# GROWERS MAY WIN

## Wool Buyers and Producers Each Play Waiting Game.

## VIEWS NOT FAR APART

### Two or Three Cents Difference to Be Overcome by One Side or Other, and Then Activity Will Be Pronounced.

WOOL—Buyers and sellers apart.
MOHAIR—Local prices advance 1 cent.
HOPS—Dealers go to Washington for supplies.
POTATOES—Eastern inquiries received.
VEGETABLES—Small supply expected on steamer today.
BUTTER — Market weak but no lower.
EGGS—Steady with good movement.
POULTRY—Demand light and prices weak.

If the woolgrowers of Eastern Oregon and the wool buyers who are now in that territory can get around a difference of 2 or 3 cents in their views as to what the clips are worth, trading on a very large scale will be the result; otherwise the market will continue inactive until the opening of the regular sales days, the first of which will be at Pendleton on May 22. Growers are willing to contract their wool at from 20 to 24 cents, according to locality, with 25 cents asked for some few of the finer clips. Buyers would also do business, but at lower figures.

There is a difference of several cents between values in the East and the West, and it is a question whether Boston will meet the Western markets or the West come to the Boston prices. The sheepmen, of course, look for the former event, and that they have some ground for their belief is evidenced by the fact that the Eastern dealers have shown more disposition in the last few days to contract for new clip wools. The buyers who are in the field are waiting around for something to turn up, and no one would be surprised should orders to buy be received at any time. Among the buyers now in Eastern Oregon are E. J. Burke, of Hartford, Conn., and Charles H. Green, representing J. Koshland & Co., of Boston. Two or three San Francisco buyers are also on hand, as well as agents of the Portland wool firms.

Shearing has commenced in the Sand Hollow country, and in the coming week it will be more or less general in other sections of Eastern Oregon. In the Valley a few of the farmers have also begun to shear. No contracting was reported in Valley wools in the past week, and only a few small lots were taken up east of the mountains.

A few wool growers of Eastern Washington have decided to take advantage of the early offers made them and have sold altogether in the past week about 500,000 pounds on the sheep's back at from 17 to 18 cents. These sales were made in the Walla Walla and Palouse countries. In Western Idaho, clips ranging from 30,000 to 50,000 pounds have been contracted at 20 to 21 cents. A number of authentic sales are reported to have taken place at the higher figure, while a few have been put through at 22 cents. Little can be obtained there at 20. In Utah buyers are paying 21 to 22 cents. Shearing has begun in that state now and there are buyers in Salt Lake ready to take the wool. Shearing is also in progress in Nevada, and sales are being made. It is said that one large clip was bought at 22 cents, but dealers believe it was of a medium grade and light shrinkage. There are only about 4,000,000 pounds in the entire clip of Nevada, and of that amount 1,500,000 were contracted last July. Since then clips have been taken from time to time, and it is probable there is but a small quantity left for sale.

The strongest growers to be found anywhere in the West are in Montana and Wyoming, where the wide divergence of views between buyers and sellers prevents any business at all being done. In the former state the sheepmen want 26 cents, and in the latter they ask 23 cents, and will not take less. A dispatch from Cheyenne said that "the losses among sheep on the ranges have already been heavy, and that unless the weather moderates at once they will be enormous. In the Red Desert, sheep are starving, and owners are unable to get feed to them. It is by far the worst calamity that has happened to the sheep industry since the late '80s, when millions of dollars were lost in the range cattle business."

There has been no change in the general Eastern situation, where the strength of the wool market has been fully maintained. That the firmness of the Western growers will ultimately result in lifting the market to their prices is the view of the Boston Commercial Bulletin, which says in its last issue:

"The strong position of the March London auctions, closed a week ago at the highest price point of the series, is accepted as a reliable index of the futility of trying to obtain cheap wool in Europe. The determined attitude of the majority of the Western sheepmen in demanding what are termed "extreme prices" by Eastern operators does not seem to hold out any hope of cheap wool in that part of the country. As unwelcome as it may be, it appears that unless some radical change arises within a short time, a higher basis of values will logically result. Whether this could be maintained would then be the vital question."

### MOHAIR MARKET FIRMER.

**Twenty-Nine Cents Is Paid by a Portland Dealer for 2000 Pounds.**

The mohair market is showing more life. Several sales have been made in the last few days, and some small quantities are beginning to move this way. A. J. Ray, of this city, yesterday, bought a lot of 2000 pounds, paying 29 cents, which is a cent over the highest price announced at the opening of the market. The undertone of the market is rather firmer.

