BUYING IS GENERAL

Hops Being Taken Up on Eastern and Foreign Orders.

STEADY PRICES ARE HELD

Carmichael Secures a Large Lot at Mount Angel—Activity in Low-Grade Supplies in Washington. Transactions in Sonomas.

Buying has been resumed in the hop market and this time the operations are quite general. While no word is heard of purchases by Lachmund & Pincus, or the E. C. Horst Company, there are enough other dealers in the market to make things fairly lively.

John Carmichael has reappeared as a buyer, having secured 214 bales from J. R. White & Sons, of Mt. Angel. The price paid was said to be either 10 or 10½ cents. Kola Nels bought the Lindstrom lot of 100 bales at Salem at 10 cents and the Thornsburg lot of 150 bales at Gervais at the same price. Henry Miller bought 70 bales from William Stuwe, of Needy, at 10 cents. Catlin & Linn got a 65-bale lot from Lockhart & Drown, of Sheridan, at a price reported to be 8 cents. A. J. Ray secured a 58-bale lot at 8½ cents and Shucking is said to have picked up several low-priced lots. The J. W. Seavey Hop Company bought an 84-bale lot from L. Whitlock, of Mt. Angel, but the price was not learned. There was also considerable local inquiry and a number of lots changed hands between Portland dealers.

A wire from San Francisco yesterday afternoon reported the sale of two cars of choice Sonomas at 9½ cents. About 500 bales of Washingtons have been bought recently at 7½ to 8 cents to the growers.

EGG RECEIPTS ARE NOT HEAVY.

Some Country Points Report a Scarcity of Empty Cases.

The egg market was firm yesterday with receipts only fair and a good shipping and a better local demand. Word has been received from points up the Valley of a scarcity of egg cases and in some of the country stores the merchants have to use their floors and bins for the lack of packers in which to hold the eggs. This probably explains in part the falling off in receipts, but promises a good supply when cases are available.

There was a good inquiry for chickens and 15 cents was freely paid for hens, while broilers and fryers commanded fancy prices. The market is in condition to take many more chickens than are arriving, but other kinds of poultry do not appear to be wanted.

There was no change in the butter situation, the market remaining strong and the supply light.

SCARCITY OF GREEN VEGETABLES.

Only a Small Quantity of Large Size Oranges Remain.

Front street was not very liberally supplied with fresh produce yesterday. No carlots of anything were received, and the express, which was late, did not bring much besides asparagus. This vegetable sold well at 10@12½ cents a pound and is likely to be higher soon, for the canners are about to enter the market, which will materially reduce the supply. A car of Southern vegetables was due last night and the steamer goods will be on hand this morning. Small vegetables are hard to get in the San Francisco market.

The local stock of oranges is about exhausted, only 96s and 80s remaining on hand. Bananas are in good supply and apples are fairly plentiful.

Improvement in Potato Market.

Advices from San Francisco report some improvement in the tone of the potato market, though prices are not quotably higher. There is a decrease in shipments from this end, particularly by water, and this is likely to benefit the market. At the opening of the week, however, conditions did not promise so well, as on Monday 20 cars arrived there and the inclement weather checked buying. The later improvement was aided by the better condition of the fresh Eastern arrivals.

Wheat and Flour Firm.

The wheat market continues firm with the demand much in excess of the supply. Oriental flour orders are not so heavy as last week, but are still more than the local trade can take care of.

Bank Clearings.

Bank clearances of the leading cities of the Northwest yesterday were:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$3,359,357	$274,425
Seattle	1,967,196	260,088
Tacoma	842,342	110,014
Spokane	911,711	112,491

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Club, 71@72c; bluestem, 73@74c; Valley, 70c; red, 69@70c.

OATS—No. 1 white, $29; gray, $28.50.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.15; straights, $3.60; clears, $3.60; Valley, $3.65@3.75; graham flour, $3.75@4.25; whole wheat flour, $4@4.50.

HARIS—Feed, $22@22.50 per ton; brewing, $23; rolled, $23.50@24.50.

