COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

May Wheat Scared on Chicago Board of Trade Yesterday.

REACHES HIGH WATER MARK FOR SEASON

Other Grains Rise Slightly as Though in Sympathy, While Provisions Stay Firm, May Deliveries Being Higher.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—A new high mark was recorded on May wheat today, the top notch being reached at 82⅝c, and after an active session the close was ⅜c higher, May corn was ⅛@⅛c higher and oats were up ⅛c. Provisions were firm, the May products being up from 5c to 10@12½c higher.

Wheat opened quiet, compared with the activity manifested of late and for a time the outlook was for a sharp decline, but the confidence of the longs was restored and a good advance was made. There was continued buying by the leading long, which was helped materially by the decidedly bullish reports from France and an advance equal to cover 1c at Paris. Cables were barely steady, receipts were small and the weather was favorable. May opened unchanged to ¼c higher at 81⅛c to 81⅜c, but soon declined to 80⅞c. Buying became quite active at the lower figures and a steady advance was made, and late in the session liberal covering by shorts carried the price up to 82⅝c. During the last half-hour there was a large amount of liquidation and a reaction set in, the close being steady, with May ⅞@1c higher at 82⅝@82½c. A large part of the late selling was credited to the chief bull interest. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 528,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 691,200 bushels, against 359,000 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 400 cars, which with local receipts of 44 cars, none of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 444 cars, against 336 cars last week and 443 cars a year ago.

Corn ruled firm, the strength of wheat being the main supporting factor. Local traders were all active in bulling the market. Offerings were light and prices responded readily to the generally bullish sentiment. It is reported that the same interest that is manipulating the wheat market is long on a big line of the yellow cereal. The weather was favorable for the movement, but the car shortage was still a drawback to liberal receipts. The close was firm, May ⅛@⅜c higher at 44⅝@45c, after selling between 44⅝c and 45⅛c. Local receipts were 438 cars, with 4 of contract grade.

Oats were firm in sympathy with wheat. There was no significant trade. Local traders favored the buying side and offerings were light. The close was steady, with May ⅛c higher at 36¼@36⅜c, after ranging between 36⅛c and 36½c. Local receipts were 235 cars.

Provisions were rather dull, but a strong feeling prevailed on a good general demand after May products on outside orders. Receipts of hogs caused a firm market at the yards, which were bull factors, and the strength in grains added to the upward tendency. The close was firm, with May pork up at 7½c at $16.90. May lard closed 5c higher at $9.65 and ribs were 5@7½c higher at $9.27½.

Estimated receipts for Monday: Wheat, 55 cars; corn, 455 cars; oats, 340 cars; hogs, 44,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
Jan.	77½	78½	77¼	77⅞	77⅞
May	81⅛@⅜	82⅝	81	82½	81⅞
July	75¼@⅝	75¾	74⅞	75¾	75¼
*Corn—					
Jan.	46¼@½	47	46¼	46½	46⅝
May	44⅝@⅝	45⅛	44⅝	44⅞@45	44⅝
July	43 @⅛	43⅝	43	43⅝	43⅛
*Oats—					
Jan.	—	—	—	34½	—
May	36⅛@¼	36½	36⅛	36⅛@¼	36⅛@¼
July	32½	33⅛	32½	32⅞	32⅛@⅜
Pork—					
Jan.	19 20	19 20	19 00	19 05	19 25
May	16 87½	16 92½	16 85	16 90	16 82½
Lard—					
Jan.	10 20	10 25	10 20	10 25	10 15
May	9 62½	9 67½	9 62½	9 65	9 60
July	9 42½	9 45	9 40	9 45	9 40
Ribs—					
Jan.	—	—	—	9 12½	9 10
May	9 25	9 30	9 25	9 27½	9 22½
July	9 10	9 12½	9 10	9 12½	9 07½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Quiet and firm; winter patents, $3.70@3.85; winter straights, $3.30@3.60; spring patents, $3.60@3.95; spring straights, $3.10@3.50; bakers, $2.45@2.80.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 79c; No. 3 spring, 72@79c; No. 2 red, 78½@78⅝c.

CORN—No. 2, 46½@47c; No. 2 yellow, 46½@47c.

OATS—No. 2, 34½c; No. 3 white, 34½@36c.

