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Sudden Break of Ninety Cents Occurs in Pork.

WHEAT TRADE CHIEFLY PROFESSIONAL

Corn Market Moderately Active While Undertone is Easy—Oats Rule Dull and Fluctuate, Closing Somewhat Lower.

CHICAGO, March 21.—A break of 90c in May pork was the feature on 'change today. This commodity closed 55c lower, while lard closed a shade and ribs 50@75c higher. Yesterday's serious war talk was unconfirmed and this had a depressing effect on wheat, which closed at a decline of 5¢. Corn closed 1¢ and oats ¼c lower.

The provisions market opened strong on light hog receipts and higher prices at the stock yards, May pork 150@20c higher at $17.05@17.10. Selling by brokers said to be acting for Armour, who is popularly believed to be in a position to control the market, started realizing by other longs and May broke on an excited market to $16.20. The market paused for 10c and 15c recoveries on the way down, but these rallies were mere incidents. Meanwhile Armour was an open buyer of ribs, his purchases being approximated at 2,000,000 pounds. This, together with the readiness of the market to absorb pork at the decline, caused a gradual reaction in May pork to $16.45. The close was 55c under yesterday at $16.35. May lard sold between $7.85 and $7.95 and closed a shade up at $7.87½, while May ribs fluctuated between $7.70 and $7.85, with the close 50@75c higher at $7.75@7.77½. Armour is still believed to control the market and some traders took the long side on the decline.

Wheat was only moderately active, the trade being chiefly of a professional character. At the opening yesterday's rumor of a clash between the Russians and English at Tien Tsin remained unconfirmed. Easier cables from Liverpool were in line with the supposition that the report was either unfounded or exaggerated. Northwest receipts were liberal and in addition to this bearish array of facts the Price Current estimated the wheat in farmers' hands at 46,000,000 bushels more than the government approximation and the warehouse stocks at 47,000,000 bushels more than appears at the points of which the official visible supply statement takes cognizance. May opened ¼c lower at 76¾c to 76¾c, but sold to 75¾c on a recovery of 1¼c at Antwerp. This was followed by a dip to 76⅛@76⅝c and a further recovery to 76⅞c. Liberal primary receipts, small seaboard clearances and a report that the trouble between Russia and England had been settled amicably induced further selling and May dropped to 76¼c, closing heavy, ⅝c under yesterday at 76⅛@76¼c. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 183,000 bushels. Primary receipts aggregated 657,000 bushels, compared with 679,000 bushels last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 377 cars, against 257 last week and 708 a year ago. Local receipts were 112 cars, none of contract grade.

Corn was moderately active, while the undertone of the market seemed easy. May advanced for a small gain early with the pork strength and broke later in sympathy with the latter commodity. Moderate buying by commission houses at the decline caused a slight recovery toward the end of the session. May sold between 41⅝c and 41¾c and closed ⅛c lower at 41¼c. Receipts were 279 cars, 54 of contract grade.

Oats were dull, fluctuating in sympathy with corn. May sold between 25⅛c and 24⅞@24⅝c and closed ¼c lower at 24⅝c. Leading bears were the best sellers and as the demand came mostly from small scalpers the decline was accomplished. Receipts were 162 cars.

Estimated receipts tomorrow: Wheat, 70 cars; corn, 235 cars; oats, 170 cars; hogs, 22,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Mar.	75⅝	75⅝	75	75¼	75⅞
April	76	76	75⅝	75½	76
May	76⅝@76⅞	76¼	76⅛	76⅛@⅛	76⅞@77
*Corn—					
Mar.	....	....	....	39⅞	40
May	41¼@⅜	41⅜	41⅛	41¼	41⅞
July	41⅝@¾	41½	41¼	41⅜	41½
*Oats—					
May	25@⅛	25¼	24⅞@25	24⅞	25⅛
July	24¾	24⅞	24½@⅝	24⅝	....
Pork—					
May	17 05	17 10	16 20	16 35	16 90
July	15 50	15 52½	15 00	15 00	15 40
Lard—					
May	7 90	7 95	7 85	7 87½	7 87½
July	7 95	7 95	7 85	7 87½	7 87½
Sept.	8 00	8 00	7 90	7 92½	7 95
Ribs—					
May	7 80	7 85	7 70	7 77½	7 70
Sept.	7 77½	7 77½	7 67½	7 70	7 67½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.60@3.80; straights, $3.20@3.50; clears, $2.90@3.20; spring specials, $4.20; patents, $3.90@3.75; straights, $3.00@3.30; bakers, $2.20@2.50.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, 68½@74c; No. 2 red, 75@77½c.