RYE—$1.45@1.50 per cwt.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, city, $17; country, $18 per ton; middlings, $25@26; shorts, city, $20; country, $21 per ton; U. S. Mill, dairy chop, $15.50 per ton; Pacific grain, $16.50 per ton.

CORN—Whole, $24.50; cracked, $22.50 per ton.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, $7; lower grades, $5.50@6.50 oatmeal, steel cut, 45-pound sacks, $8 per barrel; 9-pound sacks, $4.25 per bale; oatmeal (ground), 45-pound sacks, $7.50 per barrel; 9-pound sacks, $4 per bale; split peas, per 100-pounds, $4.25@4.80; pearl barley, $4@4.50 per 100 pounds; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.50 per bale.

HAY—Valley timothy, No. 1, $14@18 per ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, $17@18; clover, $9; cheat, $9; grain hay, $9@10; alfalfa, $14.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 35c per pound. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 32½@35c; store butter, 18@20c.

BUTTER FAT—First grade cream, 33½c per pound; second grade cream, 2c less per pound.

CHEESE—Oregon full cream twins, 13@13½c; Young America, 16@16½c per pound.

POULTRY — Average old hens, 15c; mixed chickens, 14c; Spring fryers and broilers, 20@22½c; old roosters, 10@12c; dressed chickens, 16@17c; turkeys, live, 13@15c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 18@20c; geese, live, per pound, 8c; ducks, 16@18c; pigeons, $1@1.50; squabs, $2@3.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 17½@18c per doz.

Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

DOMESTIC FRUITS — Apples, common, 75c@$1.25 per box; choice, $1.50@2.50; cranberries, $10 per barrel.

TROPICAL FRUITS — Lemons, fancy $3.25@4 per box; oranges, navels, $2@2.75; grapefruit, $3@3.50; bananas, 4½@5c per pound; tangerines, $1.50@1.75.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1@1.25 per sack; carrots, $1@1.25 per sack; beets, $1.25@1.50 per sack; garlic, 7½@10c per pound; horseradish, 16@8c per pound; chicory, 30c.

FRESH VEGETABLES — Cabbage, California, 3c per pound; cauliflower, $2.50 per doz.; celery, $3.25@3.50 crate; lettuce, head, 35@45c dozen; onions, 10@12½c per dozen; tomatoes, $2.25 crate; parsley, 25@30c; artichokes, $1 per dozen; hothouse lettuce, $2 box, sprouts, 9c; peas, 12½c; radishes, 30c per dozen; asparagus, 10@12½c pound; Bell peppers, 20@25c per pound; rhubarb, $2.25@2.50 per box; cucumbers, $2@2.50.

ONIONS—Oregon, 75@90c per hundred.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 8@8½c pound, apricots, 16@19c; peaches, 7@13c; pears, 11½@14c; Italian prunes, 2¾@6c; California figs, white, in sacks, 5@6½c per pound; black, 4½@5c; cricks, 75c@$2.25 per box; Symrna, 18½@20c pound; dates, Persian, 6½@7c pound.

POTATOES—Buying prices: Oregon Burbanks, fancy, $1.35; No. 1 choice, $1@1.25; common, 75c@$1.

RAISINS—Layers and clusters, 2-crown, $2.15; 3-crown, $2.25; 4-crown, $2.10; 5-crown, $2.50; loose muscatels, 2-crown, 8c; 3-crown, 8½c; 4-crown, 9c; seedless, Thompsons, 10½c; Sultanas, 9@12½c.

Dressed Meats.

VEAL—Dressed, 75@125 pounds, 8½@9c; 125 to 150 pounds, 7c; 150 to 200 pounds, 6c; 200 pounds and up, 5½@6c.

BEEF—Dressed bulls, 3@3½c per pound; cows, 5@6c; country steers, 6@7c.

MUTTON—Dressed, fancy, 10@10½c per pound; ordinary, 8@9c.

