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CORNELIUS VAN COTT,
Postmaster.

Postoffice, New York, N. Y., March 25, 1904.

OMAHA WHOLESALE MARKET.

Condition of Trade and Quotations on Staple and Fancy Produce.

EGGS—Receipts, liberal; market steady; fresh stock, 15c.

LIVE POULTRY — Hens, 10½c; young roosters, 8@9c; old roosters, 5c; turkeys, 12c; ducks, 9½c; geese, 8c.

BUTTER — Packing stock, 12c; choice to fancy dairy rolls, 13@14c; separator, 22c.

FRESH FISH—Trout, 8½@10c; pickerel, 10@10c; pike, 9c; perch, 5@6½c; bluefish, 15c; Spanish mackerel, 12½c; salmon, 11c; haddock, 10c; codfish, 12c; redsnapper, 11c; lobster, boiled, per lb., 32c; lobsters, green, per lb., 30c; bullheads, 11c; catfish, 13@14c; black bass, 20c; halibut, 10c; crappies, 12c; herring, 4½c; white bass, 13c; bluefins, 8c; smelts, 10@11c.

OYSTERS—New York counts, per can, 42c; per gal., $2.00; extra select, per can, 35c; per gal., $1.75; standard, per can, 27c; per gal., $1.35@1.40.

BRAN—Per ton, $18.00.

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, $1.20; Dakota, per bu., $1.10; natives, $1.00.

NAVY BEANS—Per bu., $2.25@2.35.

CELERY—Large California, 60c, 75c, and 90c.

ONIONS—Spanish, per crate, $1.90; Colorado yellow and red, per lb., 3½c.

CABBAGE—Wisconsin Holland, 4c.

TURNIPS—White, per bu., 60c.

CARROTS—Per bu., $1.00.

PARSNIPS—Per bu., 75c.

BEETS—Per bu., 75c.

CUCUMBERS—Per doz., $1.50@1.75.

TOMATOES—Florida, per 6-basket crate, $3.50@4.00.

RADISHES—Per doz. bunches, 35@60c.

LETTUCE HEADS—Per doz. bunches, 90c@$1.00. Cup lettuce, per doz., 45@50c.

TURNIPS—Southern, per doz., 45c.

BEETS—Southern, per doz., 50c.

CARROTS—Southern, per doz., 75c.

PARSLEY—Southern, per doz., 30@45c.

SHALLOTS—Per doz., 75c.

ONION SETS—Per bu. of 32 lbs., yellow, $2.25; red $2.25; white, $2.50.

SPINACH—Per bu., 85c@$1.00.

BEANS—Wax, per bu. box, $5.00; string, per bu. box, $4.00.

FRUITS.

APPLES—California Bellflowers, per box, $1.75; Oregon fancy reds, per box, $1.90; New York export Greenings, Russets and Baldwins, $4.00.

CRANBERRIES—Jersey, per bbl., $7; per box, $2.50.

STRAWBERRIES—Texas, per 24-qt. case, $4.50; Louisiana, per 24-pt. case, $2.00@2.25.

TROPICAL FRUITS

ORANGES—Navels, choice, all sizes, $3.25; fancy navels, all sizes, $3.50.

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, 5-crown, 14c; 5-crown, 16c; 7-crown, 20c.

BANANAS—Per medium sized bunch, $2.00@2.50; Jumbos, $2.75@3.25.

DATES—Persian, per box of 30 pkgs., $2; per lb. in 60-lb. boxes, 5c; Oriental stuffed dates, per box, $2.40.

COCOANUTS—Per sack, $4; per doz., 50c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

CHEESE—Wisconsin twins, full cream, 12c; Wisconsin Young America, 12c; block Swiss, 16c; Wisconsin brick, 15c; Wisconsin limburger, 13c.

CIDER—Per bbl., $5.50; per ½-bbl., $3.25.

HONEY—Nebraska, per 24 frames, $3; Utah and Colorado, per 24 frames, $3.

HORSERADISH—Per case of 2 doz., packed, 90c.

MAPLE SUGAR—Ohio, per lb., 10c.

