UP HALF A DOLLAR

Uxexpected Advance in All Grades of Sugar.

MARKET FIRM AT THE RISE

Trust Buys a San Francisco Refinery —Small Receipts of Green Produce—Quotations Ruling in Local Markets.

The grocery trade was surprised yesterday by telegraphic advices from the East announcing an advance of ½c in sugar. The New York market two days ago scored an advance of 5 points, but it was not expected that the move would have any effect on Coast prices. The cause of yesterday's rise remains a mystery, some of the trade believing it to be due to proposed Congressional action, others attributing it to manipulation in the East. All indications, according to a local jobber, point to a further advance in sugar. Since the first week in January, prices have declined 75c a 100. Yesterday a reaction came in the shape of a 50c advance, and he looks for the market to go fully 75c higher yet.

It is reported that the sugar trust has bought a controlling interest in the Alameda refinery at San Francisco. This refinery has long been a disturbing element to sugar people, and the trust has for some time been making efforts to secure control of it.

A late circular of a New York sugar importing house says:

After the holidays, at the beginning of the week, our raw sugar market opened quietly, but the advancing tendency in Europe and the higher prices asked at producing points led sellers here to hope for a further improvement, and for a time there were no offerings at less than from 1-32c to 1-16c above last week's prices. Buyers, however, refused to respond, and for some sugars close at hand, which had to be marketed, former prices were accepted, and quotations are consequently unchanged for the week. Refiners have been rendered more independent for the time being by having direct receipts in excess of their wants, and have even been obliged to put some cargoes into store. At the close the market is steady, with buyers at last prices, but with few sellers. Beets have continued on the upward trend. There is considerable speculation in Europe in new-crop beets, an indication that there is less expectation of an increase in the sowings. The sowings will be carefully watched, as the future of the market depends to a great extent on the increase, if any, being kept within moderate limits.

Conditions in Cuba.

Advices received both by mail and cable from the Havana office of R. G. Dun & Co. report the situation in Cuba down to the present time. During the past few weeks the price of raw sugar has fallen from 2.12c to 1.81c per pound. These are the two important factors which have produced a pessimistic feeling in business circles, with a consequent decline in sales and collections. The sugar crop now being harvested is estimated by the recognized crop authorities, Guma & Mejer, at 940,000 tons, as against 851,000 last year. Receipts of sugar at the ports for January, 1903, amounted to 132,810 tons, as compared with 149,793 in January, 1902. Stock on hand at ports January 31, 1903, was 137,651 tons, and on the same date last year it amounted to 140,178 tons.

Most of the tobacco damaged by excessive rains in October and November was replanted, and the crop promises to be larger than last year, although the portion replanted will necessarily be late. The Vuelta Abajo crop is expected to be far superior in quality to that of last year, which was the poorest known in many years, the quality of the Partido tobacco is inferior to that of last year. Tobacco grown under cover (cheese cloth) is said to have done well, a large percentage of wrappers being secured. Early cuttings in December and January have been considerably damaged by unusually heavy rains and excessive moisture during the past six weeks.

Advance at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—Refined sugar had a sharp advance this afternoon. The refiners notified the wholesale grocers that 50c more per 100 pounds would be charged for all grades made in this city. The change became effective at 1 o'clock, and tomorrow there will be a proportionate scaling up of prices at all the retail grocery stores in town. The advance is due largely to the strength of the raw sugar market and higher prices in the East.

Commercial Notes.

Sacramento shipped its first case of strawberries last Monday.

Commercial estimates indicate a flaxseed crop in the United States in 1902 of about 27,000,000 bushels, a record crop.

Last year from Wenatchee, Wash., 271,642 boxes of fruit were shipped, making about 450 carloads. There will be a heavier acreage this year.

There were 14,435 tons of sulphur mined in Japan during 1901, a large increase over previous years. During the same year 932 tons of sulphuric acid were manufactured.

The Buenos Ayres Standard has announced the appearance in several parts of Buenos Ayres, Santa Fe and Cordoba of a sort of lizard, very prolific, and more destructive than the locust.

The wheat crop of New Zealand is estimated this year at 5,250,000 bushels, against 4,046,000 last year, and 6,537,000 in the year before that. The home consumption is estimated at 3,500,000 bushels per year.

