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Paris Cables Potent Bull Influences in Fairly Active Wheat Market.

ARGENTINE PLAGUE NOT EFFECTIVE

Shipments Indicate Export Business is Not Being Curtailed Greatly—Corn and Oats Advance—Provisions Much Higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Receipt of Paris cables reporting French crop prospects bad were the potent bull influences in a fairly active wheat market today. May closing ⅝@¾c over yesterday. Corn closed ¾c and oats ⅛@¼c higher. Provisions were fairly active and strong on light receipts of hogs and a reduction in stocks. May pork closed 20c, May lard 15c and May ribs 10@12½c higher.

May wheat opened a shade under yesterday at 67¾@67½c. Cables were barely steady—Paris 10 centimes lower—and Argentine shipments indicated that the plague was not curtailing the export business to a great extent. The market soon turned firm, as Paris at the close showed some recovery and apprehension was felt for the domestic crop. Upon the arrival of private cables announcing a serious prospect for the French crop, the advance, which had been rather irregular, received new impetus, which carried May to 68⅝c. The close was ⅝@¾c higher at 68½@68⅝c for May. The last hour of the session trade, previously rather quiet, was active. Foreigners were credited with buying and local interests bought freely. Primary receipts were 315,000 bu., compared with 646,000 bu. last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 311 cars, against 362 last week and 416 a year ago. Local receipts were 24 cars, none of which graded contract. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 486,000 bu. New York reported 30 loads taken for export.

Small country offerings and a good cash business were factors in the strong corn market. Liverpool was higher and clearances were heavy. The cash business amounted to 600,000 bu. Trade was fairly active during the latter part of the session. Local receipts were 476 cars. May sold from 32¾c to 33¼@33¼c and closed ⅜c up at 33⅛c.

Oats were firm in sympathy with other grains and small country offerings. The shipping demand was fair and both shorts and cash people bought futures. Receipts here were 106 cars. May ranged from 23¼c to 23½c and closed ⅛@¼c over yesterday at 23½c. Trade was quiet.

Provision market was strong, due to small receipts of hogs and the fact that stocks increased much less than last year. There was a good general demand. May pork ranged from $10.77½ to $10.95, closing 20c over yesterday at $10.95; May lard from $5.97½ to $6.10, with the close 15c up at $6.07½, and May ribs from $5.82½@5.85 to $5.95, closing 10@12½c higher at $5.90@5.92½.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 25 cars; corn, 590 cars; oats, 195 cars; hogs, 21,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
Feb.				68¼	68⅜
May	67¾@7⅜	68⅝	67¾	68½@⅝	68½@⅝
July	68½	69⅜@⅝	68½	69¼	68½@⅝
*Corn—					
Feb.	30⅝	30¾	30⅝	30⅝	30½
May	32⅝@⅞	33⅛@¼	32⅝	33⅛	32¾
July	33⅝@½	33⅞	33⅝@½	33⅝@⅞	33⅛@½
*Oats—					
May	23¼	23½	23¼	23½	23⅛@⅜
July	22¼	22⅝	22¼	22⅝	22⅝
Pork—					
May	10 77½	10 95	10 77½	10 95	10 75
July	10 90	10 97½	10 87½	10 97½	10 40
Lard—					
May	5 97½	6 10	5 97½	6 07½	5 92½
July	6 07½	6 17½	6 07½	6 15	6 02½
Ribs—					
May	5 82½	5 95	5 82½	5 92½	5 80
July	5 90	5 97½	5 90	5 95	5 85

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.40@3.60; straights, $3.00@3.35; clears, $2.90@3.10; spring specials, $3.80@3.90; patents, $3.20@3.30; straights, $2.60@3.00; bakers, $2.10@2.40.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 65c; No. 2 red, 69@70c.

CORN—No. 2, 31¾c; No. 2 yellow, 31¾@32c.

OATS—No. 2, 22⅞@23c; No. 2 white, 25⅝@26¼c; No. 3 white, 24½@25½c.