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@27c; horse hides, $1.50@2.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, per lb., 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., 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., 8c; Chili walnuts, 12@13½c; large hickory nuts, per bu., $1.50; shellbarks, per bu., $2; black walnuts, per bu., $1.35.

Oils and Rosin.

NEW YORK, March 28.—OIL—Cottonseed, quiet. Petroleum, easy; refined, New York, $3.50; Philadelphia and Baltimore, $3.40; in bulk, $1.85. Turpentine, steady.

ROSIN—Steady; strained, common to good, $2.80.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 28.—OIL—Turpentine, steady, 58c.

ROSIN—Firm; A, B, C and D, $2.50; E, $2.55; F, $2.60; G, $2.65; H, $2.70; I, $2.85; K, $3.30; M, $3.35; N, $3.50; W. G., $3.70; W. W., $4.00.

OIL CITY, Pa., March 28.—OIL—Credit balances, $1.71; certificates, no bid; shipments, 92,722 bbls.; average, 64,554 bbls.; runs, 150,404 bbls.; average, 76,378 bbls.; shipments, Lima, 101,919 bbls.; average, 66,201 bbls.; runs, Lima, 94,133 bbls.; average, 94,221 bbls.

Evaporated Apples and Dried Fruits.

NEW YORK, March 28.—EVAPORATED APPLES—The market is still firm, though the demand at the moment is only moderate. Common are quoted at 4@5½c; prime, 6½@6¾c; choice, 6¾@7c; fancy, 7@7½c.

CALIFORNIA DRIED FRUITS—Prunes rule easy, with quotations ranging from 3½c to 5½c, according to grade. Apricots are very quiet; choice are held at 9@9½c; extra choice, 10½@10¾c; fancy, 11@12c. Peaches are in good demand and firm; choice are quoted at 7¼@7½c; extra choice, 8@8½c; fancy, 9½@10c.

GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Strength of Cash Wheat and Nearly Future Features of Day.

BULLS GET BETTER OF LATE REPORTS

Opinion is that Armour Campaign in May Corn is in Preparation, if Not Already Begun.

OMAHA, March 28, 1904.

The strength of cash wheat and of the nearby future was the feature of the market. Most of the Minneapolis millers have resumed operations and there is said to be an increasing feeling that the country stores will be short. Crop reports are conflicting, but the greater weight of autnority seems to be on the bull side. The cash men are assuming that the Chicago stocks will be early reduced. Of No. 1 northern 25,000 bu. sold there today on a par with the May and Saturday 100,000 bu. sold at the same figure. Kansas City wires that No. 3 sold there at 90c, 4c premium over the May. Chicago May ranged from 87c to 88⅝c after opening strong. The high point came early in the session. New July ranged from 85⅞c to 87¼c. May was bid up on the Omaha floor 1c and July the same amount.

The general opinion is that an Armour campaign in May corn is in preparation, if not already begun. The market today showed a scattering short interest, induced by the poor cash situation Saturday, against a long line, presumably Armour's. A Chicago wire says receipts of corn were only 70 cars, but that of these 11 were contract grade. Some of the talent believe that the recent receipts show that the bad corn has been marketed and that the remainder in the country is of better grade. A Broomhall cable says that it is the present intention of the ministry to reimpose the duty on the import of cereals into the United Kingdom. Chicago May ranged from 54⅝c to 55½c, while the Omaha crowd bid it up by noon from 46¾c, the opening, to 46⅞c.

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

	Open.	High.	Low.	Closed Today.	Closed Sat'y.
Wheat—					
May	88	89	88	89⅛	88⅛B
July	83½	83⅝	82⅞	83⅛B	82⅞B
Corn—					
May	45⅝	47¼	45⅝	47⅛	45⅝
July	45	45⅝	44	45⅝	44⅞A
Oats—					
May	38⅝	39	38⅝	39B	38⅝B

Local Cash Grain Market.

