GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET.

Steady Undertone at Start, with Offerings Light.

VALUES MAKE FURTHER GAIN

Cables Come a Little Higher, but Scarcely Enough to Be a Real Factor in the Market.

OMAHA, March 19, 1908.

There was a steady undertone to the grain markets at the start, with offerings light, and values had a further gain during the morning. Cables came a little higher, but hardly enough to be a market factor.

Crop conditions are favorable and will soon be the dominating feature.

Wheat opened steady and worked higher during the session on good commission house buying and higher cash market. Offerings were light and buyers had to pay up for all purchases. May wheat opened at 93⅝c and closed at 94½c.

Corn was steady and firm, but after a few spurts of buying, became dull and rested after the demand was supplied. May corn opened at 61⅛c and closed at 61⅜c.

Oats were strong and higher, with active buying of futures by large speculators and general commission house trade. May oats opened at 50⅝c and closed at 50¾c.

Primary wheat receipts were 406,000 bushels and shipments were 284,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 511,000 bushels and shipments of 216,000 bushels.

Corn receipts were 481,000 bushels and shipments were 450,000 bushels, against receipts last year of 526,000 bushels and shipments of 496,000 bushels.

Clearances were 30,000 bushels of corn, 2,000 bushels of oats and wheat and flour equal to 155,000 bushels.

Liverpool closed ⅝d to ¾d higher on wheat and ¾d higher on corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May...	93⅞	94½	93⅞	94½	93⅝
July...	85½	85½	85½	85½	85½
Sept...	81	81	81	81	81
Corn—					
May...	61⅛	61⅜	60⅝	61⅜	61⅛
July...	58⅛	58⅝	58⅛	58⅝	58⅛
Sept...	56½	57⅛	56½	57½	56⅝
Oats—					
May...	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝
July...	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛
Sept...	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 97½c; No. 3 hard, 93⅝@97c; No. 4 hard, 90@94c; No. 3 spring, 88c@$1.01.

CORN—No. 3, 60½c; No. 3, 60c; No. 4, 59½c; No. 3 yellow, 60½c; No. 3 white, 60⅝@60½c.

OATS—No. 3 mixed, 50¼@50⅝c; No. 3 white, 50⅝@51¼c; No. 4 white, 50¼@50⅝c.

RYE—No. 2, 77½@78½c; No. 3, 76@77c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
Chicago	25	197	199
Minneapolis	223	...	...
Omaha	36	78	44
Duluth	60	...	...

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, March 19.—The local wheat market was firm today because of fresh reports of green bugs in the wheat fields of the southwest, and because of the strength of coarse grains. At the close the May delivery was up ⅝@¾c. Corn was ⅝c higher. Oats were up ⅛@⅜c. Provisions were unchanged to 5c higher.

Sentiment in the wheat pit was bullish almost all day, although several times during the session the market became quite heavy, owing to liberal realizing sales. News received today regarding the fall rye crop was conflicting, but a new development in the green bug situation was the rumor that wheat in several localities in Oklahoma has already turned yellow as a result of the work of this insect. This was the chief strengthening influence of the day. Minor factors were an advance at Liverpool, small receipts in the northwest and the strength of corn and oats in the local market. The close was strong at about the highest point. May opened ⅛@⅜c to ⅝@½c higher at 96c to 96⅛@96½c, advanced to 96⅝c, and then declined to 95⅝c. The close was 96½c. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 154,000 bushels. Primary receipts were 408,000 bushels, compared with 1,000 bushels for the corresponding day a year ago. Minneapolis, Duluth and Chicago reported receipts of 208 cars against 384 cars last week, and 371 cars one year ago.

For the third consecutive day a new high record mark for May corn was established, the top price being 61½c. There was a big trade and prices fluctuated over a wide range. Heavy realizing sales early in the session caused a sharp slump, but urgent demand from bulls and shorts soon forced prices up again.

