GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Valentine Now Has Most of Crowd with Him on Short Side of Wheat.

DECREASE IN ARGENTINA CORN SURPLUS

Increase in Movement of Corn Through Omaha, Mostly for Gulf—Corn Tied Up on Roads by Cold Weather.

OMAHA, Feb. 10, 1905.

Through the crop season until a short time ago Valentine was alone on the bear side. Now he is reported to have 75 per cent of the trade with him. Gates is the great man of the present wheat operation and stands apart from the general talent, which has been growing more bearish daily. The speculative market is being slowly worked upward, but it gained little today, and was rather dull as a whole. Liverpool closed from ¼ to ¾ down as a result of the larger Argentina shipments. Paris advances were continued but Antwerp was unchanged. The Argentina shipments for the week are 2,740,000 boushels, against 1,728,000 bushels the preceding week and 2,584,000 bushels last year. The primary receipts are 368,000 bushels, against 332,000 bushels the preceding week, and shipments are 192,000 bushels, against 321,000 bushels the preceding week. Last year today was a holiday and most of the exchanges will close Monday this year. Minneapolis reports many inquiries for seed, one man receiving on Thursday twenty-five. The Minneapolis stocks are given an estimated decrease for the week of 675,000 bushels, and Duluth an increase of 65,000 bushels. Judge Lochran has just handed down a decision that frosted Canadian wheat imported must pay the whole duty of 25 cents. Tennessee and other southern states report a good covering of snow, and the Modern Miller believes the winter wheat is in fine condition for further cold weather.

The Rock Island has announced corn shipped from interior points in Iowa to Chicago on the reduced rate of 12 cents cannot take the low through rate from Omaha to the Atlantic seaboard. The same road denies it has 1,000 cars of corn side-tracked at Joliet, but says, in company with other roads in the west, its shipments have been delayed by the cold weather. Moderation will bring forward this laid-out business. The movement through Omaha has been slightly greater the last few days. Most of the corn is on former sales for the gulf, but some of it is new business.

A big reduction in the Argentina exportable surplus is estimated by Broomhall. He figures there will be but 48,000,000, against 100,000,000 for the last crop. The market continued to show strength today, the high point in May before noon, 45⅞c, being a gain of ⅞c over the high point Thursday. The low point was 45⅜c. A bull argument is that there is no corn cribbed. This, it is said, should not be overlooked, for after the farmers have got their deliveries out of the way there will be nothing to draw on at the country stations. The Argentina shipments are 214,000, against 520,000 for the preceding week and 471,000 last year. Liverpool advanced ⅝c on corn through the reduced estimate of Argentina shipments. Further advance was stopped by low American offerings. American clearances are 394,543 bushels. Primary receipts are 516,000, against 407,000 the preceding week, and shipments 303,000, against 299,000 bushels the preceding week.

Oats in Chicago are relatively lower than at St. Louis and at Kansas City. In these markets mixed oats are deliverable on contract, while at Chicago only standard goes. No. 3 white oats on track there have been selling at from ½c to 1½c premium over the May. The period of greatest consumption is not at hand and there is likely to be something doing in the oat market shortly. The May reached 30⅝c this morning.

Omaha Cash Sales.

RYE—No. 4, 1 car, 75c.

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, $1.07@1.06; No. 3 hard, $1.05@1.07; No. 4 hard, 90c@$1.04; No. 3 spring, $1.08.

CORN—No. 2, 41¾c; No. 3, 41¾c; No. 4, 40½@41c; no grade, 36@40c; No. 2 yellow, 42c; No. 3 yellow, 42c; No. 2 white, 41¾c; No. 3 white, 41¾c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 28½c; No. 3 mixed, 28c; No. 4 mixed, 27½c; No. 2 white, 29¼c; No. 3 white, 29¼c; No. 4 white, 28½c; standard, 29¼c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Omaha	16	28	61
Kansas City	29	54	15
Minneapolis	129	...	...
Duluth	...	...	...
St. Louis	26	86	46
Omaha	24	64	6

Wheat Quotations at Minneapolis.