Latest advices from the East report little or nothing doing in domestic hair, with moderate activity in Turkish. The following Boston prices were quoted by the Commercial Bulletin of March 31: Foreign: Turkey, extra, 48@50c; Turkey, fair average, 44@45c; Cape firsts, 41@45c; Cape, seconds, 40@41c. Domestic: Combing, 30@32c; carding, choice, 27@28c; carding, average, 20@24c; inferior, 18@20c; tops, 50@80c; nolls, first combings, 18@21c; nolls, second combings, 21@24c.

### BUY HOPS IN WASHINGTON.

**Low-Priced Orders Cannot Be Readily Filled In This State.**

The stock of hops left in Oregon has become so small and the remaining lots are in such firm hands that dealers that have low-priced orders to fill are obliged to go to Washington for them. A considerable volume of business of this kind has been done lately in the Northern state. About 5000 bales of hops yet remain unsold in Washington. There is some difference of opinion as to what is left in Oregon, but the highest estimate does not exceed 5000 bales, and some dealers say the amount is nearer 3000. Taking out the quantity of hops that is bound to be carried over regardless of market conditions, and it does not leave much of a supply for the trade to work upon.

Nearly all the Portland dealers have closed up their business for the season and will do no buying except on Eastern orders, which at the moment are scarce. Lachmund & Fincus, of Salem, have bought the Louie Chung lot of 50 bales at Beaverton at 7½ cents, and Catlin & Linn are reported to have secured about 100 bales at Independence at 9 cents.

Contracting has nearly ceased for the time being. As no orders of this kind are forthcoming from the East, it is surmised that a considerable part of the business in futures lately transacted was on local speculative account.

### EAST MAY TAKE POTATOES.

**Improvement Beyond the Rockies May Yet Help Oregon Farmers.**

Some Eastern inquiries were received yesterday for potatoes, but prices quoted were very low. It is to be hoped that an Eastern outlet can be found for the big surplus stock in Oregon, as there is but little chance of the California situation improving. Prospects are much better throughout the Middle West and in the Eastern states, and with a little further advance there to overcome the high freight rates, there will be a movement overland from this section. The improvement in prices in the Eastern consuming centers is due to the small receipts and stronger demand.

Very few vegetables were offering on Front street yesterday, but stocks will be better today, as the steamer brought up a fair and well-assorted supply. Some cabbage and cauliflower were on the boat, and a car of these vegetables is due tonight.

Of the three cars of bananas that arrived Tuesday, the last was unloaded yesterday, and, like the others, was green and in good condition. The car of fancy oranges looked for yesterday did not show up, but its arrival is promised for today.

### BUTTER WEAK AND UNCHANGED.

**Eggs Steady With a Good Movement. Poultry Market Easy.**

The butter market was very weak yesterday, but prices were not changed. All the city creameries made an open quotation of 25 cents, but it was reported that this price was shaded by some of them. On Front street one dealer quoted his best brands at 25, while another large handler did not ask over 22½ cents. Country store butter has shared in the weakness with creamery grades, and is now down to 15½@16 cents.

Eggs held steady at 16 cents, with good receipts and a steady movement, both local and shipping. A few dealers occasionally put away some of their surplus, but storage operations will not be started on a general scale until the price drops further or until it is plain that there will be no lower quotation.

The poultry market was slow and weak. Receipts were not heavy, but the demand was backward. Some of the local retailers seem to prefer Eastern frozen stock.

### Bank Clearings.

Bank clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

| | Clearings. | Balances. |
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| Portland | $ 711,439 | $101,802 |
| Seattle | 1,414,098 | 386,255 |
| Tacoma | 642,647 | 93,762 |
| Spokane | 839,729 | 106,473 |

### PORTLAND QUOTATIONS

#### Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

FLOUR—Patents, $3.75@4.30 per barrel; straights, $3.40@3.75; clears, $3.35@3.50; Valley, $3.40@3.65; Dakota hard wheat patents, $5.50@6; clears, $5; graham, $3.25@3.75; whole wheat, $5.75@4; rye flour, local, $5; Eastern, $5@5.25; cornmeal, per bale, $1.90@2.20.

WHEAT—Club, 66@67c; bluestem, 66@68c; red, 64@65c; Valley, 68c.

OATS—No. 1 white feed, $27.50; gray, $27 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, city, $17; country, $18 ton; middlings, $25.50@26; shorts, city, $19; country, $20 per ton; chop U. S. Mills, $17.50; linseed dairy food, $18; Acme meal, $18 per ton.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, $6.75; lower grades, $5.25@6.50; oatmeal, steelcut, 50-pound sacks, $3 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, $5 per 100-pound sacks; 25-pound boxes, $1.40; pearl barley, $4.25 per 100 pounds; 25-pound boxes, $1.25 per box; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.50 per bale.

