POTATOES MOVE UP

Fancy Grades Are Steadily Advancing.

SEED VARIETIES ARE WANTED

Onion Market Also Shows Much Improvement—Scarcity of Butter Leads to Higher Prices—Small Interest in Hops.

The course of the potato market does not justify the predictions made by shippers and dealers at the commencement of the season. Instead of declining, prices have moved upward more or less steadily of late. What will be the future of the market is hard to say, but growers feel confident that the present conditions will lead to higher values later on. Buyers are paying 85 cents at Portland for fancy grades and the course of the San Francisco market would seem to justify even better prices, but if they have been offered the fact has been kept quiet. Coos Bay potatoes are selling in the California metropolis for $1.40 and they are said to be well worth the price, for they are of the finest quality this season. Very few strictly fancy potatoes are coming into this market, but receipts of common grades are large and they are hard to move. There is an urgent demand for early seed potatoes and buyers are offering $1.50 to $1.75 per 100, but cannot get adequate supplies. Inquiries made as far East as Montana fail to bring satisfactory results. There was a short crop of early potatoes last year, which accounts for the scarcity. Farmers holding any kind of early seed varieties, especially Early Rose, can get good prices by marketing their product now.

The onion market is also in better shape, so far as best stock is concerned, and a bright, fancy article will bring up to $3.25. There is a great deal of common stock coming in, however, which is hard to place at a range of $1@1.50. Sprouting onions can with difficulty be moved.

WHEAT—The wheat market is stagnant, with no trading reported on Eastern or California account, and export business out of the question. What buying was done in the past week was by millers and was of a hand-to-mouth character. Prices are weak in sympathy with the steady decline in Eastern markets. Conditions in the European trade are reported by the London correspondent of the Northwestern Miller of March 1 as follows:

The continued unfavorable crop reports received by cable from India, backed up as they are by the abstention of shippers from offering wheat at anything like the prices which "blank" sellers will accept, have imparted a good deal of strength to the market, more especially as it is now believed that the Argentine crop has turned out less than was expected, while the Australasian surplus for Europe, it is now tolerably certain, will not reach 50 per cent of that of last year, which was about 40,000,000 quarters. So much, therefore, depends upon India this year that any prospective reduction of the supplies to be expected from thence is bound to have a decisive effect.

Late in December I sent you a summary received by cable, of what is known as the first official memorandum of the condition of the crop and the area sown. When this first report is made up, the full area is not known, and the success of the crop still more or less depends upon the weather. However, that report, while it showed the area sown, so far, to be a trifle less than last year, stated that the condition of the crop was generally good, and even excellent in the most important wheat-growing part of India, viz., the United Provinces and the Northwest. Since the compilation of that report, however, the outlook has been impaired, first of all by the failure of the late rains, and, secondly, by the extraordinary severity of the weather; rivers have been frozen over, which had never been in this state before, and communications have been interrupted by snowstorms. In Bengal, too heavy rains at an inopportune time have done damage. Thus it happens that while last December the outlook indicated a crop little short of last year's abnormally large yield, and thus caused a bearish impression to prevail, the majority of the private reports now received state that the crop may be seriously short of last year's. We must wait, however, until about the middle of next month for a definite report, which will then be furnished by the second official memorandum; the third and final report appears in June.

The first official report of the condition of the French crop on January 15 has appeared this week, and shows the average condition to be only 67.9, against 72.2 last year, and 70.4 in 1903, while the area sown is rather less than last year. For the purposes of these agricultural reports France is divided into ten sections, and from each of these sections reports are supplied by the prefects in ten different districts.

From Russia the reports regarding the Autumn-sown crops are not entirely favorable, there being many sections where damage has been done by the severe frost where the plant was not sufficiently protected by snow. The Spring-sown crop is, of course, the most important, and it will be interesting to know whether the area to be sown will be equal to last year.

Opinions are expressed, with which one is inclined to agree, that the large draft on the agricultural population for the purposes of the war with Japan, and the distress which prevails in many parts of the country may result in a largely reduced area this year. Meanwhile the ice-free ports of Odessa, Nicolaieff, Novorossisk and Theodosia are shipping much more freely than was expected, the consequence being that the shipments to Europe last week exceed three million quarters.