PORK—Dressed, 100@130 pounds, 8½@9c; 150 to 200 pounds, 7@7½c; 200 pounds and up, 6@6½c.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

RICE—Imperial Japan No. 1, 5½c; Southern Japan, 5.40c; head, 6.75c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12@16c per pound. Columbia roast, cases, 100s, $14.50; 50s, $14.75; Arbuckle, $16.63; Lion, $15.75.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.75 per doz.; 2-pound talls, $2.40; 1-pound flats, $1.10; Alaska, pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.25; sockeye, 1-pound talls, $1.70.

SUGAR—Sack basis, 100 pounds, cube, $5.17½; powdered, $5.07½; granulated, $4.92½; extra C, $4.42½; golden C, $4.32½; fruit sugar, 4.92½; berry, 4.92½; A. A. A., $4.72½; star, $4.92½. Advance sales over sack basis are follows: Barrels, 10c; ½ barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c per 100 pounds. Terms: On remittances within 15 days deduct ¼c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ⅛c; beet sugar, $4.72½ per 100 pounds; maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 16½@20c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 19c; filberts, 16c; pecans, jumbos, 20c, extra large 21c; almonds, 18@20c; chestnuts, Ohio, 17½c; Italian, 14½@15c; peanuts, raw, 6¾@8½c per pound; roasted, 10c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 65@90c per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $14 per ton; $1.95 per bale; half-ground, 100s, $10 per ton; 50s, $10.50 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 3¾c; large white, 3c; pink, 3c; bayou, 3¾c; Lima, 5½c; Mexicans, red, 4c.

HONEY—Fancy, $3.25@3.50 per box.

Provisions and Canned Meats.

BACON — Fancy breakfast, 21½c pound; standard breakfast, 18c; choice, 17½c; English, 11 to 14 pounds, 17c; peach, 16½c.

HAMS—10 to 11 pounds, 16½c pound; 14 to 16 pounds, 16c; 18 to 20 pounds, 16c; picnics, 12c; cottage, 11½c; shoulders, 12c; boiled, 25c; boiled picnic, boneless, 20c.

BARRELED GOODS—Pork, barrels, $20; half-barrels, $11; beef, barrels, $10, half-barrels, $5.50.

SAUSAGE—Ham, 13c per pound; minced ham, 10c; Summer, choice dry, 17½c; bologna, long, 6c; weinerwurst, 10c; liver, 6c; pork, 10c; headcheese, 6c; blood, 6c; bologna links, 6½c.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 12c; smoked, 13c; clear backs, dry salt, 12c; smoked, 13c; clear bellies, 14 to 17 pounds average, dry salt, none; smoked, none; Oregon exports, dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 13½c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 12c; tubs, 13¼c; 50s, 13¼c; 20s, 13⅜c; 10s, 13⅜c; 5s, 13⅜c. Standard pure: Tierces, 12c; tubs, 12¼c; 50s, 12¼c; 20s, 12⅜c; 10s, 12⅜c; 5s, 12⅜c. Compound: Tierces, 9c; tubs, 9¼c; 50s, 9¼c; 10s, 9⅜c; 5s, 9⅜c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—9@12c per pound, according to quality.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon average best, 15@18c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 20@22c, according to fineness.

MOHAIR—Choice, 28c per pound.

HIDES—Dry, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 20c pound; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, 16@18c per pound; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 20@22c; dry salted bulls and stags, one-third less than dry flint; culls, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, murrain, hair-slipped, weather-beaten, or grubby, 2c to 3c per pound less; salted steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, 11@11½c pound; steers, sound, 50 to 60 pounds, 10@11c pound; steers, sound, under 50 pounds and cows, 10@11c pound; stags and bulls, sound, 10@8c pound; kip, sound, 30 to 50 pounds, 10½@11c pound; veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 11@12c; calf, sound, under 10 pounds, 12@13c pound; green (unsalted), 1c pound less; culls, 1c pound less; sheepskins, shearlings, No. 1, butchers' stock, 25@30c each; short wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 50@60c each; medium wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, $1.25@2 each; murrain pelts, from 10 to 20 per cent less, or 15@16c pound; horse hides, salted, according to size, $2@2.50 each; hides, dry, according to size, $1@1.50 each; colts' hides, 25@50c each; goatskins, common, 15@25c each; goatskins, Angora, with wool on, 50c@$1.50 each.

