COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Milder Weather and Liverpool Cables Cause Liquidation in the Pit.

MAY ADVANCES A CENT, THEN DECLINES

Corn Loses Eighth of Cent, Oats Gain an Eighth, Pork Unchanged and Lard and Ribs Drop Two and a Half Cents.

CHICAGO, April 6.—The liquidation in wheat by longs today on all the hard spots was too much for the buyers who came forward on account of crop damage reports. May, after an advance of 1c, left off with a net decline of ⅜c. July closed unchanged. Corn lost ⅛c. Oats gained ⅛c. Pork closed unchanged. Lard and ribs declined 2½c each.

The wheat market was exceedingly nervous and uncertain. Milder weather and somewhat lower Liverpool cables caused liquidation at the start and a consequent decline. The sellers were soon bailed out, however, and as soon as the selling pressure was removed the market had a rapid recovery on buying orders from traders who had further crop damage news from the country. May opened ⅛@⅜c lower at from 72⅝c down to 72⅜c, and after rising to 73c without any wild stirring of the contending forces, the price shot suddenly up to 73⅝c. July also was responsive to the buying on crop damage complaints, but for the time being did not get above 73⅜c. The price of May gradually receded to around 73c, and then occurred a struggle among some large scalpers to see who could unload the fastest. The selling resulting in a sudden collapse to 72⅝c for both May and July. Then a recovery set in that was about as sudden as the slump had been. July was the leader on the second rally, going to ⅛c premium for a time. Everything gave place to the influence of the shoals of sensationally bad-crop reports that came from all directions. From Nebraska "total ruin" was the cry from many sections and Kansas was not far behind, the exception being a report of less than 50 per cent damage. Many claimed the losses to be 75 per cent. The feeling of opposition to an advance was not allayed, however. Every advance brought out free offerings from the local talent, which the market was not broad enough to absorb without yielding temporarily. Chicago received 101 cars, of which two were graded contract. Minneapolis and Duluth got 309, against 169 a year ago. Total western primary market receipts were 375,000 bu., compared with 283,000 bu. a year ago. Atlantic port clearances were equal in wheat and flour to 2,160,000 bu. As the crowd had loaded upon every bulge, the burden became too heavy near the end and it was compelled to drop some of it as the session approached the close. May reached 73⅝@73⅞c on one of its upward stretches, and twice after that it dropped to 72⅝c, and recovered again to over 73c, but finally rested at 72⅝c. July closed ⅛c higher than May at 72¾c.

Corn was sluggish and disinclined to advance even when wheat was in a bullish mood. Trading was only on a moderate scale and chiefly for local account. Receipts, 381 cars. May started ⅛@¼c lower at from 34⅞c down to 34¾c, improved to 35⅛c, declined again to 34¾c and closed at 34⅞c.

A brisk demand from the country was the main feature in oats. There was a weak spot early, but the loss was soon regained when buying orders from the country began to come in on account of the backwardness of the season. There was also a good demand. Receipts, 138 cars. May began a shade lower at 26⅝c, rose to 27⅛c, then eased off to 26¾@26⅞c sellers at the close.

Lower prices for hogs started provisions easy. There was a feeble rally later on some covering of pork. May pork opened 2½c lower at $9.22½, improved to $9.32½ and eased off to $9.25 at the close. The range in lard and ribs was small.

Estimated receipts for Friday: Wheat, 46 cars; corn, 150 cars; oats, 106 cars; hogs, 24,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'y.
*Wheat.					
May...	72⅝@¾	73⅝@⅞	72⅝	72⅝	73
July...	72⅝@¾	73⅜	72⅝	72¾	72¾
*Corn.					
May...	34⅞@¾	35⅛	34¾	34⅞	35
July...	35⅛@⅜	35⅛	35⅛	35⅛@⅜	35⅛@⅜
Sept...	36@⅛	36⅛@⅜	36	36⅛	36¼
*Oats.					
May...	26⅝	27⅛	26⅝	26¾@⅞	26⅝@⅞
July...	25⅞	26⅛@¼	25⅞	26	25⅞
Pork.					
May...	9 22½	9 32½	9 22½	9 25	9 25
July...	9 32½	9 45	9 32½	9 37½	9 37½
Lard.					
May...	5 30	5 30	5 30	5 30	5 30
July...	5 42½	5 45	5 37½	5 45	5 45
Sept...	5 55	5 57½	5 55	5 57½	5 60
Ribs.					
May...	4 77½	4 80	4 77½	4 77½	4 80
July...	4 90	4 92½	4 90	4 90	4 92½
Sept...	5 02½	5 05	5 02½	5 02½	5 05

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Dull and unchanged; patents, $3.50@3.60; straights, $3.20@3.30; clears, $3.00@3.10; spring specials, $4.10@4.25; patents, $3.20@3.60; straights, $2.70@3.10; bakers, $2.20@3.40.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 71@72½c; No. 3 spring, 65@71c; No. 2 red, 74@76c.

CORN—No. 2, 34⅞c; No. 2 yellow, 35@35½c.

OATS—No. 2, 27¼@27½c; No. 2 white, 30@30½c; No. 3 white, 29@30c.

RYE—No. 2, 52½@53c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 39@47c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed, $1.20; northwest, $1.22½; prime timothy seed, $2.30; clover, contract grade, $5.65.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.15@9.20. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.22½@5.25. Short ribs sides (loose), $4.50@4.90. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $4.32½@4.50; short clear sides (boxed), $5.00@5.10.

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

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $5.83; granulated, $5.33.

The following are the receipts and shipments for today:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	15,000	23,000
Wheat, bu	54,000	16,000
Corn, bu	158,000	89,000
Oats, bu	169,000	105,000
Rye, bu	3,000	6,000
Barley, bu	11,000	7,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 14@20c; dairies, 11½@18c. Eggs, steady, fresh, 11½@11¾c. Cheese, steady; creamery, 11¾@12½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on General Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 6.—FLOUR—Receipts, 26,827 bbls.; exports, 24,820 bbls. More active on winter straights, and generally firm.

WHEAT—Receipts, 5,600 bu.; exports, 172,750 bu. Spot easy; No. 2 red, 82⅜c, f. o. b., afloat. Options opened firm and sustained an irregular advance on bad crop news and foreign buying. In the afternoon bear traders, gaining courage through small clearances and export interests, attacked the market with success. It broke 1c from top and closed easy, at a partial ⅛c net advance. May, 77¼@78⅛c, closed at 77⅜c; July, 76½@77⅜c, closed at 76⅜c; September, 74½@75⅜c, closed at 74⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 4,875 bu.; exports, 172,705 bu. Spot dull; No. 2, 42½@43⅜c, f. o. b., afloat. Options opened steady, with wheat, but had a small movement all day, easing off late under long sales. Closed easy and unchanged. May, 39⅞@40c, closed at 39⅞c; July, 40⅛@40¼c, closed at 40⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 141,600 bu.; exports, 34,813 bu. Spot firm; No. 2, 33@33½c; No. 2 white, 36c; track, white, 35@39c; track, mixed western, 32@34½c. Options dull.

BUTTER—Receipts, 2,889 pkgs.; market steady; western creamery, 15@21½c; Elgins, 21½c; factory, 12½@14½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 754 pkgs.; steady; large, white, 12@12¼c; small, white, 12¾@13c; large, colored, 12@12¼c; small, colored, 12¾@13c.

EGGS—Receipts, 11,427 pkgs.; steady; western, 12½@13c; southern, 12@12½c.

