CROPS DOING WELL

Not Damaged by Cold Spell Last Month.

SOIL IS IN FINE CONDITION

Work in Hop-Yards and Orchards Actively Pushed—Snowfall Is Only Half That of Former Years.

The crops in all parts of Oregon are in excellent condition. The February report of the Weather Bureau, which was issued yesterday, says:

The coldest weather of the Winter occurred during the first half of the month, during which time temperatures considerably below zero prevailed in the Eastern part of the state, while west of the Cascade Mountains they ranged between 15 and 20 degrees below the freezing point. The latter part of the month was warmer than usual, and there were several periods of warm, sunshiny weather. The precipitation, while deficient in all sections, came at opportune times, and was of great benefit.

In the Grand Ronde Valley Fall wheat was covered with snow, and thus protected from the effect of the cold. Irony weather, but in the Columbia and Willamette Valleys and in Southern Oregon, the ground was bare, and much apprehension was felt for the safety of Fall-sown grain. Later developments demonstrated, however, that wheat, rye and oats came through the cold weather practically uninjured, and at the close of the month it was the opinion of correspondents that the condition of all Fall-sown grain was unusually promising.

The showers and mild temperatures started grass in the meadows and pastures, and rendered the soil in excellent condition for plowing and seeding. Work in the hopyards and orchards was actively pushed. Buds began to swell, and in sections of Southern Oregon early peaches and almonds were in full bloom at the close of the month.

Pastures continued short, and stock was thin in consequence. Where there was plenty of hay for feeding, cattle improved somewhat. Lambing commenced during the last decade, with generally satisfactory results.

The month of February closed with much less than the usual amount of snow in the mountains of Oregon, according to reports received from about 50 Postmasters having offices favorably situated for obtaining information of this character. The deficiency is very evenly divided, and appears to be about the same in all sections. All correspondents agree that the amount of snow this year is much less than at the same time last year, and about one-half as much as that of former years.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

The local wheat market is dull and almost featureless. The permission granted by the Illinois Warehouse Commission to deliver Oregon red wheat on contracts on the Chicago Board of Trade has no effect on the situation here, for the reason that there is but a small quantity—not to exceed 500,000 bushels—of this wheat remaining unsold in the Northwest. The holders, moreover, have held on tightly, anticipating such action, and are in no mood now to let go, except at enhanced values. There is no Eastern demand at present for club or bluestem, and the weaker tone of the California markets also precludes shipping to that quarter. Prices are, therefore, almost nominal.

WHEAT—Walla Walla, 83c; 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, $3.30@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 central.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, $19.50 per ton; middlings, $25; shorts, $22; chop, U. S. Mills, $19; linseed dairy foods, $18; linseed oilmeal, car lots, $27 per ton; less than car lots, $30 per ton.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, $6.75; lower grade, $5@6.25; oatmeal, steel cut, 50-pound sacks, $8 per barrel; 10-pound sacks, $4.25 per bale; oatmeal (ground), 50-pound sacks, $7.50 per barrel; 10-pound sacks, $4 per bale; split peas, $4 per 100-pound sack; 25-pound beans, $1.75; 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.

There were no important changes in farm produce yesterday. Eggs were quoted firm, and were in good demand. Poultry sold at former prices. Butter was steady, with some increase shown in receipts.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 15c per dozen.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 27½c per pound; fancy creamery, 30c. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 27½@28½c; dairy, 16@18c; store butter, 14@15c; California, 20@21c.

CHEESE—Full cream twins, new, 14@15c; old, 18c; Americas, 14@15½c.

POULTRY—Fancy hens, 13½@14½c; old hens, 12½@13c; mixed chickens, 13½@14½c; old roosters, 10@11c; dc young, 11½@12½c; springs, 1½ to 2-pound, 17@18c; broilers, 1½-pound, 22@25c; dressed chickens, 14½@15½c; turkeys, alive, 16@17c; do dressed, poor, 17@18c; do choice, 20@22½c; geese, live, per pound, 8@8½c; do dressed, per pound, 10@11c; ducks, old, 18@19; do young, 15@16c; do size, 4@6 10; pigeons, $1@1.25; squabs, $2@2.50.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

Two cars of sweet potatoes and one car of vegetables arrived yesterday. The green truck moved off readily. Celery is quoted higher, as no more car lots will be received.