FURS—Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, $5@20 each; cubs, $1@3 each; badger, prime, 25@50c each; cat, wild, with head perfect, 30@50c; cat, house, 5@20c; fox, common gray, large prime, 50@70c each; red, $3@5 each; cross, $5@15 each; silver and black, $100@900 each; fishers, $5@8 each; lynx, $4.50@6 each; mink, strictly No. 1, according to size, $1@3 each; marten, dark northern, according to size and color, $10@15 each; pale, pine, according to size and color, $2.50@4 each; muskrat, large, 12@15c each; skunk, 30@40c each; civet or polecat, 5@15c each; otter, for large, prime skin, $8@10 each; panther, with head and claws perfect, $20@5 each; raccoon, for prime, large, 50@70c each; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, $3.50@5; prairie (coyote), 60c@$1; wolverine, $6@8

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Current Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

The following prices were quoted in the local market yesterday:

CATTLE—Best steers, $4.50@4.75; medium, $4@4.25; cows, $3.50@3.75; fair to medium cows, $3@3.25; bulls, $1.50@2; calves, $4.50@5.

SHEEP—Best, $6@6.25.

HOGS—Best, $7.25@7.50; lightweights, $7@7.25; stockers and feeders, $6.75@7.25.

Eastern Livestock Market.

KANSAS CITY, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 4000; market, steady. Native steers, $4.50@6.35; native cows and heifers, $2.60@5.25; stockers and feeders, $3.75@5.25; Western cows, $3@4.25; Western steers, $4@5.80; bulls, $3@4.25; calves, $3.50@7.

Hogs—Receipts, 7000; market, strong. Bulk of sales, $6.67½@6.75; pigs and lights, $5.75@6.75.

Sheep—Receipts, 4000; market, steady. Muttons, $5@5.90; lambs, $7@7.75; range wethers, $5.40@6.75; fed ewes, $5@5.65.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Markets.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market yesterday:

FRUIT—Apples, choice, $2, common, $1; bananas, $1@2.50; Mexican limes, $5.50@6; California lemons, choice, $4.00; common, $1.75; oranges, navel, $1@3; pineapples, $3@5.

VEGETABLES — Cucumbers, $1.25@1.75; garlic, 3@4c; green peas, 5@12½c; string beans, nominal; asparagus, $3@9; tomatoes, 75c@$1.50.

EGGS—Store, 18½@20c; fancy ranch, 22c.

POTATOES—Early Rose, $1.60@1.75; sweets, $4@4.50; Oregon Burbanks, $1.45@1.90; Oregon seed Burbanks, $1@1.40; Eastern, $1.50@1.65; Garnet Chile, $1.45@1.60.

ONIONS—Yellow, 50c@$1.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 33½c; creamery seconds, 30c; fancy dairy, 32½c; dairy seconds, 27½c; pickled, 24@26c.

WOOL—Fall, Humboldt and Mendocino, 13@14c; lambs, 8@11c; Nevada, 16@17c.

HOPS—California, 9@12½c.

CHEESE—Young America, 14½@16½c; Eastern, 17½c; Western, 15c.

HAY—Wheat, $19@23.50; wheat and oats, $10@19.50; alfalfa, $8@11; stock, $7.50@10; straw, 40@75c.

MILLSTUFFS — Bran, $21.50@22.50; middlings, $27@30.

FLOUR—California, family extras, $4.75@5.30; bakers' extras, $4.50@4.75; Oregon and Washington, $3.50@4.

POULTRY—Turkeys, gobblers, nominal; turkeys hens, nominal; roosters, old, $4.50@5; young, $7.50@9; broilers, small, $4.50@5.50; broilers, large, $5.50@6.50; fryers, $6.50@7.50; hens, $5.50@10; ducks, old, $5@6; ducks, young, $6@8.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 1090 quarter sacks; wheat, 4120 centals; barley, 4827 centals; oats, 120 centals; beans, 455 sacks; corn, 72 centals; potatoes, 2270 sacks; bran, 1000 sacks; middlings, 245 sacks; hay, 322 tons; wool, 176 bales; hides, 613.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 14.—The market for evaporated apples is easier, owing to the lower offerings of prime. Fancy are quoted at 8¾@9c, choice at 8@8½c and prime at 6¾c.