FLOUR, FEED, ETC.—The flour market offers no encouragement whatever this week. The Orientals are disposed to buy for later shipment—April, May and June—but at lower prices and as the millers are not disposed to accept their figures, a deadlock is the result. It was expected that some business might be accomplished by chartering tramp steam tonnage, but it is said by millers that even a $4 rate would not enable the business to be profitably worked. The Central and South Americans, who bought liberally a short time ago, are now out of the market. A small amount of flour is still going East. The local situation is in a strong position, and while it is not announced that an advance is in prospect, it is equally certain that there will not be a decline.

The feed market is strong with a heavy demand for mill products and local stocks not heavy. Oats and barley are reported quiet, and notwithstanding a good export movement, prices are unchanged. There is a large supply of hay at this point and leading dealers quote the market weak.

HOPS—This market is quiet with not much interest shown except by speculators and local dealers. Efforts made by bulls and bears have had no material effect in changing the situation. The market is still quoted as weak. Both sides look for a change soon in the line of their respective interests. New York advices of March 4 said:

No new developments were reported from up the state or the coast. Offerings were limited, there being no pressure from growers to market supplies and there were buyers at unchanged prices. Locally the market presented a tame appearance. Some dealers continued to show a willingness to purchase supplies at prices last paid, but there was no active bidding for supplies. Business with brewers was reported quiet.

The progress made in forming a pool of English growers is thus reported by the Kentish Observer of February 16:

An organization, which has for its object the combination of holders of 1904 hops, for the purpose of regulating the sale of same, and preventing, so far as possible, excessive competition therein, is making good progress towards completion. At the first meeting of growers, held January 23 last, the general principles of the scheme were accepted and a provisional committee was appointed to examine details and to report to a subsequent meeting. At the meeting held in London on Monday last the committee was able to report that between 90 and 100 members holding nearly 20,000 pockets of hops, had signed agreements to pool their holdings. It was ultimately resolved to adjourn the meeting to Monday next, February 20, at the Bridge House Hotel, London Bridge, when the Borough factors will be invited to join the growers in consultation as to the best methods of procedure.

PRODUCE—There is a great scarcity of butter on Front street, and quotations on best grades have been advanced to 32½ cents. Many firms with outside orders were unable to fill them yesterday. The advance in California shut off supplies from that quarter, and though the San Francisco market later declined, it is not likely to have a weakening effect here, as Eastern prices have gone up and the Californians can do better by shipping East than to the Northwest. The strength of the local situation is only regarded as temporary, as grass has become plentiful in the country and receipts from the Valley and Coast creameries are expected to increase rapidly.

Eggs are on the upward march again and sell readily at a cent over the quotations of the first of the week. Receipts, though fairly large, are irregular, indicating that Puget Sound buyers are operating in the Valley. The top figure quoted below was asked yesterday on single case lots.

Poultry is also firmer, as receipts, though of good volume, have been readily absorbed.

Large quantities of California produce have come on the market in the past week and have been disposed of at generally steady prices. A number of early varieties of vegetables have been received.

There is a good local demand for fancy table apples, but the market is overburdened with common stock, which is offering at 50 cents and up, and hard to move at that.

GROCERIES, MEATS, ETC.—All grades of sugar, except beet sugar, declined 10 cents per hundred yesterday. Coffee is weak and less quiet and unchanged. Rice is slow with no alteration in the tone of the market. Canned goods are generally firm and salmon has an upward tendency.

Livestock quotations are maintained at the yards, though there is less strength in cattle and hogs. Dressed meats are firmer, particularly veal and pork.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

WHEAT—Walla Walla, 85c; bluestem, 92c; Valley, 87c per bushel.

FLOUR—Patents, $4.60@4.85 per barrel; straights, $4.30@4.45; clears, $3.85@4; Valley, $4.10@4.25; Dakota hard wheat, $6.50@7.50; Graham, $3.50@4; whole wheat, $4@4.25; rye flour, local, $5; Eastern, $5@5.10; cornmeal, per case, $1.90.

BARLEY—Feed, $23 per ton; rolled, $24@25.

