# COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

**Rains and Predictions of Milder Weather Cause Bearish Outlook.**

**CORN MARKET FAIRLY ACTIVE AND STRONG**

**Market for Provisions is Quiet and Steady with Slight Decline from Yesterday—Oats Are Quiet and Rather Firm.**

CHICAGO, April 18.—With corn exerting an upward influence and the weather furnishing a bearish outlook the wheat market today compromised by finishing the session merely steady, ¼c under yesterday. Corn closed ½@¾c to ¾c higher, oats ¼c up and provisions 2½c to 7½c depressed.

The volume of the wheat business was not large. The opening was ¼@¼c under yesterday, May at 65⅝@66c and July at 67¼@67⅜c. Cables were weak and the rains, together with the prediction of milder weather, were soon regarded as excellent from the viewpoint of a grain of wheat anxious to expand. Some cash business—not a great deal—was done early and as corn showed a disposition to ascend the market firmed up a bit. May touching 66¼c and July 67½c. There was considerable long May put into the pit on the bulge and there was some outside selling, under the pressure of which May declined to 65½c and July to 66⅝@66⅞c. By this time—about noon—the strength of corn was more apparent and, with the added assistance of a New York report of 35 loads taken for export, the market slowly recovered and closed steady, ¼c down. May at 66c and July at 67⅜c. Local receipts were 24 cars, 3 of contract grade. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 187 cars, against 210 last week and 196 a year ago. Primary receipts were 309,000 bu., compared with 256,000 bu. a year ago. Atlantic port clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 210,000 bu.

The corn market was fairly active and strong. Early shorts who earned that title yesterday were the best buyers, influenced by the government weekly crop summary, reporting that the seeding was not progressing with much rapidity. Heavy buying by influential interests, however, proved the main factor. Two men between them absorbed 2,000,000 bu., or were credited with so doing. Country offerings were light as were receipts—199 cars here. The movement from now on is expected to be light, as farmers are busy in their fields. May ranged from 38⅛c to 38⅝@38¾c and closed ¼@⅜c up at 38⅝@38¾c. July sold from 39¼c to 40⅛@40¼c and closed ¾c up at 40⅛@40¼c.

The provisions market was quiet but steady at a slight decline from yesterday. Hogs were lower and receipts liberal. There was a fair cash demand for lard. May pork sold from $13.05 to $13.02½, and closed 5c down at $13.05; July, from $13.22½ to $13.07½, closing 5c down at $13.10. May lard ranged from $7.30 to $7.25 and closed 5c lower at $7.25; July, from $7.40 to $7.30, closing 2½c depressed at $7.35. May ribs sold from $7.20 to $7.15 and closed 5@7½c lower at $7.15@7.17½; July, from $7.20 to $7.15, with the close 5@7½c depressed at $7.15@7.17½.

The oats market was quiet and rather firm. There was not much selling pressure and the corn strength was a help. Receipts here were 115 cars. May ranged from 23¾c to 23½c and closed ¼c up at 23½c; July, from 23c to 23⅜c, with the close ¾c improved at 23⅜c.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 73 cars; corn, 285 cars; oats, 127 cars; hogs, 25,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

| Articles. | Open. | High. | Low. | Close. | Yes'y. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *Wheat | | | | | |
| April | | | | 65⅝ | 66 |
| May | 65¼@⅝ | 66⅛ | 65½ | 66 | 66¼ |
| July | 67⅛@⅜ | 67⅞@68⅛ | 67⅛ | 67⅜ | 67½ |
| Sept. | 68⅛ | 68⅛ | 67⅝ | 68⅛@¼ | 68⅝ |
| *Corn— | | | | | |
| April | | | | 38⅝ | 38 |
| May | 38⅛@¼ | 38⅛@¼ | 38½ | 38⅛@¼ | 38⅝ |
| July | 39⅝@½ | 40⅛@¼ | 39¼ | 40⅛@¼ | 39⅝@½ |
| Sept. | 40@40⅛ | 40⅛ | 40⅛ | 40⅛ | 40 |
| *Oats— | | | | | |
| May | 23⅛@¼ | 23½ | 23⅛ | 23½ | 23¼ |
| July | 23⅛ | 23⅜ | 23 | 23⅜ | 23⅛ |
| Sept. | 22¼@⅜ | 22½@⅝ | 22⅛@¼ | 22½ | 22¼ |
| *Pork— | | | | | |
| May | 13 02½ | 13 05 | 12 92½ | 12 95 | 13 00 |
| July | 13 10 | 13 22½ | 13 07½ | 13 10 | 13 09 |
| Lard— | | | | | |
| May | 7 27½ | 7 30 | 7 25 | 7 25 | 7 30 |
| July | 7 30 | 7 40 | 7 30 | 7 35 | 7 37½ |
| Sept. | 7 37½ | 7 45 | 7 37½ | 7 40 | 7 45 |
| *Ribs— | | | | | |
| May | 7 17½ | 7 20 | 7 15 | 7 17½ | 7 22½ |
| July | 7 15 | 7 22 | 7 15 | 7 17½ | 7 22½ |
| Sept. | 7 15 | 7 17½ | 7 12½ | 7 15 | 7 20 |

