BOARD OPENS TODAY

First Call on the Produce Exchange at Noon.

COMMITTEES ARE NAMED

Offers to Buy and Sell Will Be Made—Eastern Stock and Grain Quotations Will Be Received During the Day.

BOARD OF TRADE COMMITTEES.
Fruit and vegetables—
W. B. Glafke.
John A. Fell.
T. Pearson.
Butter, eggs and poultry—
T. S. Townsend.
W. H. McCorquodale.
Fred Knecht.
Committees on grain, flour and feed and meats and provisions will be named later.

The first commercial exchange session of the Portland Board of Trade will open at 11:45 A. M. today and at 12 o'clock sharp the day's quotations as fixed will be posted upon the blackboard.

Two price committees have been named, those on fruit and vegetables and butter, eggs, cheese and poultry, and the other necessary committees will be named later. These committees will meet at 11:45 o'clock each day and agree on what they consider a proper price for the commodities. These quotations, while not binding on traders, will in a measure be official and will serve as a basis for the business operations of the day. The committees as appointed will each serve for 30 days.

Secretary Muller has been notified that offers to sell and buy will be made today. This is the feature of the Board of Trade which is expected ultimately to become of greatest importance, and as soon as the merchants experience its advantages, they are certain to make the fullest use of it. The regular call will be held at noon daily and there will be special calls at other times when anything is to be offered. The noon hour will prove especially convenient to business men using the exchange.

New York stock quotations will be received continuously in the forenoon for the benefit of the members, and Chicago grain quotations will be received at 15-minute intervals. The opening and closing Liverpool wheat quotations will also be posted.

HART AND HUBBARD SETTLE.

Hop Buyers Will Operate Independently in the Future.

An amicable settlement has been reached between Harry L. Hart and T. H. Hubbard, formerly partners in the hop business in this city, operating under the firm name of Hart & Hubbard. Each will in the future conduct his business separately.

Mr. Hart will retain his office in Portland, and Mr. Hubbard will establish himself at Salem.

BUTTER PRICES MAY COME DOWN.

Market Likely to Be Undermined by San Francisco Cut.

Although the local butter supply is not large, it is probable that prices will have to come down as a result of the renewed weakness of the San Francisco market.

Eggs were very firm at 16@16½ cents. Northern orders continue to arrive and keep local stocks cleaned up. The future of the market depends on the continuance of these orders.

Poultry receipts were small and prices held steady. Dealers complain that many of the hens coming in are too large, some weighing six and seven pounds. What buyers want fowls of three or four pounds weight.

LARGE HOP CROPS CHANGE HANDS

A. J. Ray & Son Buy the Clanfield Lot at a Good Price.

A. J. Ray & Son yesterday bought the Clanfield lot of 250 bales of choice hops at Ballston. The price was not learned, but was better than 5 cents.

H. L. Hart has purchased 220 bales from Riley Cooper, and 68 bales from W. W. Percival, of Independence, at about 5 cents. Mr. Hart has also made a one-year contract with J. W. Fletcher, of Dayton, for 20,000 pounds at 8½ cents.

Wells & Weidner yesterday finished shipping the 800-bale crop of Hofer & Born from Champoeg.

EARLY OREGON VEGETABLES ARRIVE

New Rhubarb and Oyster Plant Received From Salem.

The first Oregon rhubarb this season came in yesterday from Salem and sold at 8 cents per pound. Salem also sent the first oyster plant, which was quoted at 30@35 cents per dozen. Oregon cauliflower is in good supply and offered at 75c@$1.25 per dozen. The California steamer failed to arrive, but a mixed cargo of vegetables came in from the South and cleaned up.

Four cars of oranges were received during the day. Shipments from now on will be lighter, as navels are becoming scarce in California.

Sharp Drop in Mohair.

The mohair market seems to be demoralized and dealers say it is almost impossible to sell the hair at any price. Yesterday's advices from the East notified the trade of heavy declines in the price of mohair and a weakening market. Local dealers now quote choice Oregon mohair at 21@23 cents per pound, according to quality.

Wheat Down a Cent.

The wheat market was dull and weak yesterday and buyers quoted prices one cent lower all around. It is not known what effect the action taken by the trans-Pacific lines at Seattle yesterday will have on the wheat trade, but it is certain that the discrimination against the four shippers will not go unnoticed and some lively times in the export flour business are promised.

Bank Clearings.

Clearings of the Northwestern cities yesterday were as follows:

	Clearings.	Balances.
Portland	$ 852,924	$130,553
Seattle	1,030,430	87,051
Tacoma	661,448	102,208
Spokane	647,812	122,273

Total bank clearings of Portland for March were $27,647,121, as compared with $32,872,000 in March, 1907.

PORTLAND QUOTATIONS.

Grain, Flour, Feed, Etc.

FLOUR—Patent, $4.65; straight, $3.85; clears, $3.85; Valley, $4.45; graham flour, $4.25; whole wheat flour, $4.50; rye flour, $5.50.

WHEAT—Club, 82@83c; bluestem, 84@85c; Valley, 82@83c; red, 80@81c.

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

MILLSTUFFS—Bran, city, $25; country, $27 per ton; middlings, $31; shorts, city, $27; country, $28.50 per ton; chop, $21@28.50 per ton.

OATS—Producers' price: 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, $33.50; cracked, $34.50.

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@3.25 per box, according to quality; cranberries, $9@12 per barrel.

FRESH VEGETABLES—Artichokes, 75@90c per dozen; asparagus, 10@13c pound; beans, 20c per pound; cabbage, 1¼@1½c per pound; cauliflower, $2; celery, $4.50@5.00 per crate; cucumbers, $2.50 per dozen; eggplant, 20c per pound; lettuce, head, 40c per dozen; hothouse, $1.00@1.25 per box; parsley, 25c per dozen; peas, 15c per pound; peppers, 20c per pound; radishes, 20c per dozen; rhubarb, $2.50 per crate; spinach, 80c per crate; sprouts, 10c per pound; squash, 1@1¼c per pound; tomatoes, Mexican, crates, $2@2.50.

