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Strength and Activity Shown in the Wheat Market.

CORN FIRM EARLY AND ONLY FAIRLY ACTIVE

Big General Demand and Higher Prices at Yards Cause Rise in the Provision Market—Oats Early Follow Corn's Weakness.

CHICAGO, April 9.—The wheat market showed both strength and activity today, influenced by the reduced world's shipments and some unfavorable crop reports. May closing ⅝@⅞c over Saturday. Corn yielded to the profit taking pressure, May closing ¼@⅝c down. Provisions, helped by higher hogs, closed strong and 10@17½c improved. May oats at the close were ¼c depressed.

Wheat began the session strong. World's shipments for the week showed a reduction of over 1,000,000 bu. and there was a moderate decrease on passage. The smallness of the Russian contribution to shipments was a matter of comment. The French minister of agriculture was quoted as putting the estimate for this crop in France under that of 1899 and reporting increased anxiety over the outlook. Paris was advanced equal to 1c per bu. Increased complaints were reported from Austria and Hungary and the India area was placed at 20 per cent under 1899. Liverpool stocks showed a marked decrease and that market was strong. Domestic tidings were of drouth in the southwest and of unfavorable prospects in various sections of the wheat growing territory. With this array of considerations in evidence shorts covered with great activity. May opened ½@⅝c to ¾c over Saturday's close at 67⅝@67⅞c to 67½c and advanced to 67⅞c. The cash demand was moderate and the announcement of an increase in the visible of 1,308,000 bu. caused a reaction which, helped along by the break in corn, carried May back to 66⅝c. Shorts covered on the decline, however, and a rally followed. May recovered to 67⅛@67⅜c, at which the market closed, strong and ⅜@¾c over Saturday. New York reported 22 loads taken for export. Atlantic port clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 290,000 bu. Primary receipts were 786,000 bu., against 517,000 bu. last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 608 cars, against 669 last week and 427 a year ago. Local receipts were 117 cars, 1 of contract grade. The government crop report for April is due tomorrow, but as professional views as to its information varies its effect on the market today was difficult to discover. Many thought the condition would be put at 90 per cent, compared with the December report, making the condition 97.1 per cent.

Corn was only fairly active. The market was firm early, helped by the wheat and provisions strength, but the pressure of profit seeking lots, combined with stop-loss sales, which caught the decline around 69⅞c, caused a break which was not recovered and the close was rather weak. Seaboard clearances were liberal, but so were primary receipts. Receipts here were 858 cars, 53 cars over the estimate. The cash demand was slow. New York reported 32 loads taken for export. May opened ¼c to ⅛@⅜c up at 40@40⅛c to 40¼c and advanced to 40⅜c. The break carried May to 39¾c and the close was ⅛@⅜c down at 39⅝c.

A big general demand and higher prices at the yards were reflected in higher prices in the provisions pit. There was considerable nervousness over the possibility of a squeeze and this was influential in sending shorts to cover. There was a wide outside demand as well as buying by packers. Sales were mostly made by profit-taking longs. May pork ranged from $12.97½ to $12.80 and closed 10c over Saturday at $12.80. May lard, from $6.82½ to $6.77½, closing 15@17½c up at $6.80@6.82½, and May ribs, from $7.20 to $7.10, with the close 10c improved at $7.12½.

