COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Grain Market Takes a Decline and May Stock Closes Lower.

PROVISIONS GO QUITE THE CONTRARY

Warm Weather Reports and Steady Cables, with Only Few Wheat Damage Reports, Give Market a Bearish Movement.

CHICAGO, March 19.—Weather conditions and predictions favored bears in the grain pits today and in spite of numerous crop damage reports, wheat led in a general break. At the close of the session May wheat had lost ¼c, May corn ⅝@⅝c and May oats ⅜c. Provisions went contrary to grain and closed 5c higher all around.

Early in the day, when prices were a little lower on the warm weather reports and steady cables, the local crowd took to the buying side in the wheat pit. Oklahoma and Kansas persisted in the complaining of serious damage to the winter wheat crop. One report said that the recent showers gave only temporary relief and that the wheat crop was not in good shape. Fairly bullish decreases of stocks in the northwest were reported. May wheat went off ⅛@¼c lower at 74⅛@74⅜c, advanced on fair commission trade to 75⅛c. The outsiders, however, did not buy in large enough volume to support such a market, especially in view of the bearish feeling prevailing in the southwest. Rain predictions for some of the suffering country gradually had its effect and the whole crowd changed front. Wheat broke, the crowd sold, coarse grains began to slip downward and prominent longs in wheat loosened their grip and dropped a good deal of their holdings. Early there had been much difference in the minds of traders regarding the probable course of the market, but as the market turned weak there was a general hammering at prices and May dropped to 73⅞c. There was a fair export business reported today, but exporters report the situation at the seaboard generally as discouraging. Cash business was good, No. 2 being in active demand. This, however, failed to help the market to any extent and May closed weak, ⅞c lower, at 74⅛c.

Local receipts were 22 cars, none of contract grade: Minneapolis and Duluth received 268 cars, or 290 for the three points, against 301 last week and 339 a year ago. Primary receipts were 295,000 bu., compared to 585,000 last year. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were large at 464,000 bu. The seaboard reported 26 loads taken for export.

Corn was bearish to start with on the growing bearish sentiment southwest and the good weather in that country. Although receipts today were small and estimated for tomorrow are smaller, the crowd was inclined to the belief that the better weather could not but start early grazing and thereby induce a freer movement in a short time. St. Louis reported Peoria offering cash stuff in that market, the grain trade was light and the general bearish conditions induced considerable selling. It was said that a long time May was sold freely through brokers. Most of the day corn and wheat reacted upon each other. Toward the close as wheat became some. What depressed corn broke in sympathy. May opened slightly lower and dropped to 60⅝c. There was a weak recovery late, but May closed ⅝@⅞c lower at 61⅛@61¼c. Receipts were 81 cars.

Oats were fairly steady in the face of weakness of other grains until the sharp break that carried them all down, the situation had changed little and there was still an inclination to stay out of oats by traders who expect something happen soon in May that will affect their options. May was suspected to some selling, and, although the opening was unchanged, the prices did not fluctuate for a long time there was an eventful drop to 43⅝c. May closed weak, ⅜c lower, at 43⅝c. Receipts were 48 cars.