SUGAR—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3 15-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅝c; molasses sugar, 3 13-16c; refined, firm; crushed, 5⅝c; powdered, 5⅜c; granulated, 5⅛c.

COFFEE—Steady; No. 7, 6⅛c.

TALLOW—Dull; country, 4½@4⅝c; city, 4½c.

HOPS—Dull; state, common to choice, 1896 crop, 6@7c; 1897 crop, 13c; 1898 crop, 16@17c. Pacific coast, 1896 crop, 6@7c; 1898 crop, 17@18c.

HIDES—Steady, 16½@17c; Texas dry, 12½@13c; California, 13@14c.

WOOL—Quiet; some, 20@21c; Texas, 13@14c.

RICE—Firm.

MOLASSES—Firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 35½@37c.

METALS—Pig iron warrants, nominal at $10.50; lake copper, unchanged, at $18.00; tin, firmer, with $24.40 bid and $24.60 asked; lead, dull, at $4.35; spelter, unchanged, with $6.50 bid and $6.60 asked. The brokers' price for lead is $4.10, and for copper, $18.50.

COTTONSEED OIL—Quiet, but steadily held at the recent advance. Prime crude, 22@22½c; prime summer yellow, 26@26½c; off summer yellow, 25½@26c.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, April 6.—FLOUR—Quiet, unchanged; receipts, 14,900 bbls.; exports, 6,299 bbls.

WHEAT—Strong; spot and month, 76½@76⅝c; May, 77½c asked; July, 76½c asked; steamer, No. 2 red, 71¾@72c; receipts, 5,900 bu.; southern, by sample, 71@77½c; southern, on grade, 73@77c.

CORN—Strong; spot, month and May, 39@40c; June, 39¼c bid; steamer mixed, 37¾@38c; receipts, 114,321 bu.; exports, 456,239 bu.; southern white, 41½c; southern yellow, 38¾@39c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 white, 32@32½c; No. 2 mixed, 32@33c; receipts, 12,396 bu.; exports, none.

EGGS—Firm, 12c.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts light; demand moderate; market 11c.

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

POULTRY—Chickens, live, 7½@8c; dressed, 8½@9c; old and staggy roosters, live, 4@6c; dressed, 5@7c; ducks and geese, live, 7½@8c; dressed, 8@10c; turkeys, live, 9@10c; dressed, light weight, 12½@13c; heavy weight, 11@12c.

PIGEONS—Live, per dozen, 75@90c.

VEAL—Choice, 8@9c.

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—Catfish, per lb., 12c; buffalo, per lb., dressed, 7c; white fish, 9c; lake trout, 9c; small trout, green, 11c; yellow pike, 8c; silver herring, 4c; perch, scaled and dressed, 6c; northern crappie, 10c; bullheads, dressed, 10c; black bass, very scarce, 15@18c.

SEA FISH—Flounders, 8c; haddock, 9c; Columbia river salmon, 15c; halibut, 11c; No. 1 smelts, 10c; blue fish, 10c; Spanish mackerel, 10c; red snapper, 10c; extra large mackerel, each, 30c; roe shad, each, 70c.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—30@35c.

APPLES—Ben Davis, per bbl., $4.75@5.00; Genitons, $4; New York Baldwins, Greenings and others, choice, per bbl., $5.25@5.50; western boxed, $1.90@2.00.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, $9.00.

VEGETABLES.

RADISHES—Per doz., 30@35c.

TOMATOES—None in market.

SPINACH—None in market.

LETTUCE—Home grown, per doz. bunches, 45@50c.

ASPARAGUS—California, per lb., 12@15c.

ONIONS—Home grown, per doz. bunches, according to size, 25@35c.

WATERCRESS—16-qt. cases, $1.60.

CABBAGE—Crated, per lb., 3c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $2.50.

ONIONS—Per bu., 90c@$1.06.

BEANS—Hand-picked, navy, per bu., $1.50@1.60.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

LEMONS—California, fancy, $3.75@4.00; choice, $3.50@3.75; Messina, fancy, $4.00.

ORANGES—Navels, fancy, $3.50@3.65; choice, $3.25; seedlings, $2.50@2.65.

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, 6c; Fard, 9-lb. boxes, 10c.

POTATOES—Choice Iowa, sacked, 70c; poorer stock, 60c; Minnesota Burbanks, 85@90c; Colorado, $1.00@1.05; early Ohio seed potatoes, $1.00@1.10.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.25@2.40; seed sweets, $2.00.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—Almonds, per lb., 17c; Brazils, per lb., 9@10c; English walnuts, per lb., fancy soft shell, 12@12½c; standards, 10c; filberts, per lb., 11c; pecans, polished, 8@10c; cocoanuts, per 100, $4; peanuts, raw, 5½@6c; roasted, 6½@7c.

CIDER—Per half bbl., $3.

SAUERKRAUT—Per half bbl., $2.

HONEY—Choice white, 12½@13½c.

MAPLE SYRUP—Five-gal. cans, each, $2.50; gal. cans, pure, per doz., $12; half-gal. cans, $6.25; quart cans, $3.50.

MAPLE SUGAR—Choice, in boxes, 9c.

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

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7c; No. 2 green hides, 6c; No. 1 salted hides, 8½c; No. 2 salted hides, 7½c; 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, 1½@2½c.

FURS—Mink, 10@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, 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.

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, April 6.—FLOUR—Firmer; patents, $3.65@3.75; straights, $3.30@3.40; clear, $2.85@3.10.

WHEAT—Options firm and higher, with spot stronger, though unsettled. No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 75¾@76¼c; track, 77¼c; April, 75¾c; May, 76⅜c; July, 71⅝@71⅞c; No. 2 hard, 70@71c.

CORN—Options irregular, with only fractional changes, spot firm. No. 2 cash, 34c; track, 35c; April, 34c; May, 33@33⅛c; July, 34c.

OATS—Options firm, fractionally higher; spot dull, No. 2 cash, 28½c; track, 29@29½c; April, 28¼c; May, 28⅛c bid; July, 26⅝c; No. 2 white, 31½c.

RYE—Quiet; 55c.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, nominal, $1.15. Prime timothy seed, $2.35.

CORNMEAL—$1.80@1.85.

BRAN—Scarce and firm, with a good demand; east track, 59c.

HAY—Timothy, stronger, $8.00@12.00; prairie, steady, $7.00@8.00.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 18@22c; dairy, 13@18c.

EGGS—Steady; 10½c.

WHISKY—Steady; $1.26.

METALS—Lead, steady, $4.17½. Spelter, firm, $6.15.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady, $9.25. Lard, quiet; prime, $5.05; choice, $5.12½. Dry salt meats, boxed shoulders, $4.37½; extra shorts, $4.87½; ribs, $5.00; shorts, $5.12½. Bacon, boxed shoulders, $5.00; extra shorts, $5.25; ribs, $5.37½; shorts, $5.62½.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 2,000 bbls.; wheat, 6,000 bu.; corn, 37,000 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 8,000 bbls.; wheat, 23,000 bu.; corn, 54,000 bu.; oats, 17,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 6.—WHEAT—Firm; May, opened ⅛c lower, at 66⅝c, fluctuated between 66¼@67c, closing around bottom; cash, No. 2 hard, 66@68c; No. 3, 63@66c; No. 2 red, 75c; No. 3, 71@73c; No. 2 spring, 64@67c; No. 3, 62@64c.

CORN—Market ¼c higher; May, 31¾@33c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 33c; No. 2 white, 33½c; No. 3, 33c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 29@29½c.