Omaha was in line with the better cash situation and the samples were cleaned up within ten minutes from the going. Four times as much corn would have been taken if it had been on tap. Orders were carried over by brokers. The wheat was up 1 cent and corn advanced from Saturday prices 1 to 2 cents. One car of No. 2 hard winter wheat was offered and taken at 90 cents. The bulk of wheat was sold here at a premium higher than Kansas City this morning. One car of No. 3 yellow sold for 45 cents and a car of No. 3 for 43¾ cents. No. 4 corn sold for 45 and 44½ cents to the Mississippi river and some no grade stuff went at 38 cents. Receipts of wheat were 4 cars in and 18 cars out; one week ago, 4 cars in and 11 cars out. Corn receipts were 7 cars in and 21 cars out; one week ago, 25 cars in and 12 cars out. Oats were 1 car in and 3 cars out; one week ago, 9 cars in and 5 cars out.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 83½@88c; No. 3 hard, 80½@87c; No. 4 hard, 71½@78c; No. 2 spring, 83½@88c; No. 3 spring, 80½@86c; No. 4 spring, 71½@76c.

CORN—No. 2, 45½c; No. 3, 43@44½c; No. 4, 41½@43c; No. 2 yellow, 46c; No. 3 yellow, 44@45c; No. 2 white, 45½c; No. 3 white, 43@44½c.

OATS—No. 2, 37@38c; No. 3, 36@37c; No. 4, 35@36c; No. 2 white, 41@42c; No. 3 white, 39@40c; No. 4 white, 38@39c; standard, 40½@41½c.

Notes from the Exchange Offices.

Omaha inspections of grain were 21 cars; of wheat, 2 cars graded No. 2 hard winter; of oats, 1 car graded No. 4; of corn, 15 cars graded No. 3, 1 car No. 4, 1 car No. 3 white and 1 car No. 4 white.

Grain Markets Elsewhere.

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

CHICAGO.

	Closed—Today.	Sat'day.
Wheat—		
May	96⅝	95½
July	88⅝	87½B
Corn—		
May	55	53½B
July	51⅞	50⅝A

KANSAS CITY.

Wheat—		
May	86⅝	84⅝
July	78⅞	77⅝
Corn—		
May	46⅝	45⅝
July	45½	44½

ST. LOUIS.

Wheat—		
May	95⅝	93⅝
July	83½B	82⅝
Corn—		
May	46⅝	45⅞
July	48⅝B	47½

MINNEAPOLIS.

Wheat—		
May	98 B	97 A
July	98 B	96⅞

DULUTH.

Wheat—		
May	97⅝B	96½
July	97⅝	96½B

NEW YORK.

Wheat—		
May	99½	98⅝
July	94⅛A	93⅝B

A asked. B bid.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET.

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 28.—FLOUR—Receipts, 41,697 bbls.; exports, 5,224 bbls. The market showed a more firmness on the wheat situation, but was quiet. Winter straights, $5.00@5.15; winter patents, $5.35@5.50; Minnesota bakers, $4.10@4.40; Minnesota patents, $5.10@5.45; winter extras, $3.25@4.60; winter low grades, $3.15@3.80. Rye flour, steady; fair to good $4.30@4.35; choice to fancy, $4.50@4.80. Buckwheat flour, heavy.

CORNMEAL—Steady; western, $1.10@1.12; city, $1.10@1.15; kiln-dried, $3.10@3.20.

RYE—Steady; No. 2 western, 81½c, to arrive prompt.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 49c, c. i. f., New York; malting, 56@65c, c. i. f., Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 6,825 bu.; spot market firm; No. 2 red, $1.07, nominal elevator; No. 2 red, $1.08@1.11, nominal, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.07½, nominal, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 hard, Manitoba, nominal, f. o. b., afloat. Options closed 1⅛@1⅜c net higher; May, 98⅝@99 13-16c; closed, 99⅛c. July, 93@94 7-16c; closed, 94⅛c. September, 89⅝@90⅛c; closed, 90⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 108,575 bu. Spot market firm; No. 2, nominal elevator, 55c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 yellow, 56c; No. 2 white, 55c. The option market was more active and strong. The close was 5⅝@6c net higher. May, 56@56⅛c, closed at 56⅛c; July closed at 56⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 229,500 bu.; exports, 10,685 bu. Spot market, steady; No. 2, 46c; standard white, 46½c; No. 3 white, 47c; No. 3 white, 46½c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 70@72½c; good to choice, 97½c@$1.00.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1902, 27@30c; 1903, 23@27c; olds, 9@14c. Pacific coast, 1902, 26@31c; 1903, 25@27c; olds, 9@14c.

