GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

World's Supply of Wheat Decreases Heavily for Week.

TRADE IS VERY BEARISH ON WHEAT

Corn Export Demand Rather Slow Just Now, but Is Expected to Pick Up Soon—Chicago Makes Charters.

OMAHA, Feb. 8, 1905.

Bradstreets shows a sharp decline in the world's wheat. It finds the decrease east of the Rockies 1,942,000 bushels and in Europe and afloat 2,000,000 bushels, making a total decrease for the week of 3,942,000 bushels. The decrease for the same week last year was only 4,000,000 bushels. The speculative market showed no evidence of any effect from this decline or other news. The market is becoming more erratic every day and while the trade was small today and the market dull, it is apt to fluctuate from one-half to a cent on any small orders. The cables are weak, Liverpool, Berlin and Antwerp being unchanged, while Buda Pesth declined ¼ and Paris gained from 5 to 15 centimes. The May wheat was weaker today about 1¼c. The opening was at $1.14½, 1 cent below the high point of Tuesday. The market at one time sagged down to $1.13½ and at noon stood at $1.13¾. The good crop news has not affected the July wheat, as would have been supposed, for it is now at 2 cents less discount than during February. When the May was at $1.21½ the July was 20 cents under it; now it is only 18 cents below. The buyers of July today were largely those who got short Tuesday. The Gates-Bartlett-Frazier-Pringle combination in Chicago is still bullish in wheat and bought the May Tuesday on declines. The market is very generally bearish, however, and men who have been chronic bulls for twenty years are said now to be bearish. The crowd is very nervous and any old story is earnestly believed. One of these that is persistent is that Armour is the chief wheat bull. The house denies it.

Wheat in southern Illinois and in Indiana is reported to be six inches high, with a thick stand and hardly any bare spots to be seen. The improvement there is said to equal the 40 per cent advance in condition reported from Kansas over last spring. The Kentucky wheat condition, given out as 91 Tuesday, was an error, and is corrected to 88 per cent. Kansas City is sending out bear news now as hard as it furnished bull news thirty days ago. Wheat then was to be very scarce now, but reports from 300 points in Kansas give 12 per cent of wheat in farmers' hands and mills sold a week or two in advance. St. Louis reports actual sales of cash wheat Tuesday of 80,000 bushels, and the day before 75,000 bushels. A northwestern elevator company says for the first six days of this month its houses received only 9,500 bushels of wheat, against 38,000 last year. The primary receipts are 361,000 bushels, against 602,000 bushels last year, and the shipments are 221,000 bushels, against 336,000 bushels.

Corn in Peoria and St. Louis is higher than in Chicago. The May was about as good as Tuesday, the high point reached before noon being 48¼c, only ¼c below the best of Tuesday. The clearances were 347,311 bushels. The cars of corn received in Chicago were 370, where 288 had been expected. The cables are ¼c lower and the Chicago cash market broke 1c Tuesday. The sales were 325,000 bushels in that market. New Orleans has been receiving corn rapidly, so that there will be heavy clearances soon. The seaboard reports the export demand slack, with offerings fair. No. 2 corn was at 53⅝c f. o. b. New York, and No. 2 yellow at 54½c. The latter was wanted in the Mediterranean. New York sold 90,000 bushels. Chicago two days at 2c to Buffalo has made the charters for corn amounting to 240,000 bushels. This is for immediate loading. The corn belt has been getting much rain this week and the roads may break up badly and decrease the country movement. The primary receipts, however, are 857,000 bushels, against 346,000 bushels, and the shipments are 435,000 bushels, against 304,000 bushels.

Omaha Cash Sales.

WHEAT—No. 4 hard, 1 car, 90c.
CORN—No. 3, 2 cars, 44½c.

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, $1.05@1.06; No. 3 hard, 98c@$1.04; No. 4 hard, 80@93c; No. 3 spring, $1.06.