CORN—No. 2, 40¼c; No. 2 yellow, 40¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 25⅝@26c; No. 2 white, 28@28¼c; No. 3 white, 27½@28½c.

RYE—No. 2, 53c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 47c; fair to choice malting, 52@55c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.35½; No. 1 northwestern, $1.56½; prime timothy, $4.25; clover, contract grade, $16.65@16.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $16.20@16.25. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.90@7.92½. Short ribs sides (loose), $7.70@7.90. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $6.50@6.75. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.12½@8.25.

WHISKY—Basis of high wines, $1.27.

The receipts and shipments today were as follows:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	25,000	50,000
Wheat, bu	115,000	19,000
Corn, bu	245,000	138,000
Oats, bu	229,000	169,000
Rye, bu	8,000	8,000
Barley, bu	26,000	4,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was dull; creameries, 15@22c; dairies, 11@18c. Cheese, fairly active, 10¼@11¼c. Eggs, fairly active; fresh, 11¼c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 21.—FLOUR—Receipts, 17,751 bbls.; exports, 4,421 bbls.; market quiet and easy. Minnesota patents, $4.00@4.30; Minnesota bakers, $3.00@3.25; winter patents, $4.00@4.35; winter straights, $3.45@3.55; winter extras, $2.45@2.80; winter low grades, $2.45@2.60. Rye flour, dull; fair to good, $2.80@3.15; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.45. Buckwheat flour, quiet, $2.10@2.15.

BUCKWHEAT—Dull at 60@62c, c. i. f., New York.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, 91c; city, 90c; Brandywine, $2.45@2.50.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 61c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 56@56½c, c. i. f., cariots.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 46@48½c, c. i. f., New York; malting, 62@70c.

BARLEY MALT—Dull; western, 65@72c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 81,900 bu.; exports, 75,250 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2 red, 81¾c, f. o. b., afloat, and 80¾c, elevator; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 90¾c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard, Duluth, 92¾c, f. o. b., afloat. Options were generally weaker all day, reflecting less warlike conditions abroad, English cables, small seaboard clearances, favorable home crop conditions, liquidation and a small export business. Closed easy at ⅝@¾c net decline. March closed at 80¾c; May, 80 9-16@81 1-16c, closed at 80¾c; July, 80¾@80¾c, closed at 80¾c; September, 79½@80c, closed at 79¾c.

CORN—Receipts, 117,975 bu.; exports, 100,092 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 49c, elevator, and 48c, f. o. b., afloat. Options opened steady on small western receipts, eased off later with wheat, but recovered on a fair export trade, closing steady at ⅛c net decline. March closed at 49c; May, 46⅝@46⅞c, closed at 46⅝c; July, 46¼@46⅜c, closed at 46¼c; September, 46 7-16@46½c, closed at 46¼c.

OATS—Receipts, 223,900 bu.; exports, 41,838 bu. Spot, steady; No. 2, 30¾c; No. 3, 30c; No. 2 white, 33¼@33½c; No. 3 white, 32¾c; track mixed western, 30@31½c; track white, 32@36c. Options, slow but fairly steady.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1900 crop, 11@13c; old olds, 2@6c; Pacific coast, 1900 crop, 16@19c; 1899, 11@12c; old olds, 2@6c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 77½@80c; good to choice, 85@95c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18@18½c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 18½@19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14@14½c.

