COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Bearish Crop News Causes Great Amount of Scattered Liquidation.

WHEAT LOSES 1 1-8 BUT PARTLY RECOVERS

Corn Turns Weak in Sympathy with Wheat—Pork Up 7 1-2 Cents, Lard 5 Cents and Ribs Merely Nominal.

CHICAGO, March 2.—Decidedly bearish crop news today caused a good deal of scattered liquidation and May wheat at one time during the session showed a decline of 1¼c. Near the end, however, shorts became alarmed on account of heavy export takings and doubt as to the correctness of the early claims of uninjured fall wheat. May left off with a net decline of ⅝c. Corn is a shade lower and oats lost ¼c. Pork advanced 59@75c and lard 5c. Ribs closed a shade higher.

All the early news was against the price and wheat started weak. The weather was moist and mild, the Liverpool market was ½d lower and the Price Current weekly summary said the wheat plant was not injured to any widespread extent. Under such conditions May wheat commenced ⅝@⅞c lower at 73⅞@73¾c and buyers were not numerous at over 73c. The domestic receipts were fairly liberal, 114 cars at Chicago and 409 at Minneapolis and Duluth. A year ago Chicago got 72 cars and Minneapolis and Duluth 273. Numerous buying orders were received from country points in Indiana and Illinois for July wheat and, coming as they did, from people who were in a position to judge of the condition of the winter plant, some local buying was also done on the strength of it. The market held stubbornly firm around opening prices until about an hour from the start, but after that selling increased and finally after a severe struggle around 73c for May the bears got the upper hand and broke the price down to 72½c. Additional rains were falling in California and it was generally believed that the drouth situation had been thoroughly relieved.

Receipts at western primary markets were 540,000 bu., against 457,000 bu. the same day a year ago. Atlantic port clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 569,000 bu. The market continued heavy with offerings in excess of the demand until about twenty minutes from the close, when, on an attempt of early sellers to buy back former holdings, the price shot up so rapidly that little covering of short wheat could be done. May wheat had in the meantime got down to 72⅜c and from that it rose to 72¾c, the closing price. The change in sentiment was brought about by reports of 41 boatloads disposed of for export at the Atlantic coast and doubt as to the correctness of the Price Current report of the condition of fall wheat, as other authorities differed from its conclusions.

Corn was rather heavy in sympathy with wheat. Receipts were quite moderate and the seaboard clearances heavy, but country offerings showed an increase and cables were 3d lower. Receipts were 343 cars. May opened ¼c lower at 36⅝@36⅞c, advanced to 36¾c, then declined reluctantly and very slowly to 36⅝c and recovered to 36⅝c selling at the close.

Trade in oats was small and without special incident, fluctuations being governed entirely by corn and wheat. Receipts were 183 cars. May began ¼@¼c lower at 28@28¼c, declined to 27⅞c and closed at 28c.

The price of provisions took quite a jump at the start, when it was shown that the increase in stocks of cut meats and lard was considerably less than had been looked for. Shorts covered freely, but when that demand had been satisfied the market became calmer and the price settled down considerably. The firmness with which wheat closed, however, caused another upturn and the loss was partly regained. The increase in local stocks comprised 12,000 bbls. of pork, 24,000 tierces of lard and 258,000 lbs. ribs. May pork opened 10@12½c higher at $9.55, rose to $9.57½, then slid off to $9.42½ and improved to and closed at $9.50. The range in lard and ribs was small.

