GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Higher Liverpool Standard Induces Buying and Boosts Values.

SENTIMENT ON THE BEAR SIDE

Commission Houses Come On with Heavy Buying Orders and the Local Crowd Helps Prices Some.

OMAHA, Feb. 24, 1908.

Higher Liverpool market induced domestic buying and values are boosted considerably.

Sentiment was bullish and there was a lack of pressure of actual grain. Bears, however, are acting very aggressive and the market easily becomes overbought.

Wheat opened strong and higher in keeping with higher cables. Commission houses came on with heavy buying orders and the local crowd was bullish and helped send prices up.

May wheat opened at 1c and closed at 81½c.

Corn values started firm with wheat and worked higher on good commission house buying. This was good demand with little corn for sale and became a bull feature. May corn opened at 54½c and closed at 54½c.

Oats were firm and advanced with wheat and corn. Trading was not snappy and the advance was sympathetic. May oats opened at 48c and closed at 47½c.

Primary wheat receipts were 697,000 bu. and shipments were 352,000 bu., against receipts last year of 1,130,000 bu. and shipments of 468,000 bu.

Corn receipts were 386,000 bu. and shipments were 488,000 bu., against receipts last year of 267,000 bu. and shipments of 468,000 bu.

Clearances were 704,000 bu. of corn, 1,000 bu. of oats and wheat and flour equal to 404,000 bu.

Liverpool closed 2½@3d higher on wheat and ¼d higher on corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close	Sat'y.
Wheat—					
May...	81	82½	81	81½	80½
July...	84½	86	84½	85½	83½
Sept...	80	80½	80	80½	79½
Corn—					
May...	54½	55	54½	54½	54½
July...	55½	56½	55½	56½	55½
Sept...	57	58½		57½	57½
Oats—					
May...	48	48	47½	47½	47
July...	43	43½	43½	43½	43½
Sept...	34½	34½	34½	34½	34½

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 81½@82c; No. 2 hard, 84@85c; No. 3 hard 82@83c; No. 4 hard 80@81c; No. 2 spring, 82@83c.

CORN—No. 2, 55@55½c; No. 3, 55@55½c; no grade, 50@52c; No. 2 yellow, 55@56c; No. 3 yellow, 55c; No. 3 white, 55½@56c.

OATS—No. 2 hardhard, 46½@47c; No. 3 white, 46c; No. 4 white, 44@45c; standard, 47@48c.

RYE—No. 2, 79@79½c; No. 3, 76@78c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	31	65	204
Minneapolis	300		
Omaha	22	14	
Duluth	112		

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Fluctuations at the Trading and Closing Prices on Board of Trade.

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Strong and higher markets at Liverpool and on the continent of Europe made a live market in wheat here always at the close. May wheat was 1½c higher. Corn was unchanged. Oats were 1@1½c lower. Provisions were 2½c to 5c higher.

The wheat market opened active and strong, because of an advance of more than 3 pence at Liverpool, which was based upon the expectation of decreased shipments from Argentina. A large decrease in the visible supply stimulated the market at the advance. A reaction set in later, because prices for cash wheat did not follow the advance. Selling pressure was not heavy, however, at any time throughout the day. The foreign statistics were bearish, and included an increase of 4,376,000 bushels in the visible supply of breadstuffs on ocean passage, bringing the total to 54,624,000 bushels, the greatest quantity ever recorded. The strength of the market abroad, however, closed all bearish influences. The close was strong. May wheat opened 3c to 1c higher at 80½c to 80¾c, sold between 80¼c and 80½c and closed at 81½c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 312,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 697,000 bushels, against 1,130,000 bushels on the same day last year. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 434 cars, against 311 last week and 448 cars a year ago.

The corn market was firm at the opening partly in sympathy with wheat, and also because of small local receipts, and unsettled weather in the corn belt. Later prices eased off somewhat, and all the advance was lost. The bearish influences were increased offerings of cash corn, and the expectation of increased deliveries within a few days, it being understood that the railroads are rapidly recovering from the effects of the heavy storm of last week. The close was steady. May corn opened 5c to ⅝c higher at 55½c to 55⅝c, sold between 55⅛@55⅝c and 55½c, and closed at 55½c. Local receipts were 85 cars with none of contract grade.