TROPICAL FRUITS—Lemons, $2.50@3.50 per box; oranges, navels, $2@2.75; grapefruit, $3.50; bananas, 5½@6c per lb.; crated, 5¾c; pineapples, $4@5.50 per dozen; tangerines, $1.50 per box.

ONIONS—Jobbing price, Oregon, $4@4.25 per hundred.

ROOT VEGETABLES—Turnips, 85c per sack; carrots, 85c per sack; beets, $1.00 per sack; garlic, 10c per pound.

POTATOES—Buying price, 70@80c per hundred, delivered Portland; new California, 5@6c per pound.

DRIED FRUITS—Apples, 10c per pound; peaches, 11@12½c; prunes, Italian, 5@6¼c; prunes, French, 3@5c; currants, unwashed, cases, 9¼c; currants, washed, cases, 10c; figs, white, fancy, 50-pound boxes, 6¼c.

Butter, Eggs, Poultry, Etc.

BUTTER—City creameries: Extra creamery, 30c per pound; state creameries, fancy creamery, 22@30c; store butter, choice, 16@17c.

CHEESE—Oregon full cream twins, 15@15½c per pound.

POULTRY—Average old hens, 14@15c; mixed chickens, 13@13c; Spring chickens, small, 15@20c; large, 15c; turkeys, live, 13@15c; dressed, choice, 18@20c; geese, live, per pound, 8@9c; ducks, 16@17c; pigeons, 75c@$1; squabs, $1.50@2.

EGGS—Fresh ranch, 15@15½c per dozen.

VEAL—75 to 125 pounds, 8½@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; olds, 1@1½c per pound.

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

MOHAIR—Choice, 21@23c per pound.

CASCARA BARK—5c per pound.

HIDES—Dry, 12@12½c; dry calf, No. 1, under 5 lbs., 14@15c; culls, 2c per lb. less; salted hides, 5c; salted calf, 9c; green (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@20c; 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, 50@70c; red, each, $3@5; cross, each, $5@15; silver and black, each, $100@300; fishers, 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, 30@40c; civet or polecat, each, 5@15c; otter, for large, prime skin, each, $6@10; panther, with head and claws perfect, each, $2@5; 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.

Groceries, Nuts, Etc.

RICE—Southern Japan, 5⅛c; head, 6¾@7c; Imperial Japan, 5¾c.

COFFEE—Mocha, 24@28c; Java, ordinary, 17@20c; Costa Rica, fancy, 18@20c; good, 16@18c; ordinary, 12@16c per pound. Columbia roast cases, 100s, $14.50; 50s, $14.75; Arbuckle, $16.63; Lion, $15.75.

SALMON—Columbia River, 1-pound talls, $2 per dozen; 2-pound talls, $2.95; 1-pound flats, $2.10; Alaska pink, 1-pound talls, 95c; red, 1-pound talls, $1.45; sockeyes, 1-pound talls, $2.

SUGAR—Granulated, $6.25; extra C, $5.75; golden C, $5.65; fruit sugar, $6.25; berry, $6.25; beet sugar, $6.05; cube (barrels), $6.65; powdered (barrels), $6.50. Terms: On remittances within 15 days deduct ½c per pound; if later than 15 days and within 30 days, deduct ¼c per pound. Maple sugar, 15@18c per pound.

NUTS—Walnuts, 16½@18c per pound by sack; Brazil nuts, 16c; filberts, 16c; pecans, 16c; almonds, 18½@18c; chestnuts, Ohio, 25c; peanuts, raw, 6¾@8½c per pound; roasted, 10c; pinenuts, 10@12c; hickory nuts, 10c; cocoanuts, 90c per dozen.

SALT—Granulated, $15 per ton; $2.25 per bale; half ground, 100s, $13.50 per ton; 50s, $14 per ton.

BEANS—Small white, 4¼c; large white, 4½c; pink, 4c; bayou, 4c; Lima, 8c; Mexican red, 5¼c.

HONEY—Fancy, $3.50@3.75 per box.

Provisions and Canned Meats.

BACON—Fancy breakfast, 22c pound; standard breakfast, 17½c; choice, 16½c; English, 11 to 14 pounds, 16½c pound.

HAMS—10 to 13 pounds, 13½c pound; 14 to 16 pounds, 13c; 18 to 20 pounds, 13c; boiled, 22c.

BARRELED GOODS—Pork, barrels, $20; half-barrels, $11.50; beef, barrels, $9; half-barrels, $5.

DRY SALT CURED—Regular short clears dry salt, 10½c; smoked, 11½c; short clear backs, dry salt, 10½c; smoked, 11½c; Oregon exports, bellies, dry salt, 12½c; smoked, 13½c.

LARD—Kettle rendered: Tierces, 11¾c; tubs, 12c; 50s, 12c; 20s, 12¼c; 10s, 12½c; 5s, 12⅝c; 3s, 12¾c. Standard pure: Tierces, 10¾c; tubs, 11c; 50s, 11c; 20s, 11¼c; 10s, 11½c; 5s, 11⅝c. Compound: Tierces, 8c; tubs, 8¼c; 50s, 8¼c; 20s, 8⅜c; 10s, 8½c; 5s, 8⅝c.

Coal Oil and Gasoline.

REFINED OILS—Water white, iron barrels, 10½c; wood barrels, 14½c. Pearl oil, cases, 18c; head light, iron barrels, 12½c; cases, 19½c; wood barrels, 16½c. Eocene, cases, 21c. Special W. W., iron barrels, 14c; wood barrels, 18c. Elaine, cases, 28c. Extra star, cases, 21c.

GASOLINE—V. M. and P. Naphtha, iron barrels, 12½c; cases, 19½c. Red Crown gasoline, iron barrels, 16½c; cases, 22½c. Motor gasoline, iron barrels, 15½c; cases, 22½c; 86 gasoline, iron barrels, 30c; cases, 37½c. No. 1 engine distillate, iron barrels, 9c; cases, 16c.