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy; winter patents, $3.60@3.70; straights, $2.55@3.40; clears, $2.70@3.20; spring specials, $3.90; patents, $3.10@3.45; straights, $2.60@3.00; bakers, $2.00@2.45.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 60½@64½c; No. 2 red, 69@70c.

CORN—No. 2, 39¼c; No. 2 yellow, 39¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 24¼c; No. 2 white, 27¼c; No. 3 white, 26@27c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c.

BARLEY—No. 2, 41@43c.

SEEDS—Flaxseed, No. 1 and northwest, $1.73. Prime timothy, $2.40@2.45. Clover, contract grade, $7.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.25@13.00. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.15@7.30. Short ribs sides (loose), $7.10@7.30. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.75@7.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.70@7.80.

WHISKY—Distillers' finished goods, on basis high wines, per gal., $1.25½.

SUGARS—Cut loaf, $6.00; granulated, $5.44.

Following are the receipts and shipments for today:

| Articles. | Receipts. | Shipm'ts. |
|---|---|---|
| Flour, bbls. | 42,000 | 44,000 |
| Wheat, bu. | 48,000 | 25,000 |
| Corn, bu. | 417,000 | 931,000 |
| Oats, bu. | 284,000 | 390,000 |
| Rye, bu. | 5,000 | 5,000 |
| Barley, bu. | 42,000 | 38,000 |

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 14@18c; dairies, 13@16c. Cheese, firm at 12@13c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 10½c.

## NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

**Quotations for the Day on Various Commodities.**

NEW YORK, April 18.—FLOUR—Receipts, 20,140 bbls.; exports, 13,251 bbls.; dull and easier for spring patents and generally slow all around, being 5@10c lower to sell; winter patents, $3.70@4.00; winter straights, $3.40@3.55; winter extras, $2.60@2.95; winter low grades, $2.25@2.40; Minnesota patents, $3.70@3.95; Minnesota bakers, $2.85@3.00. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $2.90@3.15; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.50.

CORNMEAL—Weak; yellow western, 89c; city, 86c; Brandywine, $2.25@2.35.

RYE—Easy; No. 2 western, 62c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 57c, c. i. f., New York, car lots.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 41½@45c, New York; malting, 59@53c, New York.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 55@65c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 12,025 bu.; exports, 64,000 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2 red, 80c, f. o. b., afloat, spot; No. 2 red, 77c, elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 76½c, f. o. b., afloat, prompt; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 78½c, f. o. b., afloat. Options declined actively today under free liquidation of May wheat, coupled with bright home crop reports and bearish foreign news. Late in the day, however, sympathizing with corn and on export rumors, the market rallied sharply and closed at a partial ⅛c net decline. May, 73@73 9-16c, closed at 73⅝c; July, 74 1-16@73½c, closed at 73½c; September, 73⅝@73⅞c, closed at 73⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 133,575 bu.; exports, 104,037 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 47½c, f. o. b., afloat, and 47½c, elevator. Options market was generally strong all day, advancing on light country acceptances, yesterday's big cash trade, small receipts west and good Chicago buying for long account; closed strong at 1⅛@1⅜c net advance. May, 44⅛@44½c, closed at 44½c; July, 44 13-16@45⅛c, closed at 45⅛c; September, 45⅝@46c, closed at 46c.