The Kalamazoo celery crop was ended practically February 1, the output being about as large as that of last season. From June 15 to February 1 some 250,000 dozens of bunches were shipped out of Kalamazoo a month.

Advices from Mexico say that the foreign trade of Mexico, imports and exports, for the first four months of the fiscal year, increased some $25,000,000, in comparison with the corresponding four months of the previous year.

The cultivation of onions in Egypt is assuming from year to year large proportions, and there are now but few markets in Southern Europe which the Egyptian product does not control during the earlier part of the season.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

There is nothing doing in the wheat market except occasional purchases of small lots for millers. There is no export demand for wheat.

WHEAT—Walla Walla, 75c; bluestem, 87c; Valley, 78@80.

BARLEY—Feed, $23.50 per ton; brewing, $24; rolled, $24.50.

OATS—No. 1 white, $1.15@1.20; gray, $1.12½@1.15 per cental.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $19 per ton; middlings, $24; shorts, $20; chop, $18.

HAY—Timothy, $11@12; clover, $8@9; grain, $8@10 per ton.

FLOUR—Valley, $3.75 per barrel; hard wheat straights, $3.45@3.75; hard wheat patents, $4.30@4.85; Dakota hard wheat, $4.20@3.35; Graham, $3.45@3.85.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

Receipts of eggs continue in excess of requirements, and a weak and declining market is the result. Poultry and butter are unchanged.

BUTTER — Fancy creamery, 30@32½c per pound; dairy, 20@22½c; store, 15@18c.

POULTRY—Chickens, mixed, 11@11½c per pound; young, 11½@12c; hens, 11c; turkeys, live, 15@16c; dressed, 18@20c; ducks, $7@7.50 per dozen; geese, $7@8.50.

CHEESE — Full cream twins, 16½@17½c; Young America, 17½@18½c; factory prices 1@1½c less. Eastern, 13½c per pound.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 15@16c per dozen.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

A straight carlot of cabbage arrived yesterday. There were no other receipts except a small lot of small vegetables in by express. The prospects are that most heavy vegetables will be up in price next week.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, 80@90c per sack; carrots, 80@90c; beets, $1 per sack; parsnips, $1 per sack; cauliflower, $1.75 per crate, cabbage, 1½c per pound; red cabbage, 2c per pound; celery, Los Angeles, $2.75@3.50 per crate; lettuce, head, 35c per dozen; hothouse, $1.50 per box; green onions, per dozen, 12½c; Brussels sprouts, 6c per pound; squash, $2.25 per hundredweight; peas, per pound, 8½c; parsley, per dozen, 25c; radishes, 25c; green artichokes, $1.50 per dozen; asparagus, 30c per pound; rhubarb, 12½c per pound; cucumbers, $2 per dozen; tomatoes, $3.50 per crate.

GREEN FRUIT—Apples, table, $1@1.75 per box; cooking, 50@85c; cranberries, Jersey, $11.

TROPICAL FRUIT—Lemons, $2.75@3.50 per box; oranges, navels, $2@2.75 per box; seedlings, $1.50@2; tangerines, $2; grape fruit, $2.50 per box; bananas, $2.25@2.75 per bunch; pineapples, $5.50 per dozen.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, evaporated, 7½c per pound; sun-dried, sacks or boxes, 5@6c; apricots, 8@10c; peaches, 7½@9c; pears, 7½@8½c; prunes, Italian, 4½@6c; figs, California blacks, 6c; do white, 7½c; Smyrna, 20c; plums, pitted, 4½@5½c.

RAISINS—Loose Muscatel, 4-crown, 7½c; 3-crown, 7½c; 2-crown, 6½c; unbleached sweetened Muscatel raisins, 7½c; unbleached seedless Sultans, 6½c; London layers, 3-crown, whole boxes of 20 pounds, $1.85; 2-crown, $1.75.

POTATOES—Best Burbanks, 60@75c per sack; ordinary, 40@50c, growers' prices; Merced sweets, $2.25@2.50.