The range of prices in Minneapolis, as reported by the Edwards-Wood company, was:

Commodity.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	1.15¼	1.15¼	1.14¾	1.15¼
July	1.13⅝	1.13⅝	1.12⅝	1.13⅛ B
September	94⅝	94⅝	94⅛	94⅛

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NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—FLOUR—Receipts, 11,884 bbls.; exports, 3,772 bbls. Market, firm with light demand; Minnesota patents, $4.80@6.20; Minnesota bakers' $4.30@4.60; winter patents, $5.50@5.85; winter straights, $5.20@5.35; winter extras, $3.60@4.30; winter low grades, $3.40@4.10. Rye flour, quiet; fair to good, $4.30@4.70; choice to fancy, $4.75@5.00. Buckwheat flour, slow; per 100 lbs., $2.00@2.10.

CORNMEAL—Steady; fine white and yellow, $1.25; coarse, new, $1.05@1.07½; kiln-dried, $2.90@3.10.

RYE—Nominal; No. 2 western, 80c asked.

BARLEY—Slow; feeding, 43½c; c.i.f. New York; malting, 46@52c. c. i. f. Buffalo.

WHEAT—Receipts, 13,650 bu.; spot market, steady; No. 2 red, nominal elevator and $1.22 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.27 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, $1.11½ f. o. b. afloat; options opened easier because of big Argentina shipments and lower Liverpool cables. A rally on small interior receipts and covering followed after which the market broke on the bearish Modern Miller report. It finally rallied a trifle on covering and closed steady at ¼@½c net advance. May, $1.15⅝@1.16 3-16, closed at $1.16; July, $1.04⅝@1.05⅝, closed at $1.04⅞; September, 95 11-16@96⅛c, closed at 96⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 78,475 bu.; exports, 182,444 bu.; spot market, firm; No. 2, 54½c elevator and 52c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 52⅝c; No. 2 white, 52½c. Option market was quiet here, but steady all day, closing partly ⅝c net higher; May, 51⅝@51¾c, closed 51¾c; July, 51c, closed 51⅛c.

OATS—Receipts, 34,500 bu.; exports, 17,705 bu.; spot market, quiet; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 36½@37½c; natural white, 30 to 32 lbs., 37@38c; mixed white, 36 to 40 lbs., 39@41c. Option market, nominal.

HAY—Irregular; shipping, 60@70c; good to choice, 80@82½c.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1904, 28@34c; 1903, 30@33c; olds, 14@18c; Pacific coast, 1904, 29@34c; 1903, 26@32c; olds, 14@16c.

HIDES—Quiet; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 18c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 18c; Texas (dry), 24 to 30 lbs., 14½c.

LEATHER—Quiet; acid, 24@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $11.00@12.00; mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $22.00@23.50; packet, $10.50@11.00; city, extra India mess, $15.00@17.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 7.00@7.50; pickled shoulders, $6.00; pickled hams, $8.75@9.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $7.15; refined, quiet; continent, $7.25; South America, $7.75; compound, $4.75@6.12½. Pork, quiet; family, $14.00@14.50; short clear, $13.00@13.50; mess, $13.25@18.75.

TALLOW—Steady; city ($2 per pkg.), 4½c; country (pkgs. free), 4@4½c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 4¾@5¼c; Japan, nominal.

BUTTER—Firm; held creamery, common to extra, 22@29½c.

CHEESE—Market firm; state full cream, large, late made, colored and white, choice, 11½c.

EGGS—Market strong; western finest, unfrosted, 31c; western, average best, 30c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 10.—WHEAT—Steady; May, $1.06¾; July, 90c; cash, No. 2 hard, $1.11@1.12; No. 3, $1.07@1.10; No. 4, 98c@$1.06; No. 2 red, $1.12@1.15; No. 3, $1.07@1.12; No. 4, $1.00@1.08; receipts, 39 cars.

