GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

May Wheat Option Easily Feature of Trade.

ADVANCE OF THREE-QUARTERS CENT

Northwest Shorts Cover Freely and Turn Weak Market Strong—Fine Weather Too Much for the Deferred Futures.

OMAHA, April 18, 1906.

The May wheat option was very active declining and advancing at various times. Opening cables came higher and opening local prices were ¼ to ⅜c higher. The advance was lost soon and quotations declined to ½c under yesterday. The northwest bought at the decline and the market turned strong. The close was strong at about ⅝c advance. Deferred futures were inclined to be weak, fine weather for the crops being too much for the bulls.

Corn was strong at the start in sympathy with wheat, but selling started on the fine weather and prices went down ½@¾ from yesterday. Receipts were light and cash demand good, but clearances were small. Early sellers turned buyers on the strength in wheat and the market recovered, closing with but a slight loss for the day.

Oats were active and closed ½c higher for May.

Omaha Cash Sales.

OATS—No. 4 white, 1 car, 30½c.

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 75@78c; No. 3 hard, 71@74½c; No. 4 hard, 66@69½c; No. 2 spring, 73@77c; No. 3, spring, 68@72½c.

CORN—No. 3, 43½c; No. 4, 42@43c; no grade, 32@42c; No. 2 yellow, 43½@43¾c; No. 3 white, 44½@44¾c.

OATS—No. 3 mixed, 30½c; No. 3 white, 31@31½c; No. 4 white, 30½c.

RYE—No. 2, 56c; No. 3, 54c.

Car Lot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	4	70	52
Kansas City	21	17	27
Minneapolis	110	...	...
Omaha	1	15	8
Duluth	26	...	...
St. Louis	25	30	60

Minneapolis wired cash No. 1 Northern sold at 3@3½c over May, and No. 2 Northern at 1c over May.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May...	75⅝B	74⅝B	73⅛	74¼A	73⅝B
July...	72¼A	72½	71⅞A	72⅝B	72¼
Corn—					
May...	43⅛A	43⅛	42⅝	42⅝A	43A
July...	42¼A	43¼A	41⅞A	42⅝A	42⅝A
Oats—					
May...				31⅛A	

A asked. B bid.

Liverpool closed ¼@½d higher on wheat and unchanged on corn.

Primary wheat receipts were 170,000 bushels and shipments 534,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 352,000 bushels and shipments of 186,000 bushels. Corn receipts were 348,000 bushels and shipments 529,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 386,000 bushels and shipment of 458,000 bushels. Clearances were 50,000 bushels wheat, 18,246 barrels flour, 90,000 bushels corn and 24,000 bushels oats.

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, April 18.—Apparent congestion in the May delivery had a strengthening effect today on the local wheat market. At the close the May option was up ⅝c. Corn was down ¼@¾c. Oats were down ¼c. Provisions were unchanged to 5c lower.

The wheat market opened firm because of steady cables and small receipts in the northwest. The May option was ¼c to ⅝c higher at 80⅞c to 81c. On the extremely favorable weather conditions for the crop advance was lost by liberal selling, which carried May down to 80¼@80⅝c. Later an active demand for May developed from shorts, who were actuated by the strength of cash wheat at Minneapolis, where No. 1 northern was selling at an advance of 3½c over the May option. With only small offerings the price of May advanced again and held strong until the close of the session. The more distant deliveries showed signs of weakening, but the strength of May offset this tendency. The high point for May was reached at 81½c. The market closed firm with May at 81⅝c. July closed with a net gain of ¼@¾c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 182,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 170,000 bushels, compared with 352,000 bushels for the corresponding day last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 100 cars against 189 cars last week and 148 cars a year ago.

Small local receipts held the corn market firm at the opening, but a weak tone soon developed on reports of clear weather and increased acceptances from the country. The close was fairly steady. May opened a shade higher at 42c, sold up to 42⅝c and declined to 46⅛c. The close was steady at 46⅝c. July ranged between 45⅝c and 46⅛c and closed at 46⅛c. Local receipts were 73 cars with two cars of contract grade.

