GRAIN AND PRODUCE MARKET

Values Open Easy, with Selling General from Lower Cables.

BULLS GAIN BY DROP IN WORLD'S

Visible Supply Comes as Surprise and Values Are Sent Back for an Advance and Close High.

OMAHA, March 23, 1908.

Grain values opened easy, with selling general, caused by lower cables and reports of rainfall in the southwest.

The world's visible supply came as a surprise, and the large decrease gave the bull leaders the start, and values were sent back for an advance and closed on the high point.

Wheat was unsteady at the start and values were lower on low Liverpool cables and better crop reports from the south.

Shorts covered on the decline and buying was general after the heavy decrease in the world visible was reported.

May wheat opened at 91⅝c and closed at 92⅝c.

Corn was steady to strong, with little corn offered. The market ruled dull and trading was higher and values narrow. May corn opened at 59¼c and closed at 59⅝c.

Oats were unaffected by any change and stayed firm on an even demand and good cash market. May oats opened at 50⅝c and closed at 50¾c.

Primary wheat receipts were 863,000 bu., and shipments were 210,000 bu., against receipts last year of 504,000 bu., and shipments of 209,000 bu.

Corn receipts were 801,000 bu., and shipments were 385,000 bu., against receipts last year of 999,000 bu., and shipments of 555,000 bu.

Clearances were 48,000 bu. of corn; none of oats and wheat and flour equal to 157,000 bu.

Liverpool closed ⅛@¼d lower on wheat and ⅝d lower on corn.

Local range of options:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yes'y.
Wheat—					
May	91⅝	92⅝	91⅝	92⅝	92
July	84⅛	84⅝	84⅛	84⅝	84⅛
Sept.	80½	80⅝	80½	80⅝	80½
Corn—					
May	59⅛	59⅝	59⅛	59⅝	59⅛
July	58⅝	58⅝	58	58	58⅝
Sept.	57½	57½	57	57	57½
Oats—					
May	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝
July	.....	.....	.....	.....	44⅛
Sept.	.....	.....	.....	.....	34⅛

Omaha Cash Prices.

WHEAT—No. 2 hard, 94@97c; No. 3 hard, 92@95c; No. 4 hard, 90@92c; No. 3 spring, 90@93c.

CORN—No. 2, 59c; No. 3, 58½@58⅝c; No. 4, 57½@58c; No. 2 yellow, 59½c; No. 3 yellow, 59½@59½c; No. 3 white, 58½@58⅝c.

OATS—No. 3 mixed, 50½c; No. 3 white, 50@50½c.

RYE—No. 2, 77@78c; No. 3, 75@76½c.

Carlot Receipts.

	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats
Chicago	36	238	302
Minneapolis	444	..	..
Omaha	88	209	179
Duluth	31	..	..

CHICAGO GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

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

CHICAGO, March 23.—Uncertainty regarding the fall sown crop in the northwest caused some nervousness today in the local wheat market, but a firm tone developed near the close on buying by shorts. Final quotations on the market were up. Corn was ⅛@⅜c higher. Oats unchanged. Provisions were 12½@25c lower.

The wheat market opened weak because of declines in nearly all of the leading grain markets of Europe, but prices soon advanced on covering by shorts to a point somewhat above the close of Saturday. Realizing sales then brought about another decline. During the remainder of the day the market was nervous because of conflicting reports concerning the condition of the new crop in the southwest. Demand from shorts became moderately active in the final half hour and resulted in considerable strength. The close at the highest of the day. May opened ⅛@⅝c lower at 92⅜@92⅝c, and advanced to 94⅝c before it closed. Clearances of wheat and flour were equal to 156,000 bu. The amount on passage increased 448,000 bu. The visible supply decreased [illegible] bu. Primary receipts, 836,000 bu., compared with 504,000 on the same day last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 511 cars, against 275 cars last week, and 641 cars a year ago.

The corn market opened weak along with wheat, but quickly recovered on reports that country acceptances were much smaller. The close was strong with prices almost at the top. May opened a shade to ⅛c lower, at 59⅝@59⅝c, advanced to 59⅞c and closed at 59c. Local receipts, 238 cars, with nine contract.