OATS—Receipts, 158,200 bu.; exports, 7,580 bu. Spot, dull; No. 2, 28¼c; No. 3, 28c; No. 2 white, 30c; No. 3 white, 29½c; track mixed western, 28½@29½c; track white, 30@34c. Options market was at first easy, but later rallied with corn, closing firm and ⅛c net higher; May closed at 27⅝c; No. 2 white, May, closed at 28⅝c.

HAY—Steady; No. 2 shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 80@90c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1896, 3@5c; 1899, 10@13c; Pacific coast, 1896, 3@5c; 1899, 10@13c.

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

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

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $12.00@13.00; mess, $10.50@11.00; beef hams, $20.50@22.00; packet, $11.00@12.00; city, extra India mess, $18.50@22.00. Cut meats, firm; pickled bellies, $7.50@8.50; pickled shoulders, $7; pickled hams, $10.50@11.00. Lard, strong; western steam, $7.05@7.07½; refined, strong; continent, $8; South America, $8.25; compound, 5@5½c. Pork, strong; family, $14.25@15.00; short clear, $13.50@15.00; mess, $12.25@13.75. Tallow, steady; city, 6¼c; country, 5½@6c.

WOOL—Dull; domestic fleece, 26@28c; Texas, 15@18c.

COAL—Steady.

POTATOES—Steady; Jerseys, $1.35@1.50; Long Islands, $1.50@1.75; Jersey sweets, $2.50@3.00.

RICE—Steady; domestic, extra, 4¼@6¼c; Japanese, 4¾@4⅝c.

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

PEANUTS—Steady; fancy, handpicked, 5¾@6c; other domestic, 3@3½c.

FREIGHTS—To Liverpool, steady; cotton, by steam, 25d; grain, by steam, 3½d.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,751 pkgs.; western creamery, 15½@18c; factory, 13@15c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 5,238 packages; steady; for new cheese; fancy, large, white, 11½c; fancy, large, colored, 11¼c; fancy, small, white, 10½@11½c; fancy, small, colored, 10½@11c.

EGGS—Receipts, 16,226 packages; steady; storage, western at mark, 12½@13c; western regular packing at mark, 12¼@12½c; southern at mark, 11@12½c.

METALS—The market for metals today was active. Cables from London averaged up rather unsatisfactory. Under the influence tin eased off a partial 10@25 points and closed quiet and easy at $31 bid and $31.25 asked. Lake copper ruled quiet and unchanged, closing at $17. Pig iron warrants were quoted officially for the first time in months at $14 and weak at that. Spelter was a shade firmer on a good export inquiry, closing at $4.75@4.80. Lead continues dull and unchanged at $4.67½ bid and $4.72½ asked. The brokers' price for lead was $4.45 and for copper $17.25@17.50.

## OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

**Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.**

EGGS—Receipts, liberal; fresh stock, 10½c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 8½c; roosters, according to age and size, 5@7c; ducks, 7½c; geese, 7½c; turkeys, 8c.

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

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 pike, 6c; scaled and dressed perch, 6c; ciscoes, 6c; medium dressed trout, 7½c; croppie, 7½c; pickerel, 7½c; finnan haddies, 7½c; white fish, 9c; yellow pike, dressed, 8c; 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—Per 1-3 bu. box, $1.50.

NEW TURNIPS—Per doz. bunches, 50c.

SPINACH—Per box, $1.

NEW BEETS—Per doz. bunches, 35@40c.

LETTUCE—Per doz. bunches, 35@40c; fancy head lettuce, per bbl., $5.

RADISHES—Per box of six doz. bunches, $1.00.

SEED SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $2.25@2.50; Kansas, eating, $2.75.

POTATOES—Per bu., choice, 25@30c.

CABBAGE—California, per lb., 3c.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.75.

CELERY—Per doz., 25@30c; California, per bunch, 35c.

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, $1.10@1.15; red, $1.20@1.25.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Texas, per 24-qt. case, $4.00@4.50; Louisiana, per 24-pt. cases, $2.25@2.50.

APPLES—Choice western shipping stock, $4.50; New York stock, $5; fancy, $5.50.

GRAPES—Malaga, per bbl., $7.00@9.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jerseys, per bbl., $10.50; per crate, $5.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

PINEAPPLES—Per doz., $3.

ORANGES—California, fancy navels, per box, $3.50@3.75; choice navels, $3.25; Mediterranean Sweets, per box, $2.75@3.00.