Few early moments early in the day provisions were inclined to be easy. The hog quotation run tallied exactly with the estimate, but hogs were still firm and as a good cash demand for provisions sprang up, pit prices advanced. Scalpers sold all produces, but the offerings were all taken. Trade was not large nor was there any important feature unless it was the marked firmness shown in the face of the bad break in grains. All May options closed 5c higher. May pork at $15.42½, May lard at $9.40 and May ribs at $8.45.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 25 cars; corn, 60 cars; oats, 75 cars; hogs, 34,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
May	74⅝@¾	75⅛	73⅞	74⅛	75
July	75⅛@⅜	76	74⅝@⅞	74⅞	75⅝@⅞
Sept.	75¼	75⅝	74½	74⅝	75⅝
*Corn—					
May	61⅝@⅞	61⅞	60⅞	61⅛@¼	61⅞
July	61⅝@⅞	61⅞	60⅝@⅞	60⅞	61⅝
Sept.	58⅝	59⅞	58⅞	59⅛	60
*Oats—					
May	44⅝	44⅝	43⅛	43⅝	44⅝
July	36	36⅛@⅜	35⅝	35⅝	36 @⅛
Sept.	30⅛	30⅛@¼	29⅞	29⅞	30⅛@¼
Pork—					
May	15 37½	15 47½	15 32½	15 42½	15 37½
July	15 50	15 65	15 62½	15 62½	15 50
Lard—					
May	9 37	9 32½	9 30	9 40	9 35
July	9 47½	9 55	9 47½	9 52½	9 50
Sept.	9 60	9 67½	9 60	9 65	9 60
Ribs—					
May	8 40	8 47½	8 40	8 45	8 40
July	8 52½	8 60	8 52½	8 57½	8 52½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Market weak; winter patents, $3.80@4.00; winter straights, $3.20@3.70; clears, $3.00@3.40; spring specialts, $4; spring patents, $3.70@3.90; straights, $3.50@3.70.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 71½@74½c; No. 2 red, 81½@82½c.

OATS—No. 2, 44½@44½c; No. 2 white, 47@47½c; No. 3 white, 44½@46c.

RYE—No. 2, 58@58½c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 62@65c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.69; No. 1 northwestern, $1.72; prime timothy, $6.50; clover, contract grade, $8.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $15.30@15.35. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9.30@9.32½. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.35@8.50. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $7.12½@7.25. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.60@8.70.

WHISKY—On basis of high wines, $1.30.

The following were the receipts and shipments for the day:

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	52,000	39,000
Wheat, bu	72,000	48,000
Corn, bu	125,000	75,000
Oats, bu	160,000	102,000
Rye, bu	3,000	1,000
Barley, bu	10,000	10,000

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 20@23c; dairies, 19@23c. Cheese, firm, 11¼@12¼c. Eggs, steady; fresh, 14½@14½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 19.—FLOUR—Receipts, 31,576 bbls.; exports, 19,549 bbls; inactive and 10@15c lower to sell; winter patents, $3.95@4.30; winter straights, $3.30@3.60; Minnesota patents, $3.80@4.00; winter extras, $3.10@3.30; Minnesota bakers, $2.95@3.30; winter low grades, $2.40@3.10. Rye flour, quiet; for good, $3.25@3.40; choice to fancy, $3.50@3.75.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, $1.30; city, $1.30; Brandywine, $3.35@3.60.

RYE—Easier; No. 2 western, 63½c f. o. b. afloat; state, 60@61c c. i. f. New York car lots.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 63@65c c. i. f., New York; malting, 68@72c c. i. f. New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 888 bu.; exports, 49,029 bu. Spot, easier; No. 2 red, 86c, elevator; No. 2 red, 88c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 82½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 86½c, f. o. b. afloat. The prevailing tendency of wheat was downward all day, resulting in heavy liquidation and short account operations, all based on predictions for more rain in the southwest, including western Kansas. Easier English cables, the bearish feeling and the close was weak at ⅞c net decline. March closed at 79⅝c; May, 79 13-16@80 15-16c, closed at 80c; July, 80 3-16@81¼c, closed at 80⅝c; September 79½@80⅛c, closed at 79⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 25,000 bu.; exports, 282 bu. Spot, easy; No. 2, 66½c, elevator, and 66½c, afloat. Corn was affected by the wheat break today in spite of the small movement and closed ⅝@⅝c net lower. May, 66⅛@67c, closed at 66⅛c; July, 65⅝@66⅛c, closed at 65⅝c; September, 64⅛@65c, closed at 64⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 127,500 bu.; exports, 1,415 bu. Spot, easier; No. 2, 49@49½c; No. 2, 49c; No. 2 white, 52½@52c; No. 2 white, 52c; track white, 52@56c. Options opened steady, but like grain, closed with other grains.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice, 82½@86c.

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice, 1901 crop, 14@16½c; old, 4@8c; Pacific coast, 1901 crop, 14½@15c; 1900 crop, 10½@12½c; old, 4@8c.

