; No. 7 jobbing, 6¾c; mild, steady; Cordova, 8¼@16½c; sales, 400 bags Maracaibo, 200 bags Central American, 100 bags Savanilla, p. t.

Sugar Markets.

NEW YORK, March 2.—SUGAR—Raw, steady; fair refining, 3 11-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅛c; refined, steady.

NEW ORLEANS, March 2.—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 2⅝@3 13-16c; centrifugal, granulated, 4 11-16@4⅜c; whites, 4⅜@4⅜c; yellows, 4⅛@4 5-16c; seconds, 2⅝@3 15-16c. Molasses, strong; centrifugal, 5@14c.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, March 2.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Steady. Evaporated apples, common, 5@7¼c; prime wire tray, 8½c; wood dried, prime, 8½c; choice, 8¾@9c; fancy, 9½@10c. Prunes, 3@8c. Apricots, Royal, 5@7½c; Moor Park, 9@11c. Peaches, unpeeled, 5@9c; peeled, 12@20c.

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