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, 7½c; No. 2 green hides, 6½c; No. 1 salted hides, 8½c; No. 2 salted hides, 7½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 9c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 8c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

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

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.50.

**St. Louis Grain and Provisions.**

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 71c; track, 72½c; April, 71c; May, 70c; July, 66⅝c; No. 2 hard, 65½@66c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 38c; track, 39c; April, 38c; May, 37⅞c; July, 38⅝c.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 25½c; track, 26c; April, 25¼c; May, 24⅝c; July, 23¼c; No. 2 white, 27¼c.

RYE—Firm at 56c.

FLOUR—Dull; patents, $3.50@3.60; extra fancy, $3.15@3.25; clear, $2.70@3.00.

SEEDS—Timothy, $2.00@2.20 for ordinary; prime new to arrive, $2. Flax, nominally $1.70.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, east track, 70½@71c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $9.50@11.50; prairie $8.50.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.25½.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.30.

BAGGING—Higher at 7½@8¼c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, old, $13.00; new, $13.50. Lard, easy; prime steam, $7.05; choice, $7.10. Dry salt meats (boxed), about steady; extra shorts, $7.25; clear ribs, $7.37½; clear sides, $7.50. Bacon (boxed), about steady; extra shorts, $7.75; clear ribs, $7.87½; clear sides, $8.

METALS—Lead, firm at $4.55@4.57½. Spelter, firm at $4.60.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 7½c; turkeys, 6@8c; ducks, 8c; geese, 3@6c.

EGGS—Higher at 10c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 18@21c; dairy, 15@17c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 82,000 bu.; oats, 38,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 3,000 bu.; corn, 145,000 bu.; oats, 55,000 bu.

**Kansas City Grain and Provisions.**

KANSAS CITY, April 18.—WHEAT—May, 62c; July, 62½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 62½c; No. 3, 59@61½c; No. 2 red, 68c; No. 3, 64@67c.

CORN—May, 36¼c; July, 36¾c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 37@37¼c; No. 2 white, 37¼@37⅜c; No. 2, 37½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 26¾@27½c.

RYE—No. 2, 53c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.00@10.50; choice prairie, $7.50@7.75.

BUTTER—Creamery, 16@18c; dairy, 16c.

EGGS—Receipts moderate; trade fairly liberal; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 9½c dozen, cases returned; new white wood cases included, 10c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 13,800 bu.; corn, 13,600 bu.; oats, 23,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 22,200 bu.; corn, 8,400 bu.; oats, 12,000 bu.

**Liverpool Grain and Provisions.**

LIVERPOOL, April 18.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 1 California, 6s 5d@6s 5½d; No. 2 red western, winter, 6s 1½d. Futures quiet; April, nominal; May, 5s 10d; July, 5s 9¾d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, new, 4s 2d; futures quiet; May, 4s 1¾d; July, 4s 1d; September, 4s 2d.

PROVISIONS—Lard, American refined, in pails, steady at 28s 9d; prime western, in tierces, steady at 27s 3d. Bacon, short ribs, firm at 4s 6d.

**Toledo Market.**

TOLEDO, O., April 18.—WHEAT—Active and lower; No. 2 cash, 71½c; May, 71½c.

CORN—Dull and lower; No. 2 cash, 40½c.

OATS—Weak and lower; No. 2 cash, 24½c.

RYE—Dull and unchanged; No. 2, cash, 56c.

CLOVERSEED—Firm and unchanged; cash, prime old, $4.85; prime new, $5.10; April, $5.10; October, $5.35; No. 2, $4.50@4.55.

**Minneapolis Wheat and Flour.**

MINNEAPOLIS, April 18.—WHEAT—In store: No. 1 northern, April, 65¼c; May, 64¼@64½c; July, 65¼@65⅞c; September, 65¼@65¾c. On track: No. 1 hard, 66¼c; No. 1 northern, 65¼c; No. 2 northern, 64c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.60; second patents, $3.40; first clears, $2.65; second clears, $2.15.

BRAN—In bulk, $11.75@12.00.

**Philadelphia Produce Market.**

PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—BUTTER—Dull and easier; fancy western creamery, 18c; fancy western prints, 20c.

EGGS—Dull and ½c lower; fresh nearby, western and southwestern, 12½c; southern, 12c.

