HOLD THEIR WHEAT

Farmers Will Not Sell on the Decline.

TRADING FALLS OFF

Condition of Foreign Crops—Oats Market Stimulated by Eastern Demand—Plowing Up Hop Yards in New York.

Trading in the local wheat market yesterday was of small proportions. The feeling was easy and prices a cent under those of last week were quoted. This decline had the effect of almost entirely checking the selling movement. A good deal of business was transacted last week and the strong local demand met with more or less ready response on the part of sellers. The decline yesterday, however, did not have the effect that it sometimes does of bringing out more offerings, but on the other hand brought business almost to a standstill. Farmers are very firm and independent in their views, and practically all the wheat left unsold is held by growers who are financially able to hold on longer.

Broomhall's latest foreign crop summary follows:

United Kingdom—Quite large area shows plant weak, and possibly some reseeding will be necessary, especially barley and oats. Wheat offerings are small. France, Italy, Bulgaria, North Africa and Spain—Outlook unchanged; favorable. Germany—Outlook satisfactory; supplies of native wheat smaller; this country continues a free buyer of both Argentine and Pacific Coast. Russia—Notwithstanding improvement in the Southwest, one-third crop expected; prospects for Spring crop good, but Spring wheat is less reliable; elsewhere there is plenty of snow and prospects are excellent; poor outlook for Winter grain may retard seeding of Spring; supplies very light. Roumania—Weather seasonable and crop promises well. Hungary.—Weather unseasonable; stocks decreasing.

The oats market continues to show a firm tone because of the demand from the East, but buying on local account is light. Barley is dull and nominal. Hay is going slowly into consumption. Some growers having a cheap grade of hay are pressing sales, but most of the best quality of hay is in firm hands.

LOCAL HOP TRADE QUIET MONDAY

Conditions in New York State as Reported by Eastern Papers.

There were no important developments in the local hop market yesterday. A few small sales were reported from the country at previous prices.

The latest issue of the Waterville (N. Y.) Times said:

There is a little business doing here, but not as much as there would be if the right sort of goods could be found. As soon as there is a crop of the better quality offered on this market it is quickly picked up and only the scarcity of this quality restricts the sales here. There is some talk of plowing up some of the yards hereabouts, but it is not so general as over in Madison County, where there were a good many poor hops grown which are still left in the growers' hands.

The Cobleskill (N. Y.) Times thinks it sees the finish of the Pacific Coast grower. It says:

The hop market remains in practically the same condition as it has for several weeks, wherever a good crop is to be found it is eagerly sought at prices ranging from 10 to 12 cents, in spite of the fact that Coast hops are selling at from 4 to 5 cents. This disparity in price is owing to the recognition by brewers that state's have the strength and flavor superior to Coast hops. It is only a question of time when the Coast growers will have to go out of the business as they cannot command the price. Their land is too valuable for fruitgrowing to long hold on to a losing game.

DEMAND FOR POULTRY NOT STRONG

Storing of Eggs at Present Prices Not Extensive—Butter Active.

There were very few arrivals of poultry yesterday and the market was more or less nominal. The trade does not look for a demand as active as prevailed at the opening of last week.

The egg market was flat. The general quotation on the street was 16 cents, but round lots were offered lower. A little storing of surplus stocks has been done, but not many eggs will be put away until bedrock has been reached and 16 cents is not considered bottom this year. Some of the largest speculators say they will not store any Oregon eggs this season, but will depend on the East for their storage supplies.

The butter market continues very active and city and country creamery cleans up readily. Present prices are likely to be maintained unless there is a further drop in the California market.

Light Arrivals of Produce.

There was a good demand for fresh produce yesterday, but the market was lightly supplied with green stuff. An assortment of Southern truck is due on the steamer today. Arrivals yesterday were one car of sweet potatoes and three cars of California oranges, one of them from the Eller ranch. The movement in oranges is very good. Apples are in fair supply and sell readily.

Weekly Grain Statistics.