Strong cables, small receipts and a reported scarcity of seed corn were the principal bullish factors. The market closed strong, with prices at the highest point of the day. May opened ⅛c higher at 61⅛@61⅜c off sold at 60⅝@60⅞c, and then advanced to 61½c, where it closed. Local receipts, 197 cars with eight cars of contract grade.

Oats were strong today owing to a green bug scare which caused shorts to cover freely. There was also a good demand from bulls. The bulk of trading was in the September delivery. May opened a shade higher at 50⅝c, sold at 50⅝c, and then advanced to 50c. The close was at 50¾c. Local receipts were 199 cars.

Provisions were easy on selling by commission houses and local packers. At the close May pork was unchanged at $12.50. Lard was 5c lower at $7.97½. Ribs were 2½c lower at $6.87½.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow are: Wheat, 16 cars; corn, 224 cars; oats, 155 cars; hogs, 23,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
*Wheat—					
May	96@96⅛	96⅝	95⅝	96½	95⅝@⅞
July	90⅝@⅞	91	90@90⅛	90⅞	90
Sept.	87⅛@⅜	88⅛	87⅛	88	87⅝
*Corn—					
May	67⅛@⅞	68	66⅝@⅞	68⅛	67½
July	64⅛@⅜	65⅛	63⅝	65@65	64⅝
Sept.	63@63⅝	64⅝	62½	64⅛	63@63⅛
*Oats—					
aMay	54⅝	55	54⅛	54⅛	54⅝@⅞
bMay	53⅛	53⅝	53	53⅛	53⅛
aJuly	48⅝	49⅛	48⅛	49⅛	48⅝
bJuly	46⅛	47⅛	46½	47⅛	46½
Pork—					
May	12 50	12 50	12 35	12 50	12 50
July	12 95	12 95	12 75	12 87½	12 90
Lard—					
May	7 95	7 97½	7 95	7 97½	8 02½
July	8 25	8 25	8 17½	8 20	8 25
Sept.	8 42½	8 42½	8 42½	8 42½	8 47½
Ribs—					
May	6 87½	6 87½	6 82½	6 87½	6 50
July	7 17½	7 17½	7 12½	7 17½	7 20
Sept.	7 40	7 40	7 40	7 40	7 42½

*No. 2. a Old. b New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Market steady; winter patents, $4.40@4.90; winter straights, $4.20@4.60; spring patents, $5.30@5.60; spring straights, $4.30@4.60; bakers, $3.30@4.25.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.08@1.10; No. 3 spring, 98c@$1.09; No. 2 red, 96⅝@96⅞c.

CORN—No. 2, 65½@66c; No. 2 yellow, 66½c.

OATS—No. 2, 54½@54⅝c; No. 3 white, 55½c; No. 3 white, 51½@54½c.

RYE—No. 2, 80c.

BARLEY—Fair to choice malting, 78@86c.

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $1.20. Prime timothy, $4.75. Clover, contract grade, $20.85.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs, sides (loose), $6.25@6.75. Mess pork, per bbl., $12.20@12.25. Lard, per 100 lbs., 7.77½. Short clear sides (boxed), $6.62½@6.87½.

Following were the receipts and shipments of flour and grain:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	30,000	45,300
Wheat, bu	32,000	56,300
Corn, bu	185,600	302,000
Oats, bu	393,000	282,000
Rye, bu	5,000	4,300
Barley, bu	68,900	42,600

On the Produce exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 22@28½c; dairies, 20@26c.

EGGS—Steady; at mark cases included, 16½c; firsts, 15c; prime firsts, 16c; extras, 17c.

CHEESE—Steady; 13½@14c.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 19.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, $1.09@1.10½; No. 2 northern, $1.07@1.08½; May, 99½c asked.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 80c; sample, 65@87c.