Estimated receipts for Friday: Wheat, 110 cars; corn, 313 cars; oats, 165 cars; hogs, 23,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as followst

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'dy
*Wheat.					
May...	73 @⅛	73¼	72⅞	72⅞	73⅞
July...	71¼@⅝	71⅝	70⅞	71⅛	71⅝@⅞
*Corn.					
May...	36⅝@¾	36⅞	36⅝	36¾	36⅞-37
July...	37⅛	37⅛@¼	36¾	37⅛	37¼
Sept...	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝	37⅝
*Oats.					
May...	28 @⅛	28⅛	27⅞	28	28¼
July...	26⅛	26⅛	25⅞	26 @⅛	26⅛@⅜
Pork.					
May...	9 55	9 57½	9 42½	9 50	9 62½
July ..	9 67½	9 67½	9 60	9 60	.....
Lard.					
May...	5 42½	5 47½	5 42½	5 45	5 40
July...	5 57½	5 60	5 55	5 57½	5 52½
Sept...	5 67½	5 72½	5 67½	5 70	5 65
Ribs.					
May...	4 85	4 87½	4 80	4 82½	4 82½
July...	4 97½	5 00	4 92½	4 95	4 95
Sept...	5 07½	5 07½	5 05	5 07½	5 05

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Quiet and steady.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 68@71c; No. 3 spring, 64@71c; No. 2 red, 72@73c.

CORN—No. 2, 35⅝@36c; No. 2 yellow, 35⅞@36¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 27¾c; No. 2 white, 30¼@31c; No. 3 white, 29¾@30½c.

RYE—No. 2, 50¼c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 42@51c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed, $1.14½; N. W., $1.18@1.18¼. Timothy seed, prime, $2.40. Clover, contract grade, $6.10.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.30@9.35. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.32½@5.35. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.55@4.75; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.25@4.37½; short clear sides (boxed), $4.90@5.00.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.26.

SUGARS—Unchanged; cut loaf, $5.70; granulated, $5.20.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today;

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	18,000	21,000
Wheat, bu.	85,000	9,000
Corn, bu.	406,000	191,000
Oats, bu.	235,000	256,000
Rye, bu.	14,000	2,000
Barley, bu.	30,000	15,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 14@20c; dairies, 11½@17c. Eggs, firm; fresh, 18c. Cheese, steady; creams, 9¾@10½c. Dressed poultry, firm; ducks, 8½@9c; chickens, 9½c; turkeys, 9½@11c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 2.—FLOUR—Receipts, 13,925 bbls.; exports, 32,264 bbls. Minnesota, patents, $3.90@4.25; Minnesota patents, $3.95@4.25; Minnesota bakers, $3.10@3.25; winter patents, $3.75@4.00; winter straights, $3.60@3.70; winter extras, $2.50@2.85; winter low grades, $2.40@2.65.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 84@85c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2 western, 68½c, f. o. b., afloat, spot.

BARLEY MALT—Quiet.

WHEAT—Receipts, 79,200 bu.; exports, 140,050 bu. Spot easy; No. 2 red, 85@85¼c, f. o. b., afloat, to arrive, and spot. Options opened easy and were influenced by bearish news most of the day. Among the chief selling motives were lower cables, warmer temperature west, moderate clearances and lack of outside support. Near the close shorts became suddenly alarmed over big export rumors, and railed the market sharply. Closed firm, but ⅛@1c net lower; March, 83⅞@84⅛c, closed at 83¾c; May, 77 7-16@77⅝c, closed at 77½c.

CORN—Receipts, 28,350 bu.; exports, 327 bu. No. 2, 44⅝@46½c, afloat, f. o. b., for new and old. Options opened easy with wheat, rallied later on big clearances, and near the close was advanced rapidly on heavy export purchases, being finally firm, although 1⅛@⅜c below last night's closing. March closed at 43c; May, 41⅛@41⅜c, closed at 41⅜c.

OATS—Receipts, 342,800 bu.; exports, 40,693 bu. Spot dull; No. 2 mixed, 34½@35c; No. 2 mixed, 32c. Options nominal.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,293 pkgs.; market very firm; western creamery, 16@21c; Elgins, 21c; factory, 12@14½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 734 pkgs.; market steady; large white and colored, 10⅝@11c; small white and colored, 11½@11⅝c.

EGGS—Receipts, 1,422 pkgs.; market very firm; western, 20c; southern, 19@20c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 7@8c; 1897 crop, 11@13c; 1898 crop, 18@21c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 16½@17c; Texas dry, 12½c; California, 18½c.