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

LEATHER—Steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres, light to heavyweights, 24½@28c.

WOOL—Firm; domestic fleece, 26@32c.

RICE—Steady, domestic, fair to extra, 4⅝@6½c; Japan, 4⅝@5¼c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $12.00@12.25; mess, $10.00@10.50; beef hams, $19.50@21.00; packet, $11.00@12.00; city, extra India mess, $17.50@19.50. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 8½@9½c; pickled shoulders, 7c; pickled hams, 9½@10c. Lard, steady; western steamed, $9.75; March closed at $9.67½, nominal; refined, firm; continent, $9.85; South America, $10.40; compound, $7.75@8.00. Pork, firm; family, $16.50@17.00; short clear, $17.00@20.00; mess, $15.50@16.50.

BUTTER—Receipts, 5,665 pkgs.; firm; state dairy, 22@25c; state creamery, 22@25½c; creamery, held, 20@25½c; factory, 18@21c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 3,971 pkgs.; firm; fancy, large, full cream, fall made, colored, 12c; fancy, small, full cream, fal made, 12c; fancy, large, full cream, early made, colored, 12c; fancy, small, full cream, early made, white, 12c.

EGGS—Receipts, 9,738 pkgs.; firm; state and Pennsylvania, 16½c; western, at mark, 16⅝c.

SUGAR—Raw, quiet; fair refining, 2 29-32c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 29-32c; molasses sugar, 3 21-32c; refined, steady; crushed, 5.25c; powdered, 4.85c; granulated, 4.75c.

COFFEE—Dull; No. 7 Rio, 5⅝c.

MOLASSES—Steady; New Orleans, 34@41c.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; chickens, 10@11c; turkeys, 13c; fowls, 12½c; dressed, firm; fowls, 11½@12c; turkeys, 12½@13c.

TALLOW—Dull; city ($2 per pkg.), 6¼c; country (pkgs. free), 6¼@6⅝c.

METALS—Light offerings of spot tin and a good advance in quoted values at London caused a rise here, making closing prices for spot $26.62½. London gained 15s, ending with spot at £115 15s and futures at £112 7s 6d. Copper was ¼c lower on the inside price for lake and the outside price for electrolytic, the respective quotations being $12.00@12.37½ and $12.00@12.25. Casting was quoted at $12.00@12.25. Lead ruled steady but unchanged here at $4.12½ and unchanged in London at £11 10s. Spelter had a steady tone here and was unchanged at $4.35, whereas London was 2s 6d lower at £17 12s 6d. Iron remained steady here. Pig iron warrants closed nominal; No. 1 foundry, northern, $18.50@19.00; No. 2 foundry, northern, $18.00@19.00; No. 1 foundry, southern, $17.50@18.00; No. 2 foundry, southern soft, $17.50@18.00. Abroad prices were slightly higher, Glasgow closing at 52s 4d and Middlesborough at 46s 6d.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKETS.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Including new No. 2 cases, $4.65; cases returned, $3.90.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, 8½@9c; old roosters, 30@c; turkeys, 10@12c; ducks and geese, 8@8½c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, 12@15c; ducks, 10@11c; geese, 10@11c; chickens, 9@10c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 19c; choice dairy, in tubs, 19@21c; separator, 27@28c.

FROZEN FISH—Black bass, 18c; white bass, 10c; bluefish, 12c; bullheads, 10c; buffaloes, 7c; catfish, 12c; cod, 10c; crappies, 10½c; halibut, 11c; herring, 3c; haddock, 9c; pike, 8c; red snapper, 10c; salmon, 12c; sunfish, 6c; trout, 9c; whitefish, 8c; pickerel, 5c; fresh mackerel, each, 20@35c; smelts, 10c.

OYSTERS—Mediums, per can, 22c; standards, per can, 25c; extra selects, per can, 33c; New York counts, per can, 40c; bulk standards, per gal, $1.25; bulk, extra selects, $1.60@1.65; New York counts, per gal, $1.75.

PIGEONS—Live, per doz., 60c.

VEAL—Choice, 9@8c.