Prunes are somewhat unsettled by freer offerings from second hands, who seem to be desirous of moving supplies of intermediate grades. Quotations range from 3 to 13c for California fruit and from 5½c to 10c for Oregon fruit.

Apricots are firm and offerings for prompt shipment are being withdrawn. Choice are quoted at 18c, extra choice at 18½@19c and fancy at 19@20c.

Peaches are unchanged and raisins are firm.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, March 14.—On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was steady. Creameries, 22@29c; dairies, 20@27c. Eggs, firm; at mark cases included, 15½c; firsts, 19c; prime firsts, 16½c. Cheese, steady, 14½@15¼c.

PANIC IN STOCKS

Violent and Sudden Liquidation in New York Market.

SEVERE LOSSES UNIVERSAL

Wall Street Frightened by the Attitude of the Public Toward Corporations—Last Hope of Help From Roosevelt Is Gone.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Liquidation was of a violent character today, such as has not been witnessed on the Stock Exchange since May 9, 1901, when the development of a corner in Northern Pacific precipitated one of the severest short panics ever seen in the New York market. The extreme violence of the declines on that occasion was due largely to the fact that it broke in abruptly upon the period of boom and rising prices. Today's demonstration was radically different in that it succeeded a long period of liquidation and severe declines in prices. Not only had much been accomplished toward the necessary liquidation before the present break, but the action of the market had begun to reflect a return of confidence early this week and a general conviction had grown up that the worst was over.

The sudden and acute outbreak of renewed weakness today owed most of its violence to the feeling of despondency in speculative circles regarding the effects of the public agitation against corporations and the nearly universal trend of legislative measures against them. The extreme sensitiveness of sentiment upon the subject is founded on suppositions of what the great authorities in the railroad and financial world think upon the subject. Recent events have created the impression that those authorities are in a condition of keen anxiety and even of fright about the prospect they have to face in this matter.

Some of the steps taken with the intention of allaying apprehension upon the subject seem to have been principally instrumental in aggravating it. This was notably true of the visit to Washington early in the week of J. P. Morgan with the avowed purpose of acting as mediator between the President and the railroads in an effort to induce the President to take some steps to allay public apprehension regarding the conduct of railroad companies. There was a momentary sense of relief manifest in the stock market in the early part of the week without any clear idea being entertained of the steps to be taken, or the purpose that would be served by them. A vague supposition was entertained that some stirring measures were to be taken at Washington which would put a new face upon the matter.

The panic broke out on the stock market today in connection with dispatches from Washington to brokerage houses that no change of policy of administration was to be expected in Washington. This appealed strongly to the speculative imagination and fears as sweeping away the last bulwark of protection for the railroad companies from the onset of the indignant public disapproval and even threatened confiscation. Speculative operators saw this view of the situation confirmed in the mysterious and overwhelming outpouring of stocks which they attributed to capitalists who hold controlling interests in the great railroads. The supposition that railroad capitalists held this opinion of their precarious situation has been fostered by their attitude before the public and the complaints and even appeals through public channels which they have been making recently.

There came into the market today also a rumor that differences had arisen between Kuhn, Loeb & Co. and E. H. Harriman, which had prompted a call upon that capitalist to take up his vast holdings of stock with that firm. This rumor was denied, but the fear it engendered had its part in the demoralization of the day. The excited market was accompanied by a rise in the call money rate to 25 per cent, and the time loan market was practically unquotable. This gave rise to fears of overstrained credits in one direction and another, and rumors pointing especially to the market for copper securities. Bankers asserted that the most exhaustive scrutiny of conditions failed to show any threat of embarrassment. This is considered the most remarkable feature of the present situation.

The market had substantially recovered at one time during the morning when the wild liquidation in Union Pacific started the demoralization in the whole list. There were some violent gyrations due to the rush of shorts to secure profits at various times, but the tone of demoralization continued up to the close.