QUOTATIONS AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Prices Paid for Produce in the Bay City Market.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—The following prices were quoted in the produce market today:

Vegetables—Garlic, 12½@15c; green peas, 3@5c; string beans, 30c; asparagus, 4@7c; tomatoes, $1.25@2; eggplant, 10@15c.

Poultry—Roosters, old, $4@4.50; roosters, young, $7@9; broilers, small, $4@5; broilers, large, $6@6.50; fryers, $7@8; hens, $5@6.50; ducks, old, $4@5; young, $5@7.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 22c; creamery seconds, 19c; fancy dairy, 17½c.

Eggs—Store, 16½c; fancy ranch, 18c.

Cheese—New, 11½@12c; Young America, 12@14c.

Millstuffs—Bran, $30@32; middlings, $33@36.

Wool—Spring, Humboldt and Mendocino, 20@22c; South Plains and San Joaquin, 5@7c; lambs, 6@10c.

Hops—1907, 1½@3½c; contracts, 9@11c.

Hay—Wheat, $12@16.50; wheat and oats, $11@16; alfalfa, $9@14; stock, $7.50@9; straw, per bale, 60@85c.

Fruits—Apples, choice, $1.75; common, 60c; bananas, 75c@$3.50; Mexican limes, $6.50@7; California lemons, choice, $2.50; common, $1; oranges, navels, $1.25@2.25; pineapples, $1.50@3.50.

Potatoes—Early Rose, $1.35@1.50; sweets, $3@3.50; Oregon Burbanks, 75c@$1.05.

Receipts—Flour, 4310 quarter sacks; wheat, 380 centals; barley, 5825 centals; oats, 150 centals; corn, 760 centals; potatoes, 2640 sacks; bran, 355 sacks; middlings, 600 sacks; hay, 249 tons; wool, 200 bales; hides, 2005.

Coffee and Sugar.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Coffee futures closed steady, net unchanged. Sales were reported of 27,000 bags, including April, 5.65c; May, 5.70c; June, 5.70c; July, 5.75c; September, 5.75c; October, 5.80c; November, 5.60c; December, 5.85c. Spot, quiet; No. 7 Rio, 6c; No. 4 Santos, 8⅝@8½c. Mild, dull; Cordova, 9½@13c.

Sugar—Raw, firm; fair refining, 3.86c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4.36c; molasses sugar, 3.61c. Refined, steady; crushed, 6.10c; powdered, 5.50c; granulated, 5.40c.

New York Cotton Market.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Cotton futures closed steady. April, 9.55c; May, 9.65c; June, 9.60c; July, 9.67c; August, 9.60c; October, 9.52c; December, 9.53c; January, 9.55c.

BREAK AT THE LAST

Stock Prices Close at Lowest Point of Day.

MUCH PRESSURE TO SELL

Financial Situation of Erie Company Has a Depressing Influence on General Sentiment—Reduction of Atchison Dividend Feared.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Dull depression hung over the stock market, leading up to something like a crash at the last today. There were some developments which were pointed to as being responsible for the drop in prices. The tendency toward reaction finds a more general explanation, however, in the fact that the rise in prices has been pushed to its feasible limits by all the devices available to skilled speculative leadership until the natural attraction of high prices established brought out a pressure of selling which was beyond the capacity of the supporters of prices to absorb.

The special depressing factor today was the obscurity surrounding the intended course of those controlling the Erie Railroad property. The adjournment yesterday of the directors without promulgating any plan for meeting the impending financial requirements of the company was disturbing to those holding the securities. Beside the interest, amounting to about $800,000, on convertible bond issues payable tomorrow, and the $5,500,000 of one-year notes which fall due on April 8, and which sold today at 82, there are known to be other heavy floating liabilities to be met.

That the financial prospects of railroads are not bright is brought home to conviction by this episode. Not only the notes of the Erie, but those of railroad companies of high grade, continued to be quoted at varying discounts and at a rate of return wholly out of line with the interest rates to which loans on time have fallen in the money market. The provision for the maturity of $6,000,000 of Rock Island 4½ per cent notes, falling due tomorrow, includes an offer to holders for a one-year extension at 6 per cent, and apparently the attraction of this offer has not been sufficient to deter a considerable portion of the noteholders from presenting them for redemption. These unpropitious conditions for financing railroad requirements are a serious impediment to the setting on foot again of railroad activities in the way of outlay for improvements and betterments.

The prevailing mood was reflected in the uneasiness professed over the possible reduction of the dividend on Atchison at the meeting of the directors which is scheduled to take place tomorrow. Last prices were practically the lowest and with signs of a good deal of disorder. Declines of 1 to 3 points and over are general.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales, par value, $2,383,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call.

CLOSING STOCK QUOTATIONS.