CORN—Firm; May, 43⅝@43¾c; July, 45⅝@45⅞c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 44½@44¾c; No. 3, 44@44½c; No. 2 white, 45c; No. 3, 44½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 white, 31@32c; No. 2 mixed, 31c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $9.50@10.00; choice prairie, $7.75@8.00.

RYE—Steady, 75½@79½c.

EGGS—Lower; Missouri and Kansas, new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 28c; case count, 26½c; cases returned ½c less.

BUTTER—Creamery, 24@28c; poaching, 20c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	32,300	41,400
Corn, bu	25,000	27,600
Oats, bu	11,000	13,000

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Feb. 10.—WHEAT—To arrive and on track, No. 4 northern, $1.12½; No. 2 northern, $1.08⅛; May, $1.12⅛; July, $1.13⅛; September, 96c.

OATS—To arrive and on track, 29½c.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, Feb. 10.—A unique finish was witnessed in the trading pit on the Board of Trade today. The entire list of staples—wheat, corn, oats and provisions—closed at almost identically the final figures of the previous day. Otherwise the session was nearly as featureless as a busted ball.

Lower cables and increased shipments from Argentina tended to give the wheat market an easy tone. May opened unchanged to ⅛c lower at $1.15⅝@1.16⅛. July was unchanged to ⅛c lower at $1.03⅝@1.03⅞. From the start trading was very light. The bulk of the business was done by commission houses. Pit traders ostensibly were bearish—professed to be restrained by the fear of some sudden demonstration by New York speculators. According to a report by a St. Louis trade paper most of the fall sowed wheat is amply covered with snow, insuring full protection from severe cold weather. The Michigan crop report also was bearish. As a result May sold off to $1.15⅝ and July to $1.03⅝. Buying by shorts caused a temporary rally, May advancing to $1.16⅝@⅞ and July to $1.04@$1.04. Smallness of primary receipts had some influence in the upturn. Cold weather in the west and northwest partly accounted for the decreased arrivals. The market soon eased off again, but the close was fairly steady. Compared with prices of last night, July is unchanged at $1.03⅝, while May finished ⅛c up at $1.16⅝. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 42,000 bushels. Exports for the week as shown by Bradstreet's were 958,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 368,000 bushels, compared with a holiday last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 216 cars against 223 cars last week.

Influenced by firm cables and small shipments from Argentina, the corn market held steady the entire day. The market was upheld to some extent by slightly higher prices paid for such grain. May opened unchanged to a shade lower at 45⅝@45¾c to 46⅛c, sold between 45⅝@45⅞c and closed at 45⅝@45¾c. Local receipts were 235 cars with 1 of contract grade.

Covering by shorts imparted a firm undertone to the oats market. A message from Minneapolis stating that a 10,000-bushel lot of oats had been sold there billed to Manila, but thought to be for Japan, was the main factor in the situation. May opened unchanged to a shade higher at 30⅛c to 30⅛@30⅜c, sold up to 30⅜c and closed at the top. Local receipts were 67 cars.