CORN—59c.

OATS—48c.

BRAN—Per ton, $18.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Hay Dealers' association: Choice upland, $8; No. 2 upland, $7; medium, $6.50; coarse, $6. Rye straw, $5. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair. Receipts, heavy.

VEGETABLES.

SEED POTATOES—Per bu., $1.25@1.50; Rose, $1.35; Triumphs, $1.

POTATOES—Northern, $1.00@1.05; Salt Lake, $1.10; Colorado, $1.10@1.20.

CARROTS—Per bu., 75c.

BEETS—Per bu. basket, 50c.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 50c; Rutabagas, per 100 lbs., $1.25.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 60c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $2.

GREEN ONIONS—Per doz., according to size of bunches, 30@90c.

LETTUCE—Head, per hamper, $2.50; hothouse, per doz., 40@40c.

PARSLEY—Per doz., 30@35c.

RADISHES—Per doz., 35c.

SWEET POTATOES—Home grown, per lb., 3c; Kansas, per bbl., $3.25.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, crated, 1¾@2c.

CAULIFLOWER—Per crate, $2.50.

ONIONS—Spanish, per crate, $2.25; Michigan, red or yellow, per lb., 3½@3½c.

CELERY—California, 40@75c.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crate, $4.50.

FRUITS.

APPLES—Ben Davis, per bbl., $4.50; Winesaps, $5; Jonathans, $5.50; Belleflowers, per box, $1.75.

PEARS—Vikers, $2.25; Lawrence, $2.25@2.50.

GRAPES—Malagas, per keg, $7.50.

CRANBERRIES—Per bbl., $7.50; per crate, $2.75.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $1.90@2.00.

FIGS—California, new crop, cartons, $1; imported, per lb., 12@14c.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—California navels, fancy, $3.50; choice, $3.25; budded, $2.75.

LEMONS—Fancy, $3.50@3.75; choice, $3.25.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.25@2.75.

MISCELLANEOUS.

NUTS—New crop walnuts, No. 1 soft shell, per lb., 12c; hard shell, per lb., 11½c; No. 2 soft shell, 10c; No. 2 hard shell, 9c; Brazils, per lb., 14c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft shell, 15c; hard shell, 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 12c; small, 10c; cocoanuts, per sack, $3.50.

HONEY—Per 24-section case, $3.

CIDER—Nehawka, per bbl., $3.25; New York, $3.50.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 5⅝c; No. 2 green, 4⅝c; No. 1 salted, 7c; No. 2 salted, 5⅝c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12½ lbs., 8c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, 8@13c; sheep pelts, 75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.25.

POPCORN—Per lb., 5c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red cash, elevator, 81½c; track, 81@82½c; May, 80⅝c; July, 73⅝@73½c; No. 2 hard, 75@77c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 60½@62c; track, 61c; May, 61c; July, 60⅝c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 cash 45½c; May, 43⅝c; July, 36⅝c; No. 2 white, 47½c.

RYE—Lower at 61c.

FLOUR—Dull and easy; red winter patents, $3.75@3.85; extra fancy and straight, $3.45@3.55; clear, $3.00@3.20.

SEEDS—Timothy, nominal at $5.00@6.00; prime worth more.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $3.20.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, 88@89½c.

HAY—Timothy, steady, $12.50@14.00; prairie, scarce, firm, not quoted.

WHISKY—Steady, $1.30.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.

BAGGING—5½@6½c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork: Higher; jobbing, $15.00 for old, $16.00 for new. Lard: Higher at $9.12½. Dry salt meats (boxed), stronger; extra shorts, $8.75; clear ribs, $8.62½; clear sides, $8.87½. Bacon (boxed), stronger; extra shorts, $9.62½; clear ribs, $9.50; clear sides, $9.75.

METALS—Lead: Firm at $4.02½@4.05. Spelter: Dull at $4.10.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 9c; turkeys, 9@11c; ducks, 9c; geese, 40@5c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 21@28c; dairy, 18@22c.