A prominent bull was an active purchaser of May oats and fear of a possible corner caused lively covering by shorts. May opened a shade higher at 31⅞c, sold between 31⅝c and 32⅛c and closed at 32⅛@32⅜c. July sold between 30⅝c and 31¼c and closed at 31@31¼c. Local receipts were 80 cars.

The market in provisions was steady. At the close July pork was unchanged at $16.35. Lard was 5c lower at $8.85; ribs were down a shade at $8.85.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 4 cars; corn, 72 cars; oats, 94 cars; hogs, 27,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
May	80⅞@81	81⅛	80¼@⅝	81⅛	80⅝
July	79⅝@⅞	79⅝@⅞	78⅞	79⅝	79⅛@¼
Sept.	78⅛@⅜	78⅛	77⅝	77⅞	78@78⅛
*Corn—					
May	47	47⅛	46¼	46⅝	46⅞@47
July	46¼	46¼	45⅝	46⅛	46⅛@¼
Sept.	46⅝@⅞	46½@⅝	46	46⅛	46⅛
*Oats—					
May	31⅞	32⅛	31⅝	32⅛@⅜	31⅝@⅞
July	30⅞	31¼	30⅝	31⅛	30⅝@⅞
Sept.	29⅝@¾	30	29⅝	29⅞	29⅝
Pork—					
May	16 20	16 20	16 17½	16 20	16 20
July	16 37½	16 37½	16 32½	16 35	16 35
Sept.	16 35	16 35	16 35	16 35	16 37½
Lard—					
May	8 70	8 72½	8 70	8 72½	8 75
July	8 87½	8 87½	8 85	8 85	8 90
Sept.	8 97½	9 00	8 95	8 97½	9 02½
Ribs—					
May	8 72½	8 75	8 70	8 72½	8 77½
July	8 85	8 87½	8 82½	8 85	8 72½
Sept.	8 87½	8 90	8 87½	8 90	8 90

*No. 2.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, 80@82c; No. 3, 75@81c; No. 2 red, 89¼@91½c.

CORN—No. 2, 47½c; No. 2 yellow, 48½c.

OATS—No. 2, 32½c; No. 2 white, 33½@34½c; No. 3 white, 31½@32c.

RYE—No. 2, 61½@62½c.

BARLEY—Good feeding, 39@41c; fair to choice malting, 45@60c.

SEEDS—No. 1 flax, $1.01½; No. 1 northwestern, $1.16½. Timothy, prime, $3.17½. Clover, contract grade, $11.25.

PROVISIONS—Mess pork, per bbl., $16.15@16.20. Lard, per 100 lbs., $8.70@8.72½. Short ribs sides (loose), $8.70@8.80. Short clear sides (boxed), $9.10@9.15.

Receipts and shipments of grain and flour were:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	50,200	34,700
Wheat, bu.	110,000	164,000
Corn, bu.	257,100	257,400
Oats, bu.	264,900	124,700
Rye, bu.	9,000	2,000
Barley, bu.	78,400	126,100

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 14@20½c; dairies, 14@18c. Eggs, firm; at mark, cases included, 14½c; firsts, 15c; prime firsts, 16c; extras, 17½c. Cheese, steady; 11@12c.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, April 18.—WHEAT—May, 76½c; July, 71⅝c; cash, No. 2 hard, 78@82½c; No. 2 red, 92½@94c.

CORN—May, 43⅝c; July, 42½c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 46c.

OATS—No. 2 white, 34@35c.

HAY—Strong; choice timothy, $12.25@12.50; choice prairie, $10.00@10.50.

RYE—Steady at 59@58c.

EGGS—Steady at 13c.

BUTTER—Creamery, 19c; packing, 11½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	27,600	6,600
Corn, bu	15,000	44,000
Oats, bu	10,000	13,000

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 18.—WHEAT—Higher; No. 1 northern, 82@84½c; No. 2 northern, 79@81c; May, 81¼@81⅜c bid.