LEATHER—Firm; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 24@25c; acid, 23½@24½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $10.50@11.50; mess, $8.50@9.00; beef hams, $18.50@19.50; packet, $9.50@10.00; extra India mess, $15.00@16.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $8.00@10.00; pickled shoulders, $6.50@6.75; pickled hams, $9.25@9.75. Lard, steady; western steamed, $8.20; refined, firmer; continent, $8.40; South America, $9; compound, $5.62½@5.75. Pork, irregular; family, $18.00@16.50; short clear, $15.00@17.00; mess, $15.50@16.50.

TALLOW—Firm; city ($2 per pkg.), 4¾c; country, (pkgs. free), 4⅝@4¾c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3¾@5¾c.

BUTTER—Receipts, 2,829 pkgs.; strong; fresh creamery, 16@22½c; held creamery, 13@19½c; factory, 10@14½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 1,766 packages; firm; fancy large colored and white, 11@11¼c; fancy, small colored, 12½c; fancy, small white, 12@12¼c.

EGGS—Receipts, 14,902 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, at mark, 13½c; western at mark, 13c; southern at mark, 12@12¾c.

POULTRY—Alive, active and firm; fowls, 11½c; chickens, 10½c; turkeys, 11½c; dressed, steady and unchanged.

METALS—General conditions prevalent in local metal circles were rather of an unsatisfactory nature. Today's market was almost entirely lacking of speculative energy and trading was confined to a small hand-to-mouth business. Tin was about 15 points lower than the close of last night, as the result of disappointing cable advices and the bearish average to statistics in this country for that metal. The market, however, ruled dull all day, closing dull at $25.25. The London market reported a loss of 12s 6d, to £113 7s 6d for spot and £111 5s on futures. Copper was quoted at $17 and $16.62½ was the current basis for casting and electrolytic. A decline of 2s 6d was shown in London, spot closing at £68 13s 9d and futures at £69 9s 6d. Lead remains dull and unchanged at $4.37½. Spelter, though indicating a weak undercurrent of sentiment, was nominally unchanged and quoted at $3.87½@3.92½. American iron markets were practically at a standstill and prices remain nominally unchanged. At Glasgow warrants closed at 72s 4d.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts liberal; good stock, 10½@11c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 6½@7c; young, staggy and old roosters, 5@6c; ducks, 6½@7c; geese, 6½@7c; turkeys, 6@7c.

FRESH DRESSED POULTRY—Hens, 7½@8c; roosters, 4@6c; ducks, 8@8½c; geese, 8@8½c; turkeys, lightweight, 9@10c; heavy, 7@8c.

GAME—Mallard ducks, per doz., $2.75@3.00; teal, $1.25@1.50; mixed, $1.25@1.50.

BUTTER—Common to fair, weak at 13c; choice, 14@15c; separator, 22c.

CHEESE—Full cream, twins, 9½c; young, small packed, New York cream, per can, 28c; extra selects, 32c; standards, 25c; medium, 20c. Second grade, slack filled, New York counts, per can, 20c; extra selects, 28c; standards, 20c; bulk standards, per gal., $1.25.

FROZEN FRESH FISH—Black bass, 18c; white bass, 10c; bluefish, 11c; ballheads, 10c; blue fins, 7c; catfish, 12c; cod, 9c; cropple, 10c; ciscoes, 7c; halibut, 11c; herring, 4@5c; haddock, 9c; mackerel, 15c; perch, 5@7c; pickerel, 7c; pike, 9c; red snapper, 10c; salmon, 14c; sunfish, 8c; smelts, 19c; trout, 10c; whitefish, 8c.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., $1.

VEALS—Choice, 9@10c.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers' association: Choice upland, $8; No. 1 upland, $7.50; medium, $7; coarse, $6.50. Rye straw, $5. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair. Receipts, 10 cars.

OATS—No. 2 white, 28c.

CORN—No. 3, 35c.

BRAN—$15.

VEGETABLES.

SPINACH—Per bu. box, 75c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $1.50@2.00, as to size.

RADISHES—Per bu., 40c.

TURNIPS—Per bu. basket, 50c.

BEETS—Per bu., 40c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 40c.

LETTUCE—Per bu., 35@40c.