Trade in oats was small and prices were steady all day. The range was very narrow. May opened ⅛@⅜c lower at 50⅝@50c, advanced to 50⅞c, and closed at 50⅝c. Local receipts, 302 cars.

Provisions were weak because of selling by local packers. At the close May pork was off 20c at $13.25 to $13.27½. Lard was down 12½c at $7.82½. Ribs 25c lower at $8.70.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 42 cars; corn, 274 cars; oats, 319 cars; hogs, 15,000 head.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Sat'y.
*Wheat					
May	93⅝@⅞	94⅝	93⅝	94⅝	94
July	88 @⅞	89	88	88 @⅞	88⅝@⅞
Sept.	85⅛@⅜	86⅝	85⅛	86⅝	86
*Corn—					
May	65 @⅜	66⅛	65	66	65⅝@⅝
July	62⅝@⅞	63⅝	62⅝	63½	62
Sept.	61⅝@⅞	62⅞	61⅝	62⅝@⅞	62⅛
*Oats—					
aMay	53⅝@⅝	54⅛	53⅞	54⅛	54⅛
bMay	52⅝	53⅝	52⅝	53⅝	52⅝
aJuly	47 @	48⅛	47⅛	48⅛	47⅛
bJuly	46⅛	46⅝	46	46⅝	46⅝
Pork—					
				12 25@	
May	12 45	12 47½	12 20	12 37½	12 45
July	12 87½	12 87½	12 65	12 65	12 85
Lard—					
May	7 92½	7 92½	7 80	7 82½	7 95
July	8 15	8 15	8 02½	8 05	8 17½
Sept.	8 32½	8 35	8 25	8 27½	8 40
Ribs—					
May	6 80	6 82½	6 67½	6 70	6 85
July	7 10	7 11½	6 97½	7 00	7 15
Sept.	7 37½	7 35½	7 22½	7 25	7 40

*No. 2. a Old. b New.

Cash quotations were as follows:

FLOUR—Market easy; winter patents, $4.35@4.65; straights, $4.00@4.60; spring patents, $4.30@4.50; straights, $4.30@4.90; bakers, $3.20@4.00.

WHEAT—No. 2 spring, $1.07@1.08; No. 3, 98c@$1.07; No. 2 red, 93@94c.

CORN—No. 2, 64½@65c; No. 2 yellow, 65¼@65¾c.

OATS—No. 2, 53⅝@53½c; No. 2 white, 54½@57c; No. 3 white, 51@53c.

RYE—No. 2, 78c.

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

SEEDS—Flax, No. 1 northwestern, $1.19@1.21. Prime timothy, $4.75. Clover, contract grade, $12.00.

PROVISIONS—Short ribs, sides (loose), $6.12½@6.62½. Mess pork, per bbl., $12.05@12.17½. Lard, per 100 lbs., $7.62½. Short clear sides (boxed), $6.62½@6.87½.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	20,000	15,600
Wheat, bu.	21,600	37,300
Corn, bu.	264,700	132,400
Oats, bu.	294,000	303,400
Rye, bu.	4,000	4,000
Barley, bu.	58,400	26,700

On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady. Creameries, 23@28½c; dairies, 20@26c. Eggs, easy; at mark, cases included, 14½c; firsts, 15c; prime firsts, 16c; extras, 17c. Cheese, steady; 12½@14c.

St. Louis General Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 23.—WHEAT—Firm; track, No. 2 red, cash, 96@96½c; No. 2 hard, 86c@$1.03; May, 95½c; July, 85½@85½c.

CORN—Firm; track, No. 2 cash, 63½@63½c; No. 2 white, 63½@64c; May, 63½c; July, 63½c.

OATS—Weak; track, No. 2 cash, 52@52½c; No. 2 white, 54c; May, 52c.

FLOUR—Dull; red winter patents, $4.60@4.80; extra fancy and straight, $4.20@4.30; clears, $3.60@3.80.

SEED—Timothy, quiet at $3.60@4.25.