RYE—Lower; No. 1, 64@65c.

BARLEY—Higher; No. 2, 55@55½c; sample, 45@55c.

CORN—Easier; No. 3 cash, 47½@48c; May, 46⅝c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, April 18.—WHEAT—To arrive, No. 1 northern, 81½c; No. 2 northern, 78½c; on track, No. 1 northern, 81¾c; No. 2 northern, 79¼c; May, 80⅞c; July, 81⅛c; September, 79¼c.

OATS—To arrive, on track and for May, 31¼c.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, April 18.—FLOUR—Receipts, 20,900 bbls.; exports, 17,169 bbls. Market firm and nominally higher; Minnesota patents, $4.25@4.50; Minnesota bakers, $3.40@3.75; winter patents, $3.90@4.25; winter straights, $3.70@3.80; winter extras, $2.75@3.25; winter low grades, $2.65@3.30. Rye flour, firm; fair to good, $3.35@3.90; choice to fancy, $3.95@4.10.

CORNMEAL—Firm; fine white and yellow, $1.30; coarse, $1.07@1.09; kiln dried, $2.60@2.70.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 70c, asked, f. o. b. New York.

BARLEY—Dull; feeding, 46½c, f. o. b., New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 2,000 bu.; exports, 13,822 bu.; spot and firm; No. 2 red, 91½c, nominal elevator; No. 2 red, 91½c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, 90½c, f. o. b. afloat. Options opened ⅛ to ½c higher on cables and unsatisfactory receipts, broke ⅛@⅜c under realizing, following reports of superior crop conditions, recovered the loss on fears of manipulation, but eased off again and was finally firm at a decline of ⅛c to a rise of ⅛c. May opened 87⅞ to 88⅛c, closed at 88⅜c; July, 85 1-16@85⅛c, closed at 85⅛c; September, 82 3-16@82⅝c, closed, 82⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 44,075 bu.; exports, 55,332 bu.; sales 50,000 bu., futures and 24,000 bu., spot. Spot market firm; No. 2, 57c nominal elevator and 58½c, f. o. b., afloat. No. 2 yellow, 58½c; No. 3 white, 58c. Option market opened ¼@⅝c lower under adverse cables and good weather accounts, rallied with wheat and on reports of small country offerings. The close was steady at net unchanged prices to a decline of ¼c. May, 58⅜@58⅝c, closed at 58⅜c; July, 57⅞@58⅛c, closed at 58c; December closed at 58⅜c.

OATS—Receipts, 81,000 bu.; exports, 24,059 bu. Spot market steady; mixed oats, 26 to 32 pounds, 37@37½c; natural white, 30 to 33 pounds, 38@38½c; clipped white, 38 to 40 pounds, 39@41c.

HAY—Strong; shipping, 60@65c; good to choice 85@$1.00.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1905 crop, 10@14c; 1904 crop, 7@9c; olds, 5@7c. Pacific coast, 1905 crop, 8@13c; 1904 crop, 7@8c; olds, 4@5c.

HIDES—Firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs., 24 to 30 lbs., 19c.

LEATHER—Steady; acid, 26½@27½c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, steady; family, $11.50@13.00; mess, $9.00@10.00; beef hams, $20.00@21.50; packet, $10.50@11.00; city extra India mess, $18.00@18.50. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $9.25@10.50; pickled shoulders, $7.00@7.50; pickled hams, $11.00@11.50. Lard, steady; western steamed, $8.80@8.85; refined, steady; continent, $9.40; South America, $9.75; compound, $6.75@7.25. Pork, firm; family, $18.50.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 5⅛c; country, 5⅛@6⅛c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3¼@6c; Japan, nominal.

BUTTER—Firm; state, full cream, large and small colored and white fancy, 14½c; state good to prime 13⅝@14c; state, common to fair, 11@12c.