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

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 23@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, easy; family, $11.00@12.00; mess, $8.50@9.00; packet, $10.00@11.00. Beef hams, $20.50@22.00; city extra India mess, $16.00@18.00. Cut meats, dull; pickled bellies, $7.00@8.00; pickled shoulders, $6.50; pickled hams, $10.00@11.00. Lard, firm; western steamed, $7.45; refined, firm; continental, $7.55; South America, $7.50; compound, $6.75@6.87½. Pork, steady; family, $15.00; short clear, $14.75@16.50; mess, $15.00@15.50.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, 15@25c; state dairy, 13@21c.

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

EGGS—Strong; western firsts, 18½c.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; western chickens, 13c; fowls, 16c; turkeys, 15c; dressed, steady; western chickens, 12@13c; fowls, 14c; turkeys, western young hens, 16@17c.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

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

CHICAGO, March 28.—The sample tables, not the speculative pits, were focal centers of business today on the Board of Trade. Spot transactions for actual cash largely controlled contracts for business. The actual kernels were said to be so scarce that there was a shortage of seed wheat in even such a typical cereal section as the Red River valley of the north. Compared with last night's closing figures, July wheat today closed at an advance of 1⅛@1⅜c. Corn is up 1⅜@1½c. Oats show a gain of ⅝c and provisions 7½ to 20 cents.

More general interest in the wheat market was manifested today than had been experienced since prices made the recent sensational advance figure, July wheat mark. The principal feature at the opening were a decrease in world's shipments, unfavorable crop reports from the southwest, and firm cables. Initial quotations on July were ⅛c lower to ⅛c higher, at 87⅛@87⅜c. Prices advanced until late in the day, when July touched 88⅞c. At that figure many of the early buyers took profits.

Closing prices were almost at the top, final figures on July being at 88⅝@88⅞c. May sold between 95½c and 97c and closed at 96⅝c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 150,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 679,400, against 645,800 a year ago. The amount on passage increased 672,000 bushels, while the visible supply decreased 414,000 bushels. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 549 cars, against 575 last week and 498 a year ago.

The price for spot corn was up 2 to 3 cents. With the late reaction in wheat some realizing occurred which resulted in an easier tone. The weakness was soon dissipated, however, and closing prices at the high point. July opened a shade to ⅛c and ⅜c higher, sold between 50⅛ and 51⅛@51⅝c and closed at 51⅛c. May closed at 55c; after ranging between 53½c and 55c. Local receipts were 70 cars, with 11 of contract grade.

Oats participated in the general advance and ruled strong throughout the day. Closing prices were near the top. After opening unchanged rose to 37⅞c to 38⅛c, July sold between 38@38⅛c and 35⅝@36c, closing at 36⅛@38⅝c. Local receipts, 110 cars.

The action of grains resulted in advances in all products and caused the market to close strong. Final quotations on July pork were up 20 cents at $13.55. July lard, 7½ cents higher at $7.22½, and ribs up 7 cents at $7.12½@7.15.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
*Wheat					
May	96⅝@96	97	95⅝	96⅝	95⅝
a July	88⅞@⅞	90⅛	86⅞	88⅛	85⅞
b July	87⅛@⅞	88⅞	87⅛	88⅝@⅞	87½
a Sept.	87⅛@⅞	84⅞	83⅛	84⅝	83½
b Sept.	82⅝@⅞	83½	82⅝	83½	82⅝
*Corn—					
May	53⅛@⅞	55	53½	55	53⅛
July	50½@⅝	51⅞@52	50⅛	51⅞@52	50⅝@⅞
Sept.	50⅝@⅝	51⅛	50	51⅛	49⅞
*Oats—					
May	39⅛	40⅝	39⅛	40⅝	39⅛
July	38⅝@38⅞	38⅞@39	38⅝@⅞	38⅞@39	38⅝@38⅞
Sept.	32½	33⅛	32½	32⅞@33	32⅛
Pork—					
May	13 15	13 40	13 15	13 32½	13 12½
July	13 40	13 60	13 35	13 55	13 35
Lard—					
Amer. Sugar	7 00	7 10	7 00	7 07½	7 00
July	7 17½	7 25	7 17½	7 22½	7 15
Ribs—					
May	6 90	7 02½	6 90	7 00	6 90
July	7 05	7 17½	7 05	7 15	7 05