CORN—No. 2, 45c; No. 3, 44½c; No. 4, 43½@44c; no grade, 40@43c; No. 2 yellow, 46c; No. 3 yellow, 44½c; No. 2 white, 45½c; No. 3 white, 45c.

OATS—No. 2 mixed, 30c; No. 3 mixed, 29½c; No. 4 mixed, 29c; No. 2 white, 31c; No. 3 white, 30½c; No. 4 white, 29½c; standard, 30½c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	19	370	161
Kansas City	45	42	24
Minneapolis	141	...	...
Duluth	15	...	...
St. Louis	57	44	79
Omaha	14	169	26

Minneapolis Wheat Market.

The range of prices paid in Minneapolis as reported by the Edwards-Wood company, 110-111 Board of Trade, was:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat					
May	1 12⅝	1 12⅝	1 10⅝	1 10⅝	1 11⅛
July	1 09⅝	1 09⅝	1 06⅝	1 07⅝	1 08⅛
Sept	91⅝	91⅝	88	88⅛	91⅛

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 8.—FLOUR—Receipts, 17,019 bbls.; exports, 6,325 bbls.; sales, 4,800 pkgs.; market, dull and lower; winter patents, $5.10@5.80; winter straights, $4.25@5.35; Minnesota patents, $5.80@6.35; winter extras, $3.60@4.30; Minnesota takers, $4.10@4.50; winter low grades, $3.40@4.10. Rye nominally steady; fair to good, ...@4.40; choice to fancy, $4.50@4.65. Buckwheat nour, dull; per 100 lbs., $2.00@2.10.

CORNMEAL—Firm; fine white, $1.30; coarse, new, $1.10@1.12; kiln-dried, $2.90@3.10.

RYE—Nominal; 80c.

BARLEY—Low; feeding, 44½c c. i. f. New York; malting, 46@52c c. i. f. Buffalo.

WHEAT—Exports, 30,916 bu.; sales, 700,000 bu.; spot market, easy; No. 2 red, $1.18¾ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.23 f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard, Manitoba, f. o. b. afloat. Options were unsettled all day and generally weak, showing a notable decline in the last hour under bearish crop news and heavy stop loss selling of July. Rallies were mostly small and infrequent, the market closing at the lowest point and 1½@2½c below the previous day. May, $1.12⅝@1.14⅛, closed at $1.12⅝; July, 98⅞c@$1.01⅛, closed at 98⅞c; September, 90⅝@90⅞c, closed at 90⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 60,000 bu.; exports, 3,791 bu.; sales, 75,000 bu. futures, 64,000 bu. spot. Spot market, steady; No. 2, 58½c elevator and 54c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 54½c; No. 2 white, 54¾c. Option market at first was firmer on bad weather and bull support but eventually fell off with wheat, closing net unchanged; May, 53⅝@54 3-16c, closed 53⅝c; July, 53⅝@54c, closed 53⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 54,000 bu.; exports, 3,510 bu.; Spot market, steady; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 31½@33½c; natural white, 30 to 32 lbs., 33½@35c; clipped white, 36 to 40 lbs., 36@41c; options, nominal.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 65@70c; good to choice, 82½@90c.

HOPS—Steady; state, common to choice, 1904, 27@31c; 1903, 26@28c; olds, Pacific coast, 1904, 27@30c; 1903, 24@27c; olds, 11@13c.

HIDES—Quiet; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 19c; California, 21 to 25 lbs., 19c; Texas, dry, 24 to 30 lbs., 14½c.

LEATHER—Firm; acid, 24@26c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $12.00@12.00; mess, $9.00@9.50; beef hams, $22.00@23.50; packet, $11.00@12.00; city extra India mess, $16.00@18.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, 47.00@7.50; pickled shoulders, $6.00; pickled hams, $8.50@9.00. Lard, steady; western steamed, $7.30; refined, steady, continent, $7.35; South American, $7.75; compound, $4.75@5.00. Pork, steady; family, $14.50@15.00; short clear, $13.00@15.25; mess, $13.00@13.50.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 4⅝c; country, 4⅝@4¾c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, fair to extra, 5⅛@6¼c; Japan, nominal.