RYE—No. 2, 50½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 46@48½c; fair to choice malting, 49@55c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.19; No. 1 northwestern, $1.24; prime timothy, $4; clover, contract grade, $11.80.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $17.00@17.25. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10.20@10.25. Short ribs sides (loose), $9.12½@9.25. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.25@8.50. Short clear sides (boxed), $9.50@9.75.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	13,800	15,300
Wheat, bu.	58,900	36,100
Corn, bu.	421,000	114,200
Oats, bu.	394,500	178,500
Rye, bu.	12,400	1,600
Barley, bu.	38,000	10,900

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was dull and weaker; creameries, 17@24½c; dairies, 17@23c. Eggs, easier, loss off, cases returned, 22c. Cheese, steady, 12@14c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKETS.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—FLOUR—Receipts, 12,945 bbls.; exports, 11,000 bbls.; firm and unchanged; winter patents, $3.60@4.00; winter straights, $3.50@3.60; Minnesota patents, $4.10@4.35; winter extras, $2.40@2.60; Minnesota bakers, $3.25@3.40; winter low grades, $2.00@2.20. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $3.20@3.35; choice to fancy, $3.40@3.55. Buckwheat flour, quiet, $2.20@2.30, spot and to arrive.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, $1.20; city, $1.18; brandywine, $1.60@1.65.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 western, 69½c, f. o. b., afloat.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 47c; malting, 51@60c.

WHEAT—Receipts, 96,450 bu.; exports, 94,000 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 83½c; No. 2 red, 84½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 89½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 91½c, f. o. b., afloat. Options were active and generally stronger on renewed heavy eastern buying, rains in southern Argentina, higher cables, attended by buying orders and active local covering. The market closed on the finish, buying with last prices being net higher. May, [illegible] closed at 83⅛c; July, 79 13-16@80c, closed at 80⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 24,000 bu.; exports, 30,573 bu. Spot, quiet; No. 2, nominal, elevator, and 49c f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 yellow, 50c; No. 2 white, 50c. Options opened easy, with cables, but recovered on the wheat advance, ruled active and firm during the forenoon. The close was firm at ¼@⅝c net advance. February, [illegible], closed at 50c; March, [illegible], closed at 49⅞c; May, [illegible], closed at 46⅝c; July, [illegible], closed at 46⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 32,300 bu.; exports, 1,135 bu. Spot, firm. No. 2, 40c; standard white, 40½c; No. 3, 40c; No. 2 white, 40½c; No. 2 white, 40c; track mixed western, nominal; track white, 40@42c. Options unchanged and firm; May closed at 42c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 85@90c; good to choice, $[illegible].

HOPS—Firm; state, common to choice, 1902, 30@32c; 1901, 32@34c; Pacific coast, 1902, 29@32c; 1901, 29@32c; olds, 7@[illegible]c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 36 lbs., 16c.

LEATHER—Firm, and [illegible].

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $17.50@18; mess, $16@16.50; beef hams, $27@28; tierces, $16@18; city extra India mess, $24@26; cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 6@7½c; pickled shoulders, 6@6½; pickled hams, 11@12½c. Lard, steady; western steamed, $10.[illegible]; refined steady; continental, $10.[illegible]; South America, $11; compound, $7.[illegible]. Pork, firm; family, $18.50@19; short clear, $19.[illegible]@[illegible]; clear, $19@[illegible].

BUTTER—Steady; extra creamery, 26c; extra factory, 25c; creamery, common to choice, 19@25c; fine imitation creamery, 19c; fine dairy, 18c; renovated, 17c.

POULTRY—Live and dressed, nearly [illegible].

CHEESE—Receipts, 2,225 pkgs.; firm; state full cream, fancy small colored, full made, 12½c; fair to choice, 10@12c; small white, full made, 12½c; large colored, full made, 12½c; large white, full made, 12½c; [illegible] to 10c.

EGGS—Firm; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 26c; Pennsylvania, 1903, western, 25c; fresh western, 23@24c; western, 22c; southern, 22c; Kentucky, 22c; western, [illegible].

METALS—The aspect of trade affairs reported today in the leading metals has been light. Yesterday's advance in copper in London failed to stimulate activity, but the market is firm at unchanged prices. Standard is quoted at $11.87½, nominal; lake, $12.37½@12.62½; electrolytic, $12.50@12.50; cast, $12.25@12.87½. Tin also was firm on Friday's London strength, but unchanged, with spot at $28.50@28.55. Lead and spelter were quiet, the former at $4.12½ and spelter at $4.30@5.00. Iron prices show a nominal advance on some grades, as follows: No. 1 foundry northern, $24.00@24.50; No. 2 foundry northern, $22.00@22.50; No. 1 foundry southern, $24.50@24.50; No. 1 foundry southern, soft, $23.50@24.50. Warrants are still nominal.