RADISHES—Per doz., 30@35c.

PARSLEY—Per doz., 35c.

POTATOES—Per bu., 45@65c; Idaho, 50@60c; Colorado, 75c.

SEED POTATOES—Early Ohios, 55@60c; Red River Valley, 50c; Triumph, $1.10.

SWEET POTATOES—Per bbl., $1.75.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, per lb., 1¾@2c.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crate, $4; Mexicans, per 4-basket crate, $2.50.

ONIONS—Ohio, per bu., $1.75.

CELERY—California, as to size, 50@75c; Kalamazoo, 25@30c.

CAULIFLOWER — California, per crate, $2.50.

BEANS—Wax, per bu., $3.50; string, per bu., $3.25.

EGG PLANT—Per bu. box, $2.75.

PEPPERS—Per bu. box, $2.

FRUITS.

STRAWBERRIES—Florida, per qt., 35@40c.

GRAPES—Malaga, per keg, $7.50@9.00.

APPLES—Per bbl., $4.25; Washington, per bu. box, $1.75; Bellflowers, $1.90.

CRANBERRIES—Bell and Bugle, $9 per bbl.; Jerseys, per bbl., $8.50; per crate, $3.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES — California seedlings, $2.00@2.25; navels, $2.75@3.25.

LEMONS—California, extra fancy, $3.25@3.50; choice, $3.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $1.75@2.25.

FIGS—California, new cortons, 75c; layers, 65c; imported, per lb., 12@13c.

DATES—Persian, in 60-lb. boxes, 5¢irs, 5¢ per lb.; Halloween, 5½c per lb.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—English walnuts, per lb., 13c; filberts, per lb., 13c; almonds, per lb., 18@20c; raw peanuts, per lb., 5@5½c; roasted, 6½@7½c; Brazils, 13c; pecans, 10@12c; cocoanuts, each, 4½c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 5½c; No. 2 green, 4½c; No. 1 salted, 6½c; No. 2 salted, 5½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, 8@13c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.25.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, March 21.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 73¼c; track, 75¼@75½c; May, 74¼c; July, 72¾c; No. 2 hard, 71½@72½c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 39¼c; track, 39¾c; May, 39⅝c; July, 40c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 26c; track, 26½@26¾c; May, 26c; July, 24½c; No. 2 white, 28½c.

RYE—Quiet, 52c.

SEEDS—Timothy, steady; average receipts, $3.75@4.00; prime worth more; flax, $1.51.

FLOUR—Steady; patents, $3.55@3.75; extra fancy and straight, $3.15@3.85; clear, $2.70@2.90; low grades, $2.20@2.50.

CORNMEAL—Steady at $2.05.

BRAN—Steady to firm; sacked, east track, 78c.

HAY — Firmer; timothy, $8.00@12.50; prairie, $7.75@8.00.

WHISKY—Steady at $1.27.

IRON COTTONTIES—$1.00.

BAGGING—7@7¾c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS — Pork, lower; jobbing, $16.75. Lard, higher at $7.75. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed lots, extra shorts, $7.75; clear ribs, $7.87½; clear sides, $8. Bacon, steady; boxed lots, extra shorts, $8.37½; clear ribs, $8.62½; clear sides, $8.75.

METALS—Lead, firm; $4.22½. Spelter, dull, $3.72½.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 7½@8c; turkeys, 7c; ducks, 9c; geese, 4@5c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 16@22c; dairy, 14@15c.

EGGS—Higher, 10¾c, cases returned.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 4,000 bbls.; wheat, 59,000 bu.; corn, 37,000 bu.; oats, 31,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 6,000 bbls.; wheat, 75,000 bu.; corn, 86,000 bu.; oats, 30,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, March 21.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 1 California, 6s 3¼d; No. 2 red western, winter, 6s; No. 1 northern, spring, 6s 3d. Futures, quiet; May, 6s 1¼d; July, 6s 1¼d.

CORN—Spot, firm; American mixed, new, 3s 10½d; American mixed, old, 4s 1¼d. Futures, quiet; May, 3s 10¼d; July, 3s 9¾d; September, 3s 10½d.