*No. 2. a Old. b New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Firm; winter patents, $4.80@5.00; straights, $4.50@4.70; spring patents, $4.40@4.70; straights, $4.00@4.20; bakers, $3.00@3.50.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 93c@$1.00; No. 3, 87@89c; No. 2 red, 95⅝c@$1.02.

CORN—No 2, 54⅝@55c; No. 2 yellow, 54⅝@56c.

OATS—No. 2, 40@40½c; No. 3 white, 41@43½c.

RYE—No. 2, 70c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 38@40c; fair to choice malting, 45@55c.

SEED—No. 1 flax, $1.09; No. 1 northwestern, $1.15¼; clover, contract grade, $10.40.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $13.25@13.37½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.90@6.92½. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.75@6.87½; short clear sides (boxed), $7.25@7.75.

The following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain yesterday:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	38,700	24,100
Wheat, bu.	18,000	24,300
Corn, bu.	90,200	127,900
Oats, bu.	240,700	218,100
Rye, bu.	11,000	4,100
Barley, bu.	67,300	15,800

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 14@24c; dairies, 12½@21c. Eggs, firm at mark, cases included, 16½@16¾c. Cheese, easy at 10@11c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, March 28.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 2 red cash, elevator, $1.01; track, $1.06@1.07; May, 95⅝c bid; July, 83½@83⅝c bid; No. 2 hard, 91@92c.

CORN—Higher; No. 2 cash, 45⅝c; track, 46⅛@46⅜c; May, 46⅝c bid; July, 48⅝c bid.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 41½c; track, 42c; May, 40⅝c bid; July, 37½c bid; No. 2 white, 46c.

FLOUR—Steady; red winter patents, $4.90@5.00; special brands, 20@25c; extra fancy and straight, $4.60@4.85; clear, $4.00@4.25.

SEEDS—Timothy, steady, $2.40@2.60.

CORN MEAL—Steady, $2.40.

BRAN—Dull; sacked east track, 80@83c.

HAY—Strong and higher; timothy, $9.00@14.00; prairie, $7.00@10.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—82c.

BAGGING—6¼c

HEMP TWINE—6c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; jobbing, $13.45. Lard, higher; prime steam, $6.70. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $7.75; clear ribs, $7.75; short clear, $8.00.

POULTRY—Unchanged; chickens, 11c; springs, $3.00@3.50 per doz.; turkeys, 12@13c; ducks, 12c; geese, 6@7c.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 23@25½c; dairy, 15@19c.

EGGS—Firm at 15c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	8,000	9,000
Wheat, bu.	36,000	118,000
Corn, bu.	72,000	45,000
Oats, bu.	54,000	21,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 28.—WHEAT—91c; No. 3, 88½@90c; No. 2 red, $1.02@1.04; No. 3, 88c@$1.00. Receipts, 46 cars.

CORN—May, 46⅝c; July, 45⅝c. Cash: No. 2 mixed, 46@46½c; No. 3, 45@46c; No. 2 white, 46½c; No. 3, 45½@46c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 40c; No. 2 mixed, 38@39c.

RYE—62c.

HAY—Firm; choice timothy, $9.00; choice prairie, $7.75@8.00.

BUTTER—Creamery, 20@22c; dairy, fancy, 17c.