Provisions were firm at the outset as a result of light receipts of live hogs. Longs and commission houses were fair sellers, however, resulting in slight recessions. The market closed steady with May pork off a shade at $12.37½@12.90. Lard and ribs were each unchanged at $6.82½@6.87½ and $6.80, respectively.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 35 cars; corn, 221 cars; oats, 96 cars; hogs, 20,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
May	1.16⅛@ 1.16⅛	1.16⅝@ 1.16⅞	1.16⅛	1.16⅝	1.16⅝
July	1.03⅝@ 1.03⅝	1.04⅛@ 1.04⅛	1.03⅝	1.03⅝	1.03⅝
Sept.	92⅝@92⅞	92⅝@93⅛	92⅛@92⅜	92⅝@92⅞	92⅝
*Corn—					
Feb.	...	...	...	43	43
May	45⅝@45⅞	45⅞	45⅝	45⅝@45¾	45¾
July	46⅛@46⅜	46⅜	46⅛	46⅜	46⅛
*Oats—					
Feb.	...	...	...	30⅛	30¼
May	30⅛@30⅜	30⅝	30⅛	30⅝	30¼
July	30⅝@30¾	30¾	30⅝	30⅝	30⅝
Sept.	29⅝	29¼@29⅜	29⅛	29¼@29⅜	29⅛
Pork—					
Feb.	...	...	...	12 70	12 70
May	12 92½	12 95	12 87½	12 90	12 90
July	13 00	13 00	12 97½	13 00	13 00
Lard—					
Feb.	...	...	...	6 75	6 75
May	6 95	6 97½	6 92½	6 92½	6 92½
July	7 02½	7 05	7 02½	7 05	7 05
Ribs—					
Feb.	...	...	...	6 92½	6 70
May	6 90	6 92½	6 87½	6 90	6 90
July	7 05	7 05	7 00	7 02½	7 02½

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Easy; winter patents, $5.10@5.20; straights, $4.80@5.00; spring patents, $5.50@5.60; straights, $4.50@4.90; bakers', $2.90@3.80.

WHEAT—No. 2, spring, $1.12@1.16; No. 3, $1.05@1.16; No. 2 red, $1.13⅝@1.19⅝.

CORN—No. 2, 43½c; No. 2 yellow, 44c.

OATS—No. 2, 30½c; No. 2 white, 33@33½c; No. 3 white, 31@31½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 37@38c; fair to choice malting, 42@43c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.16; No. 1 northwestern, $1.23. Timothy, prime, $2.80@2.82½. Clover, contract grade, $12.50.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.70@12.75. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.72½@6.75. Short ribs sides (loose), $6.62½@6.75; short clear sides (boxed), $6.75@6.87½.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	25,000	14,800
Wheat, bu	48,000	31,000
Corn, bu	228,000	136,400
Oats, bu	137,800	125,800
Rye, bu	...	8,400
Barley, bu	57,500	17,500

On the Produce exchange today, the butter market was steady; creameries, 21@26c; dairies, 21@26c. Eggs, steady; at mark, cases included, 23@28c; firsts, 28c; prime firsts, 30c. Cheese, steady, 11@12c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 10.—WHEAT—Weak; No. 2, red, cash, elevator, $1.14½; track, $1.17@1.17⅝; May, $1.15¼; July, 96⅝c; No. 2 hard, $1.13@1.15.

CORN—Firm; No. 2 cash, 44c; track, 44½@45c; May, 44⅝@44¾c; July, 44⅝c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 cash, 31c; track, 32c; May, 30⅝c; July, 33c.

FLOUR—Only dull demand; red winter patents, $5.35@5.50; special brands, $5.65@5.85; extra fancy and straight, $4.85@5.35; clear, $4.50@4.60.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $2.00@2.40.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.40.

BRAN—Better demand; sacked, east track, 80@83c.

HAY—Steady for best; timothy, $6.00@12.00; prairie, $5.00@8.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—93c.

BAGGING—7¼c.

HEMP TWINE—6½c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, unchanged; jobbing, $12.15. Lard, unchanged, $6.37½. Bacon, lower; boxed extra shorts, $7.25; clear ribs, $7.50; short clear, $7.75.

POULTRY—Chickens, better at 9½c; springs, 10½c; turkeys, 16c; ducks, 12½c; geese, 8c.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 25@32c; dairy, 16@26c.

EGGS—Lower at 26c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	5,000	11,000
Wheat, bu	37,000	36,000
Corn, bu	86,000	48,000
Oats, bu	46,000	49,000

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 10.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, $1.15@1.16; No. 2 northern, $1.10@1.13½. May, $1.16½@1.16⅝, bid.

RYE—Firm; No. 1, 82½@83c.

BARLEY—Weak; No. 2, 52c; sample, 37@50c.