RYE—No. 2, 54½c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 28@42c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.59; prime timothy, $2.55; clover, contract grade, $8.40.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $9.60@10.85. Lard, per 100 lbs., $5.85@6.00. Short ribs sides (loose), $5.75@6.00. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $5.75@6.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $5.95@6.05.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, on basis high wines per gal., $1.23½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.05; granulated, $5.49.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Recein's.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls	35,000	20,000
Wheat, bu	18,000	10,000
Corn, bu	294,000	248,000
Oats, bu	171,000	237,000
Rye, bu	2,000	14,000
Barley, bu	53,000	17,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady; creameries, 19@24c; dairies, 19@22c. Cheese, steady, 12@13c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 16@16½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—FLOUR—Receipts, 16,794 bbls.; exports, 16,437 bbls.; sales, 6,800 pkgs.; neglected and unchanged, closing steadier with wheat; winter straights, $3.40@3.50; winter extras, $2.60@2.85; winter low grade, $2.25@2.40; Minnesota patents, $3.90@4.15; Minnesota bakers, $2.80@3.00; winter patents, $3.55@3.80. Rye flour, firmer; sales, 600 bbls.; fair to good, $3.10@3.20; choice to fancy, $3.25@3.60. Buckwheat flour, steady at $1.75@2.00.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 80c; city, 78c. Brandywine, $2.15@2.25.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 61½c, f. o. b., afloat; state rye, 56c, c. i. f., New York, car lots.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 42½@47½c, c. i. f., New York; malting, 50@53c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 39,200 bu.; exports, 44,777 bu.; sales, 1,950,000 bu. futures; 240,000 bu. export; spot, firmer; No. 2 red, 71⅞c, elevator; No. 2 red, 77⅝c, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 79⅞c, f. o. b. afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 81⅝c f. o. b. afloat, prompt. Options opened steady and shortly improved on cable news, developing later into positive strength and considerable activity; the demand was stimulated by renewed bullish crop news from France and complaints as well from our own belt; closed strong at ⅝@¾c net higher; March, 75⅝@75¾c, closed at 75¾c; May, 74 1-16@74 15-16c, closed at 74⅞c; July, 74⅛@74⅛c, closed at 74⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 31,200 bu.; exports, 49,129 bu.; sales, 50,000 bu. futures; 560,000 bu. export; spot, firm; No. 2, 40⅝c f. o. b. afloat and 40c elevator. Options opened steady with wheat, but branched out later into independent strength on better speculative buying, higher cables, less pressure from receivers and a big export demand; closed firm at ¼c advance; May, 38⅝@39c, closed at 39c.

OATS—Receipts, 105,300 bu.; exports, 49,129 bu.; spot, steady; No. 2, 29½c; No. 2, 26c; No. 2 white, 31½c; No. 3 white, 30½c; track mixed, western, 28½@30c; track white, 30½@34c. Options quiet but steadier.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80@85c.

HOPS—Quiet; common to choice, 1896 crop, 6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@13c. Pacific coast: 1896 crop, 4@6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1899 crop, 12@13c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 15c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweight, 25@25½c; acid, 22@23½c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4@5¾c; Japan, 4⅝@5c.

MOLASSES—Quiet; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 44@55c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, firmer; cotton by steam, 29c, nominal; grain by steam, 9½d.

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy hand picked, 4¾@5c; other domestic, 3½@4c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, dull and easy; family, $11.00@13.00; mess, $10.00@10.25; packet, $10.50@12.00; city extra India mess, $20.00@22.00; beef hams, $22.50@25.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, $6.00@7.25; pickled shoulders, $6; hams, $8.50@10.25. Lard, firmer; western steam closed at $6.30, February, $6.32½, nominal; refined, weak; continent, $6.50; South America, $6.75; compound, $5.87½@6.00. Pork, dull; mess, $10.50@11.00; short clear, $11.50@12.50; family, $13.00@13.50. Tallow, easy; city, 5c; country, 5¼@5½c.

METALS—Pig iron, dull; northern, $20.00@24.00; southern, $19.50@24.00. Copper, quiet; brokers', $16.25; exchange, $16.25. Lead, quiet; brokers', $4.35; exchange, $4.50@4.75. Tin, unsettled; straights, $21.75, nominal; plates, steady. Spelter, quiet; domestic, $4.70@4.80.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 2.—WHEAT—No. 2 red, western winter, steady, 5s 11½d; No. 1 northern, spring, steady, 6s 1d; futures steady; March, 5s 10¼d; May, 5s 10⅛d; July, 5s 10⅜d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, firm, 3s 7d. American mixed, spot, old, firm, 3s 7½d; futures quiet; February, 3s 7d; March, 3s 6¾d; May, 3s 6¾d.

