COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL

Bullish Foreign Advices Boost Wheat on Board of Trade.

MAY DELIVERY RISES ONE AND EIGHTH

Corn Also Goes Up, but Oats and Provisions Remain Practically Unchanged, Though Firm, with Small Business.

CHICAGO, April 2.—Strength was manifested in the wheat market today, due to bullish foreign advices, and May closed 1⅛c higher. May corn was up ⅛c, with oats unchanged. Provisions were firm, the May products closing unchanged to 5c higher.

There was a good trade in wheat and prices had an upward tendency throughout the entire day, and the close was at about the best figures. May opened unchanged to a shade higher, 73@73⅛c to 73¼c, the steady cables giving a little firmness to the situation. There was good commission house buying during the whole session and the price for both May and July advanced gradually. A big export business, together with bullish European advices reporting drouth in south Russia and Roumania and the decreased stocks in the northwest were the causes for the better demand. The report that the Argentine shipments for the week would be smaller was also a strengthening influence. After selling up to 74⅝c May closed at 74¼c, a net gain of 1⅛c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 38,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 419,000 bushels, against 299,000 a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 221 cars, which with local receipts of 24 cars, none of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 245 cars, against 266 cars last week and 224 cars a year ago.

Dullness prevailed in corn and the general sentiment was bearish, although the strength of wheat held prices firm. Trading was largely local, with considerable changing going on—selling May and buying July. The cash market was dull on account of the tie-up of the lake fleet. After ranging between 43c and 43⅝c May closed ¼c higher at 43¼c. Local receipts were small at 128 cars, with 1 of contract grade.

There was only a small trade in oats, but the market was firm in sympathy with the strength in wheat. The principal buying was by a leading dealer. The close was steady, with May unchanged at 33⅞c, after selling between 33⅝@33⅞c and 34⅛@34¼c. Local receipts were smaller than expected, only 97 cars being received.

Provisions were dull but firm, the small stocks being the supporting feature. There was a little easier tone early on selling of ribs by packers, but the offerings were well absorbed by commission houses and the market rallied somewhat. The close was firm, with May pork unchanged at $17.92½. May lard was up 2½@5c at $10.00@10.02½ and ribs were 5c higher at $9.75.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 40 cars; corn, 135 cars; oats, 165 cars; hogs, 19,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
May	73⅛@¼	74⅝	73⅛@¼	74¼	73⅛@¼
July	69⅝@¾	70⅛	69⅝	70⅛@⅛	69⅝@¾
Sept.	68¼	69	68¼	68⅞	68¼
*Corn—					
April	.....	.....	.....	42¼	42
May	43 @¼	43⅝	43	43¼	43
July	43⅝@⅞	44	43⅝@⅞	43⅞@¾	43⅞
Sept.	43⅛	43⅝@⅛	43⅛	43⅝	43⅛@¼
*Oats—					
April	.....	.....	.....	33⅝	34
May	33⅞	34⅛@¼	33⅝@⅞	33⅞	33⅞
July	30⅝	30⅞	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝@¼
Sept.	27⅞	27⅞	27⅝	27⅝	27⅞
Pork—					
May	17 90	18 02½	17 90	17 92½	17 92½
July	17 20	17 30	17 20	17 25	17 15
Sept.	16 97½	16 97½	16 95	16 95	16 90
Lard—					
May	9 97½	10 02½	9 97½	10 02½	9 97½
July	9 80	9 82½	9 80	9 82½	9 80
Sept.	9 77½	9 80	9 77½	9 80	9 75
Ribs—					
May	9 75	9 80	9 72½	9 75	9 70
July	9 67½	9 70	9 65	9 67½	9 65
Sept.	9 60	9 62½	9 57½	9 57½	9 57½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $3.40@3.50; winter straights, $3.10@3.30; spring patents, $3.30@3.60; spring straights, $3.00@3.20; bakers, $2.30@2.70.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 70@77c; No. 3, 69@75c; No. 2 red, 72½@73½c.

CORN—No. 2, 42¼c; No. 2 yellow, 42¼c.