BUTTER—Market easy; street price, extra creamery, 30@30½c; official prices, creamery, common to extra, 24@30c; creamery, held, common to extra, 24@28c; state dairy, common to extra, 23@28c; western imitation creamery, common to extra, 24@28c.

CHEESE—Firm; state full cream, small, colored and white, fancy, 13¼c; state fine, 13¼c; state late made, colored and white, poor to choice, 10¼@12¾c; state large, colored and white, fancy, 13¼c; state fine, 12¾@13c; late made, colored and white, poor to choice, 9¾@12¼c.

EGGS—Steady; western firsts, 26c; western seconds, 25@26c.

POULTRY—Alive; Market steady; western chickens, 12c; fowls, 14c; turkeys, 15c. Dressed; Market weak; western chickens, 12@14c; fowls, 12½c; turkeys, 15@21c.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, O., March 8.—SEED—Clover, $7.77½; March, $7.77½; April, $7.55; October, $3.90. Prime, alsike, $7.75. Prime, timothy, $1.37½; March, $1.37½.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, March 8.—WHEAT—To arrive: No. 1 northern, $1.07⅝. On track: No. 1 northern, $1.07⅝; No. 2 northern, $1.04⅝@1.05¼; May, $1.08¼; July, $1.08⅝; September, 88⅞c.

OATS—To arrive and on track, 30¼c.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, March 8.—In a whirl of excitement today July wheat broke 4¼c from the highest of the day. Other options shared in the weakness. Favorable weather for the growth of fall sown wheat was largely the cause of the sharp decline. The closing price for July was almost at the lowest point of the day, the net loss being 2⅞c. May is down 1⅞@2⅛c. Corn and oats are practically unchanged. Provisions are 5@10c lower.

The wheat market opened steady as a result of comparatively firm prices at Liverpool. May was unchanged to ⅛c lower at $1.14½@1.14⅝. July was ⅛c lower to ⅛c higher at 99⅝@99¾c. Trading was barely under way before a sharp break occurred in the May option. Just after the opening May touched $1.14⅜. Then within a few minutes the price dropped sheer to $1.12½. The fall was accompanied by great confusion in the pit. The break started on selling by a leading holder, followed by general liquidation. The July option was affected heavily by the upsetting of May, but even more by favorable weather conditions throughout the west and southwest. As the session advanced the opinion that the government report Friday will show a considerable improvement in condition of fall sown wheat gained many adherents and the less distant deliveries became weaker. Meanwhile the market experienced a temporary rally. Shorts were active buyers of May, causing a recovery of about 1 cent. A revised report on the condition of the Kentucky crop, making the average 85 instead of 91 as announced yesterday, was a factor partly responsible for the upturn. Late in the day July was subjected to heavy selling by a big holder. Pit traders also sold freely. The market again broke under the pressure, July dropping to 99¾c. The close was at 99⅞c. May was comparatively steady the latter half of the session, being largely in the July option. At the close May sold at $1.13@1.13⅛. Primary receipts were 360,000 bu., compared with 602,000 bu. a year ago. World's visible supply, as shown by Bradstreets', decreased 3,800,000. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reports receipts of 177 cars, against 212 last week and 423 a year ago.

The corn market was independent of wheat, ruling firm throughout the day. Support by Wall street interests was said to be the mainstay of prices. Shorts and provision interests were also good purchasers. Selling was scattered. May opened unchanged to a shade higher at 47⅞@48c, sold between 47¾c and 47⅞c, and closed at 48c. Local receipts were 370 cars with two of contract grade.

Trading in oats was fairly active and the market was firm in sympathy with corn. May opened unchanged at 31⅛c and closed at 31⅜@31¾c. Local receipts were 161 cars.