**Milwaukee Grain Market.**

MILWAUKEE, April 18.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 1 northern, 65½@67c; No. 2 northern, 63@66c.

RYE—Lower; No. 1, 55c.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 43c; sample, 38@42c.

**Peoria Market.**

PEORIA, Ill., April 18.—CORN—Lower; No. 2, 38¾c.

OATS—Easy; No. 3 white, 26c.

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

**Duluth Grain Market.**

DULUTH, April 18.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, cash, 68½c; May, 68⅝c; July, 69¼c; September, 67⅞c; No. 1 northern, cash, 66½c; May, 66⅝c; July, 67¼c; September, 66⅝c; No. 2 northern, 64½c; No. 3 spring, 61½c.

OATS—24@24½c.

CORN—36¾c.

**MOVEMENTS OF STOCKS AND BONDS.**

**Market Continues to Guess at Condition of Iron Trade.**

NEW YORK, April 18.—The uncertainties of the speculative situation were so great today that operators in stocks maintained a hesitating mood and refrained from active operations. Professional traders found it difficult to induce any following either for an advance or a decline. The street was full of discussion regarding conditions in the iron trade, upon which the movement of stocks seemed to hinge. There were plenty of authorities who were willing to be quoted in opposition to the gloomy view expressed by the chairman of the American Steel and Wire company regarding the outlook in the trade. News of concessions in some lines in the steel trade, however, seemed to sustain his views, or were perhaps the results of the expression of those views. The conflict of opinion brought no definite conclusion either way, the whole speculative situation remaining unsettled.

Prices in the general list started upward, encouraged by higher prices from London and under impulse of antagonism to the bear campaign, which is alleged to be at the bottom of the selling of iron and steel stocks. Speculators, however, lost confidence in their own views as to the insincerity of the unfavorable opinions expressed over the iron trade outlook when they saw the iron and steel stocks again manifesting acute depression. American Steel and Wire sold 1 point below last night. It did not get back above last night's price in the subsequent trading and closed 3¼ off. The net loss of the preferred was 4 points. The other iron and steel stocks were not so weak. There seemed a sort of speculative duel waging in Steel and Wire and Federal Steel, the latter stock crossing the former and closing nearly a point higher and at a net loss of only ½.

When the renewed weakness of Steel and Wire was perceived the opening advances in the general list began to be conceded. In Sugar, General Electric and some of the railroad stocks, but these maneuvers failed to attract any following or to dissipate the feeling of uncertainty. Net changes are mostly small and the closing was heavy and sluggish. The money market continued to work easier, call loans dropping to 2½ per cent in the last dealings. The subtreasury is disbursing large sums to the market and New York exchange at Chicago rose to 10c discount today, compared with 40c discount on Monday, indicating a relaxation of interior demand for currency, or perhaps a cessation of the selling of stocks for Chicago account. Sterling exchange continues to harden and therefore loans are made on sterling collateral. This means that London is taking advantage of the lower interest rates here to borrow money this market.

The bond market was rather quiet and irregular. Total sales, par value, $1,830,000. United States new 4s advanced ½ in the bid price.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The markets here were stagnant but steady today. Lord Roberts' censure of Generals Buller and Warren were much debated, but were not regarded as disturbing. Americans opened off on the break in New York yesterday and the strike and there was little London bidding. But the continent bought well. New York became unsettled, selling finally. The street closed disheartened. Norfolk & Western was again the feature, touching 46⅞ and closing at 40¼. Louisville & Nashville was heavy. It is said that a Liverpool house is in difficulties. Tintos were flat at 59⅝ on the copper statistics, but recovered to 60 on Paris support. The week's influx of gold was £139,000. Paris is inquiring in the open market, but there are no supplies. Money was again in demand. Bills were up on the rise in New York exchange. The large sum due from the bank was renewed at 5 per cent and a fair new discount business was done at 4 per cent.