The distant deliveries of oats were easy today, while the May option showed considerable strength. Receipts were larger than expected and it is believed that there will be a large sale tomorrow. The market was largely influenced by wheat and corn, but the expectation of larger deliveries caused an easier tone at the close. May oats opened unchanged to ½c higher at 47½c to 47¾c, sold between 47¼c and 47½c and closed 47½c. Local receipts were 184 cars.

Provisions were firm all day despite a large run of hogs here and at western packing centers. Offerings were limited, and shorts were good buyers. May pork closed 15c higher at $11.30. Lard was up 5c at $12.75. Ribs were 7½c higher at $8.17½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 25 cars; corn, 390 cars; oats, 441 cars; hogs 18,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
*Wheat—					
May	81@81½	82½	80¾	81½	80½
July	84½@85	86	84½	85½	83½
Sept.	80@80½	80½	80	80½	79½
*Corn—					
May	54½@55	55½	54½@55	55½	54½
July	56@56½	56½	55½@56	56½	55½
Sept.	57	57½	57	57½	57
*Oats—					
May	47½@48	48	47½	47½@48	47½
May	46½	46½	46½@46¾	46½	46½
July	43½	43½	43½	43½@43¾	43½
July	42½	42½	42½	42½	42½
*Pork—					
May	11 17½	11 87½	11 17½	11 30	11 22½
July	11 67½	11 75	11 67½	11 70	11 60
Lard—					
May	7 30	7 42½	7 30	7 37½	7 35
July	7 50	7 65	7 50	7 57½	7 52½
Ribs—					
May	6 30	6 42½	6 30	6 37½	6 35
July	6 42½	6 52½	6 42½	6 47½	6 45

*No. 2. a Old. b New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Steady; winter patents, $4.30@4.50; winter straights, $4.10@4.40; spring patents, $4.60@4.80; spring straights, $4.30@4.40; bakers, $3.15@4.30.

WHEAT—No. 3 spring, $1.06@1.09; No. 3, 80@81c; No. 2 red, 85@86½c.

CORN—No. 2, 55@55½c; No. 2 yellow, 55@56c.

OATS—No. 2, 46½c; No. 3 white, 45@46½c.

RYE—No. 1, 80c; fair to choice malting, 90@92c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $2.15. Prime timothy, $4.80. Clover, contract grades, $10.25.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs, sides (loose), $8.00@8.25. Mess pork, per bbl., $11.00@11.25. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.12½. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.12½@8.37½.

Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls 36,700	34,300
Wheat, bu 19,000	79,300
Corn, bu 320,500	206,000
Oats, bu 322,000	221,700
Rye, bu 4,000	2,200
Barley, bu 79,200	25,400

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was steady. Creameries, 19@22c; dairies, 16@22c. Eggs, weak; at mark, cases included, 18@19c; fresh, 19@c; prime fresh, 20c; extra, 22c. Cheese, steady; 10@12½c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—WHEAT—Stronger; track, No. 2 red cash, $1.09; No. 2 hard, 85@91c; May, 80⅝c; July, 87½c.

CORN—Stronger; No. 2 cash, 57½c; May, 57½c; July, 57½c.

OATS—Steady; No. 2 cash, 49@49½c; No. 3 white, 49c; May, not quoted.

RYE—Nominal, 81c.

FLOUR—Quiet; red winter patents, $4.60@4.70; extra fancy and straight, $4.00@4.20; clear, $3.60@3.80.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $3.75@4.25.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $2.85.

PROVISIONS—Pork, steady; jobbing, $11.50. Lard, steady; prime steam, $6.90@7.00. Dry salt meats (boxed), steady; extra shorts, $7.00; clear ribs, $8.62½; short clears, $7.87½. Bacon (boxed), steady; extra shorts, 8¾; clear ribs, 9c; short clears, 9¼c.

T. K. clear ribs, $7.87½; short clears, $8.12½.

BRAN—Lower, sacked, east track, $1.00@1.05.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $10.00@16.50; prairie, $8.00@11.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.39.

BAGGING—10½c.

HEMP TWINE—9c.

POULTRY—Steady; chickens, 10½c; springs, 12c; turkeys, 11½c; ducks, 11c; geese, 9½c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 22c; dairy, 22c.