CORN—½c higher; No. 3, 43@43½c; May, 45⅝@45¾c, bid.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 10.—WHEAT—May, $1.15½; July, $1.13⅝@1.13¾; September, 94½@94¾c; No. 1 hard, $1.16½; No. 1 northern, $1.14½; No. 2 northern, $1.11½.

FLOUR—First patents, $5.20@5.30; second patents, $5.00@5.10; first clears, $4.15@4.35; second clears, $3.00@3.70.

BRAN—In bulk, $13.50.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 10.—WHEAT—Spot, nominal; futures, steady; March, 7s 3¼d; May, 6s 11¼d; July, 6s 11d.

CORN—Spot, steady; American mixed, new, 4s 1d; Mexican mixed, old, 4s 11½d. Futures, firm; March, 4s 1⅝d; May, 4s 2⅝d.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 10.—BUTTER—Firm; western creamery, 32c.

EGGS—Steady; western, fresh, 30c, at mark.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, Feb. 10.—SEEDS—Clover, cash, $7.57½; February, $7.57½; March, $7.60; April, $7.40½; October, $6.87½. Alsike, prime, $7.80. Timothy, prime, $1.35; March, $1.37½.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 10.—CORN—Steady; No. 3, 43c; No. 4, 42c; no grade, 41c.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—COTTON—Spot closed quiet, 19 points lower; middling uplands, 7.70c; middling gulf, 7.80c. Sales, 144 bales.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 10.—COTTON—Quiet and unchanged; middling, 7½c. Sales, none; receipts, 1 bale; shipments, 211 bales; stock, 43,636 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 10.—COTTON—Easy; sales, 2,300 bales; ordinary, 5 1-16c; good ordinary, 6⅛c; low middling, 7c; middling, 7 9-16c; good middling, 7 15-16c; middling fair, 8⅝c. Receipts, 3,518 bales; stock, 304,674 bales.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 10.—COTTON—Spot, in fair demand, prices 7 points lower; American middling fair, 4.51d; good middling, 4.51d; middling, 4.09d; low middling, 3.97d; good ordinary, 3.85d; ordinary, 3.67d. Sales for the day were 10,000 bales, of which 1,000 were for speculation and export and included 9,200 bales of American. Receipts, 20,300 bales, all American.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Feature of the Day is an Aggressive Advance in Iron and Steel Issues.

PROMINENT TRADING SHARES ARE HEAVY

Imminence of the Double Holiday Causes a Dullness in the General List—Money Market Continues Easy.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The feature in stocks today was the aggressive advance in the iron and steel industrials, especially those whose property holdings are in the southern regions. The effect of this movement on the general list was extremely moderate and a fair proportion of the prominent trading stocks were heavy.

The imminence of a double holiday undoubtedly had its usual effect in diminishing the volume of professional operations, except so far as the closing up of outstanding contracts was concerned. Contemplated absences for more prolonged periods on the part of some of the very active speculative operators were also looked upon as indicating the likelihood of dullness in the immediate future. There were some rumors pointing to a distressed short interest of long standing being closed out, especially in the iron and steel stocks. But the strength in this group was more plausibly explainable by the persistent rumors in circulation that an old standing project had been revived for the consolidation of the leading independent companies of the southern region. Tennessee Coal, Republic Steel and Sloss-Sheffield Steel were immediately indicated. Reports of the flotation of a bond issue to take care of short-time notes by Republic Steel, and an assumption that provision would be made out of the proceeds for the accrued dividends on the preferred stock, were potent factors in that stock. United States Steel itself showed entire indifference to the early stages of the movement, but rose strongly at the last.

The railroad list was but scantily represented in the gains for the day and most of the prominent stocks were sluggish throughout. The passage of the rate control bill through the house of representatives was held responsible in some quarters for the heaviness of the market. Another motive assigned was the prospect of a weak bank statement. A loss in cash of upwards of $6,000,000 is indicated by the preliminary estimates of the currency movement, but this is wholly due to the exports of gold and to the special requirements in connection with the Chicago street railway transaction of late last week. On the regular express movement to and from the interior the balance was still largely in favor of New York.