The weekly grain statistics of the Merchants' Exchange follow:

American visible supply—

	Bushels.	Decrease Bushels.
March 16, 1908	40,149,000	1,213,000
March 18, 1907	47,334,000	3,604,000
March 19, 1906	47,272,000	429,000
March 20, 1905	33,986,000	1,151,000
March 14, 1904	33,396,000	1,262,000
March 16, 1903	46,066,000	691,000
March 17, 1902	51,997,000	1,158,000
March 18, 1901	55,124,000	769,000
March 19, 1900	53,912,000	*214,000

*Increase.

Quantities on passage—

For	Week ending Mar. 14. Bushels.	Week ending Mar. 7. Bushels.	Week ending Mar. 16-07. Bushels.
U. Kingdom	36,800,000	38,000,000	31,520,000
Continent	22,080,000	21,680,000	16,720,000
Total	58,880,000	59,680,000	48,240,000

World's shipments, principal exporting countries (four included)—

From	Week ending Mar. 14. Bushels.	Week ending Mar. 7. Bushels.	Week ending Mar. 16-07. Bushels.
U. S. & Can.	2,395,000	2,934,000	2,080,000
Argentine	7,370,000	6,116,000	4,800,000
Australia	336,000	288,000	736,000
India	.....	.....	688,000
Danube ports	520,000	216,000	464,000
Russia	320,000	320,000	360,000
Total	10,947,000	9,894,000	9,328,000

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$1,332,011	$167,952
Seattle	1,288,142	145,381
Tacoma	819,222	208,802
Spokane	921,872	93,079

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

FLOUR—Patent, $4.80; straight, $4.00; clears, $4; Valley, $4.45; graham flour, $4.45@5; whole wheat flour, $4.75@5.25; rye flour, $5.50.

WHEAT—Club, 82c; bluestem, 84c; Valley, 82c; red, 80c.

BARLEY—Feed, $26 per ton; rolled, $28 @30 per ton.

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, city, $26; country, $27 per ton; middlings, $30; shorts, city, $27; country, $28 per ton; chop, $29@25 per ton.

OATS—No. 1 white, 27@28 per ton.

CEREAL FOODS—Rolled oats, cream, 90-pound sacks, per barrel, $7; lower grades, $5.50@6.50; oatmeal, steel-cut, 45-pound sacks, $8 per barrel; 9-lb sacks, $4.25 per bale; split peas, per 100 pounds, $4.25@4.50; pearl barley, $4.50@5 per 100 pounds; pastry flour, 10-pound sacks, $2.75 per bale; flaked wheat, $2.75 per case.

CORN—Whole, $32.50; cracked, $33.50.

HAY—Valley timothy, No. 1, $17 ton; Eastern Oregon timothy, $19@20; clover, $14@15; cheat, $15; grain hay, $14@15; alfalfa, 12@13.

Vegetables, Fruit, Etc.

DOMESTIC FRUITS—Apples, $1.25@3.50 per box, according to quality; cranberries, $8@11 per barrel.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75@ 90c per dozen; asparagus, 25c per pound; beans, 20c per pound; cabbage, 1½c per pound; cauliflower, $1.75@2; celery, $4.25@4.75 per crate; eggplant, 20c per pound; lettuce, head, 65c per dozen; hothouse, 50c@1 per box; parsley, 20c per dozen; peppers, 17½c per pound; radishes, 30c per dozen; rhubarb, 10c per pound; spinach, 3c per pound; sprouts, 10c per pound; squash, 1@1½c per pound; tomatoes, crates (6 baskets), $3@3.50; Mexican, crates, $3.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, $2.50@3.50 per box; oranges, navels, $1.75@2.25; grapefruit, $3.50; bananas, 5@5½c per lb.; crated, 5½c; pineapples, $4@5.50 per dozen; tangerines, $1.50 per box.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, 75c per sack; carrots, 65c per sack; beets, $1.00 per sack; garlic, 8c per pound.

ONIONS—Buying price, Oregons, $2.50@ 2.00 per hundred; Japanese, jobbing prices, $3.50.

POTATOES—Buying price, 40@65c per hundred, delivered Portland; sweet potatoes, $3.50@3.75 per hundred.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10c per pound; peaches, 11@12½c; prunes, Italian, 5@6½c; prunes, French, 3@5c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9½c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white, fancy, 50-pound boxes, 6¾c.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 30c per pound; state creameries, fancy creameries, 25@30c; store butter, choice, 16@17c.