CORN—Higher; No. 3 cash, 62@64c; May, 65½c asked.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 19.—WHEAT—May, $1.06⅝; July, $1.06⅛; No. 1 hard, $1.10; No. 1 northern, $1.08; No. 2 northern, $1.06; No. 3 northern, $1.00⅛.

BRAN—In bulk, unchanged at $21.25@21.75.

FLOUR—Unchanged; first patents, $5.25@5.50; second patents, $5.25@5.40; first clears, $4.25@4.35; second clears, $3.30@3.40.

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 19.—FLOUR—Receipts, 21,600 bbls.; exports, 1,800 bbls. Dull and about steady; Minnesota patents, $5.35@5.75; winter straights, $4.40@4.60; Minnesota bakers, $4.50@5.00; winter extras, $3.65@4.25; winter patents, $4.60@5.00; winter low grades, $3.50@4.15. Rye flour, slow; fair to good, $4.50@4.90; choice to fancy, $5.00@5.25.

CORNMEAL—Firm; fine white and yellow, $1.45@1.50; coarse, $1.40@1.45; kiln dried, $3.55.

RYE—Dull; No. 2 western, 87@88c, f. o. b. New York.

WHEAT—Receipts, 9,000 bu. Spot market firm; No. 2 red, $1.01⅛, elevator, and $1.03⅛, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern, Duluth, $1.15½, f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard winter, $1.13½, f. o. b. afloat. Within a cent range wheat was irregular all day. Attempts to bull the market for sale on every bulge owing to prospects for heavy Argentine shipments tomorrow. Near the close, however, it rallied with corn and was finally ¼@⅝c net higher. May, $1.03⅝@1.04; closed, $1.03⅞c; July, 97 13-16@98⅛c; closed, 98⅛c; September closed, 94¼c.

CORN—Receipts, 1,225 bu.; exports, 4,483 bu. Spot market firm; No. 2, 76c, elevator, and 76c, f. o. b. afloat. No. 2 white nominal and No. 2 yellow nominal f. o. b. afloat. Option market was steady all day on bullish cables and commission house buying, with the close ⅛@⅜c net higher. May, 76 @76⅝c; closed, 76⅝c; July closed, 73⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 79,500 bu.; exports, 2,000 bu. Spot market dull; mixed, 26 to 32 pounds, 57c; natural white, 26 to 32 pounds, 57@60c; clipped white, 32 to 40 pounds, 60 @65c.

HAY—Quiet; good to choice, $1.00@1.07½.

HOPS—Dull; state common to choice, 1907 crop, 9@14c; 1905 crop, 5@6c; Pacific coast, 1907 crop, 5@9c; 1906 crop, 3@6c.

HIDES—Easy; Bogotas, 17½c; Central America, 17c.

LEATHER—Quiet; acid, 20@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $14.50 @15.00; mess, $11.00@11.50; beef hams, $25.00@27.00; packet, $12.00@12.50; city extra India mess, $21.00@22.00. Cut meats, quiet; pickled bellies, $7.25@8.00; pickled hams, $8.00. Lard, steady; western prime, $7.80@8.00; refined, firm; continent, $8.35; South America, $8.50; compound, 6⅞@7½. Pork, steady; family, $15.00@16.00; short clears, $15.00@16.25; mess, $14.25@14.75.

TALLOW—Firm; city ($2 per pkg.), 5¼c; country (pkgs. free), 5@5¼c.

RICE—Steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3¼@6½c.

CHEESE—Firm; full cream, specials, 16½c; state full cream, small, colored, fancy, 15½c; white, fancy, 15c; large colored and white, fancy, 15c; good to prime, 14½@15½c; late October and early November made, 13½@14½c; winter made, 12@13c; common to fair, 10@11½c.

EGGS—Easier; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy selected white, 19@20c; good to choice, 17@18½c; brown and mixed extra, 17@17½c; firsts, 15½@16½c; western and southern firsts, 15c; seconds, 13½@15½c.