Little interest was manifested in trading in provisions. Sentiment was rather bearish and the market lacked any definite support. May pork closed 2½c lower at $12.70; lard and ribs were each off 2½@5c at $7.02½ and $6.85, respectively.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 16 cars; corn, 371 cars; oats, 170 cars; hogs, 32,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat					
May	1 14½@1 14⅝	1 14⅝	1 12½	1 12⅝	1 14⅝
July	99⅝@⅞	99⅞	93⅝	93⅞	99⅞
Sept.	89⅝@⅞	89⅞	86⅞	86⅞@87	89⅝
*Corn—					
May	47⅞@48	48½	47⅝	48	47⅞
July	48⅝@½	48⅞	48½	48⅝@½	48⅝@½
Sept.	48⅝	49¼	48⅝	48⅝	48⅝
Oats					
Mar.	...	...	...	31⅝@⅞	31⅛
May	31¼@⅜	32⅛	31¼	31⅝@¾	31⅛
July	31⅜@½	31⅝	31⅜	31½	31⅝
Sept.	29⅝	29⅞	29⅝	29⅝	29⅝@¾
Pork—					
May	12 70	12 75	12 67½	12 67½	12 72½
July	12 85	12 90	12 82½	12 82½	12 87½
Lard—					
May	7 02½	7 05	7 00	7 02½	7 07½
July	7 15	7 20	7 15	7 17½	7 20
Ribs—					
May	6 87½	6 87½	6 82½	6 85	6 90
July	7 00	7 02½	7 00	7 02½	7 05

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $5.10@5.20; winter straights, $4.90@5.00; spring patents, $5.10@5.60; spring straights, $4.50@5.00; bakers, $2.60@3.80.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.12@1.15; No. 3, $1.04@1.08; No. 2 red, $1.14½@1.17¼.

CORN—No. 2, 48½c; No. 2 yellow, 46¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 32½c; No. 2 white, 33½c; No. 3 white, 31¾@32¾c.

RYE—No. 2, 78@78½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 38@41c; fair to choice malting, 44@47c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.26½; No. 1 northwestern, $1.38½. Prime timothy, $3.65. Clover, contract grade, $12.85.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $12.60@12.65. Lard, per 100 lbs., $6.87½@6.90. Short ribs, sides (loose), $6.75@6.87½. Short clear sides (boxed), $6.87½@7.00.

Receipts and shipments yesterday were as follows:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	41,300	16,800
Wheat, bu.	64,000	35,200
Corn, bu.	598,300	215,500
Oats, bu.	336,500	191,600
Rye, bu.	6,900	2,000
Barley, bu.	165,300	6,700

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was weaker; creameries, 21@26c; dairies, 19@24c. Eggs, steady to firm; at mark, cases included, 19@19½c; firsts, 19½c; prime firsts, 20½c; extras, 22c. Cheese, firm at 12@13½c.

St. Louis Grain and Provisions.

ST. LOUIS, March 8.—WHEAT—Market lower; No. 2 red cash, elevator, $1.10½c; track, $1.15@1.16½; May, $1.05⅝; July, 99¾@99⅝c; No. 2 hard, $1.11@1.13.

CORN—Market firm; No. 2 cash, 47c; track, 48½c; May, 46⅝c; July, 47c.

OATS—Market weak; No. 2 cash, 32c; track, 35½c; May, 31½c; No. 2 white, 34c.

FLOUR—Steady; red winter patents, $5.10@5.50; extra fancy, $5; clear, $4.40@4.60.

SEED—Timothy, steady, at $2.00@2.65.

CORN MEAL—Steady at $2.50.

BRAN—Dull; sacked, east track, 80@87c.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $6.00@12.50; prairie, $5.00@10.00.

IRON COTTONTIES—93c.

BAGGING—7½c.

HEMP TWINE—6½c.

PROVISIONS — Pork, lower; jobbing, $12.62½. Lard, unchanged; prime steam, $6.50. Dry salt meats, steady; extra shorts, $6.87½; clear ribs, $6.87½; short clear, $7.12½. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $7.50; clear ribs, $7.50; short clear, $7.87½.