CHEESE—Oregon full cream twins, 15c; Young America, 16@16½c per pound.

POULTRY—Average old hens, 14@15c; mixed chickens, 12@13c; Spring chickens, 16@20c; turkeys, live, 15@17c; dressed, choice, 16@20c; geese, live, per pound, 8@ 10c; ducks, 16@17c; pigeons, 75c@$1; squabs, $1.50@2.

EGGS—Fresh ranch, 16c per dozen.

VEAL—75 to 125 pounds, 9@9½c; 125 to 150 pounds, 7c; 150 to 200 pounds, 5@6½c.

PORK—Block, 75 to 150 pounds, 7@7½c; packers, 5@6½c.

Hops, Wool, Hides, Etc.

HOPS—1907, prime and choice, 4@5½c per pound; old, 1@2c per pound.

WOOL—Eastern Oregon, average best, 12 @16c per pound, according to shrinkage; Valley, 18@20c, according to fineness.

MOHAIR—Choice, 25c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—3@3½c per pound.

HIDES—Dry, 12@13c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 lbs., 14@16c; culls, 2c per lb. less; salted hides, 5@6c; salted calf, 9c; steer (unsalted), 1c per lb. less; culls, 1c per lb. less; sheep skins, 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 @$1.00; long wool, No. 1 butchers' stock, each, $1.25@1.50; horse hides, salted, each, according to size, $2.00@2.50; dry, according to size, each, $1.00@1.50; colt's hides, each, 25@50c; goat skins, common, each, 15@25c; Angoras, with wool on, each, 30c@ $1.50.

FURS—For No. 1 skins: Bear skins, as to size, No. 1, each, $5.00@10.00; cubs, each, $1@3; badger, prime, each, 25@50c; cat, wild, with head perfect, 30@50c; house, 5@20c; fox, common gray, large prime, each, 40@50c red, each, $3@5; cross, each, $5@15; silver and black, each, $100@ 300; fisher, each, $5@8; lynx, each, $4.50@ 6.00; mink, strictly No. 1, each, according to size, $1@3; marten, dark northern, according to size and color, each, $10@15; marten, pale, according to size and color, each, $2.50@4; muskrat, large, each, 12@ 15c; skunk, each, 20@40c; civet or polecat, each, 5@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $4@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@3 raccoon, for prime large, each, 50@75c; wolf, mountain, with head perfect, each, $3.50@5.00; prairie (coyote), 60c@$1.00; wolverine, each, $6@ 8.00.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Vegetables—Garlic, 10@15c; green peas, 8@11c; string beans, 20c; asparagus, 7@ 14c; tomatoes, $1.25@2; eggplant, 10@15c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4@4.50; roosters, young, $6.50@8.50; broilers, small, $4.50@ 5.50; broilers, large, $5.50@6.50; fryers, $6.50 @7.50; hens, $5@9; ducks, old, $4@5; young, $5@7.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 24c; creamery, seconds, 23c; fancy dairy, 20½c.

Eggs—Store, 15c; fancy ranch, 16c; Eastern, 10½@11c.

Cheese—New, 10½@11c; Young America, 12@12½c.

Millstuffs—Bran, $30@31.50; middlings, $33@35.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 20@23c; Valley, Plains and San Joaquin, 5@7c; lambs, 6@10c.

Hops—1907, 1½@6½c; contracts, 9@11c.

Hay—Wheat, $12@17; wheat and oats, $11@14.50; alfalfa, $9@14; stocks, $7.50@9; straw, per bale, 60@85c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $2; common, 60c; bananas, 75c@$3; Mexican limes, $1@8 California lemons, choice, $2.50; common, 75c; oranges, navels, $1.50@2.50; pineapples, $1.50@3.50.

Potatoes—Early Rose, $1.25@1.35; Salinas Burbanks, 75c@$1.10; sweets, $3@3.50; Oregon Burbanks, 75c@$1.