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, 12½c per pound; celery, $2.50 per crate; peas, 10c per pound; peppers, 25c per pound; sprouts, 6c; asparagus, 8c per pound; rhubarb, 6c per pound; cucumbers, $2.25 per dozen; artichokes, 75c per dozen.

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

POTATOES—Oregon fancy, 60c@$1; common, 50@55c, buyers' price; Merced sweets, 1½c.

RAISINS—Loose Muscatels, 4-crown, 7½c; 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, 6@6½c per pound; sundried, sacks or boxes, none; apricots, 10@11c; peaches, 10@10½c; pears, none; prunes, Italians, 4@5c; French, 3½@3¾c; figs, California blacks, 5½c; 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, 85c@$2.50 per box; cranberries, $12.50 per barrel.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, fancy, $2.75@3.25; choice, $2.75 per box; oranges, standard, $1.45@2; fancy, $2@2.25; mandarins, 60@65c per box; tangerines, $1.50@2 per box; grapefruit, $2.75@3 per box; bananas, 3@3½c per pound.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

COFFEE—Mocha, 20@28c; Java, ordinary, 10@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 10@12c per pound; Columbia roast, cases 100s, $12.88; 50s, $13.88; Arbuckle, $14.88; Lion, $14.88.

RICE—Imperial Japan, No. 1, $5.37½; Southern Japan, $4.50; Carolina, 4½@6c; brokenhead, 3½c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.70 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.40; 1-pound flats, $1.85; fancy, 1-pound flats, $1.90; 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, $5.45; golden C, $5.35; fruit sugar, $5.95, advance over sack basis as follows: Barrels, 10c; half-barrels, 25c; boxes, 50c per 100 pounds. (Terms: On remittance within 15 days, deduct ⅛c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound; no discount after 30 days.) Beet sugar granulated, $5.85 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, 13½c per pound by sack, in 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 25-pound drum; peanuts, raw, 7½c per pound; roasted, 9c; pinenuts, 10@12½c; hickory nuts, 7c; cocoanuts, $5@6c per dozen.

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

Oils.

GASOLINE—Stove gasoline, cases, 22½c; iron barrels, 17c; 86 deg. gasoline, cases, 22c; iron barrels or drums, 26c.

COAL OIL—Cases, 21½c; iron barrels, 15c; wood barrels, none; 65 deg., cases, 22c; iron barrels, 15½c; Washington State test burning oils, except headlight, ¼c per gallon higher.

LINSEED OIL—Raw, barrels, 54c; cases, 61c. Boiled: Barrels, 57c; cases, 63c; 1c less in 250-gallon lots.

TURPENTINE—Cases, 85c; barrels, 81c.

WHITE LEAD—Ton lots, 7¼c; 500-pound lots, 7¾c; less than 500-pound lots, 8c.

Meats and Provisions.

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

MUTTON—Dressed, 6@7½c per pound.

VEAL—Dressed, 100 to 125, 7@8c per pound; 125 to 200, 5@6½c; 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 16 pounds, 12½c; 18 to 20 pounds, 12½c; California (picnic), 8½c; cottage hams, 9c; shoulders, 8½c; boiled ham, 20c; boiled picnic ham, boneless, 14c.

BACON—Punch breakfast, 16c per pound; standard breakfast, 14c; choice, 15c; English breakfast, 11 to 14 pounds, 13c; 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, 8c salt, 10c smoked; Oregon export, 20 to 25 pounds, average, 10½c salt, 11½c smoked; clears, 9½c salt, 10½c smoked; clear backs, 9c; Union butts, 10 to 18 pounds, average, 8c salt, 9c smoked.

PICKLED GOODS—Pickled pigs' feet, ½-barrels, $5; ¼-barrels, $2.75; 15-pound kits, $1.35; pickled tripe, ½-barrels, $5; ¼-barrels, $2.75; 15-pound kits, $1.25; pickled pigs' tongues, ½-barrels, $8; ¼-barrels, $5; 15-pound kits, $1.50; pickled lambs' tongues, ½-barrels, $9; ¼-barrels, $5.50; 15-pound kits, $2.75.