EGGS—Strong; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fresh selected white, 21c; state, good to choice, 19@20c; mixed extra, 19c; western firsts, 17½@17¾c; western seconds, 17¼@17½c, southern, 16@17c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 2 red, cash elevator, 87@94c; track, 94@97c; May, 80⅝c; July, 77½c; No. 2 hard, 80@85c.

CORN—Futures lower; cash steady; No. 2 cash, nominal; track, 50@51½c; May, 44⅝c; July, 44⅞@45c.

FLOUR—Quiet; red winter patents, $4.40@4.50; extra fancy and straights, $3.85@4.30; clear, $3.70@3.90.

SEED—Timothy, steady; $2.50@2.70.

CORNMEAL—Steady; $2.30.

BRAN—Steady; sacked, east track, 89c @$1.00.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $14.00@17.50; prairie, $11.50@13.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.01.

BAGGING—4¾c.

HEMP TWINE—7½c.

PROVISIONS — Pork, steady; jobbing, $16.30. Lard, higher; prime steam, $8.32½. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed extra shorts, $9.00; clear ribs, $9.25; short clears, $9.37½. Bacon, steady; boxed extra shorts, $9.75; clear ribs, $10.00; short clears, $10.12½.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 cash, 32c; track, 32½@33c; May, 33⅛c; July, 31½c; No. 2 white, 35@35½c.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 10½c; turkeys, 15c; ducks, 12c; geese, 7c.

BUTTER—Dull; creamery, 16@21c; dairy, 14@18c.

EGGS—Steady; 13½c, case count.

POULTRY—Alive, steady; western chickens, 12c; fowls, 13c; turkeys, 13c; dressed, steady; turkeys, 16@18c; fowls, 13@13½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	7,000	2,000
Wheat, bu.	25,000	62,000
Corn, bu.	30,000	66,000
Oats, bu.	59,000	134,000

Minneapolis Grain Market.

(Superior Board of Trade quotations for Minneapolis and Chicago delivery). The range of prices, as furnished by F. D. Day & Co., 110-111 Board of Trade building, was:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May...	78⅝@ 78¾@⅞	78⅝	77⅝	78⅝@⅞	78⅛
July...	80⅝@⅞	80⅝	79⅞	80⅝@⅞	80⅛
Sept...	78⅞	79	78	78⅝	78⅝
Flax—					
May...	1 19	1 20¼	1 19	1 20	1 19
July...	1 20¼	1 21½	1 20¼	1 21½	1 20¼
Sept...	1 21	1 21½	1 21	1 21	1 19¾

Minneapolis Cash Close—Wheat: No. 1 hard, 81⅝c; No. 1 northern, 81½c; No. 2 northern and to arrive, 79⅝c; No. 3, 77½@78⅝c; No. 1 durum, 73c; No. 2 durum, 71c. Corn: No. 3 yellow, 44⅝c. Oats: No. 3 white, 30⅝c; No. 3, 28⅞c. Barley: 52@47c. Rye: 56½@58⅝c. Flax: Cash, $1.18; May, $1.19¼.

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—BUTTER—Firm; extra western creamery, 22c; extra nearby prints, 23c.

EGGS—Firm, ½c higher; nearby fresh and western fresh, 17c, at mark.

CHEESE—Firm; New York full creams, fancy, 13⅝@14c; New York full creams, choice, 13⅛@13½c; New York full creams, fair to good, 12½@13c.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, April 18.—CORN—Unchanged; No. 3 yellow, 48c; No. 3, 48c; No. 4, 47c; no grade, 46c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 32½c; No. 3 white, 31½c; No. 4 white, 31c.

RYE—Unchanged; No. 2, 62@63c.

WHISKY—On basis of $1.28 for finished goods.

Toledo Seed Market.