Receipts—Flour, 8445 quarter sacks; wheat, 1060 centals; barley, 2800 centals; oats, 1100 centals; beans, 2528 sacks; corn, 70 centals; potatoes, 8000 sacks; bran, 20 sacks; middlings, 60 sacks; hay, 837 tons; wool, 20 bales; hides, 853.

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The London tin market had sharp advances, spot closing at £139 12s and futures at £137 5s. Locally the market was firm with spot quoted at 30.50@ 30.87½c.

Copper advanced to £60 5s for spot and £59 12s 6d for futures in the London market. Locally the market was firm and a little higher with lake quoted at 12.75@13.00c; electrolytic at 12.62½@12.87½c and casting at 12.50@12.75c.

Lead was higher at £13 15s in London. The local market was firm and higher also at 3.85@3.90c.

Spelter advanced to £21 7s 6d in London. Locally it was firm at 4.65@4.75.

Iron was unchanged at 55 higher with standard foundry quoted at 50s and Cleveland warrants at 51s 3d in the English market. Locally the market was unchanged.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, March 16.—On the produce exchange today the butter market was steady. Creameries, 22@28c; dairies, 20@29c.

Eggs—Steady; at mark, cases included, 14½c; firsts, 14½c; prime firsts, 15½c; extras, 17½c.

Cheese—Steady, 12½@14c.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Butter, irregular. Creameries, extras, 28½c; held thirds, to specials, 23@27c; Western factory, 21c; imitation creamery, firsts, 22@23c.

Cheese, firm. Full creameries, specials, 10½c; state full creameries, small, colored, fancy, 15¾c; do white fancy, 16c; do large colored and white fancy, 15¾c; do good to prime, 14½@15½c; do Winter made, 12@ 15c; do, common to fair, 10@11½c.

Eggs, weak. Western firsts, 15½@15¾c; seconds, 15@15¼c.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 16.—It is reported that one car of prime evaporated apples sold last week at 6½c but generally speaking offerings are at 7c or better. Fancy are quoted at 10½@11c; choice, 8½@9½c; prime, 8¾@7½c and common to fair at 5¾@6¾c.

Prunes are said to be selling more freely on the Coast, but the spot market is quiet with California fruit quoted at 4½@14c and Oregons 6@10c.

Apricots are quiet with choice 18@20c; extra choice, 20@22c and fancy 22@24c.

Peaches unchanged with choice quoted at 10@10½c; extra choice, 11@11½c; fancy, 11½ @12c; extra fancy at 13@14c.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Coffee futures closed dull, net unchanged to 5 points lower. Sales were reported of 7000 bags, including March, 6.80c; May, 6.80c; July, 6.60c; September, 6.60c; December, 6.50c. Spot quiet; No. 7 Rio, 6½c; No. 4 Santos, 8½c; mild coffee steady; Cordova, 10½@13½c.

Sugar—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3.56c; centrifugal 96-test, 4.06c; molasses sugar, 3.31c; refined, steady; crushed, $5.70; powdered, $5.10; granulated, $5.

Naval Stores.

SAVANNAH, Ga., March 16.—Turpentine spirits, 48½c; sales, 379; shipments, 395; receipts, 182.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 333; receipts, 1061; shipments, 2442; stock, 58,403. ABC, 3.50@ 3.60c; D, 3.55@3.60c; E, 3.55@3.60c; F, 3.60c; G, 3.65c; H, 3.75c; I, 3.85c; K, 4.85c; M, 5.25c; N, 5.65c; WG, 5.90c; WW, 6.10c.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 16.—Wool, steady; territory and Western mediums, 20@22c; fine mediums, 18@20c; fine, 15@17c.

BEARS ON THE ALERT

Anticipate Reaction in Prices of Stocks.

LESS SUPPORT IS GIVEN

Bull Leaders Show Lack of Confidence in the Movement—Pressure on Amalgamated Weakens Entire Market.

NEW YORK, March 16.—The professional element in the stock market was alert for indications of reactions in prices today. They based their opinion of the market on the extent to which the rise had already run. The inducement to holders on this account to sell and realize profits and the admitted narrow participation attracted into to speculation from the outside public. The conduct of speculation for some time past has relied on an ultimate awakening of widespread interest in stocks to afford a medium for taking the accumulation that had been going on off the hands of holders. The revelations of a wavering of confidence on the part of leaders of the advancing movement confirmed the confidence of the bears in working for reaction. They sold with increasing aggressiveness and offered prices down to take the market from those attempting to realize.