EGGS—Case count, 17c; extra, 20c.

Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls 22,000	14,000
Wheat, bu 75,000	57,000
Corn, bu 66,000	79,000
Oats, bu 123,000	96,000

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—FLOUR—Market firm and nominally higher; Minnesota patents, $5.15@5.40; winter straights, $4.25@4.40; Minnesota bakers, $4.00@4.10; winter extras, $3.40@3.55; winter patents, $4.50@4.80; winter low grades, $3.00@3.25. Rye flour, steady; fair to good, $4.00@4.20; choice to fancy, $4.30@4.40. Buckwheat flour, dull, $3.60 per 100 lbs.

CORNMEAL—Firm; fine white and yellow, $2.65@2.80; coarse, $2.35@2.40; kiln dried, $2.85.

RYE—Firm; No. 2 western, 86c, f. o. b., New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 127,000 bu.; exports, 26,000 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2 red, 90½c, elevator, and $1.00½, f. o. b., afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.14½, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.08½, f. o. b., afloat. In line with decidedly higher cables wheat jumped nearly 3c today at New York. Increased outside interest and active covering of shorts were features. Late realizing left final prices 1½@2c net higher. May, 79⅞@80⅝c, closed at 81⅛c; July, 86 15-16@87½c, closed at 87⅝c.

CORN—Receipts, 34,225 bu.; exports, 12,000 bu. Spot, firm; No. 2, 68c, elevator, and 69c, f. o. b., afloat; No. 2 white, 69½c; No. 2 yellow, 69½c, f. o. b., afloat. The option market opened higher with wheat, but eased off on heavier cabled estimates for tomorrow, and closed only ½c net higher. May, 68⅝@69⅛c, closed at 69⅛c. July closed at 67½c.

OATS—Receipts, 108,500 bu.; exports, 2,000 bu. Spot, steady; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 57½c; natural white, 26 to 32 lbs., 57@59½c; clipped white, 34 to 40 lbs., 60@62c.

HAY—Better demand; good to choice, 85c @$1.00.

HOPS—Quiet; state, common to choice, 1907 crop, 26@31c; 1906 crop, 40@7c; Pacific coast, 1907 crop, 26@c; 1906 crop, 32@c.

HIDES—Quiet; Bogota, 17½c; Central American, 17½c.

LEATHER—Dull; acid, 22@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef firm; family, $14.50@15.00; mess, $11.00@11.50; beef hams $24.00@26.50; packet, $12.00@12.50; city extra India mess, $21.00@22.00. Cut meats, steady; pickled bellies, $7.25@8.00; pickled hams, $8.00. Lard, firm; western prime, $7.20@7.30; refined, steady; continent, $7.75. South America, $8.00; compound, $5.25. Pork, easy; family, $18.00@18.50; short clears, $18.50@19.00; mess, $15.00@17.00.

TALLOW—Dull; city, 5½c; country, 5@5½c.

RICE—Quiet; domestic, fair to extra, 7¼@8½c.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, extras, 25c; third to first, 20@23c held, common to special, 20@23c; western factory, first, 23@24c; third to first, 19@22c; imitation creamery, first, 24@26c.

CHEESE—Firm; full cream specials, 16c.

EGGS—Steady; western fresh, 24½c; seconds, 24c.

POULTRY—Dressed, firm; western chickens, 10@17c; turkeys, 12@16c; fowls, 10@12½c.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair and Cooler for Tuesday is the Forecast.

OMAHA, Feb. 24, 1908.

Temperatures have remained moderate throughout the central valleys and west since the last report, and have risen generally in the upper Missouri valley and northwest within the past twenty-four hours. The weather continues cool in the eastern states, and light snows are falling in the lower lake region, upper Ohio valleys and eastern states this morning. Generally cloudy weather prevails throughout the central valleys, but conditions are favorable for continued fair in this vicinity tonight and Tuesday, with somewhat cooler Tuesday.

The records of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the last three years:

	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.
Maximum temperature	35	36	32	37
Minimum temperature	9	6	7	9
Precipitation	0	0	T	0

Normal temperature for today, 26 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, 6.25 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, 4.01 inches.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1906, 2.80 inches.