Oats early followed the lead of corn and in consequence displayed firmness early and weakness later. Receipts here were 168 cars. May ranged from 25c to 24⅝@24½c and closed ¼c down at 24½c.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 75 cars; corn, 525 cars; oats, 265 cars; hogs, 22,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
*Wheat					
April	.....	.....	.....	66⅝	66¼
May	67⅛@¼	67⅝	66⅝	67⅜@67	66⅞
July	68⅝@¾	68¾	67⅝@⅞	68⅛@¼	67⅝@⅞
Sept.	69⅝	69⅝	68⅝	68¾	68½
*Corn—					
April	.....	.....	.....	38¾	39¼
May	40@40⅛	40⅛@⅜	39⅛	39⅝	39⅝@40
July	40⅝@⅞	41⅛	40	40⅛@⅜	40⅝
Sept.	41⅝@⅞	41⅝	40⅝	40⅝	41⅛@¼
*Oats—					
May	24⅝@25	25	24⅝@½	24½	24¾
July	24½	24½@⅝	24	24@24⅛	24¼@⅜
Sept.	23½	23½	23⅛	23⅛	23¼@⅜
Pork—					
May	12 85	12 97½	12 80	12 80	12 70
July	12 85	13 00	12 85	12 90	12 70
Lard—					
May	6 77½	6 82½	6 77½	6 82½	6 65
July	6 87½	6 95	6 87½	6 92½	6 75
Sept.	6 97½	7 02½	6 97½	7 00	6 85
Ribs—					
May	7 10	7 20	7 10	7 12½	7 02½
July	6 90	7 00	6 90	6 95	6 82½
Sept.	6 90	6 97½	6 90	6 95	6 80

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady: winter patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $2.95@3.40; clears, $2.70@3.10; spring specials, $3.80@3.90; patents, $3.10@3.45; straights, $2.60@3.00; bakers, $2.00@2.45.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 63¾@65½c; No. 2 red, 69½@70c.

CORN—No. 2, 39c; No. 2 yellow, 39½c.

OATS—No. 2, 23½c; No. 2 white, 29@29½c; No. 3 white, 27¼@28½c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 40½@42½c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flaxseed and northwest, $1.72. Prime timothy, $2.35@2.40. Clover, contract grade, $7.00.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.20@12.85. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.65@6.82½. Short ribs sides (loose), $7.05@7.30. Dry salted shoulders $6.50@6.75. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.35@7.45.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, per gal., $1.25.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.00; granulated, $5.41. Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipm'ts.
Flour, bbls.	39,000	55,000
Wheat, bu.	49,000	181,000
Corn, bu.	272,000	258,000
Oats, bu.	298,000	286,000
Rye, bu.	2,000	3,000
Barley, bu.	52,000	20,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was easy; creameries, 14@18c; dairies, 13@16c. Cheese, firm at 12@13c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 16½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 9.—FLOUR—Receipts, 48,349 bbls.; exports, 3,188 bbls.; inactive and about steady; winter straights, $3.45@3.60; Minnesota patents, $3.70@4.00; winter extras, $2.05@2.95; Minnesota bakers, $2.35@3.00; winter low grades, $2.25@2.40. Rye flour, easy; fair to good, $2.90@3.15; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.50.

CORNMEAL—Quiet; yellow western, 89c; city, 89c; Brandywine, $2.25@3.25.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 62½c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 57c, c. i. f., New York, car lots.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 44½@45½c, New York; malting, 50@52c, New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 55@63c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 67,350 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2 red, 80⅝c f. o. b., afloat, spot; No. 2 red, 77½c, elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 77⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 79⅝c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt. Options throughout the forenoon were active and firm, sustained by foreign buying and strong cables, in addition to local covering. A liberal increase in the visible supply, however, opened the way for afternoon weakness, helped by predictions of rain. Under realizing the market sold off, closing easy at ⅛c net advance. May, 77⅝@77¾c, closed at 77⅝c; July, 73 13-16@74 5-16c, closed at 74c; September, 74⅛@74⅝c, closed at 74⅜c.

CORN—Receipts, 194,325 bu.; exports, 160 bu. Spot, weaker; No. 2, 47½c, f. o. b., afloat, and 46½c, elevator. Options market early in the day was strong with provisions and on influential buying at Chicago. It finally yielded to realizing, however, and closed weak at ⅝@¾c net decline. May, 46⅝@46c, closed at 45c; July, 45½@46⅛c, closed at 45⅝c; September, 45⅝@46⅛c, closed at 45⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 254,800 bu.; exports, 50 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2, 28c; No. 3, 28½c; No. 2 white, 31½@32c; No. 3 white, 31c; track mixed western, 29@30c; track white, 31@35c. Options, dull and weak; closed ¼@⅜c lower; May closed at 28½c; No. 2 white, May, closed at 30⅝c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80@90c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1899 crop, 6@8c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1897 crop, 12@13c; Pacific coast, 1899 crop, 4@6c; 1898 crop, 7@9c; 1897 crop, 12@13c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 20½c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 21½c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 15c.