PROVISIONS—Lard, American refined, in pails, firm, 32s 6d; prime western, in tierces, firm, 30s 3d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., firm, 47s 6d.

PEAS—Canadian, 5s 6½d.

Receipts of wheat during the last three days, 85,000 centals, all American. Receipts of American corn during the last three days, 70,100 centals.

OMAHA GENERAL MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, increasing; fresh stock, 12c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Choice to fancy turkeys, 9c; ducks, 7½@8c; geese, 7½@8c; spring chickens, 7@7½c; hens, 6½@7c; roosters, 4@5c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 5½@6c; spring chickens, 5½@6c; old and staggy roosters, 3c; ducks, 6c; geese, 6c; turkeys, 6@6½c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 15c; choice, 17@18c; separator, 25c; gathered creamery, 22@23c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 75c.

VEALS—Choice, 9c.

GAME—Ducks, mallards, $3.00@3.25; blue wing teal, $1.75; green wing teal, $1.25@1.50; mixed ducks, $1.50@2.00.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 18c; standard, per can, 22c; bulk standard, per gal., $1.25; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.00@1.75; New York counts, per can, 37c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $6; midland, choice, $5.50; lowland, choice, $5; rye straw, choice, $4.50; No. 3 corn, 26½c; No. 3 white oats, 22½c; cracked corn, per ton, $11; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $11.50; bran, per ton, $12; shorts, per ton, $13.

VEGETABLES.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 40@50c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 40c; fancy head lettuce, per bbl., $5.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., Illinois, $3; Jerseys, $5; large bbls., Kansas, $2.75.

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 30@35c.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, 2c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.50.

ONIONS—Retail, yellow, 75c; red, 85@90c; Onion per bbl., $2.25.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c, California, per bunch, 60@75c.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c; Canadian, 1¼c; per bbl., $2.

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crate, $4.

RHUBARB—Per doz., 60c.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $3.00@3.50; New York stock, $4; fancy, $4.50@4.75.

GRAPES—Malaga grapes, per bbl., $7.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, per bbl. $8.00.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Mexican, per box, $3; California navals, per box, $3.25@3.50; California seedlings, per box, $2.50@2.75.

LEMONS—California fancy, $3.75; choice California, $3.50; Messina, $4.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.25.

NUTS—Hickory nuts, large, per bu., $1.25; shellbarks, $1.35.

FIGS—California layers, per 10-lb. box, $1; California carton, per 10-lb. box, $1.10; imported figs, per lb., 13c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 8c; No. 2 green hides, 7c; No. 1 salted hides, 9c; No. 2 salted hides, 8c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 2.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 71c; track, 71⅞c; February, 70½c; May, 71@71¼c; July, 68⅝c; No. 2 hard, 67@68c; receipts, 16,891 bushels.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 31c; track, 32c; February, 31½c; May, 32c; July, 32½c.

OATS—Better; No. 2 cash, track and February, 24½c; May, 24¼c; No. 2 white, 26¼c.

RYE—Firm at 52½c.

FLOUR—Firm, but dull; patents, $3.40@3.50; extra fancy, $3.10@3.15; clear, $2.75@2.90.

SEEDS—Timothy, easier, $2.00@2.30. Flaxseed, steady, $1.56.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $1.75@1.80.

BRAN—Firm; sacked, east track, 64c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $9.00@12.00; prairie, $7.00@8.00.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.23½.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.26.

BAGGING—5⅞@6⅝c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Dry salted box meats, extra shorts, $5.87½; clear ribs, $6; clear sides, $6.12½. Bacon (boxed), extra shorts, $6.37½; clear ribs, $6.50; clear sides, $6.62½. Pork, steady; jobbing, old, $10.25; new, $11.25. Lard, higher; prime steam, $5.65; choice, $5.70.

METALS—Lead, firm at $4.62½@4.65. Spelter, strong at $4.65.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 6@7c; turkeys, 7c; ducks, 8c; geese, 5c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 17,000 bu.; corn, 90,000 bu.; oats, 26,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 3,000 bbls.; wheat, 15,000 bu.; corn, 53,000 bu.; oats, 15,000 bu.

Butter, Egg and Cheese Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy western creamery, 25½c; fancy western prints, 26c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh nearby, 19c; fresh western, 19c; fresh southwestern, 18c; fresh southern, 17c.