	Sales.	High.	Low.	Closing Bid.
Adams Express	......	......	......	177
Amal Copper	56,600	60¼	58½	58⅝
Am Car & Foun.	900	31½	30⅞	30⅞
do preferred	......	......	......	94
Am Cotton Oil	......	......	......	25
do preferred	......	......	......	83
Am Express	......	......	......	175
Am Hd & Lt pf.	......	......	......	15½
American Ice	400	20⅛	19⅞	19⅞
Am Linseed Oil	......	......	......	7
do preferred	......	......	......	24
Am Locomotive	2,800	45	43⅞	43⅞
do preferred	200	98⅛	98	93
Am Smelt & Ref.	56,900	70	67	67
do preferred	800	96	94⅞	95
Am Sugar Ref.	1,900	125	124	124
Am Tobacco ctfs.	200	85½	85	83
Anaconda Min Co	8,200	33⅞	31½	31½
Atchison	4,100	73½	72⅝	72⅝
do preferred	200	85⅞	85½	85⅜
Atl Coast Line	......	......	......	70½
Balt & Ohio	1,900	83⅛	81⅞	82½
do preferred	......	......	......	85
Brook Rap Tran.	7,400	45⅞	44⅞	44⅞
Canadian Pacific	1,300	150¾	150⅜	150⅜
Central of N J	......	......	......	175
Ches & Ohio	1,800	31¼	30⅞	30⅞
Chi Gt Western	100	5	5	5
Chicago & N W	800	147⅜	145½	146¼
C, M & St Paul	28,500	117⅞	115½	115⅝
Chi Ter & Tran	......	......	......	5
do preferred	......	......	......	20
C, C, C & St L	300	53½	52½	52¼
Colo Fuel & Iron	15,300	24⅞	23½	23⅝
Colo & Southern	400	25	25	24⅞
do 1st preferred	500	55	54½	54½
do 2d preferred	......	......	......	44½
Consolidated Gas	900	112	112	112¼
Corn Products	1,000	13¼	12½	12
do preferred	......	......	......	62½
Del & Hudson	900	152¾	150⅞	152½
Del, Lack & West	......	......	......	485
D & R Grande	400	20⅛	19⅝	19⅝
do preferred	200	54⅞	53½	53½
Distillers' Secur.	800	32½	30⅞	31
Erie	8,800	15	13½	13⅝
do 1st preferred	1,900	32⅞	29	29
do 2d preferred	1,300	20	17⅞	17½
General Electric	500	125¾	125	124¾
Illinois Central	200	125⅞	125½	125½
Int Paper	200	9	8⅞	8½
do preferred	1,100	55	52	52
Int Pump	900	22½	22½	22
do preferred	200	70⅞	70⅞	70
Iowa Central	......	......	......	11½
do preferred	......	......	......	35
K C Southern	......	......	......	21⅞
do preferred	......	......	......	52
Louis & Nashville	300	97	96½	96
Mexican Central	1,800	15⅞	15⅞	15⅞
Minn & St Louis	400	24⅞	24	24½
M, St P & S S M	300	109	108½	101½
do preferred	......	......	......	135
Missouri Pacific	3,400	41½	40	40
Mo, Kan & Texas	1,900	23⅞	22	22½
do preferred	200	55	54	53½
National Lead	800	57	56⅞	55⅞
Mex Nat R R pf.	......	......	......	51½
N Y Central	2,900	96⅞	96¼	96⅝
N Y, Ont & West	100	32⅞	32½	32⅞
Norfolk & Western	1,000	64	63⅞	63⅞
do preferred	......	......	......	80
North American	1,200	50½	50	50
Pacific Mail	600	29⅞	28	28
Pennsylvania	16,100	116⅞	115⅝	115⅝
People's Gas	1,300	89¼	89	88⅝
P, C C & St Louis	......	......	......	65
Pressed Steel Car	800	24⅛	23½	22
do preferred	400	75⅞	75⅛	75
Pullman Pal Car	......	......	......	152
Reading	182,300	105	102⅞	103
do 1st preferred	......	......	......	84½
do 2d preferred	......	......	......	80½
Republic Steel	2,700	18⅞	17⅞	18
do preferred	1,700	72⅞	71⅞	71⅝
Rock Island Co.	300	14⅞	14	13
do preferred	800	27⅞	26⅞	26⅞
St L & S F 2 pf	......	......	......	25
St L Southwest	100	13¼	12½	12
do preferred	......	......	......	31
Southern Pacific	6,900	75½	74⅞	74⅞
do preferred	100	113⅞	111½	111
Southern Railway	2,200	13⅞	12⅞	12⅞
do preferred	1,700	36⅛	35⅛	35⅝
Texas & Pacific	300	16½	15½	15⅞
Tol, St L & West	......	......	......	17½
do preferred	1,500	41⅞	41	40⅞
Union Pacific	189,300	125⅞	122⅞	122⅞
do preferred	......	......	......	79
U S Express	......	......	......	90
U S Realty	......	......	......	40
U S Rubber	100	21	21	20½
do preferred	300	85	85	84⅞
U S Steel	86,900	34	32⅞	32⅞
do preferred	900	98⅝	97⅞	98
Va-Caro Chemical	......	......	......	20
do preferred	......	......	......	91
Wabash	700	10⅞	9½	9½
do preferred	400	18⅞	17	16⅞
Wells-Fargo Ex.	......	......	......	300
Westinghouse Elec	400	52	50½	50
Western Union	200	54	53	53½
Wheel & L Erie	......	......	......	6
Wisconsin Central	......	......	......	14
do preferred	......	......	......	29½
Northern Pacific	31,100	127⅞	126⅞	126
Gt Northern pf.	6,500	123⅞	122	122¼
Sloss-Sheffield	800	47	46½	45⅞
Central Leather	800	20⅛	19⅞	19⅞
do preferred	500	81⅞	81	80
Inter Met	200	7½	7⅛	7⅛
do preferred	200	20	20	20
Utah Copper	3,000	33⅞	32⅞	32⅝

Total sales for the day, 663,300 shares.

BONDS.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Closing quotations:

U. S. ref. 2s reg.	104⅝	N Y C G 3½s	89
do coupon	104½	North Pacific 3s	70
U. S. 3s reg.	100½	North Pacific 4s	100½
do coupon	101	South Pacific 4s	84½
U. S. new 4s reg.	120½	Union Pacific 4s	99⅝
do coupon	122½	Wiscon Cent 4s	82
Atchison adj. 4s	86¼	Japanese 4s	77¾
D & R G 4s	92		

Stocks at London.

LONDON, March 31.—Consols for money 87 11-16; do for account, 87 15-16.

Anaconda	7.87½	N. Y. Central	100.50
Atchison	75.50	Norfolk & Wes	67.00
do pref.	89.00	do pref.	83.00
Balt & Ohio	85.25	Ont & West	34.25
Can Pacific	156.00	Pennsylvania	60.00
Ches & Ohio	32.00	Rand Mines	5.12½
Chi Grt West	5.50	Reading	53.75
C. M. & S. P.	120.75	Southern Ry.	13.87½
De Beers	11.62½	do pref.	40.50
D & R G	21.50	South Pacific	78.75
do pref.	57.50	Union Pacific	128.12½
Erie	15.25	do pref.	82.00
do 1st pf.	34.50	U. S. Steel	34.62½
do 2d pf.	23.50	do pref.	101.00
Grand Trunk	16.75	Wabash	11.50

17 Central ... 125.50 | do pref. ... 20.00
L & N ... 101.00 | Spanish 4s ... 93.00
Mo, K & T ... 24.25 | Amal Copper ... 61.25

Money Exchange, Etc.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Money on call, easy, 1½@2 per cent; ruling rate, 1¾, closing bid 1¾, offered at 2 per cent.