BARLEY—Feed, $23.50@24 per ton; brewing, $24@24.50; rolled, $24.50@25.50.

HAY—Eastern Oregon timothy, choice, $17@18 per ton; common, $13@14; Valley timothy, $8@9; clover, $7.50@8; cheat, $6@7; grain hay, $7@8; alfalfa, $12.

#### Vegetables, Fruits, Etc.

DOMESTIC FRUITS—Apples, $2@2.75 per box.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, $2.75@3.75 per box; oranges, navels, $3@3.50 per box; tangerines, $1.85 per half box; grapefruit, $2.50@3.25; pineapples, $4@4.50 per dozen; bananas, 5c per pound.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Artichokes, $1@1.25 per dozen; asparagus, 8@12c per pound; beets, 90c; 22½c; cabbage, 2½c per pound; cauliflower, $2.25 per crate; celery, 35@90c per dozen; chickory, 25c; cucumbers, $1.50@1.75 per dozen; head lettuce, 35@40c per dozen; hothouse, $1.25@1.50; onions, 40c per dozen; peas, 10c; peppers, 25@40c; radishes, 20c per dozen; rhubarb, $1@1.25 per box; spinach, $1 per box; tomatoes, $2.25@2.50 per crate; parsley, 25c.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, $1@1.25 per sack; carrots, 65@75c per sack; beets, 65@75c $1 per sack; garlic, 10@12½c per pound.

ONIONS—Buying price: No. 1, 70@90c per sack; No. 2, nominal.

POTATOES—Buying prices: Fancy graded Burbanks, 50@60c per hundred; ordinary nominal; new California, 5@6c per pound; sweet potatoes, 2½@2½c per pound.

DRIED FRUITS — Apples, 11@12c per pound; apricots, 12@12½c; peaches, 10½@12½c; pears, none; Italian prunes, 5½@6½c; California figs, white, in sacks, 5@6½c per pound; black, 4@5c; bricks, 12-14 ounce packages, 75@85c per box; Smyrna, 20c per pound; dates, Persian, 6@6½c per pound.

RAISINS—Seeded, 12-ounce packages, 8@8½c; 16-ounce, 9½@10c; loose muscatels, 2-crown, 6½@7c; 3-crown, 6¾@7½c; 4-crown, 7@7½c; unbleached seedless Sultanas, 6@7c; Thompson's fancy bleached, 10@11c; London layers, 3-crown, whole boxes, of 20 pounds, $2; 2-crown, $1.75.

#### Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 25c per pound. State creameries: Fancy creamery, 20@25c; store butter, 15½@16c.

EGGS—Oregon ranch, 16c per dozen.

CHEESE—Oregon full cream, twins, 14¾@15½c; Young America, 15½@16½c.

POULTRY—Average old hens, 13½@14c; mixed chickens, 13@13½c; broilers, 25@30c; young roosters, 13@13½c; old roosters, 11@12c; dressed chickens, 15@16c; turkeys, live, 16@16½c; turkeys, dressed, choice, 18@20c; geese, live, per pound, 8@8½c; geese, dressed, per pound, 10@11c; ducks, 17@18c; pigeons, $1@2; squabs, $2@3.

#### Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—Oregon, 1905, 7@10c; olds, 3@7c.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon average best, 18@20c; Valley, 24@26c per pound.

MOHAIR—Choice, 29@29c per pound.

HIDES—Dry: No. 1, 16 pounds and up, per pound, 18@20c; dry kip, No. 1, 8 to 15 pounds, per lb, 18@21c; dry salted, bull and stags, 1-3 less than dry flint; culls, moth-eaten, badly cut, scored, murrain, hair-slipped, weather-beaten or grubby, 2c to 3c per pound less. Salted hides: Steers, sound, 60 pounds and over, per pound, 10@11c; steers, sound, 50 to 60 pounds, per pound, 10@11c; steers, sound, under 50 pounds, and cows, per pound, 9@10c; stags and bulls, sound, per pound, 7c; kip, sound, 15 to 30 pounds, per pound, 10c; veal, sound, 10 to 14 pounds, per pound, 11c; calf, sound, under 10 pounds, per pound, 11@12c; green (unsalted), 1c per pound less; culls, 1c per pound less. Sheepskins: Shearlings, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, 25@30c; short wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, 50@60c; medium wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, 75c@$1; long wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, $1.25@2; murrain pelts, from 10 to 20 per cent less, or per pound, 15@18c; horse hides, salted, each, according to size, $1.50@2.50; dry, each, according to size, $1@1.50; colts' hides, each, 25@60c; goat skins, common, each, 15@25c; Angora, with wool on, each, 35@$1.50.