CORNMEAL—Steady; $2.00.

BRAN—Dull; sacked, east track, $1.18.

HAY—Quiet; timothy, $9.50@15.00; prairie, $8.00@11.00.

IRON COTTON TIES—$1.05.

BAGGING—6½c.

HEMP TWINE—8c.

PROVISIONS—Pork, lower; jobbing, $13.60. Lard, lower; prime steam, $8.30@8.40. Dry salt meats, steady; boxed, extra shorts, $7.75; clear ribs, $7.12½; short clears, $7.62. Bacon, steady; boxed, extra short, $8.00; clear ribs, $7.87½; short clears, $8.50.

POULTRY—Unchanged; chickens, 10½c; springs, 14c; turkeys, 12@13c; ducks, 11c; geese, 9@c.

BUTTER—Quiet; creamery, 29@28c.

EGGS—Unchanged at 15c, case count.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	13,000	10,000
Wheat, bu.	94,000	50,000
Corn, bu.	284,000	50,000
Oats, bu.	288,000	85,000

NEW YORK GENERAL MARKET

Quotations of the Day on Various Commodities.

NEW YORK, March 23.—FLOUR—Receipts, 24,600 bbls.; exports, 14,500 bbls.; market, dull and easy; Minnesota patents, $5.25@5.60; winter straights, $4.35@4.50; Minnesota bakers, $4.40@4.90; winter extras, $3.60@4.15; winter patents, $4.60@4.90; winter low grades, $3.50@4.05. Rye flour, dull; fair to good, $4.50@4.90.

CORNMEAL—Steady; coarse, $1.40@1.45; kiln dried, $3.55.

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

WHEAT—Receipts, 39,000 bu.; exports, 70,300 bu. Spot market, steady; No. 2 red, 99½c elevator; $1.00¼ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, $1.13⅝ f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard winter, $1.11⅝ f. o. b. afloat. Without being active wheat was quite steady all day, affected by drouth news from Kansas, a large visible supply decrease and the strength of corn. Final prices showed ⅛@¾c net advance. May, $1.01⅛@1.01⅜; closed, $1.01⅜; July, 95⅞@96⅛c; closed, 96⅛c.

CORN—Receipts, 1,000 bu.; spot market, firm; No. 2, 74½c elevator, and 69½c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 white, nominal; No. 2 yellow, nominal f. o. b. afloat. The option market was without transactions, closing net unchanged. May closed, 74⅝c; July closed, 72⅝c.

OATS—Receipts, 155,000 bu.; spot market, dull; mixed oats, 26 to 32 lbs., 57c; natural white, 28 to 32 lbs., 57@60c; clipped white, 32 to 40 lbs., 60@65c.

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

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

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

LEATHER—Quiet; acid, 29@27c.

PROVISIONS—Beef, firm; family, $14.50@15.00; mess, $11.00@11.50; beef hams, $26.00@28.00; 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, steady; western prime, $7.90@8.00; refined steady; continent $8.35; South America, $8.90; compound, $6.87½@7.12½. Pork, steady; family, $15.00@16.00; short clears, $15.25@16.25; mess, $14.25@14.75.

TALLOW—Dull; city ($2 per pkg.), 5¼c; country (pkgs. free), 5@5½c.

BUTTER—Firmer; creamery extras, 28c; thirds to firsts, 23@27c; held seconds to specials, 23@28c; western factory firsts, 21c; imitation creamery firsts, 23@23c.

CHEESE—Firm; state full cream, small colored, fancy, 15¾c; white fancy, 16c; large, colored and white fancy, 15¾c; good to prime, 14½@15¼c; late October and early November made, 13½@14½c; winter made, 12@13c; common to fair, 10@11½c.

EGGS—Firm; state, Pennsylvania and nearby fancy selected white, 19@20c; good to choice, 17@18½c; crown and mixed extra, 17c; firsts, 16@16½c; western and southern fireds, 15½@16c; seconds, 14¾@15½c.

POULTRY—Dressed: Steady; turkeys, 12

WEATHER IN THE GRAIN BELT

Fair Tuesday, with No Important Change in Temperature.