POULTRY—Alive, firm; fowls, 14c; turkeys, 15c. Dressed, firmer; turkeys, 12@17c; fowls, 10@13½c.

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair and Warmer Friday, Says the Forecaster.

OMAHA, Neb., March 19, 1908.

The depression, central over Oklahoma Thursday morning, is now central over the Atlantic states. Unsettled weather continues with the depression, and rains and snows were general in the lake region, Ohio valleys and eastern states. An area of high pressure overlies the central valleys and west, and clearing weather is general west of the Mississippi river. Temperatures have fallen throughout the central and western portions. They are rising rapidly in the extreme northwest, and the outlook is favorable for fair and warmer in this vicinity tonight and Friday.

Omaha record of temperature and precipitation compared with the corresponding day of the past three years:

	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.
Minimum temperature ...	19	44	13	33
Precipitation ...	.00	T	.12	.02

Normal temperature for today, 37 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, .35 of an inch.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, .49 of an inch.

Excess corresponding period in 1906, .38 of an inch.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 19.—WHEAT—Firm; track, No. 2 red, $1.01@1.02½; No. 2 hard, $1.00@1.04; May, 98⅝c; July, 87⅝c.

CORN—Higher; track, No. 2 cash, 64@ 64½c; May, 64c; July, 63c; No. 2 white, 65@ 65½c.

OATS—Firm; track, No. 2 cash, 54c; May, 53c; July, 46½c; No. 2 white, 56c.

FLOUR—Dull; red winter patents, $4.60 @4.80; extra fancy and straight, $4.20@4.50; clears, $3.65@3.85.

SEED—Timothy, steady, $3.75@4.25.

CORNMEAL—Steady, $3.00.

BRAN—Quiet; sacked, east track, $1.18@ 1.20.

HAY—Steady; timothy, $11.00@16.00; prairie, $9.50@11.50.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—5½c.

HEMP TWINE—8c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, higher; jobbing, $12.75. Lard, lower; prime steam, $7.45@ 7.55. Dry salt meats, higher; boxed extra shorts, $7.25; clear ribs, $7.12½; short clears, $7.50. Bacon, higher; boxed extra shorts, $8.00; clear ribs, $7.87½; short clears, $8.50.

POULTRY—Firm; chickens, 10½c; springs, 14c; turkeys, 12@13c; ducks, 11c; geese, 6½c.

EGGS—Higher at 13½c, case count.

Receipts and shipments of flour and grain were as follows:

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls	9,000	7,000
Wheat, bu	36,000	40,000
Corn, bu	129,000	47,000
Oats, bu	114,000	105,000

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 19.—WHEAT—Unchanged to ½c higher; May, 98⅝c; July, 84⅝c; cash: No. 2 hard, 97@99½c; No. 3, 96@97c; No. 2 red, $1.00@1.01; No. 3, 98c@ $1.00.

CORN—Unchanged to ½c higher; May, 61⅝c; July, 59⅝c; cash: No. 2 mixed, 60⅝c; No. 3 mixed, 60½@60⅝c; No. 2 white, 61c; No. 3, 61c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 51@53c; No. 2 mixed, 50@50½c.

RYE—74@78c.

HAY—Steady; choice timothy, $11.50@12.00; choice prairie, $9.00@9.50.

BUTTER—Firm; creamery, extras, 28c; packing stock, 18c.

EGGS—Firm; fresh extras, 15½c; current receipts, 13½c.

Options at Kansas City:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	98⅛@⅜	99⅝	92⅝@⅞	93⅝
July	84⅝@⅞	84⅝	83⅞	84⅝
Corn—				
May	60⅝	61⅛@⅜	59⅝@⅞	61⅛@⅜
July	59⅛	60	58⅝@⅞	59⅞

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu	40,000	106,000
Corn, bu	28,000	35,000
Oats, bu	5,000	9,000

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.—BUTTER—Steady; extra western creamery, 30c; nearby prints, 31c.