EGGS—Lower at 14c.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 5,000 bbls.; wheat, 30,000 bu.; corn, 32,000 bu.; oats, 40,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Flour, 7,000 bbls.; wheat, 8,000 bu.; corn, 67,000 bu.; oats, 21,000 bu.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, March 19.—WHEAT—Spot, red, No. 2 western winter, dull, 6s 2½d; No. 1 northern, spring, 6s 1½d; No. 1 California, firm, 6s 4d; futures, steady; March, 6s 1½d; May, 6s 1½d; July, 6s.

CORN—Spot, firm; American mixed, new, 5s 2½d; American mixed, old, 5s 3½d; futures, quiet; May, 5s 2½d; July, 5s 2d.

PEAS—Canadian, steady at 6s 9d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy winter, firm at 8s.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), firm, £3 15s@£4 10s.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; extra India mess, 50s. Pork, steady; prime mess, western, 37s. Ham, steady; short cut, 25 to 30 lbs., 37s 6d. Bacon, steady, 23s: Cumberland cut, firm; 25 to 30 lbs., 43s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., 42s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs., 45s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., 44s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., 41s 6d; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., 47s. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., steady, 32s 6d. Lard, steady; prime western, in tierces, 37s 9d; American refined, in pails, 39s 3d.

BUTTER—Firm; finest United States, 85s; good United States, 50s.

CHEESE—Firm; American finest white, 53s; American finest colored, 53s.

TALLOW—Prime city, firm, 32s 6d.

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, O., March 19.—WHEAT—Active and excited; closed weak and lower; cash, 80⅝c; May, 80⅞c; July, 77½c.

CORN—Fairly active, weak and lower; cash, 60½c; May, 61⅛c; July, 61½c.

OATS—Dull; cash, 43½c; May, 43½c; July, 36½c.

SEED—Clover, firm; cash and March, $5.47½; April, $5.35; October, $3.22½; No. 2 Alsyke, $4.60; No. 2 timothy, $2.35.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—BUTTER—Firm, ½c higher; extra western creamery, 23½c; extra nearby prints, 30c.

EGGS—Firm, ½c higher; fresh nearby, 17c; fresh western, 17c; fresh southwestern, 17c; fresh southern, 16c.

CHEESE—Firm; New York full creams, fancy small, 12⅝c; New York full creams, fair to choice, 10½@11½c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 19.—WHEAT—May, 71c; July, 71½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 71½@72c; No. 3, 73c; No. 2 red, 79½c; No. 3, 78c; No. 2 spring, 70c.

CORN—May, 61½c; September, 58½c; cash, No. 3 mixed, 62c; No. 2 white, 65c; No. 3, 63c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 47@47½c.

RYE—No. 2, 60½@61c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $14.00; choice prairie, $12.50.

BUTTER—Creamery, 23c; dairy, fancy, 20c.

EGGS—Steady; at mark, No. 2 whitewood cases included, quoted on 'change, 13c per doz.; cases returned, 12½c.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 53,600 bu.; corn, 67,300 bu.; oats, 17,000 bu.

SHIPMENTS—Wheat, 44,000 bu.; corn, 45,600 bu.; oats, 20,000 bu.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, March 19.—WHEAT—Cash, No. 1 hard, 74½c; No. 2 northern, 69½c; No. 1 northern, 71½c; May, 72½c; July, 73½c.

OATS—41c.

CORN—60½c.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—WOOL—Lower; territory and western mediums, 15@17c; fine, 11@13½c; coarse, 11@13c.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 19.—WHEAT—May, 71⅝c; July, 72⅞c; on track, No. 1 hard, 74⅞c; No. 1 northern, 72⅝@72⅞c; No. 2 northern, 70⅞c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.80@3.90; second patents, $3.70@3.80; first clears, $2.50@2.55; second clears, $2.20@2.25.

BRAN—In bulk, lower, $13.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 19.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 1 northern, 75½c; No. 2 northern, 74½c; May, 74½c.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, 60c.

BARLEY—Firm; No. 2, 65½c.

CORN—May, 61½c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, March 19.—CORN—Easy; No. 3, 59½c.