WOOL — Dull; domestic fleece, 25@28c; Texas, 15@18c.

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 25@25½c; acid, 26@26½c.

COAL—Steady.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $12.00@13.50; mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $20.00@22.00; packet, $11.50@12.50; city extra India mess, $18.00@22.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $7.25@8.00; pickled shoulders, $6.50; pickled hams, $10.25@10.50. Lard, firm; western steamed, $6.30; refined, firm; continent, $7.40; South America, $7.75; compound, $6.40@6.50. Pork, firm; family, $14.25@14.75; short clear, $13.00@14.50; mess, $12.25@13.50. Tallow, steady; city ($2 per pkg.), 6¼c bid; country (pkgs. free), 5¼@6½c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 9,830 pkgs.; steady at decline; western creamery, 17@20c; western factory, 16@17½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,388 pkgs.; weak, but unchanged; fancy large, white, 12¼@12½c; fancy large, colored, 13@13¼c; fancy small, white, 12¾@13c; fancy small, colored, 13@13½c.

EGGS—Receipts, 24,577 pkgs.; firm; storage western, at mark, 12½@12¾c; regular packing, 12¼@12½c; southern, 11½@12c.

SUGAR—Raw, strong; fair refining, 3¾c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4⅜c; molasses, 3 11-16c. Refined, firm; crushed, $5.55; powdered, $5.25; granulated, $5.15.

COFFEE—Steady; No. 7 Rio, 7¾c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@5½c; Japan, 4¾@4⅞c.

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

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy handpicked, 4¾@4¾c; other domestic, 3½@4c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, market strong; cotton by steam, 30d; grain by steam, 2¾d.

METALS—Aside from a decided increase in the price of tin there were no new features of importance in the market for metals today. The decline in tin was due partly to unsatisfactory cables from London and an absence of buyers. The market ruled weak all day and closed at $30.25@30.50, as compared with $30.56@31.12½, the previous day's closing. Lake copper, while firm, was unchanged, closing at $17. Pig iron warrants dull and nominal. Lead continues in the same rut, ruling dull at the old basis of $4.67½ bid and $4.72½ asked. Spelter ruled steady, closing unchanged at $4.72½ bid and $4.77½ asked. The brokers' price for lead was $4.45 and for copper $17.25.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts liberal fresh stock, 10@10½c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Choice to fancy turkeys, 9@10c; ducks, 9c; geese, 9c; spring chickens, 9@10c; hens, 9@10c; roosters, 50@60c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 8½@9c; spring chickens, 8½c; young, staggy and old roosters, 40@50c; ducks, 7½c; geese, 7½c; turkeys, 8c.

BUTTER—Common to fair, 12c; choice, 14@15c; separator, 22c; gathered creamery, 19c.

OYSTERS—Medium, per can, 18c; standard, per can, 22c; bulk standard, per gallon, $1.25; extra selects, per can, 30c; extra selects, per gal., $1.60@1.75; New York counts, per can, 37c; New York counts, per 100, $1.25.

FISH—Herring, per lb., 5c; round perch, 5c; sun, 5c; cod, 6c; haddock, 6c; blue fish, 6c; scaled and dressed perch, 6c; ciscoes, 6c; medium dressed trout, 7½c; cropple, 7½c; pickerel, 7½c; finnan haddies, 7½c; white fish, 9c; yellow pike, dressed, 5c; small trout, dressed, 9c; red snapper, 9c; smelts, 9c; smoked white fish, 9c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., $1.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Per carload lots: Upland, choice, $6.50; midland choice, $5.50; lowland, choice, $5; rye straw, choice, $5; No. 3 corn, 35½c; No. 3 white oats, 25c; cracked corn, per ton, $14.50; corn and oats, chopped, per ton, $15; bran, per ton, $13.50; shorts, per ton, $13.50.