OATS—No. 1 white, $1.35@1.40; gray, $1.40 @1.45 per cental.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $19.50 per ton; middlings, $25; shorts, $22; chop, U. S. Mills, $19; linseed dairy feeds, $18; linseed oilmeal, car lots, $26 per ton; less than car lots, $30 per ton.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pounds sacks, $6.75; lower grade, $5@6.25; oatmeal, steel cut, 50-pound sacks, $3 per barrel; 10-pound packs, $4.25 per bale; cornmeal (ground), 50-pound sacks, $7.50 per barrel; 10-pound sacks, $4 per bale; split peas, $4 per 100-pound sack; 25-pound boxes, $1.15; pearl barley, $4 per 100 pounds; 25-pound boxes, $1.25; per box; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.50 per bale.

HAY—Timothy, $14@16 per ton; clover, $11@12; grain, $11@12; cheat, $11@12.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 17½@18c per dozen.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 32½c per pound; fancy creamery, 30c. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 27½@32½c; store butter, 24@27c. California, 30@31c.

CHEESE—Full cream twins, new, 14@15c; old, 15c; Americas, 14@15½c.

POULTRY—Fancy hens, 14@14½c; old hens, 12½@13c; mixed chickens, 12@12½c; old roosters, 10@11c; broilers, 20c; fryers, 17½@18c; springs, 1½ to 2-pound, 17@18c; broilers, 1 to 1½-pound, 22@25c; dressed chickens, 14½@15c; turkeys, alive, 16@17c; do dressed, poor, 17@18c; do choice, 20@22c; geese, live, per pound, 8@9c; do dressed, per pound, 10@11c; ducks, old, $8.50@9; do young, due to size, $9@10; pigeons, $1@1.25; squabs, $3@2.50.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1 per sack; carrots, $1.25; beets, $1.25; parsnips, $1.50; cabbage, California, 1½c; lettuce, hothouse, 25c per dozen; parsley, 25c dozen; tomatoes, $2.25 per crate; cauliflower, $2 per crate; egg plant, 10@15c per pound; celery, $2.25@3.50 per crate; peas, 10c per pound; peppers, 25c per pound; sprouts, 6c; asparagus, 12½@15c per pound; rhubarb, 8c per pound; cucumbers, $2.25 per dozen; artichokes, 75c per dozen.

ONIONS—Fancy, $3@3.25; No. 2, $1@1.50.

POTATOES—Oregon fancy, 80@85c; common, 75@80c, buyers' price; Merced sweets, 1½ @1½c.

RAISINS—Loose Muscatels, 4-crown, 7¾c; 3-layer Muscatel raisins, 7½c; unbleached seedless Sultanas, 6½c; London layers, 3-crown, whole boxes of 20 pounds, $1.85; 2-crown, $1.75.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, evaporated, 8@9½c; per pound; sundried, sacks or boxes, none; apricots, 10@11c; peaches, 9@10½c; pears, none; prunes, Italians, 4@5c; French, 2½@3½c; figs, California blacks, 3½c; do white, none; Smyrna, 20c; Fard dates, 6c; plums, pitted, 6c.

DOMESTIC FRUITS—Apples, 4-tier Baldwins, $1.25@1.50; Spitzenbergs, $1.75@2; cooking, 40@50c; figs, $5@$2.50 per box; cranberries, $12.50 per barrel.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, fancy, $2.75@ 3.75; choice, $2.75 per box; oranges, standard, $1.40@2; navels, $2@2.25; mandarins, 60@65 per box; tangerines, $1.50@2 per box; pineapple fruit, $2.75@3 per box; bananas, 5@5½c per pound.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

COFFEE—Mocha, 26@28c; Java, ordinary, 19 @20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@ 18c; ordinary, 10@12c per pound; Columbia roast, cases, 100s, $13.88; 50s, $13.88; Arbuckles, $14.88; Lion, $14.88.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, 4½@5½; South ern Japan, $3.90; Carolina, 4½@6c; brokenhead, 2½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.75 per dozen; 2-pounds talls, $2.40; 1-pound flats, $1.85; fancy, 1½-pound flats, $1.50; ½-pound flats, $1.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 85c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $1.85.