WOOL—Firm; fleece, 17@22c; Texas, 12@15c.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 4¼c; country, 4⅛@4½c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4½@6c; Japan, 5⅝@5¾c.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle good to choice, 29@37c.

COTTONSEED OIL—Prime summer yellow continues very strong and active, in a speculative way, to the neglect of other grades. Prime crude, practically, 26@26½c; off summer yellow, 25@25½c.

METALS—Pig iron warrants unchanged, with $8.75 bid and $10.00 asked; lake copper, unchanged, with $17.75 bid and $18.00 asked; tin, firmer, with $24.00 bid and $24.25 asked; lead, easy, with $4.25 bid and $4.30 asked; spelter, unchanged, with $6.25 bid and $6.50 asked. The brokers' price for lead is $4.10 and for copper, $18.00.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Products.

EGGS—Receipts were heavy; fresh stock, 15c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 11@12c; choice, 14@15c; separator, 20c; gathered creamery, 17@18c.

POULTRY—Hens, live, 6½@7c; dressed, 8@8½c; old roosters, live, 4c; dressed, 5c; spring chickens, live, 6½@7c; dressed, 8@8½c; ducks, live, 7½c; dressed, 9c; geese, live, 7½c; dressed, 9c; turkeys, live, 7@8c; dressed, 10@11c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 75c.

VEAL—Choice, 8@8½c.

OYSTERS—Bulk Standard, per gal., $1.10; mediums, per can, 15c; Standard, per can, 20c; Extra Select, per can, 25c; New York Counts, per can, 30c.

FRESH WATER FISH—White fish, 8c; lake trout, 9c; small trout, green, 10c; yellow pike, 7c; pickerel, winter caught, 5c; silver herring, 4c; perch, scaled and dressed, 6c; perch, skinned and dressed, 7c; northern crappie, 10c; bullheads, dressed, 10c; black bass, very scarce, 15c.

SEA FISH—Flounders, 8c; haddock, 8c; Columbia river salmon, 10c; halibut, 11c; No. 1 smelts, 10c; blue fish, 10c; Spanish mackerel, 10c; red snapper, 10c; extra large mackerel, 30c each.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Ben Davis, per bbl., $4.00; Genitons, $4.00; New York Baldwins, Greenings and others, choice, per bbl., $4.75@5.00; western boxed apples, $1.75.

GRAPES—Malaga, per bbl., $3.50@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, $6.50; large, $7.00; per crate, $2.25.

VEGETABLES.

TOMATOES—Per crate, $5.00.

SPINACH—None in market.

LETTUCE — Home grown, per doz. bunches, 45c.

ONIONS—Home grown, per doz. bunches, 30c.

CELERY—California, good stock, 25c; choice, 35c; fancy, 50c, extra large, 75c; Michigan, choice stock, 25@30c.

CABBAGE—Crated, per lb., 2½c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $2.50.

ONIONS—Per bu., 75c.

BEANS—Hand-picked, navy, per bu., $1.50.

POTATOES — Choice sacked, 55@60c; poorer stock, 45@50c; Minnesota Burbanks, 65@70c.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.00@2.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

LEMONS—California, fancy, $3.75; choice, $3.50; Messina, fancy, $4.25@4.50.

ORANGES—Navels, fancy, $3.25@3.50; choice, $3.00; seedlings, $2.50.

FIGS—Imported, none; California, 10-lb. boxes, $1.40@1.50.

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

DATES—Hallowee, 60 to 70-lb. boxes, 6c; Sair, 5½c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 10c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., 16c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy, soft shell, 11@12c; standards, 10c; Alberts, per lb., 11c; pecans, polished, 7@8c; cocoanuts, per 100, $4.00; peanuts, raw, 5½@5c; roasted, 6½c; chestnuts, 8@9c.

CIDER—Per half bbl., $3.00.