Prime mercantile paper, 3¾@4 per cent. Sterling exchange, steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.8660@4.8665 for demand and at $4.8425@4.8450 for 60-day bills. Commercial bills, $4.83⅝.

Bar silver—55⅝c.

Mexican dollars—47c.

Government bonds steady; railroad bonds heavy.

LONDON, March 31.—Bar silver, dull, 25 9-16d per ounce.

Money, 2@2¼ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for short bills is 2⅝@2¾ per cent.

The rate of discount in the open market for three months bills is 2½@2⅝ per cent.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Silver bars, 55⅝c; Mexican dollars, 50c.

Drafts—Sight, 12½c; telegraph, 15c.

Sterling—Sixty days, $4.84⅝; sight, $4.87.

Daily Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Today's statement of the Treasury balances in the general fund shows:

Available cash balances $260,414,852
Gold coin and bullion 28,037,261
Gold certificates 30,190,330

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Ben Riesland and wife to Alfred Young, lots 13 and 14, block 1, Havelock .... $ 1,800

Dan J. Moore and wife to Henry Jennings, 50x100 feet commencing at point in north side of "F" street 180 feet westerly from intersection with west line of North Twentieth street 7,000

D. E. Steel and wife to Robt. S. Thompson, lots 22 and 23, block 13, Highland Park 40

Roswell E. Lamson et al. to Adolphe Wolfe, 50x100 feet of block 6, Johnson's Add. 1

C. S. Crary and wife to Adolphe Wolfe, 50x100 feet in block 6, Johnson's Add. 1

W. H. Nunn and wife to John and Margaretha Lorenz, lot 11, block 19, North Irvington 450

S. C. Smith to Margarette T. Tumilson, lot 1, block 8, subdivision Riverview Add. to Albina 1,250

Eilers Piano House to T. M. Boechel, lots 23 and 24, block 8, Wheatland Add.; also lots 13, 14 and 15, Wheatland Second Add. 125

Horace F. Cuthill and wife to Wm. Kellis, lots 3 and 4, block 22, Sullivan's Add. 5,500

E. L. Womacott and wife to Geo. W. Watt, lots 5, 6, 21 and 22, block 2, Vaughnston Park 10

Jos. M. Healy to Geo. W. Watt, lot 4, Park View Annex 10

E. S. Merrill and wife to C. M. Simonton, trustee, west ½ of lots 1 and 2, block "D," Caruthers' Add. to Caruthers' Add. 12,000

Geo. W. Watt and wife to J. B. Smaller, lot 4, Park View Annex 700

Portland Trust Co. to G. E. Kline and W. A. Williams, lots 3, 4 and 5, block 59, Grover's Add. 1,250

Leo F. Kendel and wife to Chas. O. and Sophia A. Sigglin, lot 8, block 224, E. Portland 3,000

Wharton L. West and wife to J. J. Kadderly, subdivision No. 2 in lot 10, Newhurst Park Place 1

Hibernia Savings Bank to Sadie I. Hatfield, lot 19, Essex Park 10

Portland Realty & Trust Co. to Harriett Mason, lot 3, block 19, Woodmere 100

J. R. Yeates to Claud G. Harris, lot 8, block 2, Piedmont Add. 1

J. M. Brost and wife to N. F. Sorensen, lot 13, block 301, Couch Add. 8,500

Dwight Cheney to Mary S. Gordon, lot 17, block 4, West Piedmont 1

Anne Toon to Jennie Glover, lots 5, 4 and 5, block 8, Willamette 75

Herman R. Smith and wife to O. and Rebecka Young, lots 20, 21 and 22, block 1, Roselawn Annex 1

Annette R. Cotter to Wm. E. Smith, lot 7, block 317, Albina Add. 2,000

R. B. Carey to Lydia A. McReynolds, lots 41 and 42, block 3, Fairfield 1

Portland Realty & Trust Co. to J. W. Holmes, lots 11 and 12, block 5, Chicago 325

I. C. Sanford and wife to Geo. L. Campbell, lots 3, 5 and 6, block 83, Albina 1

C. Strober and wife to C. H. Meusdorfer, Jr., undivided ¼ of W. ½ of N. W. ¼ of Sec. 4, T 1 N., R 1 W. 1

Oregon Spray & Gas Co. to J. W. Reed, lot 3, block 1, Second Williams Add. 3,000

Jos. M. Healy et al., trustee, to S. W. Strong, lot 4, block 20, Waverleigh Heights Add. 450

O. W. Taylor and wife to Mary E. E. Hawker, lot 15, block 5, South Sunnyside 540

F. T. Sedgwick to Mrs. E. M. Sedgwick, east ½ of lot 11, block "Q," Sellwood 1

Ellis G. Hughes and wife to R. S. Rice, lots 1, 2, 15 and 16, block 9, John Irving's First Add. 5,400

Wm. H. Hathaway and wife to Emma A. Smith, lot 17, block 4, Woodlawn 400

Emma and Oliver L. Kenhody to Lillie Schell, 50x104 feet beginning at point 120 rods east of ¼ Sec. post between Sec. 1, 2, T. 1 S., R. 1 E. in Seldon Murray D. L. C. 2,900

Sunnyside Land & Improvement Co. to C. N. Stockwell, fractional lots 1, 2 and 3, block 15, resubdivision of blocks 1, 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, 24 and 25, Sunnyside 725

Christopher Olsson to Harmon Tryon, part of lot "T," St. Johns Heights 1

Mary M. Gilman et al. to ⅓ J. Gossett, lots 4, 5, block 2, and lot 8, block 1, Havelock 1800

Title Guarantee & Trust Co. to J. E. and A. C. Wetzler, lots 11, 12, 13, 14, block 10, south, St. Johns 900

The Hawthorne Estate to G. D. Rushmore, east half of lots 5, 6, block 232, Hawthorne Park 1650