OATS—Quiet, active; No. 2 white, 45½c, billed through.

WHISKY—On the basis of $1.30 for finished goods.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market Generally Dull, Interspersed with Spectacular Movements.

NEW YORK, March 19.—It is not often that the stock market witnesses such a series of spectacular and sensational movements as it was treated to today and in rather a dull market at that. In fact the dullness in the general list was extreme and prices of the important railroad stocks moved only with the utmost reluctance.

The bond market was rather dull and irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,615,000. United States bonds were unchanged on the last call.

The Commercial Advertiser's London financial cablegram says: It was an idle holiday market today, but the tone was cheerful, due to the continued bear figeting over the Kaffir situation. Kaffir shares were inanimate, but firm. Canadian Pacific alone was in demand. Copper was down ⅜ to 53⅞ the ton. Rio tintos sold at 44⅞. Money is steady. The market is borrowing heavily because of revenue collections. Gold to the amount of £19,000 has been received from Holland. The coast offers a 3 per cent £1,000,000 loan at 97.

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

Atchison	77⅝	St. Paul pfd	190
do pfd	96½	So. Pacific	65
Baltimore & O	106⅞	So. Railway	32⅝
do pfd	96	do pfd	96⅞
Canadian Pac	115⅝	Tex. & Pacific	40
Canada So	67½	Tol., St. L. & W.	22
Ches. & Ohio	45⅝	do pfd	39⅝
Chicago & A	18½	Union Pacific	79⅝
do pfd	75	do pfd	87⅞
Chi. Ind. & L	66⅛	Wabash	23⅞
do pfd	79	do pfd	43⅛
Chi. & E. Ill	159½	Wheel. & L. E	19⅛
Chicago G. W	24⅛	do 2d pfd	81
do 1st pfd	87	W. Central	18⅝
do 2d pfd	45	do pfd	45⅝
C. & N. W	232	Adams Ex	200
C., R. I. & P	171	American Ex	230
Chi. Ter. & Tr	18⅛	U. S. Ex	110
do pfd	34⅝	Wells-Fargo Ex	196
C. C. C. & St. L	101⅝	Amal. Copper	53½
Colorado So	27	Amer. Car & F.	31⅞
do 1st pfd	71⅝	do pfd	89½
do 2d pfd	42⅛	Amer. Lin. Oil	24⅝
Del. & Hudson	172⅛	do pfd	56
Del. L. & W	284	Amer. S. & R.	46⅛
Denver R. G.	43⅝	do pfd	98⅛
do pfd	91½	Anac. Min. Co	30⅞
Erie	37	Brooklyn R. T.	66⅝
do 1st pfd	69	Colo. Fuel & I	102
do 2d pfd	55⅝	Con. Gas	224
Gt. Nor. pfd	184⅛	Col. Tow. pfd	113⅝
Hock. Valley	70⅝	Gen. Electric	218
do pfd	96	Hocking Coal	17
Illinois Central	139⅝	Inter. Paper	23
Iowa Central	49	do pfd	76½
do pfd	82⅛	Inter. Power	30
Lake Erie & W	57⅛	Leadville Con	90
do pfd	133	Nat. Biscuit	62⅛
L. & N	104	National Lead	19½
Manhattan L	134½	Na. Salt pfd	63
Met. St. Ry	168⅛	No. American	118⅛
Mex. Central	29⅝	Pacific Coast	73
Mex. National	13½	Pacific Mail	45⅛
Minn. & St. L	110	People's Gas	101⅝
Mo. Pacific	100⅞	Pressed S. Car	40⅛
M., K. & T	24	do pfd	83
do pfd	64	Pullman P. Car	233
N. J. Central	150	Republic Steel	18
N. Y. Central	152⅝	do pfd	74⅛
Norfolk & W	56⅝	Sugar	129⅝
do pfd	90⅝	Tenn. Coal & I	70⅛
Ontario & W	23	Union Bag & P	15⅝
Pennsylvania	151⅛	do pfd	78⅛
Reading	56	U. S. Leather	11⅛
do 1st pfd	41	do pfd	81
do 2d pfd	67⅝	U. S. Rubber	15⅛
St. L. & S. F	66	do pfd	56⅛
do 1st pfd	83	U. S. Steel	42⅛
do 2d pfd	73⅝	do pfd	96
St. L. Southw	26⅝	Western Union	91⅛
do pfd	68⅛	Con. Tob	31⅝
St. Paul	164⅝	do pfd	93½