New developments had little reflection in the market. Some confidence was added to the side of the reaction by the news of the United States Supreme Court decision in the Armour packing house case. The confirmation of the powers for control of railroad rates granted by the Elkins law was felt to be of serious import to railroad companies. The passage of the dividend on Crucible Steel preferred was a minor influence against the market.

Railroad traffic officials did not express full concurrence in the views prevalent last week in the stock market of the improvement in business conditions, which has set in, although reporting some slight growth of traffic. A heavy movement of soft coal was attributed, however, to preparation for a possible strike in that industry.

Foreign markets were not disposed to follow eagerly the initiative set by Wall street last week. The investment situation abroad as well as here is not yet satisfactory to those looking to enlist capital. The London market reflects, in spite of a growing accumulation of banking reserves, discouragement over the volume of new issues. The reserve accumulation there as well as here is traceable to declines in trade activity and is an element in the abstention of foreign markets from any recall of the enormous sums shipped to this country to tide us over our crisis last Fall. The excess value of our February exports reached $88,743,361, compared with $36,500,000 in the same month last year, but the falling off of nearly $44,000,000 in value of our imports is the vital factor in this showing and is conclusive testimony to commercial contraction.

Speculative sentiment was especially impressed by the pressure to realize profits in Amalgamated Copper in spite of another rise in the metal here and in London. This realizing in Amalgamated Copper was a prime factor in the market weakness of the late market, and which continued up to the closing.