OATS—No. 2, 33½c; No. 3 white, 32½@36½c.

RYE—No. 2, 49½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 38@40c; fair to choice malting, 41@53c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.10; No. 1 northwestern, $1.11. Prime timothy, $3.35. Clover, contract grade, $11.75@11.85.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $17.90@17.85. Lard, per 100 lbs., $9.95@9.97½. Short ribs sides (loose), $9.70@9.80. Dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8.75@8.87½. Short clear sides (boxed), $10.37½@10.50.

Following are the receipts and shipments of flour and grain yesterday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	27,500	39,300
Wheat, bu.	46,300	31,800
Corn, bu.	119,700	93,600
Oats, bu.	237,800	286,700
Rye, bu.	26,100	5,000
Barley, bu.	40,000	15,700

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 18@24½c; dairies, 14@28c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 13c. Cheese steady at 13@13½c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 2.—FLOUR—Receipts, 23,431 bbls.; exports, 9,383 bbls.; fairly active and steady; winter patents, $3.70@4.00; winter straights, $3.50@3.60; Minnesota patents, $3.85@4.15; winter extras, $2.80@3.10; Minnesota bakers, $3.20@3.40; winter low grades, $2.60@2.90. Rye flour, dull; fair to good, $2.80@3.20; choice to fancy, $3.25@3.45.

CORNMEAL—Steady; yellow western, $1.06; city, $1.06; Brandywine, $3.40@3.55.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 60c, f. o. b., afloat; state, 56@56c, c. i. f., New York.

BARLEY—Quiet; feeding, 47c, c. i. f., Buffalo; malting, 52½@56c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 18,520 bu.; spot firm; No. 2 red, 79¼c elevator and 80c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 87½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, 88c f. o. b. afloat. Options developed activity and strong on sharp advances in the northwest, higher cables, bullish Russian crop news and lighter Argentine offerings; later it sold still higher on export demand and further covering, with the closing firm at ⅛@¾c net advance; May, 77⅞@78 9-16c, closed at 78⅛c; July, 75⅛@75⅞c, closed at 75⅝c; September, 73 9-16@74¼c, closed at 74⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 87,150 bu.; exports, 21,965 bu.; spot steady; No. 2, nominal elevator and 51c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 52c; No. 2 white, 53½c. Option market after a steady opening advanced on cables, predictions of rain and sympathy with wheat; it sold off at noon under small clearances, but rallied again and closed firm at ⅜@½c net advance; May, 51⅞@51½c, closed at 51½c; July, 49⅝@49⅞c, closed at 49⅞c; September closed at 49c.

OATS—Receipts, 145,500 bu.; spot dull; No. 2, 42c; No. 3, 41c; No. 3 white, 40c; track, white, 38½@41c; standard white, 42½c; No. 2 white, 42½c; track, mixed western, nominal. Options fairly active and steadier; May closed at 33⅝c.

HAY—Dull; shipping, 55@70c; good to choice, 90c@$1.05.

HOPS—Dull; state, common to choice, 1902, 24@30c; 1901, 26@32c; olds, 6@11c. Pacific coast, 1902, 23@27c; 1901, 20@23c; olds, 6@11c.

HIDES—Steady; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 15c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14c.

LEATHER—Quiet; acid, 24½@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, quiet; family, $14.00@14.50; mess, $9.00@10.00; beef hams, $20.00@21.50; packet, $11.50@12.50; city extra India mess, $20.00@22.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $9.75@11.25; pickled shoulders, $9.00@9.25; pickled hams, $11.75@12.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $10.35@10.40; refined, dull; continent, $10.50; South America, $11; compound, $7.50@8.00. Pork, steady; family, $19.50; short clear, $19.00@21.50; mess, $18.25@19.00.

TALLOW—Easy; city ($2 per pkg.), 5 9-16c; country (pkgs. free), 6@6¼c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¼@7c; Japan, nominal.

BUTTER—Receipts, 4,657 pkgs.; firm; state dairy, 17@21c; extra creamery, 28c; common to choice creamery, 19@26½c.