The intended plan of relief by the Treasury Department was not made known until after the market closed, but very specific reports were current of the intended action about 2 o'clock without appreciably affecting the market.

Some of the most conspicuous of the day's extreme declines were: Union Pacific, 25¾; Reading, 22¾; Smelting, 21; Amalgamated Copper, 18; Delaware & Hudson, 10¼; St. Paul, Northern Pacific, Southern Pacific, Great Northern, preferred, Anaconda, Pullman and Brooklyn Rapid Transit, 10 to 13½. Severe losses of less amounts were universal.

Bonds were but slightly affected by the acute weakness of stocks, but were generally lower. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing
Adams Express	.....	.....	.....	260
Amalgam Copper	319,600	95¾	80	81
Am Car & Foundry	8,900	36¾	32½	32¾
do preferred	1,000	99	97½	96
Am Cotton Oil	2,100	29	28	28
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	88
American Express	.....	.....	.....	265
Am Hd & Lt pf	300	22	20	20½
Am Ice Securities	.....	.....	.....	79¾
Am Linseed Oil	200	12½	12½	10
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	55
Am Locomotive	6,100	64½	58½	58
do preferred	200	107½	107½	105
Am Smelt & Refin	69,700	131	116	112
do preferred	1,600	111¾	105	103½
Am Sugar Refin	17,800	119¾	114¾	113¾
Am Tobacco pf	4,100	92½	90	90
Anaconda Min Co	49,800	65¼	53	54½
Atchison	161,100	92¾	82¾	83
do preferred	1,200	95	93	93
Atlantic Coast Line	4,700	106	99	93
Baltimore & Ohio	24,300	101¾	93	96½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	87
Brook Rap Transit	30,900	52½	45¼	46
Canadian Pacific	33,600	173	167	167½
Central Leather	4,300	29¼	26	26
do preferred	500	89½	89	89
Cent of New Jersey	700	182	182	190
Chesapeake & Ohio	3,900	41½	37½	37¾
Chi Grt Western	3,900	14½	13½	13¾
Chi & Northwest	1,400	149¾	141	142
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	49,800	139½	125	130
Chi., Terre & Trans	.....	.....	.....	5
do preferred	100	16	16	13
C., C., C. & St. L.	100	75	75	75
Colo Fuel & Iron	17,700	32¾	29	29¾
Colo & Southern	2,500	28½	26	26
do 1st preferred	300	63	63	63
do 2d preferred	1,400	49	47	45
Consolidated Gas	1,900	120½	115	114
Corn Products	4,900	19¾	18	18
do preferred	2,100	83	78	79
Delaw & Hudson	9,800	185	167½	167½
Del., Lack. & West	700	475	460	460
Den & Rio Grande	2,300	30	28½	28
do preferred	700	72¾	72	72
Distillers' Securit	8,700	72	65	64½
Erie	21,300	29¼	27½	27¾
do 1st preferred	2,200	64¾	62	62¾
do 2d preferred	2,400	47½	40¾	41½
General Electric	2,800	145	136½	135
Great Northern pf	20,600	143	132	136½
Illinois Central	1,300	142	140¼	140
Int. Met	7,400	24¾	22¾	22¾
do preferred	3,700	60¼	58	57
International Paper	2,200	14¼	13¾	13¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	78½
International Pump	200	27¼	27¼	27
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	75
Iowa Central	1,400	18¼	18	16
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	35
Kan City Southern	1,400	21½	18	18
do preferred	2,300	50¼	47	47
Louis & Nashville	11,500	118¾	110¾	111¾
Mexican Central	1,100	23¼	15	19
Minn & St. Louis	.....	.....	.....	53
M., St. P. & S.S.M.	2,700	109	101	102
do preferred	1,400	130	123	126
Missouri Pacific	11,600	71¾	64	64
Mo., Kan. & Texas	37,600	37¼	33	33½
do preferred	2,200	63¾	62½	62
National Lead	8,300	63½	50	50¾
Mex Nat R R pf	100	52	52	51½
N. Y. Central	15,700	121½	111½	112
N. Y. Ont. & West	2,800	39	37¾	35
Norfolk & West	6,300	78½	71	71½
do preferred	200	80	80	83
North American	200	71	69¼	68
Northern Pacific	66,800	129	115	119¾
Pacific Mail	1,200	27	24¼	24½
Pennsylvania	142,300	123½	114	115¼
People's Gas	6,600	89¼	85	85
Pitts., C., C. & S. L.	1,000	70	68	68
Pressed Steel Car	7,700	37	31	31½
do preferred	300	88	85	85
Pullman Pal Car	1,000	160	150	150
Reading	461,600	115¾	91	93
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	85
do 2d preferred	600	85	85	86
Republic Steel	6,700	25¼	23	23
do preferred	4,100	88	79½	79½
Rock Island Co	16,700	22¼	20¼	20¼
do preferred	2,900	48¾	45¼	45
Schloss-Sheffield	3,700	52	42	40
St. L. & S. F. 2 pf	1,200	36	35	33
St. L. Southwest	300	20½	19	20½
do preferred	1,100	51	49½	50½
Southern Pacific	123,200	82¾	69¾	76½
do preferred	200	114¾	113	113¼
Southern Railway	16,200	22¼	20¾	20¾
do preferred	1,200	73½	72½	72½
Tenn Coal & Iron	1,200	138	135	135
Texas & Pacific	2,300	28½	25	25
Tol., St. L. & West	200	26¼	26	26
do preferred	500	46¾	46½	44
Union Pacific	483,900	146¾	120¼	124½
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	86
U. S. Express	200	100	100	105
U. S. Realty	1,200	81½	80	79¾
U. S. Rubber	3,900	46¾	43½	44
do preferred	100	102	102	100½
U. S. Steel	386,200	37¼	33	33¾
do preferred	79,200	99¾	95½	95¾
Virg.-Caro. Chem	1,900	29	28½	28
do preferred	1,000	106	105	104
Wabash	2,200	13¾	12½	12½
do preferred	2,400	26¾	25	24¾
Wells Fargo Exp	.....	.....	.....	366
Westinghouse Elect	1,600	150	140½	145
Western Union	300	81½	81	80
Wheel & Lake Erie	100	10½	10½	10½
Wisconsin Central	1,200	17	16	15½
do preferred	400	36¾	36	35½