POULTRY—Market unchanged; chickens and springs, 11c; turkeys, 14@15c; ducks, 12c; geese, 7c.

BUTTER—Market unsettled; creamery, 24@31c; dairy, 19@27c.

EGGS—Market higher at 16½c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	12,000	11,000
Wheat, bu.	57,000	84,000
Corn, bu.	44,000	52,000
Oats, bu.	80,000	44,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 8.—WHEAT—May, 99c; July, 87½c; cash: No. 2 hard, $1.06@1.08; No. 3, $1.01@1.04; No. 4, 90c@$1.01; No. 2 red, $1.09@1.09; No. 3, $1.02@1.06; No. 4, 95c@$1.02.

CORN—May, 45½c; July, 46½c; cash: No. 2 mixed, 46@46½c; No. 3 46c; No. 2 white, 47c; No. 3, 46½c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 32½@33c; No. 2 mixed, 32½@32½c.

RYE—Steady, 78c.

HAY—Firm, choice timothy, $9.50@10.00; choice prairie, $7.75@8.25.

EGGS—Steady; Missouri and Kansas, new No. 2 whitewood cases included, 17c; case count, 16c; cases returned, ½c less.

BUTTER—Lower; creamery, 24@26c; dairy, 17½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments
Wheat, bu.	48,800	40,000
Corn, bu.	23,200	33,600
Oats, bu.	11,000	13,000

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 8.—WHEAT—May, $1.10⅝@1.10¾; July, $1.07⅛; September, 88⅞c; No. 1 hard, $1.12⅛; No. 1 northern, $1.10⅛; No. 2 northern, $1.06⅛.

FLOUR—First patents, $5.10@5.20; second patents, $5.00@5.00; first clears, $4.15@4.35; second clears, $2.80@2.70.

BRAN—In bulk, $14.25.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 8.—BUTTER—21½@23c lower; extra western creamery, 29½c; extra nearby prints, 32c.

EGGS—Firm and 1c higher; nearby fresh and western fresh, 23c, at mark.

CHEESE—Firm; New York full creams, fancy, 13¼c; choice, 13½c; fair to good, 12¾@13¼c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 8.—WHEAT—Weak; No. 1 northern, $1.14; No. 2 northern, $1.08@1.11; May, $1.13½.

RYE—Quiet; No. 1, 84@85c.

BARLEY—Steady; No. 2, 51c; sample, 38@50c.

CORN—Firm; No. 3, 46½@47c; May, 47½@48c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 8.—WHEAT—Spot: Nominal. Futures: Quiet; March, nominal; May, 6s 9½d; July, 6s 9¾d.

CORN—Spot: Steady; Americans mixed, new, 4s 2¾d; old, 4s 11d. Futures: Quiet; March, 4s 2½d; May, 4s 4½d.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Ill., March 8.—CORN—Steady; No. 3, 46½c; No. 4, 45½c; no grade, 43½c.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Values Are Again Higher, but There is Little Increase in Volume of Trading.

MARKET IS SLUGGISH AND DULL

Strike on New York Traction Lines and War News Have Apparently Little Effect on Dealings.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Prices recovered in today's stock market, although there was little improvement in the volume of trading. The tone was by no means well assured and hesitation and sluggishness were still apparent in the movement. Trading was largely in professional hands and there was no evidence of any important revival of public interest. The smallness of the selling orders which resulted from the downward tendency yesterday served as an encouragement to holders of stocks and as a warning to bearish professionals not to extend their short contracts unduly. After the extent of the speculation for the advance and the height to which prices have been lifted the small pressure to liquidate on the reaction is regarded as remarkable. The whole character in fact is better defined as a waiting one than as either strong or reactionary. With the Northern Securities case decided, the absence of large selling to realize is regarded as indicating a feeling of confidence in future developments having a favorable bearing on values. Large attention is given to the subject in current discussion in Wall street, but evidently more concrete results are desired to revive any active speculation in the market. The effect of the strike on the local transit companies was less marked in diminishing the attendance at the stock exchange today and the sentimental phases of the strike were taken less account of.