PEAS—Canadian, steady, 5s 7¼d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, steady, 5s 6d.

PROVISIONS—Beef, easy; extra India mess, 61s 3d. Pork, steady; prime mess western, 63s. Hams, short cut, 11 to 16 lbs., strong, 44s. Lard, American refined, in pails, strong, 41s 3d; prime western, in tierces, strong, 40s 9d. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs., strong, 43s 9d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., strong, 43s 3d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs., firm, 42s 9d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., 39s 9d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., firm, 39s 3d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., strong, 45s 6d; shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., firm, 35s 9d.

HOPS—At London, steady; California, £4; Oregon, £4 4s@£4 12s.

BUTTER—Dull; finest United States, 90s; good United States, 68s.

CHEESE—Dull; American finest white and colored, 48s.

TALLOW—Prime city, dull, 24s 6d; Australian in London, dull, 26s 8d.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 21.—WHEAT—May, 67½c; July, 67¾@67⅞c; cash, No. 2 hard, 68½@71c; No. 3, 67@68c; No. 2, 71@71½c; No. 3, 66@70c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 39¼c; track, 39¾c; May, 39⅝c; July, 40c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 26c; track, 26½@26¾c; May, 26c; July, 24½c; No. 2 white, 28½c.

RYE—Quiet, 52c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $10.50@11.00; choice prairie, $8.50@9.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, 17@20c; dairy, fancy, 16c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 10½c, loss off, cases returned; new whitewood cases included, ½c more.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 49,600 bu.; corn, 9,600 bu.; oats, 3,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 50,500 bu.; corn, 34,000 bu.; oats, 8,000 bu.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 21.—WHEAT—Cash, 74¾c; May, 74¾@75c; July, 76¼c; on track, No. 1 hard, 76¾c; No. 1 northern, 74¾c; No. 2 northern, 69¾@71¾c.

FLOUR—Steady; first patents, $4.05@4.15; second patents, $3.95@4.05; first clears, $3.00@3.10; second clears, $2.00@2.10.

BRAN—In bulk, $13.25@13.50.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 21.—BUTTER—Firm; fancy western creamery, 22½c; fancy western prints, 22c; exceptional lots, 23c; fancy nearby, 22c.

EGGS—Firm and ½c higher; fresh nearby, western and southwestern, 13c; fresh southern, 12½@12¾c.

CHEESE—Firm and fair demand; New York full cream, fancy small, 12¼c; New York full cream, fair to choice, 10¾@12c.

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, March 21.—WHEAT—Weak; cash, 73½c; May, 80¼c; July, 78¾c.

CORN—Dull but firm; cash, 41c; May, 42c.

OATS—Steady; cash, 28c; May, 26¾c.

RYE—53½c.

CLOVERSEED—1800 prime, $6.50; cash and March, $6.65; October, $6.60.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 21.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, 76@76½c; No. 2 northern, 72@73½c.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 53½c.

BARLEY—Higher; No. 2, 56@58c; sample, 46@55c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, March 21.—CORN—Higher; No. 2, 40c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 white, 27½c track.

WHISKY—On the basis of $1.27 for finished goods.

MOVEMENTS IN STOCKS AND BONDS.

Renewed Buying Checks Market and General Recovery Occurs.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The heavy selling by speculators to realize, which carried the whole market down yesterday, was checked today and there were general recoveries and a showing of net gains for the day in a majority of cases. There was continued pressure on the market at the opening of business and it was emphasized by the depression in the London market on account of uneasiness over the Tien Tsin affair and fears of harder money there. But there was renewed buying of some stocks of such proportions and conducted with such confidence as to discourage the selling and the subsequent rally was helped by the demand from quite an extended short interest left uncovered after yesterday's operations for the decline.