LARD—Kettle-rendered: Tierces, 9½c; tubs, 9¾c; 50s, 9¾c; 20s, 9¾c; 10s, 10¼c; 5s, 10¼c. Standard pure: Tierces, 8½c; tubs, 8¾c; 50s, 8¾c; 20s, 9c; 10s, 9¼c; 5s, 9½c. Compound: Tierces, 6½c; tubs, 6¾c; 50s, 6¾c; 10s, 7¼c; 5s, 7¾c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—Choice 1904, 24@25c per pound.

WOOL—Valley, 19@20c per pound; Eastern Oregon, 12@17c per pound.

MOHAIR—Choice, 25@28c per pound.

HIDES—Dry hides, No. 1, 16 pounds and up, 16@16½c per pound; dry kip, No. 1, 5 to 15 pounds, 14@15c per pound; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 pounds, 17@18c; dry salted, hide and stags, one-third less than dry flint; culls, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, mutrain, hairslipped, weatherbeaten or grubby, 2@5c per pound less; salted hides, steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, 9@10c per pound; 50 to 60 pounds, 8½@9c per pound; under 50 pounds and cows, 8@9c per pound; salted stags and bulls, sound, 6c per pound; salted kip, sound, 15 to 30 pounds, 9c per pound; salted veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, 9c per pound; salted calf, sound, under 10 pounds, 10c per pound; (green, unsalted, 1c per pound less); culls, 1c per pound less). Sheep skins: Shearlings, No. 1 butchers' stock, 25@30c each; short wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 40@50c each; medium wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, 60@80c; long wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, $1@1.50 each. Murrain pelts, from 10 to 20 per cent less, or 12@14c per pound; horse hides, salted, each, according to size, $1.50@2; dry, each, according to size, $1@1.50; colts' hides, 25@50c each; goat skins, common, 10@15c each; Angora, with wool on, 25c@$1.50 each.

TALLOW—Prime, per pound, 3½@4c; No. 2 and grease, 2@3c.

PELTS—Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, $2.50@10 each; cubs, $1@2; badger, 25@50c; wild cat, with head perfect, 25@50c; house cat, 5@10c; fox, common gray, 50@70c; red, $1@3; cross, $5@15; silver and black, $100@500; fishers, $3@6; lynx, $4.50@6; mink, strictly No. 1, according to size, $1@2.50; marten, dark Northern, according to size and color, $10@15; marten, pale, pine, according to size and color, $2.50@4; muskrat, large, 10@15c; skunk, 40@50c; civet, or polecat, 5@10c; otter, large, prime quality, $8@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, $20@25; raccoon, prime, 30@50c; mountain wolf, with head perfect, $3.50@5; coyote, 60c@$1; wolverine, $6@8; beaver, per skin, large, $3@6; medium, $3@4; small, $1@1.50; kits, 50@75c.

BEESWAX—Good, clean and pure, 29@22c per pound.

CASCARA SAGRADA (Chittam bark)—Good, 4@4½c per pound.

OREGON GRAPE ROOT—Per 100 pounds, $3@4.

FEATHERS—Geese, white, 35@40c; geese, gray or mixed, 25@30c; duck, white, 15@20c; duck, mixed, 12@15c.

LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Quoted at Portland Union Stockyards Yesterday.

Receipts at the Portland Union Stockyards yesterday were 400 hogs. 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, $6; 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.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 8000. Steady to strong. Native steers, $4@4.70; native cows and heifers, $2@4.75; stockers and feeders, $3@4.65; Western fed steers, $4@5.25; Western cows, $3@4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 14,000. Steady to 5c lower. Bulk of sales, $4.85@5.00; heavy, $5@5.05; packers, $4.90@5.00; pigs and lights, $4.10@4.80.

Sheep—Receipts, 7000; steady; lambs, lower; muttons, $4.75@5.65; lambs, $6@7.35; range wethers, $5.25@6.60; fed ewes, $4.75@5.35.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 4000. Market steady and strong; native steers, $3.50@5.60; cows and heifers $3@4.25; canners, $2@3.00; stockers and feeders, $3.75@4.35; calves, $3.00@6.00; bulls, stags, etc., $2.25@4.40.

Hogs—Receipts, 9200. Market steady. Heavy, $4.85@4.95; mixed, $4.80@4.85; light, $4.70@4.85; pigs, $4@4.05; bulk of sales, $4.80@4.85.