The money market continued very easy and gave no evidence of a diminution of the supply of available credits. The high receipts of national bank notes for current redemption at the treasury in Washington is an example of the force of the reflux from the circulation. The amount of these notes received for current redemption during the month, which includes eight working days, has already reached $10,000,000. Meantime there is no disposition on the part of banks to retire this incoming circulation. With the available supply of government bonds increased by the release of those recently held to secure the government deposits which have been called in, the tendency is still towards expansion of bank note circulation. It is urged that this is a factor in the evident redundancy of the currency and the continued free outflow of gold. The vigorous steps taken to contest the diversion of export grain traffic to the gulf ports is an index of the serious view taken of the situation by the Atlantic ports and of the determination with which the contest is liable to be conducted. The buoyancy of the iron industrials held the flow of gold. The vigorous steps taken in the railroad list unrelieved. The closing was firm.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $5,280,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on call.

Following were the sales and range of prices on the Stock exchange today:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	7,300	88⅞	87⅞	88⅝
do pfd	1,000	102⅝	102	102⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	...	...	...	121½
Baltimore & Ohio	15,300	102⅞	102	102⅝
do pfd	200	110	110	110
Canadian Pacific	3,800	134½	133½	134⅜
Central of N. J.	...	...	...	198
Chesapeake & Ohio	7,000	51⅝	50⅞	51
Chicago & Alton	200	42	42	41½
do pfd	...	...	...	80
Chicago G. W.	14,500	23½	22½	23½
Chicago G. N. W.	200	240	239	239½
C. M. & St. P.	2,400	179⅝	178⅝	179⅝
Chicago T. & T.	200	17½	17	17
do pfd	300	30	30	30
C., C., C. & St. L.	100	94	94	94
Colorado Southern	1,400	26½	25⅞	25⅞
do 1st pfd	300	64½	64½	64½
do 2d pfd	2,000	38⅝	37⅞	37⅞
Delaware & Hudson	2,800	192⅝	192	192½
Delaware, L. & W.	...	...	...	353
Denver & Rio Grande	...	...	...	32
do pfd	900	88⅝	88	87⅞
Erie	14,700	43⅞	43⅝	43⅝
do 1st pfd	3,700	80⅞	80	80⅝
do 2d pfd	1,200	65⅞	65	65
Hocking Valley	500	92⅝	90⅝	91½
do pfd	800	91½	90⅝	91½
Illinois Central	4,400	158	157½	157½
Iowa Central	300	31	30⅝	30
do pfd	...	...	...	56½
K. C. Southern	1,000	31⅝	31	31⅝
do pfd	17,300	68⅝	66⅝	68
L. & N.	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Manhattan L.	6,100	174⅞	174	174
Met. Securities	...	...	...	41
Metropolitan St. Ry.	2,100	125⅝	124½	125⅝
Mexican Central	1,600	22⅝	22⅝	22½
Minneapolis & St. L.	...	...	...	78