ONIONS—Oregon and Washington, 75c@$1 per cental; shippers' price in carload lots, 50c per cental.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1902 crop, 23@25c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 15@15½ per pound; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, 12c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 10c; dry salted hides and stags, one-third less than dry flint; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, 8@9c; 50 to 60 pounds, 7@8c; under 50 pounds and cows, 7c; stags and bulls, sound, 5@5½c; kip, sound, 15 to 30 pounds, 7c; veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 7c; calf, sound, under 10 pounds, 8c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; culls, 1c per pound less; horse hides, salted, each, $1.50@2; dry, each, $1@1.50; colts' hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, common, each, 10@15c; Angora, with wool on, each, 25c@$1.

TALLOW—Prime, per pound, 4@5c; No. 2 and grease, 2½@3c.

WOOL—Valley, 12½@15c; Eastern Oregon, 8@14½c; mohair, 25@28c.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

HONEY—15c per No. 1 frame.

COFFEE—Mocha, 23@28c; Java, fancy, 26@32c; Java, good, 20@24c; Java, ordinary, 18@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; Costa Rica, good 16@18c; Costa Rica, ordinary, 10@12c per pound; Columbia roast, $11.75; Arbuckle's, $12.25 list; Lion, $11.75.

SALMON — Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.65 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.40; fancy 1-pound flats, $1.80; ½-pound flats, $1.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 75c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.20; sockeye, 1-pound talls, $1.45; 1-pound flats, $1.60.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, $5.62½; No. 2, $5.12½; Carolina head, $7.25; broken head, $4.

SUGAR—Sack basis, net cash, per 100 pounds; cube, $5.35; powdered, $5.20; dry granulated, $5; extra C, $4.90; golden C, $4.40. Advances over sack basis as follows: Barrels, 10c; half-barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c per 100 pounds. Maple, 15@16c per pound. Beet sugar, granulated, $4.90 per 100 pounds.

BEANS—Small white, 4½c; large white, 4c; pinks, 3½c; bayou, 3½c; Lima, 5½c per pound.

NUTS—Peanuts, 6½c per pound for raw, 8@8½c for roasted; cocoanuts, 85@90c per dozen; walnuts, 13½@14½c per pound; pine nuts, 10@12½c; hickory nuts, 7c; Brazil nuts, 10c; filberts, 15@16c; fancy pecans, 17c; almonds, 14@15c; chestnuts, 16c.

SALT—Liverpool, 50s, 45c per sack; half ground, per ton, 50s, $14.50; 100s, $14; Worcester salt, bulk, 320s, $5 per barrel; linen sacks, 50s, 85c per sack; bales, 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s and 10s, $2.10 per bale.

OILS—Coal oil, cases, 23c per gallon; iron barrels, 16½c; wood barrels, 19c; linseed, boiled, cases, 59c; barrels, 54c; linseed, raw, cases, 57c; barrels, 52c; gasoline, iron barrels, 19½c; cases, 26c; turpentine, cases, 78c; wood barrels, 74c; iron barrels, 72c; lots of 10 cases or more, 77c. Collier and Atlantic white and red lead, in lots of 500 pounds or more, 6c; less than 500 pounds, 6½c.

Meats and Provisions.

BEEF—Gross, cows, $3@3.75; steers, $4@4.75; dressed, 6½@7½c per pound.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 12½c; tubs, 13c; 50s, 12c; 20s, 13½c; 10s, 13½c; 5s, 13½c. Standard pure: Tierces, 12c; tubs, 12½c; 50s, 12½c; 20s, 12½c; 10s, 12½c; 5s, 12½c. Compound lard, tierces, 8½c; tubs, 9c.

VEAL—8½@9½c per pound.

MUTTON—Gross, $4.50@5; dressed, 6@8c.

HOGS—Gross, $6.50@6.75; dressed, 7@7½c.

BACON—Portland, 15@17½c per pound; Eastern, fancy, 17½c; standard, heavy, 15½c; bacon bellies, 15½c.

HAMS—Portland, 14@14½c per pound; picnic, 10½c per pound; Eastern, fancy, 14@14½c.

SAUSAGE—Portland, ham, 12½c per pound; minced ham, 10½c; Summer, choice dry, 17½c, bologna, long, 8c; weinerwurst, 9c; liver, 7c; pork, 9c; blood, 7c; head cheese, 7c; bologna sausage link, 7½c.