Sheep—Receipts, 5000. Market steady. Western yearlings, $5.75@6.75; wethers, $5.25@5.70; ewes, $4.75@5.40; lambs, $6.75@7.40.

CHICAGO, March 14.—Cattle—Receipts, 4000; market steady; good to prime steers, $5.75@6.25; poor to medium, $3.75@5.00; stockers and feeders, $2.60@4.65; cows, $2.75@4.60; heifers, $3@6.00; canners, $1.60@2.40; bulls, $2.50@4.00; calves, $3@5.75.

Hogs—Receipts today, 18,000; tomorrow, 25,000; steady; mixed and butchers, $4.80@5.07½; good to choice heavy, $5@5.12½; rough heavy, $4.80@4.95; light, $4.70@5.00; bulk of sales, $4.90@5.05.

Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; sheep and lambs steady; good to choice wethers $5.60@6.10; fair to choice mixed, $4.75@5.40; Western sheep, $5.60@6.60; native lambs, $5@7.60; Western lambs $6@7.65.

Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—Official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

Alta	$ .05	Hale & Norcross	$ .71
Alpha Con.	.06	Justice	.06
Andes	.23	Mexican	1.80
Belcher	.21	Occidental Con.	.90
Best & Belcher	.90	Ophir	6.87
Bullion	.27	Overman	.15
Caledonia	.52	Potosi	.12
Challenge Con.	.15	Savage	.17
Confidence	.67	Scorpion	.21
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.70	Seg. Belcher	.06
Con. Imperial	.01	Sierra Nevada	.40
Crown Point	.05	Silver Hill	.55
Eureka Con.	.40	Union Con.	.83
Exchequer	.50	Utah Con.	.07
Gould & Curry	.17	Yellow Jacket	.13

NEW YORK, March 14.—Closing quotations:

Adams Con.	$ .25	Little Chief	$ .06
Alice	1.05	Ontario	2.75
Breece	.35	Ophir	6.50
Brunswick Con.	.08	Phoenix	.05
Comstock Tun.	.08	Potosi	.12
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.65	Savage	.18
Horn Silver	1.70	Sierra Nevada	.38
Iron Silver	3.25	Small Hopes	.50
Leadville Con.	.03	Standard	1.85

BOSTON, March 14.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 8.75	Mohawk	$ 55.25
Allouez	23.75	Mont. C. & C.	2.75
Amalgamated	80.75	Old Dominion	27.50
Am. Zinc	11.00	Osceola	99.00
Atlantic	17.75	Parrot	30.00
Bingham	32.75	Quincy	116.00
Cal. & Hecla	680.00	Shannon	8.25
Centennial	19.50	Tamarack	155.00
Copper Range	81.50	Trinity	12.00
Daly West	16.00	U. S. Mining	26.88
Dominion Coal	74.00	U. S. Oil	9.88
Franklin	12.00	Utah	41.00
Granby	6.25	Victoria	5.00
Isle Royale	27.75	Winona	14.75
Mass. Mining	12.00	Wolverine	118.00
Michigan	15.00		

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Cotton—Futures closed firm at a net gain of 19 to 25 points. March, 7.76c; April, June and September, 7.80c; May, 7.83c; July, 7.81c; August, 7.84c.

CHECKS RISING TENDENCY

REALIZING SALES OVERWEIGHT STOCK MARKET.

Urgent Selling Pressure Only at the High Level—Brokers Fear Passage of Transfer Tax Law.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Realizing sales outweighed the stock market today and checked the rising tendency, but there were persistent revivals of speculative advances here, and there in the list which kept up the tone of the market and gave it resisting power. The urgent selling pressure was only at the high level, and with the yielding of prices the volume of offerings decreased to ineffective proportions.

Credulity was rather severely taxed in some of the reports which have inspired the rise in special stocks, owing to the entire lack of authoritative confirmation. In fact, inquiries in official quarters to secure light on the reports which have made up the body of stock market influences for sometime w.. e met with such terms as "buncombe" and "humbug." The profit-taking of the day was absorbed as usual, and advances renewed at many points. Some distrust continues to be expressed over the extent of the advance, and over the reliability of the factors which have caused them; and the high level of prices is regarded with apprehension in conservative quarters. One striking evidence of this is the fact that money brokers in London, in connection with the current stock market settlement there, hesitate to accept American rails as collateral security for large loans, owing to their fears that present prices are unstable. Foreign markets also are inclined to take a depressing view today of the immediate outlook for peace. The bonds of both belligerent governments were affected unfavorably by this prospect.