M., St. P. & S. St. M.	3,700	162	160½	162⅝
do pfd	300	190	189⅝	189⅝
Missouri Pacific	2,800	107⅝	107	107⅝
Missouri, K. & T.	...	...	...	32
do pfd	200	66	65⅝	65⅝
N. Y. B. R. of M. pfd	...	...	...	100
New York Central	5,600	147⅞	147	147⅞
N. Y. O. & W.	10,100	49⅞	48½	48⅞
Norfolk & Western	6,700	83⅝	82⅝	83
do pfd	...	...	...	91
Pennsylvania	44,700	140½	140	140½
P., C. C. & St. L.	300	82⅝	82½	82½
Reading	54,200	95⅝	94⅞	96⅛
do 1st pfd	300	93⅝	93⅝	93
do 2d pfd	500	90½	90½	90½
Rock Island Co.	18,300	34⅝	34	34⅝
do pfd	700	81½	80⅝	81½
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd.	100	73	73	73⅝
St. L. Southwestern	1,700	28⅞	28⅛	28⅛
do pfd	1,900	63⅝	62	63⅝
Southern Pacific	10,600	67	66½	66⅝
do pfd	1,500	118½	118½	118½
Southern Railway	6,400	35	34½	34⅞
do pfd	...	...	...	97½
Texas & Pacific	4,200	36⅝	36	36⅝
Toledo, St. L. & W.	100	33⅝	33⅝	33⅝
do pfd	2,200	55½	54⅞	54⅞
Union Pacific	60,700	132½	131½	132½
do pfd	100	97½	97½	97
Wabash	100	23	23	23⅝
do pfd	300	44⅝	44⅝	44⅝
Wheeling & L. E.	...	...	...	18½
Wisconsin Central	100	22⅞	22⅞	22⅞
do pfd	700	50	49⅝	50⅛
*Adams Express	...	...	...	244
American Express	...	...	...	230
U. S. Express	...	...	...	130
Wells-Fargo Express	...	...	...	240
Amalgm. Copper	61,600	74⅞	73½	74½
American C. & F.	7,800	34⅞	33⅞	34⅛
do pfd	1,900	94	93⅞	93⅞
American Cotton Oil.	300	34½	34	34
do pfd	300	95	95	95
American Ice	400	6⅛	6	6
do pfd	2,000	80	79⅞	79⅞
American Linseed Oil	...	...	...	10
do pfd	100	40	40	39
American Locomotive	1,700	37	36½	37
do pfd	200	110	110	109
American S. & R.	6,600	86⅞	86⅛	86⅛
do pfd	900	118⅞	118½	118⅞
Amer. Sugar Refin.	2,000	144⅛	143⅞	144⅛
Amer. Tobacco p. c.	900	99	98⅝	98⅞
Anaconda M. Co.	900	107½	106⅝	106⅞
Brooklyn R. T.	6,500	67⅞	65⅞	66⅝
Colorado F. & I.	22,500	64½	61⅞	62
Consolidated Gas	6,300	210	209½	208½
Corn Products	3,700	22	21½	21⅞
do pfd	500	78½	78	78½
Distillers' Securities	1,200	37½	36	36½
General Electric	500	187	186	187
International Paper	400	21⅞	21⅞	21⅞
do pfd	300	77½	76½	76½
International Pump	200	38	38	38⅝
do pfd	...	...	...	86½
National Lead	6,800	32⅞	31⅞	31⅞
North American	3,000	107	106	106⅞
Pacific Mail	2,600	45⅞	44½	45
Peoples Gas	4,700	109⅞	108⅞	108⅞
Pressed Steel Car	3,700	38⅞	37	38⅛
do pfd	900	90⅞	89	90
Pullman Palace Car	...	...	...	240
Republic Steel	37,600	18½	16⅛	18⅛
do pfd	41,600	72	71	71⅞
Rubber Goods	1,200	25⅞	25½	25½
do pfd	...	...	...	95½
Tennessee C. & I.	101,600	81⅞	78⅞	81½
U. S. Leather	6,600	14⅛	13⅞	13⅞
do pfd	6,000	105⅛	104⅞	104⅞
U. S. Realty	2,000	90	88½	89
U. S. Rubber	3,000	38⅞	36⅛	36½
do pfd	100	108	108	107⅞
U. S. Steel	141,600	31⅞	30⅞	31⅞
do pfd	61,100	95	93⅞	94⅞
Va.-Caro. Chemical	5,400	37½	36	37
do pfd	400	108⅞	108½	108½
Westinghouse Elec.	...	...	...	128
Western Union	300	93⅞	93⅞	93⅞

*Ex-dividend.