CHEESE—Unchanged.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—BUTTER—Receipts, 3,581 pkgs.; firm; June creamery, 20@23c; western creamery, 21@25c; factory, 16@18½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,651 pkgs.; steady; fall made fancy, large and small, 12¾@13c; large late made, 11¾@12c; small late made, 12@12¼c.

EGGS—Receipts, 9,021 pkgs.; firm; western, 19c, loss off; western ungraded, at mark, 14@18½c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—BUTTER—Steady; creameries, 19@24c; dairies, 19@22c.

EGGS—Strong; fresh, 16@16½c.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 2.—BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 20@24½c; dairy, 16@20c.

EGGS—Lower at 12½c.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 2.—BUTTER—Creamery, 20@23c; dairy, 18c.

EGGS—Shipping demand liberal, local trade good at steady to strong prices; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, firsts, 12½c per dozen, cases returned.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 2.—WHEAT—May, 64¾c; cash, No. 2 hard, 63@63½c; No. 3, 60@62c; No. 2 red, 68@69c; No. 3, 62@67c; receipts, 46 cars.

CORN—May, 29¾c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 29¼@29½c; No. 2 white, 29¾@30c; No. 3, 29@c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 28¾@28¾c.

RYE—No. 2, 51½c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.00@9.50; choice prairie, $6.50@6.75.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 27,600 bu.; corn, 35,700 bu.; oats, 13,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 11,400 bu.; corn, 28,600 bu.; oats, 11,600 bu.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 2.—WHEAT—Higher and firm; No. 2, cash, 71½c; May, 73⅜c; July, 72½c.

CORN—Dull and firm; No. 2 mixed, 33c.

OATS—Dull and steady; No. 2 mixed, 29½c.

RYE—No sales.

CLOVERSEED—Dull and steady; prime cash, old, $4.90; February, new, $5.77½; March, $5.80 bid; No. 2 seed, $4.85.

Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 2.—WHEAT—Instore; No. 1 northern, February, 65¾c; May, 65¾@65⅞c; July, 67½c. On track: No. 1 hard, 67½c; No. 1 northern, 65⅞c; No. 2 northern, 63⅝c.

FLOUR—Firm and quiet; first patents, $3.60@3.70; second patents, $3.40@3.50; first clears, $2.65@2.75; second clears, $2.10@2.20.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.25@11.50.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 2.—WHEAT—Market steady; No. 1 northern, 67½@67¾c; No. 2 northern, 65½@66c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 55½c.

BARLEY—Quiet; No. 2, 46c; sample, 34½@45c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Feb. 2.—CORN—Steady; new No. 3, 30c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white, 23½@23¾c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.23½ for finished goods.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Minn., Feb. 2.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, cash, 66c; May, 65c; July, 69c; No. 2 northern, 63½c; No. 3 spring, 60c.

OATS—23½@24c.

CORN—30½c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—COFFEE—Market opened steady, with prices unchanged to 5 points lower and closed firm, with prices 10 points higher to 5 points lower. Total sales were 23,750 bags, including March at $7.00@7.10, April, $7.20; May, $7.20; July, $7.30@7.35; August, $7.35; September, $7.40@7.45; December, $7.55@7.60; spot coffee, Rio, steady; No. 7, invoice, $8.37½; No. 7 jobbing, $8.87½; mild, steady; Cordova, $8.75@12.75.

California Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Desirable grades of evaporated apples were in fair demand and steady. Receipts were light and advices from the country favorable to buyers. California dried fruits, dull, but not quotably lower. State evaporated apples, common, 6@6½c; prime, 6½@6¾c; choice, 7¼@7¾c; fancy, 8½@9c. California dried prunes, 3½@9c. Apricots, Royal, 13@15c; Moor Park, 15@18c. Peaches, peeled, 20@22c; unpeeled, 7½@9c.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Increased Interest of the Public in the Market Manifested.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Today's stock speculation furnished adequate proof that increased interest was being manifested by the public in the market. This supposition was based on the extensive trading in railroad stocks, which comprised properties traversing a wide area. Professional operators perceiving that support from commission houses could be relied on in an upward movement in the standard stocks, devoted their energies in this direction, causing the specialties to occupy a secondary position in the market. This change of front was in a measure due also to the fact that some of the industrials, which had sustained a substantial rise, showed evidences of good realizing.