SUGAR—Sack basis, 100 pounds: Cube, $6.30; powdered, $6.05; dry granulated, $5.95; extra C, $5.40; golden C, $5.30; fruit sugar, $5.95, advance over sack basis as follows: Barrels, 10c; half-barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c per 100 pounds. (Terms: On remittances within 15 days, cash; 2c per pound, if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ½c per pound; no discount after 30 days.) Beet sugar granulated, $5.35 per 100 pounds; maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

SALT—California, $11 per ton, $1.60 per bale, Liverpool, 50s, $17; 100s, $16.50; 200s, $16; half-ground, 100s, $7; 50s, $7.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, 12½c per pound by sack, 1c extra for less than sack; Brazil nuts, 15c; filberts, 14c; pecans, jumbos, 14c; extra large, 15c; almonds, I. X. L., 16½c; chestnuts, Italians, 15c; Ohio, $4.50 per 20-pound drum; peanuts, raw, 7½c per pound; roasted, 8c; pinenuts, 10@12½c; hickory nuts, 7c; cocoanuts, 50@60c per dozen.

BEANS—Small white, 4c; large white, 3½c; pink, 3½c; bayos, 3½c; Lima, 5½c.

Oils.

GASOLINE—Stove gasoline, cases, 22½c; iron barrels, 17c; 86 deg. gasoline, cases, 22c; iron barrels or drums, 20c.

COAL OIL—Cases, 21½c; iron barrels, 15c; wood barrels, none; 63 deg., cases, 22c; iron barrels, 15½c; Washington State test burning oils, except headlight, ½c per gallon higher.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 56c; cases, 61c. Boiled: Barrels, 58c; cases, 63c; 5c less in 250-gallon lots.

TURPENTINE—Cases, 65c; barrels, 51c.

WHITE LEAD—Ten lots, 7½c; 500-pound lots, 7¾c; less than 500-pound lots, 8c.

Meats and Provisions.

BEEF—Dressed, bulls, 3@3½c; cows, 3½@3½c; country steers, 4@5½c.

MUTTON—Dressed, 5@7½c per pound.

VEAL—Dressed, 100 to 125, 7@8c per pound; 125 to 200, 4@5½c; 200 and up, 3½@4c.

PORK—Dressed, 100 to 150, 7½@8c per pound; 150 and up, 7@7½c.

HAMS—Ten to 14 pounds, 12½c per pound; 14 to 18 pounds, 12½c; 18 to 20 pounds, 12½c; California (picnics), 8½c; cottage ham, 9c; shoulders, 8½c; boiled ham, 20c; boiled picnic ham, boneless, 14c.

BACON—Fancy breakfast, 16c per pound; standard breakfast, 14c; choice, 15c; English breakfast, 11 to 14 pounds, 12c; peach bacon, 11c.

SAUSAGE—Portland ham, 12½c per pound; minced ham, 10c; Summer, choice dry, 17½c; bologna, long, 5½c; weinerwurst, 8c; liver, 5c; pork, 9c; blood, 5c; headcheese, 12½c; bologna sausage, link, 4½c.

DRY SALTED MEATS—Regular short clears, 9½c salt, 10½c smoked; clear backs, 9c salt, 10c smoked; Oregon export, 20 to 25 pounds, average, 10½c; salt, 11½c smoked; clears, 9½c salt, 10½c smoked; clear backs, 8c; Union butts, 10 to 18 pounds, average, 8c salt, 9c smoked.

PICKLED GOODS—Pickled pigs' feet, ¼-barrels, $3; ½-barrels, $2.75; 10-pound kit, $1.25; pickled tripe, ½-barrels, $5; ¼-barrels, $2.75; 10-pound kit, $1.25; pickled pigs' tongues, ½-barrels, $6; ¼-barrels, $3; 10-pound kits, $1.50; pickled lambs' tongues, ½-barrels, $9; ¼-barrels, $5.50; 10-pound kits, $2.75.

LARD—Kettle-rendered: Tierces, 8½c; tubs, 8¾c; 50s, 8¾c; 20s, 9c; 10s, 9½c; 5s, 10½c. Compound: Standard pure: Tierces, 6½c; tubs, 6¾c; 50s, 6¾c; 20s, 7c; 10s, 7½c; 5s, 8½c. Compound: Tierces, 6½c; tubs, 6¾c; 50s, 6¾c; 10s, 7¼c; 5s, 7½c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1904, 26@28c per pound.