The speculative leaders were very active in their efforts to cause a resumption of the strong bull market which has recently prevailed. They were only partly successful, although they had the assistance of a report late in the session that the Anglo-Russian difficulty had been settled. A number of stocks were fairly buoyant during the day and others were markedly strong, but the advances were not all well held and there were frequent reactions after the recovery had set in. Burlington was in demand from the shorts and there was a combined upward movement at one time in the grangers, Pacifics and Southwesterns. Heavy realizing met this advance and difficulty was encountered, especially in the case of Missouri Pacific, in upward course. The Eries were the conspicuous feature of the later market and were lifted from 2½ to 5 points, the latter second preferred, on enormous buying. Recently reports of dividend action were all revived. The Wabash securities were in good demand, the preferred rising 1¾ over last night. The movement in the Eries helped all the coalers. Sugar shot up 3½ points and People's Gas and Tobacco had their periods of strength.

The International Paper stocks were very strong, rising 2¼@4¼ for the common and the preferred 7. There was quite a long list of minor railroad stocks which moved up from 1 to 4⅝, including Chicago Great Western and the preferred A, the Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville stocks, the Texas Central stocks, the Minneapolis & St. Louis stocks, Lake Erie & Western, Peoria & Eastern and the New York, Chicago & St. Louis stocks. North American advanced 6¼ over last night. Amalgamated Copper was strong on the regular dividend declared today. The Steel stocks were decidedly quiet and moved narrowly, but recovered to some extent from early heaviness. Notwithstanding this quite impressive showing of strength there was no renewal of the universal upward movement which affected the whole market at times during the past few days. The weakness of the Brooklyn Transit had a somewhat unsettled effect and American Snuff preferred broke 4½.

That there is some latent uneasiness over the money outlook is shown by the eager discussion over the possibility that the secretary of the treasury will redeem government bonds and thus benefit the money market. The excess of government receipts over government expenditures thus far this month is only about half that for the corresponding period of last year, but it was not until after March 14 that the heavy disbursements on account of pensions and funded bonds began last year and it is beginning to be perceived that the money market will keenly feel the lack of some such source of replenishment this year. The possibility of war between European nations draws attention to the international exchange situation. Today discount rates hardened in London again and sterling exchange here rose to a higher level, while call loan rates ruled from 2½ to 3 per cent.

The railroad bond market continues very active, many new issues coming into prominence today. The price movement was irregular. Total sales, par value, $9,255,000. United States refunding 2s advanced ¼ and old 4s declined ⅛ per cent on the last call.