SAUERKRAUT—Per half bbl., $2.00.

HONEY—Choice white, 12@12½c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five gal. cans, each, $2.50; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12.00; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

MAPLE SUGAR—Choice, in boxes, 9@10c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7½c; No. 2 green hides, 6½c; No. 1 salted hides, 8¾c; No. 2 salted hides, 7¾c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 10c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

TALLOW, GREASE, ETC.—Tallow, No. 1, 3½c; tallow, No. 2, 3c; rough tallow, 1½c; white grease, 2½@3c; yellow and brown grease, 1¼@2½c.

FURS—Mink, 100@75c; bear (black or brown), $5.00@20.00; otter, $1.50@8.00; beaver, $1.00@6.00; skunk, 15@75c; muskrat, 3@10c; raccoon, 15@50c; red fox, 20@$1.25; gray fox, 25@70c; wolf (timber), 25c@$2.50; wolf (prairie), coyote, 10@50c; wildcat, 10@25c; badger, 5@40c; silver fox, $50.00@75.00.

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.

St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—FLOUR—Steady and unchanged.

WHEAT—Options were weak and lower; spot, lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 73c; track, 74c; March, 73¼c; May, 76c bid; July, 70c bid; No. 2 hard, 68@69c.

CORN—Options were easy and a shade lower; spot, easy and fractions lower; No. 2 cash, 33½c; track, 34¼c; March, 34c; May, 34½c bid; July, 35⅝c.

OATS—Options were easier; spot, dull; No. 2 cash, 29c; track, 29½c; March, 29c; May, 28⅞c; July, 25c; No. 2 white, 31½c.

RYE—Easier at 50c bid.

SEED—Flaxseed, higher at $1.11; prime timothy seed, $2.30.

CORNMEAL—$1.70@1.75.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 61c bid.

HAY—Steady to firm; timothy, $6.75@8.75; prairie, $5.00@7.50.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19@23c; dairy, 14@17½c.

EGGS—Higher at 17c.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.26.

POULTRY—Quiet; chickens, 7½@8c; turkeys, 9½@10c; geese, 5½@6c; ducks, 8½@9c.

METALS—Lead, lower at $4.05; spelter, dull at 6⅝c, buyers.

PROVISIONS — Pork, quiet; standard mess, jobbing, $9.50. Lard, quiet; prime steam, $5.06; choice, $5.15. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.00; extra shorts, $4.75; ribs, $4.87½; shorts, $5.00. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $4.50; extra shorts, $5.25; ribs, $5.37½; shorts, $5.50.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 44,000 bu.; oats, 22,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 15,000 bu.; oats, 30,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 2.—WHEAT—1c to 1½c lower; No. 2 hard, 65@66c; No. 3, 63¼@64c; No. 2 red, 74c; No. 3, 73½c; No. 2 spring, 64@66c; No. 3, 63c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 32¼@33½c; No. 2 white, 33½@33¾c; No. 3, 33c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 29¼@29½c.

RYE—Lower; No. 2, 55c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $7.00@7.50; choice prairie, $6.75@7.00.

BUTTER—Steady; separator, 16@20c; dairy, 17c.

EGGS—1c higher; fresh, 15c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 63,000 bu.; corn, 22,700 bu.; oats, 11,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 45,000 bu.; corn, 9,600 bu.; oats, 9,000 bu.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, March 2.—WHEAT—Quiet; No. 2 red, nominal at 75c.

CORN—Firm; No. 2 mixed, 35c.

OATS—Firmer; No. 2 mixed, 29½@30c.

RYE—Steady; No. 2, 64c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, firmer at $5.15; bulk meats, firmer at $4.80; bacon, firmer at $5.60.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.26.

EGGS—Firm at 18c.

CHEESE—Firm.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—BUTTER—Dull and lower; fancy western creamery, 21c.

EGGS—Firm, 2c higher; fresh western, 25c; southwestern, 25c; southern, 24c.