FURS—No. 1 skins: Bearskins, as to size, each, $5@20; cubs, each, $1@3; badger, prime, each, 25@50c; cat, wild, with head perfect, 30@50c; house cat, 5@20c; fox, common gray, large prime, each, 60@70c; red, each, 75@$1; cross, each, $5@15; silver and black, each, $100@300; fishers, each, $5@20; lynx, each, $4.50@6; mink, strictly No. 1, each, according to size, $1@3; marten, dark Northern, according to size and color, each, $1@18; pale, pine, according to size and color, each, $1.50@4; muskrat, large, each, 12@15c; skunk, each, 40@60c; civet, or pole cat, each, 8@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $6@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@5; raccoon, fin prime large, each, 50@75c; mountain wolf, with head perfect, each, $1.50@3; prairie (coyote), 60@$1; wolverine, each, $3@5; beaver, per skin, large, $3@4; medium, $2@3; small, $1@1.50; kits, 50@75c.

BEESWAX—Good, clean and pure, 22@25c per pound.

TALLOW—Prime, per pound, 4@4½c; No. 2 and grease, 2@3c.

CASCARA SAGRADA (chittam bark)—3¼@3c, according to quality.

#### Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

COFFEE—Mocha, 26@28c; Java, ordinary, 18@22c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 19@22c per pound; Columbia roast, cases, 100s, $14.75; 50s, $14.75; Arbuckle, $16.38; Lion, $16.38.

RICE—Imperial Japan No. 1, 5½c; Southern Japan, 5.35c; head, 7c.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $1.75 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.50; 1-pound flats, $1.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 90c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.25; sockeye, 1-pound talls, $1.70.

SUGAR—Sack basis, 100 pounds: Cube, $6.13; powdered, $5.90; dry granulated, $5.80; extra C, $5.35; golden C, $5.20; fruit sugar, $5.50. Advances over sack basis as 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; sugar, granulated, $5.60 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; ½-pounds, 100s, $7; 50s, $7.50.

NUTS—Walnuts, 15¼c per pound by sack; ¼c extra for less than sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 16c; pecans, jumbos, 16c; extra large, 17c; almonds, 14½@15c; chestnuts, Italian, 12½@16c; Ohio, 20c; peanuts, raw, 7¼c per pound; roasted, 9c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 7¼@8c; cocoanuts, 35@90c per dozen.

BEANS—Small white, 5c; large white, 3¼c; pink, 2¾c; bayou, 4½c; Lima, 5¾c; red Mexican, 5c.

#### Provisions and Canned Meats.

HAMS—16 to 14 pounds, 13¾c pound; 14 to 16 pounds, 13½c; 18 to 20 pounds, 13¼c; California (picnic), 9½c; cottage hams, 15c; shoulders, 9c; boiled ham, 20c; boiled picnic ham, boneless, 12c.

BT. Roast beef, flat, pounds, none; two pounds, none.

BACON—Fancy breakfast, 15½c per pound; standard breakfast, 16½c; choice, 15½c; English breakfast, 11 to 14 pounds, 14½c; peach bacon, 13½c.

PICKLED GOODS—Pork barrels, $18; ½-barrels, $9.50; beef, barrels, $12; ½-barrels, $6.50.

SAUSAGE—Ham, 12c per pound; minced ham, 10c; Summer, choice dry, 17½c; bologna, long, 5½c; wienerwurst, 8c; liver, 6c; pork, 9@10c; headcheese, 6c; blood, 6c; bologna sausage, link, 4½c.

CANNED MEATS—Corned beef, pounds, per dozen, $1.25; two pounds, none; six pounds, $7. Roast beef, flat, pounds, $1.25; two pounds, $2.25; six pounds, none. Roast beef, tall, pounds, none; two pounds, $2.35; six pounds, none.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears, dry salt, 10¾c; smoked, 11¼c; clear backs, dry salt, 10½c; smoked, 11¼c; clear bellies, 14 to 17 pounds average, none; Oregon exports, 20 to 25 pounds average, dry salt, 11c; smoked, 12c; Union bellies, 10 to 18 pounds average, none.

LARD—Leaf lard, kettle rendered: Tierces, 11½c; tubs, 11¾c; 50s, 11¾c; 20s, 11¾c; 10s, 11¾c; 5s, 12c. Standard pure: Tierces, 10½c; tubs, 10¾c; 50s, 10¾c; 20s, 10¾c; 10s, 10¾c; 5s, 11c. Compound: Tierces, 9¾c; tubs, 10c; 50s, 10c; 20s, 10¼c; 10s, 10¼c; 5s, 10½c.

#### Oils.

TURPENTINE—Cases, 91c per gallon.

COAL—Cases, 19c per gallon; tanks, 12½c per gallon.