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

Atchison	69½	Wabash	18⅜
do pfd	94⅜	do pfd	76½
Baltimore & O	92⅜	Wheel. & L. E	15
Canadian Pac	94¼	do 2d pfd	31
Canada So	61¼	Wis. Central	19½
Ches. & Ohio	46⅜	Third Avenue	122½
Chicago G. W	22⅞	B. & O. pfd	91¾
C. B. & Q	136⅜	*National Tube	39
Ch. Ind. & L	36⅝	do pfd	113
do pfd	72½	Adams Ex	155
Chi. & E. Ill	115½	American Ex	194
C. & N. W	178½	U. S. Ex	72
C. R. I. & P	129¼	Wells-Fargo Ex	138
C. C. C. & St. L	77¼	Amer. Cot. Oil	36
Colorado Sou	11⅞	do pfd	91
do 1st pfd	69¾	Amer. Malting	5⅝
do 2d pfd	30¼	do pfd	27
Del. & Hudson	165¾	Amer. S. & R	58
Del. L. & W	195½	do pfd	86⅞
Denver & R. G	40½	**Amer. Spirits	1½
do pfd	91⅝	**do pfd	17
Erie	34⅝	*Amer. S. Hoop	43½
do 1st pfd	69¾	*do pfd	108⅝
Gt. Nor. pfd	201½	*Amer. Tin P	70⅜
Hocking Coal	17¼	**do pfd	114⅝
Hocking Valley	53½	Amer. Tobacco	128
Illinois Central	136¼	do pfd	141
Iowa Central	34	Am. Wool. Co	45¾
do pfd	92¼	Brooklyn R. T	84½
Lake Erie & W	52	Colo. Fuel & I	49⅜
do pfd	121	Con. Tobacco	45¾
Lake Shore	210¾	do pfd	104
L. & N	96⅝	*Federal Steel	48⅜
Manhattan L	126	**do pfd	90½
Met. St. Ry	166⅝	Gen. Electric	214
Mex. Central	24⅜	Glucose Sugar	47
Minn. & St. L	86⅞	do pfd	94
do pfd	112½	Inter. Paper	24⅞
Mo. Pacific	100	do pfd	77½
*Mobile & Ohio	80⅝	Laclede Gas	81½
M. K. & T	24½	National Biscuit	42½
do pfd	58⅞	do pfd	96
N. J. Central	146⅜	National Lead	15⅜
N. Y. Central	146⅜	do pfd	82½
Norfolk & W	51¼	*National Steel	52½
do pfd	85	***do pfd	113⅝
No. Pacific	88¾	N. Y. Air Brake	158
do pfd	88⅞	No. American	82½
Ontario & W	37⅜	Pacific Coast	55
Or. Ry. & N	42	do 1st pfd	90
**do pfd	76	do 2d pfd	80
Pennsylvania	152¼	Pacific Mail	43⅜
Reading	73¾	People's Gas	107⅜
do 1st pfd	73¾	Pressed S. Car	35¼
do 2d pfd	45⅞	do pfd	76
Rio G. W	25	Pullman P. Car	203
do pfd	97¼	S. R. & T	4
St. L. & S. F	42⅝	Sugar	143¼
do 1st pfd	85	do pfd	123½
do 2d pfd	83⅝	Tenn. Coal & I	56½
St. L. Southw	33¼	U. S. Leather	13
do pfd	63¼	do pfd	75
St. Paul	151⅜	U. S. Rubber	19¼
do pfd	189	do pfd	58½
St. P. & Omaha	125	Western Union	87¼
So. Pacific	45⅜	Amal. Copper	101⅜
So. Railway	29⅝	Republic I. & S	16⅜
do pfd	78⅜	do pfd	96⅞
Tex. & Pacific	32	P. C. C. & St. L	61½
Union Pacific	93⅜	do pfd	85⅜
do pfd	85⅜		

*Trust receipts. **Nominal. ***Trust receipts and ex-dividend.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: The stock market was generally weak in the early hours today on the imbroglio with Russia, but prices hardened later on some reassuring private messages which were received in the city from St. Petersburg. It was noted and it is notable that Russian securities were not affected in any way. Japanese securities, however, were flat. London is taking a more serious view of the Corean dispute than it is of the clash at Tien Tsin. Consols were 95⅛ at one time today, the lowest since January, 1892. The close of the market was in much better tone. American stocks, depressed under the cloud of weakness in New York last night, hardened a little on the Russia message to private persons here and then were helped by the rise in New York. In the street after the close the advance in New York caused a sharp rally, especially in Erie and Northern and Union Pacifics. The call loan rate was 2¾; bills, 3¾@3⅞. The Bank of Bengal has reduced its rate from 8 to 7 per cent.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, March 21.—Bank clearings today, $1,044,855; corresponding day last year, $901,375; increase, $133,580.

PHILADELPHIA, March 21. — Clearings, $17,785,922; balances, $2,407,643. Money, 3½ per cent.

BALTIMORE, March 21. — Clearings, $4,000,337; balances, $454,726. Money, 4½@5 per cent.

BOSTON, March 21.—Clearings, $29,454,668; balances, $2,334,775.

NEW YORK, March 21.—Clearings, $346,507,316; balances, $15,736,761.

CHICAGO, March 21.—Clearings, $21,467,170; balances, $1,741,553. Posted exchange, $4.85@4.85½. New York exchange, 25c discount.

ST. LOUIS, March 21.—Clearings, $6,274,196; balances, $1,221,474. Money, easy at 5@7 per cent. New York exchanges, 25c premium bid, 25c premium asked.

CINCINNATI, March 21. — Clearings, $2,947,300. New York exchange, 15@25c discount. Money, 5@6 per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 21. — MONEY — On call, steady at 2½@3½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3½@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87⅝@4.88 for demand and at $4.84⅝@4.84⅝ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.85½ and $4.89. Commercial bills, $4.84@4.84½.