PICKLED GOODS — Portland, pigs' feet, ½-barrels, $4.50; ¼-barrels, $2.50; 15-pound kit, $1. Tripe, ½-barrels, $5.50; ¼-barrels, $2.75; 15-pound kit, $1; pigs' tongues, ½-barrel, $8.

DRY-SALTED MEATS—Portland clears, 12½@13½c; backs, 11½@12½c; exports, 20@25 pounds average, 12½@13½c; butts, 9@10c.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

Prices Current at Chicago, Omaha and Kansas City.

CHICAGO, March 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 2000, including 100 Texans. Market slow and steady. Good to prime steers, $5.15@5.75; poor to medium, $3@3.90; stockers and feeders, $2.75@5; cows, $1.50@4.60; heifers, $2.25@4.75; canners, $1.50@2.60; bulls, $2@4.25; calves, $3.50@6.65; Texas fed steers, $3.75@4.65.

Hogs—Receipts today, 20,000; tomorrow, 15,000; left over, 3000. Market 10c lower, closing active. Mixed and butchers, $7@7.35; good to choice heavy, $7.35@7.50; rough heavy, $7.10@7.30; light, $6.65@7; bulk of sales, $7@7.30.

Sheep—Receipts, 5000. Market for sheep and lambs steady. Good to choice wethers, $5@5.65; fair to choice mixed, $4@4.75; Western sheep, $4.75@5.75; native lambs, $4.50@7; Western lambs, $4.75@7.

KANSAS CITY, March 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 2000. Market steady. Native steers, $3.25@5.40; stockers and feeders, $3.25@5; bulls, $2.90@4; calves, $3@7. Western steers, $2@5; Western cows, $1.80@3.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 2000. Market weak to 10c lower; bulk of sales, $7.10@7.25. Heavy, $7.15@7.30; packers, $7@7.27½; light, $6.70@7.10; pigs, $6.15@6.65.

Sheep—Receipts, 1000. Market steady. Muttons, $3.50@6; lambs, $3.90@6.50.

OMAHA, March 6.—Cattle—Receipts, 20,000. Market steady. Native steers, $3.75@5.25; cows and heifers, $3@4; canners, $1.75@2.85; stockers and feeders, $3.75@4.65; calves, $3.50@6.25; bulls, stags, etc., $2.75@4.

Hogs—Receipts, 6000. Market 10c lower. Heavy, $7.05@7.15; mixed, $7@7.05; light, $6.80@7.05; pigs, $6@6.75; bulk of sales, $6.95@7.05.

Sheep—Receipts, 5000. Market steady. Fed yearlings, $5.25@6.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Closing at £136 10s for spot and £137 5s or 10s higher in London, tin also was firm and a shade higher locally, where spot was quoted at 30.25@30.75c.

Copper was firm and 15s higher in London, with spot quoted at £60 15s and futures at £61. New York prices also advanced, and local sentiment seems to favor further gains. Standard is quoted at 13c; Lake and electrolytic at 13.62½@14c; casting at 13.40@13.75c.

While advancing 5s in London to £13 1s 3d, lead here was quiet and unchanged at 4½c.

Spelter also was quiet and unchanged in New York at 5.10c and lead was higher in New York, closing there at an advance of 2s 6d to £21 17s 6d.

At Glasgow the iron market closed at 56s 3d and Middlesboro at 50s 7½d. Locally, iron is quiet and unchanged. No. 1 foundry Northern is quoted at $24@24.50; No. 1 foundry Southern is quoted at $23.50@24.50; No. 1 foundry Southern soft at $23.50@24.50 and No. 2 foundry Northern at $22@22.50. Warrants are nominal.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The cotton market opened steady at an advance of 1 point to an advance of 3 points, the improved tone being due to continued support by the clique, further covering of shorts and a somewhat better Liverpool cable than was received at the close of New York yesterday. Almost immediately after the call there was liquidation and short selling, and prices were rapidly forced down, May selling as low as 9.65c, or 22 points below the best of the morning, 52 points below the best price of the week, and 17 points below last night's finals. The other options at this time showed declines of from 10 to 24 points as compared with the best of the morning. The market closed weak, net 9@26 points lower. Futures—March, 9.61c; April and May, 9.60c; June, 9.41c; July, 9.40c; August, 9.12c; September, 8.76c; October, 8.69c; November, 8.40c; December, 8.38c. Spot—Middling uplands, 10c; do Gulf, 10.25c; sales, 2200 bales.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 6.—Wool—Dull and unchanged; territory and Western medium, 16@18c; fine, 13@16c; coarse, 13@15c.