CHEESE—Firm and higher. New York full cream, fancy small, 11¾c; fair to choice, 11@11½c.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., March 2.—WHEAT—Fair trade, lower; No. 2 cash, 74½c; May, 75½c.

CORN—Active, lower; No. 2 mixed, 34¾c.

OATS—Dull, lower; No. 2 mixed, 29c.

RYE—Dull, steady; No. 2 cash, 57c.

CLOVERSEED—Dull, lower; prime old, cash, $3.55; new, cash and March, $3.80.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 2.—WHEAT—Firm; March, 71c; May, 70⅞@71c; July, 71⅞@72c; on track, No. 1 hard, 71⅞c; No. 1 northern, 70⅞c; No. 2 northern, 68⅞c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.80@4.00; second patents, $3.60@3.70; first clears, $2.60@2.80.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—Receipts: Wheat, 13 cars.

KANSAS CITY, March 2.—Receipts: Wheat, 106 cars.

Receipts at primary markets: Wheat, 534,043 bushels; corn, 761,799 bushels.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, March 2.—CORN—Market steady; No. 2, 34¾c.

OATS—Market moderately active; No. 3 white, 28½@29c.

WHISKY—Market firm on the basis of $1.26 for finished goods.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 2.—WHEAT—Market lower; No. 1 northern, 72½c; No. 2 northern, 70½@71c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 57½@57½c.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, 43@49c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 2.—WHEAT—Quiet, 5@5½d lower; March, 5s 7½d; May, 5s 7½d; July, 5s 7½d.

CORN—Quiet, ½@¾d lower; March, 3s 6¼d; May, 3s 5¾d; July, 3s 6d.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, March 2.—FLOUR—Dull; receipts, 15,518 bbls.; exports, 10,178 bbls.

WHEAT—Dull, lower; spot and the month, 76@76¼c; April, 76⅛@76⅜c; steamer, No. 2 red, 72¼@72⅜c; receipts, 21,752 bu.; exports, none. Southern wheat, by sample, 70@77c; southern wheat, on grade, 73½@76½c.

CORN—Easy; spot and the month, 38⅜@39c; April, 38½@38¾c; steamer mixed, 37½@37⅝c; receipts, 258,327 bu.; exports, 105,250 bu. Southern white and yellow corn, 38@39c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 white, 32c; No. mixed, 31c asked. Receipts, 9,255 bu.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, March 2.—WHEAT—No. 2 hard, cash, 81½c; March, 71⅝c; May, 74⅛@71¼c; July, 70⅛c; No. 1 northern, cash, 69⅝c; No. 2 northern, 66¼c.

OPERATIONS IN STOCKS AND BONDS.

Weakness is Prominent Feature of Day's Business.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The Stock market displayed weakness, particularly the grangers and specialties, practically all day with but incidental rallies.

There was an appearance of support in certain stocks in the final dealings, which caused a fairly steady close, although the grangers were still under pressure. There was no news to account for the decline, except for a firmer tone to money, call rates touching 2½ per cent, attributable to a call issued preliminary to the settlement between the Central Pacific railroad and the government. The easier tone of sterling exchange was a natural accompaniment of the firmer tone in money, indicating that an increased demand for money might contract the volume of American funds now loaned abroad. There were denials from bank officials of the current assertion that undue discrimination was being exercised against the industrial collateral. Selling orders appeared from Boston and Chicago houses and London, while trading both ways moderately took rather less stock than it sold.

During the attacks by the bears many stop-loss orders, which were being uncovered, accelerated the decline. While the weakness affected pretty much everything, especially heavy features were Metropolitan, Jersey Central, Lake Erie & Mail, Pittsburg, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis, Rubber and Brooklyn Transit. American Tobacco left off with a gain of 2¼ points on the formal action of the directors' preliminary to the absorption of the Union Pacific coal properties.