RYE—Lower; No. 2, 52c.

HAY—Higher; choice timothy, $8.00@8.25; choice prairie, $7.50@7.75.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 14@20c; dairy, 15c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh, 10c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 27,600 bu.; corn, 24,000 bu.; oats, 7,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 8,400 bu.; corn, 9,700 bu.; oats, 8,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, April 6.—WHEAT—Market steady, ⅛d higher; May, 5s 5½d; July, 5s 5d.

CORN—Market easy, ⅛d higher; May, 3s 4⅜d; July, 3s 4⅜d.

PROVISIONS—Lard, prime western, 27s 6d; American refined, 28-lb. pails, steady, 28s 3d.

TALLOW—Prime city, 23s.

BUTTER—Finest United States, 88s.

BACON—Cumberland cuts, steady, 28s 6d; clear bellies, steady, 30s; shoulders, square, steady, 22s 6d.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., April 6.—WHEAT—Active, lower; No. 2 cash, 74c; May, 74⅛c.

CORN—Dull, steady; No. 2 mixed, 35½c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 mixed cash any May, 28c.

RYE—Unchanged; No. 2 cash, 56c bid.

CLOVERSEED—Active, higher; prime cash, old, $3.40; new, cash and April, $4.62½.

Grain Receipts at Principal Markets.

KANSAS CITY, April 6.—Receipts: Wheat, 26 cars.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—Receipts: Wheat, 9 cars.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Estimated cars for tomorrow: Wheat, 46; corn, 150; oats, 106.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, April 6.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 1 northern, 71½c; No. 2 northern, 72c.

RYE—Higher; No. 1, 56c.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, 48c; sample, 44@47½c.

Peoria Markets.

PEORIA, April 6.—CORN—Firm; No. 3, 34½c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 28¾c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.26 for finished goods.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—BUTTER—Steady; fancy western creamery, 22c; fancy prints, 23c.

EGGS—Steady; fresh western, 12½c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 6.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, April, 70½c; May, 70⅝c; July, 71⅝@71⅞c. On track: No. 1 hard, 71½c; No. 1 northern, 70⅝c; No. 2 northern, 67⅝c.

FLOUR—Higher; first patents, $3.75@3.85; seconds, $3.55@3.65; first clear, $2.75@2.80.

BRAN—$10.00@10.25, in bulk.

Cincinnati Market.

CINCINNATI, April 6.—WHEAT—Strong; No. 2 red, 74@74½c.

CORN—Steady; No. 2 mixed, 37c.

OATS—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 30@30½c.

RYE—Quiet; No. 2, 60c.

PROVISIONS—Lard, easier, $5.10. Bulk meats, quiet, $4.85. Bacon, quiet, $5.75.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.26.

EGGS—Steady, 10c.

Duluth Wheat Market.

DULUTH, April 6.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash and April, 73⅝c; May, 74⅝c; July, 74⅝c; No. 1 northern cash, 70⅝c; No. 2 northern, 67⅝c.

STORY OF DAY IN WALL STREET.

Stocks Slump Heavily and Close Active and Weak at Lowest.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Stock prices slumped badly today and closed active and weak at about the lowest. Crop advices were unfavorable and these were given color by the advance in wheat, but the principal cause for the shaking of confidence was a renewal of the stringency in the call money market.

Discrimination in loans in certain industrials and specialties made some brokers disinclined to carry marginal accounts for some of these properties. This attitude was taken advantage of by the bear contingent and promiscuous selling of the general specialty group followed. Among the more conspicuous breaks were Brooklyn Transit 10 points, Metropolitan 8¼, Manhattan 7½, Consolidated Gas and American Steel 7 each, Federal Steel and Tobacco about 5 each, and many others in this group from 3 to 4. Some of these stocks closed above the lowest, Brooklyn Transit, Manhattan and Consolidated Gas being conspicuous. The declines in the more active railways approximated 2 points.

The acknowledged bull leaders, presumably having liquidated, seemed apathetic in stemming the downward course of properties with which they are identified. There were occasional rallies apparently only to afford a new level from which to let go stocks. The recent continued advance in many stocks, which eliminated much of the short interests made the decline rapid as there was no support from this quarter. Many stop-loss orders were uncovered, thus accelerating the decline.

London early purchased about as much as it sold yesterday, but the market there followed local quotations so nearly that arbitrage business ceased. There was much money borrowed early on call around 6 and 8 per cent on railways, but 2 per cent or more in addition was exacted on industrial collateral, and 12 per cent for call loans was reached at times during the day. Before the close money was offered down from 8 to 4 per cent on railroad collateral after the more urgent requirements for money had been met, but later loans were made at 6 per cent. The continued high rates for money have not brought as much money from outside points as expected. Boston, however, loaned some money in New York today. The demand for money for interest and dividend payment, together with the recurrent necessity of financing industrial companies, was assigned as the reason for the present scarcity of funds.

Heavy offerings of the active issues were made in the bond market today, coincident with the declines in stocks. Total sales, $2,790,000. United States 5s advanced ¼ per cent and the 3s and the new 4s ⅛ per cent in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were extremely idle today and the tone was dull. The American market was merely nominal. It opened at parity and then improved a trifle. New York bought slightly, but the close was reactionary. New York bought mainly Mexican Centrals, but the Morgans deny the story of a deal. Tintos were 41¾; Anacondas, 8⅞. Money was in fair supply on a release of the government dividend. The demand was good.

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

Atchison	21¼	St. L. & S. W.	12
do pfd	60⅝	do pfd	32⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	70	St. Paul	127
Canada Pacific	86¼	** do pfd	170
Canada Southern	58	St. P. & O.	94¾
*Central Pacific	51⅞	do pfd	165
Ches. & Ohio	26⅞	Southern Pacific	33¾
Chicago & Alton	166	So. Railway	12¼
C., B. & Q.	142⅝	do pfd	50½
Chicago & E. I.	72	Texas & Pacific	22
do pfd	123	Union Pacific	46¼
Chicago Gt. W.	16	do pfd	79½
Chicago, I. & L.	8½	U. P. D. & G.	13
do pfd	42	Wabash	8½
Chicago & N. W.	158¼	do pfd	24
do pfd	193	W. & L. E.	11¼
C. C. C. & St. L.	58¼	do pfd	30½
do pfd	97	Adams Express	110
Del. & Hudson	116¼	American Ex	140
Del. L. & W.	173½	U. S. Express	52
Den. & Rio G.	21⅝	Wells-Fargo Ex	125
do pfd	74	A. Cot. Oil	36¾
Erie (new)	13⅞	do pfd	91½
do 1st pfd	37¼	American Spirits	14¼
Fort Wayne	180	do pfd	38½
Gt. Nor. pfd	190	American Tobacco	223
Hocking Valley	8⅝	do pfd	140
Illinois Central	114¼	Consolidated Gas	195½
Lake Erie & W.	18	Com. Cable Co	180
do pfd	66½	Colorado F. & I.	36⅝
Lake Shore	200	do pfd	94
L. & N.	65	General Electric	114
Manhattan L	115½	Haw. Com. Co	80
Met. St. Ry	250	Brk. Rap. Tr.	122
Michigan Central	114	Int'n'l Paper	52½
Minn. & St. L.	51	do pfd	82
do 1st pfd	98	Laclede Gas	53
Missouri Pacific	48⅝	Lead	35⅝
Mobile & Ohio	44	do pfd	115
M., K. & T.	13	Nat. Lin. Oil	5⅜
do pfd	39¼	Pacific Mail	50
N. J. Central	118	People's Gas	123¾
N. Y. Central	139¾	Pullman Palace	160
N. Y., C. & St. L.	13½	Silver Certificates	60
do 1st pfd	65	Standard R. & T.	10
do 2d pfd	32	Sugar	162¾
Nor. & West	18	do pfd	116
No. American Co	9¼	Tennessee C. & I.	56¼
No. Pacific	51⅝	U. S. Leather	7¼
do pfd	73½	do pfd	73
Ontario & W.	26¾	U. S. Rubber	51¼
Ore. R. & N.	40	do pfd	116½
Ore. S. L.	41¾	Western Union	93⅝
P. C. 1st pfd	83	Federal Steel	64⅞
do 2d pfd	62	do pfd	87½
Pittsburg	180	Cont'ental Tobacco	56
Reading	23⅝	do pfd	88
do 1st pfd	65⅝	American S. & W.	64¼
R. G. W.	35	do pfd	88¼
do pfd	75¼	Ore. Nav. pfd	70
Rock Island	117	Pacific Coast	42
St. L. & S. F.	11¼	Colorado So	6⅞
do 1st pfd	70	do 1st pfd	54
do 2d pfd	38⅞	do 2d pfd	21