GASOLINE—Stove gasoline, cases, 22½c; 72 test, 27c; 86 test, 35c; iron tanks, 18c.

WHITE LEAD—Ten lots, 7¾c; 500-pound lots, 8c; less than 500-pound lots, 8¼c. (In 25-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 4 to 5-pound tin pails, 1c above keg price; 1 to 3-pound tin cans, 100 pounds per case, 2½c per pound above keg price.)

LINSEED OIL—Raw, in barrels, 48c; in cases, 53c; boiled, in barrels, 50c; in cases, 55c; 25-gallon lots, 1c less.

#### Dressed Meats.

VEAL—Dressed, 75 to 125 pounds, 7½@8c; 120 to 150 pounds, 6@6½c; 150 to 200 pounds, 5@5½c; 200 pounds and up, 3½@4c.

BEEF—Dressed bulls, 3c per pound; cows, 4@5c; country steers, 4½@5½c.

MUTTON—Dressed fancy 8@9½c per pound; ordinary, 4@6c; lambs, with pelt on, 10@11c.

PORK—Dressed, 6 to 150 pounds, 8@8½c; 150 and up, 6@6½c per pound.

### SAN FRANCISCO QUOTATIONS.

**Prices for Produce Current in the Bay City Markets.**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—VEGETABLES—Cucumbers, 75c@$2; garlic, 5@6c; green peas, 2½@3c; string beans, 10@15c; asparagus, 40@75c; tomatoes, 75c@$1.25.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 15@20c; roosters, old, $4@4.50; young, $6.50@7.50; broilers, small, $3@4; broilers, large, $4.50@5.50; fryers, $5.50@6.50; hens, $4.50@7; ducks, old, 8@8; ducks, young, 8@10.

BUTTER—Extra creamery, 26c; creamery seconds, 18½c.

EGGS—Fancy ranch, 18½c.

CHEESE — Young America, 10½@11½c; Eastern, nominal; Western, nominal.

HOPS—7@11c.

WOOL—South Plains and S. J., 14@17c; middle counties, 18@24c.

MILLSTUFFS — Bran, $17.50@18.50; middlings, $27@28c.

HAY—Wheat, $11@16; wheat and oats, $10@14; barley, $8@11; alfalfa, $10.50@11.50; stock, $7@8; straw, per bale, 30@50c.

FRUIT—Apples, choice, $2; common, 75c; bananas, $1@2.25; Mexican limes, $4@4.50; California lemons, choice, $3; common, $1; oranges, navel, $2.25@3.50; pineapples, $1.50@2.50.

POTATOES—Early Rose, 80c@$1; Salinas Burbanks, $1@1.50; sweets, nominal; Oregon Burbanks, 75c@$1.15.

RECEIPTS — Flour, 19,066 quarter sacks; wheat, 6132 centals; barley, 3069 centals; beans, 2029 sacks; potatoes, 4803 sacks; bran, 400 sacks; middlings, 471 sacks; hay, 620 tons; wool, 26 bales; hides, 684.

### Mining Stocks.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 4.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were as follows:

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| Alta | $ .10 | Justice | $ .03 |
| Alpha Con. | .02 | Mexican | 1.15 |
| Andes | .29 | Occidental Con. | .96 |
| Belcher | .18 | Ophir | 3.50 |
| Best & Belcher | 1.15 | Overman | .12 |
| Bullion | .30 | Potosi | .27 |
| Caledonia | .57 | Savage | 1.10 |
| Challenge Con. | .12 | Scorpion | .09 |
| Chollar | .20 | Seg. Belcher | .10 |
| Confidence | .75 | Sierra Nevada | .32 |
| Con. Cal. & V. | 1.40 | Silver Hill | .88 |
| Crown Point | .06 | Standard | 2.00 |
| Exchequer | .62 | Union Con. | .42 |
| Gould & Curry | .25 | Utah Con. | .03 |
| Hale & Nor. | 1.20 | Yellow Jacket | .16 |
| Julia | .07 | | |

NEW YORK, April 4.—Closing quotations:

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| Adams Con. | $ .25 | Little Chief | $ .07½ |
| Alice | 3.00 | Ontario | 2.60 |
| Breece | .35 | Ophir | 5.75 |
| Brunswick C. | .50 | Phoenix | .02 |
| Comstock Tun. | .22 | Potosi | .23 |
| Con. Cal. & V. | 1.50 | Savage | .92 |
| Horn Silver | 2.05 | Sierra Nevada | .31 |
| Iron Silver | 1.25 | Small Hopes | .30 |
| Leadville Con. | .05 | Standard | 2.90 |

BOSTON, April 4.—Closing quotations:

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| Adventure | $ 7.75 | Mont. C. & C. | $ 3.87½ |
| Allouez | 40.12½ | N. Butte | 54.50 |
| Amalgamated | 111.75 | Old Dominion | 45.00 |
| Am. Zinc | 11.00 | Osceola | 105.25 |
| Atlantic | 21.00 | Parrot | 29.00 |
| Bingham | 40.50 | Shannon | 7.12½ |
| Cal. & Hecla | 708.00 | Tamarack | 107.00 |
| Centennial | 27.00 | Trinity | 11.00 |
| Cop. Range | 81.37½ | United Cop. | 68.75 |
| Daly-West | 14.00 | U. S. Mining | 61.25 |
| Dominion C. | 7.00 | U. S. Oil | 12.50 |
| Franklin | 20.00 | Utah | 64.25 |
| Granby | 13.00 | Victoria | 8.50 |
| Isle Royale | 23.00 | Winona | 8.50 |
| Mass. Mining | 8.75 | Wolverine | 125.00 |
| Michigan | 13.50 | Mohawk | 61.50 |

### Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, April 4.—There was a strong advance in the London tin market with spot closing at £172 5s and futures at £169. Locally the market was firm and higher in consequence with spot quoted at 38@38.50c.

Copper was 5s lower in the London market, with spot quoted at £84 5s and futures at £82 5s. Locally no change was reported. Lake is quoted at 18.50@18.75c; electrolytic, 18.25@18.50c; casting, 18@18.25c.

Lead, unchanged at 5.25@5.35c in the local market, but declined 2s 6d to £15 10s in London.

Spelter was unchanged at £25 2s 6d in London and at 6.10@6.20c in the local market.

Iron closed at 48s 6d for both standard foundry and Cleveland warrants in the English market. Locally, the market was steady and unchanged.

### Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Coffee futures closed steady, net unchanged to 5 points higher. May, 6.55@6.60c; October, 7.05c; December, 7.30c; March, 7.40c; Spot Rio, quiet; No. 7 invoice, 8 1-16c; mild, steady; Cordova, 10@12½c.

Sugar—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3 13-32@3 11-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 17-32@3 9-16c; molasses sugar, 2 13-16c. Refined, steady; crushed, $5.40; powdered, $4.80; granulated, $4.70.

# CALL MONEY FLURRY

## Rate Advances to 19 Per Cent in Wall Street.

## STOCKS NO LONGER RISE

### Professional Pool Abandons, for the Time, Its Attempt to Elevate Values — Reading Gains Against Depression.

NEW YORK, April 4.—The shrinkage in the activity of trading today indicates a subsidence of the attempts to advance prices on the part of professional parties in the speculation which has been prominent in the dealings for the last few days. A number of factors in the immediate situation proved discouraging to the campaign after the first advance, and a disposition was shown to adopt a waiting attitude. There was a considerable selling movement early in the day in the course of profit-taking by speculators in a doubtful state of mind. The movement was not extensive, however, and did not involve any great damage to prices. Sharp breaks in special stocks were a large figure in the general weakness at that time.

The announcement of additional stock and bond issues by the Colorado Fuel & Iron Company, although involving subscription rights of some value at prevailing market prices for the securities concerned, was not relished. The Chicago Union Traction stocks, which were rushed up in the closing dealings, fell back sharply. Consolidated Gas also after a rise at the opening threatened to renew its weak decline. The wide losses in these stocks were well recovered in the course of the first hour. After that the market was extremely dull all day and moved within narrow limits.

Reading made most headway against the depression, although that stock also was forced below last night in the course of the early trading. A widely disseminated "tip" that the price was to be put up to 140 during the course of the day attracted a considerable professional following, as this stock has demonstrated its close control by a market pool many times in the past. This movement was advanced as an evidence of a promising outlook for an anthracite labor settlement and caused some responsive strength on that ground among other coalers. No news was forthcoming, however, of any actual development in the negotiations for a coal miners' settlement.

The condition of the money market was a discouragement to any extension of speculation, the stringency of call loans appearing rather to increase than to relax. The rate had run up to 10 per cent soon after noon. The early rate of 7 per cent also was higher than heretofore during the week, and 19 per cent was touched in the late flurry.

Yesterday's transfers through the sub-Treasury to interior points lifted the loss by the banks to that institution since Friday, as shown by today's statement, to $3,444,000, as compared with a loss of less than $2,000,000 in the corresponding period of last week.

The declaration of only the regular dividend on Atchison seemed to cause disappointment to some holders. The advance in Reading had little effect on the general list, and the market yielded again with the late flurry in call money and closed easy.