The Hawthorne Estate to G. D. Rushmore, lots 5, 6, block 232, Hawthorne Park 550

A. O. Suttor and wife to C. C. and C. L. Moore, east 33 1-3 feet of lot 8, block 25, Albina Homestead 2025

William Mast to Felix Hansen, lot 1; lots 11 to 16, block 2, Pleasant Little Homes Addition No. 2 200

J. C. Lubeck and wife to E. W. Kimble, lot 17, block 14, City View Park 1

W. L. Upshaw and wife to J. M. Turner, lots 7, 8, block 6, Central Albina 10

A. E. Ogilbee and wife to Ray W. Orewiler et al., lot 2, block 5, Tibbetts Homestead 525

W. R. Crosier and wife to Alma H. Edmundson, lots 17, 22, Troutdale Park 600

Richard Williams to Abraham Odeen and wife, lots 1, 2, block 1, Williams' Addition No. 2 1

Lillias Carswell to Lillias McDonald, lot 7, block 15, Southern Portland 1400

Herbert Wentworth to Sarah Wentworth, 10,000 square feet beginning 471 feet south of point in center of County Road, $17.35 feet west of stone at section corner of sections 7, 8, 17, 18, township 1, south, range 2, east 1

R. W. Schmeer and wife to Jenwood Land Co., part of John and Elizabeth Rankin donation location claim 10

L. C. Brower to Francis Capell, lot 5, block 8, City View Park 700

Oak Park Land Co. to David C. Crow, lot 14, block 7, Oak Park Addition No. 2 to St. Johns 1

David C. Crow to Amanda M. Walt, lot 14, block 7, Oak Park Addition No. 2 to St. Johns 515

Rufus Mallory and wife to H. K. Shaw, lots 1, 2, 9, 10 Howe's Addition 1200

E. G. Alfredson to Chester A. Lynds, lot 10, block 7, Laurelwood 160

John Egge et al. to Gail L. Cattanach, 1 acre, beginning at stake at intersection of west line of East 22d Street, in Irvington Park and south boundry of William H. Payne donation location claim in sections 11, 12, 13, 14, township 1, north, range 1, east 1050

Moore Investment Co. to W. L. Clark, lot 16, block 25, Vernon 400

Henry Presborough et al. to F. M. Moore, lot 9, block 1, Monturilla 300

Holt C. Wilson and wife to Thomas H. Jenkins, lot 5, block 14, Kenilworth 500

Frederick Glafke, J., and wife to L. P. Hosford, lot 7, block 12, John Irving's First Addition 3600

G. A. Signalness et al. to Matilda Edwards, lots 9, 10, 11, 12, block 20, College 700

Title Guarantee & Trust Co. to S. H. Cook, lots 6, 8, block 3, Lexington Heights 206

Harry T. Dudley and wife to Merritt L. Holbrook, fractional block 10, James John's Addition to St. Johns 6900

Merritt L. Holbrook and wife to Johnston P. Porter, Water Lots 7, 8, James John's Addition to St. Johns; also fractional block 10 said Addition 20,000

Tunnel Townsite & Improvement Co. to Minnie Price, lots 25, 26, block 191, University Park 550

Title Guarantee & Trust Co. to Gilbert Goodhue, lot 5, block 8, south, St. Johns 275

Kenwood Land Co. to R. W. Schmeer and A. M. Wright, a 15-foot right of way within the John and Elizabeth Rankin donation location claim 1

Total $169,416

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BOTTOM IS REACHED

Better Feeling in the Eastern Wool Trade.

SALES ARE INCREASING

Stronger Demand and Firmer Prices at the London Wool Auction. Crossbreds Show Advance of 5 Per Cent.

BOSTON, March 31.—The condition of the local wool market is more encouraging. Sales have been increased and shipments are heavier, although prices have as yet failed to respond to the better feeling. Still, holders believe the bottom prices have been reached and that the increased demand for wool will soon show its effect.

Several large sales of territory wool are reported, 350,000 pounds of fine and fine medium, at 18 cents, to cost 55 cents, being the heaviest transaction. Pulled wools also show more activity, and the foreign product is in demand. Other wools are dull.

California—Northern, 50@51c; middle county, 55@57c; Southern, 53@55c; Fall free, 45@46c; Fall defective, 30@35c.

Oregon—Eastern No. 1 staple, 65@67c; Eastern No. 1 clothing 58@60c; Valley No. 1, 55@57c.

Territory—Scoured basis, fine staples, 63@66c; fine medium staple, 60@65c; fine medium clothing, 55@55c; fine clothing, 55@60c; half-blood, 52@58c; three-eighths-blood, 52@38c; quarter-blood, 45@48c.

Pulled—Extra, 62@65c; fine, 53@55c; A supers, 44@48c.

London Wool Sales.

LONDON, March 31.—The wool offerings at the auction today numbered 21,215 bales. The demand was stronger, and especially for the continent and America prices were firmer. A large selection of crossbreds met with a ready sale frequently at prices 5 per cent above the lowest of the series. Americans bought coarse as well as fine grades of crossbreds and also some West Australian greasy merinos.

Wool at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, March 31.—Wool, steady. Territory and Western mediums, 20@22c; fine mediums, 18@19c; fine, 15@17c.

PORTLAND LIVESTOCK MARKET.

Prices Quoted Locally on Cattle, Sheep and Hogs.

A steady to strong tone rules in the livestock market. Monday's advance in hogs was fully maintained. There is a good demand for beef steers and cows and a steady inquiry for sheep. Arrivals yesterday were light, being limited to 30 cows, which moved freely.

The following quotations were current on livestock:

CATTLE—Best steers, $4.75@4.85; medium, $4.25@4.75; common, $3.50@4; cows, best, $3.75@4.25; common, $3.25@3.75; calves, $4@4.50.

SHEEP—Best wethers, $6@6.50; ewes, $5.50@6; Spring lambs, nominal.

HOGS—Best, $5.75@6; medium, $5.50@5.75; feeders, $5.00@5.50.