*1st asst. paid. **Offered.

The total sales of stocks today were 970,400 shares, including the following: Atchison preferred, 36,840; Burlington, 40,665; Louisville & Nashville, 4,945; Manhattan, 49,650; Metropolitan, 9,345; Mexican Central, 18,060; Reading 1st preferred, 14,360; Missouri Pacific, 27,770; Missouri, Kansas & Texas preferred, 3,570; Jersey Central, 8,000; New York Central, 1,360; Northern Pacific, 4,855; Northwestern, 4,337; Ontario & Western, 95,365; Rock Island, 12,260; Union Pacific, 21,755; Union Pacific preferred, 9,843; St. Paul, 20,165; Southern Railway, 4,750; Southern preferred, 7,583; Wabash preferred, 11,390; American Steel and Wire, 58,396; American Steel and Wire preferred, 4,500; Paper, 6,775; Cotton Oil, 4,320; Spirits, 4,045; Tobacco, 4,260; Federal Steel, 72,145; Federal Steel preferred, 19,553; People's Gas, 23,150; Consolidated Gas, 6,820; Colorado Fuel and Iron, 3,148; Brooklyn Transit, 119,481; Continental Tobacco, 19,395; Pacific Mail, 5,400; Sugar, 20,106; Tennessee Coal and Iron, 13,835; Leather, 5,305; Leather preferred, 21,890; Rubber, 12,370; Western Union, 11,348; St. Louis & Southwestern preferred, 4,800; Chicago Great Western, 6,080.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, April 6.—Call loans, 3@4 per cent; time loans, 3½@4½ per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	21¼	Wis. Central	1½
American Sugar	162¼	Ed. Elec. Tel	202
do pfd	116	Atchison pfd	60⅝
Bell Telephone	355	Atchison 4s	100
Boston & Albany	250	Allouez Mining Co.	9½
Boston & Maine	175½	Atlantic	32
Boston L.	99	Boston & Mont	365
C., B. & Q.	142⅝	Butte & Boston	85½
Fitchburg	118	Calumet & Hecla	820
Gen. Electric	114½	Centennial	41
Federal Steel	65½	Franklin	26
do pfd	87½	Old Dominion	45
Mich. Tel	83	Osceola	93½
Mexican Central	13⅜	Quincy	150
Old Colony	202	Tamarack	240
Rubber	52	Wolverine	46
Union Pacific	46¼	Parrott	53
West End	93½	Adventure	14
do pfd	113	Humboldt	2¼
West. Electric	46½	Union Land	7½
do pfd	64		

San Francisco Mining Quotations.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 6.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	10	Julia	52
Andes	16	Justice	21
Belcher	40	Kentucky Con	5
Best & Belcher	53	Mexican	69
Bullion	10	Occidental Con	26
Caledonia	40	Ophir	115
Challenge Con	31	Overman	16
Chollar	24	Potosi	59
Confidence	90	Savage	31
Con. Cal. & Va.	200	Scorpion	4
Con. Imperial	2	Sierra Nevada	115
Con. New York	2	Standard	250
Crown Point	23	Union Con	52
Gould & Currie	43	Utah Con	15
Hale & Norcross	33	Yellow Jacket	41

Silver bars, 59⅝c; Mexican dollars, 48@48½c; drafts, sight, 15c; telegraph, 17½c.

Financial Notes.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Stocks active and lower. Alley L, 78; Diamond Match, 138; North Chicago, 228; West Chicago, 101; Biscuit common, 60⅛; Biscuit preferred, 104; Strawboard, 29. Clearings, $25,720,320; balances, $1,701,449; New York exchange, 15@25c discount. Sterling exchange: Posted, $4.85½@4.87½; actual, $4.84½@4.86½; sixty days, $4.83½@4.85¼.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Clearings, $367,755,767; balances, $11,253,233.

BOSTON, April 6.—Clearings, $26,070,454; balances, $2,565,253.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—Clearings, $20,557,141; balances, $1,989,406.

BALTIMORE, April 6.—Clearings, $4,494,386; balances, $596,162.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—Clearings, $8,172,787; balances, $746,838; money, 4@6 per cent; New York exchange, 10c discount bid, par asked.

CINCINNATI, April 6.—Money, 2½@6 per cent; New York exchange, 20@25c discount; clearings, $2,725,400.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 6.—MONEY ON CALL—Market firm at 6@7 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3½@4¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Market steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86¼@4.86½ for demand and at $4.84¼@4.84½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.85½@4.85 and $4.87@4.87½; commercial bills, $4.83½@4.83¾.

SILVER CERTIFICATES—60@60½c.

BAR SILVER—59⅝c.

MEXICAN DOLLARS—47½c.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Market strong; 3s, 108; new 4s, reg., 129¾; coupon, 129¾; 4s, reg., 112¾; coupon, 113; 2s, reg., 99½; 5s, reg., 113; coupon, 113.

LONDON, April 6.—Consols for money, 110 9-16; for the account, 110¾.

Closing quotations on bonds were:

U. S. new 3s	108	N. J. C. 5s	118¼
U. S. new 4s reg	129¼	N. C. 6s	130
U. S. do coup	129¼	N. C. 4s	108
U. S. 4s, reg	112¾	No. Pacific 1sts	118¼
U. S. do coup	114	No. Pacific 3s	67¾
U. S. 2ds, reg	99½	No. Pacific 4s	102⅛
U. S. 5s, reg	114	N. Y. C. & St. L. 4s	105¾
U. S. 5s, coup	114	N. & W. 6s	130
District 3.65s	117	N. W. Consols	143⅛
Ala., class A	109	N. W. Deb. 5s	123
Ala., class B	109	Ore. N. 1sts	111
Ala., class C	100	Ore. N. 4s	101¾
Ala., Currency	100	O. S. L. 6s t. r.	128⅛
Atchison 4s	100⅛	O. S. L. 5s t. r.	111
Do. adj. 4s	83¾	Reading 4s	89⅛
Canada So. 2ds	110	R. G. W. 1sts	97
C. & O. 4½s	94	St. L. & I. M. con 5s	109
Chi. Terms. 4s	90⅞	St. L. & S. F. Gen. 6	123¾
C. & O. 5s	119¾	St. P. Consols	168½
C. H. & D. 4½s	104⅝	St. P. C. & P. 1sts	121⅛
D. & R. G. 1sts	108⅛	St. P. C. & P. 5s	120¾
D. & R. G. 4s	101	So. Ry. 5s	108¼
East Tenn. 1sts	105	S. R. & T. 6s	90¾
Erie Gen. 4s	72	Tenn. new set 3s	97
F. W. & D. 1sts t. r.	83⅛	T. P. L. G. 1sts	113⅛
Gen. Elec. 5s	115	T. P. Rg. 2ds	53⅛
G. H. & S. A. 6s	111	U. P. D. & G. 1sts	92
G. H. & S. A. 2ds	110	Wab. 1st 5s	116⅛
H. & T. Cent. 5s	112	Wab. 2ds	97
H. & T. C. con. 6s	110	W. Shore 4s	114
Iowa C. 1sts	108½	Va. Centuries	84¼
La. New Con. 4s	109¾	Va. deferred	9¾
L. & N. Uni. 4s	96⅛	Wis. Cent. 1sts	67¾
Mo. Pac. con. 6s	120	U. P. 4s	105¼
M. K. & T. 2ds	68	Colorado South'n 4s	96
N. Y. C. 1sts	114½		