TALLOW—Firmer; city, 6⅛c; country, 6¼@6½c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 6¼@6¾c; Japan, nominal.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, 18@19c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 8c; old roosters, 4@5c; turkeys, 12@13c; ducks, 8@9c; geese, 7@8c; spring chickens, per lb., 8½@9c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Young chickens, 10@11c; hens, 10@11c; turkeys, 13@18c; ducks, 11@12c; geese, 10@11c.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 14½@15c; choice dairy, in tubs, 16@17c; separator, 27@28c.

OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 28c; extra selects, per can, 35c; New York counts, per can, 42c; bulk, extra selects, per gal., $1.75; bulk, standard, per gal., $1.45.

FRESH FISH—Trout, 9@10c; herring, 5c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 9c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed, 7c; catfish, 9c; bluefins, 8c; whitefish, 9c; salmon, 18c; haddock, 11c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 10c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 30c; lobsters, green, per lb., 28c; bullheads, 10c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 20c; halibut, 11c.

BRAN—Per ton, $13.50.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $8; No. 1 medium, $7; No. 1 coarse, $6.50. Rye straw, $6. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair, receipts light.

CORN—36c.

OATS—34c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.

VEGETABLES.

NEW CELERY—Kalamazoo, per doz., 35c; California, per doz., 45@75c.

POTATOES—Per bu., 40@45c.

SWEET POTATOES—Iowa and Kansas, $2.25.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 40c; Canada rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c.

BEETS—Per bu., 40c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $2.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 40c.

CARROTS—Per bu., 40c.

GREEN ONIONS—Southern, per doz. bunches, 45c.

RADISHES—Southern, per doz. bunches, 45c.

WAX BEANS—Per bu. box, $3; string beans, per bu. box, $1.50.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, per lb., 1¼c.

ONIONS—New home grown, in sacks, per lb., 1½c; Spanish, per crate, $1.75.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.60.

TOMATOES—New Florida, per 6-basket crate, $4.50@6.00.

CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.75.

FRUITS.

PEARS—Fall varieties, per box, $2; Colorado, per box, $2.25.

APPLES—Western, per bbl., $2.75; Jonathans, $4.50; New York stock, $3.25; California Bellflowers, per bu. box, $1.50.

GRAPES—Malagas, per keg, $6.00@7.00.

CRANBERRIES—Wisconsin, per bbl., $10.50; Bell and Bugles, $11; per box, $3.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

BANANAS—Per bunch, according to size, $2.00@2.50.

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

ORANGES—California navels, fancy, $3.25; choice, $3; Mediterranean sweets, $2.25.

DATES—Persian, in 70-lb. boxes, per lb., 6c; per case of 30-lb. pkgs., $2.25.

FIGS—California, per 20-lb. cartons, $1; Turkish, per 50-lb. box, 14@16c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

HONEY—New Utah, per 24-frame case, $3.75.

CIDER—New York, $4.50; per ½-bbl., $2.75.

SAUERKRAUT—Wisconsin, per ½-bbl., $2.25; per bbl., $3.75.

PORK—Per lb., 2c; shelled, 4c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7½c; No. 2 salted, 6½c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12½ lbs., 8½c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft shell, per lb., 15c; hard shell, per lb., 14c; No. 2 soft shell, per lb., 13c; No. 2 hard shell, per lb., 12c; Brazils, per lb., 12c; filberts, per lb., 12c; almonds, soft shell, per lb., 16c; hard shell, per lb., 15c; pecans, large, per lb., 12½c; small, per lb., 11c; coconuts, per doz., 60c; chestnuts, per lb., 10c; peanuts, per lb., 5½c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7c; black walnuts, per bu., $1; hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50; cocoanuts, per 100, $4.