L. A. WELCH, Local Forecaster.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 24.—WHEAT—2@3c higher; May, 81½c; July, 83½c; cash, No. 2 hard, 80@80½c; No. 3, 80@80½c; No. 2 red, 86@86½c.

CORN—Unchanged to ½c higher; May, 54½c; July, 55½c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 54c; No. 3, 54c; No. 2 white, 54@54½c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 50½c; mixed, 49@50c.

RYE—74@76c.

HAY—Unsettled; choice timothy, $11.00@11.50; choice prairie, $8.50@9.00.

BUTTER—Steady; creamery, 19c; packing stock, 20c.

EGGS—1½c lower; fresh extras, 17½c; current receipts, 16c.

Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu 87,000	30,000
Corn, bu 38,000	7,000
Oats, bu 14,000	6,000

Quotations at Kansas City as reported by Logan & Bryan, 112 Board of Trade building, were:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	81½	81½	80½	80½
July	83½@83¾	83½	82	82½@83
Corn—				
May	55	55½	54½	54½
July	55½@55¾	55½	54½	54½@55
Oats—				
May				
July				

Liverpool Grain and Provisions.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 24.—WHEAT—Spot, weak; No. 2 red western winter, 7s; futures, steady; March, 7s 4¼d; May, 7s 3d; July, 7s 1¾d.

CORN—Spot, quiet; prime mixed American, old, 5s 4½d; prime mixed American, old, 5s 4½d; futures, quiet; March, 5s 2d.

FLOUR—Winter patents, easy, 25s.

HOPS—In London (Pacific coast), steady, £10s 10s.

Peoria Grain Market.

PEORIA, Feb. 24.—CORN—Higher; No. 3 yellow, 55@56c; No. 4, 54@55c; No. 4, 54½@55c.

OATS—Higher; No. 2 white, 50½@50¾c; No. 3 white, 49½c.

WHISKY—$1.27.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—WHEAT—No. 1 hard, 81½c; No. 1 northern, 81@82c; No. 2 northern, 80@80½c; No. 3 northern, 76@79c. May, 81½c; July, 83½@83¾c.

FLOUR—10c higher; first patents, $5.30@5.40; second patents, $5.10@5.20; first clears, $4.20@4.30; second clears, $3.20@3.40.

BRAN—In bulk, $20.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 24.—WHEAT—Market higher; No. 1 northern, $1.08@1.09½; No. 2 northern, $1.06@1.07; May, 80½c asked.

BARLEY—Firmer; No. 2, 68c; sample, 60@65c.

CORN—Firm; No. 3 cash, 56@57½c; May, 60½c asked.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Feb. 24.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.09½; No. 2 northern, $1.03½; May, $1.03½; July, $1.03½.

Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—METALS—The London tin market was 10s lower, with spot quoted at £128 10s and futures at £125 10s. Local tin market was easier, with quotations ranging from $28.50 to $28.75. The London market for copper was lower, with spot quoted at £57 17s 6d and futures at £58 1s. Locally the market was quiet and unchanged, with Lake quoted at $12.62½@12.87½; electrolytic at $12.50@12.75, and casting at $12.37½@12.62½. Lead was 1s lower in the London market, with spot quoted at £24. Locally the market was quiet and unchanged, with spot quoted at $4.70@4.75. Spelter advanced 1s 6d to 2d in London. Locally it was quiet and unchanged at $4.70@4.75. Iron was lower in the London market, with standard foundry quoted at 48s 3d and Cleveland warrants at 49s 9d. The local market was unchanged; No. 1 foundry northern is quoted at $18.50@19.00; No. 1 foundry southern at $17.50@18.00; No. 1 foundry southern and No. 1 foundry southern soft, $17.50@18.00.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 24.—METALS—Lead, $4.40; spelter, $4.50.

Elgin Butter Market.

ELGIN, Ill., Feb. 24.—The butter market was firm at 32c; sales for the week were 428,000 pounds.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Market Dull and Without Any Well Defined Current.