EGGS—Firm; good demand; Pennsylvania and other nearby first, free cases, 17c at mark; current receipts, in returnable cases, 16c at mark; western firsts, free cases, 17c at mark; current receipts, free cases, 16c at mark.

CHEESE—Firm; good demand; New York full creams, choice, 15⅝@16c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 19.—WHEAT—Spot, steady; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 3½d; futures, steady; March, nominal; May, 7s ¾d; July, 7s 2½d.

CORN—Spot firm; prime mixed American, new, 5s 4½d; prime mixed American, old, 5s 7d; futures steady; March nominal; May, 5s 6¾d.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, March 19.—CORN—Strong; No. 3 yellow, 64⅝@65c; No. 3, 63c; No. 4, 61½@ 62c; no grade, 57@60c.

OATS—Steady; No. 3 white 52⅝@53c; No. 4 white, 51½@52c.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Minn., March 19.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.06⅛; May, $1.05⅛; July, $1.05⅝.

Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 19.—COTTON—Futures opened steady; March, 10.10c, bid; April, 10.09c; May, 10.12c; July, 9.88c; August, 9.86c; October, 9.35c; December, 9.38c.

Spot closed quiet, 20 points lower; middling uplands, 11.80c; middling gulf, 11.05c; sales, 284 bales.

GALVESTON, Tex., March 19.—COTTON—Steady, 11 1-16c.

NEW ORLEANS, March 19.—COTTON—Spot, steady; ¼c lower on all grades; middling, 10⅝c. Sales, 3,000 bales spot and 1,100 bales to arrive.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 19.—COTTON—Quiet; middling, 11⅜c. Sales, none; receipts, 233 bales; shipments, 5 bales; stock, 24,341 bale.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Price Movement is Uncertain and Speculators Are Confused.

MONEY RATES ARE DECLINING

Investors Seem Unwilling to Put Money in New Securities—Legislative Program is Being Closely Watched.

NEW YORK, March 19.—The remarkable feature of today's stock market was the entire confusion and uncertainty of its action, a reflection, to some extent at least, of the doubts felt over the actual progress, which has made towards betterment in affairs. The reduction yesterday in the New York Central dividend rate served as a warning that, if improvement has set in in the business affairs of the country there are consequences to stockholders of the business contraction which are yet to be faced. It is not that dividend reductions have not been expected, the course of prices showing clearly in many cases, that reduced dividends were taken for granted. Today much attention was paid to evidences of necessary cuts in the distribution of profits. The most important instance came from abroad, the Rio Tintos Mining company (copper), declaring only 40 shillings, compared with 47 shillings, 6 pence for the preceding distribution.

The response to the reduction in the official discount rate of the Bank of England, from 3½ to 3 per cent was suggestive, also of uncertain speculative temper. Coupled with this prime index of declining money rates and of growing accumulation of idle money came the report from the London market that half of the $10,000,000 issue of Grand Trunk Pacific debentures remained on the hands of the underwriters. Some light improvement in prices of seasoned high grade investment securities comes from the easing of money rates, but capital still hesitates to embark in new issues. This same question hovered about the doors of the conference of steel and iron men in session today in New York. Demand for steel products from railroads halts disappointingly, and the argument is heard amongst steel men, against reduction of prices that it would prove unavailing to induce buying until the railroads find themselves able to float new securities and find means for purchase. The prospect of dividend reductions on railroad stocks promises to affect resources of other companies, which hold those stocks in their treasuries. Union Pacific's large holdings of stocks of other railroads and its reliance on dividends from them to pay part of the dividend rate on its own stock made it conspicuous in the discussion of this matter.

Speculative sentiment is sensitive still to the news from Washington of the efforts to shape the legislative program for the rest of the session of congress, especially as to action on the Sherman anti-trust law. Weakness in the London copper market and a rise here in the price of refined sugar were incidents of the day. A further reduction on the number of freight cars idle was noted with satisfaction as was the reported good chance for avoiding a strike in the soft coal mines. Prices of stocks showed gains at the end of the day, but a rise from the low point of the day had occurred in the last half hour of the trading.