Recognition of the encouraging general situation and indifference of the local market to foreign complications was the primary cause of the revival of outside interest. Important movements appeared to be under way by substantial interests, as today's strength developed in first one group of railroad stocks and then another, until the list showed gains running from 1 to 3½ points. In connection with the enormous buying of the Baltimore & Ohio stocks a statement that the management had sold $3,600,000 4 per cent bonds of the road and $2,500,000 of that of a subsidiary line to provide improvements accounted for their buoyant rise.

As the tendency of prices became pronounced arbitrage houses took advantage of the level to unload, but their offerings of 10,000 shares presented no effectual check to the current. Long standing short lines in some of the middle grade railroads were covered and blocks of 1,000 to 3,000 shares figured plentifully throughout the list. Interest was diffused into a great variety of stocks and at times some of the usually neglected ones vied with the recognized leaders in point of animation. Early operations indicated that powerful interests were engaged in the metal stocks, as prices of the minor securities followed a jump of 8 points in Tennessee Coal to 104. This stock suffered acutely from realization as the day progressed and ended with a gain of but 3¼ points. Prices of kindred properties were better sustained, but all relapsed from the best figures. Fluctuations in Third Avenue continued to be of a sensational nature, an early rise to 101 being followed by a break to 97 on liquidation by interests disturbed by the measures projected to finance the company's indebtedness. A rally to 99⅝ occurred in sympathy with the pronounced rise of the general market in the late dealings.

Other local utilities lacked feature aside from the gas securities, which, however, did not fully retain a substantial rise. Western railroad stocks gave the first indication of strength and although interest in these waned somewhat as the other groups became prominent they nevertheless held their extreme rise. Among the high-priced industrials American Tobacco, People's Gas and Sugar achieved a commanding lead occasionally, but ended with narrow net changes. Predictions as to the character of tomorrow's bank statement were uniformly favorable, but the advance statistics show that the gain in cash from the receipts from the interior and subtreasury operations were placed at $2,871,118, compared with a net gain in the previous week of $6,489,175.

A reflection of the stock market's strength was observed in the bond operations, where the absorption was very heavy of the low and middle grade issues. The market was broad and active, transactions aggregating a par value of $2,380,000. United States new 4s and 5s advanced ¼ and the 2s declined ½ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The extreme idleness which has characterized the markets during the week was again in evidence today. Prices began firm on yesterday's rumors, but sagged in the absence of news. Americans were dull until midday, when they became strong on German buying and closed at the best under the influence of purchases by New York and Berlin at the best, mainly of Atchison preferred. The bank lost £60,000 gold to the Argentine. Money was easy with the turn of the month and release of Mexican funds.