OLD METALS, ETC.—A. B. Alpirn quotes the following prices: Iron, country, mixed, per ton, $11; iron, stove plate, per ton, $8; copper, per lb., ½c; brass, heavy, per lb., ⅝c; brass, light, per lb., ⅜c; lead, per lb., 3c; zinc, per lb., 2½c; rubber, per lb., 6½c.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

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CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—Market has strong, reaching a new high point, 82⅝c for May. The incentive has been a new demand for wheat from France. There has also been support by Armour, reinstatement of long lines sold out Friday, and covering by shorts. New York reports 35 loads sold for export, 18 loads to France. Cables were some lower. Clearances, 530,000 bushels. There is prospect of a decrease of 500,000 to 750,000 bushels in the visible. World's shipments will be about 6,500,000 bushels, with 4,800,000 bushels to Europe, and there will be some decrease on passage. Primary receipts, 597,000 bushels, against 420,000 bushels last year. In the northwest, 400 cars, against 411 a year ago. Minneapolis predicts smaller country offerings. Argentine weather was fine. California had good rains, but reported large charters to Australia. Local receipts, 44 cars, with none contract. Estimated for Monday, 55 cars.

CORN—There has been a strong corn market, with buying by local operators, but with some selling, credited to Armour. Futures were up ⅜c to ½c; samples about steady. Shippers said the car situation was making it difficult to do business with the east. Clearances were 342,000 bushels. Primary receipts, 736,000 bushels, against 464,000 bushels a year ago. Local receipts, 438 cars, with 1 of contract. Estimates for Monday, 425 cars. New York reports 19 loads sold for export. The February option at New York sold at 59c, evidence of how badly corn is needed down there. Primary receipts for the week, 3,300,000 bushels, almost double last year. There were only 5 cars and 36,000 bushels contract out of private houses. Stocks here will increase liberally for the week.

OATS—Market has been firm, but inactive. Prices have had the help of the advance in wheat and corn. Cash oats were firm on light receipts, hard to sell on line and not transferring. Stocks here will increase some as a result of the car embargo. Clearances, 32,000 bushels. Local receipts, 225 cars, with 19 standard. Estimates for Monday, 240 cars. New York reports 150,000 bushels sold for export.

PROVISIONS—Offerings have been small, prices moderately higher. There were 14,000 hogs here, instead of 21,000, estimated. Prices at the yards, 50@10c higher. Hogs in the west today, 37,000, against 37,500 last week and 45,000 last year. Hogs at all western points for the week, 407,000, compared with 364,000 last year.

WEARE COMMISSION COMPANY.

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—Spot, firm; No. 2 red western, winter, 6s 1d; No. 1 California, 6s 2d; futures, steady; March, 6s 3½d; May, 6s 3½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, 4s 9½d; American mixed, old, no stock; futures inactive; January, nominal; March, 4s 5d; May, 4s 5d.

FLOUR—St. Louis fancy, winter, quiet, 6s 1d.

PEAS—Quiet; Canadian, 6s 7d.

PORK—At London (Pacific coast) firm, 48 [illegible] 5s.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; extra India mess, 90s 6d. Pork, easy; prime mess, western, 75s. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., firm, 52s 6d. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 28 to 30 lbs., firm, 46s; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., firm, 46s 6d; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs., firm, 46s; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., firm, 45s 6d; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., firm, 46s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., steady, 46s. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., firm, 32s 6d. Lard, prime western, in tierces, steady, 50s. American refined, in pails, steady, 48s.

BUTTER—Nominal.

CHEESE—Strong. American finest white and colored, 62s.

TALLOW—Prime city, steady, 29s 6d. Australian in London, firm, 30s 3d.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—Market strong. No. 1 northern, [illegible]; No. 2, [illegible]. May, [illegible], sellers.

RYE—Steady; No. 1, [illegible].

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, [illegible]; sample, [illegible].

CORN—May, [illegible], sellers.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Jan. 24.—CORN—Steady; No. 3, [illegible].

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, [illegible].

WHISKY—$1.26 for finished goods.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—May, [illegible]; July, [illegible]; cash, No. 2 hard, [illegible]; No. 3, 66@67½c; No. 2 red, 67@70c; No. 3, 67@65c.

CORN—January, 38c; May, 38⅝c; No. 2 mixed, [illegible]; No. 3, [illegible].

OATS—No. 2 white, 35½@36c; No. 2 mixed, 35½c.

RYE—No. 2, 46c.