WOOL—Valley, 19@20c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@17c; mohair, 25@26c per pound for choice.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 16@17½c per pound; dry kip, No. 1, 8 to 16 pounds, 12c; dry calf, No. 1, under 8 pounds, 16c; dry salted bulls and stags, one-third less than dry flint; salted hides, steers, sound, 7@ 8c; under 50 pounds and cows, 6½@7c; stags and bulls, sound, 4@4½c; kip, sound, 15 to 25 pounds, 7c; under 15 pounds, 6c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; calls, 1c per pound; horse hides, salted, $1.50@2 each; dry, $1@1.50 each; colts' hides, 25@50c each; goatskins, common, 10@15c each; Angora, with wool on, 25c@$1.

TALLOW—Prime, per pound, 4@5c; No. 1 and grease, 2½@3c.

LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Quoted at Portland Union Stockyards Yesterday.

Receipt at the Portland Union Stockyards yesterday were 159 sheep. The following prices were quoted at the yards:

CATTLE—Best Eastern Oregon steers, $4; cows and heifers, $3@3.25.

HOGS—Best large, fat hogs, $5; black and China fat, $5.25@5.50.

SHEEP—Best Eastern Oregon and Valley, $4.25@4.50.

EASTERN LIVESTOCK.

Prices Current at Kansas City, Omaha and Chicago.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 5200. Market 10c higher. Native steers, $3.50 @5.50; cows and heifers, $3@4.25; canners, $2.20@2.90; stockers and feeders, $2.50@4.35; calves, $3@6.25; bulls, stags, etc., $2@4.

Hogs—Receipts, 9000. Market 5c lower. Heavy, $4.90@5.05; mixed, $4.85@4.90; light, $4.75@4.90; pigs, $3.75@4.60; bulk of sales, $4.85@4.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 2800. Market steady. Westerns, yearlings, $5.75@6.75; wethers, $5.25@ 5.80; ewes, $4.75@5.50; lambs, $6.50@7.40.

CHICAGO, March 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 21,000. Market steady. Good to prime steers, $5.25@6.10; poor to medium, $3.75@4.75; stockers and feeders, $2.40@4.60; cows, $2.75@4.50; heifers, $2@5; canners, $1.60@3.40; bulls, $2.50 @4; calves, $3@6.50.

Hogs—Receipts today, 35,000; tomorrow, 27,000. Market steady to shade lower. Mixed and butchers, $4.85@5.17½; good to choice heavy, $5.10@5.22½; rough heavy, $4.90@5.00; light, $4.80@5.10; bulk of sales, $5.05@5.15.

Sheep—Receipts, 22,000. Sheep steady. Good to choice wethers, $5.60@6.10; fair to choice mixed, $5@7.75; Western lambs, $6.50@7.75.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 6000. Market steady to strong. Native steers, $4@6.50; stockers and feeders, $3@ 4.80; bulls, $2.50@4; Western fed steers, $3.75 @5.25; Western fed cows, $3@4.40.

Hogs—Receipts, 11,600. Market steady to 5c lower. Bulk of sales, $4.85@5.05; heavy, $5@ 5.10; packers, $4@5.05; pigs and light, $4.40@ 4.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 4000. Market steady. Muttons, $4.75@5.75; lambs, $6.50@7.50; range wethers, $5.25@6.60; fed ewes, $4.75@5.50.

NEW WOOL ARRIVES.

Definite Quotations Will Be Made at San Francisco Within Ten Days.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., March 8.—(Special.)—Several lots of new wool have arrived, but not sufficient to establish prices. The trade looks for definite quotations within the next ten days. The wool already received was contracted for some time ago at higher prices than can now be obtained. Dealers say this season is not opening as firm as expected and the market may ease off at the start.

Hops continue quiet and unchanged in all positions.

The market is overloaded with decaying oranges which are selling low, but fancy sound navels are comparatively scarce and firm. Prices, in consequence, have a wide range. Eight carloads of navels were auctioned, the stock being mostly poor, and sold low, but the small quantity of strictly choice and fancy were snapped up at top figures. Fancy brought $1.60@1.70, choice 90c@$1.10, standard 55c@$1.05. There is a limited demand for good apples at firm prices. A straight carload of Washington Ben Davis arrived and is held at $1.40.