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

Atchison	20⅝	Texas & Pacific	16¼
do pfd	63⅝	Union Pacific	47⅛
Baltimore & O.	62⅛	do pfd	75⅝
Canadian Pac	96⅞	Wabash	6⅛
Canada So	49¼	do pfd	21¼
Ches. & Ohio	29¼	Wheel. & L. E.	10⅛
Chicago G. W.	13¼	do 2d pfd	27⅛
C. B. & Q.	124½	Wis. Central	18
Chi., Ind. & L.	15	Adams Ex	115
do pfd	48	Amer. Express	146
Chi. & E. Ill.	88½	U. S. Ex	47
Chicago & N. W.	161	Wells-Fargo Ex.	124
C., R. I. & P.	109⅝	Amer. Cot. Oil	34¼
C., M. & St. L.	61½	do pfd	93
Colorado So	5⅝	Amer. Malting	5¾
do 1st pfd	44	do pfd	25½
do 2d pfd	15¼	Amer. S. & R.	41⅛
Del. & Hudson	114	do pfd	90½
Del. L. & W.	177	Amer. Spirits	3⅛
Denver & R. G.	18⅛	do pfd	9
do pfd	69¾	Amer. S. Hoop	46⅞
Erie	11⅝	do pfd	83¼
do 1st pfd	33½	Amer. S. & W.	57⅞
Gt. Nor. pfd	157	do pfd	94½
Hocking Coal	17	Amer. Tin Plate	33¾
Hocking Valley	24¼	do pfd	83
Illinois Central	138	Amer. Tobacco	138¾
Iowa Central	12¼	do pfd	136½
do pfd	52	Anac. Min. Co.	40⅞
K. C., P. & G.	7¾	Brooklyn R. T.	75⅝
Lake Erie & W.	21	Coco. Fuel & I.	46⅞
do pfd	81	Con. Tobacco	34½
Lake Shore	194	do pfd	86
L. & N.	79⅝	Federal Steel	55¼
Manhattan L.	95⅞	do pfd	75¼
Met. St. Ry.	172⅛	Gen. Electric	124
Mex. Central	11¾	Glucose Sugar	56¾
Minn. & St. L.	64	do pfd	109½
do pfd	95	Inter. Paper	24½
Mo. Pacific	45¾	do pfd	68½
Mobile & Ohio	40½	Laclede Gas	79
M., K. & T.	10	National Biscuit	367⅞
do pfd	33	do pfd	93½
N. J. Central	117	National Lead	20½
N. Y. Central	134⅜	do pfd	105½
Norfolk & W.	25¾	National Steel	47½
do pfd	71	do pfd	94½
No. Pacific	53	N. Y. Air Brake	128
do pfd	75⅝	So. American	14¾
Ontario & W.	23	Pacific Coast	51¼
Ore. Ry. & Nav.	42	do 1st pfd	82
do pfd	76	do 2d pfd	63½
Pennsylvania	130⅞	Pacific Mail	43¾
Reading	18	People's Gas	107¾
do 1st pfd	66⅝	Pressed S. Car	56¾
do 2d pfd	28¾	do pfd	87¼
Rio G. W.	19½	Pullman P. Car	38¼
do pfd	46⅛	Standard R. & T.	8⅝
St. L. & S. F.	10⅞	Sugar	118
do 1st pfd	69	do pfd	113
do 2d pfd	35¾	Tenn. Coal & I.	98½
St. L. Southw.	11½	U. S. Leather	16⅛
do pfd	28½	do pfd	75¾
St. Paul	119½	U. S. Rubber	38¼
do pfd	171	do pfd	101
*St. P. & Omaha	112	Western Union	86¾
So. Pacific	39¾	Republic I. & S.	27⅞
So. Railway	12½	do pfd	69
do pfd	56½	P. C. C. & St. L.	70

*Ex-dividend.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—CALL LOANS—Easy, 2½@3 per cent; last loan at 2½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87½@4.87¾ for demand and at $4.84¼@4.84½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.85 and $4.88@$4.88½; commercial bills, $4.84¼@4.84½.

SILVER—Bar, 60c; Mexican dollars, 47½c; silver certificates, 59½@60½c.

BONDS—Governments, irregular; state, firm; railroad, firm.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 2s, reg	102¼	N. Y. C. 1s	109½
do 3s, reg	109	S. J. C. gen. 5s	123½
do coupon	109	So. Carolina 6s	127
do new 4s, reg	133¾	do 4s	101
do coupon	133¾	No. Pacific 3s	67
do old 4s, reg	114½	do 4s	101
do coupon	110	N.Y.C. & St.L.4s	107½
do 5s, reg	112⅝	N. & W. con. 4s	94
do coupon	112½	do gen. 6s	129
D. of C. 3 65s	119	Ore. Nav. 1s	110
Atch. gen. 4s	101¾	do 4s	106
do adj. 4s	83	Ore. S. L. 6s	127
Can. So. 2s	108	do consol 5s	112½
C. & O. 4½s	97¾	Reading gen. 4s	85
do 5s	117	Rio G. W. 1s	86
C. & N. W. c. 7s	140	St.L. & I.M. c.5s	111¾
do S. F. deb. 5s	121½	St.L. & S.F. g.6s	124
Chicago Ter. 4s	93¼	St. Paul consols	127¼
D. & R. G. 1st	102½	St. P., C. & P. 1s	119
do 4s	93⅛	do 5s	122
E. T. V. & G. 1s	106	So. Railway 5s	108½
Erie gen. 4s	69¾	S. R. & T. 6s	50
F. W. & D. C. 1s	69	Tenn. n. s. 3s	94
*Gen. Elec. 5s	117	Texas & P. 1s	112
G. H. & S. A. 6s	109	*do 2s	84
do 2s	96	Union Pacific 4s	104⅝
*H. & T. C. 5s	116½	Wabash 1s	110
do con. 6s	110	do 2s	100
Ia. Central 1s	113½	West Shore 4s	113
K. C., P. & G. 1s	69	W.S. Central 1s	93¾
La. new con. 4s	106½	Va. Centuries	95¾
L. & N. uni. 4s	92	do deferred	7
M., K. & T. 2s	67	Colo. So. 4s	81
do 4s	68½	So. Pacific 4s	82¼

*Offered.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—American railway shares ruled fairly steady throughout the entire session, with business restricted and almost limited to professional traders. The close was quiet but steady. Gold to the amount of £60,000 was withdrawn from the Bank of England on balance today. Gold bars, 77s 9½d; gold premiums quoted at Madrid, 28.90; at Lisbon, 42.50; at Rome, 7.25.