SILVER—Certificates, 61½@63c; bar, 60⅝c. Mexican dollars, 49c.

BONDS—State, inactive; government, irregular; railroad, irregular.

The closing prices on bonds today are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	106	N. Y. Central 1s	107½
do coupon	106¾	N. J. C. gen. 5s	134
do 5s, reg	111¼	No. Pacific 3s	72
do coupon	111¾	**do 4s	106
do new 4s, reg	138½	N. Y. C. & S. L. 4s	108½
do coupon	138¾	N. & W. con. 4s	106½
do old 4s, reg	113	Ore. Nav. 1s	110
do coupon	114	do 4s	104
do 5s, reg	111¾	Oregon S. L. 6s	131¾
do coupon	113½	**do consol 5s	116½
D. of C. 3s, 655	123	Reading gen. 4s	94½
Atch. gen. 4s	104⅜	Rio G. W. 1s	100⅝
do adj. 4s	94½	St L. & I M c. 5s	119
Canada So. 2s	106½	St L. & S F g. 6s	131½
C. & O. 4½s	107½	St. Paul consols	184½
do 5s	121⅜	St. P. C. & P. 1s	118
C. & N. W. 7s	140⅜	do 5s	120½
do S. F. deb. 5s	121¼	So. Pacific 4s	92⅜
Chicago Ter. 4s	97¼	So. Railway 5s	116½
Colorado So. 4s	86⅜	S. R. & T. 6s	57
D. & R. G. 4s	102¾	Texas & P. 1s	109
Erie gen. 4s	88⅝	do 2s	98
F. W. & D. C. 1s	104½	Union Pacific 4s	106
Gen. Elec. 5s	126	Wabash 1s	110¾
*Ia. Central 1s	117½	do 2s	110½
L. & N. uni. 4s	101⅜	West Shore 4s	115½
M. K. & T. 2s	80¼	Wis. Central 4s	90⅜
do 4s	98½	Va. Centuries	95½

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 21.—Call loans, 3@4 per cent; time loans, 3½@4 per cent. Official closing:

A. T. & S. F	60⅜	West End	94½
do pfd	94⅝	Westingh. Elec	63⅝
Amer. Sugar	143⅝	Atchison 4s	102¼
do pfd	121	N. E. G. & C. 5s	88
Amer. Tel	161½	Adventure	13½
Boston & Alb'y	255	Bing. Min. Co	24⅞
Boston Elevated	174	Amal. Copper	101½
Boston & Me	195	Atlantic	32
C. B. & Q	134½	Boston & Mont	353
Dominion Coal	28	Butte & Boston	102½
do pfd	110	Cal. & Hecla	855
Federal Steel	48	Centennial	28½
do pfd	101	Franklin	22½
Fitchburg pfd	144½	Humboldt	50
Gen. Electric	214½	Osceola	88½
do pfd	192	Parrot	53
Ed. Elec. Ill	245	Quincy	173
Mex. Central	24	Santa Fe Cop	8¼
N. E. G. & C	12	Tamarack	338
Old Colony	208	Utah Mining	33½
Old Dominion	35⅞	Winona	6⅞
Rubber	19½	Wolverines	51½
Union Pacific	93⅝		

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, March 21.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Consols, money	95⅜	Pennsylvania	77¾
do account	95⅞	Reading	17
Atchison	69⅜	Erie	33
Canadian Pac	97	do 1st pfd	69¼
St. Paul	135	do 2d pfd	49¼
Illinois Central	139	Grand Trunk	7⅜
Louisville	101⅜	Anaconda	9⅛
Union Pac. pfd	87	Rand Mines	41
N. Y. Central	148½		

BAR SILVER — Weak at 27 15-16d per ounce.

MONEY—3¾@4 per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3⅝@3¾ per cent and for three-months' bills 3⅝@3⅞ per cent.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, March 21.—The following are quotations on mining stocks:

Adams Con	22	Little Chief	15
Alice	35	Ontario