EGGS—Higher; Missouri and Kansas, cases returned, 14c; new No. 2, whitewood cases included, 15c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	36,800	75,600
Oats, bu.	12,000	16,000
Corn, bu.	4,000	2,000

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 28.—WHEAT—May, 98c; July, 98c; September, 84½c; on track, No. 1 hard, 99⅝c; No. 1 northern, 98⅝c; No. 2 northern, 96⅝c.

FLOUR—First patents, $5.15@5.25; second patents, $5.00@5.10; first clears, $3.60@3.75; second clears, $2.65@2.75.

BRAN—In bulk, $14.50.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 28.—WHEAT—1c higher; No. 1 northern, $1.01@1.02; No. 2, northern, 97½@$1.00; old July, 89⅞c bid.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 72c.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 62@63c; sample, 57@59c.

CORN—1c higher; No 3, 48@49c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, March 28.—WHEAT—Active; No. 1 hard, 87⅝c; No. 1 northern, 97⅝c; No. 2 northern, 94⅞c; in store, No. 1 hard, 98⅞c; No. 1 northern, 97⅝c; No. 2 northern, 94⅞c; May, 97⅝c; July, 97⅝c; September, 84⅛c.

OATS—On track and to arrive, 39⅝c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 28.—WHEAT—Spot dull; No. 1 California, 7s. Futures closed steady; March, nominal; May, 6s 3½d; July, 6s 7½d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; American mixed, new, 4s 2d; old, 4s 6½d. Futures closed quiet; March, nominal; May, 4s 3½d.

Visible Supply of Grain.

NEW YORK, March 28.—The visible supply of grain March 28, as compiled by the New York Produce Exchange, follows: Wheat, 32,511,000 bushels; decrease, 414,000 bushels. Corn, 10,050,000 bushels; increase, 53,900 bushels. Oats, 10,356,000 bushels; decrease, 333,000 bushels.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, March 28.—CORN—Higher; No. 3, 45½c; No. 4, 43½c.

WHISKY—On the basis of $1.28 for finished goods.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 28.—BUTTER—Firm, ¼c higher; extra western creamery, 25½c; extra nearby prints, 28c.

EGGS—Firm, ½c higher; fresh nearby, 19c, at mark; fresh western, 19½c, at mark; fresh southern, 18½c, at mark; fresh duck eggs, 33c, at mark; fresh geese eggs, 80c, at mark.

CHEESE—Dull and easier; New York full creams, choice to fancy, 10½@11c; fair to good, 10@10½c.

Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, March 28.—DRY GOODS—The market continued unusually quiet and restricted to a minimum. No further evidence of willingness to make concessions on the part of manufacturers are apparent. The possibility of general curtailment is regarded as the most healthy factor in the situation and may bring about changed conditions if realized.

Coffee Market.

NEW YORK, March 28.—COFFEE—The market for futures opened steady. The close was steady, with sales of only 34,000 bags, including April, 5.40c; May, 5.50c; July, 5.70c; September, 6.00c; October, 6.10c; December, 6.30c. Spot, quiet; No. 7 invoice, 5⅝c. Mild, steady; Cordova, 10@13c.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., March 28.—BUTTER—Market, steady and unchanged at 24½c. The output of the district during the week was 432,800 lbs.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Lassitude and Dullness Succeeds Excitement of Last Week.

LARGE ABSORPTION OF UNION PACIFIC

Railroads Show Advance and Amalgamated Copper Also Rises in in Response to Demand for Metal.

NEW YORK, March 28.—The speculative excitement which kept last week's market stirred up over the Northern Securities dissolution had pretty thoroughly subsided in today's market and the tone relapsed into the dullness and lassitude of the period preceding the Northern Securities decision. Much less significance was attached to the mystery still surrounding the affairs of the merger, the one fact remaining in evidence being the undeniable absorption on a large scale of Union Pacific without news to explain it. Union Pacific made a rise of a point in the morning, but did not hold it. The weakness of the merger in the curb market had a bad effect on it and upon the whole market. The London settlement induced some demand for American stocks from that quarter on the part of the uncovered shorts. It was reported that one small dealer in Americans in London, short of the market, was compelled to assign. The later market was made up of a few special movements in individual stocks which proved to be without general influence in the market. The rise in Amalgamated Copper was due to the encouraging reports of the demands for the metal and the large exports making. Wabash preferred enjoyed an upward movement of a point in spite of the large decrease in net earnings of the system shown by the February statement. Louisville & Nashville's gain was connected with the circulation of bankers' computation of the relative advantages of the stock compared with others selling at a higher level. Other southern railroads stocks responded in sympathy.