VEGETABLES.

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

NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 50c.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 40@60c.

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

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 30@35c.

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

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 25@30c.

CABBAGE—California, per lb., 2½@3c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.50@2.75.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; California, per bunch, 60@90c.

TURNIPS—Rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c.

TOMATOES — Florida, per six-basket crate, $4.50.

MUSHROOMS—Per lb. box, 50c.

RHUBARB—Per lb., 8@9c.

ONIONS—Retail, yellow, 75c; red, 85@90c; Ohios, per bbl., $2.25@2.50.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Texas, per 24-qt. case, $7.00; Louisanna, per 24-qt. case, $4.50.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $4.50; New York stock, $4.50; fancy, $5.00.

GRAPES—Malaga, per bbl., $5.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., $10.50; per crate, $3.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California, fancy navels, per box, $3.25@3.50; choice navels, $3.00; Mediterranean Sweets, per box, $2.50@2.75.

LEMONS—California, choice, per box, $3; fancy, $3.50; Messinas, choice, per box, $3.50; fancy, $4.

BANANAS—Per bunch, medium, $2.25@2.50; large, $2.75@3.00.

HIDES.

HIDES—No. 1 green hides, 7¼c; No. 2 green hides, 6¼c; No. 1 salted hides, 8¼c; No. 2 salted hides, 7¼c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.50.

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

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, April 9.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 71½c; track, 73c; April, 71⅝c; May, 70½c; July, 67⅝c; No. 2 hard, 64½@65½c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 39c; track, 40c; April, 38⅞c; May, 38¼c; July, 39c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 cash, 25½c; track, 26c; April, 25½c; May, 25c; July, 23⅝@23¾c; No. 2 white, 28½c.

RYE—Firm at 56c.

FLOUR—Dull; patents, $3.50@3.65; extra fancy, $3.20@3.30; clear, $2.70@3.00.

SEEDS—Timothy, steady; $2.00@2.15, ordinary. Flax, nominal, $1.69.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.05@2.10.

BRAN—Quiet; sacked, east track, 70@72c.

HAY—Timothy, firm at $10.00@13.00; prairie, steady at $8.30.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.25½.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.30; bagging, 6⅞@7¾c; hemp twine, 9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing old, $12.00; new, $13.50. Dry salt meats (boxed), higher; extra shorts, $7.00; clear ribs, $7.12½; clear sides, $7.25. Bacon (boxed), higher; extra shorts, $7.50; clear ribs, $7.62½; clear sides, $7.75.

METALS—Lead, steady at $4.55@4.57½. Spelter, firm at $4.55.

POULTRY—Quiet; chickens, 6@7½c; turkeys, 7½c; ducks, 8c; geese, 36@6c.

EGGS—Higher at 9½c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 20@22½c; dairy, 16@19c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 8,000 bbls.; wheat, 28,000 bu.; corn, 500,000 bu.; oats, 88,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 14,000 bu.; corn, 75,000 bu.; oats, 10,000 bu.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 9.—WHEAT—May, 67½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 63@67½c; No. 3, 61@63c; No. 2 red, 70c; No. 3, 66@68c.

CORN—May, 36½c cash, No. 2 mixed, 37@38c; No. 2 white 38@38½c; No. 3, 38c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 28c.

RYE—No. 2, 55c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.00@10.50; choice prairie $6.75@7.25.

BUTTER—Creamery, 17@19c; dairy, 15@18c.

EGGS—Firm; demand large; supply moderate; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 9c dozen, cases returned; new whitewood cases included, 9½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 96,000 bu.; corn, 44,200 bu.; oats, 12,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 21,000 bu.; corn, 11,000 bu.; oats, 6,000 bu.