Total sales for the day, 1,000,000 shares.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, Feb. 10.—Money was in considerable demand in the market today, which was Stock exchange pay day. Supplies were scarce in consequence of the collection of government revenue, continuance of which until the end of March will denude the market. Discounts were tolerably firm, the monetary stringency preventing a slackening of rates. There was much uncertainty regarding the future. The cheapness of bar gold permits the Bank of England to obtain fresh arrivals, resulting in a further accumulation of bullion. Prices on the Stock exchange were firm in places. The cheerfulness of gilt-edged securities on the strength of the bank return and the monetary outlook sustained home securities generally. The market closed quiet and somewhat irregular. Consols were strong and home rails were in good investment demand. Americans opened dull and irregular, rallied mostly to over parity, kept generally steady and inactive and closed quiet. Grand Trunk, which was the liveliest, hardened with first reports and eased later on realizations, though the increase in traffic exceeded the estimates by $17,000. Japanese improved. Imperial Japanese government 6s of 1904 were quoted at 102. Colombians hardened on a report that Panama is prepared to accept a portion of the foreign debt.

PARIS, Feb. 10.—Trading on the bourse today was quiet, but prices were firm. Russian imperial 4s were quoted $0.60 and Russian bonds of 1904 at 50⅝. The private rate of discount was 2 7-16 per cent.

BERLIN, Feb. 10.—Prices on the bourse today generally were unchanged.

BUSINESS OF ASSOCIATED BANKS

Clearings of the Great Commercial Centers of Country.

NEW YORK, Feb. 10.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended February 9, with the percentage of increase and decrease, as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.	Clearings.	Inc.	Dec.
New York*	$1,789,855,148	46.5	.....
Chicago*	204,419,828	24.5	.....
Boston*	144,412,783	15.6	.....
Philadelphia*	130,957,823	43.6	.....
St. Louis*	52,688,526	.....	8.7
Pittsburg	46,281,433	31.5	.....
San Francisco*	29,655,549	17.0	.....
Cincinnati	23,880,200	6.3	.....
Baltimore*	23,645,495	240.1	.....
Kansas City*	19,963,685	.6	.....
New Orleans*	19,051,708	.....	58.9
Minneapolis*	14,748,813	10.2	.....
Cleveland*	12,380,418	3.7	.....
Louisville*	11,876,673	7.7	.....
Detroit	9,411,884	11.2	.....
Milwaukee*	8,282,544	.....	1.2
OMAHA	7,415,998	1.6	.....
Providence*	6,831,300	3.1	.....
Los Angeles*	6,512,887	20.7	.....
Buffalo*	6,188,744	8.6	.....
Indianapolis	6,210,796	.1	.....
St. Paul*	5,888,596	10.3	.....
Memphis	4,801,780	.....	39.9
St. Joseph*	4,286,592	2.5	.....
Richmond	4,783,278	.....	10.6
Denver	6,127,835	65.8	.....
Columbus	5,787,600	46.9	.....
Seattle	4,605,857	14.7	.....
Washington	4,773,887	14.7	.....
Savannah*	3,562,458	.....	.....
Albany	3,493,474	8.8	.....
Portland, Ore.*	3,591,578	13.1	.....
Fort Worth	4,178,586	.....	18.2
Toledo, O.*	3,357,633	19.3	.....
Atlanta	2,860,328	.....	.....
Salt Lake City	3,125,358	16.3	.....
Rochester	3,713,296	48.8	.....
Peoria	2,944,963	3.7	.....
Hartford	3,184,416	29.1	.....
Nashville	3,101,444	5.2	.....
Spokane, Wash.*	2,576,515	21.2	.....
Des Moines	2,411,233	9.5	.....
Toledo	2,427,675	13.7	.....
New Haven	2,369,642	23.6	.....
Grand Rapids	2,249,111	11.8	.....
Norfolk	1,685,302	.....	2.8
Dayton	1,435,290	.....	6.0
Portland, Me.	1,852,704	44.8	.....
Springfield, Mass.	1,497,809	10.1	.....
Augusta, Ga.	1,046,185	.....	30.6
Evansville	1,314