Bonds were firm. Total sales, par value, $2,460,000 United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Adams' Express	.....	.....	.....	177
Amal Copper	49,900	56	55¼	55¼
Am Car & Fdry	2,100	30¾	30¼	30
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	88¼
Am Cotton Oil	500	27¾	27½	27
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	85
Am Express	.....	.....	.....	199
Am Hid & Lt pf	100	14½	14½	14½
American Ice	2,300	17¾	16¾	16¾
Am Linseed Oil	200	6½	6½	6¾
do preferred	100	18	18	17
Am Locomotive	2,400	38¾	37	36¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	104½
Am Smelt & Ref.	49,900	70¾	67¾	67¾
do preferred	100	92¾	92¾	92½
Am Sugar Ref.	800	119¾	118½	118¾
Am Tobacco ctfs.	900	84	82	81½
Anaconda Min Co.	10,900	37¼	35	35¾
Atchison	11,500	74¾	72¾	73¾
do preferred	300	85¼	85	84
Atl Coast Line	300	67	65	65
Balt & Ohio	2,000	83¾	81¾	81¼
do preferred	200	82	82	81
Brook Rap Tran.	13,500	45¾	43¾	43¾
Canadian Pacific	5,300	146½	144½	144¾
Central of N J	600	169¾	169	170
Ches & Ohio	2,500	30¾	29¾	29½
Chi Great West	400	4½	4½	4½
Chicago & N W	900	147¾	145¾	145½
C, M & St Paul	33,600	120¾	118¾	118¼
Chi Ter & Tran	.....	.....	.....	5
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	20
C, C, C & St Louis	650	49¾	49¾	49
Colo Fuel & Iron	2,600	21	19	19
Colo & Southern	800	23¾	23¾	23¾
do 1st preferred	300	53X	53¾	53¼
do 2d preferred	600	44¼	44	43
Consolidated Gas	1,200	164¾	162½	162½
Corn Products	1,600	13¼	12¾	12¾
do preferred	100	61¾	61¾	61
Del & Hudson	1,100	158¼	155	154¾
Del, Lack & West	.....	.....	.....	474
D & R Grande	300	20	19½	19
do preferred	200	52	51	50
Distillers' Securi	1,000	31¾	31	30¼
Erie	2,700	15¼	14½	14½
do 1st preferred	1,000	29¼	29	28¾
do 2d preferred	400	21¾	21	20¾
General Electric	700	123¾	122	121½
Illinois Central	200	128	128	127¾
Int Paper	.....	.....	.....	9
do preferred	900	57	56	56
Int Pump	400	24¾	23¾	24
do preferred	200	73¼	72¾	72½
Iowa Central	.....	.....	.....	11½
do preferred	400	29¾	29¼	29
K C Southern	100	21¾	21¾	21¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	50¾
Louis & Nashville	1,200	99½	98½	98½
Mexican Central	300	18	18	17¾
Minn & St Louis	200	22¼	22	21½
M St P & S S M	2,800	105½	97	102
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	128
Missouri Pacific	11,200	40	36¾	38
Mo, Kan & Texas	1,200	23	21¾	19¾
do preferred	300	53¾	52½	52½
National Lead	1,500	50½	49	48
Mex Nat R R pf	.....	.....	.....	49½
N Y Central	6,400	101¼	99½	99¾
N Y, Ont & West	1,100	32¾	32	32¼
Norfolk & Western	100	63½	63½	63¼
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	80
North American	200	49¾	49¾	49½
Pacific Mail	2,500	28¾	27½	27½
Pennsylvania	15,700	118¾	116¾	116¾
People's Gas	300	88½	88½	88
Pit, C C & St Louis	600	27¾	22¾	22¾
Pressed St'l Car pf	.....	.....	.....	80
Pullman Pal Car	.....	.....	.....	150
Reading	163,600	106½	103¾	103½
do 1st preferred	.....	.....	.....	88
do 2d preferred	.....	.....	.....	80
Republic Steel	52,100	18¾	18	17¾
do preferred	400	54	52½	52½
Rock Island Co.	2,200	14½	13¾	13¾
do preferred	1,200	25¾	25	25
St L & S F 2 pf	500	26	25½	24¾
St L Southwest	200	12¾	12¾	12
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	39
Southern Pacific	14,900	75½	73½	73½
do preferred	200	109¾	109¾	109
Southern Railway	300	11¾	11	11¾
do preferred	1,000	31	30½	30¾
Texas & Pacific	1,300	16½	15¾	16
Tol, St L & West	100	14¾	14¾	14½
do preferred	1,400	38	36½	37
Union Pacific	164,400	127	123¾	123¾
do preferred	.....	.....	.....	86
U S Express	.....	.....	.....	90
U S Realty	.....	.....	.....	40
U S Rubber	400	22	21¾	21¾
do preferred	400	85¼	84	83
U S Steel	82,300	34¾	33	33
do preferred	10,300	98¾	97½	97¼
Va-Caro Chemical	100	17¾	17¾	17¾
do preferred	200	91¾	91½	91
Wabash	800	9½	9	9
do preferred	700	16¾	16	15½
Wells-Fargo Ex	.....	.....	.....	300
Westinghouse Elec	300	40½	40	40
Western Union	900	49½	49	48½
Wheel & L Erie	.....	.....	.....	5
Wisconsin Central	.....	.....	.....	14½
do preferred	200	38	38	38
Northern Pacific	47,100	129¼	126¾	127
Central Leather	500	18¾	18½	18¾
do preferred	200	82¾	82½	82
Sloss-Sheffield	800	51	49½	48½
Gt Northern pf	9,100	124¾	122½	122¾
Inter Met	600	7¾	7½	7¾
do preferred	500	20	19¾	19

Total sales for the day, 791,500 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Closing quotations:

U S ref 2s reg	102¾	N Y C G 3½s	88½
do coupon	104½	North Pacific 3s	76¼
U S 3s reg	101	North Pacific 4s	100¾
do coupon	101	South Pacific 4s	83
U S new 4s reg	121½	Union Pacific 4s	100¼
do coupon	122½	Wisconsin Cent 4s	80¾
Atchison adj 4s	98¾	Japanese 4s	77½
D & R G 4s	86¾		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 16.—Consols for money, 86¾; do for account, 86¾.