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, April 6.—The following are the closing prices for mining shares:

Chollar	30	Ontario	625
Crown Point	20	Ophir	100
Con. Cal. & Va.	185	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	65	Quicksilver	250
Gould & Currie	41	do pfd	750
Hale & Norcross	34	Sierra Nevada	115
Homestake	5500	Standard	240
Iron Silver	60	Union Con	50
Mexican	70	Yellow Jacket	22

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, April 6.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, money	110 9-16	N. Y. Central	145½
Consols, account	110¾	Pennsylvania	68⅞
Canadian Pacific	89¼	Reading	12⅜
Erie	14¼	U. P. pfd	82¾
do 1st pfd	40	Atchison	22½
Illinois Central	119½	L. & N.	67⅞
No. Pacific pfd	81¼	Grand Trunk	8⅜
St. Paul, common	132⅜		

BAR SILVER—Steady, 27⅛d.

MONEY—1¾@2 per cent.

Discount in open market for short bills, 2⅛@2 3-16c; for three months' bills, 2⅛@2¼c.

In the Foreign Financial World.

LONDON, April 6.—The market for American securities after a dull opening continued firmer but inactive. Business was restricted to arbitrage dealings. The closing tone was steady. Gold at Buenos Ayres, 126.

BERLIN, April 6.—International securities were dull on the bourse today, but closed with a more favorable disposition. Italians improved slightly. Local and bank shares fluctuated considerably on realizations and closed firmer. Americans were maintained.

PARIS, April 6.—Business was undecided on the bourse during the early part of the day, but subsequently hardened under the lead of Italians and closed mostly higher, notably in the case of Spanish 4s and Brazilians. Rio Tintos rallied considerably in response to the higher price of copper. De Beers fluctuated considerably and closed with a moderate improvement. Three per cent rentes, 102f for the account; exchange on London, 25f 22c for checks; Spanish 4s closed at 59.90.

PARIS, April 6.—The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation, decrease 11,825,000 francs; treasury accounts current, decrease 32,675,000 francs; gold in hand, increase 3,950,000 francs; bills discounted, decrease 87,950,000 francs; silver in hand, increase 3,650,000 francs.

LONDON, April 6.—The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decrease £682,000; circulation, decrease £36,000; bullion, decrease £717,469; other securities, decrease £7,714,000; other deposits, decrease £3,107,000; public deposits, decrease £5,243,000; notes reserve, decrease £812,000; government securities, decrease £648,000.

The proportion of the Bank of England's reserve to liability is now 37.28 per cent, compared with 33.10 per cent last week. The Bank of England's rate of discount remains unchanged at 3 per cent.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, April 6.—COFFEE—Options opened steady, with prices unchanged to 5 points higher; ruled active, with firm undertone on moderating receipts, expanding warehouse movement, better feeling in spot department and encouraging news from Brazilian markets; shorts principal buyers. Closed steady, unchanged to 5 points higher. Sales, 30,000 bags, including: May, $5.05; June, $5.10; July, $5.20; September, $5.40; October, $5.45; November, $5.50; December, $5.65; January, $5.70; February, $5.70; March, $5.85. Spot, Rio steady; No. 7 invoice, 6⅛c; No. 7 jobbing, 6⅝c. Mild steady and fairly active; Cordova, 8@14c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Spot cotton closed dull and unchanged. Futures closed steady; April, $5.79; May, $5.84; June, $5.90; July, $5.95; August, $5.95; September, $5.90; October, $5.95; November, $5.95; December, $5.96; January, $6.03; February, $6.06.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—COTTON—Quiet and unchanged; middling, 5⅞c. Sales, none; receipts, 3,555 bales; shipments, 2,284 bales; stock, 81,534 bales.

Oil Market.

NEW YORK, April 6.—OIL—Standard closed, $4.74@4.76.

OIL CITY, April 6.—OIL—Credit balances, $1.13; certificates, no bid; runs, 95,624 bbls.; daily average runs, 72,937 bbls.; shipments, 79,966 bbls.; daily average shipments, 78,601 bbls.

Kansas City Live Stock.

KANSAS CITY, April 6.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,920 head natives, 1,000 head Texans. Good demand; prices ruling steady for common grades, and strong for the more desirable offerings. Heavy native steers, $5.10@5.35; medium steers, $4.45@5.10; light-weights, $4.35@4.95; stockers and feeders, $3.75@5.10; butcher cows and heifers, $3.00@4.45; canners, $2.25@3.00; western steers, $3.55@4.85; Texans, $3.65@4.55.

HOGS—Receipts, 13,200 head. Liberal supply of rather common quality of hogs caused a slight demand in values. Sales averaged about 5c lower. Heavy, $3.65@3.80; mixed, $3.55@3.75; light, $3.40@3.85.

SHEEP—Receipts, 5,170 head. Supply was largely lambs of medium quality, sold slow from 10c to 15c lower, while yearlings and other killing grades sold fairly steady. Spring lambs, $7.60; fed lambs, $5.00@5.35; yearlings, $4.75@5.10; wethers, $4.40@4.90; ewes, $3.00@4.00; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4.00; culls, $2.00@3.00.

New York Live Stock.

NEW YORK, April 6.—BEEVES—Receipts, 746 head; no trading, feeling steady. Cables quote live cattle slow; sheep steady; refrigerator beef lower at 9¾c per lb.; exports today, 328 head cattle; tomorrow, 526 head cattle and 3,900 quarters of beef.

CALVES—Receipts, 145 head; slow but steady; 35 head unsold; common to prime veals, $4.50@5.65; little calves, $3.75.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 2,060 head; 12½ cars on sale; sheep steady; lambs weak; all sold; common to good sheep, $3.50@5.00; medium to prime clipped lambs, $3.75@4.50; wooled lambs, $5.75@6.50; medium clipped lambs, $4.75@5.12½; spring lambs, nominal.

HOGS—Receipts, 2,330 head; 2 cars on sale; steady at $4.00@4.25 per 100.

St. Louis Live Stock.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,100 head, including 900 head Texans; market steady but slow; fair to good native shipping and export steers, $4.50@5.35, with fancy in demand at $5.75; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.10@5.25; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.75@4.50; stockers and feeders, $3.65@5.10; cows and heifers, $2.00@4.50; bulls, $2.70@3.75; canners, $1.50@2.75; Texas and Indian steers, $3.55@5.35; heifers, $3.00@4.75.