The following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange today:

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|---|---|---|---|
| Atchison | 26⅝ | Union Pacific | 57⅝ |
| do pfd | 70½ | do pfd | 75⅝ |
| Baltimore & O. | 86½ | Wabash | 8⅛ |
| Can. Pacific | 96⅞ | do pfd | 23 |
| Can. Southern | 54 | Wheel. & L. E. | 10⅝ |
| Ches. & Ohio | 21⅞ | do 2d pfd | 50 |
| Chicago Gt. W. | 13¾ | Wis. Central | 17⅝ |
| C., B. & Q. | 126¼ | Third Avenue | 113 |
| Chicago, I. & L. | 26½ | Adams Express | 129 |
| do pfd | 56 | American Ex. | 145 |
| Chi. & E. Ill. | 86 | U. S. Express | 45 |
| Chicago & N.W. | 161 | Wells-Fargo Ex. | 132 |
| C., R. I. & P. | 110½ | Am. Cot. Oil | 38 |
| C. C. C. & St. L. | 62 | do pfd | 90 |
| Colo. Southern | 6 | Amer. Malting | 4 |
| do 1st pfd | 43 | do pfd | 20 |
| do 2d pfd | 16½ | Amer. S. & R. | 37½ |
| Del. & Hudson | 115½ | do pfd | 89 |
| Del. L. & W. | 176 | Amer. Spirits | 2¼ |
| Den. & R. G. | 20⅞ | do pfd | 17 |
| do pfd | 71½ | Amer. S. Hoop | 27½ |
| Erie | 13⅝ | do pfd | 78 |
| do 1st pfd | 34½ | Amer. S. & W. | 41½ |
| Gt. Nor. pfd | 159 | do pfd | 77⅝ |
| Hocking Coal | 18¼ | Amer. Tin Plate | 29 |
| Hocking Valley | 39 | do pfd | 99⅝ |
| Illinois Central | 114¼ | Am. Tobacco | 102½ |
| Ia. Central | 18 | do pfd | 133 |
| do pfd | 65 | A. Min. Co. | 48½ |
| *K. C. P. & G. | 18⅝ | Brk. Rap. Tr. | 73⅝ |
| L. E. & W. | 31 | Colo. F. & I. | 43¾ |
| do pfd | 94 | Con. Tobacco | 28⅞ |
| Lake Shore | 200 | do pfd | 81⅝ |
| Louis. & Nash. | 84¼ | Federal Steel | 42⅝ |
| Manhattan L. | 94¼ | do pfd | 69⅝ |
| Met. St. Ry. | 154½ | Gen. Electric | 138 |
| Mex. Central | 14½ | Glucose Sugar | 48½ |
| Minn. & St. L. | 65 | do pfd | 98 |
| do pfd | 94 | Int'nl Paper | 21 |
| Mo. Pacific | 59⅝ | do pfd | 63 |
| Mobile & Ohio | 45 | Laclede Gas | 72 |
| M., K. & T. | 11½ | Nat. Biscuit | 31½ |
| do pfd | 38 | do pfd | 88 |
| N. J. Central | 116 | National Lead | 23 |
| N. Y. Central | 135⅝ | do pfd | 104⅞ |
| Nor. & West. | 29¼ | National Steel | 39 |
| do pfd | 78 | do pfd | 90¼ |
| No. Pacific | 59⅝ | N. Y. Air Brake | 125 |
| do pfd | 76¼ | No. American | 15 |
| Ontario & W. | 24¼ | Pacific Coast | 51½ |
| Ore. Ry. & Nav. | 42 | do 1st pfd | 83 |
| do pfd | 76 | do 2d pfd | 62 |
| Pennsylvania | 137⅞ | Pacific Mail | 33½ |
| Reading | 18½ | People's Gas | 103⅝ |
| do 1st pfd | 59⅝ | Pressed S. Car | 41½ |
| do 2d pfd | 31⅝ | do pfd | 75 |
| Rio G. W. | 53½ | Pullman P. C. | 180 |
| do pfd | 87½ | S. R. & T. | 6⅛ |
| St. L. & S. F. | 10⅝ | Sugar | 106⅝ |
| do 1st pfd | 69 | do pfd | 111 |
| do 2d pfd | 36¾ | Tenn. C. & I. | 85⅝ |
| St. L. Southw. | 12 | U. S. Leather | 11⅛ |
| do pfd | 32½ | do pfd | 79½ |
| St. Paul | 121½ | U. S. Rubber | 32⅛ |
| do pfd | 172½ | do pfd | 97½ |
| **St. P. & O. | 119 | Western Union | 87 |
| So. Pacific | 39¼ | Republic I. & S. | 18½ |
| So. Railway | 13⅞ | do pfd | 61½ |
| do pfd | 38⅝ | P. C. C. & St. L. | 63 |
| Tex. & Pacific | 20⅞ | | |

*All assessments paid. **Offered.