PRESSURE SPENDS ITSELF

TEMPORARY END TO LIQUIDATION ON STOCK MARKET.

Southern Pacific Pool Objects to Policy of Union Pacific Control in Deferring Dividends.

NEW YORK, March 6.—The stock market continued very much unsettled today, and traversed its range of prices several times, but the final result showed that the urgent pressure of liquidation had spent itself, and that the bear party felt themselves at the limit of safety on the short side. Probably the demand from this element to cover their short contracts was the principal factor in the late strong rally in prices. There was, however, some indication of investment demand on the declines.

Support was evident at the opening, and had an important effect in relieving the anxiety caused by yesterday's many rumors of financial embarrassment, which were considerably cleared this morning, with a reassuring effect upon the sentiment. The money situation, however, showed no sensible relaxation, the call loan rate running up to 6 per cent early in the day. This was the occasion of the first break in stocks. After a period of dullness at about the level of last night's prices, a drive was made at the market, which carried many prominent stocks a point or more below last night. The leaders had been as much above on the opening rise. The market seemed to have been sold to a standstill on this drive, and made an irregular recovery until near the close, when the leaders rose again from 1 to 2 points over last night. There were slight recessions before the close, which was irregular.

Much attention was paid in speculative circles to the gossip concerning a legal contest on Union Pacific's right to vote its holdings of Southern Pacific stock at the latter company's annual meeting. The existence of a long-standing pool in Southern Pacific is commonly accepted in Wall street. Its operations and commitments being based upon the assumption of an early refunding plan for Southern Pacific, accompanied by the inauguration of dividends on the stock. The policy of the Union Pacific control in deferring dividends on Southern Pacific and making heavy outlays out of earnings has come in for bitter criticism from the pool interests. These are apparently identified with the movement to contest Union Pacific's control. It is the general supposition also that the manager of the pool has assumed the leadership of an aggressive bear movement in the general market during the week. The vigorous rally at the close today was accompanied by rumors that a truce had been patched up between the contending interests in this dispute. The quieter cotton market had an influence in the recovery in stocks.

The estimates of the bank statement, based on the known movements of currency, also seemed to have a calming effect. The Subtreasury yesterday took more than $1,000,000 from the market again, bringing its absorption for the week up to $6,123,000. This probably about measures the loss of the banks on all accounts, as the interior movement was almost evenly balanced. But last week's bank statement undestated the cash decrease by nearly $4,000,000, so that the average this week may have to make up the discrepancy. The large liquidation in the stock market points to extensive loan contraction, and it is known that large credits have been secured abroad during the week, but the local loan operations have been to some extent a mere shifting from one borrower to another. The late recovery in stocks, however, pointed to some recovery of confidence in the money situation. German banking houses in the city were large lenders today, and sterling exchange was weak under good offerings of loan bills.

Wheat exports for the week increased 834,000 bushels, and corn exports increased 1,448,000 bushels. Dry goods imports fell $1,204,613 below those of last week. United States Steel bonds sold as low as 87¾, or within a fraction of parity of the preferred stock. Inactive stocks continued to show wide declines before a market was found.

Bonds moved with stocks. Total sales, par value, $2,710,000. United States 2s advanced ¼ per cent on the last call.

Closing Stock Quotations.