Bonds were easy; total sales, par value, $1,810,000; United States 4s registered declined ¼ per cent on call.

Number of sales and quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express	...	...	...	177
Amalgamated Copper	29,800	57¼	55⅞	57
Am. C. & F.	600	29⅝	29½	30
Am. C. & F. pfd	300	90	90	90
Am. Cotton Oil	100	27¼	27¼	27
Am. Cotton Oil pfd	...	...	...	85
American Express	...	...	...	153
Am. H. & L. pfd	...	...	...	14
American Ice	1,500	18⅝	17⅞	18¼
Am. Linseed Oil	100	6½	6½	6⅝
Am. Linseed Oil pfd	...	...	...	17
Am. Locomotive	900	38	36¼	38
Am. Locomotive pfd	...	...	...	90
Am. S. & W.	25,500	68⅝	67⅝	68¼
Am. S. & R. pfd	300	94	94	93½
Am. Sugar Refining	1,400	120	119⅝	119⅞
Am. Tobacco pfd ctfs	100	84	84	84½
Anaconda Mining Co	7,200	37⅝	36⅝	37⅛
Atchison	7,600	72⅝	72	72⅝
Atchison pfd	200	85	85	84⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	...	...	...	67½
Baltimore & Ohio	4,100	80⅝	79⅝	80½
Brooklyn Rapid Tr	35,000	47⅛	45⅝	47
Canadian Pacific	600	146⅝	145	145⅛
Central of New Jersey	400	170	170	172
Chesapeake & Ohio	1,300	29⅛	28⅞	29⅛
Chicago Gt. W.	400	4⅝	4⅝	4½
Chicago & N. W.	300	146	145	146
C., M. & St. P.	19,900	119⅛	117⅛	118⅝
Chicago T. & T., offered	...	...	...	5
Chicago T. & T. pfd	...	...	...	20
C., C., C. & St. L.	...	...	...	48
Colorado F. & I.	600	19⅞	19⅛	19⅞
Colorado & Southern	600	23⅞	23⅛	23⅞
Colo. & So. 1st pfd	100	53⅛	53⅛	53⅛
Colo. & So. 2d pfd	200	44⅛	44	44
Consolidated Gas	...	...	...	131½
Corn Products	100	12	12	12
Corn Products pfd	200	59⅝	59	58⅛
Delaware & Hudson	200	152	154	153½
Del., L. & W.	...	...	...	485
Denver & Rio Grande	300	19	19	19⅛
D. & R. G. pfd	100	49	49	50
Distillers' Securities	200	31	30⅝	30½
Erie	1,700	15⅛	15	15⅛
Erie 1st pfd	500	29⅞	29	29
Erie 2d pfd	300	21⅛	21	21⅛
General Electric	200	123⅞	123⅞	123⅞
Illinois Central	500	125⅝	125	124
International Paper	200	9	8⅝	8⅛
Int. Paper pfd	100	55⅛	55⅛	55
Int. Pump	100	23	23	22⅛
Int. Pump pfd	...	...	...	71
Iowa Central	...	...	...	11
Iowa Central pfd	...	...	...	22
Kansas City So.	100	22	22	22⅛
K. C. So. pfd	...	...	...	51
Louisville & N.	400	96⅝	96⅛	96
Mexican Central	300	17⅞	17⅝	17⅞