Total sales for the day, 2,719,000 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	105	D. & R. G. 4s	94
do coupon	105½	N. Y. C. G. 3½s	94¾
U. S. 3s reg.	103½	Northern Pac. 3s	70¾
do coupon	103½	Northern Pac 4s	100½
U. S. new 4s reg.	129½	Southern Pac. 4s	96½
do coupon	129½	Union Pac. 4s	100½
U. S. old 4s reg.	100¾	Wis. Cen 4s	88¾
do coupon	101¾	Jap. 6s 2d ser.	99
Atchison Adj 4s	92	Jap. 4½s ctfs	88

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Money on call, strong, 6@25 per cent; ruling rate, 12 per cent; closing rate, 6 per cent; offered at 6 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 6@6¾ per cent.

Sterling exchange, weak, with actual business in bankers' bill at $4.8585@4.8590 for demand, and at $4.7960 for 60-day bills; posted rates, $4.80@4.80½ and $4.85; commercial bills, $4.79¼.

Bar silver, 67¼c.

Mexican dollars, 52¼c.

Government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, weak.

LONDON, March 14.—Bar silver, quiet, 31 7-16d per ounce.

Money, 4½@4¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 5@5¼ per cent; the rate of discount in the open market for three months bills is 5@5¼ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—Silver bars, 67¾c.

Mexican dollars, 52½c.

Drafts, sight, 12½c; telegraph, 20c.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.80; sterling on London, sight, $4.84½.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Today's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund shows:

Available cash balance	$257,320,520
Gold coin and bullion	118,788,948
Gold certificates	51,314,140

PORTLAND STOCK EXCHANGE.

Two More Blocks of Lee Company Sell at An Advance.