STOCKS.	Sales.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing bid.
Atchison	29,200	83¾	81⅞	82⅝
do pfd	4,400	98½	96	96
Baltimore & Ohio	15,700	94¼	92½	94½
do pfd				93
Canadian Pacific	11,700	130¾	128¾	130
Canada Southern				76
Chesapeake & Ohio	5,000	47	46½	46½
Chicago & Alton	2,700	33	31½	32
do pfd	500	70½	69¾	69½
Chicago Great Western	4,400	24¼	23½	24½
do A pfd				86¼
do B pfd	400	41	40¾	41
Chicago & N. W.	1,200	188	184½	186¾
Chicago Term. & Tran.	1,000	17	17	17
do pfd	600	31	30	31¼
C., C., C. & St. Louis	500	92½	91	92½
Colorado Southern	7,400	27¾	27	27¼
do 1st pfd	200	69	68¾	69
do 2d pfd	1,000	39½	38½	39¾
Delaware & Hudson	2,800	179	170	171½
Del., Lack. & Western				255
Denver & Rio Grande	100	38	38	38
do pfd	400	87	86½	87¼
Erie	83,200	35⅞	34¾	35⅝
do 1st pfd	4,000	67⅞	66¼	67
do 2d pfd	3,500	54¼	53	54⅝
Great Northern pfd				192
Hocking Valley	1,000	104	103	104
do pfd	700	98	97	98
Illinois Central	2,300	149¾	139	149¾
Iowa Central	1,000	39¾	38	39½
do pfd	100	67	66	66
Lake Erie & Western	300	45	44	45
do pfd				113
Louisville & Nashville	4,500	120¾	119½	120
Manhattan Elevated	34,000	144	142⅝	143½
Metropolitan Street Ry.	3,300	136¾	134½	136¼
Mexican Central	3,000	27½	26½	27
Mexican National	900	18	17½	17½
Minn. & St. Louis	100	103	103	103
Missouri Pacific	55,200	109¾	107⅝	108¾
M., K. & T.	2,900	26½	25½	26¼
do pfd	1,100	58¾	57¾	59
New Jersey Central	200	176½	177	177
New York Central	10,400	144	142	143½
Norfolk & Western	5,300	72⅝	71½	72¼
do pfd				89
Ontario & Western	6,200	31⅞	30⅝	31¼
Pennsylvania	26,000	146	144½	145⅝
Reading	34,100	59⅝	57½	59¼
do 1st pfd				84
do 2d pfd	500	74	71	72
St. Louis & San Fran.	600	82	80½	81½
do 1st pfd	200	82	81	80
do 2d pfd	700	72	70⅞	71⅝
St. Louis S. W.	700	25	25	25¼
do pfd	200	59	58¾	58¾
St. Paul	41,600	171½	169¾	171⅛
do pfd	300	190	189	189
Southern Pacific	47,600	69⅝	68¼	69⅝
Southern Railway	1,200	32½	32	32⅝
do pfd	1,500	93½	93	94
Texas & Pacific	3,300	39	38¼	38½
Toledo, St. L. & West.	1,300	27¼	25⅞	27
do pfd	1,100	42	41	42
Union Pacific	64,700	93⅞	92⅞	93⅝
do pfd	100	90½	90½	92
Wabash	2,900	29	28¼	29
do pfd	14,800	50¼	48⅝	49¼
Wheeling & Lake Erie	400	24	23½	24
do 2d pfd	400	34	33⅝	33⅝
Wisconsin Central	1,600	25⅝	24⅝	25½
do pfd	800	50¼	49½	50
Express Companies—				
Adams				215
American	200	220	220	220
United States	100	135¼	135¼	136
Wells-Fargo				220
Miscellaneous—				
Amalgamated Copper	71,200	72⅞	71	72⅝
Amer. Car & Foundry	2,700	39½	38⅝	39¼
do pfd	300	91⅝	91	91
American Linseed Oil	100	16	16	16
do pfd				40½
Amer. Smelt. & Refin.	2,500	49⅝	48¼	49
do pfd	200	95⅝	95	95
Anaconda Mining Co.	800	119⅝	116	118
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	11,000	68⅝	65¼	68¼
Colorado Fuel & Iron	2,400	68½	66⅝	67
Consolidated Gas	2,500	216¾	209	210¼
Cont. Tobacco pfd	600	115½	115	114
General Electric	2,200	193½	190	193
Hocking Coal	100	20	20	20¼
International Paper	300	17½	17	16¾
do pfd	200	73¼	73¼	73½
International Power				79
Laclede Gas	200	95	95	95
National Biscuit	200	46½	46½	46½
National Lead	1,000	25⅝	24½	25½
North American	400	108⅝	107⅝	108½
Pacific Coast				65
Pacific Mail				30½
People's Gas	2,000	101⅝	100⅝	101½
Pressed Steel Car	200	60¼	60¼	60¼
do pfd	100	93	93	93
Pullman Palace Car				222
Republic Steel	4,400	20⅝	19½	20⅝
do pfd	500	78⅝	78⅝	79
Sugar	25,000	129	126⅝	127½
Tennessee Coal & Iron	4,600	63⅝	62	63½
Union Bag & Paper Co.	100	12⅝	12⅝	12½
do pfd	100	77	77	78
United States Leather	2,100	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝
do pfd	500	92⅝	91½	92
United States Rubber	1,200	16½	15⅝	16
do pfd				52½
United States Steel	27,105	37½	36⅝	37¼
do pfd	18,400	87⅝	86½	87
Western Union	1,200	89	88¼	88¾
American Locomotive	2,100	28½	27⅝	28¼
do pfd	700	94	93½	94
Kansas City Southern	2,100	30⅝	30	30⅝
do pfd	1,800	56½	56	56½
Rock Island	20,100	44⅝	43⅝	44⅝
do pfd	3,800	77½	76⅝	77⅝