*Bid.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, March 19.—4 p. m.—Closing:

Cons., money	93 11-16	Norfolk & West.	68⅛
do account	93⅝	do pfd	93⅝
Anaconda	6⅛	Ontario & West	32⅝
Atchison	78⅛	Pennsylvania	77⅛
do pfd	99½	Reading	28⅝
Baltimore & O	109	do 1st pfd	41½
Canadian Pacific	118⅝	do 2d pfd	34⅝
Chesapeake & O	47⅝	Southern Ry	30⅝
Chicago G. W	24⅝	do pfd	90⅝
C. M. & St. P	169⅝	Southern Pacific	66⅝
Denver & R. G	44⅝	Union Pacific	103⅛
do pfd	94	do pfd	89⅝
Erie	36⅝	U. S. Steel	42⅝
do 1st pfd	70⅝	do pfd	96
do 2d pfd	56	Wabash	74⅝
Illinois Central	143⅛	do pfd	
Louis. & Nash	109⅝	Spanish 4s	45
M., K. & T	25	Rand Mines	11⅝
do pfd	65⅛	DeBeers	43
N. Y. Central	157⅝		

BAR SILVER—Easy at 24 13-16d per ounce.

MONEY—2¼@3 per cent.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, March 19.—Bank clearings today, $1,211,617.48; corresponding day last year, $799,958.18; increase, $421,659.32.

CHICAGO, March 19.—Clearings, $26,279,236; balances, $1,018,875; posted exchange, $4.88 for sixty days, $4.88 on demand; New York exchange, at par.

CINCINNATI, March 19.—Clearings, $1,612,550; money, 3½@6½ per cent; New York exchange, 20@25c discount.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—Clearings, $8,416,681; balances, $1,306,325; exchange on New York, 25c premium.

BALTIMORE, March 19.—Clearings, $3,415,137; balances, $537,779; money, 4½@6 per cent.

BOSTON, March 19.—Clearings, $22,169,229; balances, $1,847,462.

NEW YORK, March 19.—Clearings, $258,653,093; balances, $13,102,267.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—Clearings, $19,238,314; balances, $2,916,740; money, 4 per cent.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 19.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 4½@6 per cent. Official closing:

Atchison 4s	103	Adventure	20⅝
Gas 1s	85	Allouez	32⅝
Mex. Cent. 4s	82	Amalgamated	63
N. E. G. & C.	59½	Baltic	46½
Atchison	77½	Bingham	24
do pfd	97⅛	Cal. & Hecla	585
Boston & Me	194½	Centennial	21⅛
Boston Elevated	165½	Copper Range	68
N. Y., N. H. & H.	214⅝	Dom. Coal	119½
Fitchburg pfd	148	Franklin	13
Union Pacific	99½	Isle Royale	175
Mex. Central	29⅝	Mohawk	54
Amer. Sugar	129⅝	Old Dominion	3
do pfd	118	Osceola	61
Amer. T. & T.	169½	Parrot	14
Dom. & S.	46⅛	Quincy	130
Gen. Electric	320	Santa Fe Cop	3
Mass. Electric	36⅝	Tamarack	180
do pfd	96⅝	Trinity	14⅛
N. E. G. & C.	65	United States	18⅛
United Fruit	130	Utah	22
U. S. Steel	42½	Victoria	5⅝
do pfd	95	Winona	51⅝
Westingh. Com	98	Wolverine	50

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, March 19.—The following are the closing prices on mining stocks:

Adams Con	30	Little Chief	12
Alice	45	Ontario	750
Breece	50	Ophir	90
Brunswick Con	8	Phoenix	6
Con. Tunnel	5	Potosi	10
Con. Cal. & Va	125	Savage	5
Deadwood Terra	50	Sierra Nevada	10
Horn Silver	140	Small Hopes	50
Iron Silver	72	Standard	330
Leadville Con	5		

Condition of the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $177,675,550; gold, $89,687,217.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 19.—COTTON—Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 9⅝c; middling gulf, 9⅞c; sales, 3,732 bales. The market opened steady, 7@11 points higher, and changed little during the balance of the session. At the close the market was net unchanged to 3 points lower. Some 9,000 March notices were issued early in the day but were readily taken up by speculation houses.