The bond market today bore up remarkably well considering the pressure against stocks. Some issues made an aggressive show of strength, particularly Louisville, Evansville & St. Louis 5s, which rose 8 points. Atchison adjustments had good backing and the St. Louis Southwestern issues were better supported than for some days. Operations elsewhere were somewhat irregular, but there were no conspicuous losses outside of Southern Railway 5s and Standard Rope income. The New Central Pacific and Southern Pacific bonds issued in connection with the rehabilitation of the Central Pacific railroad, were dealt in today, but ran off from the high prices in sympathy with the weakness of the connecting stocks. The total sales were $4,555,000. United States 3s and the 5s advanced ⅛ per cent in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here showed a universal lull in speculation. Americans zig-zagged within narrow limits. London interest in them seems to have vanished. They were bought slightly in the morning, but the close was nearly at the bottom. Paris bought some. Anacondas, 9 1-16. Money was in good demand, £1,000,000 to £5,000,000 was reported to the bank, and £320,000 in gold was taken for Argentine for exports.

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

Atchison	22	do pfd	71
do pfd	60⅞	do 2d pfd	23⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	36⅞	St. L. & S. F.	8⅝
Canadia Pacific	90⅞	do pfd	26⅞
Canada Southern	57	St. Paul	127⅞
Central Pacific	40⅝	do pfd	168⅞
Ches. & Ohio	26⅝	St. P. & Om.	92
Chi. & Alton	154	do pfd	170
C. B. & Q.	138⅞	So. Pacific	33⅞
Chi. & E. Ill.	66⅞	So. Railway	12⅞
do pfd	124	do pfd	47⅞
Chi. G. W.	14⅞	Texas & Pacific	24⅞
Chi. Ind. & L.	9	Union Pacific	40⅞
do pfd	43⅞	do pfd	78⅞
Chi. & N. W.	147	St. P. D. & G.	12⅞
do pfd	187⅞	Wabash	7⅞
C. C. C. & St. L.	56½	do pfd	21½
do pfd	96	Wheel. & L. E.	11⅞
Del. & Hudson	111	do pfd	33
Del. L. & W.	156	Adams Ex.	132
Den. & Rio G.	22	American Ex.	159
do pfd	73⅞	United States Ex.	56
Erie (new)	14⅞	Wells-Fargo Ex.	125
do 1st pfd	37⅞	A. Cot. Oil	31
Ft. Wayne	176	do pfd	91½
Gt. Nor. pfd	154	Amer. Spirits	13
Hocking Val.	6⅞	do pfd	28
Illinois Central	114	Amer. Tobacco	159⅞
Lake Erie & W.	19	do pfd	143
do pfd	87	Cons. Gas	173⅞
Lake Shore	200	Com. Cable Co.	155
Louis. & Nash.	63	Col. F. & Iron	32⅞
Manhattan L.	99	do pfd	94
Met. St. Ry.	230	Gen. Electric	115
Mich. Central	113	Hawaii Com. Co.	76
Minn. & St. L.	32	Brooklyn R. T.	69⅞
do 1st pfd	99	Inter. Paper	27⅞
Mo. Pacific	41	do pfd	77⅞
Mobile & Ohio	37	La Clede Gas	52
Mo. K. & T.	19⅞	Lead	24
do pfd	28⅞	do pfd	112⅞
N. J. Central	107⅞	Nat. Lin. Oil	3½
N. Y. Central	135⅞	Pacific Mail	31
N. Y. Chi. & St. L.	14	People's Gas	111½
do 1st pfd	65	Pullman Pal.	155
do 2d pfd	33	Silver Certificates	59½
Nor. & West.	18⅞	Standard R. & T.	3
Nor. Amer. Co.	5⅞	Sugar	137⅞
No. Pacific	52⅞	do pfd	113⅞
do pfd	77⅞	T. C. & Iron	42⅞
Ontario & W.	26⅞	T. Leather	23⅞
Ore. R. & Nav.	40	do pfd	69⅞
Ore. Short Line	32½	U. S. Rubber	48⅞
Pac. Coast 1st pfd	89	do pfd	115
do 2d pfd	64	Western Union	93⅞
Fitchburg	130	Federal Steel	43⅞
Reading	21½	do pfd	87
do 1st pfd	63⅞	Ore. Nav. pfd	70
R. G. W.	56	Pacific Coast	47
do pfd	73⅞	Colorado Southern	9
Rock Island	116⅞	do 1st pfd	53
St. L. & S. F.	21½	do 2d pfd	20½

*Second asst. paid.