Bonds were irregular. Total sales, par value, $2,470,000. United States bonds were all unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

| | Sales. | High. | Low. | Closing bid. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Adams Express | | | | 250 |
| Amalgam. Copper | 98,400 | 112 | 110¾ | 111¾ |
| Am. Car & Found. | 6,500 | 45¾ | 44¼ | 44¾ |
| do preferred | 200 | 102 | 102¾ | 102 |
| Amer. Cotton Oil | 400 | 34¾ | 34½ | 34¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 92½ |
| American Express | | | | 232 |
| Am. Hd. & Lt. pf. | 200 | 35 | 34½ | 34¼ |
| American Ice | 2,500 | 56¾ | 55½ | 56 |
| Amer. Linseed Oil | | | | 22 |
| do preferred | | | | 44 |
| Amer. Locomotive | 4,700 | 70 | 68¾ | 69¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 115½ |
| Am. Smelt. & Ref. | 24,400 | 162¾ | 160½ | 160¾ |
| do preferred | 100 | 122¼ | 122¼ | 122¼ |
| Am. Sugar Refining | 2,400 | 142¾ | 140¾ | 141 |
| Am. Tobacco pfd. | 600 | 105 | 105 | 104½ |
| Anaconda Min. Co. | 51,600 | 28¾ | 27¾ | 28½ |
| Atchison | 21,600 | 94¾ | 93¾ | 94¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 103¾ |
| Atlantic Coast Line | 100 | 154½ | 154½ | 154½ |
| Baltimore & Ohio | 10,900 | 114¾ | 113¾ | 113¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 94½ |
| Brook. Rap. Tran. | 24,200 | 88¾ | 87½ | 87½ |
| Canadian Pacific | 2,000 | 173½ | 172¾ | 172¾ |
| Cent. of N. Jersey | 400 | 222½ | 221¾ | 218 |
| Central Leather | 600 | 45¾ | 45 | 45¼ |
| do preferred | 400 | 105 | 104¾ | 104¾ |
| Chesapeake & Ohio | 7,000 | 60¾ | 59¾ | 60 |
| Chicago & Alton | | | | 31 |
| do preferred | 100 | 75 | 75 | 78½ |
| Chi. Gt. Western | 4,000 | 21¾ | 21¼ | 21¼ |
| Chi. & Northwest | 100 | 212 | 212 | 212 |
| Chi., Mil. & St. P. | 8,500 | 178¾ | 177¾ | 177¾ |
| Chi. Term. & Tran. | | | | 6 |
| do preferred | | | | 28½ |
| C., C., C. & St. L. | 2,100 | 102¾ | 102 | 102 |
| Colo. Fuel & Iron | 24,700 | 65¾ | 63¾ | 65¾ |
| Colo. & Southern | 900 | 35¾ | 35¼ | 35¼ |
| do 1st preferred | 600 | 70¾ | 70 | 70 |
| do 2d preferred | 500 | 51¾ | 50¾ | 50¾ |
| Consolidated Gas | 27,200 | 142 | 138½ | 141¾ |
| Corn Products | 8,600 | 28 | 27¾ | 27¾ |
| do preferred | 1,500 | 84¾ | 84 | 84 |
| Delaware & Hudson | 400 | 216¾ | 209 | 212 |
| Del., Lack. & W. | | | | 456 |
| Den. & Rio Grande | 1,200 | 47 | 46¾ | 46¾ |
| do preferred | 100 | 89 | 89 | 89 |
| Distillers' Securit. | 4,800 | 60¾ | 59¾ | 60¼ |
| Erie | 1,000 | 46 | 45¼ | 45¼ |
| do 1st preferred | 100 | 79¾ | 77 | 78¾ |
| do 2d preferred | | | | 70 |
| General Electric | 2,000 | 174¾ | 173 | 173½ |
| Hocking Valley | | | | 128 |
| Illinois Central | | | | 172½ |
| International Paper | 400 | 23 | 22¾ | 22¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 85½ |
| International Pump | 3,000 | 42¾ | 41¾ | 42 |
| do preferred | 100 | 86¾ | 86¾ | 84 |
| Iowa Central | | | | 31 |
| do preferred | | | | 58½ |
| Kansas City South. | | | | 28¾ |
| do preferred | 200 | 58¾ | 58¼ | 27¾ |
| Louis. & Nashville | 3,500 | 152¼ | 151¼ | 151¾ |
| Manhattan L. | | | | 156 |
| Metropol. St. Ry. | | | | 116½ |
| Mexican Central | 1,700 | 25¾ | 25¼ | 25½ |
| Minn. & St. Louis | | | | 74 |