Fancy Oregon Burbank potatoes are scarce and firm. Should the shipments on the Columbia, due tomorrow, grade high, an advance will be obtained. Fancy onions are scarce and dealers talk higher prices. Asparagus and rhubarb are easier.

Wheat was weaker on selling pressure, but other cereals were well sustained.

Butter and cheese are weaker. Eggs are firm. Receipts, 49,000 pounds of butter, 3000 pounds of cheese and 31,300 dozen eggs.

VEGETABLES—Garlic, $6@10 per lb.; green peas, 4@9c; string beans, 12½@15c; asparagus, 2@ 8c; tomatoes, 50c@$1.50; egg plant, 15c.

POULTRY—Turkey gobblers, 19@20c; roosters, old, $5@5.50; do young, $6.50@7; small, $3@3.50; large, $4@4.50; fryers, $5.50@6; hens, $5@6.50; ducks, old, $5@6; do young, $6@7.

CHEESE—Young America, 13@13½c; Eastern, 15@16c.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 28c; creamery seconds, 25c; fancy dairy, 25c; dairy seconds, 24c.

EGGS—Store, 15@16c; fancy ranch, 17c.

WOOL—Lambs', 16@18c.

HAY—Wheat, $10@14; wheat and oats, $10@ 13; barley, $9@10; alfalfa, $8@10.50; clover, $7@9; stocks, $6@7; straw, 40@55c.

MILLFEED—Bran, $21@21.50; middlings, $28 @30.

HOPS—Apples, choice, 32; do common, 75c; bananas, 75c@$2.50; Mexican limes, $4@4.50; California lemons, choice, $2.50; do common, 75c; oranges, navel, 75c@$2; pineapples, $2@4.

FRUIT—Apples, choice, $2; do common, 75c; bananas, 75c@$2.50; Mexican limes, $4@4.50; California lemons, choice, $2.50; do common, 75c; oranges, navel, 75c@$2; pineapples, $2@4.

POTATOES—Early Rose, $1.50@1.75; River Burbanks, 75c@$1; River reds, 65@75c; Salinas Burbanks, nominal; sweets, nominal; Oregon Burbanks, $1@1.40.

RECEIPTS—Flour, 11,625 quarter sacks; barley, 9164 centals; wheat, 1320 centals; oats, 1250 centals; beans, 2802 sacks; potatoes, 1868 sacks; bran, 455 sacks; middlings, 580 sacks; hay, 902 tons; wool, 31 bales; hides, 290.

Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 8.—Official closing quotations for mining stock today were as follows:

Alta	$ .04	Julia	$ .03
Alpha Con.	.12	Justice	.05
Andes	.22	Kentuck Con.	.01
Belcher	.14	Mexican	1.75
Best & Belcher	1.00	Occidental Con.	.90
Bullion	.28	Ophir	6.87
Caledonia	.59	Overman	.19
Challenge Con.	.16	Potosi	.17
Chollar	.17	Savage	.23
Confidence	.75	Seg. Belcher	.03
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.70	Sierra Nevada	.48
Con. Imperial	.01	Silver Hill	.62
Crown Point	.12	Union Con.	.71
Exchequer	.48	Utah Con.	.11
Gould & Curry	.26	Yellow Jacket	.16
Hale & Norcross	1.15		

NEW YORK, March 8.—Closing quotations:

Adams Con.	$ .20	Little Chief	$ .08
Alice	.70	Ontario	5.75
Breese	.25	Ophir	7.00
Brunswick Con.	.07	Phoenix	.08
Comstock Tun.	.08	Potosi	.15
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.85	Savage	.26
Horn Silver	1.55	Sierra Nevada	.50
Iron Silver	2.00	Small Hopes	.25
Leadville Con.	.03	Standard	1.65

BOSTON, March 8.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 8.00	Michigan	14.25
Allouez	22.25	Mohawk	$ 53.25
Amalgamated	75.00	Mont. C. & C.	8.50
Am. Zinc	11.00	Old Dominion	26.00
Atlantic	16.25	Osceola	93.00
Bingham	31.25	Parrot	28.00
Cal. & Hecla	670.00	Quincy	103.00
Centennial	18.63	Tamarack	128.00
Copper Range	72.50	Trinity	10.62
Daly West	16.50	U. S. Mining	24.63
Dominion Coal	71.75	U. S. Oil	8.75
Franklin	10.63	Utah	40.88
Granby	5.55	Victoria	4.75
Isle Royale	24.25	Winona	18.75
Mass. Mining	12.00	Wolverine	116.00

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Evaporated apples, unchanged. Common, 4@5½c, prime, 5¾@ 5½c; choice, 6@6½c; fancy, 7c.