CHEESE—Receipts, 573 pkgs.; firm; fancy, large, state full cream, fall made, colored, 14⅛@14¼c; white, 14⅛@14¼c; fancy, small, colored, 15c; white, 14⅝c.

EGGS—Receipts, 22,928 pkgs.; firm; state and Pennsylvania, 14⅝@15½c; western, 14⅝c.

POULTRY—Alive: Firm; turkeys, 15c; fowls, 15c. Dressed: Firm; western fowls, 14@14½c; turkeys, 16c.

METALS—Tin was unchanged at London at £138 15s for spot and £138 12s for futures, but in the local market it was dull and easy, with spot quoted at $30.00@30.25. Copper advanced 5s in London to £64 2s 6d for both spot and futures, while locally it ruled easier. Three million pounds of casting were offered at the Metal exchange at $14.25, but found no buyers at that figure; the market closed at $13.50 for standard, $14.50@15.00 for lake and electrolytic and $14.00@14.50 for casting. Lead declined 2s 6d in London to £12 16s, remained quiet and unchanged at $4.07½ in the New York market. Spelter was unchanged both at London and locally; the latter market quoted $5.75 and the former £25 5s. Iron closed at 47s in Glasgow and 51s 4½d in Middlesborough; the New York market was nominally lower; No. 1 foundry, northern, is quoted at $23.50@24.00; No. 2 foundry, northern, $23.50@23.00; No. 1 foundry, southern, and No. 1 foundry, southern, soft, $23.00@23.50.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Fresh stock, 11½c.

LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 10@10½c; roosters, according to age, 5@5c; turkeys, 13@16c; ducks, 9@10c; geese, 8@10c. Dressed stock in good condition 1@2c per lb. higher than live stock.

BUTTER—Packing stock, 12½@13c; choice dairy, in tubs, 15@17c; separator, 27@28c.

OYSTERS—Standards, per can, 25c; extra selects, per can, 35c; New York counts, per can, 42c; bulk, extra selects, per gal., $1.75; bulk standards, per gal., $1.25.

FROZEN FRESH FISH—Trout, 9@10c; herring, 5c; pickerel, 8c; pike, 9c; perch, 6c; buffalo, dressed, 7c; sunfish, 3c; bluefish, 3c; whitefish, 9c; salmon, 16c; haddock, 11c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 10c; lobsters, boiled, 2c; lb.; 60c; lobsters, green, per lb., 35c; bullheads, 10c; catfish, 14c; black bass, 20c; halibut, 11c.

BRAN—Per ton, $15.50.

HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $8; No. 2, $7.50; medium, $7; coarse, $6.50. Rye straw, $8. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

CORN—40c.

OATS—34c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.

VEGETABLES.

CELERY—California, per doz., 45@75c.

POTATOES—Per bu., 40c.

SWEET POTATOES—Iowa and Kansas, $2.50.

SEED POTATOES—Northern grown, per bu., 75@80c.

NEW PARSLEY—Per dozen bunches, 45@50c.

NEW CARROTS—Per dozen bunches, 40c.

LETTUCE—Per dozen bunches, 45c.

BEETS—New southern, per dozen bunches, 45c; old, per bu., 40c.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 40c.

CUCUMBERS—Hothouse, per doz., $1.75.

CARROTS—Per bu., 40c.

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

RADISHES—Southern, per dozen bunches, 45c.

TURNIPS—Per bu., 40c; Canada rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c; new southern, per dozen bunches, 50c.

ONIONS—Red Wisconsin, per lb., 1c; white, per lb., 2c; Spanish, per crate, $1.75.

SPINACH—Southern, per doz. bunches, 50c.

LEMONS—California fancy, $3.25; choice, $3.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.50.

WAX BEANS—Per bu., box, $3; string beans, per bu., box, $2.50.

CABBAGE—Holland seed, per lb., 1¼c.

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

FRUITS.

APPLES—New York stock, $3.00@3.50; California Bellflowers, per bu., box, $1.50; Western, $3.

STRAWBERRIES—Louisiana, per 24-pt. case, $5.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

FIGS—California, per 10-lb. cartons, 90c; Turkish, per 55-lb. box, 14@18c.

ORANGES—California navels, fancy, $3.00@3.15; choice, $2.75; Mediterranean Sweets, $2.75; Sweet Jaffas, $2.90.

DATES—Persian, in 70-lb. boxes, per lb., 60c; per case of 30-lb. pkgs., $2.25.

MISCELLANEOUS.

MAPLE SUGAR—Ohio, per lb., 10c.

HONEY—Utah, per 24-frame case, $3.25; Colorado, $3.50.

POPCORN—Per lb., 2c; shelled, 4c.

HIDES—No. 1 green, 6c; No. 2 green, 5c; No. 1 salted, 7c; No. 2 salted, 6c; No. 1 veal calf, 8 to 12 lbs., 8½c; No. 2 veal calf, 12 to 15 lbs., 6c; dry hides, $@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; cocoanuts, per doz., 61c; 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. Aipin quotes the following prices: Iron, country mixed, per ton, $11; iron, stove plate, per ton, $8; copper, per lb., 8½c; brass, heavy, per lb., 8½c; brass, light, per lb., 5½c; lead per lb., 8c; zinc, per lb., 2½c.

WEARE GRAIN COMPANY.

Omaha Branch 110-111 Board of Trade Building.

CHICAGO, April 2.—WHEAT—The market has been strong, helped principally by the export sales, which offset the fine weather, and favorable crop outlook. There has been quite an active trade and it looked as if Armour was on both sides of the market. The seaboard reported from 50 to 65 loads sold to the continent, much of it red winter. Broomhall reported crop advices from Roumania and South Russia less favorable and advices from Paris said it looked as if France would need to import. Both the Price Current and the Washington crop summary were bearish. Clearances were only 90,000 bushels; primary receipts, 418,000 bushels, against 299,000 last year; primary shipments, 231,000 bushels, against 109,000; northwest receipts, 221 cars, against 183; local receipts, 24 cars, with none contract; estimates for Friday, 40 cars; the estimates on the Argentine shipments was 2,800,000 bushels. There was a general desire to cover May.

CORN—The market has been steady, but the trading has been unimportant. Cash market was lower, No. 3 off a cent. St. Louis was buying September here and the St. Louis was firm at times. There was some selling which looked like Armour, but only in a small way. Primary receipts, 345,000 bushels, against 210,000 last year; primary shipments, 355,000 bushels, against 195,000; local receipts, 128 cars, with one contract; estimates for Friday, 135 cars; New York reports 7 to 25 loads taken for export; clearances, 172,000 bushels.

OATS—The market has been firm, prices at one time up ¼@⅜c over Wednesday. There was no important trade. Local receipts only 97 cars, with one contract; estimates for Friday, 165 cars; clearances, 34,000 bushels; both the Price Current and the Washington bulletin declared seeding has been delayed by wet weather. There is no standard made by private houses and some shipped all the time. It is supposed that Patten is holding a line of May oats.

PROVISIONS—The market opened strong. Cudahy bought May and September lard. Trade fair, but not large enough to sustain prices on offerings by local longs. There were 20,000 hogs; market opened strong and 5c higher, closing with advance lost; estimates for tomorrow, 19,000; hogs in the west today, 50,300, against 64,000 last week and 62,200 last year. World's stocks of lard estimated by Fairbanks company April 1, 1903, 128,230 tierces; March 1, 151,011; April 1, 1902, 222,050; March 1, 1902, 225,326, showing a decrease of 22,780 tierces for March, 1903, against 3,295 decrease March, 1902.

WEARE GRAIN COMPANY.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, April 2.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, 69⅝c; track, 70@72c; May, 69¼c; July, 66⅞@67c; No. 2 hard, 71@73½c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 39⅝c; track, 40c; May, 39⅝c; July, 40c.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 33½c; track, 35@36c; May, 33⅝c; July, 2½@29⅝c; No. 2 white, 38½c.

RYE—Quiet at 47c.

FLOUR—Dull; red winter patents, $3.30@3.45; extra fancy and straight, $3.00@3.25; clear, $2.75@2.90.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $2.00@2.80; prime worth more.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.20.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, east track, 65@70c.

HAY—Timothy, firm, $8.00@15.00; prairie, dull, $7.00@11.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.65.

BAGGING—5⅝@6½c.

HEMP TWINE—8c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, unchanged; jobbing, standard mess, $17.92½. Lard, firmer at $9.77½. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $9.87½; clear ribs, $10.12½; short clear, $10.25. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $10.75; clear ribs, $11; short clear, $11.12½.

METALS—Lead, firm at $4.37½. Spelter, firm at $5.37½.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 11c; turkeys, 14c; ducks, 13c; geese, 6c.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 21@29½c; dairy, 19@21½c.

EGGS—Higher; 12c for fresh.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	8,000	10,000
Wheat, bu.	6,000	85,000
Corn, bu.	69,000	159,000
Oats, bu.	92,000	102,000

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, April 2.—WHEAT—Spot, dull; No. 2 red, western winter, 6s 1½d; No. 1 northern, spring, 6s 6d; No. 1 California, 6s 7½d; futures, steady; May, 6s 1½d; July, 6s 1d.

CORN—Spot, American mixed, new, easy, 4s 6d; American mixed, old, quiet, 4s 10½d; futures steady; May, 4s 2⅝d; June, 4s 1⅝d; July, 4s 1⅝d.

PEAS—Canadian, quiet, 6s 3½d.

PROVISIONS—Beef, easy; extra India mess, 82s 6d. Pork, steady; prime western mess, 82s 3d. Hams, short cut, 14 to 16 lbs., quiet, 53s. Bacon, Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lbs., dull, 49s 6d; short ribs, 16 to 24 lbs., quiet, 54s; long clear middles, light, 28 to 34 lbs., quiet, 51s 6d; long clear middles, heavy, 35 to 40 lbs., quiet, 54s; short clear backs, 16 to 20 lbs., quiet, 52s; clear bellies, 14 to 16 lbs., quiet, 52s 6d. Shoulders, square, 11 to 13 lbs., quiet, 42s. Lard, steady; prime western, in tierces, 51s 6d; American refined, in pails, dull, 53s 6d.

HOPS—At London (Pacific coast), firm, £6 12s@£7.

BUTTER—Good United States, steady, 78s.

CHEESE—Steady; American finest white and colored, 62s.

TALLOW—Prime city, steady, 27s 3d; Australian, in London, dull, 32s 6d.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 2.—WHEAT—May, 64⅝c; July, 61⅝@61⅞c; cash, No. 2 hard, 66@67c; No. 3, 63@64c; No. 4, 58@63c; rejected, 54@59c; No. 2 red, 69@70c; No. 3, 62@65c.

CORN—April, 35½c; May, 35⅛@35⅝c; July, 35⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 36⅛@36½c; No. 2 white, 37@37½c; No. 3, 36½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 34½@36½c; No. 2 mixed, 33@33½c.

RYE—No. 2, 45c.

HAY—Timothy, $12.50; prairie, $9.25@9.50.

BUTTER—Creamery, 21@25c; dairy, 19c.

EGGS—Fresh, 11c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	74,600	48,500
Corn, bu.	70,300	53,600
Oats, bu.	14,000	19,000

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.—BUTTER—Firm, good demand; extra western, creamery, 30@30½c; nearby prints, 33c.

EGGS—Steady, good demand; fresh nearby, 14½c at mark; western, 14⅝c; southwestern, 14½c; southern, 14c; duck eggs, 27@28c; geese eggs, 70@75c.

CHEESE—Quiet but steady; New York full creams, prime small, 14¼@14½c; fair to good small, 13½@14c; prime large, 14@14¼c; fair to good large, 13¼@13⅝c.

Toledo Grain and Seed.

TOLEDO, O., April 2.—WHEAT—Active and strong; cash, 74c; May, 75⅝c; July, 71⅞c.

CORN—Fairly active and firm; April, 42½c; May, 42¾c; July, 44c.

OATS—Dull and firm; April, 35½c; May, 34½c; July, 30⅝c.

RYE—No. 2, 53c.

SEEDS—Clover, dull and unchanged; cash, $6.92½; April, $6.50; October, $5.30. Prime timothy, $1.60. Prime alsike, $7.50.

Minneapolis Wheat, Flour and Bran.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 2.—WHEAT—May, 74⅛c; July, 74⅛@74⅝c. On track: No. 1 hard, 77c; No. 1 northern, 76c; No. 2, 75c.

FLOUR—First patents, $3.70@3.80; second patents, $3.60@3.70; first clears, $2.70; second clears, $2.00@2.05.

BRAN—In bulk, $10.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, April 2.—WHEAT—Market higher; No. 1 northern, 78c; No. 2 northern, 76½c; May, 74⅛c, sellers.

RYE—No. 1, 50c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 60c; sample, 42@64c.

CORN—May, 43¼@43⅛c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, April 2.—WHEAT—To arrive, No. 1 hard, 77½c; No. 1 northern, 75½c; No. 2 northern, 73⅝c; May, 76⅞c; July, 74⅞c.

OATS—May, 33½c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, April 2.—CORN—Firm; No. 3, 39⅝c.

OATS—Firm; No. 3 white, 43c.

WHISKY—$1.30.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS.

Market is Heavy and Weak in Professional Hands.

NEW YORK, April 2.—The stock market today continued almost wholly in professional hands and there was a further dwindling of operations. The tone of the market was heavy to weak throughout. The motives which prompt the professional operators are difficult to discern. On Tuesday they bought stocks with money at 15 per cent in the confidence that the call money market was about to relax. Yesterday they sold stocks again, although there was a distinct relaxation in the call money rate, with a promise of a further growth of ease. Some other considerations apparently had intervened which caused a question whether the easier money market was destined to benefit the stock market. The Southern Pacific quarrel weighed on the market. The developments in this controversy showed nothing to affect directly the value of the securities concerned, but the bitterness of feeling shown by the contending parties and the boldness of their habitual methods in stock manipulation revived a fear that a speculative duel might be precipitated in the market itself, with probably disastrous consequences to many innocent onlookers. Another disturbing factor was the renewal of liquidation in Pennsylvania, carrying it back to last week's low levels. The selling received a renewed impetus from the February statement of net earnings, which showed the expenses increased more than twice as much as the increase in gross earnings, with a corresponding cut in the net returns. The net earnings for two months are increased over $1,000,000 less than for the same period last year. Taken in connection with the February Union Pacific statement published on Tuesday showing a decrease in net earnings of $413,474, there is a disposition to surmise that the recent liquidation in that stock may have been from other than professional bear sources. The mildness of the demand for Union Pacific stock and the little heart given to any rally in the market from the demand to cover emphasizes this impression. The question of the action to be taken by the Wabash employes following the dissolution of the strike injunction, is awaited with some concern, as was indicated by the heaviness of the Wabash stocks today. The decline in Western Union had no other explanation than the progress reported to be making toward a commercial basis by the wireless systems. A sharp break in the local copper market affected Amalgamated Copper. The attack on Colorado Fuel was professedly based on the prospective bond issue. Large customs payments, deposits to retire circulation and some large miscellaneous collections resulted in an absorption by the subtreasury yesterday of $1,244,000 in spite of the government interest payable. This proved a disappointment. The statements of the great foreign banks for the week reflected numerous requirements for the April settlement. A reflux of funds to the market, however, is now in order in both foreign money markets and here, so that the immense money situation is of declining importance.

Bonds were weak. Total sales, par value, $1,950,000. United States new 4s declined ¼ on the last sale.

The following are the quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

Atchison	80⅝	Texas & Pacific	35⅝
do pfd	97½	Toledo, St. L. & W.	26
Bal. & Ohio	50½	do pfd	42
do pfd	93	Union Pacific	93⅛
Canadian Pacific	127⅝	do pfd	89½
Canada So.	71	Wabash	26¼
Ches. & Ohio	44⅝	do pfd	45⅛
Chicago & Alton	39⅝	Wheeling & L. E.	21
do pfd	69	do 1st pfd	92½
Chicago & G. W.	22⅛	Wis. Central	24⅛
do 1st pfd	60	do pfd	47⅛
do 2d pfd	33½	Adams Ex.	225
Chicago & N. W.	183	American Ex.	212
Chicago Ter. & Trans.	4	United States Ex.	130
do pfd	29	Wells-Fargo Ex.	220
C. C. C. & St. L.	89	Amal. Copper	43⅞
Colorado So.	23⅝	Amer. Car & F.	40⅝
do 1st pfd	61½	do pfd	91⅝
do 2d pfd	39½	Amer. Lin. Oil	15⅛
Del. & Hudson	164½	do pfd	38
Del. L. & W.	253	American S. & R.	48½
Denver & R. G.	35½	do pfd	93
do pfd	84½	Anac. Mining Co.	111
Erie	40⅝	Brooklyn R. T.	66½
do 1st pfd	73⅝	Colo. Fuel & Iron	56⅝
do 2d pfd	62⅝	Cons. Gas	204½
Great Nor. pfd	183	Cont. Tobacco pfd	112⅝
Hocking Valley	101⅛	Gen. Electric	186½
do pfd	95½	Hocking Coal	19⅝
Illinois Central	156⅝	Inter. Paper	17
Iowa Central	36	do pfd	70½
do pfd	61½	Inter. Power	33
Lake Erie & W.	40	Laclede Gas	92½
do pfd	113	National Biscuit	44⅝
L. & N.	111½	National Lead	23
Manhattan L.	128	No. American	109½
Met. St. Ry.	124½	Pacific Coast	42
Mex. Central	24⅝	Pacific Mail	31
Mex. National	17½	People's Gas	101¼
Minn. & St. L.	93	Pressed S. Car	60
do pfd	106⅝	do pfd	92½
M. K. & T.	35	Pullman P. Car	222
do pfd	65	Republic Steel	18½
N. J. Central	170	do pfd	77¼
N. Y. Central	141⅛	Sugar	123¼
Norfolk & W.	69½	Tenn. Coal & Iron	63½
do pfd	87	Union Bag & P.	12
Ontario & W.	29⅞	do pfd	74
Pennsylvania	126½	U. S. Leather	11⅛
Reading	58¼	do pfd	91
do 1st pfd	84½	U. S. Rubber	18
do 2d pfd	70	do pfd	50
St. L. S. W.	28⅝	U. S. Steel	35⅝
do 1st pfd	60	do pfd	94⅝
do 2d pfd	60	Western Union	84⅝
St. L. & S. F.	37⅝	Amer. Locomotive	27½
do pfd	87½	do pfd	94⅝
St. Paul	161⅝	K. C. Southern	30⅝
do pfd	183	do pfd	63
So. Pacific	34⅛	Rock Island	41⅝
So. Railway	31⅛	do pfd	76½
do pfd	89½		

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, April 2.—Bank clearings for today were $1,321,376.20; decrease from corresponding day last year, $3,910.20.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Clearings, $360,185,430; balances, $12,121,908.

BALTIMORE, April 2.—Clearings, $4,206,756; balances, $452,479; money, 6 per cent.

CINCINNATI, April 2.—Clearings, $4,214,500; money, firm, 6 per cent; New York exchange, 10@15c premium.

CHICAGO, April 2.—Clearings, $31,880,302; balances, $2,746,558; New York exchange, par to 2c premium; foreign exchange, sterling posted at $4.84½ for sixty days and at $4.87½ for demand.

BOSTON, April 2.—Clearings, $29,867,341; balances, $1,095,250.

PHILADELPHIA, April 2.—Clearings, $26,210,269; balances, $3,306,603; money, 5@5½ per cent.

ST. LOUIS, April 2.—Clearings, $8,199,654; balances, $913,209; money, steady, 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 35c premium.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 2.—MONEY—On call, firm at 6@12 per cent; closing, 7@8 per cent; time money, nominal; sixty days, 5¾@6½ per cent; ninety days, 5¾@6½ per cent; six months, 5½@6½ per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5¾@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady at $4.87 for demand and at $4.8775@4.8780 for sixty days; posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.87½@4.88; commercial bills, $4.83@4.83½.

SILVER—Bar, 49⅝c; Mexican dollars, 39½c.

BONDS—Government, easier; railroad, weak.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	106	L. & N. uni. 4s	100¼
do coupon	106	*Mex. Central 4s	76
do 3s, reg.	107	do 1s inc.	25½
do coupon	108¼	*Minn. & St. L. 4s	99½
do new 4s, reg.	135⅝	M., K. & T. 4s	98½
do coupon	139⅝	do 2s	80½
do old 4s, reg.	110½	**N. Y. C. g. 3½s	102¼
do coupon	112½	*N. J. C. gen. 5s	139
do 5s, reg.	103½	No. Pacific 4s	102⅛
do coupon	105⅝	do 3s	71⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	97⅝	N. & W. con. 4s	97⅝
do adj. 4s	89	Reading gen. 4s	96⅝
Bal. & Ohio 4s	100	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	111½
do 3½s	92½	St. L. & S. F. 4s	96½
do conv. 4s	104½	St. L. & S. W. 1s	100½
Canada So. 2s	105½	do 2s	81
Central of Ga. 5s	107½	S. A. & A. P. 4s	83⅝
*do 1s inc.	48	So. Pacific 4s	89⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	102¼	*So. Railway 5s	115½
Chicago & A. 3½s	74⅝	*Texas & Pacific 1s	115
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	97½	T., St. L. & W. 4s	77
**C., M. & St. P. g. 4s	110⅝	Union Pacific 4s	102
*C. & N. W. c. 7s	131⅞	do conv. 4s	102
C., R. I. & P. 4s	108	Wabash 1s	116
**CCC & St. L. g. 4s	100¼	do 2s	104⅝
Chicago Ter. 4s	82½	do deb. B	71½
Colorado So. 4s	89¼	West Shore 4s	110
*Denver & R. G. 4s	98	Wheel. & L. E. 4s	90⅝
*Erie prior lien 4s	97	*Wis. Central 4s	90
do general 4s	86½	Con. Tobacco	42⅝
*F. W. & D. C. 1s	110	Colorado Fuel	82⅝
Hocking Val. 4½s	108		

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, April 2.—Call loans, 5¼@6 per cent; time loans, 5½@6 per cent. Official closing of stocks and bonds:

Atchison 4s	100	Allouez	[illegible]
Mex. Central 4s	76	Amalgamated	65½
Atchison	80⅝	Bingham	30⅝
do pfd	97⅝	Calumet & Hecla	530
Boston & Albany	255	Centennial	20
Boston & Me.	184	Copper Range	43⅝
Boston Elevated	146	Dominion Coal	108
Boston & Lowell	260	Franklin	11
Fitchburg pfd	141	Isle Royale	11
Union Pacific	80	Mohawk	52½
Mex. Central	24⅛	Old Dominion	78⅝
American Sugar	123	Osceola	70
do pfd	117	Parrot	29
American T. & T.	155⅛	Quincy	114
Dominion I. & S.	27½	Santa Fe Copper	2
Gen. Electric	187	Tamarack	150
Mass. Electric	33⅛	Trinity	23½
United Fruit	106	United States	24⅝
U. S. Steel	35⅝	Utah	29
do pfd	89	Victoria	4¼
Westingh. Common	89	Winona	10¼
Adventure	10	Wolverine	72

London Stock Market.

LONDON, April 2.—Closing quotations:

Consols for money	90 7-16	New York Central	135⅝
do account	90⅝	Norfolk & Western	71⅝
Anaconda	5⅝	do pfd	92
Atchison	83¼	Ontario & Western	30⅝
do pfd	97⅝	Pennsylvania	70½
Baltimore & Ohio	93½	Rand Mines	11⅛
Canadian Pacific	131⅝	Reading	30⅝
Chesapeake & Ohio	46⅝	do 1