J. C. Lee Company sold on the stock exchange yesterday at 60, against 55 the day previous. Lee's Creek Gold moved at 2½ and 3, buyer 30. Poticle held its former gain and Denny Dulin and Washougal were steady. Associated Oil advanced another dollar.

Official quotations were as follows:

Bank Stocks—	Bid.	Asked.
Bank of California	363½	...
Banks' & Lumbermen's	102¾	...
Merchants' National	185	...
Oregon Trust & Savings	120	130
Portland Trust Company	...	120
United States National	200	...
LISTED SECURITIES.		
Bonds—		
American Biscuit Co. 6s	98	100
City & Suburban 4s	...	92
Columbia Southern Irr'n 6s	...	55
Home Telephone 5s	...	90
J. C. Lee Company 6s	90	100
O. R. & N. Ry. 4s	99	100¾
O. W. P. & Ry. Co. 5s	100	103½
Pacific Coast Biscuit 6s	96	100
Portland Railway 5s	...	99
Miscellaneous Stocks—		
Associated Oil	43½	44½
Home Telephone	30	...
J. C. Lee Company	...	59
Pacific States Telephone	...	109
Puget Sound Telephone	...	50
Mining Stocks—		
Denny Dulin	09½	10
Lakeview	...	25
Lee's Creek Gold	02½	03
North Fairview	...	05
Manhattan Crown Point	18	20
Poticle Mining	13	13½
Washougal Extension	25½	26
UNLISTED STOCKS.		
Yaquina Bay Telephone	5	5¾
Alaska Petroleum	15	20
Blue Stone	...	15
British Columbia Amal	05	10
Cascadia Tunnel	20	24
Goldfield Trotter	16	22
Mammoth	09	18
Morning	04½	07
Mount Pitt	05	...
Great Northern	01¾	...
Standard Consolidated	...	12
Tacoma Steel	12½	16
Coeur d'Alene District—		
Bullion	07	08¼
Copper King	17	18
O. K. Consolidated	03½	...
Happy Day	05½	06¾
Park Copper	06	06¾
Snowshoe	45	52
Snowstorm	3.00	3.10
SALES.		
10 Associated Oil		44
3 J. C. Lee Company		58½
5 J. C. Lee Company		60
5,500 Denny Dulin		10
18,000 Lee's Creek Gold		2½
20,000 Lee's Creek (B. 30)		03
1,000 Poticle		13
5,000 Poticle		13¼
4,000 Washougal		25½
10,000 British Columbia (B. 30)		14
5,000 Almeda (B. 30)		46

STRUGGLE FOR BLACK BUTTE.

Lone Star Also in Demand at Better Prices.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—(Special.)—The Goldfields opened below last night's bidding, with 56 cents bid for Sandstorm and no stock for sale. Blue Bull brought out some good sized transfers below the last price of yesterday, and Silver Pick dropped down two points to $1.22½. Black Butte Extension orders were sufficient to cause some excitement and struggle on the floor, the last price being 12 cents, a point or two better than the previous price. Lone Star also sold better and nearly 10,000 shares changed hands at an increased figure. Great Bend was not on the low side, selling at the asked price of last night, which was the closing figure bid this morning. Red Top Extension was diminished in business, price and interest, only about 7000 shares changing hands at a sag in value of a point or two. Daisy sold a few points stronger. Goldfield Consolidated sold up from an opening of $8.12½ to a close of $8.25. There were rumors of a dividend to be paid. Triangle sold at 40 cents and 48 cents, a little better than the last price made. Among the sales were:

Montana, $3.50; Tonopah Extension, $3.25; McNamara, 48c; Midway, $1.80; Jim Butler, 95c; Red Top, $4.00; Blue Bull, 40c; Adams, 18c; Ist. Ives, $1.65; Oro, 46c; Atlanta, 86c; Great Bend, 94c; Daisy, $2.05; Kewanas, $1.40; Lou Dillon, 18c; Goldfield Consolidated, $8.25; Triangle, 48c; Gold Bar, $1.07; Nugget, 9c;