BERLIN, Feb. 2.—Prices were quieter at the opening of the bourse today. Mine shares declined on reports of a strike in the River Wurt district; later there was a good recovery, especially in coal shares.

PARIS, Feb. 2.—Business was less active on the bourse today; prices opened firm, but subsequently reacted. Rentes were supported and Spanish 4s and Italians were easier; Brazilians advanced on the rise in the rate of exchange and on rumors of a treaty with France regarding the import duty on coffee; Rio tintos were harder on the issuance of favorable statistics and the advance in copper; Kaffirs were in good demand. The market closed easier. Three per cent rentes, 100f 60c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 18½c for checks; Spanish 4s closed at 68⅝.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Feb. 2.—Call loans, 4@3½ per cent; time loans, 4@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	20⅝	West End pfd	112
do pfd	63⅝	West. Electric	43
Amer. Sugar	118	do pfd	91
do pfd	119	Dom. Coal	31¼
Bell Telephone	299	do pfd	115½
Bos. & Alby	240	Atchison	19
Boston Elevated	99	Adventure	5
Boston & Me	147½	Allouez M. Co.	2¾
C., B. & Q.	124½	Atlantic	23
Fitchburg pfd	123	Boston & Mont.	267
Gen. Electric	123½	Butte & Boston	59
do pfd	124	Calumet & Hec.	535
Federal Steel	55¼	Centennial	17¾
do pfd	74½	Franklin	14¼
Mex. Central	11⅛	Osceola	71½
Mich. Telephone	100	Parrot	43¼
Old Colony	242	Quincy	140
Old Dominion	17⅞	Santa Fe Cop.	6
Rubber	37¼	Tamarack	180
Union Pacific	47⅝	Wolverine	40
Union Land	2½	Utah	26½
West End	92½		

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—The following are the official closing quotations for mining shares:

Chollar	20	Ontario	800
Crown Point	10	Ophir	65
Con. Cal. & Va.	110	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	55	Quicksilver	175
Gould & Curry	20	do pfd	750
Hale & Norcross	27	Sierra Nevada	37
Homestake	5000	Standard	225
Iron Silver	50	Union Con	25
Mexican	28	Yellow Jacket	17

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—1 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, money	109½	N. Y. Central	137½
do account	109⅝	Pennsylvania	69½
Canadian Pac	93⅝	Reading	9½
Erie	11⅛	No. Pacific pfd	77
do 1st pfd	34⅞	Atchison	20⅝
Illinois Central	114½	Louisville	81½
Union Pac. pfd	77⅝	Grand Trunk	7¾
St. P. common	122¼	Anaconda	8¾

BAR SILVER—Steady at 27⅝d per ounce.

MONEY—2 per cent; the rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 3 9-16@3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills, 3 9-16@3⅝ per cent.

Bank Clearings.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Clearings, $207,647,896; balances, $10,561,485.

BOSTON, Feb. 2.—Clearings, $25,437,930; balances, $2,022,101.

CHICAGO, Feb. 2.—Clearings, $23,615,499; balances, $1,679,518; posted exchange, $4.85@4.88½. New York exchange, 30c premium.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—Clearings, $19,242,625; balances, $2,386,171.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 2.—Clearings, $3,778,870; balances, $207,756.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 2.—Clearings, $5,798,800; balances, $420,836; money, 5@7 per cent. New York exchange, 40c premium bid, 50c premium asked.

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Today's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, $292,456,767; gold reserve, $218,993,769.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—COTTON—Futures closed steady: February, $7.55; March, $7.63; April, $7.92; May, $7.92; June, $7.93; July, $7.95; August, $7.99; September, $7.44; October, $7.28; November, $7.23; December, $7.24. Spot, closed steady, 4c advance; middling uplands, 8⅛c; middling gulf, 8½c; sales, 551 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 2.—COTTON—Firm; sales, 4,300