Total sales for the day, 793,600 shares.

BONDS.

U. S. 2s, reg.	107¼	Atchison adj. 4s	95⅝
do coupon	107¾	C. & N.W. con. 7s	132⅝
do 3s, reg.	107	D. & R. G. 4s	95
do coupon	107¼	Northern Pac. 3s	73¼
do new 4s, reg.	134½	do 4s	103
do coupon	135½	Southern Pac. 4s	90
do old 4s, reg.	108¾	Union Pacific 4s	102¼
do coupon	109¼	West Shore 4s	111
do 5s, reg.	102¾	Wis. Central 4s	92
do coupon	102¾		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 6.—Closing quotations:

Anaconda	6⅛	Norfolk & West.	73⅝
Atchison	85	do pfd	92½
do pfd	101	Ontario & Western	31½
Balt. & Ohio	95⅝	Pennsylvania	74½
Can. Pacific	133½	Reading	30
Ches. & Ohio	47⅝	do 1st pfd	43
Chi. Gr. Western	25	do 2d pfd	36½
Chi., M. & St. P.	170	Southern Ry	33⅝
Denver & Rio Gr.	38½	do pfd	96⅝
do pfd	90	Southern Pacific	61
Erie	36⅝	Union Pacific	95⅞
do 1st pfd	68⅝	do pfd	95⅝
do 2d pfd	56	U. S. Steel	38⅝
Illinois Central	143⅝	do pfd	89
Louis. & Nash.	122⅝	Wabash	20
M., K. & T.	28½	do pfd	51
New York Cent.	147⅝		

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Money on call firm, 5@6 per cent; closed 5 per cent. Time money strong; 60 and 90 days, 5@5½ per cent; six months, 5½@6 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 5@5½ per cent.

Sterling exchange steady at decline, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8680@4.8685 for demand, and at $4.8355@4.8360 for 60 days; posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.87@4.87½; commercial bills, $4.82⅝@4.83¾.

Bar silver, 48⅝c.

Mexican dollars, 38c.

Government bonds firmer; railroad bonds irregular.

LONDON, March 6.—Bar silver firm, 22¾d per ounce.

Money, 3¼@3¾ per cent.

Rate of discount for short bills, 3⅝ per cent; for three months' bills, 3½ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—Silver bars, 48½c per ounce.

Mexican dollars, 38@38¼c.

Drafts—Sight, 12½c; telegraph, 15c.

Sterling on London—Sixty days, $4.84⅝; sight, $4.88.

Bank Clearings.

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$629,283	$ 77,504
Seattle	678,897	148,582
Tacoma	330,698	39,703
Spokane	325,934	37,966

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Today's Treasury statement shows:

Available cash balances	$223,783,523
Gold	156,252,886

HEAVY SELLING MOVEMENT.

Chicago Wheat Market Weak During the Greater Part of the Day.