HOGS—Receipts, 3,700 head; market barely steady to 5c lower; pigs and lights, $3.70@3.80; packers, $3.80@3.90; butchers, $3.85@3.92½.

SHEEP—Receipts, 2,100 head; market strong; native muttons, $4.40@4.70; culls and bucks, $3.50@4.00; lambs, $5.00@5.50.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Cattle Sell a Little Lower, Owing to a Decline at Chicago.

GOOD COWS AND HEIFERS ARE STRONG

Supply is Quickly Disposed of at Prices Satisfactory to Sellers—Hogs Sell Lower, with Fair Buying—Few Arrivals of Sheep.

SOUTH OMAHA, April 6.

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Receipts today	2,032	9,612	3,515
Official Monday	788	2,690	8,140
Official Tuesday	2,832	8,703	3,680
Official Wednesday	3,736	9,885	3,428
Four days this week	9,388	30,890	18,763
Same days last week	8,156	28,270	39,429
Same days week before	9,785	25,748	31,963
Same three weeks ago	7,375	17,283	24,492

Average price paid for hogs for the last several days with comparisons:

	1899.	1898.	1897.	1896.	1895.	1894.	1893.
March 20	3 58	*	4 00	3 67	4 36	4 36	7 28
March 21	3 56	3 76	*	3 71	4 42	4 38	7 31
March 22	3 60	3 76	3 98	*	4 46	4 41	7 24
March 23	3 63	3 76	3 91	3 75	4 56	4 48	7 18
March 24	3 60	3 71	3 93	3 65	*	4 49	7 15
March 25	3 58	3 68	3 93	3 59	4 71	*	7 09
March 26	*	3 65	3 91	3 66	4 86	4 47	*
March 27	3 60	*	3 86	3 71	4 74	4 45	7 08
March 28	3 66	3 57	*	3 70	4 82	4 53	7 03
March 29	3 60	3 65	3 83	*	4 90	4 62	6 90
March 30	3 63	3 62	3 87	3 66	4 78	4 54	6 75
March 31	3 59	3 62	3 91	3 60	*	4 53	6 56
April 1	3 63	3 65	3 92	3 54	4 80	*	6 51
April 2	*	3 67	3 92	3 64	4 84	4 43	*
April 3	3 65	*	3 91	3 66	4 82	4 51	6 48
April 4	3 66	3 73	*	3 52	4 76	4 58	6 28
April 5	3 63	3 79	3 90	*	4 82	4 69	6 30
April 6	3 63	3 72	3 85	3 57	4 81	4 77	6 42

* Indicates Sunday.

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

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sh'p.	H'ses.
C., M. & St. P. Ry	2	3	..	..
O. & St. L. Ry	2	4	..	..
Mo. Pac. Ry		1	..	..
Union Pacific system	17	25	11	..
C. & N. W. Ry	2	3	..	..
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	19	39	1	..
S. C. & P. Ry	1	3	..	..
C., St. P., M. & O. R.	16	10	..	..
B. & M. R. R. R.	17	37	2	1
C., B. & Q. Ry	2	6	..	..
K. C. & St. J.	2	..	..	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., E.	4	4	1	..
C., R. I. & P. Ry., W.	5	1	1	..
Total receipts	89	136	16	1

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

Buyers.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sh'p.
Omaha Packing Co	162	560	110
G. H. Hammond Co	370	1,442	....
Swift and Company	234	1,966	....
Cudahy Packing Co	594	2,621	748
Armour & Co	150	2,815	2,089
Swift, from country	....	....	380
G. H. Hammond, K. C.	46	....	....
R. Becker & Degan	38	....	....
Lobman & Co	97	....	....
W. I. Stephen	60	....	....
Livingston & Schaller	2	....	....
McVicker & Co	103	....	....
Hueston	16	....	....
Other buyers	117	....	....
Held over	....	170	180
Totals	1,988	9,564	3,507

CATTLE—Beef steers were in good request this morning and there were none too many to supply the demand, so that a good active market might have been expected. However, Chicago reported a slow market at a decline of 10c and buyers naturally wanted some concession in prices at this point, but they wanted the cattle nevertheless, while sellers worked hard to hold up the market. The result was that, while the cattle sold a little lower, they did not experience as much of a break as was reported at Chicago. Handy little cattle, such as every one wants, were not much, if any, lower; in fact they could safely be reported as just about steady. Other cattle were slow and weak and in extreme cases some cattle may have sold as much as 10c lower.

In spite of the fact that steers were lower the cow market was active and good kinds of cows and heifers were strong. Everything in that line was disposed of in a very short time after the market opened and at prices that were entirely satisfactory to the sellers. Choice light stock bulls are good sellers and prices on that kind have not shown material change in the last few days. The medium kinds of stock bulls are not as good sellers. Fat bulls were very slow today and a little lower even than yesterday. Shippers should study closely the representative sales given below, so as to be able to fully appreciate the decline on fat bulls that has taken place in the last two weeks.

Not many stockers or feeders were to be found in the yards, while there was the usual brisk demand noted the last few days. The market on anything desirable was firm and offerings as a rule met with ready sale at prices that were entirely satisfactory to holders. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	750	$3 00	31	1112	$4 40	13	1213	$4 60
1	1040	3 25	4	940	4 40	6	1466	4 65
1	1070	3 55	14	932	4 40	18	1414	4 65
1	770	3 75	1	1130	4 45	4	1280	4 65
1	820	3 75	9	1217	4 45	6	1241	4 65
3	803	3 85	9	1100	4 45	8	1235	4 70
1	430	4 00	19	973	4 45	9	1273	4 70
9	1035	4 00	19	969	4 45	17	1421	4 70
2	870	4 15	11	1060	4 50	21	1244	4 70
1	1120	4 15	10	1247	4 50	30	1302	4 70
6	1286	4 20	21	1145	4 50	18	1247	4 70
1	1090	4 25	14	1131	4 50	35	1124	4 70
16	1037	4 25	3	1046	4 50	28	1227	4 75
2	1160	4 30	23	1189	4 50	1	1339	4 75
20	1029	4 30	17	1388	4 55	1	1320	4 80
1	1125	4 30	42	1065	4 60	12	1379	4 80
1	850	4 35	26	1123	4 60	14	1289	4 85
5	990	4 35	40	1097	4 60	16	1312	4 85
3	1083	4 40	24	1070	4 60	12	1311	4 85
4	1080	4 40	2	1365	4 60	19	1306	5 00
9	1085	4 40	38	1270	4 60	23	1387	5 00
1	1000	4 40	40	1256	4 60	1	1430	5 25
8	1077	4 40	19	1325	4 60	6	1536	5 35
56	1215	4 40						

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1000	2 50	1	1180	3 50	1	1140	3 75
1	780	2 50	2	1020	3 50	1	880	3 75
2	905	2 75	4	1140	3 50	1	960	3 75
1	830	2 75	3	1146	3 50	1	920	3 75
1	950	2 75	2	1215	3 50	2	1310	3 75
2	970	2 85	5	1140	3 50	6	1091	3 80
2	1120	2 90	2	915	3 60	1	1080	3 85
3	1000	2 90	14	1092	3 60	1	1150	3 85
1	1070	2 90	1	810	3 66	1	980	3 85
1	900	3 00	1	1180	3 70	2	1090	3 85
1	970	3 00	1	1080	3 70	3	1250	3 85
2	1070	3 00	1	1260	3 70	3	1127	3 85
2	1070	3 10	1	1170	3 70	1	1110	3 85
1	930	3 20	15	996	3 70	3	1056	3 90
1	1130	3 25	2	1095	3 75	9	1035	3 90
2	1130	3 25	1	1190	3 75	7	1171	3 95
2	1420	3 25	1	1080	3 75	17	1265	3 95
1	1000	3 25	1	940	3 75	1	1160	4 00
2	1050	3 30	1	1100	3 75	1	1250	4 00
1	919	3 30	1	1330	3 75	1	900	4 00
4	1280	3 45	19	906	3 75	21	1022	4 00