TRADERS ARE AGAIN WAITING

Changes in Industrial and Trade Conditions Are Expected to Revive Demand for Securities.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—There was hardly enough motive power in the stock market today to cause any defined current in the price movement. Only about half a dozen stocks were traded in to the extent of more than a few hundred shares. Contending parties among the room traders made the varying fluctuations in these few stocks. As for any general outside interest in the market either in the way of speculative ventures or of investment demand, or of marketing holdings, the situation was one of profound neglect.

The speculative attitude evidently is one of waiting for new developments. Changes in conditions throughout the country's trade and industry or in the demand from capital for investment is expected to revive the action of the securities market. Sentiment is not wholly pessimistic in the financial district and there is a hopefulness prevalent that the limits of the actual contraction in business is being touched. The arrest of the heavy accumulation of idle freight cars, resumptions in some directions of work by idle factories, a better showing of bank clearings compared with last year's levels than for a time and other indexes are regarded as evidence of this check to the contraction. But of actual revival of industry there is not yet sufficient sign to prompt any speculative commitments looking to higher values. Fears of a resumption at intervals and in special securities of the kind of forced liquidation which spotted last week's stock market is an additional deterrent. The covering up of shorts in the market preliminary to last week's holiday seemed to exhaust the outstanding open accounts in the market. Efforts were made to extend the upward movement from this cause today. The effort was confined to the coppers. Reading and the Pacifics. The movement in the coppers was hampered by a renewed decline in the price of copper warrants in the London market and by discouraging reports from the trade as to accumulation of stocks and continued sluggishness of demand. There were persistent reports also of instability in the iron market, although explanations were offered on behalf of the principal producers that cutting of prices was confined to smaller interests to an amount of sales that made a negligible quantity. The United States Steel stocks, however, were somewhat affected by the reports and their depression interrupted the slow advance in other stocks. Railroad traffic officials had little change in conditions to report. Slight increases in movement of merchandise in less than carload lots was contrasted with a falling off in the grain movement, the decline in prices of grain leading apparently to lessened offerings. A sharp rebound in wheat prices also was the result of this showing. Snow-storms, while interrupting traffic to some extent, were considered beneficial to wheat crop prospects by providing a covering for the winter sown grain.

London talked of a probable coming reduction in the Bank of England discount rate, and the private discount rate declined at Berlin, while Paris talks of the present capital situation there as one of redundancy. There were called reports of the presence in foreign centers of agents seeking to find a market for intended new American corporation securities. Average brokers for foreign commission houses, however, sold stocks on balance in this market. Sterling exchange rates, nevertheless, receded considerably below last week's level. The subtreasury has taken up some large sums from the money market in the last few days of last week and the explanation is made that return of government deposits has been made by some of the banks voluntarily on account of the cheapness of money at the present time. New York banks also are making payments to the subtreasury on behalf of interior correspondents for the retirement of circulation.

Bonds were heavy and dull. Total sales, par value $2,000,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