HAY—Timothy, $13.00@13.50; prairie, $8.75@9.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, 20@24c; dairy, 20c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh Missouri and Kansas stock, 18½c, loss off, cases returned; new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 19c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	31,200	32,000
Corn, bu.	96,000	75,400
Oats, bu.	22,000	25,000

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Railroad's Loan and Other Causes Continue to Repress Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The difficulty in inducing prices to move still confronted the traders in stocks today, as it has in increasing degree all through the week. The Venezuelan difficulty still has a repressive influence upon trading and there was some disposition to couple the prompt signing of the Panama canal treaty with that question. Prices hardened, however, after the opening because of the announced intention of the Washington authorities that the German action in Venezuela did not present subject for representations by this government. The weakness of Pennsylvania was the unsettling influence and led to an active selling movement, which was only momentarily checked by the bank statement. The closing was easy with some quotations at the lowest. The selling of Pennsylvania seemed to be due to the news of the borrowing of $40,000,000 by that company. The fact that this loan for six months was negotiated at 4½ per cent, compared with a per cent and a liberal commission paid by the Lake Shore for its $20,000,000 for the Reading purchase, was pointed at as evidence of a declining tendency of money rates, but speculative operators were inclined to see in it an evidence of fluctuating supplies of capital likely to be engrossed by continued large syndicate operations rather than to be left free for stock market uses. The moderate loan expansion by the banks, in view of the Pennsylvania loan operation, was an agreeable surprise to the operators and prompted the recovery which gave way again at the last. The following are the closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	87½	Mo. Railway	34½
do pfd	98½	do pfd	94½
Bal. & Ohio	100¼	Texas & Pacific	29½
do pfd	90	Toledo, St. L. & W.	27
Canadian Pacific	135	do pfd	44
Canada So.	73½	Union Pacific	102¾
Ches. & Ohio	51⅝	do pfd	94½
Chicago & Alton	34¼	Wabash	25⅝
do pfd	71	do pfd	44½
Chicago, Ind. & L.	67	Wheeling & L. E.	24½
do pfd	96	do 2d pfd	44½
Chicago & E. Ill.	190	Wis. Central	26½
Chicago & G. W.	37½	do pfd	52½
do 1st pfd	82	Adams Express	240
do 2d pfd	43½	American Ex.	229
Chicago & N. W.	222	United States Ex.	156
Chicago Ter. & Tr.	18	Wells-Fargo Ex.	205
do pfd	37½	Amal. Copper	63
C., C., C. & St. L.	95½	Amer. Car & F.	40
Colorado So.	29	do pfd	91
do 1st pfd	69½	Amer. Lin. Oil	17½
do 2d pfd	43½	do pfd	43½
Del. & Hudson	157½	American S. & R.	44
Del. L. & W.	270	do pfd	94
Denver & R. G.	39½	Anac. Mining Co.	96
do pfd	87½	Brooklyn R. T.	67¼
Erie	29¼	Colo. Fuel & Iron	51
do 1st pfd	75	Cons. Gas	216¼
do 2d pfd	56½	Cont. Tobacco pfd	116⅝
Great Nor. pfd	203	Gen. Electric	188½
Hocking Valley	100⅝	Hocking Coal	13⅝
do pfd	94¼	Inter Paper	17⅞
Illinois Central	146⅝	do pfd	72
Iowa Central	44	Inter. Power	67
do pfd	72	Laclede Gas	85
Lake Erie & W.	35	National Biscuit	65
do pfd	82	National Lead	371
L. & N.	124	No. American	115
Manhattan L.	150⅝	Pacific Coast	67
Met. St. Ry.	138½	Pacific Mail	36
Met. Central	74½	People's Gas	103⅝
Mex. National	18⅝	Pressed S. Car	61⅝
Minn. & St. L.	107	do pfd	93½
Mo. Pacific	110	Pullman P. Car	232
M., K. & T.	27	Republic Steel	23
do pfd	60	do pfd	78½
N. J. Central	185	Sugar	129½
N. Y. Central	151	Tenn. Coal & Iron	62⅝
Norfolk & W.	73⅝	Union Bag & P.	14
do pfd	92	do pfd	77⅝
Ontario & W.	33	U. S. Leather	12⅝
Pennsylvania	153	do pfd	88½
Reading	60⅞	U. S. Rubber	17
do 1st pfd	37¼	do pfd	54
do 2d pfd	74	U. S. Steel	36⅝
St. L. & S. F.	75	do pfd	86⅝
do 1st pfd	78	Western Union	83
do 2d pfd	71¼	Amer. Locomotive	24½
St. L. & W.	26⅝	do pfd	88½
do pfd	61	A. C. Southern	34⅝
St. Paul	176½	do pfd	59⅝
do pfd	191	Rock Island	47⅝
So. Pacific	64⅛	do pfd	78⅝

*Offered.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—MONEY—On call, steady; call loans at 3 per cent, close offered at 3 per cent; time money, steady; sixty days, 4¼@5 per cent; ninety days, 4¾@5 per cent; six months, 4¾@5 per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Firm at $4.8675 for sixty days and at $4.8765 for sixty days.