**New York Money Market.**

NEW YORK, April 18.—MONEY—On call, easier at 2½@3½ per cent; last loan at 2½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 4½@5 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87⅝@4.87¾ for demand and at $4.84 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.88½; commercial bills, $4.83@4.83⅝.

SILVER—Certificates, 60½@61½c; bar, 59½c; Mexican dollars, 47½c.

BONDS—Government, strong; state, inactive; railroad, irregular.

The closing prices on bonds today were as follows:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| U. S. 2s, reg. | 99½ | N. Y. Central 1s | 104½ |
| *do 2s, ref. | 103 | N. J. C. gen. 5s | 123½ |
| do 3s, reg. | 109½ | No. Carolina 6s | 127 |
| do 3s, coup. | 110½ | do 4s | 106 |
| do new 4s, reg. | 132½ | No. Pacific 3s | 73½ |
| do coupon | 133½ | do 4s | 103½ |
| do old 4s, reg. | 114½ | N Y C & St L 4s | 107¼ |
| do coupon | 114½ | Nor. & W. c. 4s | 97⅞ |
| do 5s, reg. | 112½ | do gen. 6s | 124 |
| do 5s, coup. | 113½ | Ore. Nav. 1s | 108 |
| D. of C. 3-65s | 121½ | Ore. S. L. 6s | 128 |
| Atch. gen. 4s | 100¾ | do con. 5s | 112⅞ |
| do adj. 4s | 84½ | Reading gen. 4s | 98⅞ |
| Can. So. 2s | 107¼ | R. G. W. 1s | 69½ |
| C. & O. 4½s | 106 | St. L. & I. M. c. 5s | 110½ |
| do 5s | 120⅝ | do gen. 6s | 121 |
| C. & N. W. c. 7s | 138 | St. Paul con. | 172 |
| do S. F. deb. 5s | 122 | St. P. C. & P. 1s | 120 |
| Chicago Ter. 4s | 97 | do 5s | 121 |
| D. & R. G. 4s | 104 | So. Railway 5s | 113 |
| *do 4s | 89⅝ | So. Pacific 4s | 103 |
| E. T. V. & G. 1s | 102¼ | S. R. & T. 6s | 72¾ |
| Erie gen. 4s | 74 | Tenn. n. s. 3s | 75¼ |
| F. W. & D. C. 1s | 72 | Texas & Pac. 1s | 112 |
| Gen. Electric 5s | 117½ | do 2s | 60 |
| G. H. & S. A. 6s | 109½ | Union Pacific 4s | 106 |
| do 2s | 107 | Wabash 1s | 118 |
| H. & T. C. 5s | 109 | do 2s | 103 |
| do 6s | 109 | Wabash Short 4s | 114½ |
| Ia. Central 1s | 114½ | Wis. Central 1s | 92 |
| K. C., P. & G. 1s | 92½ | Va. Centuries | 91½ |
| La. B. c. 4s | 108¼ | do deferred | 5 |
| L. & N. uni. 4s | 109½ | Colo. So. 4s | 84½ |
| M., K. & T. 2s | 69 | So. Pacific 4s | 84½ |
| do 4s | 93½ | | |

*When issued. **Offered.

**Foreign Financial.**

BERLIN, April 18.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash in hand, increase, 18,000,000 marks; treasury notes, increase, 540,000 marks; other securities, decrease, 66,560,000 marks; notes in circulation, decrease, 72,420,000 marks. Business on the bourse today was undecided, this being partly due to realizations in mine shares and partly in view of the approaching settlement and the uncertainty in regard to the money market. Spanish 4s were good, as a result of the conversion scheme. Exchange on London, 20m 52pfg for checks. Discount rates: Short bills, 4¼ per cent; three months' bills, 4½ per cent.

PARIS, April 18.—Business opened firm on the bourse today, but later weakness in rentes there caused a decline. Rio tintos hesitated in small transactions, but there was a recovery before the close. Spanish stocks were harder on improved rates of exchange. Rio tintos were offered on the increase in the visible supply. De Beers mines opened weak, but recovered sharply. Kaffirs were firm. Three per cent rentes, 101f 20c for the account; exchange on London, 25f 19c for checks; Spanish 4s closed at 73.72½.