A growing influence in stock market circles is the prospect of the enactment at Albany of a tax on stock transfers, which it is feared would constitute a serious obstruction to a yearly large proportion of the operations now conducted on the New York Stock Exchange. Much attention is given in consequence to the discussion of measures of opposition. The consideration of the subject held its part in causing the falling off of activity in the trading.

The $50,000,000 bond issue by the Pennsylvania Railroad was just half as much as speculative rumor had pointed to, and the movement of the stock indicated that this moderation was a disappointment to the holders of the security. The changes were still running on the varying rumors of mergers, combinations and dividend increases, especially affecting the Vanderbilt group. Smelting moved up again on a revival of lead merger reports.

There were extraordinary movements in some of the closely held high-priced stocks. Lackawanna rising on trivial buying to 400. The Ontario & Western movement was renewed strongly in the late dealings without further new developments and helped to break the effect of the profit-taking in progress, which made the closing irregular.

National banks will pay tomorrow the 15 per cent installment of Government deposits held by them, thus completing the recent call, but the money market was fairly undisturbed by this preparation.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, $4,440,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on call.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing bid.
Atchison	12,900	92	91	91
do preferred	2,700	102¾	102	102¼
Atlantic Coast Line	100	145¼	145¼	145¼
Baltimore & Ohio	15,100	110¾	110	110¾
do preferred				98
Canadian Pacific	16,100	148¾	147½	147½
Central of N. J.	1,100	203½	202	202½
Chesapeake & Ohio	12,700	56	55¼	55¾
Chicago & Alton	8,500	42¾	41¾	42¼
do preferred	800	82¼	81	80¾
Chi. Great Western	10,400	24¾	24	24¼
Chi. & Northwestern	6,100	246¾	244	244
Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	23,800	193¾	191½	191¾
Chi. Term. & Transb.	300	17	16½	17
do preferred	500	32¼	32¼	32½
C., C., C. & St. L.	2,400	109	107	107
Colorado & Southern	200	25¾	25½	25½
do 1st preferred				62
do 2d preferred	100	38½	38½	38½
Delaware & Hudson	9,100	194½	192	192¾
Del., Lack. & West.	400	400	398	380
Denver & Rio Grande	3,000	36½	36	36
do preferred	2,000	90¾	90¼	90¼
Erie	22,800	47¾	47	47¼
do 1st preferred	2,000	82¾	81¾	81¾
do 2d preferred	3,200	70½	69¾	69¾
Hocking Valley	500	97¾	96¾	97¼
do preferred	200	98	96¾	96¾
Illinois Central	5,900	161	161½	160¾
Iowa Central	1,400	29¾	29½	29¾
do preferred	1,400	56¾	55¼	56¼
Kan. City Southern	900	29¾	29¼	29¾
do preferred	6,200	67¾	65¾	66¾
Louisville & Nashv.	4,800	144¼	142¾	143
Manhattan L.	1,400	171½	171	171
Metrop. Securities	3,600	85¼	84¾	84¾
Metropolitan St. Ry.	3,700	122½	122½	122½
Mexican Central	9,700	25¾	25¼	25¼
Minn. & St. Louis	100	99¾	99¾	99
M., St. P. & S. S. M.	1,200	117½	117	117
do preferred	800	162¾	162	162
Missouri Pacific	14,200	110¼	109¼	109½
Mo., Kan. & Texas	1,600	33	32¾	32½
do preferred	2,900	68¾	67½	67
National of Mex. pfd.	400	41¾	41½	41½