Eastern Livestock Markets.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 31.—Cattle—Receipts 9000; market, steady. Native steers, $5.25@7.00; native cows and heifers, $3.25@6.85; stockers and feeders, $3.50@5.75; bulls, $3.50@5.25; calves, $3.50@5.50; Western steers, $4.75@6.75; Western cows, $3.50@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 12,000; market, 20@25c higher. Bulk of sales, $5.80@5.05; heavy, $6.00@6.12½; packers and butchers, $5.80@6.05; lights, $5.70@5.95; pigs, $4.75@5.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 7000; market, steady; Muttons, $5.50@6.90; lambs, $6.50@8; range, $5.75@7.50; fed ewes, $5.25@6.50.

CHICAGO, March 31.—Cattle—Receipts about 3500; market, steady. Beeves, $7@7.50; cows and heifers, $2@6.15; Texas, $4.50@5.80; calves, $4.50@6.50; Westerns, $4.50@5.60; stockers and feeders, $3.25@5.20.

Hogs—Receipts, about 14,000; market, 10@15c higher. Light, $5.40@6.20; mixed, $5.60@6.25; heavy, $5.90@6.25; rough, $5.90@5.95; pigs, $4.90@5.70; bulk of sales, $6.10@6.15.

Sheep—Receipts, about 15,000; market, steady. Natives, $4.75@7; Western sheep, $5@7; yearlings, $6.25@7.70; lambs, $6@8.25; Western lambs, $6.50@8.25.

OMAHA, March 31.—Cattle — Receipts, 5000; market, steady to stronger. Native steers, $5.25@7; cows and heifers, $3.25@5.90; Western steers, $3.75@6; Texas steers, $3.50@4.85; cows and heifers, $2.75@4.75; canners, $2.25@3.50; stockers and feeders, $3@5.15; calves, $2.75@5.75; bulls and stags, $3.25@5.25.

Hogs—Receipts, 6500; market, 15@20c higher. Heavy, $5.90@5.92½; mixed, $5.75@5.80; light, $5.70@5.85; pigs, $4.25@5.25; bulk of sales, $5.75@5.90.

Sheep—Receipts, 10,000; market, steady. Yearlings, $6.75@7.50; wethers, $6.25@7; ewes, $5.50@6.75; lambs, $7@8.10.

Eastern Mining Stocks.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Closing quotations:

Adams Con.	5	Little Chief	55
Alice	200	Ontario	250
Breece	10	Ophir	225
Brunswick Con.	10	Potosi	4
Comstock Tun.	20	Savage	29
C. C. & Va.	43	Sierra Nevada	25
Iron Silver	100	Small Hopes	18
Leadville Con.	5	Standard	150

BOSTON, March 31.—Closing quotations:

Osceola	$82.00	Parrot	18.25
Adventure	$ 1.75	Quincy	82.00
Allouez	24.50	Shannon	11.75
Amalgamated	58.37½	Tamarack	61.00
Atlantic	9.00	Trinity	14.00
Bingham	1.00	United Copper	5.00
Cal & Hecla	620.00	U. S. Mining	30.00
Centennial	22.50	U. S. Oil	9.25
Cop Range	64.50	Utah	38.50
Daly West	9.00	Victoria	3.00
Franklin	7.00	Winona	5.00
Granby	90.00	Wolverine	125.00
Isle Royale	17.75	North Butte	53.37½
Mass Mining	2.50	Butte Coal	21.00
Michigan	11.00	Nevada	11.25
Mohawk	40.87½	Cal & Ariz	99.75
Mont. C. & C.	75.00	Ariz Com.	18.00
Old Dominion	38.00	Greene Cananea	8.62½

Metal Markets.

NEW YORK, March 31.—London tin market was lower with spot quoted at £144 5s and futures at £143. The local market was easy with quotations ranging from 31.75 to 32c.

Copper was lower in the London market, with spot quoted at £59 17s 6d and futures at £60 7s 6d. Locally the market was dull and a shade lower with lake quoted at 13@13.37½c; electrolytic, 13@13.25c, and casting at 12.75@13c.

Lead was unchanged at £14 5s in London and at 3.95@4c in the local market.

Spelter was unchanged at £21 2s 6d in London. The local market was dull at 4.60@4.70c.

The English iron market was 1s lower with standard foundry quoted at 50s 4d and Cleveland warrants at 51s 7½d. Locally the iron market was unchanged. No. 1 foundry Northern, $18.25@18.75; No. 2 Northern, $17.75@18.25; No. 1 Southern and No. 1 Southern soft, $17.75@18.50.

Dried Fruit at New York.

NEW YORK, March 31.—The market for evaporated apples is not active, but there is enough demand to impart a firm tone to the market in the absence of important offerings. Fancy, 10½@11c; choice, 8½@9½c; prime, 7½@7¾c; common to fair, 5½@6¾c.

There is a moderate jobbing demand for prunes with quotations ranging from 4¼ to 14c for California, and from 6 to 10c for Oregon fruit.

Apricots are rather easy in tone with choice quoted at 18@20c; extra choice, 19@21c, and fancy at 20@24c.

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

Raisins are neglected with loose muscatels quoted at 5@6½c; seeded raisins, 5½@8¼c, and London layers at $1.65@1.75.

Beef Advances at Tacoma.

TACOMA, Wash., March 31.—(Special.)—The beef market is strengthening and the price of beef steers will be advanced tomorrow from 8@8½ cents to 9 cents a pound. The price of beef has been advanced in the East and the packers here assert that the market cannot hold at the present quotations. The receipts of livestock by the Carstens Packing Company for the last few days have been unusually light.

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SHARP FALL IN WHEAT

BEARISH SENTIMENT PREVAILS AT CHICAGO.

Rain in Kansas and Other Points in the Winter Grain Belt Responsible for Weakness.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The wheat market was quite steady during the first hour of the day, because of moderate demand by pit traders, which was based on a light movement in the Northwest, but in the last half of the session sentiment became very bearish and prices declined ⅛@⅜c to 1¼c from the high points. Reports of more rain in Kansas and other points of the Winter wheat belt were chiefly responsible for the weakness. Demand came mainly from shorts. May opened unchanged to ⅛c lower at 91⅞@91¼c, sold at 93⅛c and then declined to 92c. The close was at 92⅛c.