The most conspicuous buying today was in the coalers and the special prominence of Reading was attributed to the activity of a pool in the stock. The review of the trade conditions by the recognized organ was very cheerful, however, and doubt was expressed whether the usual spring reduction in the price scale would be adopted this year, at any event at the usual time. Amalgamated Copper also was responsive to enthusiastic trade reports and a speculative party was said to be active in that stock. The sharp recovery in New York Central had a good effect on sentiment. The movement in western stocks continued to reflect the merger rumors was more moderate.

The crisis in the far east and threatened catastrophe to the Russian army had the effect of checking activity rather than of prompting any definite position in the market. In Paris the rumor of another Russian loan seemed to have a strengthening effect and to neutralize the influence of the war news. The London market reflected some doubt in its operations preferring the action of the Bank of England tomorrow on its discount rate. The tone of the money market has been easy both for call and time loans, but sterling exchange strengthened and the discount on New York exchange at Chicago widened.

The buoyant rise in Reading late in the day was interrupted by some renewed pressure against Union Pacific and the closing was consequently slightly irregular.

Bonds were steady. Total sales, par value, $3,430,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on call.

The following were the opening and closing prices on the New York Stock exchange:

	Sales	High.	Low.	Close.
Atchison	37,800	92	90½	91⅞
do pfd	2,500	103¼	103⅛	103¼
Atlantic Coast Line	6,500	142½	140⅝	141⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	11,800	109¼	108½	109½
do pfd	...	...	...	96
Canadian Pacific	13,200	143¼	142¼	143¼
Cent. of N. J.	900	200¾	198¾	200¾
Chesa. & Ohio	4,800	50⅝	49⅝	50½
Chicago & Alton	200	39⅞	38⅞	38
do pfd	700	82⅝	81½	80
Chi. Great Western	1,000	22⅝	22½	22½
Chi. & Northwestern	1,700	241½	240	240½
Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	8,800	178⅝	177¼	178
Chi. Ter. & Trans.	...	...	...	17¼
do pfd	200	32¼	32¼	32
C., C., C. & St. L.	300	99	98⅞	99
Colorado Southern	700	25⅝	25¼	25½
do 1st pfd	200	61	61	61
do 2d pfd	100	36¼	36¼	36
Delaware & Hudson	7,400	192¼	188	191⅞
Del., Lack. & West.	700	368	360½	368
D. & R. G.	200	33½	33½	33
do pfd	3,000	88⅝	87⅝	88½
Erie	36,600	47⅝	46⅝	47⅝
do 1st pfd	3,800	82⅝	81⅝	82⅛
do 2d pfd	4,100	70	68⅝	70
Hocking Valley	300	92½	92	92
do pfd	1,400	93	91⅝	93
Illinois Central	600	158⅝	158	158½
Iowa Central	...	...	...	28½
do pfd	...	...	...	53½
K. C. Southern	900	30	29½	30
do pfd	2,300	65½	64½	65⅝
Louis. & Nash.	4,100	142⅝	141¼	141⅝
Manhattan L.	800	171⅝	170⅝	170⅞
Met. Securities	3,400	85	84½	84⅛
Met. St. Ry.	4,700	123¼	122½	122⅞