New York Central	114,600	167¾	164½	164¾
N. Y., Ont. & West.	64,400	59¾	56½	58¾
Norfolk & Western	6,500	87¾	86¾	86¾
do preferred				92½
Pennsylvania	104,400	147¼	145¾	145¾
P., C., C. & St. L.	200	86	85¾	84½
Reading	75,300	97¾	97¼	97½
do 1st preferred	800	92¼	92	91¾
do 2d preferred				81
Rock Island Co.	15,400	25¾	25	25
do preferred	1,200	80¾	80¼	80¼
St. L. & S. F. 2d pfd.	200	71	71	71½
St. L. Southwestern	200	20¾	20½	20
do preferred	4,900	64	63½	63¾
Southern Pacific	48,100	71	69¾	70¼
do preferred	200	118½	118½	118½
Southern Railway	10,300	36¾	36	36
do preferred	1,600	99¾	99¼	99¾
Texas & Pacific	4,900	40¾	39¾	39¾
Toledo, St. L. & W.	6,200	38	36	36¾
do preferred	9,800	68	66½	66¾
Union Pacific	220,100	136¼	134½	135½
do preferred	1,500	100	100	99
Wabash	2,600	23¼	22	23¼
do preferred	300	47¾	47	46¾
Wheeling & L. Erie	100	19¼	19¼	19¼
Wisconsin Central	1,500	25	24½	24½
do preferred	2,200	54¼	53½	53½
Express companies—				
Adams				244
American				230
United States				180
Wells-Fargo				230
Miscellaneous—				
Amalgamated Copper	38,300	81¼	80¼	80¾
Amer. Car & Foundry	9,300	36¾	36¼	36¼
do preferred	5,700	96	94¾	95
American Cotton Oil	200	35¾	35½	35
do preferred				78
American Ice	800	5½	5½	5½
do preferred	1,600	38¾	38¾	38¾
American Linseed Oil				17
do preferred				42½
American Locomotive	5,800	44¾	43¾	43¾
do preferred	2,300	118¼	114½	114
Amer. Sm. & Refining	69,400	102	98¾	101¼
do preferred	6,600	122¾	122¼	122½
Amer. Sugar Refining	4,100	147¾	144¼	144¾
Am. Tobacco pf. certf.	300	97¾	97¼	97
Anaconda Mining Co.	600	118½	119	118¾
Brooklyn R. Transit	16,800	67¼	66½	66¾
Colorado Fuel & Iron	18,900	54¾	53¾	53¾
Consolidated Gas	20,600	212	208	208¼
Corn Products	8,000	18¼	18	18
do preferred	1,500	74¾	73½	73
Distillers' Securities	8,500	40	39¾	39¾
General Electric	1,400	188	187	187½
International Paper	2,600	24¾	23½	23½
do preferred	1,000	81¾	81¼	81¾
International Pump				35½
do preferred	300	88	87	87
National Lead	6,7000	38¾	36¾	37¼
North American	2,500	104	103	103
Pacific Mail	1,800	46¾	45¼	45¾
People's Gas	21,600	114	113	113
Pressed Steel Car	900	27¾	27¼	27¼
do preferred	1,300	90¾	89¾	89¾
Pullman Palace Car	200	245	243	243
Republic Steel	2,100	20	19½	19¾
do preferred	500	78¾	78¼	78
Rubber Goods	700	25¾	25¼	25¼
do preferred				92½
Tenn. Coal & Iron	4,200	92¾	91	91½
U. S. Leather	900	12¾	12¼	12¾
do preferred	2,000	106¾	105½	106¾
U. S. Realty	800	95¾	94½	94½
U. S. Rubber	1,100	46	41½	41½
do preferred	100	112¾	112¾	112¾
U. S. Steel	46,000	37	36¾	36¾
do preferred	21,700	97½	96¾	96½
Va.-Carolina Chemical	800	52¾	51¾	51¾
do preferred	800	107	106	106
Westinghouse Elec.	100	181½	181½	181
Western Union	1,000	94¾	94½	94¼

Total sales for the day, 1,301,400 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	104¾	Atchison Adj 4s	97¼
do coupon	104¾	D. & R. G. 4s	101¼
U. S. 3s reg.	104¼	N. Y. Cent. 1st s.	100¾
do coupon	104¼	Nor. Pacific 3s	77
U. S. new 4s reg.	132¼	do 4s	103¾
do coupon	132¼	So. Pacific 4s	95¾
U. S. old 4s reg.	104¼	Union Pacific 4s	106
do coupon	105¼	Wis. Central 4s	94¼

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 14.—Consols for money, 91 9-16; consols for account, 91 11-16.