Toledo Market.

TOLEDO, April 9.—WHEAT—Active and higher; No. 2 cash, 72½c; May, 73⅝c.

CORN—Dull; No. 2 mixed, 40c.

OATS—Weak and lower; No. 2 mixed, 25½c.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 cash, 58c.

CLOVERSEED — Dull and unchanged; prime cash old $4.80; new $4.20; April, $4.10; October, $4.50; No. 2 seed, $4.60@4.62½.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, April 9.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 68½c; May, 68½c; September, 69½c; No. 1 northern, cash, 66½c; May, 67½c; July, 68½c; September, 67½c; No. 2 northern, 64½c; No. 3 spring, 61½c.

OATS—23½@24c.

CORN—37½c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, April 9.—WHEAT — Firmer; No. 1 northern, 67@68c; No. 2 northern, 65½@66½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 58½@58½c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 44@45c; sample, 39½@42½c.

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

MINNEAPOLIS April 9.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, 65½c; May, 65⅝c; July, 66¼@66½c; September, 65½c. On track: No. 1 hard, 66½c; No. 1 northern, 65½c; No. 2 northern, 63½c.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, April 9.—BUTTER—Steady at 20c; offerings, 173 tubs, with no genuine bids.

Statement of Visible Supply.

NEW YORK, April 9.—The statement of the visible supply of grain in store and afloat on Saturday, April 7, 1900, as compiled by the New York Produce exchange, is as follows:

Wheat, 35,432,000 bu.; increase, 1,200,000 bu. Corn, 23,019,000 bu.; increase, 1,466,000 bu. Oats, 7,474,000 bu.; decrease, 32,000 bu. Rye, 1,276,000 bu.; increase, 73,000 bu. Barley, 712,000 bu.; decrease, 89,000 bu.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 9.—BUTTER—Dull and 1c lower; fancy western creamery, 20c; fancy western prints, 22c.

EGGS—Firm and ½c higher; fresh nearby, 12½c; fresh southwestern, 12½c; fresh southern, 12c.

CHEESE—Easier.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, April 9.—CORN—No. 2, 40c.

OATS—Inactive; No. 3 white, 26¾@27c.

WHISKY—Firm, on the basis of $1.25½ for finished goods.

MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market Makes Expected Response to Unfavorable Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, April 9.—The stock market made the expected response to Saturday's unfavorable bank statement by a general drawing in of speculative ventures. The selling pressure was not particularly severe in the general market, but with the curtailment of the buying demand consequent upon the disappointment over the bank showing, the burden of offers was sufficient to bear down prices to a lower level. The higher range of prices in London and an opening here above Saturday's level in sympathy did not have the hoped for effect in dissuading sellers. On the contrary the higher prices seemed to invite profit-taking and the opening gains were not long maintained. The acute depression manifested by Sugar had an additional influence in depressing the market. This mercurial industrial gave evidence during the latter part of the day of being oversold, and, after having fallen nearly 8 points recovered more than half of the decline. The room traders who had sold the list on the strength of the weakness in Sugar were driven to cover by this rally and the aggressive strength developed at a few other points. As a consequence the closing was active and firm at a level considerably above the low point of the day, but showing net declines for the majority of stocks. The weakness of Sugar in the morning caused signs of lively sympathy at other points in the industrial list.

People's Gas, the Tobacco stocks and a number of the iron and steel stocks fell from 1 to 3 points. The strength manifested by the New York Traction served as an offset to this. The railroad list maintained a condition resembling suspended animation. Large inroads upon the Pacific stocks. Pennsylvania and the grangers continued the move toward depression until aggressive strength developed in Missouri Pacific. This stock moved up to 54½ in the late transactions on heavy buying and Brooklyn Transit rose buoyantly to 75½ with a stimulating effect on the general list.