OMAHA, March 23, 1908.

Rains are general in the lower lake region, Ohio valley, the eastern and southern states, and rains and snows are falling in Montana and Yellowstone park. It is generally clear in the upper Mississippi and Missouri valleys and throughout the southwest. Temperatures have risen in the eastern and southern portions. No important change has occurred in the central valleys since the last report, and moderate temperatures with fair weather will probably continue in this vicinity tonight and Tuesday.

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

	1908.	1907.	1906.	1905.
Minimum temperature	38	48	18	42
Precipitation	.00	.00	T	.00

Normal temperature for today, 39 degrees.

Deficiency in precipitation since March 1, .55 of an inch.

Deficiency corresponding period in 1907, .69 of an inch.

Excess corresponding period in 1906, .34 of an inch.

L. A. WELSH, Local Forecaster.

Kansas City Grain and Provisions.

KANSAS CITY, March 23.—WHEAT—Unchanged; May, 77c; July, 83½c. Cash: No. 2 hard, 95@98½c; No. 3, 93@97c; No. 2 red, $1.00¼; No. 3, 97@99c.

CORN—Unchanged to ¼c lower; May, 58½c; July, 58¾c. Cash: No. 2 mixed, 59½@59¾c; No. 3 mixed, 59½c; No. 2 white, 59½@59¾c.

OATS—Unchanged; No. 2 white, 52c; No. 2 mixed, 51c.

RYE—74@75c.

HAY—Choice timothy, steady, $11.50@12.00; choice prairie, 25c lower, $8.75@9.25.

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

EGGS—Firm; extra fresh, 16½c; current receipts, 15½c.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Wheat, bu.	102,000	41,000
Corn, bu.	21,000	32,000
Oats, bu.	15,000	5,000

Options at Kansas City:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
May	91⅛	92⅝	91⅛	91⅝@92⅛
July	82⅞	83½@⅝	81⅞	82½
Corn—				
May	58⅝@⅞	59⅝	58⅝	59⅛@⅜ B
July	57⅝	58⅛	57⅝	58⅛ A

Philadelphia Produce Market.

PHILADELPHIA, March 23.—BUTTER—Steady, fair demand; extras, western creamery, 30c; extras, nearby prints, 31c.

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

CHEESE—Firm, good demand. New York full creams, choice, 15¾@16c; fair to good, 15@15½c.

Liverpool Grain Market.

LIVERPOOL, March 23.—WHEAT—Spot steady; No. 2 red western winter, 7s 3½d; futures quiet; March, nominal; May, 6s 11½d; July, 7s. 5d.

CORN—Spot firm; prime mixed American, new, 5s 4½d; prime mixed American, old, 5s 5d; futures quiet; March, nominal; May, 5s 5¾d.

FLOUR—Winter patents quiet at 29s 9d.

HOPS—In London, Pacific coast dull at £1 10s@2 10s.

Minneapolis Grain Market.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 23.—WHEAT—May, $1.04⅝; July, $1.02⅝@1.02¾; No. 1 hard, $1.06⅝; No. 1 northern, $1.06⅝; No. 2 northern, $1.04⅝; No. 3 northern, 96⅝c@$1.01⅝.

BRAN—Steady; $21.50@22.00 in bulk.

FLOUR—Unchanged; first patents, $5.35@5.50; second patents, $5.20@5.40; first clears, $4.20@4.35; second clears, $3.30@3.40.

Milwaukee Grain Market.

MILWAUKEE, March 23.—WHEAT—Steady; No. 1 northern, $1.06@1.10; No. 2 northern, $1.06@1.07½; May, 94½c, asked.

BARLEY—Dull; No. 2, 62c; sample, 65@85c.

CORN—Firm; No. 3 cash, 61½@61c; May, 60c, bid.

Peoria Market.

PEORIA, March 23.—CORN—Easy; No. 2 yellow, 62½@62¾c; No. 3, 62½c; No. 4, 61½c; no grade, 55@56½c.

OATS—Lower; No. 3 white, 52@52½c; No. 4 white, 51@52c.