Anaconda	6¼	Nor. & Western	89¾
Atchison	94¼	do preferred	94
do preferred	103¾	Ont. & Western	38
Balt. & Ohio	115¼	Pennsylvania	75¾
Can. Pacific	152¾	Rand Mines	10¾
Ches. & Ohio	57¼	Reading	50¼
C. Gt. Western	24¾	do 1st pref	47
C., M. & St. P.	188¾	do 2d pref	46¾
Delbeers	18	So. Railway	37¼
D. & R. G.	37	do preferred	102
do preferred	94¼	So. Pacific	72¾
Erie	46¾	Union Pacific	135
do 1st pref	84¼	do preferred	102
do 2d pref	72	U. S. Steel	37¾
Illinois Central	166¼	do preferred	96¾
L. & N.	147¾	Wabash	24
M., K. & T.	38¾	do preferred	47¼
N. Y. Central	171	Spanish 4s	91¾

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Money on call, 2½@3 per cent; closing bid, 2½ per cent; offered, 3¾ per cent. Time loans, very easy; 60 days, 2 per cent; 90 days, 2¼ per cent; six months, 2½@2¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3¾@4½ per cent.

Sterling exchange, steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8675@4.8680 for demand, and at $4.8470@4.8475 for 60 days. Posted rates, $4.85½@4.87½. Commercial bills, $4.84¾.

Bar silver, 58½c.

Mexican dollars, 45c.

Bonds—Government, steady; railroad, irregular.

LONDON, March 14.—Bar silver, quiet, 27d per ounce.

Money, 2½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2¼@2⅜ per cent; three months' bills, 2⅝@2¾ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—Silver bars, 58½c.

Drafts—Sight, 7½c; telegraph, 10c.

Sterling on London, 60 days, $4.85¼; sight, $4.88¼.

Daily Treasury Statement.

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

Available cash balances	$141,318,800
Gold	56,675,596

Bank Clearings.

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$82,692	$149,758
Seattle	959,906	229,037
Tacoma	616,634	41,922
Spokane	425,589	23,483

FIRM ON SHORT COVERING.

Small Demand for Wheat and Barley at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—(Special.)—Short covering imparted more firmness to speculative prices for wheat and barley, but there was no great demand. Owing to small stocks and good consumptive business, is in strong position for spot and near deliveries. The December option is relatively weak, owing to prospects for a large crop. The oats market shows hesitation pending the disposition of 2488 tons brought here from the Sound by the Olympia. The impression prevails that the steamer will proceed with her cargo to Japan, or that the oats will be shipped there on some other vessel. Feedstuffs are in light supply and firm. Hay is easy.

Chilly and threatening weather made the fruit market quiet. The feature in the citrus department was the special auction of six carloads of oranges delayed in transit by the storm, and only just arrived. Fancy, including one car of fine Redlands sunflowers, sold at $1.40 to $2.05; choice at 75c to $1.40, and standards at 65c to $1. This makes 12 carloads of oranges auctioned on two successive days, and another auction coming tomorrow, buyers are operating sparingly. Tropical fruits are steady. Apples are quiet and weak.

Potatoes are steady. Onions are easy. Asparagus is declining under heavy arrivals.

Eggs are firm. Butter and cheese are weak. Receipts, including shipments delayed by storm: Butter, 118,900 pounds; cheese, 16,109 pounds; eggs, 68,809 dozen.

VEGETABLES—Garlic, 8@10c; green peas, 4@8c; string beans, nominal; asparagus, 30@60c; tomatoes, $1@1.75; egg plant, 12½@15c.

POULTRY—Turkey gobblers, 18@20c; roosters, old, $3@5.50; do young, $6.50@7.50; broilers, small, $3@4; large, $4.50@5.50; fryers, $5.50@6; hens, $5@7; ducks, old, $5@6; do young, $6.50@7.50.

CHEESE—Young America, 12c; Eastern, 15@16c.

BUTTER—Fancy creamery, 26c; creamery seconds, 25c; fancy dairy, 23c; dairy seconds, 22@23c.

EGGS—Store, 17@18c; fancy ranch, 20c.

WOOL—Lambs', 16@18c.

HAY—Wheat, $10@14; wheat and oats, $10@16; barley, $9@10; alfalfa, $9@10.50; clover, $7@9; stocks, $9@7; straw, 40@50c.

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