There seems to be a better tone for prunes, although prices are still unchanged at from 2@5½c, according to grade.

Apricots, firm. Choice, 10½@11c; extra choice, 11½@12½c; fancy, 12@13c.

Peaches are in fair demand and firm. Choice, 10@10½c; extra choice, 10½@10¾c; fancy, 11½@12c.

Raisins developed no fresh feature. Loose Muscatels are quoted from 4½@6½c; London layers, $1.60@1.75; seeded raisins, 5½@6¾c.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 8.—Wool steady. Territory and Western mediums, 23@25c; fine medium, 19@21c; fine, 17@18c.

$6,430,000 United States bonds were unchanged on call.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Atchison	57,800	92	90½	91⅞
do preferred	2,500	103½	102½	103
Atlantic Coast Line	6,500	142½	140½	141⅞
Baltimore & Ohio	11,000	109⅞	108½	109⅞
do preferred				96
Canadian Pacific	13,200	143½	142⅞	142⅞
Central of N. J.	200	200⅞	198⅞	200½
Chesapeake & Ohio	4,800	50⅞	49⅞	50½
Chicago & Alton	200	22⅞	22⅞	23
do preferred	700	82⅞	81½	80
Chi. Great Western	1,000	22½	22½	22½
Chi. & Northwestern	1,700	241½	240	240½
Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	8,800	178⅞	177½	178
do preferred				177⅞
do preferred	200	82½	82½	82
C., C., C. & St. L.	200	90	88⅞	90
Colorado & Southern	700	25⅞	25½	25½
do 1st preferred	200	61	61	61
do 2d preferred	100	36½	36½	36½
Delaware & Hudson	7,400	152½	150	197⅞
Del., Lack. & West.	700	365	360½	365
Denver & Rio Grande	200	33½	33½	33
do preferred	200	88⅞	87⅞	88½
Erie	28,600	47⅞	46⅞	47⅞
do 1st preferred	3,900	82⅞	81⅞	82½
do 2d preferred	2,100	70	69½	70
Hocking Valley	2,100	92½	92	92
do preferred	1,400	93	91⅞	93
Illinois Central	600	156⅞	156	156½
Iowa Central				23½
do preferred				53½
Kan. City Southern	300	30	29½	30
do preferred	2,300	65½	64½	65⅞
Louisville & Nashv.	4,100	142½	141½	141⅞
Manhattan L.	800	171⅞	170⅞	170½
Metrop. Securities	2,400	85	84½	84½
Metropolitan St. Ry.	4,700	123⅞	122½	122⅞
Mexican Central	2,900	24½	24	24½
Minn. & St. Louis	1,200	60	60	58
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	1,900	118⅞	117½	117½
do preferred				159
Missouri Pacific	8,600	108⅞	108⅞	108⅞
Mo., Kan. & Texas	2,000	31½	31½	31½
do preferred	400	64½	64½	65
National of Mex. pfd.				41½
New York Central	12,200	157⅞	156½	156⅞
N. Y., Ont. & West.	2,700	54⅞	53⅞	54½
Norfolk & Western	11,800	84⅞	83½	84½
do preferred				92
Pennsylvania	33,400	143	142½	142⅞
P., C., C. & St. L.				80
Reading	202,500	98⅞	98	98⅞
do 1st preferred				90
do 2d preferred	1,000	91½	90	91⅞
Rock Island Co.	10,100	34⅞	34½	34⅞
do preferred				79½
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd.				71
St. L. Southwestern	1,200	36	35½	36
do preferred	200	61	60⅞	61
Southern Pacific	19,900	69½	68⅞	69½
do preferred	700	118⅞	118½	118½
Southern Railway	5,600	35⅞	35½	35½
do preferred				98
Texas & Pacific	8,700	39½	38½	39
Toledo, St. L. & W.				29½
do preferred	500	53½	52⅞	52
Union Pacific	103,200	133⅞	132½	133
do preferred	500	100	100	99
Wabash	1,500	23⅞	22⅞	23
do preferred	700	47	46½	46½
Wheeling & L. Erie				15⅞
Wisconsin Central	100	23⅞	23⅞	23½
do preferred	600	52½	52½	52⅞
Express companies—				
Adams				245
American				235
United States				139
Wells-Fargo				230
Miscellaneous—				
Amalgamated Copper	60,600	78½	77½	78½
Amer. Car & Foundry	1,800	35½	35	35
do preferred	600	94⅞	94⅞	94½
American Cotton Oil				55½
do preferred				95
American Ice				54
do preferred	100	39⅞	39⅞	39½
American Linseed Oil				18½
do preferred	600	44	43	44
American Locomotive	4,500	43⅞	42½	43½
do preferred	300	112	111½	111½
Amer. Sm. & Refining	39,900	94⅞	93	94⅞
do preferred	2,800	121½	119½	120⅞
Amer. Sugar Refining	12,700	146⅞	144½	145½
Am. Tobacco pf. cert.	2,400	97⅞	95⅞	97⅞
Anaconda Mining Co.	16,100	112⅞	109½	111⅞
Brooklyn R. Transit.	7,700	66½	65½	65⅞
Colorado Fuel & Iron	5,600	51½	50½	50⅞
Consolidated Gas	5,600	213⅞	211½	211½
Corn Products	1,400	13⅞	13⅞	13⅞
do preferred	1,500	75	74½	75
Distillers' Securities	1,800	37⅞	37½	37⅞
General Electric				186½
International Paper	1,200	22⅞	22	22
do preferred	1,300	79⅞	79	79½
International Pump				39
do preferred				96
National Lead	9,300	37½	36½	36⅞
North American	1,700	102	101½	102
Pacific Mail	200	46	45⅞	45½
People's Gas	3,900	110½	109½	110
Pressed Steel Car	2,200	37	36	36½
do preferred				88
Pullman Palace Car	200	242	242	243
Republic Steel	1,600	18⅞	18⅞	18½
do preferred				76
Rubber Goods	200	25½	25½	25½
do preferred				92
Tenn. Coal & Iron	5,800	88½	86⅞	87
U. S. Leather	1,300	12½	12	11⅞
do preferred	500	104½	104	104
U. S. Realty	800	94⅞	94	94½
U. S. Rubber	1,500	42⅞	41½	42⅞
do preferred	1,400	113	111½	112½
U. S. Steel	38,600	36½	35⅞	36
do preferred	18,100	95⅞	94½	95⅞
Va.-Carolina Chem.				25⅞
do preferred				107
Western Union	400	180½	180	180
Western Union	400	94½	93⅞	94