LONDON, April 18.—The weakness in Wall street yesterday, together with a lack of public support here, tended at first to check American securities, but the market quickly recovered and became fairly strong. Trading was not active, owing to the settlement. The closing tone was firm, with a moderate demand. Spanish 4s closed at 72½. Gold premiums are quoted as follows: Buenos Ayres, 127.30; Madrid, 28.85; Lisbon, 43.50; Rome, 6.70.

**Boston Stock Quotations.**

BOSTON, April 18.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per per cent; time loans, 4@5 per cent. Closing prices for stocks, bonds and mining shares:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| A., T. & S. F. | 26⅝ | Union Land | 2 |
| do pfd | 70½ | West End | 93 |
| Amer. Sugar | 106½ | West. Electric | 45 |
| do pfd | 111 | Atchison 4s | 100¼ |
| Bell Telephone | 317 | N. E. G. & C. 5s | 68⅞ |
| Boston & Al. | 211 | Adventure | 4½ |
| Boston Elevated | 144 | Allouez Min. Co. | 2 |
| Bos. & Maine | 190 | Amal. Copper | 93 |
| C., B. & Q. | 126⅝ | Atlantic | 25 |
| Dominion Coal | 41½ | Boston & Mont. | 313 |
| do pfd | 115½ | Butte & Boston | 55 |
| Federal Steel | 42⅝ | Cal. & Hecla | 746 |
| do pfd | 70 | Centennial | 21 |
| Fitchburg pfd | 131½ | Franklin | 15½ |
| Gen. Electric | 138 | Osceola | 67½ |
| do pfd | 196 | Parrot | 15¼ |
| Ed. Elec. Ill. | 206 | Quincy | 138 |
| Mex. Central | 14⅝ | Santa Fe Cop. | 5¾ |
| N. E. G. & C. | 18 | Tamarack | 190 |
| Old Colony | 207 | Utah Mining | 4½ |
| Old Dominion | 109⅞ | Winona | 4½ |
| Rubber | 32 | Wolverines | 40¼ |
| Union Pacific | 57½ | | |

**New York Mining Quotations.**

NEW YORK, April 18.—The following are closing quotations for mining shares today:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Chollar | 10 | Ontario | 800 |
| Crown Point | 15 | Ophir | 73 |
| Con. Cal. & Va. | 160 | Plymouth | 12 |
| Deadwood | 60 | Quicksilver | 150 |
| Gould & Curry | 26 | do pfd | 700 |
| Hale & Norcross | 38 | Sierra Nevada | 50 |
| Homestake | 5000 | Standard | 345 |
| Iron Silver | 66 | Union Con. | 39 |
| Mexican | 31 | Yellow Jacket | 30 |

**London Stock Quotations.**

LONDON, April 18.—4 p. m.—Closing:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cons., money | 101 1-16 | Pennsylvania | 78¾ |
| do acct | 101 5-16 | Reading | 9⅞ |
| Can. Pacific | 99⅝ | No. Pacific pfd. | 73¼ |
| Erie | 14½ | Atchison | 27⅝ |
| do 1st pfd. | 42¾ | L. & N. | 84⅝ |
| Illinois Central | 118 | Grand Trunk | 8⅝ |
| U. P. pfd. | 77½ | Anaconda | 10⅝ |
| St. Paul, com. | 124⅝ | Rand Mines | 36⅞ |
| N. Y. Central | 139 | | |

BAR SILVER—Steady at 27⅝d per ounce.

MONEY—3@3½ per cent; the rate of discount in the open market for short bills, 4 per cent; for three months' bills, 4@4¼ per cent.

**Financial Notes.**

CHICAGO, April 18.—Clearings, $23,177,470; balances, $2,164,604; posted exchange, $4.84½@4.88½; New York exchange, 10c discount.

PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—Clearings, $18,075,812; balances, $2,751,300.

BALTIMORE, April 18.—Clearings, $3,740,739; balances, $506,313; money, 4½@5 per cent.

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—Clearings, $5,311,985; balances, $450,116; money, 5@7 per cent; New York exchange, 25c discount bid, 10c discount asked.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Clearings, $223,638,868; balances, $15,748,198.

BOSTON, April 18.—Clearings, $23,893,421; balances, $3,093,274.

**Condition of the Treasury.**

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve