GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Closing Prices Are Low on Everything Except May Wheat.

OMAHA GRAIN NOW BECOMES CONTRACT

Change in Rules at Chicago Operates to the Advantage of the Market in This City.

OMAHA, Feb. 16, 1904.

Closing prices today in Chicago and in Omaha, were low prices with the single exception of May wheat. This rallied at the eleventh hour and ended ⅝c better than the low mark. The Chicago market was very eratic, owing to the first operation of the new rule on wheat and the wheat pit crowd were confused between old and new. This change which makes No. 2 hard, winter wheat contract wheat at the discount in price found in the difference between this wheat and No 1, northern spring or No. 2 red, which have been contract is of considerable benefit to Omaha. The local market does not reach the two varieties which have been the contract grades, so that No. 2 hard winter was the local contract grade. The change now gives Omaha contract wheat. By so largely increasing the amount of wheat which may be delivered as contract, Chicago has made very much more difficult, the cornering of wheat.

The market today was said to be in such condition after so long a skyrocketing that anything would cause a depression, and the death of Senator Hanna was one of the things which started the slump. Notwithstanding the fact that Liverpool opened through fear of war complications, strength of cargoes and scarcity of spot wheat 5d higher, Chicago and Omaha after opening a little higher than Monday's close, soon fell away, and began a steady decline, which ended only with the closing hour. May wheat declined 1c, but rallied at the close. Chicago July wheat fell off 2⅝c and May corn 1⅛c. Oats also felt the depression. A heavy liquidation due to longs realizing profits was thought to be the pricipal cause of the decline.

The range in prices of Omaha grain for future delivery and the close today and Monday were as follows:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Closed— T'd'y.	Closed— M'day.
Wheat—May	83B	83B	81¼A	82B	82¾A
July	78B	78	76⅝	76⅝	77¾B
Corn—May	46¼	46¼	45	45A	45⅞
July	45⅝	45⅝	45	45	45⅝B
Oats—May	42	42	41⅛	41⅛A	42⅛
March	40	40	39	39	39½

Local Cash Grain Market.

Cash business was steady this morning and of fair volume. While firm, there was no advance in prices. The receipts of wheat were 6 cars in and 2 cars out; one week ago, 2 cars.

Sales of car lots by sample on track, Omaha:

Hard Wheat—No. 3, 5 cars, 80c, 1 car 78c.

Spring Wheat—No. 3, 1 car, 83c.

Receipts of corn were 21 cars in and 27 cars out; one week ago, 33 cars in and 11 out.

Sales of car lots by sample on track, Omaha:

Mixed Corn—No. 3, 10 cars, 41½c, 3 cars 41c, 2 cars (poor) 40½c; No. 4, 1 car, 40c.

White Corn—No. 4, 1 car, 40c, 1 car 39½c.

Receipts of oats were 5 cars in and 7 cars out.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 82@87c; No. 3 hard, 78@83c; No. 4 hard, 70@78c; No. 2 spring, 85@92c; No. 3 spring, 79@87c; No. 4 spring, 69@82c.

CORN—No. 2, 42½@43½c; No. 3, 40½@41½c; No. 4, 39½@40½c; No. 2 yellow, 42½@43½c; No. 3 yellow, 41@42½c; No. 2 white, 42½@43½c; No. 3 white, 41@42½c.

OATS—No. 2, 38½@39½c; No. 3, 36½@37½c; No. 4, 36@37½c; No. 2 white, 42@43c; No. 3 white, 40@41c; standard, 40@41c.

Notes from the Exchange Offices.

The Monday transaction in grain for future delivery amounted to 102,000 bushels.

Omaha inspections were 58 cars. Of wheat, 3 cars graded No. 4 hard winter. Of corn 27 cars graded No. 3, 5 cars No. 3 yellow, 1 No. 3 white, 1 car No. 4 white, 5 cars No. 4 and 10 cars no grade. Three cars graded No. 3, white oats and 4 cars No. 3 rye and 1 no grade rye.

At their regular meeting this afternoon the board of directors will consider the rate war and discuss plans for further steps in the contest, to be taken by the exchange.

Notes of the Grain Trade.

Dallas wires that No. 2 soft red wheat is selling freely at $1.10 and No. 2 hard red at $1.

Kansas City wires that dry weather is complained of in Kansas and the southwest. Bears freely concede that the crop is short and prices may be sensational if no relief is found.

Primary receipts were: Wheat, 655,000, against 436,000; corn, 890,000, against 673,000 of a year ago. Shipments were 883,000 wheat, against 176,000, and 598,000 corn, against 553,000.

Contract stocks in regular warehouses are: Wheat, 1,667,000, a decline of 39,000 bushels; corn, 2,161,000, an increase of 27,000; oats, 1,640,000, an increase of 268,000. These stocks include 350,000 bushels of No. 2 red and 1,315,000 of No. 1 northern spring.

Chicago receipts were: Wheat, 54 cars, 3 of contract grade; 528 cars of corn, 2 contract; 327 cars of oats, 9 contract grade. The estimated receipts for tomorrow are 20 cars wheat, 190 corn and 150 oats. Kansas City receipts were 232 cars of wheat, 129 cars of corn and 18 cars of oats. Minneapolis received 204 cars of wheat and Duluth 91 cars.

Grain Markets Elsewhere.

Closing prices of grain at the markets named Monday and today were as follows:

KANSAS CITY.

	Today.	Mon'y.
Wheat—		
May	82	83½
July	78	80
Corn—		
May	46¼	46⅝
July	45⅛	46

ST. LOUIS.

	Today.	Mon'y.
Wheat—		
May	93¾	95
July	85⅛	87⅛
Corn—		
May	49⅝	50⅛
July	50	50⅛

MINNEAPOLIS.

	Today.	Mon'y.
Wheat—		
May	95¼	96⅝
July	95 B	96⅝

DULUTH.

	Today.	Mon'y.
Wheat—		
May	94⅝	96½B
July	94½B	96

NEW YORK.

	Today.	Mon'y.
Wheat—		
May	99	99⅞
July	94 B	95⅝

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—FLOUR—Receipts, 40,561 bbls.; exports, 11,198 bbls.; market fairly active and firm; winter patents, $4.70@5.00; winter straights, $4.60@4.75; Minnesota patents, $4.20@4.30; winter extras, $3.25@3.60; winter low grades, $3.05@3.40. Rye flour, firm; fair to good, $3.50@3.75; choice to fancy, $3.75@4.00. Buckwheat flour, quiet, $2.00@2.15.

CORNMEAL—Firm; yellow western, $1.06; city, $1.05; kiln dried, $2.90@3.00.

RYE—Nominal; No. 2 western, 72c f. o. b. afloat; state and Jersey, 45@68c.

BARLEY—Steady; feeding, 75c c. i. f. New York; malting, 66c, c. i. f. Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 8,875 bu.; exports, 4,975 bu.; spot, easy; No. 2 red, $1 elevator and $1 f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.06½ f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, nominal, f. o. b., afloat. Options opened active on good general buying, continued cold weather southwest, firmer cables and commission house buying in the west. Later prices declined sharply on longs sellings both here and in the west, resulting in a net loss of ⅛@½c. May, 99@$1.00⅝, closed at 99c; July, 94@95½c, closed at 94c; September, 87⅝@90c, closed at 87½c.

CORN—Receipts, 93,525 bu.; exports, 11,250 bu.; spot, easy; No. 2, 61½c elevator and 55⅝c f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 yellow, 59c; No. 2 white, 55⅝c. Option market opened firmer on better cables, strength in other grains and local buying. The volume of business was small and as a result of local realizing final sales were at a net decline of ⅛@⅝c. May, 60⅞@61½c, closed at 60½c; July, 58⅛@58⅝c, closed at 58⅛.

OATS—Receipts, 43,500 bu.; exports, 6,523 bu.; spot, firmer; No. 2, 49½c; standard white, 53c; No. 2 white, 53½c; No. 3 white, 53c.

HAY—Quiet; shipping, 60@70c; good to choice, 85@90c.

RICE—Quiet; domestic fair to extra, 3¾@5½c; Japan, nominal.

HOPS—Firm; common to choice, 1903, 30@38c; 1902 crop, 24@28c; Pacific coast, olds, 10@15c; 1903 crop, 27@35c; 1902 crop, 24@27c.

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

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 23@25½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $10.00@11.00; mess, $8.00@9.00; beef hams, $20.50@22.00; packet, $9.00@10.00; city extra India mess, $15.00@17.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $7.25@7.75; pickled shoulders, $6.00; pickled hams, $10.00@11.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $7.90; refined, weak; con- western steamed, $7.90; refined, easy; continent, $7.80; South America, $8.50; compound, $6.75@7.00. Pork, unsettled; family, $16.00; short clears, $15.00@17.00; mess, $15.75@16.50.

TALLOW—Firm; city ($2.00 per pkg.), 5¼c; country (pkgs. free), 5¼@5½c.

BUTTER—Firm; extra fresh creamery, 15@26c; state dairy, 14@21c.

CHEESE—Steady; state full cream, fancy, large and small, colored and white September, 12c; late made, 10½c.

EGGS—Unsettled; western firsts, 24c.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; western chickens, 11½c; fowls, 13c; turkeys, 15c. Dressed, quiet, unchanged.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Features of the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—A change of rules governing deliveries was largely responsible for heavy liquidations in wheat today, resulting in July closing 2@2½c below the final figures of yesterday. May wheat closed 1@1¼c down, May corn is off 1⅛@1⅝c, oats 1½c and provisions 7½c to 30c.

Demoralization was rampant in the wheat pit, starting with confusion caused by the inauguration of a new rule in reference to the delivery of No. 1 and No. 2 hard wheat on future contracts. Until today No. 2 red and No. 1 and No. 2 hard winter wheat has been deliverable on contract at 5c discount, but the board voted to make the rate after July 1 at 2c discount. Announcement of this decision brought out heavy realization sales in the July and September options. Prices declined throughout the day. The opening was comparatively steady, influenced by the early Liverpool cables, which showed a slight advance, initial quotations in May being unchanged to ⅛c higher at 97⅞@98c. July was unchanged to ⅜c lower at 90@90¼c. Large quantities of July and September wheat came out during the first hour on liberal selling by commission houses and local longs. There was very little support to the market and a decidedly weak tone soon developed.

There was nothing apparent in the general news to bring out the heavy selling orders. Foreign advices were still bullish on the cash situation. Moreover, the cash demand in all domestic markets was a noticeable feature. Cold weather in the southwest was also a bull factor. In the face of these favorable circumstances, however, long wheat continued to come out the entire day. The weakness in the outside markets and in the corn and oats pits undoubtedly had some effect. It was also claimed that a natural reaction from the recent bullishness accounted for a considerable part of the depression. The close was weak and near the bottom. After selling down to 96¼c, or 1⅞c below the high point, May closed at 96½@96⅝c. July closed at 87⅞@87½c after touching 87⅜c.

Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 282,200 bu. Primary receipts were 655,700 bu., against 435,000 bu. a year ago. The world's visible supply, according to Bradstreets, showed an increase of 217,000 bu. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 369 cars, against 362 cars last week and 408 cars a year ago.

Corn met with a good demand at the opening from local traders and for a short time the market was quite firm. The demand was not long in filling up and when the break in wheat occurred there was a lot of long corn for sale and the market turned weak. The decline was checked temporarily by the purchase of 1,000,000 bushels by one of the leading interests, but as soon as this order had been filled additional weakness was manifested. Foreign news was less bullish, closing Liverpool cables being unchanged. The weather was favorable for the movement, but receipts show no tendency to increase. May opened a shade lower to ⅛c higher at 56@56⅛c and sold early at 56⅜@56½c. The close was at the bottom at 54⅞c. July closed at 52⅝c, a net loss of ⅞@1⅛c. Local receipts were 528 cars, 2 of contract grade.

Oats were very nervous and easily affected either way. There was a break of nearly a cent in the price of the May delivery, on general selling brought out by the early decline in wheat and corn, but a fair demand from one of the principal commission houses induced other buying, and a full recovery resulted. The market again declined, however, late in the day, due to the weakness in other grains, and the close was near the bottom. May opened unchanged to ⅛c higher at 44⅜@44¼c, sold between 44⅛c and 44½c, closing at 44½c. Local receipts were 237 cars.

There was early strength in provisions, with good buying of pork and ribs. The advance in prices, however, brought out heavy realizing sales, which were increased by the extreme weakness in grains. The early gains were all lost and at the close prices were considerably lower than yesterday's final quotations. May pork showed the greatest loss, being down 30c at $14.70 after selling between $14.70 and $15.90. May lard was off 12½@15c at $7.60@7.62½, with ribs 7½@10c lower at $7.10.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 20 cars; corn, 190 cars; oats, 150 cars; hogs, 17,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y
*Wheat					
May	97⅞@98	98¼	96¼	96½@⅝	97¾
a July	90⅛@¼	90½	88½	88⅞@½	90½
b July	90@90½	90½	87⅞	87⅞	86⅞
a Sept.	85⅝-6¼	86¼	84⅝	84⅝	....
*Corn—					
May	56⅛@⅛	53⅜@½	54⅞	54⅞	56⅛@½
July	53⅜@½	53⅝	52⅝	52⅝	53⅜@½
*Oats—					
Feb.	....	....	....	40¾	41⅝
May	44⅛@¾	44⅝@½	42⅝	42⅝	44¼
July	39⅝@⅞	39⅞	39¼	39¼	39¾
Sept.	34¼@⅜	34½	34	34	34¼
Pork—					
May	15 02½	15 20	14 70	14 72½	15 00
July	14 90	15 02½	14 65	14 65	14 87½
Lard—					
May	7 77½	7 80	7 60	7 62½	7 75
July	7 87½	7 87½	7 70	7 70	7 82½
Ribs—					
May	7 20	7 27½	7 07½	7 10	7 20
July	7 35	7 37½	7 20	7 20	7 30

*No. 2. a old. b new.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Strong; winter patents, $4.40@4.50; straights, $4.10@4.30; spring patents, $4.20@4.50; straights, $3.80@4.10; bakers, $2.60@3.40.

WHEAT—No. 3, 85@95c; No. 2 red, 95½@$1.06.

CORN—No. 2, 51c; No. 2 yellow, 51c.

OATS—No. 2, 40⅜@40⅞c; No. 3 white, 42½@45c.

RYE—No. 2, 65c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 40@42c; fair to choice malting, 48@58c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1, $1.11; No. 1 northwestern, $1.17½; prime timothy, $3.25; clover, contract grade, $10.75.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $14.50@14.62½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.40@7.42½. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.75@7.00. Short clear sides (boxed), $7.12½@7.25.

WHISKY—Basis of high wines, $1.27.

Following are the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	237,000	35,500
Wheat, bu	35,000	54,100
Corn, bu	446,500	248,400
Oats, bu	375,200	103,800
Rye, bu	11,500	14,200
Barley, bu	132,800	15,500

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 15@25½c; dairies, 13½@22c. Eggs at mark, cases included, 28½@29c. Cheese, steady, at 10@10⅝c.

Available Grain Supply.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreets show the following changes in available supplies as compared with last account:

Wheat—United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decreased 583,000 bushels; afloat for and in Europe, increase, 800,000; total supply increase, 217,000 bushels.

Corn—United States and Canada, east of Rockies, decreased 181,000 bushels.

Oats—United States and Canda, east of Rockies, decreased 282,000 bushels. The leading increases reported include 869,000 bushels at Chicago private elevators, 615,000 bushels at Milwaukee private elevators (correction due to revision of millers' stocks), 52,000 bushels at East St. Louis and 50,000 bushels at Chattanooga. The leading decrease includes 500,000 bushels in Manitoba, 300,000 bushels in northwestern interior elevators, 142,000 bushels at Evansville, and 55,000 bushels at Fulton.

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—EVAPORATED APPLES—The market is easy with demand still light and rather more pressure to sell. Common are quoted at 4@5c; prime at 5¼@5½c, choice at 5½@6c, and fancy at 6½@7c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Prunes are firm with jobbing demand good and supplies somewhat limited. Quotations range from 3½c to 6¼c, according to grade. Apricots remain firm, with choice quoted at 9¾@10c, extra choice at 10¼@10⅝c, and fancy at 12@15c. Peaches are in fair demand. Choice are quoted at 7¼@7½c, extra choice at 7¾@8¼c, and fancy at 9@10c.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 16.—BUTTER—Firm, good demand; extra western creamery, 28½c; extra nearby prints, 29c.

EGGS—Firm and 2c higher; fresh nearby, 33c at mark; fresh western, 33c at mark; fresh southwestern, 32@33c at mark; fresh southern, 31@32c at mark.

CHEESE—Quiet but steady; New York full creams, choice to fancy, 11@11¼c; New York full creams, fair to good, 10½@10⅞c.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 16.—WHEAT—May, 95½c; July, 95c; September, 85⅝c; on track, No. 1 hard, 95⅝c; No. 1 northern, 95⅜c; No. 2 northern, 92⅝c; No. 3 northern, 89@91c.

FLOUR—Firm and active; first patents, $4.95@5.00; second patents, $4.80@4.90; first clears, $3.60@3.70; second clears, $2.60@2.70.

BRAN—In bulk, $15.00@15.25.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Character of Market Unchanged, but More Business Done.

SALES CONFINED TO NEW YORK UTILITIES

An Abundance of War News, but Military and Naval Activity Seems to Have Little Effect on Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The amount of business done in stocks today was slightly larger than yesterday, but the character of the market was unchanged. All of the increase in business was done in the first hour of the market, the sales in that time reaching almost as many shares as for the whole day yesterday. This business was a buying movement, largely confined to the New York public utilities and which was without any news developed.

What was regarded as an effort on the part of a party of traders to awaken the market and start the prices to moving. One or two railroad stocks were included in the movement. It failed entirely to attract any following and was abandoned. prices were allowed to drift slowly back to last night's level or below it when the traders took their profits. United States Steel preferred was heavy at all times and this helped to discourage the attempts to lift prices. The selling of that stock had no other explanation than the supposition that a speculative line was being disposed of. Amalgamated Copper also seemed to suffer from speculative profit taking, but hardened after the announcement of a dividend of $10 per share on Calumet & Hecla, which is double the dividend of the same period last year.

There was an abundance of war news, but the extraordinary military and naval activity indicated in these market advices seems to have little effect on prices. The decline in railroad earnings is a subject of much discussion. Gross earnings for the first week in February show declines in the average and complaints by railroad officials of the continued stock blockades point to the continuance of this tendency. The fact that the decrease from last year's level was more than accounted for by the decline in earnings of the trunk lines and eastern railroads is a point in corroboration of the contention that storm blockades are the reason, rather than the falling off of available traffic. But the fact that the ratio of the decline in earnings has shown steady progress since it began last summer makes the subject one of misgivings.

The war in grain rates amongst western railroads also threatens to extend into trunk line territory. As these disputes are in regard to the contracts for business yet to come the uneasiness over poor showings of railroad earnings is aggravated. The bond market was dull, but steady. Total sales par value, $1,125,000. United States bonds were dull on call.

Following are the quotations on the New York Stock exchange:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	14,200	65	64½	64⅞
do pfd	1,100	88¾	88⅜	88⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	5,500	77⅞	77	77⅛
do pfd	....	....	....	87½
Canadian Pacific	500	117⅜	117	117
Central of N. J.	....	....	....	160
Chesapeake & Ohio	....	....	....	32¼
Chicago & Alton	400	37½	37⅛	37¼
do pfd	800	82½	81¾	82½
Chicago Gt. Western	700	15⅝	15⅜	15⅜
Chicago & N. W.	....	....	....	165½
Chicago, M. & St. P.	9,800	141⅛	140⅝	140¾
do pfd	....	....	....	170
Chicago T. & T.	....	....	....	9¾
do pfd	200	20	20	19¾
C., C., C. & St. L.	....	....	....	70¾
Colorado Southern	100	16¾	16½	16½
do 1st pfd	100	53½	53½	53
do 2d pfd	100	23⅝	23⅝	23¼
Delaware & Hudson	700	160¼	160	159
Delaware, L. & W.	....	....	....	265
Denver & R. G.	....	....	....	20
do pfd	....	....	....	68
Erie	4,000	25¾	25½	25½
do 1st pfd	1,400	64½	63⅝	63⅝
do 2d pfd	800	42⅝	42¼	42¼
Hocking Valley	100	73¼	73⅛	73
do pfd	200	82¼	82	82¼
Illinois Central	500	128¼	128	127¾
Iowa Central	....	....	....	18
do pfd	....	....	....	36
K. C. Southern	....	....	....	18½
do pfd	400	35	34¾	34¾
Louisville & N.	3,200	105½	104	104½
Manhattan L.	800	142⅝	142¼	142⅛
Met. Securities	1,500	89⅛	88½	88½
Met. St. Ry.	2,800	119¼	118	118
Minneapolis & St. L.	....	....	....	60
do pfd	....	....	....	120
M., St. P. & S. Ste. M	1,500	63⅝	62½	63½
Missouri Pacific	3,000	90⅜	89⅜	89⅞
M., K. & Texas	100	16½	16⅜	16¼
do pfd	....	....	....	36¾
Nat. R. R. of M. pfd	100	38	37½	37½
New York Central	3,100	115⅝	114⅝	114¾
Norfolk & Western	200	58⅛	58	58
do pfd	....	....	....	88
Ontario & Western	500	21⅛	21	20⅞
Pennsylvania	29,300	115⅛	114⅝	114¾
P., C., C. & St. L.	....	....	....	60
Reading	7,000	42⅞	42⅜	42½
do 1st pfd	100	79½	79½	79½
do 2d pfd	....	....	....	56½
Rock Island Co.	2,700	23⅛	22¾	22⅞
do pfd	200	63	62	61
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	100	44	44	43½
St. L. Southwestern	100	14½	14½	14½
do pfd	100	33⅛	33⅛	32½
Southern Pacific	1,100	47¼	46⅝	46⅝
Southern Railway	100	20⅜	20¼	20⅜
do pfd	50	82	81½	81½
Texas & Pacific	100	23	23	23
T., St. L. & W.	100	24⅜	24⅜	24
do pfd	....	....	....	35
Union Pacific	7,800	78½	77⅜	77⅞
do pfd	....	....	....	89¾
Wabash	100	18⅞	18½	18½
do pfd	1,800	38¼	35⅞	35
Wheeling & L. E.	....	....	....	15
Wisconsin Central	100	18¾	18¾	18⅝
do pfd	....	....	....	42
Adams Express	....	....	....	220
American Express	....	....	....	190
U. S. Express	....	....	....	105
Wells-Fargo Express	....	....	....	210
Amal. Copper	30,900	49¼	48¾	48⅝
Amer. C. & F.	400	19⅞	19½	19⅝
do pfd	100	68½	68½	68
Amer. Cotton Oil	....	....	....	29½
do pfd	....	....	....	88
American Ice	700	8⅜	8	8
do pfd	2,000	32	30⅝	31½
Amer. Linseed Oil	....	....	....	9½
do pfd	....	....	....	27
Amer. Locomotive	15,500	23⅝	22¼	22⅞
do pfd	500	80	79	78¾
Amer. S. & R.	200	49	48½	47½
do pfd	....	....	....	40⅝
Amer. Sugar Refining	6,200	126⅛	125	125¼
Anaconda M. Co.	....	....	....	64
Brooklyn R. T.	24,900	44⅝	43⅝	43⅝
Colorado F. & I.	100	32½	32½	31
Consolidated Gas	9,700	196¼	194	194½
Corn Products	100	18½	18½	18¼
do pfd	....	....	....	70
Distillers' Securities	200	24	24	23¾
General Electric	300	167	167	166
Inter. Paper	....	....	....	11½
do pfd	100	65	65	65
International Pump	....	....	....	33
do pfd	....	....	....	71½
National Lead	....	....	....	15
North American	100	88	88	85¼
Pacific Mail	200	28	28	28
*Peoples Gas	1,000	100¼	99½	99½
Pressed Steel Car	....	....	....	29½
do pfd	....	....	....	69¾
Pullman Palace Car	....	....	....	210
Republic Steel	....	....	....	7⅛
do pfd	200	44½	44½	44½
Rubber Goods	200	20⅜	19⅜	19¼
do pfd	....	....	....	76
Tennessee C. & I.	400	37¼	37	36¾
U. S. Leather	1,100	7¼	7⅛	7⅛
do pfd	300	77⅜	77	76⅝
U. S. Realty	....	....	....	7⅜
do pfd	200	54¼	54¼	54⅝
U. S. Rubber	100	11⅞	11⅛	11⅛
do pfd	....	....	....	48
U. S. Steel	3,500	11½	11⅛	11¼
do pfd	25,500	57⅝	57⅛	57¼
Westinghouse Elec.	....	....	....	160¾
Western Union	....	....	....	87¼

*Ex-Dividend.

Total sales for the day 255,700 shares.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—Call loans, 4@4½ per cent; time loans, 4½@5½ per cent. Official closing prices on stocks and bonds:

Atchison Adj. 4s	87	Westing. common	79
Atchison 4s	97⅝	Adventure	2
Mex. Central 4s	64½	Allouez	3⅝
Atchison	67⅝	Amalgamated	48⅝
do pfd	89½	Amer. Zinc	9
Boston & Albany	247	Bingham	19¾
*Boston & Maine	168	Cal. & Hecla	448
*Boston Elevated	138	Centennial	17¾
*Fitchburg pfd	135	Copper Range	46½
Mex. Central	102	Daly West	34¾
N. Y., N. H. & H.	194	Dominion Coal	59¾
Pere Marquette	78½	Franklin	8⅝
Union Pacific	87⅞	Granby	3½
Amer. Arge. Chem.	13¾	Isle Royale	7¼
do pfd	71¼	Mass. Mining	4
Amer. Pneu. Tube	3⅝	Michigan	8
Amer. Sugar	125	Mohawk	35
do pfd	125	Montana C. & C.	2⅝
Amer. T. & T.	126⅝	Old Dominion	9½
Amer. Woolen	10	Osceola	57
do pfd	60½	Parrot	24¼
Dominion I. & S.	8¼	Quincy	87
Edison Elec. Illum.	232	Shannon	7⅝
General Electric	165	Tamarack	100
Mass. Electric	20⅛	Trinity	4⅝
do pfd	77	U. S. Mining	20⅞
Mass. Gas	39¾	U. S. Oil	8½
United Fruit	96	Utah	22½
United Shoe Mach.	47	Victoria	3½
U. S. Steel	11½	Winona	5¼
do pfd	57¼	Wolverine	70

*Bid.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—MONEY—On call, easy at 1½@2 per cent; closing bid and offered, at 1½ per cent. Time loans, steady; 60 and 90 days, 4 per cent; 6 months, 4¼@4½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4¾@5¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8550@4.8555 for demand and at $4.8250@4.8260 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4.83½@4.84 and $4.86½; commercial bills, $4.83¼.

SILVER—Bar, 59½c; Mexican dollars, 46c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad, steady.

The closing quotations on bonds are as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	104⅝	L. & N. uni. 4s	98⅝
do coupon	104⅝	Manhattan c. g. 4s	101⅝
do 3s, reg	106	Mex. Central 4s	66½
do coupon	106	*do 1st inc.	13½
do new 4s, reg	132¼	Minn. & St. L. 4s	97½
do coupon	132¾	M., K. & T. 4s	97⅝
do old 4s, reg	107	do 2s	78
do coupon	107	N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	74
Atchison gen. 4s	99⅝	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	97½
do adj. 4s	87	N. J. C. g. 5s	129
Atlantic C. L. 4s	92¾	No. Pacific 4s	102
Bal. & Ohio 4s	101¼	do 3s	70⅝
do 3½s	93¾	N. & W. c. 4s	97⅝
Central of Ga. 5s	105½	O. S. L. 4s & par	91⅝
*do 1st inc	70	Penn. conv. 3½s	96⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	103¼	Reading gen. 4s	96¼
Chicago & A. 3½s	75½	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	112⅛
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	91¾	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	81½
*C. M. & S. P. g. 4s	108½	St. L. S. W. 1s	92½
C. & N. W. c. 7s	129⅝	Seaboard A. L. 4s	67
C., R. I. & P. 4s	69	So. Pacific 4s	88⅞
do col. 5s	81	So. Railway 5s	111⅞
C. C. C. & St. L. g. 4s	97¼	Texas & P. 1s	116½
Chicago Ter. 4s	77	T., St. L. & W. 4s	70
Con. Tobacco 4s	56⅝	Union Pacific 4s	102⅝
Colo. & So. 4s	85¼	do conv. 4s	96¼
D. & R. G. 4s	97½	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	72⅝
Erie prior lien 4s	97	Wabash 1s	118½
do gen. 4s	83½	do deb. B	62⅝
F. W. & D. C. 1s	104½	W. & L. E. 4s	90
Hocking Val. 4½s	106	Wis. Central 4s	89¼

*Offered.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, Feb. 16.—Closing:

Consols, money	86⅞	N. Y. Central	118⅝
do account	86 15-16	Norfolk & W	59⅝
Anaconda	3⅝	do pfd	89
Atchison	69½	Ontario & W	21⅝
do pfd	92½	Pennsylvania	59¾
Baltimore & Ohio	80½	Rand Mines	9⅝
Canadian Pacific	120⅞	Reading	21⅞
Ches. & Ohio	33¼	do 1st pfd	40½
Chicago Gt. W	16½	do 2d pfd	29½
C. M. & St. P	145	So. Railway	21½
DeBeers	19⅝	do pfd	82½
D. & R. G	20⅝	So. Pacific	48¼
do pfd	70¼	Union Pacific	80½
Erie	26½	do pfd	92⅝
do 1st pfd	66	U. S. Steel	12
do 2d pfd	43½	do pfd	59½
Illinois Central	131½	Wabash	19¾
Louis. & Nash	107⅝	do pfd	36½
M., K. & T.	17		

SILVER—Bar, firm, 27½d per ounce.

MONEY—2@3 per cent; the rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3¼@3⅜ per cent; for three months' bills, 3¼@3⅜ per cent.

New York Mining Quotations.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—The following are the closing quotations on mining stocks:

Adams Con	10	Little Chief	7
Alice	25	Ontario	450
Breece	10	Ophir	50
Brunswick Con	5	Phoenix	8
Comstock	6	Potosi	15
Con. Cal. & Va.	150	Savage	45
Horn Silver	120	Sierra Nevada	65
Iron Silver	185	Small Hopes	20
Leadville Con	2	Standard	250

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 16.—SEEDS—Clover, cash and February, $6.72½; March, $6.75; April, $6.67½. Prime alsike, $6.20. Prime timothy, $1.42½.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—METALS—Tin broke sharply in the English market, closing with spot £1 5s lower at £126 12s 6d and futures at 17s 6d lower at £126 12s 6d; locally tin was unchanged, with spot quoted at $28.50@29.00. Copper was unchanged in London at £57 5s for spot and £56 10s for futures; locally copper was firm, with lake quoted at $12.50@12.75, electrolytic and casting at $12.37½@12.62½. Lead was unchanged in both markets, being quoted here at $4.45@4.50 and at £11 12s 6d in London. Spelter was unchanged at £21 15s in London, but was firmer here, with spot closing at $5.00@5.10. Iron closed at 50s 8d in Glasgow and at 42s 10½d in Middlesborough; locally iron was unchanged; No. 1 northern foundry, $15.00@16.00; No. 2 northern foundry, $14.00@15.00; No. 1 southern foundry and No. 1 soft southern foundry, $13.75@14.25.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16.—METALS—Lead, firm, $4.35@4.37½. Spelter, higher, $4.75.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—DRY GOODS—The market is inactive at first hands and buyers are not inclined to operate except for actual needs, but efforts to secure concessions are generally unsuccessful. Jobbers, however, report an active day, and buyers willing to place free orders for desirable merchandise.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—COFFEE—The market for futures opened steady at a decline of 10 and 15 points under further liquidation and bear pressure, encouraged by rather disappointing French cables and heavier primary receipts. Trading was very quiet and at first the market ruled rather easy, declining to a level about 10 and 20 points below last night's final, but ruled a little steadier in the early afternoon on covering and buying by importers, but just before the close there was again renewal of selling pressure, and the market, while finally steady, was net 20 and 25 points lower. Sales were reported of 127,000 bags, including March, 5.50@5.70c; April, 5.65c; May, 5.75@5.85c; July, 6.00@6.15c; August, 6.25@6.30c; September, 6.25@6.40c; October, 6.35@6.40c; December, 6.55@6.65c, and January, 6.70c. Spot market, Rio irregular; No. 7 invoice, 7¼c; mild, steady.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—COTTON—Market opened steady at an advance of 7@15 points on cables. The market ruled steady to firm until around midday, when March was selling at 12.90c, May, 13.23c and July, 13.34c, showed net advances of 37@42 points. There was considerable liquidation from outside sources, and the market was forced rapidly downward. The decline was accompanied by rumors of a sensational character, such as have been circulated of late without any apparent foundation, and before the decline was checked prices had broken through the low level of yesterday with March reaching 12.34c, May, 12.66c, and July, 12.76c, this being a decline of from 56@58 points from the best of the session, and a net loss on the options in question of 16@19 points. The close was steady, at an advance of 6 points to a decline of 14. Sales were estimated at 500,000 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 16.—COTTON—Spot market, fair business done; prices, 32 points lower. American middling, fair, 7.20d; good middling, 7.09d; middling, 6.94d; low middling, 6.88d; good ordinary, 6.78d; ordinary, 6.58d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and included 6,700 American. Receipts, 25,000 bales, including 21,200 American. Futures opened easier and closed steady; American middling, g. o. c., February, 6.28d; February and March, 6.82d; March and April, 6.84d; April and May, 6.87d; May and June, 6.89d; June and July, 6.89d; July and August, 6.89d; August and September, 6.74d; September and October, 6.17d; October and November, 5.88d.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16.—COTTON—Nominal, ⅛c lower; middling, 13⅛c. Sales, none; receipts, 150 bales; shipments, 200 bales; stock, 18,670 bales.

Wool Market.

BOSTON, Feb. 16.—WOOL—Territory wools are in demand, with fine grades in moderate supply. In the market for pulled wools, a firm tone is noted. Foreign wools are quiet. Some of the leading quotations follow: Idaho, fine, 15@16c; heavy fine, 13@14c; fine medium, 16@17c; medium, 17½@18c. Wyoming, fine, 15@16c; heavy fine, 13@14c; fine medium, 16@17c; medium, 18½@19c. Utah and Nevada, fine, 15@16c; heavy fine, 13@14c; fine medium, 16½@17c; medium, 19@20c. Dakota, fine, 15@16c; fine medium, 16½@17c; medium, 19@20c. Montana, fine, choice, 19@20c; fine medium, choice, 19@20c; average, 18@19c; staple, 19@20c; medium, choice, 19@20c.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16.—WOOL—Nominal; medium grades, combing and clothing, 17@21c; light fine, 15@17½c; heavy fine, 12@14½c; tub washed, 20@30½c.

Sugar and Molasses.

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.—Raw, steady; fair refining, 2 13-16c; centrifugal 96 test, 3 11-32c; molasses sugar, 2 19-16c. Refined, steady; crushed, 5.15c; powdered, 4.55c; granulated, 4.45c.

MOLASSES—Firm.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 16.—WHEAT—May, 71⅝c; July, 76c; No. 2 hard, 88½@90c; No. 3, 84@86c; No. 2 red, $1; No. 3, 96c.

CORN—May, 46¼@46½c; July, 46c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 43@43½c; No. 2 white, 44@44½c; No. 3, 43½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 42½@43c; No. 2 mixed, 41½c.

HAY—Choice timothy, $9.50@9.75; choice prairie, $7.50.

RYE—No. 2, 55c.

BUTTER—Creamery, 21@22c; fancy dairy, 18c.

EGGS—Steady; Missouri and Kansas stock, cases returned, 24½c; new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 25c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	185,000	120,000
Corn, bu	163,200	76,000
Oats, bu	18,000	26,000

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Feb. 16.—WHEAT—In store, No. 1 hard, 96¼c; No. 1 northern, 94⅜c; No. 2 northern, 92¼c; on track, No. 1 hard, 96¼c; No. 1 northern, 94⅜c; No. 2 northern, 92¼c; May, 94⅜c; July, 94½c; September, 85¼c.

OATS—On track and to arrive, 45¼c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 16.—WHEAT—Dull; No. 1 northern, 98c; No. 2 northern, 92@96c; May, 96½c.

RYE—Firmer; No. 1, 70½c.

OMAHA LIVE STOCK MARKET

Receipts of Cattle Very Heavy and Killers a Little Lower.

HOG PRICES HAVE IMPROVED A TRIFLE

Fairly Liberal Run of Sheep and Lambs, but Demand Was Sufficient to Hold Prices Steady on Better Grades.

SOUTH OMAHA, Feb. 16, 1904.

Receipts were:	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Official Monday	3,431	4,709	13,062
Official Tuesday	6,500	10,000	11,000
Two days this week	9,931	14,709	24,062
Same days last week	5,806	14,439	17,089
Same days week before	5,055	13,487	16,910
Same three weeks ago	6,216	12,665	14,908
Same four weeks ago	6,929	14,728	22,494
Same days last year	8,653	16,060	15,010

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR TO DATE.

The following table shows the receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at South Omaha for the year to date, with comparisons with last year:

	1904.	1903.	Inc.	Dec.
Cattle	109,148	116,106	......	7,058
Hogs	295,667	291,754	3,913	.....
Sheep	235,292	149,795	85,497	.....

Average prices paid for hogs at South Omaha for the last several days with comparisons:

Date.	1904.	1903.	1902.	1901.	1900.	1899.	1898.
Feb. 1....	4 72½	*	5 93	5 22	4 67	3 64	3 64
Feb. 2....	4 73¾	6 68	*	5 25	4 68	3 64	3 63
Feb. 3....	4 84½	6 70	5 92	*	4 62	3 69	3 73
Feb. 4....	4 81	6 80	5 94	5 31	*	3 59	3 72
Feb. 5....	4 76¾	6 82	6 11	5 23	4 66	*	3 72
Feb. 6....	4 80¾	6 76	6 16	5 21	4 70	3 56	*
Feb. 7....	*	6 74	6 03	5 28	4 68	3 66	3 75
Feb. 8....	4 88¾	*	5 98	5 29	4 75	3 68	3 71
Feb. 9....	4 89	6 71	*	5 25	4 84	3 70	3 71
Feb. 10...	5 01½	6 75	6 00	*	4 80	3 71	3 76
Feb 11...	5 00	6 70	6 01	5 22	*	3 65	3 77
Feb. 12...	5 01	6 72	6 04	5 30	4 79	*	3 81
Feb. 13...	4 95½	6 80	5 98	5 24	4 82	3 68	*
Feb. 14...	*	6 85	5 92	5 30	4 75	3 65	3 82
Feb. 15...	4 99	*	5 81	5 28	4 75	3 58	3 79
Feb. 16...	5 03	6 72	*	5 27	4 83	3 58	3 89

*Indicates Sunday.

The official number of cars of stock brought in by each road was:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sh'p.	H'r's.
C., M. & St. P. Ry	11	23	..	..
Wabash	3	1	2	..
Mo. Pac. Ry	8	3	3	..
U. P. System	58	19	18	1
C. & N. W. Ry	13	8	1	..
F., E. & M. V. R. R.	63	13	11	..
C., St. P., M. & O. Ry	28	12	2	..
B. & M. Ry	58	38	15	..
C., B. & Q. Ry	9	..	..	..
K. C. & St. J	..	2	..	..
C., R. I. & P., east	15	6	..	..
C., R. I. & P., west	6	..	..	..
Illinois Central	..	1	..	..
C. G. West	4	2	..	..
Total receipts	276	146	52	1

The disposition of the day's receipts was as follows, each buyer purchasing the number of head indicated:

Buyer.	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Omaha Packing Co	491	1,335	1,944
Swift and Company	1,241	2,939	4,757
Cudahy Packing Co	1,033	1,961	1,380
Armour & Co	851	2,938	3,190
Armour, from Sioux City	23	1,284	....
Vansant & Co	18	....	....
Carey & Benton	120	....	....
McCreary & Clark	30	....	....
W. I. Stephen	48	....	....
Hill & Huntzinger	4	....	....
Huston & Co	16	....	....
Hamilton & Rothchilds	87	....	....
L. F. Husz	3	....	....
Wolf & Murnan	48	....	....
Hobbick & B	7	....	....
Sol Degan	13	....	....
F. P. Lewis	31	....	....
J. B. Root & Co	30	....	....
Mike Haggerty & Co	72	....	....
Other buyers	398	....	1,803
Total	4,564	10,457	12,174

YESTERDAY'S SHIPMENTS.

The following list shows the number of cars of feeders shipped to the country yesterday and their destination:

Cattle—	Cars.
F. Toyne, Lonesboro, Ia.—G. W	2
F. Collard, Oakland, Ia.—R. I	1
S. P. White, Oakland, Ia.—R. I	1

CATTLE—One of the heaviest runs of cattle for the year to date was reported this morning and besides that trains were late in arriving. It was the middle of the forenoon before buyers started out, and they were naturally rather independent owing to the fact that there were plenty of cattle in sight to supply all demands. Trading was slow, with prices generally lower.

The beef steer market could safely be quoted generally a dime lower, with the possible exception of something which just suited buyers, and that kind sold perhaps not much different from yesterday. Trading, though, was slow from start to finish, and the day was well advanced before anything like a clearance was made. The quality of the offerings was again rather inferior, most of the cattle being only short fed.

The cow market was uneven, sales going all the way from steady to a dime lower. Buyers seemed to want the cows, but they also wanted to buy them lower than they did yesterday. With the exception of the more desirable grades the bulk of the cattle sold 5@10c lower than yesterday. The same as with steers it was late before even the bulk of the arrivals was out of first hands.

Bulls were slow and a little lower, in sympathy with the decline on steers and cows. Veal calves were no more than steady.

There was a fairly good inquiry for stockers and feeders and the better grades changed hands quite freely at steady prices and some of the best bunches may have sold a little stronger. The same as usual, though, the commoner kinds were neglected and no more than steady. Representative sales:

BEEF STEERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	706	3 10	17	1154	3 80
1	800	3 10	2	1005	3 80
6	832	3 40	5	1230	3 80
14	940	3 40	23	1115	3 80
8	945	3 50	1	1180	3 80
12	1025	3 50	5	1113	3 80
15	925	3 55	11	1170	3 80
8	940	3 60	17	1120	3 80
20	968	3 60	9	1064	3 85
7	1098	3 60	20	1127	3 90
24	1093	3 65	12	1043	3 95
18	1003	3 65	20	1294	4 00
28	1022	3 65	41	1195	4 00
19	1070	3 65	7	1350	4 05
8	1063	3 70	20	1310	4 10
14	1091	3 70	20	1276	4 10
1	1200	3 75	10	1085	4 15
25	1040	3 75	9	1207	4 15
14	1035	3 75	20	1188	4 20
45	1117	3 75	20	1205	4 20
13	1090	3 80	17	1435	4 60
10	1216	3 80			

STEERS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
2	1010	3 50	3	926	3 85
6	1008	3 60	9	1162	3 85
8	1187	3 80	15	1038	3 90

STEERS AND COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
20	977	3 60	20	1500	4 40

COWS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	870	2 05	19	1001	3 05
1	1270	2 10	14	942	3 05
1	1060	2 25	12	906	3 15
1	990	2 25	11	1053	3 15
1	1100	2 40	11	1172	3 15
2	1050	2 40	20	1090	3 20
2	1076	2 50	14	1110	3 20
6	886	2 60	11	1076	3 20
14	972	2 70	4	1186	3 20
14	972	2 70	24	997	3 25
1	850	2 75	18	1170	3 25
19	1206	2 75	7	1151	3 25
17	898	2 75	13	1158	3 25
7	1045	2 75	13	884	3 25
4	1215	2 85	8	971	3 35
3	1036	2 90	2	1300	3 35
1	980	3 00	1	1280	3 35
4	1000	3 00	12	1075	3 50
8	901	3 00	5	968	3 60

COWS AND HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
8	921	3 25	11	1098	3 35

HEIFERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
3	705	2 25	19	801	2 95
2	530	2 25	7	937	3 00
2	640	2 30	25	884	3 05
3	740	2 40	6	758	3 10
1	510	2 50	3	910	3 20
2	565	2 60	42	850	3 30
10	667	2 60	64	775	3 30
1	800	2 75	10	845	3 35
24	853	2 85	10	1067	3 35
23	870	2 95			

BULLS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	1380	2 40	1	1470	3 10
1	1230	2 60	1	2070	3 25
1	1070	2 50	1	1460	3 25
11	1179	2 90	4	1557	3 35
1	1000	3 00	1	1440	3 40
1	1270	3 00	1	650	3 75
1	1400	3 00	11	1179	3 90
1	1470	3 00			

CALVES.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
5	344	3 25	3	166	4 00
2	540	3 40	1	90	5 00
1	400	3 50			

STOCKERS AND FEEDERS.

No.	Av.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Pr.
1	600	2 75	11	883	3 50
3	743	3 00	2	756	3 50
1	770	3 00	8	877	3 50
1	700	3 00	27	742	3 65
2	655	3 00	1	840	3 65
8	653	3 00	5	810	3 65
2	730	3 30	14	767	3 70
5	726	3 30	17	806	3 70
10	812	3 30	2	1005	3 75
11	750	3 35	6	1084	3 75
10	852	3 40	4	1230	3 75
13	884	3 45	19	973	3 85
3	715	3 45	9	1138	3 90
2	715	3 45	4	1205	4 00
3	746	3 50			

HOGS—Receipts of hogs were liberal this morning and the market opened with packers offering only about steady prices. Not much business was transacted on that basis, though, and packers had to raise their bids. After the first round the market was strong to 5c higher and it kept getting better until it was fully a nickel higher, with trading active at the advance. The bulk of the decent weight hogs sold from $5.00 to $5.05, with light stuff from $5.00 down and choice heavies largely from $5.05 to $5.10 and as high as $5.15 was paid. All the early arrivals were disposed of in good season, but several trains were late in arriving.

The extreme close of the market was active and strong, sales being made late that were 5@10c higher than yesterday. A load weighing 336 pounds sold for $5.17½. Today's advance carries the market to the high point of the season to date. Representative sales:

No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.	No.	Av.	Sh.	Pr.
69	157	...	4 75	28	242	...	5 05
80	169	...	4 90	26	251	...	5 05
42	166	80	4 90	79	218	...	5 05
30	208	...	4 90	80	249	...	5 05
51	180	...	4 90	65	230	...	5 05
94	188	...	4 90	70	274	...	5 05
61	196	...	4 95	58	233	...	5 05
46	215	80	4 95	72	230	...	5 05
61	165	...	4 95	53	249	...	5 05
85	177	...	4 95	78	228	240	5 05
78	184	40	4 95	86	220	40	5 05
29	182	160	4 95	71	225	80	5 05
68	172	...	4 96	66	240	...	5 05
60	196	...	4 97½	59	278	120	5 05
80	260	...	5 00	74	249	...	5 05
68	202	40	5 00	61	249	...	5 05
16	186	...	5 00	62	247	...	5 05
74	222	...	5 00	69	258	160	5 05
96	195	...	5 00	65	246	80	5 05
149	228	240	5 00	61	245	40	5 05
68	215	...	5 00	65	247	160	5 05
149	231	120	5 00	78	235	...	5 05
64	208	...	5 00	40	262	...	5 05
82	221	...	5 00	29	274	...	5 05
70	213	40	5 00	55	239	...	5 05
83	217	160	5 00	48	237	...	5 07½
62	229	...	5 00	21	298	...	5 07½
73	184	80	5 00	26	230	120	5 07½
13	226	...	5 00	78	260	160	5 07½
71	210	80	5 00	69	252	...	5 07½
74	204	80	5 00	62	275	120	5 07½
71	266	...	5 00	24	278	...	5 07½
72	217	80	5 00	60	259	80	5 07½
64	229	80	5 02½	80	266	80	5 07½
60	243	...	5 02½	55	294	120	5 10
55	226	...	5 02½	19	262	...	5 10
82	191	40	5 02½	66	281	80	5 10
15	250	...	5 02½	47	258	...	5 10
73	202	...	5 02½	56	261	80	5 10
24	237	120	5 02½	61	254	...	5 10
77	230	40	5 02½	67	286	...	5 10
31	211	...	5 02½	60	268	...	5 10
88	213	...	5 02½	60	256	80	5 10
72	240	80	5 05	44	323	80	5 10
83	210	...	5 05	53	276	40	5 10
87	240	...	5 05	71	265	...	5 10
64	257	...	5 05	75	260	160	5 10
56	264	...	5 05	62	292	...	5 10
66	243	80	5 05	57	262	...	5 10
74	238	40	5 05	55	301	160	5 10
56	267	...	5 05	56	262	80	5 10
40	228	...	5 05	56	275	80	5 10
45	252	120	5 05	64	278	80	5 10
64	235	80	5 05	77	270	...	5 12½
36	233	80	5 05	69	248	...	5 12½
72	254	80	5 05	70	272	...	5 12½
46	273	80	5 05	103	278	...	5 15
62	253	40	5 05	58	336	200	5 17½
78	235	...	5 05				

SHEEP—There was a fairly liberal run of sheep at this point today, but the demand was in good shape, and the market could best be described by calling it active and steady on all desirable grades. Some sales, in fact, were a shade higher. For example, the Johnson ewes that brought $3.85 yesterday sold for $3.90 today. When it came to the commoner kinds trading was naturally not so brisk, but still prices were not a great deal different from yesterday, only a few sales being a trifle lower. Trains were rather slow in arriving this morning, which delayed the market to some extent, but still the better grades were disposed of in good season.

Quotations for corn-fed stock: Good to choice western lambs, $5.50@5.85; fair to good lambs, $5.25@5.50; good to choice yearlings, $4.75@5.00; fair to good yearlings, $4.50@4.75; good to choice wethers, $4.00@4.25; fair to good wethers, $3.75@4.00; good to choice ewes, $3.75@4.00; fair to good ewes, $3.50@3.75; choice feeder lambs, $4.25@5.00; fair to good, $3.50@4.00; feeder yearlings, $3.50@4.00; feeder wethers, $3.75@4.00; feeder ewes, $2.50@3.25; culls, $1.75@2.00. Representative sales:

No.		Av.	Pr.
20	western feeder ewes	86	2 60
94	western feeder ewes	89	2 60
220	western ewes	104	3 35
428	western ewes	117	3 90
1	buck	170	2 50
48	western ewes	104	3 50
268	western ewes	88	3 50
1	western ewe	90	3 50
1	western yearling	110	3 50
127	western ewes	98	3 65
12	western ewes	92	3 85
150	western ewes	122	3 55
229	western ewes	123	3 95
26	western wethers	122	4 00
174	western wethers	145	4 20
249	western yearlings	95	4 65
408	western lambs	72	5 25
321	western lambs	81	5 40
186	western lambs	79	5 40
264	western ewes	95	3 25
330	western ewes	99	3 55
4	western ewes	85	3 80
15	western wethers	88	4 10
4	western wethers	100	4 10
88	western wethers	85	4 10
176	western yearlings	73	4 50
250	Mexican yearlings	77	4 90
251	Mexican yearlings	86	5 00
148	western lambs	79	5 60
372	western lambs	79	5 60
353	western ewes	100	3 50
131	western ewes	99	3 60
387	western ewes	99	3 60
406	western ewes	97	3 60
63	western ewes	102	3 65
417	western ewes	109	3 75
201	western ewes	102	3 75
178	western wethers	140	3 75
349	western wethers	107	4 00
25	western wethers	93	4 00
97	western yearlings	80	4 60
159	western yearlings	88	4 60
182	western lambs	66	4 65
406	western lambs	67	4 75

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CHICAGO MARKET FOR LIVE STOCK.

Cattle Active and Steady and Hogs Five Cents Higher.

CHICAGO, Feb. 16.—CATTLE—Receipts, 4,000 head; market active and steady; good to prime steers, $4.50@5.70; poor to medium, $3.50@4.75; stockers and feeders, $2.25@4.25; cows, $1.60@4.25; heifers, 2.25@4.75; canners, $1.60@2.50; bulls, $2.00@4.10; calves, $2.50@3.50.

HOGS—Receipts today, 30,000 head; estimated tomorrow, 40,000 head; market strong to 5c higher; mixed and butchers, $5.00@5.37½; good to choice heavy, $5.30@5.45; rough heavy, $4.90@5.25; light, $4.60@5.20; bulk of sales, $5.00@5.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 15,000 head; market steady; lambs, steady and easy; good to choice wethers, $4.00@4.60; fair to choice, mixed, $4.50@4.75; western sheep, $3.00@3.05; native lambs, $4.00@4.05.

Kansas City Live Stock Market.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 16.—CATTLE—Receipts, 13,000 head, including 400 southerns. Market steady; export and dressed beef steers, 10@15c higher, $4.50@5.25; fair to good strong, $3.80@4.40; western fed steers steady, $3.50@4.30; stockers and feeders, steady, $3.00@4.00; southern steers, steady, $3.20@4.05; southern cows, $2.25@2.80; native cows, $1.75@3.60; native heifers, $3.00@3.85; bulls, steady, $2.75@3.65; calves, $3.00@6.50.

HOGS—Receipts, 11,500 head; market 5@10c higher; closed weak; top, $5.22½; bulk of sales, $4.90@5.15; heavy, $5.10@5.22½; packers, $5.00@5.15; pigs and lights, $4.75@5.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 6,000 head; market steady to strong; native lambs, $5.00@5.75; western lambs, $4.90@5.30; fed ewes, $3.50@4.00; western fed yearlings, $4.50@5.00; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.15.

St. Louis Live Stock Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16.—CATTLE—Receipts, 5,000 head, including 2,800 Texans; market steady to strong and higher; native shipping and export steers, $4.25@5.50, the top for strictly fancy; dressed beef and butcher steers, $4.00@5.35; steers under 1,000 lbs., $3.50@5.20; stockers and feeders, $2.10@3.75; cows and heifers, $2.25@4.20; canners, $1.50@2.50; bulls, $2.50@3.20; calves, $3.00@6.50; Texas and Indian steers, $2.80@4.30; cows and heifers, $2.15@3.25.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,000 head; market firm and higher; pigs and lights, $4.75@5.15; packers, $4.85@5.25; butchers and best heavy, $5.10@5.35.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 3,000 head; market active, strong; native muttons, $3.50@4.60; lambs, $4.60@5.70; culls and bucks, $2.00@4.25; stockers, $2.00@3.00.

St. Joseph Live Stock Market.

ST. JOSEPH, Feb. 16.—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,119 head; market steady to strong; natives, $3.50@5.25; cows and heifers, $1.50@4.10; stockers and feeders, $2.65@4.15.

HOGS—Receipts, 8,134 head; market mostly 5c higher; light, $4.60@5.05; medium and heavy, $4.95@5.17½.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Receipts, 1,960 head; market steady; lambs, $6.00; yearlings, $5.00; wethers, $4.50; ewes, $4.25.

Stock in Sight.

Following are the receipts of live stock for the six principal western cities yesterday:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
South Omaha	6,500	10,000	11,000
Chicago	4,000	30,000	15,000
Kansas City	13,000	11,500	6,000
St. Louis	5,000	8,000	3,000
St. Joseph	2,119	8,134	1,960
Sioux City	900	3,000	....
Totals	31,519	70,634	36,960

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 16.—WHEAT—Lower; No. 2 red, cash, elevator, $1.05½; track, $1.03@1.06; May, 93⅝c; July, 85⅛c; No. 2 hard, 89@92c.

CORN—Lower; No. 2 cash, 44½c; track, 45¼@46c; May, 49⅝c; July, 50c.

OATS—Lower; No. 2 cash, 42½c; track, 43@44c; May, 42c; No. 2 white, 44½c.

FLOUR—Fairly active and steady; red winter patents, $4.90@5.00; extra fancy and straight, $4.60@4.85; clear, $3.80@4.00.

SEED—Timothy, nominal, $2.50@2.80.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.50.

BRAN—Easy; sacked, east track, 87@90c

HAY—Dull and steady; timothy, $8.00@12.00; prairie, $9.00@9.50 for No. 1.
IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.
BAGGING—8¼@9¼c.
HEMP TWINE—5c.
PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, $15.15½. Lard, easy; prime steam, $6.85. Bacon, firm and higher; boxed, extra shorts, $8; clear, $8.12½; short clear, $8.25.
POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 10c; springs, 10c; turkeys, 13c; ducks, 12c; geese, 3@7c.
BUTTER—Higher; creamery, 19@27c; dairy, 15@26c.
EGGS—Higher, 28½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	14,000	15,000
Wheat, bu	128,000	117,000
Corn, bu	119,000	189,000
Oats, bu	88,000	111,000

Sioux City Live Stock Market.

SIOUX CITY, Ia., Feb. 16.—(Special Telegram.)—CATTLE—Receipts, 900 head; market steady; beeves, $3.50@4.60; cows, bulls and mixed, $2.30@3.50; stockers and feeders, $2.75@3.60; calves and yearlings, $2.50@3.50.
HOGS—Receipts, 3,000 head; market a big dime higher at $4.75@5.15; bulk, $4.90@5.05.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, more liberal; market weaker; fresh stock, 28c.
LIVE POULTRY—Hens, 9c; spring chickens, 9c; roosters, according to age, 5c; turkeys, 13@14c; ducks, 9½c; geese, 8c.
DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, 16@17c; ducks, 11@12c; geese, 10c; chickens, 9½@10½c.
BUTTER—Packing stock, 12½@13c; choice to fancy dairy rolls, 13@14c; separator, 25c.
FRESH FISH—Trout, 9@10c; pickerel, 5½@6c; pike, 9c; perch, 6@6½c; bluefish, 15c; whitefish, 8@8½c; salmon, 11c; haddock, 10c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 11c; lobsters, boiled, per lb., 30c; lobsters, green, per lb., 28c; bullheads, 11c; catfish, 13@14c; black bass, 20c; halibut, 13c; crappies, 12c; herring, 4c; white bass, 13c; bluefins, 8c; smelts, 10@11c.
OYSTERS—New York Counts, per can, 43c; per gal., $2.00; extra select, per can, 35c; per gal., $1.80; standard, per can, 27c; per gal., $1.50.
BRAN—Per ton, $15.50.
HAY—Prices quoted by Omaha Wholesale Dealers' association: Choice No. 1 upland, $6.50; No. 2, $6.00; medium, $5.50; coarse, $5.00; rye straw, $5.00. These prices are for hay of good color and quality. Demand fair and receipts light.

VEGETABLES.

POTATOES—Colorado, $1.10; Dakota, per bu., $1.00; natives, 90c.
SWEET POTATOES—Illinois, per bbl., $3.50.
NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.25.
CELERY—Large California, 60c, 75c and 90c.
ONIONS—Spanish, per crate, $1.75; Colorado yellow and red, per lb., 2¼c.
CABBAGE—Wisconsin Holland, 3½c; new California, 3½c.
TURNIPS—Canada rutabagas, per lb., 1¼c; white, per bu., 60c.
CARROTS—Per bu., 85c.
PARSNIPS—Per bu., 60c.
BEETS—Per bu., 60c.
CAULIFLOWER—California, per crate, $2.75.
CUCUMBERS—Per doz., $1.25@1.50.
TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crates, $6.00.
RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 35c.
LETTUCE HEADS—Per doz. bunches, 90c@$1.00; per bbl., $7.00; leaf lettuce, per doz. bunches, 45c.
TURNIPS—Southern, per doz., 75c.
BEETS—Southern, per doz., 75c.
CARROTS—Southern, per doz., 75c.
PARSLEY—Southern, per doz., $1.00.

FRUITS.

APPLES—California Bellflowers, per box, $1.65; New York export Greenings, Russets and Baldwins, $3.75.
GRAPES—Imported Malagas, per keg, $6.00.
CRANBERRIES—Jersey, per bbl., $7.00; per box, $2.50; Wisconsin Bell and Bugle, $7.50; Bell and Cherry, $6.50.
STRAWBERRIES—Florida, per qt., 50c.

TROPICAL FRUITS.

ORANGES—Navels, all sizes, choice, $2.00@2.25; fancy, all sizes, $2.25@2.50.
LEMONS—California, fancy, 300 to 360, $3.50; choice, 240 to 270 sizes, $3.00@3.25.
FIGS—California, per 10-lb. cartons, 85c; imported Smyrna, 3-crown, 14c; 5-crown, 16c; 7-crown, 16c.
BANANAS—Per medium sized bunch, $2.00@2.50; Jumbos, $2.75@3.25.
COCOANUTS—Per sack, $4.00; per doz., 60c.
DATES—Persian, per box of 30 pkgs., $2.00; per lb., in 60-lb. boxes, 5c; Oriental stuffed dates, per box, $2.40.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEESE—Wisconsin twins, full cream, 12c; Wisconsin Young Americas, 13c; block Swiss, 16c; Wisconsin brick, 13c; Wisconsin limburger, 12c.
HONEY—Nebraska, per 24 frames, $3.00; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, $3.25.
MAPLE SUGAR—Ohio, per lb., 10c.
CIDER—Per bbl., $5.50; per ½ bbl., $3.25.
POPCORN—Per lb., 2½c; shelled, 3@3½c.
HORSERADISH—Per case of 2 doz., packed, 80c.
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., 6½c; dry salted hides, 8@12c; sheep pelts, 25@75c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.
NUTS—Walnuts, No. 1 soft-shell, per lb., 15½c; hard-shell, per lb., 14c; No. 2 soft-shell, per lb., 13c; No. 2 hard-shell, per lb., 12c; Brazils, per lb., 11c; filberts, per lb., 11c; almonds, soft-shell, per lb., 15c; hard-shell, per lb., 13c; pecans, large, per lb., 12c; small, per lb., 10c; peanuts, per lb., 6c; roasted peanuts, per lb., 7½c; Chili walnuts, 12@13½c; large hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50; shell barks, per bu., $2.00; black walnuts, per bu., $1.25.

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