COWS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	1035	3 50	11	990	3 90	11	1165	4 00

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	465	3 50	1	990	4 00	1	1240	4 15
6	936	3 55	1	830	4 00	2	850	4 25
1	980	4 00	4	880	4 10	1	680	4 40
1	850	4 00	2	1050	4 15			

STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1010	3 00	1	650	3 75	2	850	3 90
1	920	3 10	21	756	3 75	1	810	4 00
2	855	3 25	1	930	3 85	11	1175	4 05
2	750	3 65	1	700	3 90			

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1170	2 75	1	1400	3 30	1	1420	3 55
1	1540	2 80	1	1250	3 35	2	1000	3 60
1	1500	3 00	1	1700	3 35	1	1430	3 65
2	1500	3 00	1	1270	3 35	1	1050	3 70
1	1500	3 00	3	1763	3 35	1	860	3 80
1	1010	3 10	1	1750	3 40	1	870	4 10
1	1430	3 10	1	1440	3 40	1	1030	4 15
1	1420	3 20	1	1210	3 45	1	1050	4 70
1	1400	3 20	1	1140	3 50	1	500	4 85
3	1086	3 25						

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	110	6 00	1	110	6 50	1	190	6 50
1	150	6 00	1	240	6 50	1	140	6 75
1	180	6 25						

STAGS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1530	4 00	5	1460	4 00

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	750	3 25	2	610	4 20	13	1039	4 50
3	730	3 25	2	765	4 20	3	813	4 50
1	860	4 00	2	565	4 25	2	480	4 50
3	1160	4 00	1	680	4 25	5	792	4 50
1	1030	4 00	6	816	4 25	3	583	4 50
1	550	4 50	2	900	4 30	1	581	4 50
3	550	4 50	1	900	4 30	13	615	4 60
1	900	4 00	5	860	4 35	48	992	4 65
1	860	4 00	2	835	4 35	1	890	4 65
1	810	4 10	6	816	4 35	2	798	4 70
5	690	4 10	85	1159	4 40	2	750	4 85
1	470	4 10	18	1194	4 45			

HOGS—Hogs opened 2½@5c lower this morning, with a fair buying demand for desirable loads. The early demand seemed to be for the better hogs, and such sellers as had loads that pleased buyers were enabled to sell out at the decline noted. In other cases the first bids were 5c lower at the start. A little later on advices were received from Chicago reporting that market as 5c lower and closing with a good many hogs unsold. Under the influence of that report buyers here lowered their hands and the market closed 5c lower at this point, but with the hogs all sold. While the trade was at no time very active, owing to the reluctance of sellers to make the concession asked, the hogs were practically all sold in good season.

The most of the hogs sold today at $3.60@3.70, with a long string at $3.62½, while yesterday the long string went at $3.65. Some light hogs had to sell down to $3.55.

It will be noted from the table of average prices that the hogs did not sell quite so well today as at the close of last week and hardly as good as a week ago, but the change in the market during the six days past has been very small. On Monday and Tuesday it strengthened up a little and now it has eased off in about the same proportion. The average price fluctuates within very narrow limits, keeping close to $3.60. It may be of interest to note from tables above that the receipts so far this week have run way ahead of previous weeks.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
10	101	...	$3 00	59	277	80	3 62½
21	115	...	3 00	65	273	40	3 62½
26	141	...	3 25	60	266	80	3 62½
51	190	80	3 50	78	259	80	3 62½
75	167	40	3 52½	87	218	...	3 62½
118	175	200	3 55	54	264	...	3 62½
85	197	80	3 55	71	235	...	3 62½
99	183	80	3 55	46	242	...	3 62½
90	232	320	3 55	91	267	40	3 62½
189	202	400	3 55	71	266	...	3 62½
93	195	280	3 55	88	235	120	3 62½
92	225	80	3 55	64	315	120	3 62½
99	176	120	3 55	53	295	80	3 62½
60	190	40	3 55	84	222	40	3 62½
71	210	80	3 57½	39	284	40	3 62½
95	190	...	3 57½	71	239	80	3 62½
87	231	200	3 60	80	223	240	3 62½
91	246	160	3 60	62	241	40	3 65
80	213	80	3 60	37	301	...	3 65
58	287	120	3 60	45	275	...	3 65
60	257	160	3 60	106	260	...	3 65
85	230	80	3 60	17	236	...	3 65
46	240	...	3 60	48	258	80	3 65
28	299	...	3 60	26	235	...	3 65
64	236	80	3 60	62	239	80	3 65
14	245	...	3 60	66	287	...	3 65
80	222	160	3 60	61	255	40	3 65
69	239	80	3 60	67	290	160	3 65
59	199	40	3 60	76	258	80	3 65
69	224	...	3 60	156	243	80	3 65
71	222	80	3 62½	76	235	...	3 65
68	273	200	3 62½	61	280	...	3 65
85	242	...	3 62½	68	266	40	3 65
70	222	...	3 62½	70	243	40	3 65
11	216	...	3 62½	69	285	80	3 65
70	298	...	3 62½	60	243	80	3 65
67	227	80	3 62½	26	253	80	3 65
87	246	40	3 62½	72	249	80	3 65
74	225	40	3 62½	56	253	...	3 65
88	231	80	3 62½	48	365	80	3 65
20	355	120	3 62½	54	251	...	3 65
60	252	80	3 62½	15	329	...	3 65
66	271	40	3 62½	61	273	80	3 65
81	250	200	3 62½	58	286	40	3 65
62	271	120	3 62½	65	265	...	3 65
62	292	40	3 62½	65	248	40	3 65
64	282	40	3 62½	48	275	...	3 65
78	245	...	3 62½	53	305	80	3 65
71	235	80	3 62½	73	297	...	3 65
60	272	120	3 62½	67	272	120	3 65
69	232	120	3 62½	49	351	...	3 65
42	291	120	3 62½	39	275	40	3 65
85	260	...	3 62½	68	260	80	3 65
56	342	120	3 62½	105	193	40	3 67½
80	248	120	3 62½	68	203	40	3 67½
74	224	40	3 62½	68	281	...	3 67½
74	279	120	3 62½	53	291	...	3 67½
60	280	160	3 62½	60	269	...	3 67½
60	269	120	3 62½	61	276	80	3 67½
71	237	40	3 62½	54	279	40	3 67½
65	258	120	3 62½	55	292	80	3 67½
67	248	40	3 62½	68	303	...	3 67½
66	236	120	3 62½	75	278	80	3 70
55	286	80	3 62½	60	297	...	3 70
71	337	160	3 62½	47	382	...	3 70
75	277	120	3 62½	93	286	80	3 70
66	252	40	3 62½	62	276	...	3 70
64	261	...	3 62½	53	304	...	3 70
73	248	80	3 62½	57	296	...	3 70
62	301	120	3 62½				

WAGON LOTS—PIGS.