TOLEDO, April 18.—SEEDS—Clover, cash and April, $6.02; October, $5.80. Prime timothy, $1.55. Prime alsike, $8.20.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, April 18.—METALS—The London tin market was a little lower, following the recent sensational gains, with spot closing at £177 5s and futures at £174. Locally the market was steady and a shade lower in sympathy, with spot quoted at $38.80@39.00. Copper was unchanged at £85 for spot and £82 for futures in the London market; locally the market was unchanged also, with lake quoted at $18.50@18.75, electrolytic at $18.25@18.50 and casting at $18.00@18.25. Lead was unchanged at $5.35@5.45 in the local market, but advanced 5s to £15 18s 9d in London. Spelter was unchanged at £25 15s in London and at $6.05@6.10 locally. Iron was unchanged to a shade lower in the English market, with standard foundry closing at 48s 2d and Cleveland warrants at 48s 3d; locally the market was unchanged; No. 1 northern foundry is quoted at $18.50@18.85; No. 2 northern foundry at $18.00@18.35; No. 1 southern foundry at $18.35@18.75, and No. soft southern foundry at $17.50@18.50.

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—METALS—Lead, firm, $5.35 bid. Spelter, firm, $6.

Sugar and Molasses.

NEW YORK, April 18.—SUGAR—Raw, weak; fair refining, 3 29-32@3 15-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 13-32@3 7-16c; molasses sugar, 3 11-32@3 11-16c; refined, quiet; No. 5, 4.10c; No. 6, 4.05c; No. 7, 4.00c; No. 8, 3.95c; No. 10, 3.90c; No. 11, 3.85c; No. 12, 3.80c; No. 13, 3.75c; No. 14, 3.75c; confectioners' A, 4.45c; mould A, 4.95c; cut loaf, 5.20c; crushed, 5.80c; powdered, 4.70c; granulated, 4.60c; cubes, 4.85c.

NEW ORLEANS, April 18.—SUGAR—Quiet and steady; open kettle centrifugal, 3⅛@3¾c; centrifugal whites, 3⅝@4c; yellows, 3⅛@3 13-16c; seconds, 2⅞@3c.

MOLASSES—Nominal; open kettle, 17@30c; centrifugal, 7@20c.

Oils and Rosin.

NEW YORK, April 18.—OIL—Cotton seed, firm; prime crude, f. o. b. mills, 31c; Prime yellow, 37½@38c. Petroleum, steady; refined New York, 7.60c; Philadelphia and Baltimore, 7.55; refined in bulk, $4.00. Turpentine, quiet, 66½@69c.

ROSIN—Firm; strained, common to good, $4.10.

SAVANNAH, April 18.—OIL—Turpentine, firm, 60c.

ROSIN—Firm; A B C, $3.70; D, $3.75; E, $3.80; G, $4.00; H, $4.20; I, $4.50; K, $5.15; M, $5.20; W G, $5.30; W W, $5.40.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Calamity in San Francisco Affects Wall Street Market Unfavorably.

COAL SITUATION IS ALSO A FEATURE

Heavy Liquidation Throughout the Day Carries Entire List to Comprehensively Lower Level.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Wall street paid eager attention to the news from San Francisco in common with the rest of the of the world and the terrible calamity there had no small part in the weakness in stocks today. This factor was supplemented by the conviction that a miners' strike in the anthracite region is inevitable. The steps taken in Washington towards furthering proceedings against the coal carrying railroads and reports published during the morning of a forthcoming special message from the president calling for further measures against the trusts caused considerable selling. Sales for London account made an additional burden on the market. The combined effect of these factors was heavy liquidation throughout the list, which carried prices comprehensively to a lower level. There was no effort to support the market except for occasional checks to pauses in the selling movement the downward course was so persistent.