WHISKY—$1.35.

Duluth Grain Market.

DULUTH, Minn., March 23.—WHEAT—No. 1 northern, $1.05⅝; May, $1.02⅝; July, $1.03⅝.

OATS—50½c.

Wool Market.

ST. LOUIS, March 23.—WOOL—Steady; medium grades, combing and clothing, 30@32c; light fine, 16½@19½c; heavy fine, 14@15½c; tub washed, 28@32c.

LONDON, March 23.—WOOL—A miscellaneous selection of 11,000 bales was offered at the wool auction sales today. Competition was occasionally quiet and offerings were frequently withdrawn. A large supply of medium greasy sold fairly well, but low grades were weak. Fine merinos ruled about as good as last week. Cross-breds were rather easier.

Oils and Rosin.

OIL CITY, Pa., March 23.—OIL—Credit balances, $1.78. Runs, 137,313 bbls.; average, 141,322 bbls. Shipments, 354,300 bbls.; average, 173,490 bbls.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 23.—OIL—Spirits of turpentine, firm, 56c.

ROSIN—Firm. A, B, C, $3.65; D, $3.70; E, $3.75; F, $3.80; G, $3.85; H, $3.90; I, $4.00; K, $4.05; M, $4.25; N, $4.65; W. G., $4.90; W. W., $5.00.

NEW YORK STOCKS AND BONDS

Irregularity Marks the Movement of Prices of Securities.

NEWS IS GENERALLY BULLISH

Close is Strong, With Values at the Highest Level of the Day—Railroad Bonds Irregular.

NEW YORK, March 23.—Irregularity marked the movement of prices in the stock market today. Business was in moderate volume and has been the case for some time past, almost wholly professional. There is still a dearth of public interest, not only in stocks, but in bonds as well. Sentiment was bullish in the main, though developments were not all of the sort to make for increased confidence.

The day's budget of news included forecasts of President Roosevelt's forthcoming special message to congress, concerning which there was much diversity of opinion; the first public report of the American Sugar Refining company, showing unexpectedly large cash assets and cash surplus; advices from the leading railway centers, which bespoke a more cheerful view of general conditions despite fears of a coal strike; a reported decrease in the number of idle freight cars, and a good crop outlook. Dispatches from New England mill towns telling of further wage reductions served to call renewed attention to the labor situation. Rumors of a strike on the Reading system depressed the coalers during the early session, the rest of the railway list falling in sympathy, but general recoveries were later registered. Locally the day was devoid of important incidents, apart from the definite announcement that two erstwhile financial institutions—the Oriental bank and the Knickerbocker Trust company—were about to emerge from their difficulties. The early movement of prices was more favorable to the industrial group than to the rails. Excepting the excellent statement of the sugar company, which advanced that stock smartly, there was little to account for the strength of industrial shares, though the belief is gaining ground that conditions in steel and iron and the metal trade generally are beginning to take on a more hopeful aspect. In the final hour the market developed increased activity and strength under the lead of the Harriman and Hill issues and the steel and copper shares, the movements embracing the entire active list and some of the specialties. Among the impelling causes were the decision of the United States supreme court, which overturns the Minnesota freight and passenger law, declaring the penalties imposed excessive, and the introduction of amendments to the Sherman anti-trust law. The closing was strong, at about the high level of the day. Foreign markets exercised little or no influence here, though Americans rallied in London, where business was restricted by reason of the approaching settlement. No important railway earnings were reported today, but those of some minor roads were in line with recent returns, virtually all showing a marked falling off in gross.

The money market was without noteworthy incidents, the rates for call and time loans being practically unchanged, with little demand. The payment to Washington of a final instalment of about $14,000,000 of government moneys was accomplished without disturbance. The greater part of this sum was disbursed by local banks for their interior correspondents. Money is accumulating here in unwonted volume and the secretary of the treasury, according to trustworthy reports, is likely to make further withdrawals on or before April 1.

In the bond market, United States registered fours declined ¼ per cent on call. Railroads were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,400,000.