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
1	540	...	2 15	9	177	...	3 50
2	420	...	2 25	5	192	...	3 55
1	210	...	2 62½	7	265	...	3 60
1	220	...	2 62½	1	190	...	3 60
1	190	...	2 62½	6	265	...	3 60
1	90	...	3 00	1	370	...	3 65
1	130	...	3 00	7	237	...	3 65
1	400	...	3 25				

SHEEP—Today's arrivals were very meagre and not enough by a good many decks to supply the demand. Out of the total number reported in there were two cars direct to a packer and two cars that were bought to arrive. Of the balance five double decks consisted of Fort Collins lambs.

The market could be summed up in a very few words as a good, active and strong market. Buyers were out early and the offerings were all taken in a very short time at what looked like good, stiff prices. Fort Collins lambs sold at $5.70, western wethers and yearlings brought $4.65, some clipped sheep, $4.35, and ewes, $4.10.

Quotations are: Good to choice fed western wethers, $4.65@4.75; fair to good, $4.45@4.65; Mexican yearlings, $5.15@5.25; choice light weight western yearlings, $4.80@4.95; good heavy weight western yearlings, $4.60@4.75; good to choice western ewes, $4.20@4.45; fair to good western ewes, $3.90@4.25; good to choice native lambs, $5.50@6.60; good to choice western lambs, $5.45@5.60; Fort Collins Mexican lambs, good to choice, $5.50@5.70; fair to good Fort Collins Mexican lambs, $5.30@5.45; feeder sheep, $4.25@4.50; feeder lambs, $4.60@5.25. Representative sales:

63	clipped bucks	116	$3 50
108	western ewes	86	4 10
388	western ewes	101	4 35
411	clipped wethers	103	4 35
188	ewes and wethers	116	4 55
497	western wethers	105	4 65
739	Colorado lambs	82	5 70
551	Colorado lambs	78	5 70

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Trade Slow in Cattle, Hogs Dull and Sheep Steady.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Trade in cattle was slow today and prices were weak in numerous instances, some lots selling slightly lower. Fancy cattle brought $5.65@5.85; choice steers, $5.35@5.60; medium steers, $4.75@4.95; beef steers, $4.00@4.75; stockers and feeders, $3.80@4.90; bulls, $2.75@4.10; cows and heifers, $3.40@4.25; western fed steers, $4.25@5.50; Texas steers, $4.00@5.35; calves, $3.75@6.75.

The supply of hogs was not large, but buyers managed to force prices 2½@5c lower. Fair to choice, $3.80@3.92½; heavy packing lots, $3.55@3.77½; mixed, $3.60@3.85; butchers, $3.65@3.82½; light, $3.60@3.85; pigs, $3.30@3.70.

While the receipts of sheep were not especially large there was an undue large percentage of lambs. Sheep sold at steady prices, while lambs moved slowly at a further reduction of 5@10c, making a total decline of 20c for the week. Sheep were in good demand at $4.00@6.00, with the bulk of sales at $4.70@4.85; yearlings, $4.75@5.25; lambs, $5.00@5.80; Colorado lambs, $5.70@5.85, and shorn grades at $5.00@5.25.

Receipts: Cattle, 10,000 head; hogs, 28,000 head; sheep, 10,000 head.

Cincinnati Live Stock.

CINCINNATI, April 6.—HOGS—Steady, $3.35@3.97½.

CATTLE—Steady, $2.75@5.00.

SHEEP—Steady, $2.75@5.00.

LAMBS—Steady, $4.25@6.00.

Stock in Sight.

Following are the receipts at the four principal western markets for April 6:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha	2,032	9,612	3,515
Chicago	10,000	28,000	10,000
Kansas City	6,920	13,200	5,170
St. Louis	3,100	3,700	2,100
Totals	22,052	54,512	20,785

GLOOMY OUTLOOK FOR WHEAT

In the Central and Western States the Crop Suffers from the Severe Winter.

SPRING PLANTING ALSO LONG OVERDUE

Unseasonable Weather Likewise Effective in South and Output Will Be Twenty Million Bushels Less Than Last Year.

CHICAGO, April 6.—The Daily Trade Bulletin will publish today a summary of estimates by its correspondents on the area seeded to winter wheat, and the percentage of damage by the unseasonable weather during the last two months. The reports show:

East of the Allegheny mountains the damage was slight, as the crop was fairly well protected by snow. The same is true of Ohio and Michigan. In Indiana considerable damage is reported, while in southern Illinois the outlook is very unfavorable. In Missouri considerable damage has been sustained. Reports from Kansas are decidedly unfavorable and the loss in that state is quite serious. In Texas also the damage is larger than generally anticipated. In the northern part of Kentucky the crop is in rather good condition, but in the southern part of the state and in Tennessee the severe winter wheat weather made great inroads in crops. In Iowa the crop is very large and in Nebraska the outlook is decidedly discouraging. In Wisconsin the damage was rather serious. In California the prospects are excellent.

A summary of the reports in conjunction with late state reports indidates that the condition of the winter wheat crop of the United States is not to exceed 75, which even on the increased acreage, would not produce to exceed 355,000,000 bushels to 360,000,000 bushels, or 20,000,000 less than last year.

States east of the Rocky mountains will probably show a shortage of 35,000,000 to 40,000,000 bushels at present outlook, which will be decreased by the California prospects. Seeding of spring wheat is decidedly backward in Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, South Dakota, North Dakota and in the Rocky mountain districts, and the outlook favors a decreased area.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Mason City, Ill., says: Nearly all the wheat through central Illinois from Danville to Havana, considered the best portion of the state, is dead. There was a large acreage sown last fall. Farmers are discouraged.

CONDITION OF THE WOOL MARKET.

Active Inquiry for Fleeces and More Hopeful Feeling.

BOSTON, April 6.—The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say tomorrow: There has been more looking around for wool during the last week and the aggregate business done slightly exceeds that of the previous week. Some negotiations at this writing also are pending, especially on territorial wools, which, if consummated, may result in even a larger volume of trade next week. The feeling in the market is, on the whole, a hopeful one, and there is an absence of that dejection which was so noticeable a few weeks ago. Some of the mills in the Worsted trust have been in the market, although they, as well as other consumers, are taking only such wools as they actually need. Prices are steady. The sales of the week in Boston amount to 3,471,000 lbs. domestic and 772,800 lbs. foreign, making a total of 4,243,800 lbs., against 4,768,000 lbs. the previous week, and a total of 1,418,000 lbs. for the corresponding week last year. Sales since January 1, 1899, amount to 49,076,300 lbs., against 40,195,980 lbs. last year at this time.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, April 6.—With a good attendance of buyers there has been more business doing on the spot in cotton goods today. Staples for quick delivery have been in better demand and orders for seasonable prints and ginghams have picked up somewhat. The demand for fall lines of cotton dress fabrics continues good and woolen and worsted dress goods also sell readily. Prices are steady throughout the market. Print cloths are steady, but the demand is indifferent. Jobbing trade shows some improvement, with finer weather.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, April 6.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Steady. Evaporated apples, common, 7@8c; prime wire tray, 8⅝@8⅞c; choice, 9@9½c; fancy, 9¾@10c. Prunes, 4¾@9½c. Apricots, Royal, 13@14c; Moor Park, 13½@17c. Peaches, unpeeled, 9@11c; peeled, 25@28c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, April 6.—COTTON—Futures opened firm; April, $5.76; May, $5.81; June, $5.87; July, $5.92; August, $5.93; September, $5.91; October, $5.94; November, $5.96; December, $5.99; January, $6.02; February, $6.05; March, $6.08.

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