Steel hung back. Cheerful reports of current conditions in iron and steel are counteracted by fears of a poor showing for the quarter, the returns of which are expected to make their appearance next week. Money continued very easy, but the firmness of foreign exchange kept expectation alive of gold engagements for export. The rise in the southern group of railroads stimulated more general strength in the market than at any previous time and the closing was steady, with prices of the prominent leaders up a point or more.

Prices of bonds were well held. Total sales, par value, $1,550,000. United States 4s coupon advanced ⅛ per cent on call.

Following were the quotations on the Stock exchange today:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	14,200	70½	69½	70⅜
do pfd	9,400	93½	92⅞	93⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	10,900	80⅝	78⅝	79⅝
do pfd				89
Canadian Pacific	1,200	115	114¾	114¾
Central of N. J.				156
Ches. & Ohio	200	32½	32½	32
Chicago & Alton	300	37⅞	37½	37⅞
do pfd				80
Chicago Great West.	600	15⅝	15½	15⅝
C. & N. W.	1,400	171	169½	170½
C., M. & St. P.	17,500	142¼	140⅝	141⅞
Chicago T. & T.	400	9⅝	9⅝	9½
do pfd	200	19½	19⅝	19⅝
C., C., C. & St. L.				74
Colorado Southern	900	16¼	15⅝	16
do 1st pfd				53½
do 2d pfd				32½
Delaware & Hudson	2,400	153½	150½	153⅝
D., L. & W.				265
D. & R. G.				20⅝
do pfd				48⅝
Erie	16,800	26⅝	26⅛	26½
do 1st pfd	2,200	64⅝	63⅝	64
do 2d pfd	300	41⅝	41⅝	41⅝
Hocking Valley				73
do pfd	100	81	81	80½
Illinois Central	3,800	130⅞	129½	130⅝
Iowa Central	200	19	19	19
do pfd	100	34½	34½	34
K. C. Southern				18½
do pfd				75½
Louisville & N.	21,900	108¼	105⅝	108
Manhattan L.	800	145⅝	142½	142⅝
Met. Securities	500	78½	78	78
Met. St. Ry	500	111⅝	111	111
Minn & St. L.				54
M., St. P. & Ste. M.	300	62½	62½	62½
do pfd				121
Missouri Pacific	7,600	92¼	91	92
M., K. & T.	1,000	18	18	18
do pfd				38½
N. R. R. of Mex. pfd.				26
N. Y. Central	400	117½	117	117
Norfolk & Western	400	58⅛	58	58⅛
do pfd				88
Ontario & West	1,400	21⅝	21⅛	21⅝
Pennsylvania	21,300	118	116⅝	117⅝
Pitts., C. C. & St. L.				55
Reading	5,800	44½	43½	44⅛
do 1st pfd	100	78	78	78⅛
do 2d pfd				59⅞
Rock Island Co.	3,000	22⅝	22	22⅝
do pfd	200	62½	62½	62½
St. L. & S. F 2d pfd.	100	45½	45½	45½
St. L. & S. W.	100	13½	13½	13½
do pfd	100	33½	33½	33⅝
Southern Pacific	16,700	48⅝	48⅛	48⅝
Southern Railway	5,400	22⅝	21⅝	22⅝
do pfd	500	83½	82⅝	83½
Texas & Pacific	1,000	24⅛	23½	23⅝
T., S. L. & W.	200	25	24½	24½
do pfd	300	35½	35	35
Union Pacific	39,100	83⅝	83½	83⅝
do pfd	1,000	92⅝	91½	90
Wabash	100	19½	19½	19½
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