Anaconda	7.62½	N. Y. Central	104.00
Atchison	76.12½	Norfk & Wes	66.50
do pref	88.00	do pref	83.00
Balt & Ohio	83.62½	Ont & West	34.00
Can Pacific	149.25	Pennsylvania	60.75
Ches & Ohio	30.75	Rand Mines	4.75
Chi Grt West	2.00	Reading	54.25
C. M. & S. P.	122.00	Southern Ry	11.87½
De Beers	11.50	do pref	31.50
D & R G	20.50	South Pacific	75.50
do pref	51.00	Union Pacific	129.75
Erie	15.50	do pref	94.00
do 1st pf	30.00	U. S. Steel	34.87½
do 2d pf	21.00	do pref	100.50
Grand Trunk	15.25	Wabash	9.25
Ill Central	132.50	do pref	17.00
L & N	18.50	Spanish 4s	92.50
Mo. K. & T.	23.25	Amal Cop	58.50

Money, Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Money on call easy, 1¾@2 per cent; ruling rate, 1¾; closing bid, 1¾; offered at 2 per cent.

Time loans, dull, but strong; 60 days, 3½ @3¾ per cent; 90 days, 3¾@4 per cent; six months, 4½ per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 5½@6 per cent.

Sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8200@4.86 for demand and at $4.8320@4.8325 for 60-day bills. Commercial bills, $4.83.

Bar silver, 55¾c.

Mexican dollars, 47c.

Bonds—Government, steady; railroad, firm.

LONDON, March 16.—Bar silver, quiet, 25 9-16d per ounce.

Money, 3¼@3½ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 3½ per cent; for three months' bills, 2¾ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 16.—Silver bars, 55¾c.

Mexican dollars, 53c.

Drafts, sight, par; telegraph, 3c.

Sterling, 60 days, $4.82½; sight, $4.85.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

BOSTON, March 16.—Closing quotations:

Adventure	$ 1.50	Quincy	83.00
Allouez	27.00	Shannon	11.25
Amalgamated	55.62½	Tamarack	60.00
Atlantic	10.00	Trinity	14.37½
Bingham	90.00	United Cop	4.50
Cal & Hecla	625.00	U. S. Mining	32.00
Centennial	22.50	U. S. Oil	10.00
Daly West	8.25	Utah	39.25
Franklin	8.00	Victoria	3.25
Granby	86.00	Winona	3.50
Isle Royale	25.00	Wolverine	121.00
Mass Mining	2.50	North Butte	52.00
Michigan	10.50	Butte Coal	20.25
Mohawk	50.00	Nevada	11.25
Mont. C. & C.	70.00	Cal & Ariz	104.00
Old Dominion	37.00	Ariz Com	18.00
Osceola	85.00	Greene Cananea	8.37½
Parrot	19.50		

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 16.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund shows:

Available cash balances	$264,036,829
Gold coin and bullion	25,083,145
Gold certificates	37,310,200

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Quoted Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

Owing to washouts and other delays on the railroads, there were no arrivals of livestock yesterday. The market was quoted steady to strong on all lines at last quotations.

The following quotations were current in the local market:

CATTLE—Best steers, $4.25@4.50; medium, $3.50@4; cows, $3.25@3.50; fair to medium cows, $2.75@3.25; bulls, $2@2.75; calves, $3.75@4.50.

SHEEP—Good, $5.25@6; lambs, $5.75@ 6.50.

HOGS—Best, $5.25@5.50; lights and feeders, $5@5.25.

Eastern Livestock Prices.

OMAHA, March 16.—Cattle—Receipts, 4500; steady to stronger; native steers, $4.50 @6; cows and heifers, $3@5.25; Western steers, $3.50@5.40; Texas steers, $3.25@4.25; cows and heifers, $2.75@4.10; canners, $2.25 @3.25; stockers and feeders, $2.75@5; calves, $3@6; bulls and stags, $3@4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 7500; Market shade stronger; heavy, $4.40@4.50; mixed, $4.40@ 4.45; light, $4.35 4.40; pigs, $3.50@4; bulk, of sales, $4.40@4.47½.

Sheep—Receipts, 8000; market, 10@15c higher; yearlings, $5.75@6.75; wethers, $5.40 @6.40; ewes, $5@6.60; lambs, $6.50@7.50.

Hops at London.

LIVERPOOL, March 16.—Hops in London, Pacific Coast, dull, £1 10s@£2 10s.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS

Building Permits.