Mexican Central	2,900	24½	24	24¼
Minn. & St. Louis	200	90	90	58
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	1,900	118¼	117¼	117½
do pfd	...	...	...	159
Missouri Pacific	8,900	108⅞	108⅜	108⅜
M., K. & T.	200	31½	31½	31½
do pfd	400	64½	64¼	65
Nat. R. of M. pfd.	...	...	...	41½
New York Central	12,200	157⅝	155½	156⅞
N. Y. Ont. & West.	2,700	54⅞	53⅞	54⅞
Norfolk & Western	11,800	84⅝	83⅛	84¼
do pfd	...	...	...	92
Pennsylvania	33,600	143	142¼	142⅝
P., C., C. & St. L.	...	...	...	80
Reading	262,500	98⅞	96	98⅛
do 1st pfd	100	91⅞	91⅞	90
do 2d pfd	1,000	91½	90	91⅜
Rock Island Co.	10,100	35	34½	34⅞
do pfd	1,000	79⅝	79½	79½
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	...	...	...	71
St. Louis S. W.	1,200	26	25⅝	26
do pfd	100	61	60⅝	61
Southern Pacific	19,900	69½	68⅝	69½
do pfd	700	118⅞	118½	118½
Southern Railway	5,600	35⅝	35¼	35¼
do pfd	200	98½	98½	98
Texas & Pacific	8,700	39¼	38½	39
T., St. L. & West.	300	30½	30½	30½
do pfd	500	53½	52⅞	52⅞
Union Pacific	103,300	133⅝	132¼	133
do pfd	500	100	100	99
Wabash	1,300	23½	22⅝	23
do pfd	700	47	46¼	46½
W. & Lake Erie	...	...	...	18⅝
Wisconsin Central	200	23⅝	23⅝	23⅝
do pfd	600	52½	52⅛	52⅝
Adams Express	...	...	...	245
American Express	...	...	...	235
U. S. Express	...	...	...	130
Wells-Fargo Express	...	...	...	250
Amal. Copper	60,600	78⅞	77½	78⅛
Am. Car & Fdry.	1,800	35¼	35	35¼
do pfd	900	94⅝	94⅝	94½
Am. Cotton Oil	...	...	...	35¼
do pfd	...	...	...	95
American Ice	...	...	...	34½
do pfd	100	39⅝	39⅝	39½
Am. Linseed Oil	...	...	...	18⅝
do pfd	600	44	43	44
Am. Locomotive	4,500	43⅝	42¼	43¼
do pfd	300	112	111¼	111¼
Am. Smelt. & Ref.	39,800	94⅝	93	94⅝
do pfd	2,800	121½	119½	120⅝
Am. Sugar Ref.	17,200	146⅝	144½	145⅝
Am. Tob. pfd. certif.	3,400	97⅞	97⅝	97⅞
Anacon. Mining Co.	16,100	112¼	109¼	111⅝
Brook. Rapid Transit	7,700	66½	65½	65⅞
Colorado Fuel & Iron	5,600	51⅞	50½	50⅝
Consolidated Gas	5,600	213½	211½	211½
Corn Products	1,400	18⅞	18⅝	18½
do pfd	1,500	78	73½	75
Distillers' Securities	1,800	37⅞	37¼	37⅝
General Electric	...	...	...	186½
Int. Paper	1,200	22⅝	22	22
do pfd	1,300	79⅝	79	79½
Int. Pump	...	...	...	35
do pfd	...	...	...	86
National Lead	9,200	37¼	36¼	36¼
North American	1,700	102	101½	102
Pacific Mail	200	46	45⅞	45½
People's Gas	3,900	110¼	109½	110
Pressed Steel Car	2,200	37	36	36½
do pfd	100	88	88	88
Pullman Palace Car	200	242	242	243
Republic Steel	1,600	18⅝	18⅝	18½
do pfd	200	76	76	76
Rubber Goods	200	25¼	25¼	25¼
do pfd	...	...	...	92
Tenn. Coal & Iron	5,800	88¼	86⅞	87¼
U. S. Leather	1,300	12⅝	12	11⅞
do pfd	500	104¼	104	104
U. S. Realty	500	94⅞	94	94½
U. S. Rubber	1,500	42⅝	41⅝	42¼
do pfd	1,400	113	111¼	112⅝
U. S. Steel	28,600	36¼	35⅝	35⅞
do pfd	18,100	95⅝	94⅝	95⅝
Va.-Car. Chemical	200	36	35½	35⅝
do pfd	...	...	...	107
West. Electric	400	180½	180	180
Western Union	400	94¼	93⅝	94

Total sales for the day, 965,500 shares.

London Stock Market.