Securities market are not proof against the sentimental effect of great human calamities, as has been demonstrated in many places. The decreasing effect of misfortune and suffering may be expected to effect unfavorable business enterprises. The market was under the influence of this feeling to some extent. There was to be considered, in addition, the actual property losses incident to the disaster, which were perceived to be enormous dimensions. The most immediate reflection of this phase of the disaster was in the stocks of the United Railways Investment company, which represent the holdings of the San Francisco street railway lines. Offerings of small lots of these found no takers except at wide declining intervals. The extreme loss for the common stock at the lowest today was 29¾ points and for the preferred 14 points. The net loss of the common was 16½ and for the preferred 10 points. The effect on the market of this and other factors mentioned was made more acute by the vulnerable condition of the market itself, which the recent courses of events has demonstrating. Evidence was pretty clear yesterday of the pressure of long stock on the market at all favorable opportunities. It was concluded that speculative accumulations, which have been held pertinaciously through the money stringency, were coming on the market with more favorable conditions, indicated by the relaxation in the money market. The easier conditions of money, however, failed to stimulate any large demand for stocks such as was counted upon to take over holdings by the speculative operators who accumulated stock last month. The concentration of events this morning precipitated the liquidation, which was entered upon by more gradual methods. The selling for London account was attributed to some extent to measures of protection against New York's heavy demand on that center for gold. Sales of foreign securities are the usual resource of that market against demands of that character upon its gold supply. Colonial troubles in South Africa made an additional disturbing element in London and the subscriptions to the Russian loan expanded the requirement on that money market. Covering by shorts to take profits on the day's decline induced a considerable rally in the final hour, but it was poorly held and the closing was irregular.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales, par value, $2,187,000. United States 2s advanced ¼ per cent on call.