Total sales of stocks today were 707,800 shares, including Atchison, 11,300; Atchison preferred, 26,500; Central Pacific, 11,350; Chesapeake & Ohio, 5,375; Burlington, 54,223; Illinois Central, 4,540; Louisville & Nashville, 5,765; Manhattan, 7,765; Metropolitan, 17,355; Reading preferred, 16,460; Missouri Pacific, 5,970; Missouri, Kansas & Texas preferred, 4,020; New York Central, 6,570; Northern Pacific, 14,210; Northern Pacific preferred, 3,075; Ontario & Western, 14,080; Rock Island, 9,585; Union Pacific, 13,085; St. Paul, 29,295; Southern Pacific, 10,600; Southern preferred, 6,302; Texas & Pacific, 6,530; Union Pacific preferred, 10,610; American Spirits, 9,450; American Spirits preferred, 11,500; Tobacco, 23,450; Steel, 23,900; Steel preferred, 11,235; People's Gas, 7,665; Brooklyn Transit, 46,760; Pacific Mail, 4,320; Sugar, 24,680; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 5,390; Leather preferred, 9,230; Rubber, 8,705.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 2.—MONEY ON CALL—Nominally, 2@2½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3@3½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86@4.86¼ for demand and $4.84@4.84¼ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½@4.85 and $4.86½@4.87; commercial bills, $4.83½@4.83¾.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—Nominally 59½@59⅝c.

BAR SILVER—59⅝c.

MEXICAN DOLARS—47¾c.

BONDS—Government bonds strong; U. S. 3s, 107⅝; new 4s, reg., 128¾; coupon, 129¾; 4s, 111⅝; coupon, 112¾; 2s, 99½; 5s, reg., 112; coupon, 112.

Closing quotations on bonds were:

U. S. new 3s	107⅛	N. Y. C. 1sts	115⅞
U. S. new 4s, reg	129	N. J. C. 5s	117⅞
U. S. do coup	129	N. C. 6s	130
U. S. 4s, reg	111⅛	N. C. 4s	104
U. S. do coup	113⅞	No. Pacific 1sts	115
U. S. 2ds, reg	99⅛	No. Pacific 3s	68⅞
U. S. 5s, reg	112⅞	No. Pacific 4s	102⅞
U. S. 5s, coup	112⅞	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	104⅞
*District 3.65s	117	N. & W. 5s	130⅞
Ala., class A	109	N. W. Consols	143
Ala., class B	100	N. W. Deb. 5s	119
Ala., class C	100	Ore. N. 1sts	111
Ala., Currency	100	Ore. N. 4s	101½
Atchison 4s	101⅞	O. S. L. & U. R.	12⅞
Do. adj. 4s	83⅞	O. S. L. 5s t. r.	110⅞
Canada Sou. 2ds	107	Reading 4s	89
C. & O. 4½s	93	R. G. W. 1sts	94⅞
Chi. Terms. 4s	95⅞	St. L. & I. M. con 5s	111
C. & O. 5s	118	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6s	123⅞
C. B. & Q. 4½s	104⅞	St. P. Consols	140
D. & R. G. 1sts	108⅞	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	122⅞
D. & R. G. 4s	100⅞	St. P. C. & P. 5s	120
East Tenn. 1sts	104⅞	So. Ry. 5s	106⅞
Erie Gen. 4s	72⅞	S. R. & T. 6s	87⅞
F. W. & D. 1sts, t. r.	85	Tenn. new set 3s	97⅞
Gen. Elec. 5s	115	T. P. L. G. 1sts	113
G. H. & S. A. 6s	109	U. P. Rg. 2ds	50⅞
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	110	U. P. D. & G. 1sts	88⅞
H. & T. Cent. 5s	109	Wab. 1st 5s	115
H. & T. C. con. 6s	111⅛	Wab. 2ds	95
Iowa C. 1sts	107	W. Shore 4s	112⅞
La. New Con. 4s	102⅞	Va. Centuries	84⅞
L. & N. Uni. 4s	93⅞	Va. deferred	7
Mo. Pac. con. 6s	115⅞	Wis. Cent. 1sts	68⅞
M. K. & T. 2ds	68	U. P. 4s	104⅞
M. K. & T. 4s	93	Colorado Smith's 4s	87⅞