BONDS—Railroad bonds, heavy; government bonds, steady; ref. 2s reg. and coupon, 109; 3s reg., 107; coupon, 108; new 4s reg., 134½; coupon, 136⅝; old 4s reg. and coupon, mercial bills, $4.83@4.84.

110; 5s reg., 104; coupon, 105¼.

The closing quotations in bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	109	Hocking Val. 4½s	108½
do coupon	109	L. & N. uni. 4s	100⅝
do 3s, reg.	107	Mex. Central 4s	76½
do coupon	108	do is inc.	31½
do new 4s, reg.	134½	Mob. & Ohio 4s	103⅝
do coupon	136	Mo., K. & T. 4s	99
do old 4s, reg.	110	do 2s	84⅝
do coupon	112	N. Y. C. gen. 3½s	105
do 5s, reg.	103	N. Y. J. C. 6s	130½
do coupon	104½	No. Pacific 4s	102⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	102½	do 3s	72⅝
do adj. 4s	92½	N. & W. con. 4s	101⅞
Bal. & Ohio 4s	102⅝	Reading gen. 4s	97⅝
do 3½s	92½	St. L. & I. M. 5s	113
do conv. 4s	104½	St. L. & S. F. 4s	94½
Canada So. 2s	108⅝	St. L. S. W. 1s	96½
Central of Ga. 5s	109	do 2s	82
do 1st inc.	79	S. A. & A. P. 4s	96½
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	106¼	So. Pacific 4s	91⅝
Chicago & A. 2½s	78½	So. Railway 5s	117
C., B. & Q. 5s	94¼	Texas & Pacific 1s	117¼
C. M. & St. P. 4s	119½	T., St. L. & W. 4s	78
C. & N. W. con. 7s	135	Union Pacific 4s	103⅝
C., R. I. & P. 4s	107¼	do conv. 4s	106½
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s	101½	Wabash 1s	117
Chicago Ter. 4s	87	do 2s	110⅝
Colorado So. 4s	94½	do deb. B	76
Denver & R. G. 4s	96⅝	West Shore 4s	119½
Erie prior lien 4s	99½	Wheel. & L. E. 4s	93½
do general 4s	85⅝	Wis. Central 4s	91⅝
F. W. & D. C. 1s	111½	Con. Tobacco 4s	67

London Stock Quotations.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—Closing quotations:

Consols for money	93 5-16	New York Central	153½
do account	93⅝	Norfolk & Western	76½
Anaconda	5	do pfd	94
Atchison	89⅝	Ontario & Western	34
do pfd	102	Pennsylvania	70⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	108⅝	Rand Mines	11⅝
Canadian Pacific	139⅝	Reading	21⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	44½	do 1st pfd	44½
Chicago G. W.	38⅝	do 2d pfd	38
C., M. & St. P.	182⅝	Southern Railway	31⅝
Deliers	23⅝	do pfd	97⅝
Denver & R. G.	41	Southern Pacific	65⅝
do pfd	86⅝	Union Pacific	103⅝
Erie	40⅝	do pfd	96⅝
do 1st pfd	72⅝	United States Steel	37⅝
do 2d pfd	57⅝	do pfd	89⅝
Illinois Central	151⅝	Wabash	27
Louisville & Nash.	136⅝	do pfd	45⅝
M., K. & T.	29		

BAR SILVER—Steady at 21⅝d per ounce.

MONEY—2@2½ per cent. The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2¾@3 5-16 per cent and for three-months' bills is 2 7-16@2¾ per cent.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Call loans, 4½@6 per cent; time loans, 4½@5½ per cent. Official closing of stocks and bonds:

Atchison	88	Allouez	4⅝
Gen. 4s	106½	Amalgamated	63⅝
Atchison	88⅝	Bingham	32⅝
do pfd	99	*Calumet & Hecla	525
Boston & Albany	258	Centennial	26⅝
Boston & Me.	300	Copper Range	57⅝
Boston Elevated	155	Franklin	19
N. Y., N. H. & H.	220	Isle Royale	11
Fitchburg pfd	100	Mohawk	51
Union Pacific	103⅝	Old Dominion	116⅝
American Sugar	129⅝	Osceola	61
do pfd	121	Santa Fe Copper	3⅝
American T. & T.	162	Tamarack	130
Dominion I. & S.	35	Trimountain	80
Mass. Electric	32⅝	Trinity	14
do pfd	41	United States	21⅝
United Fruit	109⅝	Utah	20
U. S. Steel	36⅝	Victoria	6½
do pfd	90⅝	Winona	7⅝
Adventure	13		

*Asked.