Quotations on the New York Stock exchange were:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express				240
Amalgamated Copper	292,200	113	110⅝	111⅝
American C. & F.	2,200	44	42⅞	43⅝
American C. & F. pfd	300	102	101⅞	102
American Cotton Oil	700	34⅝	33⅝	34
Am. Cotton Oil pfd				90
American Express				330
American H. & L. pfd	400	32⅛	32	32
American Ice securities	11,900	63⅛	61	61⅛
American Linseed Oil				21
Am. Linseed Oil pfd	100	42⅛	42⅛	42⅛
American Locomotive	8,400	69	67⅝	68⅛
Am. Locomotive pfd	100	115⅛	115⅛	115
American S. & R.	33,400	46⅛	43⅞	44
Am. S. & R. pfd	700	109	119⅝	119⅛
American Sugar Refining	4,600	140⅝	138⅝	139
Am. Tobacco pfd. ctfs	200	104⅛	104⅛	104
Anaconda Mining Co.	56,200	37⅝	37⅛	37⅛
Atchison	15,000	93	91⅛	91⅛
Atchison pfd	300	102	102⅛	102
Atlantic Coast Line				152½
Baltimore & Ohio	8,200	113⅛	111⅛	111⅛
Baltimore & Ohio pfd	200	94	94	94
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	47,800	87⅛	85½	86⅛
Canadian Pacific	4,500	173⅝	172⅝	173⅛
Central of New Jersey	100	215	215	214
Chesapeake & Ohio	2,400	59⅝	58⅛	58⅛
Chicago & Alton				34
Chicago & Alton pfd	200	76⅛	75⅝	75
Chicago Great Western	6,200	21⅝	21	21⅛
Chicago & Northwestern				217
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	14,800	177⅛	174⅝	176
Chicago T. & T.				19⅛
Chicago T. & T. pfd				85
C., C., C. & St. Louis	100	100⅝	100⅝	100⅝
Colorado Fuel & Iron	8,400	49	46⅝	46⅝
Colorado & Southern	500	34⅝	34	34⅛
Colorado & So. 1st pfd	800	71⅛	70⅛	70⅝
Colorado & So. 2d pfd	200	50	49⅛	49
Consolidated Gas	11,500	139⅝	137⅛	138
Corn Products, ctfs	1,200	25	24⅝	24⅝
Corn Products pfd, ctfs	2,100	79	78	78
Delaware & Hudson	200	210	210	210
Delaware, L. & W.	200	440⅛	440⅛	440⅛
Denver & Rio Grande	1,300	46⅝	45	45⅝
Denver & R. G. pfd	200	88⅝	88	87⅝
Distillers' Securities	3,300	59⅛	57⅝	57⅝
Erie	18,300	41⅝	40⅝	41⅛
Erie 1st pfd	500	78⅝	78	77⅞
Erie 2d pfd	300	69	68	68
General Electric	300	170⅛	169	169⅞
Hocking Valley				130⅛
Illinois Central	1,000	174⅛	173	173
International Paper	200	22⅛	22⅛	22
International Paper pfd	100	86	85⅝	85⅝
International Pump	2,500	47	46	46⅝
International Pump pfd	100	83⅛	83⅛	83
Iowa Central				30
Iowa Central pfd				58
Kansas City Southern	300	28	28	28
Kansas City So. pfd				87
Louisville & Nashville	8,600	150⅝	148⅝	149⅛
Manhattan L				135
Metropolitan Street Ry	300	116⅛	115⅛	114⅛
Minneapolis & St. L.	2,600	25⅛	24⅛	24⅛
M., St. P. & S. S. M.				127
M., St. P. & S. S. M. pfd	1,200	158⅛	156⅛	158½
Missouri Pacific	3,100	95⅞	94⅝	95⅛
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	9,100	35⅝	34⅝	35⅛
M., K. & T. pfd	800	72⅝	72	72
National Lead	6,600	83⅛	82	82⅛
National R. R. of M. pfd				140
New York Central	3,400	149⅛	148	148
New York, C. & W.	500	51	50⅛	50⅛
Norfolk & Western	18,530	91⅝	90⅝	91
Norfolk & W. pfd	100	91⅛	91⅛	91
North American	1,000	100⅛	98⅝	99
Pacific Mail				42
Pennsylvania	71,800	142⅛	141	141⅛
People's Gas	600	94⅛	93⅛	93⅝
P., C., C. & St. Louis	400	81	80	80
Pressed Steel Car	4,000	54⅛	53⅛	53⅛
Pressed Steel Car pfd	100	99⅞	99⅞	99⅞
Pullman Palace Car				237
Reading	104,300	136⅛	134	134⅛
Reading 1st pfd	100	90⅛	90⅛	90
Reading 2d pfd				86
Republic Steel	1,300	31⅛	30	30½
Republic Steel pfd	1,000	102⅛	101⅞	101⅞
Rock Island Co.	3,700	27⅛	27	27⅛
Rock Island Co. pfd	500	66	65½	65½
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	700	48	46⅝	46⅝
St. Louis Southwestern	1,000	24⅛	23⅝	23⅝
St. Louis & S. F. pfd	300	71	70	70
Southern Pacific	5,700	66⅝	65⅝	65⅞
Southern Pacific pfd	100	118⅛	118⅛	118
Southern Railway	4,100	40⅛	39⅛	39⅝
Southern Railway pfd	100	100	100	98⅛
Tennessee Coal & Iron				140
Texas & Pacific	600	23⅝	23⅛	23
Toledo, St. L. & W.	200	34	33⅝	33⅝
T., St. L. & W. pfd	300	55	54⅝	54⅝
Union Pacific	197,700	157	154⅛	155⅛
Union Pacific pfd	100	86	86	86
United States Express	100	115	115	115
United States Realty				94
United States Rubber	1,700	53⅝	52	52
U. S. Rubber pfd	1,600	111⅛	111⅛	111
United States Steel	10,800	43⅛	42⅛	42⅛
U. S. Steel pfd	24,300	108⅛	107⅝	107⅞
Va.-Carolina Chemical	1,100	49⅝	49⅛	49⅝
Va.-Carolina Chem. pfd				111
Wabash	400	21⅝	21⅝	21⅝
Wabash pfd	1,600	49	47⅝	48⅛
Wells-Fargo Express				258
Western Union	300	92⅛	92⅛	92⅛
Wheeling & Lake Erie				19
Wisconsin Central	500	27	26⅛	26⅛
Wisconsin Central pfd	200	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛
Northern Pacific	16,000	219	215⅛	216⅝
Central Leather	400	44⅝	44⅛	44⅛
Central Leather pfd	400	105	104⅛	104⅛
Sloss-Sheffield Steel	1,400	82	79⅛	80⅛

Total sales for the day, 1,264,400 shares.