Very heavy selling orders were attributed to Chicago account and a sharp fall in New York exchange at Chicago to 35c discount may have been due to this cause. The movement in the specialties was due to individual causes. The street was full of rumors all day regarding Sugar and having to do with the rise in price of raw sugars. Brooklyn Transit was manipulated by a pool with a preliminary tip for an advance. Disappointment over the reported terms of the People's Gas-Ogden settlement was the cause of weakness in People's Gas. London showed a disposition to buy stocks here in spite of the stiffness of the London money market on the taking up of another installment of the war loan, but last week's large purchases in London were generally attributed to large borrowings for London account to carry stocks here. Although the stock market weakened on the bank showing, the money market failed to show any effect of the decrease in resources of the banks.

Business in bonds was of moderate volume and prices were well held. Total sales, par value, $2,455,000.

United States old 4s and 5s declined ¼ in the bid price.

Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram: The markets here were quiet today on temporary tightness of money and the holiday feeling. Americans opened with an appearance of activity on strong continental demand for Union Pacific, which rushed up to 69½ and then were sold down to 68½. New York sold them $1 down, neglecting the rest of the list, which drooped sympathetically, except Norfolk & Western and Chesapeake & Ohio, which both sides bought on rumors of a soft coal combination. Copper was strongly held and Paris made a fresh record on fine news, closing at 39¾. Anacondas were 11¼@11⅝. Utahs and Avinos were wanted. War loan calls caused money to stiffen. The bank did a big business in discounts and loans at 5 per cent for three days. Accordingly exchanges were firm at the bank rate. The bank lost £25,000 gold to Rucherest and bought £37,000 in bars and £5,000 arrived from Australia.

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

Atchison	23½	Tex. & Pacific	18¼
do pfd	71½	Union Pacific	58½
Baltimore & O.	84¾	do pfd	76½
Can. Pacific	59½	Wabash	8⅞
Can. Southern	57⅞	do pfd	23¼
Ches. & Ohio	33⅝	Wheel. & L. E.	10¼
Chicago Gt. W.	14⅝	Wis. Central	19¼
C., B. & Q.	111½	Third Avenue	107¼
Chicago, I. & L.	26⅝	Adams Ex.	117
do pfd	87½	Amer. Express	147
Chicago & E. I.	103	U. S. Express	47½
Chicago & N. W.	163	Wells-Fargo Ex.	123
C., R. I. & P.	114¾	Am. Cot. Oil	27½
C., St. L. & P.	31½	do pfd	99
Colo. Southern	6½	Amer. Malting	4¼
do 1st pfd	44	do pfd	21½
do 2d pfd	18	Amer. S. & R.	39⅞
Del. & Hudson	117	do pfd	88¼
Del. L. & W.	166	Amer. Sports	2½
Denver & R. G.	21⅝	do pfd	17
do pfd	73¼	Amer. S. H.	33
Erie	13⅝	do pfd	81
do 1st pfd	41⅝	Amer. S. & W.	34⅞
Gt. Nor. pfd	163	do pfd	89⅝
Hocking Coal	5⅞	Am. Tin Plate	32½
Hocking Valley	29½	do pfd	84
Illinois Central	118½	Am. Tobacco	107½
Iowa Central	18⅝	do pfd	135
do pfd	54¼	A. Min. Co.	53½
*K. C. P. & G.	18	Brk. Rap. Tr.	48⅞
L. E. & W.	37⅞	Colo. F. & I.	48⅞
do pfd	97¼	Con. Tobacco	24¼
Lake Shore	200	do pfd	81
L. & N.	83⅝	Federal Steel	47⅞
Manhattan L.	98¼	do pfd	75½
Met. St. Ry.	160¾	Gen. Electric	132¼
Mex. Central	12¼	Glucose Sugar	51
Minn. & St. L.	68	do pfd	98¼
do pfd	96½	Int'n'l Paper	22⅞
Mo. Pacific	54⅞	do pfd	75
Mobile & Ohio	47	Lac'ede Gas	73
M., K. & T.	31¼	National Biscuit	34¾
do pfd	36½	** do pfd	90
N. J. Central	120	National Lead	94
N. Y. Central	137⅞	do pfd	104½
Nor. & West.	36	National Steel	42½
do pfd	76½	do pfd	91
Nor. Pacific	69⅝	N. Y. Air Brake	125
do pfd	77	No. American	15⅞
Ontario & W.	21⅞	***Pacific Coast	52
Ore. Ry. & Nav.	42	*** do 1st pfd	82
do pfd	76	*** do 2d pfd	61⅝
Pennsylvania	61	Pacific Mail	37¼
Reading	19⅞	People's Gas	101½
do 1st pfd	49	Pressed S. C.	53¼
do 2d pfd	34	do pfd	83¼
Rio G. W.	37	Pullman P. C.	183
do pfd	89	S. R. & T.	7
St. L. & S. F.	11	Sugar	117
do 1st pfd	70	do pfd	110
do 2d pfd	30	Tenn. Coal & I.	95¼
St. L. S. W.	12	U. S. Leather	13
do pfd	32	do pfd	77½
St. Paul	124½	U. S. Rubber	37½
do pfd	171½	do pfd	100¼
St. P. & Omaha	117	Western Union	87½
So. Pacific	40⅞	Republic I. & S.	21
So. Railway	14½	do pfd	64⅞
do pfd	39⅞	P. C. C. & St. L.	67