Number of sales and quotations on stocks were as follows:

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Close.
Adams Express	.....	.....	.....	177
Amalgamated Copper	36,200	68½	68⅛	68½
Am. C. & F.	3,000	31⅝	30⅝	31⅝
Am. C. & F. pfd	200	91⅝	90⅝	91⅝
Am. C. & F. pfd	300	90⅝	90⅝	90⅝
Am. Cotton Oil	2,200	29⅝	27⅝	28
Am. Cotton Oil pfd	.....	.....	.....	85
American Express	100	180	180	180
Am. H. & L. pfd	.....	.....	.....	14
American Ice Securities	3,800	31	30	30⅝
Am. Linseed Oil	.....	.....	.....	9
Am. Linseed Oil pfd	.....	.....	.....	17⅝
Am. Locomotive	9,600	41⅝	38⅝	41⅝
Am. Locomotive pfd	1,200	93	92⅝	93
Am. S. & R.	36,300	71⅝	69⅝	71⅝
Am. S. & R. pfd	200	94	94	94
Am. Sugar Refining	12,800	128	124⅝	126
Am. Tobacco pfd	.....	.....	.....	84
Anaconda Mining Co	5,900	37⅝	37	37⅝
Atchison	2,300	73⅝	72⅝	73⅝
Atchison pfd	400	85⅝	85⅝	85⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	600	67⅝	67⅝	70⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	100	82⅝	81	82
Bal. & Ohio pfd	.....	.....	.....	82
Brooklyn Rapid Tr.	8,200	47	46⅝	46⅝
Canadian Pacific	11,500	149⅝	146⅝	149⅝
Central of New Jersey	100	172⅝	172⅝	175
Chesapeake & Ohio	1,500	31	30⅝	30⅝
Chicago Gt. W.	.....	.....	.....	8⅝
Chicago & N. W.	3,900	148⅝	146⅝	147⅝
C., M. & St. P.	13,300	117⅝	115⅝	117⅝
Chicago T. & T., offered	.....	.....	.....	5
C., C., C. & St. L. pfd	.....	.....	.....	20
C., C., C. & St. L.	.....	.....	.....	90
Colorado F. & I.	7,100	23⅝	21⅝	23⅝
Colorado & So.	1,800	24⅝	24	24⅝
Colo. & So. 1st pfd	1,200	55	54⅝	54⅝
Colo. & So. 2d pfd	700	66⅝	66⅝	66⅝
Consolidated Gas	6,400	105⅝	105⅝	105⅝
Corn Products, rfg	500	12⅝	12	12
Corn Products pfd	100	61⅝	61⅝	62
Delaware & Hudson	700	156	155	156
Del., L. & W.	.....	.....	.....	485
Denver & Rio Grande	.....	.....	.....	19⅝
D. & R. G. pfd	100	50	50	49⅝
Distillers' Securities	4,300	39⅝	33	33⅝
Erie	1,800	15⅝	15⅛	15⅝
Erie 1st pfd	200	31⅝	30⅝	30⅝
Erie 2d pfd	300	21⅝	21⅝	21⅝
General Electric	300	123⅝	123⅝	123
Illinois Central	600	125	124⅝	124⅝
International Paper	900	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝
Int. Paper pfd	100	57	57	57
Int. Pump	8,500	36	34⅝	36⅝
Int. Pump pfd	100	71⅝	71⅝	71⅝
Iowa Central	700	11⅝	11⅝	11⅝
Iowa Central pfd	900	31	30	30⅝
Kansas City So.	300	23⅝	22⅝	23⅝
K. C. So. pfd	.....	.....	.....	61⅝