CHICAGO, March 6.—There was another heavy selling movement in wheat, and with but little support, the market ruled weak the greater part of the day. Opening prices were easier on lower cables and on the announcement of the official Argentine shipments for the week, which were larger than had been expected, being estimated at 2,912,000 bushels, and May was off a fraction to a shade higher, at 75⅝@75¾c. There was little demand at the start, and the market weakened, May declining to 75⅛@75½c. There was a scattered demand at the bottom, which caused a slight reaction, and prices held about steady until near the close, when active covering on the strength in corn brought about an advance, and the close was at the top, May being ⅛@¼c higher, at 76c.

The sentiment in the corn pit was decidedly bullish, and the market recovered much of the loss sustained yesterday. Provision interests and commission houses were the best buyers. The weather was the principal bull factor. May closed strong and ⅜@⅝c higher, at 47⅝c.

The strength in corn caused considerable covering in oats, and the market ruled strong. May closed ⅜@⅝c higher, at 34⅝@35c.

Provisions ruled strong on a good demand by commission houses and for the account of local packers. The close was strong, with May pork 17½c higher, lard up 7½c and ribs 27½c higher.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
WHEAT.				
May	$0 75⅝	$0 76	$0 75⅝	$0 76
July	71⅞	72¼	71⅝	72¼
OATS.				
May	46½	47½	46⅝	47⅝
July	44½	45⅝	44⅝	45
OATS.				
May	34⅝	35	34¼	35
July	31⅝	32	31⅝	32
MESS PORK.				
May	18 17½	18 40	18 12½	18 37½
July	17 65	17 90	17 65	17 90
September	17 30	17 62½	17 30	17 60
LARD.				
May	9 95	10 07½	9 95	10 07½
July	9 85	10 00	9 85	10 00
September	9 75	9 90	9 72½	9 90
SHORT RIBS.				
May	9 75	9 95	9 75	9 95
July	9 52½	9 72½	9 52½	9 72½
September	9 42½	9 60	9 42½	9 60

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Dull and easier.

Wheat—No. 2 Spring, 77@78c; No. 3, 71@79c; No. 2 red, 73½@74c.

Corn—No. 2 and yellow, 45⅝c.

Oats—No. 2, 35½c; No. 3 white, 34@36½c.

Rye—No. 2, 49½c.

Barley—Good feeding, 43@46c; fair to choice malting, 48@54c.

Flaxseed—No. 1, $1.14; No. 1 Northwestern, $1.16.

Mess pork—$18@18.12½ per bbl.

Lard—$9.97½@10 per cwt.

Short ribs sides—Loose, $9.65@9.90.

Dry salted shoulders—Boxed, $8.37½@8.50.

Short clear sides—Boxed, $10@10.25.

Clover—Contract grade, $11.95.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	14,000	15,000
Wheat, bushels	23,000	17,000
Corn, bushels	290,000	235,000
Oats, bushels	190,000	250,000
Rye, bushels	4,000	2,000
Barley, bushels	71,000	13,000

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Flour—Receipts, 17,443 barrels; exports, 1,901 barrels. Market steady but dull.

Wheat—Receipts, 58,900 bushels; sales, 2,300,000 bushels. Market spot steady. No. 2 red, 81½c elevator, 81⅝c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, 88½c f. o. b. afloat. Options held fairly steady all day with corn. Beside an advance in railroad rates east of Buffalo, the local market was helped by small Western receipts and moderate Argentine exports. The close was ⅛@⅜c net higher. March closed 83⅝c; May, 80⅝c; July closed 77¼c.

Hops—Quiet.

Hides—Firm.

Wool—Firm.

Butter—Receipts, 6900 packages. Market firm. State, dairy, 15@24c; creamery, extra, 27c; June creamery, 18@26c.

Eggs—Receipts, 9500 packages. Market firm. State and Pennsylvania, 19c; Western uncandled, fancy, 18½c.

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 6.—Wheat stronger. Barley stronger. Oats quiet.

Spot quotations:

Wheat—Shipping, $1.42½@1.47½; milling, $1.52½@1.57½.

Barley—Feed, $1.15@1.17½; brewing, $1.20.

Oats—Red, $1.20@1.30; white, $1.25@1.42½; black, $1.15@1.22½.

Call board sales:

Wheat—Stronger; May, $1.38¼; December, $1.22⅝; cash, $1.47½.

Barley—Stronger; May, $1.13½;