GALVESTON, March 19.—COTTON—Firm, 8⅝c.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—COTTON—Steady; sales, none; middling, 8⅝c; receipts, 400 bales; shipments, 3,706 bales; stock, 47,890 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.—COTTON—Steady; sales, 5,600 bales; ordinary, 7 5-16c; good ordinary, 7 13-16c; low middling, 8 1-16c; middling, 8 5-16c; good middling, 8 15-16c; middling, 9 11-16c; receipts, 11,000 bales; stock, 307,412 bales. Futures barely steady.

LIVERPOOL, March 19.—COTTON—Spot, good business done, prices steady; American middling, 4 27-32d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 10,500 American. Receipts, 25,000 bales, including 16,800 American. Futures opened quiet and closed steady.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—WOOL—Quiet and nominal; medium grades, 15@17½c; light fine, 12@12½c; heavy fine, 10@11c; tub washed, 14@24c.

LONDON, March 19.—WOOL—The offerings at the wool auction sales today numbered 15,517 bales. Sales in detail: New South Wales, 5,600 bales; scoured, 3d@2s 1½d; greasy, 9d@1d. Queensland, 3,100 bales: scoured, 1s@1s 7d; greasy, 5½@6d. Victoria, 2,500 bales; scoured, 3s@1s 6½d; greasy, 3½d @1s 5d. South Australia, 100 bales; scoured, 10d@1s 1½d; greasy, 4½@6½d. West Australia, 300 bales; scoured, 1s ½d; greasy, 6@9½d. Tasmania, 100 bales; greasy, 6½@10½d. New Zealand, 3,900 bales; scoured, 4½@6d; greasy, 3½@10d. Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 200 bales; scoured, 1s 3d@1s 3½d; greasy, 6½@7½d.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, March 19.—DRY GOODS—The market today has shown generally quieter conditions in cotton goods so far as business actually in progress is concerned, but no loss of strength in tone and prices in a number of directions still tend against buyers without open advances being quoted. This is chiefly in brown cottons. Print cloths are difficult to buy on the basis of 2⅝c for regulars. Men's wear woolens and worsteds are quiet, without change in price. Woolen dress goods firm in all staple lines. Worsted dress goods quiet.

Oil and Rosin.

OIL CITY, March 19.—OIL—Credit balances, $1.15; certificates, no bid; shipments, 77,740 bbls.; average, 78,383 bbls.; runs, 80,996 bbls.; average, 74,058 bbls.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 19.—OIL—Turpentine, firm at 46@46c. Rosin, quiet; quote: A, B, C, D, $1.30; E, $1.35; F, $1.45; G, $1.50; I, $1.75; K, $2.45; N, $3.25; WG, $3.60; WW, $3.85.

NEW YORK, March 19.—OIL—Petroleum, steady. Rosin, steady. Turpentine, firm at 48@48½c.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, March 19.—COFFEE—Spot, quiet; No. 7 invoice, 5⅝c; mild, quiet; Cordova, 8@12c. The market opened steady, with prices unchanged to 10 points lower and closed steady, with prices net unchanged to 10 points higher; total sales were 9,750 bags, including: March, 5.10c; May, 5.30c; June, 5.40c; July, 5.50c; August, 5.70c; December, 6.00c.

Sugar Market.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.—SUGAR—Quiet; open kettle, 2⅛@3 11-16c; open kettle, centrifugal, 3@3⅛c; centrifugal yellow, 3⅛@3 13-16c;