Sentiment in the corn pit was bearish all day. An increase of local receipts and a poor demand for cash corn and the slump in wheat were depressing influences. The market closed weak at almost the lowest point. May corn opened unchanged to ⅛c lower at 66⅛ to 66⅝c, sold off to 65⅛c and closed at 66⅛c.

Oats were dull and rather weak. May opened unchanged at 53⅝c, sold off to 53⅛c and closed at 53⅛c.

Provisions were excited at the opening with trade general in character. Later in the day the market weakened on profit taking and closed at almost the lowest point. Quotations on May pork were off 7½@10c. Lard was down 10c, and ribs were 5@7c lower.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
WHEAT.				
May	$ .93½	.93½	.92	.92¼
July	.88⅝	.88⅝	.87½	.88
September	.86	.86¼	.85½	.85⅝
CORN.				
May	.66⅝	.66⅞	.65½	.64
July	.63⅛	.63⅝	.62⅛	.66¼
September	.63⅜	.63⅝	.62⅜	.63⅛
OATS.				
May, old	.53⅞	.53⅞	.53¼	.53¼
May, new	.52½	.52½	.51⅞	.51⅞
July, old	.47⅛	.47⅛	.46⅞	.44⅞
July, new	.45⅛	.45⅛	.44⅞	.44⅞
PORK.				
May	13.80	14.05	13.60	13.67½
July	14.22½	14.40	14.00	14.05
September	14.62½	14.75	14.40	14.40
LARD.				
May	8.65	8.65	8.47½	8.50
July	8.87½	8.92½	8.70	8.72½
September	9.00	9.10	8.90	8.90
RIBS.				
May	7.42½	7.55	7.30	7.32½
July	7.75	7.85	7.65	7.65
September	8.00	8.12½	7.90	7.92½

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour—Easy.

Wheat—No. 2 Spring, $1.04@1.06; No. 3, 93½c@$1.05; No. 2 red, 92@93½c.

Corn—No. 2, 64⅝@65½c; No. 2 yellow, 65@65½c.

Oats—No. 2, 52½@52¾c; No. 3 white, 50@53½c.

Rye—No. 2, 73c.

Barley—Fair to choice malting, 77@85c.

Flax Seed—No. 1 Northwestern, $1.17⅝.

Timothy Seed—Prime, $4.65.

Clover—Contract grades, $24.

Short Ribs—Sides, loose, $6.75@7.25.

Pork—Mess, per bbl., $13.50@13.62½.

Lard—Per 100 lbs., $8.35.

Sides—Short clear, boxed, $7.25@7.50.

Whisky—Basis of high wines, $1.35.

	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, bbls.	30,600	30,500
Wheat, bu.	33,600	115,100
Corn, bu.	314,800	340,800
Oats, bu.	361,500	326,400
Rye, bu.	2,000	3,900
Barley, bu.	11,000	44,400

Changes in Available Supplies.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Special cable and telegraphic communications received by Bradstreets show the following changes in available supplies, as compared with previous accounts.

	Bushels.
Wheat, United States, east of the Rockies, decrease	1,365,000
Wheat, Canada, decrease	356,000
Total, United States and Canada, decrease	1,721,000
Afloat for and in Europe, decrease	200,000
Total American and European, decrease	1,921,000
Corn, United States and Canada, increase	29,000
Oats, United States and Canada, increase	894,000

Grain at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 31.—Wheat—Steady.

Barley—Firm.

Spot quotations: Wheat—Shipping, $1.60@1.62½; milling, $1.65@1.67½.

Barley—Feed, $1.37½@1.40; brewing, $1.45@1.52.

Oats—Red, $1.42½@1.55; white, $1.52½@1.65; grays, $1.55@1.62½.

Callboard sales: Wheat—May, $1.57.

Barley—December, $1.16@1.16¼; May, $1.31.

Corn—Large yellow, $1.62½@1.67½.

European Grain Markets.

LONDON, March 31.—Cargoes dull and inactive. Walla Walla, prompt shipment, 3d lower, 35s 3d; California, prompt shipment, 3d lower, 35s 6d.

LIVERPOOL, March 31.—Wheat, March, nominal; May, 6s 11d; July, 7s ½d.

English country markets quiet but steady; French country markets firmer.

Grain and Produce at New York.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Flour—Receipts, 13,900 barrels; exports, 2100 barrels. Market, dull and barely steady.

Wheat—Receipts, 44,000 bushels; exports, 9000 bushels. Spot easy; No. 2 red, 99⅛c elevator and 99⅞ f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 Northern Duluth, $1.11⅞ f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 hard Winter, $1.09⅞ f. o. b. afloat. Influenced by further rains in the Southwest, continued dullness in cash circles and rather active unloading, wheat broke a cent per bushel today, closing ⅛@⅞c net lower. May closed, $1.01; July, 95⅝c.

Hops—Quiet.

Hides—Steady.

Wool—Steady.

Petroleum—Steady.

Northwestern Grain Markets.

DULUTH, March 31.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, $1.02; May, $1; July, $1.01.

MINNEAPOLIS, March 31.—Wheat—May, $1.02⅞@1.02¼; July, $1.00⅞; No. 1 hard, $1.05¼; No. 1 Northern, $1.03¼; No. 2 Northern, $1.01¼; No. 3 Northern, 94¼@98¼c.

Wheat at Tacoma.

TACOMA, March 31.—Wheat unchanged. Bluestem, 84c; Club, 82c; Red, 80c.

Dairy Produce in the East.

CHICAGO, March 31.—On the Produce Exchange today the butter market was firm; creameries, 22@30c; dairies, 20@26c.

Eggs—Firm, at mark cases included, 14c; firsts, 14½c; prime firsts, 14½c; extras, 16½c.

Cheese—Steady, 12½@14c.

NEW YORK, March 31.—Butter, firm. Creameries, specials, 29@29½c; extras, 28½c.

Cheese—Firm, unchanged.

Eggs—Firm. Western firsts, 15½@16c.

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