*First asst. paid. **Offered. ***Ex-div.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, April 9.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 4@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

A., T. & S. F.	27	N. E. G. & C. 5s	65
do pfd	71½	Adventure	5½
Amer. Sugar	111½	Allouez M. Co.	2¼
Bell Telephone	315	Amal. Copper	65½
Boston & Al.	246	Atlantic	24½
C., B. & Q.	111½	Boston & Mont.	321
Dominion Coal	45½	Butte & Boston	52
do pfd	115½	Cal. & Hecla	725
Federal Steel	47⅞	Centennial	23½
do pfd	73¼	Franklin	15½
Fitchburg pfd	132	Humboldt	55
Gen. Electric	131½	Osceola	70
Mex. Central	13¼	Parrot	18
N. E. G. & C.	17½	Quincy	137
Old Colony	206	Santa Fe Cop.	6¾
Old Dominion	23	Tamarack	197
Union Pacific	58½	Utah Mining	34
West End	93	Winona	4½
Wis. Central	19¾	Wolverines	41
Atchison 4s	100¼		

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, April 9.—4 p. m.—American securities opened quiet and sluggish, but soon showed firmness and advanced above parity level. Later the improvement was lost and the market closed dull. Trading was light. The amount of bullion taken into the Bank of England on balance today was £17,000. Gold premiums are quoted as follows: Buenos Ayres, 127.30; Madrid, 30.10; Lisbon, 42.50; Rome, 6.68¾.

BERLIN, April 9.—On the bourse today almost holiday conditions prevailed. In many instances prices showed a hardening tendency. Exchange on London, 20 marks 5a pfgs for checks. Discount rates: Short bills, 3⅞ per cent; three-months' bills, 3⅞@4 per cent.

PARIS, April 9.—Prices on the bourse were firm today and international securities were in good demand, with rentes leading, in view of the approaching opening of the exposition and the closing of the chambers. Rio tintos were hesitating at the commencement, but improved in spite of realization. Kaffirs were dull, but toward the close there was a slight recovery on English buying. Three per cent rentes, 101f 47½c for the account. Exchange on London, 25f 19½c for checks. Spanish 4s closed at 72.35.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 9.—MONEY—On call, steady at 3 to 4 per cent; last loan, at 3 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86⅞@4.87 for demand and at $4.83½ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84@4.84½ and $4.87½@4.88; commercial bills, $4.83@4.83¾.

SILVER — Certificates, 60½@61½c; bar, 59⅝c; Mexican dollars, 47⅝c.