*ex-interest.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 2.—The following are the closing prices for mining shares:

Chollar	40	Ontario	550
Crown Point	20	Ophir	115
Con. Cal. & Va.	200	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	20	Quicksilver	250
Gould & Curry	40	do pfd	500
Hale & Norcross	35	Sierra Nevada	135
Homestake	5000	Standard	2
Iron Silver	150	Union Con.	55
Mexican	75	Yellow Jacket	25

Foreign Bank Statements.

PARIS, March 2.—The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation, increased 36,425,000 francs; treasury accounts current, decreased 16,600,000 francs; gold in hand, decreased 3,550,000 francs; bills discounted, increased 1,075,000 francs; silver on hand, decreased 3,725,000 francs.

LONDON, March 2.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decreased £875,000; circulation, increased £35,000; bullion, decreased £320,074; other securities, increased £587,000; other deposits, decreased £326,000; public deposits, increased £260,000; notes reserve, decreased £942,000; government securities, increased £165,000.

The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability is 44.05 per cent. Last week it was 45.30. The Bank of England's rate of discount remains unchanged at 3 per cent.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 2.—Call loans, 2½@3½ per cent; time loans, 3½@4 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A. T. & S. F.	22	Westingh. Elec.	49½
Amer. Sugar	137⅞	Wisconsin Central	3⅞
do pfd	114½	Dominion stk.	61
Bay State Gas	2 1-16	Atchison 4s	100
Bell Tel.	350	Allouez Mining Co.	16⅞
Boston & Albany	247	Atlantic	36
Boston & Maine	170	Boston & Mont.	350
Boston L.	3⅞	Butte & Boston	94
C., B. & Q.	109⅞	Calumet & Hecla	470
Fitchburg	132	Centennial	5½
General Electric	112½	Franklin	25
Federal Steel	49½	Old Dominion	38
do pfd	87	Osceola	82½
Mexican Central	6	Quincy	145
Old Colony	203	Tamarack	520
Rubber	49	Utah Sverne	45
Union Pacific	40⅞	Parrott	41½
West End	94	Adventure	14½
do pfd	112	Humboldt	2½

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

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

Alpha Con	7	Julia	3
Andes	22	Justice	20
Belcher	24	Kentucky Con	10
Bodie Con	5	Mexican	82
Best & Belcher	56	National Con.	20
Bullion	6	Ophir	110
Challenge Con	30	Overman	12
Chollar	44	Potosi	31
Confidence	80	Savage	34
Con. Cala. and Va.	150	Sag Belcher	50
Con. Imperial	2	Sierra Nevada	140
Crown Point	21	Standard	300
Eureka Con	60	Union Con.	61
Gould & Curry	42	Utah Con.	27
Hale & Norcross	41	Yellow Jacket	30

Silver bars, 59⅝c; Mexican dollars, 47½@48c. Drafts, sight, 17½c; telegraph, 20c.

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, March 2.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, money	110 9-16	N. Y Central	140¼
Consols, acct	110 13-16	Pennsylvania	67⅞
Canadian Pacific	92⅞	Reading	11⅞
Erie	14⅞	do 1st Pref.	41⅞
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