No. of sales and quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express				177
Amalgamated Copper	46,300	109¾	107¾	109¾
Am. C. & F.	100	76½	76½	76½
Am. C. & F. pfd				99
Am. Cotton Oil	200	57½	57½	57½
Am. Cotton Oil pfd				92
Am. Express				248
Am. H. & L. pfd				32½
American Ice	200	12	12	12½
Am. Linseed Oil				18
Am. Linseed Oil pfd	100	48½	48½	48½
Am. Locomotive	100	32½	32½	32½
Am. Locomotive pfd	100	92½	92½	92½
Am. S. & R.	21,800	43½	40½	42½
Am. S. & R. pfd	400	90	90	89½
Am. Sugar Refining	300	113½	112½	112½
Am. Tobacco pfd ex-div				200
Amerada Mining Co.	1,400	27½	26½	26½
Anaconda	2,800	69½	68½	68½
Atchison pfd	100	94½	94½	94
Atlantic Coast Line	200	64	63	63
Baltimore & Ohio	800	79½	79	79
Bal. & Ohio pfd				91
Brooklyn Rapid Tr.	1,600	41½	40	40½
Canadian Pacific				166
Central of New Jersey	200	170	170	170
Chesapeake & Ohio	100	29½	29½	29½
Chicago Gt. W.	200	9½	9½	9½
Chicago & N. W.	100	141½	141½	141
C., M. & St. P.	6,600	198½	196½	198½
Chicago Pac. Tr.				3
Chicago T. & T. pfd				67
C., C., C. & St. L.	100	49	49	49
Colorado F. & I.	700	17	16½	16
Colorado & So.	400	27½	27½	27
Colo. & So. 1st pfd	200	51½	51½	51½
Colo. & So. 2d pfd				49
Consolidated Gas	300	137	136	136
Corn Products				11
Corn Products pfd	200	59½	59½	59
Delaware & Hudson	400	147½	146½	146½
Del., L. & W.				460
Denver & Rio Grande	700	18½	18	18½
D. & R. G. pfd	800	42	41	41
Distillers' Securities	200	29	29	29
Erie	1,600	19½	19	19
Erie 1st pfd				38½
Erie 2d pfd	300	29½	29½	29½
General Electric				212
Illinois Central				157
International Paper	200	8½	8½	8½
Int. Paper pfd	300	39	38	38
Int. Pump	100	19	19	19½
Int. Pump pfd	200	65	65	65
Iowa Central				30
Iowa Central pfd				60
Kansas City So.				19½
K. C. So. pfd				45½
Louisville & N.	100	151	151	151
Mexican Central	2,300	17½	17½	17½
Minn. & St. L.	100	20½	20½	20
M. St. P. & S. S. M.	400	94	93½	93
M., St. P. & S. S. M. pfd				150
Missouri Pacific	1,800	37½	37½	37½
M., K. & T.	300	19½	19½	19
M., K. & T. pfd	400	45	45	45
National Lead	3,100	47½	47	47½
New York Central	4,900	95½	95	95
N. Y. C. & H. R.				124
Norfolk & W.	200	80	79½	80
North American	500	47½	47½	47½
Pacific Mail	100	29	27½	28½
Pennsylvania	3,800	112½	111	111½
People's Gas	100	104½	104½	104½
P., C., C. & St. L.				112
Pressed Steel Car	700	20½	19	19
Pressed S. C. pfd	200	72	70	70
Pullman Palace Car				217
Reading	54,700	97½	95½	96
Reading 1st pfd				89
Reading 2d pfd				84
Republic Steel	200	31	31½	31½
Republic Steel pfd	700	88½	87½	87½
Rock Island Co.	400	22	21	21½
Rock Island Co. pfd	700	22½	22½	22½
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd				77
St. Louis S. W.				21½
St. L. & S. W. pfd				50
Southern Pacific	1,400	67½	67½	67½
So. Pacific pfd	300	106½	106½	106½
So. Railway	100	29	29	29
So. Railway pfd				94
Texas & Pacific	300	33½	33½	33½
T., St. L. & W.	100	24½	24½	24½
T., St. L. & W. pfd	1,000	34½	34½	34½
Union Pacific	21,400	157½	155½	155½
Union Pacific pfd				80½
U. S. Express				40
U. S. Realty, offered				30
U. S. Rubber				22
U. S. Rubber pfd	400	79½	79	79
U. S. Steel	22,000	29½	28½	29½
U. S. Steel pfd	21,000	92½	91½	92½
Va.-Carolina Chemical				16½
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd				90
Wabash				8½
Wabash pfd				18½
Wells-Fargo Express				205
Westinghouse Electric	400	47	45½	45½
Western Union	400	67	66	67
Wheeling & L. E.				1
Wisconsin Central				19½
Wis. Central pfd				50
Northern Pacific	21,600	129½	127	127
Central Leather	100	34½	34½	34½
Central Leather pfd				96
Sloss-Sheffield Steel, ex-div				38
Great Northern pfd	1,400	119½	118	118
Interborough Met.	100	6½	6½	6½
Int. Met. pfd				27½
Total sales for the day, 595,300 shares.				

New York Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Closing quotations on mining stocks were:

Adams Con.	5	Little Chief	7½
*Alice	220	*Ontario	400
Breece	10	Ophir	1
Brunswick Con.	10	Potosi	12
Comstock Tunnel	22	Savage	6
Con. Cal. & Va.	65	Sierra Nevada	45
Horn Silver	50	Small Hopes	35
Iron Silver	200	Standard	210
Leadville Con.	6½		

*Offered.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve, shows: Available cash balances, $234,651,394; gold coin and bullion, $139,967,766; gold certificates, 100,775,050.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—4@4½ per cent.