Louisville & N.	1,400	86⅝	86⅝	86
Mexican Central	200	18	18	17⅝
Minn. & St. L.	200	22⅝	22⅝	22⅝
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	900	104⅝	103⅝	104⅝
M., St. P. & S. S. M. pfd	.....	.....	.....	135
Missouri Pacific	2,600	59⅝	59⅝	59⅝
M. K. & T.	3,300	32⅝	32⅝	32⅝
M. K. & T. pfd	100	53	53	52⅝
National Lead	8,600	58⅝	56⅝	58
N. R. R. of M. pfd	.....	.....	.....	48⅝
New York Central	7,200	100⅝	98⅝	100⅝
N. Y., O. & W.	900	34⅝	32⅝	32
Norfolk & W.	2,500	63⅝	63	63⅝
N. & W. pfd	.....	.....	.....	89
North American	200	46⅝	46⅝	46⅝
Pacific Mail	4,100	33	29⅝	32⅝
Pennsylvania	7,500	117⅝	116⅝	117⅝
People's Gas	5,400	109⅝	108⅝	109⅝
P., C., C. & St. L.	300	68⅝	67	68
Pressed Steel Car	2,900	23⅝	22⅝	23⅝
Pressed S. C. pfd	.....	.....	.....	93⅝
Pullman Palace Car	100	152	152	152
Reading	121,400	106⅝	103⅝	104⅝
Reading 1st pfd	.....	.....	.....	88
Reading 2d pfd	.....	.....	.....	80⅝
Republic Steel	4,200	9⅝	18⅝	19
Republic Steel pfd	1,700	72⅝	71⅝	72⅝
Rock Island Co.	200	14⅝	14⅝	14⅝
Rock Island Co. pfd	3,000	26⅝	25⅝	26⅝
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd	100	26⅝	26⅝	26
St. Louis S. W.	700	13⅝	12⅝	13⅝
St. L. & S. W. pfd	900	30⅝	29	29
Southern Pacific	17,300	76⅝	73⅝	75⅝
So. Pacific pfd	200	110⅝	109⅝	109⅝
So. Railway	4,100	33⅝	32⅝	33⅝
So. Railway pfd	1,000	56	54	55⅝
Texas & Pacific	900	16⅝	15⅝	16⅝
T., St. L. & W.	400	15⅝	15⅝	15⅝
T., St. L. & W. pfd	400	27⅝	26⅝	27⅝
Union Pacific	112,800	126⅝	124⅝	126⅝
Union Pacific pfd	.....	.....	.....	79
U. S. Express	.....	.....	.....	40
U. S. Realty	500	45	40	39
U. S. Rubber	600	21⅝	21⅝	21⅝
U. S. Rubber pfd	200	84	84	83
U. S. Steel	97,700	35⅝	33⅝	34⅝
U. S. Steel pfd	7,200	99	97⅝	99⅝
Va.-Carolina Chemical	100	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝
Va.-Caro. Chem. pfd	.....	.....	.....	91⅝
Wabash	300	9⅝	9⅝	9⅝
Wabash pfd	200	17	16⅝	16⅝
Wells-a-Fargo Express	.....	.....	.....	200
Westinghouse Electric	200	40⅝	40	41⅝
Western Union	300	50	49	49
Wheeling & L. E.	100	6⅝	6⅝	6
Wisconsin Central	.....	.....	.....	14
Wis. Central pfd	.....	.....	.....	40
Northern Pacific	28,800	128⅝	126⅝	128
Central Leather	200	18⅝	17⅝	18⅝
Central Leather pfd	.....	.....	.....	85⅝
Stone-Sheffield Steel	400	50⅝	50⅝	50⅝
Gt. Northern pfd	9,600	122⅝	121	122⅝
Interborough Met.	200	7⅝	7⅝	7⅝
Int. Met. pfd	500	18⅝	18⅝	18⅝