LONDON, March 8.—Closing quotations on stocks and bonds:

Console, money	90 15-16	N. Y. Central	160¼
do account	91¼	Norfolk & W.	85⅝
Anaconda	5⅝	do pfd	94
Atchison	91⅝	Ontario & W.	18⅝
do pfd	105½	Pennsylvania	73
Baltimore & Ohio	111⅝	Rand Mines	10⅝
Canadian Pacific	146⅝	Reading	49⅝
Ches. & Ohio	51⅝	do 1st pfd	47
Chicago G. W.	23⅛	do 2d pfd	46
C., M. & St. P.	132	Southern Railway	36⅝
DeBeers	18⅛	do pfd	101
Denver & R. G.	33⅝	Southern Pacific	70⅝
do pfd	91¼	Union Pacific	134⅝
Erie	48	do pfd	102
do 1st pfd	83⅝	U. S. Steel	36⅝
do 2d pfd	72	do pfd	97⅞
Illinois Central	162⅝	Wabash	23⅝
Louis. & Nash.	145	do pfd	47⅞
M., K. & T.	32⅝	Spanish 4s	91⅝

SILVER—Bar, steady, 23 3-16d per ounce.

MONEY—2¾@3 per cent.

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

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 8.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balance, $142,428,642; gold, $56,956,817.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 8.—MONEY—On call, steady at 2¾@2¾ per cent; closing bid, 2½ per cent; offered, 2¾ per cent. Time loans, easy; 60 days, 3 per cent; 90 days, 3@3¼ per cent; 6 months, 3¼@3½ per cent.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—3¾@4½ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Strong, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8800@4.8835 for demand and at $4.8400@4.8465 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4.85½@4.87½; commercial bills, $4.84⅛.

SILVER—Bar, 58⅞c; Mexican dollars, 45⅝c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad, steady.

Closing prices on bonds were:

U. S. rec. 2s, reg.	104⅛	Japan 4s, ctfs.	102
do coupon	104⅝	L. & N. uni. 4s	103
do 3s, reg.	106⅛	Manhattan c. & s. 4s	106½
do coupon	106	Mex. Central 4s	76¼
do new 4s, reg.	133⅞	do 1st inc.	35
do coupon	135⅞	*Minn. & St. L. 4s	96½
do old 4s, reg.	109⅝	M. K. & T. 4s	100½
do old 4s, coupon	109⅝	do 2s	85½
Am. Tobacco 4s, ctfs.	74⅝	N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	83
do 6s, ctfs.	117	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	99⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	104⅝	N. Y. C. g. 3s	132⅝
do adj. 4s	97⅝	No. Pacific 4s	105½
Atlantic C. L. 4s	101⅝	do 3s	77
Bal. & Ohio 4s	104⅝	N. & W. c. 4s	108⅝
do 3½s	93	O. S. L. rdg. 4s	97⅛
Central of Ga. 5s	111	Pens. conv. 3½s	106⅝
do 1st inc.	81	Reading gen. 4s	101⅝
do 2d inc.	68	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	118⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	100⅝	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	91⅝
Chicago & A. 3½s	82⅝	St. L. S. W. c. 4s	82⅝
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	100	Seaboard A. L. 4s	81
C., R. I. & P. 4s	92⅝	do Pacific 4s	85⅛
do col. 5s	94⅝	So. Railway 5s	119⅝
CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	100	Texas & P. 1s	122
Chicago Ter. 4s	97	T. St. L. & W. 4s	86
Colorado Mid. 4s	76	Union Pacific 4s	103⅝
Colo. & So. 4s	92⅝	do conv. 4s	134⅝
Cuba 5s, ctfs.	104⅝	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	94⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	101	Wabash 1s	118⅝
Distillers' Sec. 5s	79⅝	do deb. B	70⅝
Erie prior lien 4s	101⅝	Western Md. 4s	95⅝
do gen. 4s	83⅝	*W. & L. E. 4s	93
F. W. & D. C. 1s	110⅝	Wis. Central 4s	94