Minn. & St. L.	100	22	22	21⅛
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	500	104⅞	102	104⅝
M. St. P. & S. S. M. pfd	...	...	...	150
Missouri Pacific	2,400	38	37⅛	37⅝
Northern Pacific	20,900	125⅝	124⅛	125⅛
Central Leather	200	17⅛	17⅛	17⅝
General Leather pfd	...	...	...	81⅛
Sloss-Sheffield Steel	...	...	...	48⅛
Great Northern pfd	700	121⅛	119⅞	121
Interborough Met.	200	7⅛	7⅛	7
Int. Met. pfd	100	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
K., C., F. S. & M.	1,400	23⅛	20⅞	23⅛
M. K., & T. pfd	...	...	...	52
National Lead	3,700	51	49⅝	50⅞
N. R. R. of M. pfd, offered	...	...	...	50
New York Central	6,200	96⅝	95⅛	96⅛
N. Y., O. & W.	500	32	32	32⅛
Norfolk & W.	200	81⅝	81	82
N. & W. pfd	...	...	...	89
North American	400	47	46⅝	46⅝
Pacific Mail	...	...	...	27⅝
Pennsylvania	7,600	116⅛	115⅛	116
People's Gas	400	88⅛	88	87⅝
P., C., C. & St. L.	...	...	...	70
Pressed Steel Car	...	...	...	21⅛
Pressed S. C. pfd	200	79	78	80
Pullman Palace Car	100	150⅝	150⅝	150⅛
Reading	141,600	103⅛	101⅛	102⅞
Reading 1st pfd	...	...	...	84⅝
Reading 2d pfd	...	...	...	82
Republic Steel	1,500	18	17⅛	17⅝
Republic Steel pfd	2,600	73⅛	71⅛	72
Rock Island Co.	61,400	14⅞	12⅝	14⅛
Rock Island Co. pfd	700	28	25	26⅞
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	...	...	...	24⅛
St. Louis S. W.	...	...	...	11⅝
St. L. S. W. pfd	...	...	...	30
Southern Pacific	6,400	73⅛	72⅛	73⅛
So. Pacific pfd	100	106⅝	106⅝	106⅝
So. Railway	3,300	32⅝	31⅛	32⅛
So. Railway pfd	500	32⅛	31⅛	32⅛
Texas & Pacific	700	14⅞	14⅛	14⅞
T., St. L. & W.	100	14⅞	14⅞	14⅞
Union Pacific	15,600	132⅛	131⅛	133
Union Pacific pfd	100	81	81	80½
U. S. Express	100	81	81	80
U. S. Realty	100	40	40	39⅛
U. S. Rubber	...	...	...	19⅝
U. S. Rubber pfd	300	83	83	83
U. S. Steel	3,700	33⅛	32⅛	33⅛
U. S. Steel pfd	4,700	97⅛	96⅛	97
Va.-Carolina Chemical	100	17⅞	17⅞	17
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd	100	21⅛	21⅛	90
Wabash	400	8⅞	8⅛	8⅝
Wabash pfd	900	16⅛	15⅛	16⅛
Wells-Fargo Express	...	...	...	200
Westinghouse Electric	100	41	41	40
Western Union	100	49	49	49
Wheeling & L. E.	...	...	...	7
Wisconsin Central	...	...	...	14⅛
Wis. Central pfd	...	...	...	49