Total sales for the day, 963,500 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 8.—Closing quotations:

U. S. reg. 2s	104½	Atchison Adj. 4s	97⅞
do coupon	104⅞	D. & R. G. 4s	101
U. S. 3s reg.	104⅞	N. Y. Cent. 1sts	99⅞
do coupon	104	Nor. Pacific 3s	77
U. S. new 4s reg.	132½	do 4s	105½
do coupon	132½	So. Pacific 4s	95⅞
U. S. old 4s reg.	104½	Union Pacific 4s	105½
do coupon	105½	Wis. Central 4s	94⅞

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 8.—Consols for money, 90 15-16; consols for account, 91⅛.

Anaconda	5⅞	Nor. & Western	83⅞
Atchison	93½	do preferred	94
do preferred	105½	Ont. & Western	35⅞
Balt. & Ohio	111⅞	Pennsylvania	73
Can. Pacific	146⅞	Rand Mines	10⅞
Ches. & Ohio	31½	Reading	49½
C. Gt. Western	23⅞	do 1st pref	47
C., M. & St. P.	182	do 2d pref	46
De Beers	18⅞	So. Railway	36⅞
D. & R. G.	33⅞	do preferred	101
do preferred	91⅞	So. Pacific	70⅞
Erie	46	Union Pacific	138⅞
do 1st pref	83⅞	do preferred	102
do 2d pref	72	U. S. Steel	36⅞
Illinois Central	162½	do preferred	97⅞
L. & N.	143	Wab