JOHN A. JONES—To erect a two-story frame building on Colonial street, between Shaver and Boulevard; $2300.

GEORGE B. HIBBS—To erect a one-story frame building on Patton road, between Jessup and Davis; $1800.

M. ATTERBECK—To erect a one-story frame building on Gladstone, between East Twenty-seventh and East Twenty-eighth; $1200.

DR. H. S. NICHOLS—To erect a two-story frame building on Twentieth street, between Carter and Jackson; $8000.

J. E. BANBRIGHT—To erect a one-story frame building on East Yamhill street, between East Thirty-ninth and East Fortieth; $1600.

DAVID T. HARDING—To erect a one-story frame building on Mildred street, between Grand avenue and East Sixth; $1000.

L. W. PORTER—To erect a one-story frame building on East Twenty-sixth street, between Going and Prescott; $1000.

E. A. MILES—To erect a one-story frame building on Missouri avenue, between Emerson and Killingsworth; $1100.

PHILLIP DEPER—To erect a two-story frame building on Sampson street, between Sixth and Seventh; $2000.

MRS. LOVEL—To erect a one-story frame building on East Stark street, between East Sixteenth and East Seventeenth; $1000.

W. G. HARTMAN—To erect a two-story frame building on East Third street, between Weidler and Broadway; $2000.

O. L. FERRIS—To erect a one-story frame building on Wasco street, between East Twenty-sixth and East Twenty-seventh; $2500.

Articles of Incorporation.

ST. JOHN BASEBALL CLUB—Incorporators, F. W. Valentine, S. C. Morton, R. D. Jackson and J. F. Hendricks; capital $1000.

THE PROGRESSIVE MINING COMPANY—Incorporators, P. L. McKenzie, J. B. Houston and J. E. Burke; capital $50,000.

R. M. SANITARY LUNCH COMPANY—Incorporators, J. A. Read, W. W. Metzger and B. Metzger; capital $5000.

Births.

GAZZOLINO—At 186 Mill street, March 12, to the wife of D. Gazzolino, a daughter.

CARR—At 508 Everett street, March 8, to the wife of J. B. Carr, a daughter.

GIBBS—At 548 Borthwick street, March 14, to the wife of H. E. Gibbs, a daughter.

SEEKATZ—At 1536 East Eighth street North, March 10, to the wife of G. A. R. Seekatz, a son.

ERNST—At 769 York street, February 27, to the wife of George K. Ernst, a daughter.

MOREHOUSE—At 230½ Larrabee street, March 10, to the wife of Clyde F. Morehouse, a daughter.

TOMLINSON—At Rose City Sanitarium, March 14, to the wife of Henry M. Tomlinson, a son.

AMOTI—At 540 East Fifteenth street, March 13, to the wife of Joe Amoti, a daughter.

Deaths.

HAWKINS—At Good Samaritan Hospital, March 15, J. Claude Hawkins, aged 21 years.

ALDERGOTT—At 667 Quimby street, March 14, John Frederick Aldergott, a native of Oregon, an infant.

SMITH—At 703 Market street, March 13, Emma Smith, a native of Washington, aged 26 years 11 months, and 9 days.

PAYNE—At Scappoose, Or., March 14, T. Frank Payne, a native of Illinois, aged 56 years, 4 months and 7 days.

SMITH—At 472 East Pine street, March 14, Cornelius Bergan Smith, a native of New York, aged 61 years, 8 months and 4 days.

COOLEY—At 497 Tenino, March 15, Mary Ethel Cooley, a native of New York, aged 8 years, 2 months and 7 days.

JOHNS—At 521 Nehalem avenue, March 12, Oliver Ray Johns, a native of Oregon, aged 44 years, 9 months and 27 days.

ABRAMS—At Seattle, March 12, William L. Abrams, a native of Oregon, aged 33 years and 11 months.

ARIGHI—At Milwaukie, Or., March 15, Floyd C. Arighi, a native of Oregon, an infant.

JUGATE—At 329 Glisan street, March 13, Sophia Jugate, a native of London, aged 66 years.

Marriage Licenses.

WHITELY-MEACHAM—W. F. Whitely, 39, Seattle, Wash; Frances G. Meacham,