| M., St. P. & S.S.M. | | | | 152½ |
| do preferred | 100 | 174 | 174 | 173 |
| Missouri Pacific | 4,400 | 97¾ | 96 | 96¼ |
| Mo., Kan. & Texas | 500 | 36 | 35¼ | 35¼ |
| do preferred | 900 | 72¾ | 72¼ | 72¾ |
| National Lead | 2,700 | 84 | 82 | 83 |
| Mex. Nt. R. R. pf. | | | | 29½ |
| New York Central | 1,000 | 146¾ | 145½ | 145½ |
| N. Y., Ont. & W. | 12,700 | 52¼ | 51¾ | 52¼ |
| Norfolk & Western | 1,800 | 90¾ | 90 | 90¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 90½ |
| Northern Pacific | 4,600 | 221 | 220 | 220½ |
| North American | 1,500 | 101¼ | 100¾ | 100¾ |
| Pacific Mail | 200 | 46 | 46 | 46 |
| Pennsylvania | 24,600 | 140¾ | 139¾ | 140¼ |
| People's Gas | 1,500 | 96¼ | 94¾ | 95¼ |
| P., C., C. & St. L. | 100 | 81 | 81 | 81 |
| Pressed Steel Car | 800 | 54¾ | 54 | 54¼ |
| do preferred | 150 | 99 | 99 | 98¾ |
| Pullman Pal. Car | | | | 237 |
| Reading | 158,900 | 140 | 137¾ | 138¾ |
| do 1st preferred | 100 | 92 | 92 | 91½ |
| do 2d preferred | | | | 86 |
| Republic Steel | 1,000 | 32½ | 32 | 31¾ |
| do preferred | 4,500 | 103¾ | 102¾ | 102¾ |
| Rock Island Co. | 3,600 | 28 | 27½ | 27¾ |
| do preferred | 1,300 | 67¼ | 66¾ | 66¾ |
| Schloss-Sheffield | 500 | 84¼ | 84 | 84 |
| St. L. & S. F. 2 pf. | 400 | 48 | 48 | 48¼ |
| St. Louis Southw. | 200 | 24¼ | 24 | 23¾ |
| do preferred | 100 | 57½ | 57½ | 57 |
| Southern Pacific | 23,900 | 70¾ | 69¼ | 69¼ |
| do preferred | 100 | 116¼ | 116¼ | 116 |
| Southern Railway | 7,500 | 41½ | 40¾ | 40¾ |
| do preferred | | | | 102¼ |
| Tenn. Coal & Iron | 100 | 151½ | 151½ | 151 |
| Texas & Pacific | 400 | 34¾ | 34 | 33¾ |
| Tol., St. L. & W. | 100 | 36¼ | 36¼ | 36 |
| do preferred | 400 | 56 | 55 | 55½ |
| Union Pacific | 123,000 | 159½ | 156¾ | 158¾ |
| do preferred | 200 | 96 | 96 | 95½ |
| U. S. Express | | | | 120 |
| U. S. Realty | 1,600 | 54¾ | 54 | 53¾ |
| do preferred | 400 | 114¾ | 114¾ | 114¾ |
| U. S. Steel | 64,000 | 43¾ | 42¾ | 42¾ |
| do preferred | 6,400 | 106¾ | 105¾ | 106¼ |
| Virg.-Caro. Chem. | 300 | 51 | 50 | 50 |
| do preferred | | | | 112½ |
| Wabash | 800 | 22¾ | 22¼ | 22¼ |
| do preferred | 700 | 50¾ | 50¼ | 50 |
| Wells-Fargo Exp. | | | | 250 |
| Westinghouse Elec. | | | | 161½ |
| Western Union | | | | 91½ |
| Wheel. & L. Erie | | | | 19¾ |
| Wisconsin Central | 200 | 29 | 28¾ | 28 |
| do preferred | 100 | 57¾ | 57¾ | 57¾ |

Total sales for the day, 919,400 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, April 4.—Closing quotations:

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| U. S. ref. 2s reg. | 103¾ | D. & R. G. 4s | 100¾ |
| do coupon | 103¾ | N. Y. C. G. 3½s | 98¾ |
| U. S. 3s reg. | 109¾ | Nor. Pacific 3s | 75¾ |
| do coupon | 109 | Nor. Pacific 4s | 104 |
| U. S. new 4s reg. | 132¾ | So. Pacific 4s | 97¾ |
| do coupon | 132¾ | Union Pacific 4s | 109 |
| Atchison Adj. 4s | 99¾ | Wis. Central 4s | 92¾ |
| U. S. old 4s reg. | 103¾ | Jap. 6s, 2d ser. | 101 |
| do coupon | 103¾ | Jap. 4½s, cer. | 92¾ |

### Stocks at London.

LONDON, April 4.—Consols for money, 90¾; consols for account, 91¼.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Anaconda | 14½ | Norfolk & West. | 92½ |
| Atchison | 97¼ | do preferred |