Total sales for the day, 614,700 shares.

London Stock Quotations.

London closing stock quotations:

Consols money	87⅛	Mo., Kan. & Texas	26⅝
do account	87⅝	New York Central	99
Anaconda	7⅝	Norfolk & Western	65⅛
Atchison	74⅛	do pfd	88
do pfd	98	Ont. & Western	32
Baltimore & Ohio	83	Pennsylvania	59⅛
Canadian Pacific	146⅝	Rand Mines	4⅛
Chesapeake & Ohio	30	Reading	32⅛
Chi. Great Western	5⅛	Southern Railway	13⅛
Chi. Mil. & St. P.	131⅛	do pfd	33⅛
De Beers	17⅛	Southern Pacific	74⅛
Denver & Rio G.	19⅝	Union Pacific	132⅛
do pfd	51	do pfd	83⅛
Erie	15⅝	United States Steel	33⅝
do 1st pfd	31	do pfd	99⅛
do 2d pfd	22	Wabash	9⅛
Grand Trunk	15⅛	do pfd	16⅛
Illinois Central	130⅛	Spanish 4s	92⅛
Louisville & Nash.	99	Amal. Copper	58

SILVER—Bar, steady at 25⅝d per ounce.

MONEY—3½@3¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3 per cent; for three months' bills, 2⅞ per cent.

Bank Clearings.

OMAHA, March 19.—Bank clearings for today were $2,041,402.55, and for the corresponding date last year, $1,842,615.47.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 19.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve, shows: Available cash balance $362,986,720; gold coin and bullion, $24,314,970; gold certificates, $34,622,300.

New York Money Market.

PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5⅛@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8685 @4.88 for demand and at $4.8335@4.8340 for sixty-day bills; commercial bills, $4.83⅛.

SILVER—Bar, 25⅝c; Mexican dollars, 47c.

BONDS — Government, easy; railroad, easy.

MONEY—On call, easy at 1⅝@2 per cent; ruling rate, 1⅝ per cent; closing bid, 1⅝ per cent. Time loans, easy; sixty days, 3¼ per cent; ninety days, 3¼@4 per cent; six months, 4¼ per cent.

Closing quotations on New York bonds were as follows:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg	102⅝	L. & N. uni. 4s	95⅛
do coupon	104⅛	Man. c. g. 4s	94⅛
U. S. 3s, reg	101	*Mex. Central 4s	83
do coupon	101	do 1st inc	19
U. S. new 4s reg	121	**Minn. & St. L. 4s	90
do coupon	125⅝	M., K. & T. 4s	95⅛
Am. Tobacco 4s	99⅝	*do 2s	77⅝
do 6s	104⅛	*N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	77⅛
Atchison gen. 4s	99	*N. Y. C. g. 3½s	98⅝
do adj. 4s	96⅛	*N. J. C. g. 5s	122
**Atlantic C. L. 4s	85	No. Pacific 4s	109⅛
B. & O. 4s	98⅛	do 3s	79⅝
do 3½s	90⅛	**N. & W. c. 4s	96
Brk. R. T. c. 4s	79⅛	O. S. L. rdg. 4s	87
Central of Ga. 5s	101⅛	Penn. cv. 3½s	94
*do 1st inc	63⅛	*Reading gen. 4s	94⅛
do 2d inc	46⅛	*S. L. & I. M. c 4s	100
do 3d inc	34	*St. L. & S. F. fg 4s	68⅛
*Ches. & Ohio 4½s	98	St. L. S. W. c. 4s	69
**Chicago & A. 5½s	93	Seaboard A. L. 4s	45⅛
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	94⅛	So. Pacific 4s	93⅛
C., R. I. & P. 4s	89⅝	do 1st 4s ctfs	88
do col. 5s	66⅝	So. Railway 5s	85
CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	97⅝	*Texas & P. 1s	102⅛
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A	47	T. St. L. & W. 4s	71
*Colo. Mid. 4s	38	Union Pacific 4s	100⅛
Colo. & So. 4s	86⅛	do cv. 4s	84⅛
*Cuba 5s	100⅝	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	99⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	91	Wabash 1s	107⅛
Distillers' Sec. 5s	71	*do deb. B	39
Erie p. l. 4s	82⅛	Western Md. 4s	82⅛
*do gen. 4s	63	W. & L. E. 4s	81
*Hock Val. 3½s	101	*Wis. Central 4s	81
Japan 4s	77⅝	Atchison cv. 4s	87⅛
do 4½s ctfs	85⅝	do 5s	97
do 2d series	85⅝	Int. Met. 4½s	87⅛

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 19.—Call loans, 3@4 per cent; time loans, 5@6 per cent. Official closing on stocks and bonds:

*Atchison adj. 4s	95	Atlantic	10
do 4s	97	Bingham	7
Mex. Central 4s	81	Cal. & Hecla	625
Atchison	73⅝