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The following are the closing prices on mining stocks:

Adams Con.	25	Little Chief	8
Alice	35	Ontario	350
Breese	40	Ophir	160
Brunswick Con.	7½	Phoenix	8
Comstock Tunnel	109	Potosi	40
Con. Cal. & Va.	130	Savage	35
Horn Silver	170	Sierra Nevada	70
Iron Silver	65	Small Hopes	10
Leadville Con.	3	Standard	360

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, Jan. 24.—Bank clearings for the week ending today show a decrease of $23,300.75 from those for the corresponding week of last year. The daily figures read:

	1903.	1902.
Monday	[illegible]	$1,423,616 96
Tuesday	1,203,021 39	1,174,071 61
Wednesday	1,095,377 19	1,098,308 91
Thursday	1,127,603 75	1,321,221 37
Friday	1,226,424 42	1,108,924 03
Saturday	1,164,354 95	1,027,756 14
Totals	$7,300,092 90	$7,213,907 96

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $21,333,333; balances, $1,779,402.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $23,085,159; balances, $1,862,261. New York exchange, 30c premium; foreign exchange, sterling posted, $4.84½ for sixty days, and $4.88 for demand.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $3,864,608; balances, $457,182.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $21,308,135; balances, $2,707,287.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $2,035,050; money, 4½@6 per cent; New York exchange, 20@25c premium.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $240,428,753; balances, $16,110,852.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.—Clearings, $6,162,379; balances, $899,312; money, steady, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 40c premium.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 74c; track, 75@76c; May, 77⅝@77¾c; July, 75c; No. 2 hard, 72@75c.

CORN—Firm; No. 2 cash, 43c; track, 43@44½c; May, 41⅝@41⅞c.

OATS—Firm; No. 2 cash, 36c; track, 36½@37c; May, 35c; No. 2 white, 37½c.

RYE—Higher, 50@50½c.

FLOUR—Firm; red winter patents, $3.50@3.60; extra fancy and straight, $3.30@3.45; clear, $2.60@2.15.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $3.00@3.50.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.30.

BRAN—Dull, but strong; sacked, east track, 81@83c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $11.00@15.00; prairie, $8.50@11.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.07½.

BAGGING—6 5-16@7 1-16c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, standard mess, $17.90. Lard, stronger, $9.75. Dry salt meats (boxed), steady; extra shorts and clear ribs, $9.12½; short clears, $9.37½. Bacon (boxed), steady; extra short, $10; clear ribs, $10.12½; short clears, $10.37½.

METALS—Lead, firm at $3.97½. Spelter, firm at $4.80.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 9½c; turkeys, 13c; ducks, 12c; geese, 8@9c.

BUTTER—Easy; creamery, 22@27½c; dairy, 18@21c.

EGGS—Higher at 23c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	7,000	7,000
Wheat, bu.	57,000	62,000
Corn, bu.	147,000	170,000
Oats, bu.	77,000	61,000

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—Active and strong; cash and January, 79½c; May, 83c.

CORN—Fairly active and steady; January, 46c; May, 45½c.

OATS—Dull and steady; January, 37c; May, 37½c.

RYE—No. 2, 53½c.

SEEDS—Clover, dull and steady; January, $7.35; March, $7.32½. Prime timothy, $1.90. Prime alsike, $8.25.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 24.—WHEAT—May, 78½c; July, 78⅝@78¾c; on track, No. 1 hard, 79¼c; No. 1 northern, 78¼c; No. 2 northern, 76¼c.

FLOUR—First patents, $4.05@4.15; second patents, $3.90@4.00; first clears, $2.50; second clears, $2.05@2.15.

BRAN—In bulk, $14.50@14.75.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Hogs Sold Higher, but Dropped Back—Sheep Strong.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—CATTLE—Receipts, 700 head; market nominal