Total sales for the day, 716,400 shares.

Foreign Financial.

LONDON, March 23.—Money was in good demand today, various calls absorbing the moderate supply. Discounts were steady. On the Stock exchange gilt-edged stock met with little support and ruled easy on Paris securing the bulk of the £500,000 in gold available on the open market. Consols, however, improved slightly near the close. Foreigners were the brightest section, and Japanese and Russian securities were supported locally as well as for Paris account. American securities started steadily on the good New York bank statement, but beyond professional support of Steel on good business reports the trading was insignificant. Prices dropped in the forenoon. The receipt of the New York opening caused a slight improvement; but the buying subsided and the market closed dull.

BERLIN, March 23.—Trading on the Bourse today was firm. The statement that there was to be a revision of the American tariff by a special session of congress after March 4, 1909, is cited by the official news agency as having created a favorable impression on the market.

PARIS, March 23.—Prices on the Bourse today were firm. The private rate of discount was 2 13-16 per cent, an increase of ⅛ per cent.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, March 23.—PRIME MERCANTILE PAPER—5¼@6 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86@4.8605 for demand and at $4.8356@4.8360 for sixty-day bills; commercial bills, $4.83⅛@4.83⅝.

MONEY—On call, easy, 1⅝@2¼ per cent; ruling rate, 2 per cent; closing bid, 1⅝ per cent; offered at 2 per cent.

TIME LOANS—Quiet; sixty days, 2@2¼ per cent; ninety days, 3⅛ per cent; six months, 4@4¼ per cent.

SILVER—Bar, 55⅝c; Mexican dollars, 47c.

BONDS—Government, easy; railroad, irregular.

Closing quotations on New York bonds closing on stocks and bonds:

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	105⅝	Man. c. g. 4s	94⅝
do coupon	104⅝	Mex. Central 4s	82⅝
U. S. 3s, reg.	101	do 1st inc.	19
do coupon	101	*Minn. & St. L. 4s	80
U. S. new 4s, reg.	132⅝	M., K. & T. 4s	95⅝
do coupon	132⅝	*do 2s	77⅝
Am. Tobacco 4s	67	*N. R. R. of M. c. 4s	77⅝
do 4s	106	N. Y. C. g. 3½s	99⅝
Atchison gen. 4s	99	N. J. C. g. 5s	123⅝
*do adj. 4s	99⅝	No. Pacific 4s	104⅝
*Atlantic C. L. 4s	89	do 3s	70⅝
Bal. & Ohio 4s	99	N. & W. c. 4s	94⅝
do 3½s	90⅝	O. S. R. rfdg. 4s	86⅝
Brk. R. T. 4s	70⅝	Penn. cv. 3½s	94
Central of Ga. 5s	101⅝	Reading gen. 4s	94⅝
*do 1st inc.	62⅝	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	104
*do 2d inc.	34	*St. L. & S. . fg. 4s	88⅝
Ches. & Ohio 4½s	95	St. L. S. W. c. 4s	80
**Chicago & A. 3½s	82	*Seaboard A. L. 4s	46
C., B. & Q. n. 4s	94⅝	So. Pacific 4s	85⅝
C., R. I. & P. 4s	62⅝	do 1st 4s ctfs.	88⅝
do col. 5s	65	So. Railway 5s	88⅝
**CCC. & St. L. g. 4s	93⅝	Texas & P. 1s	104⅝
Colo. Ind. 5s, ser. A.	80⅝	*T., St. L. & W. 4s	69
Colo. Mid. 4s	38⅝	Union Pacific 4s	100
Colo. & So. 4s	88⅝	do cv. 4s	85⅝
Cuba 5s	101	U. S. Steel 2d 5s	94⅝
D. & R. G. 4s	91	Wabash 1s	100⅝
Distillers' Sec. 5s	71⅝	*do deb. B	19
*Erie p. l. 4s	83⅝	Western Md. 4s	83⅝
*do gen. 4s	63⅝	W. & L. E. 4s	63
*Hocking Val. 4½s	100⅝	Wis. Central 4s	82⅝
*Japan 4s	77⅝	Atchison cv. 4s	87⅝
do 4½s ctfs.	90⅝	do 5s	96⅝
do 2d series	85⅝	Int. Met. 4½s	68
L. & N. uni. 4s	96		

*Bid. **Offered.

Boston Stock Quotations.

BOSTON, March 23.—Call loans, 2¼@4 per cent; time loans, 5@6 per cent. Official were as follows:

Atchison adj. 4s	83	Adventure	1⅛
do 4s	96⅝	Allouez	25
Mex. Central 4s	81⅝	Amalgamated	68⅝
Atchison	73⅝	Atlantic	10
do pfd	84⅝	Bingham	7
Boston & Albany	260	*