MONEY—On call, easy, 2½@3 per cent; ruling rate, 3¼; closing bid, 3¼; offered at 3½.

Time loans, steady; sixty days, 3½@3¾ percent; ninety days, 4 per cent; six months, 4@4¼ per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady at decline, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86@4.86½ for demand and at $4.82@4.82½ for sixty-day bills; commercial bills, $4.82.

SILVER—Bar, 50½c; Mexican dollars, 47½c.

BONDS—Government, steady; railroad, heavy.

Closing quotations on New York bonds were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	105	Hock. Val. 4½s	108½
do coupon	106	**L. & N. uni. 4s	99½
U. S. 3s, reg.	108	Mex. Cen. 4s	84½
do coupon	109	Mex. Central 4s	87½
do coupon	112	do 1st inc.	28
U. S. 4s, reg.	138	*Mo., K. & T. 4s	95
Atl. Tobacco 4s	82½	N., K. & T. 4s	92½
do 6s	103½	*do 2s	79
Atchison gen. 4s	99½	**N. N. R. R. of M. 4s	91
*do adj. 4s	84	**N. Y. C. R. R. 7pct	114
Atlantic C. L. 4s	94½	**N. Y. C. L. E. 5s	104½
*Bal. & Ohio 4s	89	No. Pacific 4s	102½
do 3½s	80	do 3s	73
Brk. R. T. 4s	69½	N. & W. c. 4s	96
Central of Ga. 5s	99½	S. L. & S. F. gen. 6s	127
**do 1st inc.	44½	Penna. cv. 3½s	103½
**do 2d inc.	34	Reading gen. 4s	94½
*do 5f inc.	27	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	102½
*Ches. & Ohio 4½s	100	St. L. & S. F. fg. 6s	70
**Chicago & A. 7pct	118	S. P. C. & N. c. 6s	118
C., B. & Q. 4s	94½	Seaboard A. L. 4s	61½
C., R. I. & P. 4s	80½	So. Pacific 4s	84
do col. 5s	62	*do 1st 4s ctfs	69
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A	69½	So. Railway 5s	87
**Colo. Mid. 4s	32½	Texas & P. 1s	109½
*Colo. & So. 4s	89½	T., St. L. & W. 4s	70
*Cuba 5s	102	Union Pacific 4s	100½
**D. & R. G. 4s	94	do cv. 4s	93
Distillers' Sec. 5s	85	U. S. Steel 10 5s	97½
**Erie 1. 4s	45	Wabash 5s	102
*do gen. 4s	62	do deb. B	39½
Japan 4s	72	Western Md. 4s	87
do 6ds ctfs	84½	**W. & L. E. 4s	71
do 5d series	84½	*Wis. Central 4s	82
*Bid. **Offered.			

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

BOSTON, Feb. 24.—Call loans, 3½@4½ per cent; time loans, 3@5 per cent. Official closing on stocks and bonds:

*Atchison adj. 4s	92	Amalgamated	49¾
do 4s	87	Atlantic	71
Mex. Central 4s	71½	Bingham	17½
Atchison	60½	Calumet & Hecla	675
do pfd	94½	Centennial	22
*Boston & Albany	198	Copper Range	59½
Boston & Maine	124	Daly West	24
Boston Elevated	136	Franklin	8
Fitchburg pfd	132	Greene-Cananea	5½
Mexican Central	18½	Isle Royale	28½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	192½	Mass. Mining	8½
Union Pacific	156½	Michigan	14
*Am. Agr. Chem.	17	Mohawk	55
do pfd	87	Nev. C. & C.	1
Am. Pneu. Tube	4	Old Dominion	54½
Amer. Sugar	112½	Osceola	79
do pfd	118	*Parrot	13½
Am. T. & T.	129½	Quincy	90
Am. Woolen	17	Shannon	8½
do pfd	79	Tamarack	65
Dominion I. & S.	31	Trinity	17½
Edison Elec. Ills.	152	Tuolumne Copper	2½
General Electric	148	U. S. Mining	32
*Mass. Electric	10½	U. S. Oil	1½
do pfd	42	Utah	36½
Mass. Gas	51½	Victoria .....