Bank of Germany Statement.

BERLIN, April 18.—The weekly statement of the Imperial Bank of Germany shows the following changes: Cash in hand increased, 23,840,000 marks; treasury notes increased, 1,260,000 marks; other securities decreased, 76,500,000 marks; notes in circulation decreased, 91,080,000 marks.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18.—To-day's statement of the treasury balance in the general fund exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve, shows a cash balance, $158,722,790; gold coin and bullion, $78,345,911; gold certificates, $38,358,670.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, April 18.—Bank clearings for today were $1,479,610.36 and for the corresponding date last year $1,183,235.32.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, April 18.—Money was in fair demand in the market today and considerable sums changed hands in connection with the retirement of $5,000,000 of exchequer bonds and the payment of $12,500,000 for London county council bills. Discounts were firm. Trading on the Stock exchange was quiet on the disquieting news from Natal and the heavy New York demand for gold. Consols were easier at first, but rallied at the close. Home rails drooped. Americans opened irregular, rose to above parity and sagged later, especially during the last hour on New York selling and closed weak. Grand Trunk improved on the traffic returns, but reacted later. Foreigners were dull on Paris selling in preparation for taking up the Russian loan. Kaffirs were flat. Japanese imperial 6s of 1904 were quoted at 101¼.

BERLIN, April 18.—Trading on the bourse today was very quiet. The decline in the prices of Americans caused realizations.

PARIS, April 18.—Trading on the bourse today was inactive and prices were weak owing to dear money and the miners' strikes in the north of France. Russian imperial 4s were quoted at 82.10 and Russian bonds of 1904 at 499.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, April 18.—MONEY—On call, easy at 3@4 per cent; lowest at 2 per cent; ruling rate, 3½@3¾ per cent; closing bid, 3½ per cent; offered at 4 per cent; time loans slightly easier; sixty and ninety days, 5 per cent; six months, 4¾@5 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5¼@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, at $4.85@4.85⅝ for demand and at $4.82⅝@4.82⅞ for sixty-day bills; posted rates, $4.83½@4.85½ and $4.86@4.88½; commercial bills, $4.82¼.

SILVER—Bar, 66⅞c; Mexican dollars, 50c.

BONDS—Government, firm; railroad, heavy.

Closing quotations on bonds today were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	100⅝	Japan 6s, 2d series	97⅞
do coupon	100⅝	do 4s ctfs	85⅝
U. S. 3s, reg.	102⅞	do 4½s ctfs	90
do coupon	103⅛	do 5s series	91⅞
U. S. new 4s, reg.	135⅛	L. & N. un. 4s	95⅛
do coupon	137⅛	Man. c. g. 4s	100⅛
U. S. new 4s, reg.	139	Mex. Central 4s	80⅝
do coupon	141⅛	do 1st inc.	24
Am. Tobacco 4s	75⅝	Minn. & St. L. 4s	93⅛
do 6s	113⅝	M., K. & T. 4s	105⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	101⅛	do 2s	69
do adj. 4s	95⅛	N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	87⅛
Atlantic C. L. 4s	99⅛	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	98
Bal. & Ohio 4s	103⅝	N. Y. C. g. 5s	128
do 3½s	94⅝	No. Pacific 4s	104⅛
Brk. R. T. c. 4s	93⅛	do 2s	77
Central of Ga. 5s	114⅛	N. & W. c. 4s	100⅝
do 1st inc.	98	O. S. L. rfdg. 4s	96⅛
do 2d inc.	91	Penn. conv. 3½s	106⅝
do 5d inc.	87	Reading gen. 4s	100⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	100	St. L. & I. M. s. 5s	114
*Chicago & A. 3½s	93⅛	St. L. & S. F. fg. 4s	87
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	100	St. L. S. W. c. 4s	76⅝
C., R. I. & P. 4s	89⅛	*Seaboard A. L. 4s	91⅛
do col. 4s	77	So. Pacific 4s	88
CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	104⅝	do 1st 4s ctfs	86⅝
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A	77