BONDS—Government, weak; state, inactive; railroad, firm.

The following are the closing quotations on bonds:

U. S. 2s, reg.	93½	N. Y. C. 1s	110⅛
*do 2s, ref.	103	N. J. C. g. 5s	124
do 3s, reg.	109½	No. Carolina 6s	127
do coupon	110¼	do 4s	100
do new 4s, reg.	133½	No. Pacific 3s	68
do coupon	133½	do 4s	104¼
do old 4s, reg.	114¼	N Y C. & S L 4s	106¼
do coupon	114¼	N. & W. con. 4s	98
do 5s, reg.	113½	do gen. 6s	133
do coupon	113½	Ore. Nav. 1s	110
D. of C. 3, 65s	120	do 4s	104
Atch. gen. 4s	100⅞	Ore. S. L. 6s	127¾
do adj. 4s	84¾	do con. 5s	114
Canada So. 2s	107	Reading gen. 4s	89⅝
C. & O. 4½s	99⅞	R. G. W. 1s	99¼
do 5s	121⅝	St L. & I M c. 5s	111
**C & N W c 7s	143¼	St L & S F g 6s	121
do S. F. d. 5s	123	St. Paul con.	172
Chicago Ter. 4s	97	St. P. C. & P. 1s	119¾
D. & R. G. 1s	103½	do 5s	121⅝
do 4s	96⅛	So. Railway 5s	113
E. T. V. & G. 1s	102½	S. R. & T. 6s	73
Erie gen. 4s	74⅝	Tenn. n. s. 3s	95¼
F. W. & D. C. 1s	72	Tex. & Pa. 1s	114
Gen. Electric 5s	116¾	do 2s	57
**G H & S A 6s	110½	Union Pacific 4s	106¼
do 2s	108½	Wabash 1s	118½
H. & T. C. 5s	111	do 2s	103
do con. 6s	110	West Shore 4s	114½
Ia. Central 1s	114½	Wis. Central 1s	92⅞
K. C., P. & G. 1s	73¾	Va. Centuries	92⅞
La. new con. 4s	107¾	do deferred	5
L. & N. unf. 4s	101	Colo. So. 4s	84¾
M., K. & T. 2s	68¾	So. Pacific 4s	85
do 4s	93½		

*When issued. **Offered.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, April 9.—The following are the official closing quotations for mining shares:

Chollar	10	Ontario	350
Crown Point	15	Ophir	80
Con. Cal & Va.	165	Plymouth	10
Deadwood	60	Quicksilver	1.75
Gould & Curry	27	do pfd	800
Hale & Norcross	30	Sierra Nevada	50
Homestake	5000	Standard	320
Iron Silver	66	Union Con	30
Mexican	30	Yellow Jacket	15

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, April 9.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	101 1-16	Pennsylvania	72½
do acct	101 1-16	Reading	19⅞
Can. Pacific	100½	No. Pacific pfd	79⅞
Erie	14	Atchison	24½
do 1st pfd	43¼	Louisville	87⅝
Illinois Central	119¼	Grand Trunk	8⅝
I. & N. pfd	78⅞	Anaconda	11⅛
St. Paul, com	125¼	Rands	36
N. Y. Central	138		

BAR SILVER—Quiet at 27 7-16d per ounce.

MONEY—@3½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3⅞ per cent and for three-months' bills 3⅞@4 per cent.

Financial Notes.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Clearings, $23,675,259; balances, $1,500,225; posted exchange, $4.84@4.87½. New York exchange, 35c discount.

PHILADELPHIA, April 9.—Clearings, $10,375,692; balances, $1,596,562.

BALTIMORE, April 9.—Clearings, $3,071,535; balances, $656,726.

ST. LOUIS, April 9.—Clearings, $7,054,362; balances, $906,287; money, 4@7 per cent; New York exchange, 10c discount bid, par asked.

NEW YORK, April 9.—Clearings, $114,208,934; balances,