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THE FALL IN RESERVES

POINTS TO A FIRMER MARKET FOR CALL AND SHORT LOANS.

No Actual Squeeze in Money Rates Is Expected—Close of a Quiet Week in Local Trade Circles.

At New York, Saturday, prime mercantile paper was 3½@4½ per cent.

Sterling exchange was nominal, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.88⅛ for demand and $4.84¾@4.84⅞ for sixty days; posted rates, $4.85½ and $4.89; commercial bills, $4.84@4.84½.

There was no New York silver market, but at London silver bars closed at 27d an ounce, with a steady tone.

Imports of specie during the week, at the port of New York, amounted to $23,760 in gold and $55,225 in silver. Imports of dry goods and general merchandise during the week were valued at $7,676,957. Exports of specie during the week were $1,542,662 in gold and $919,838 in silver.

The weekly statement of the associated New York banks, issued on Saturday, shows the following changes:

Loans, decrease	$12,449,300
Deposits, decrease	18,501,900
Circulation, increase	146,700
Legal tenders, decrease	2,967,700
Specie, decrease	3,710,300
Total reserve, decrease	6,678,000
Reserve required, decrease	4,625,475
Surplus reserve, decrease	2,052,525

The banks now hold $5,817,975 in excess of requirements under the 25 per cent. rule.

The Financier says: "The changes in the leading items of the associated banks of New York for the week ended April 6 are heavier than for a month or more past. The current statement covers a full week, although for two days of this period the stock and commercial exchanges were closed. The exhibit reveals a further decrease of $2,052,525 in excess reserve, bringing the total surplus above requirements to $5,817,975, the lowest figure touched since Dec. 8 last. The contraction was due, mainly, to a loss of $6,678,000 in specie and legals, and the latter, in turn, reflects in part the operations of the banks with the treasury and the interior. It should be explained that the drain on the banks, by reason of gold exports, etc., count to the full amount in the statement, while on the other hand receipts probably show only averages. The week, however, was characterized by several temporary transactions that cut into bank totals. The gold exports have already been mentioned. In addition, a great deal of currency has been flowing out of New York in payment for sales of gilt-edged securities in this market, and the treasury has also profited by reason of unusual sales of stamps and the payment of taxes, etc., at this center. The banks, therefore, have been put to an unusual drain, but the reduction of the loan item, $12,449,300, with the fall in deposits of $18,501,900 offset nearly two-thirds the cash loss. With reference to the change in leading items, it is to be noted that several large banks are responsible for the heaviest decreases. These institutions represent the syndicates which have figured in deals of various kinds for some time past, and it is to causes incident thereto that the bulk of the week's changes can be attributed. As to the general effect of the statement on the current money market, it is idle to speak at length. It will not be surprising if the revelation of the low state of reserves in New York causes an advance in call loans early in the week, but conservative interests do not apprehend much change in time money rates unless it be in short loans. The larger banks seem to have the situation well in hand, and if the general belief is correct, no incentive to mark rates beyond a minimum figure exists. It does seem, however, that a firmer money market is inevitable, for the time being at least."

Saturday's Bank Clearings.

	Exchanges.	Balances.
New York	$94,138,035	$6,423,598
Boston	18,967,068	1,369,146
Chicago	19,886,765	2,352,871
Philadelphia	22,258,131	2,881,111
St. Louis	5,902,116	908,179
Baltimore	4,136,972	832,654
Cincinnati	2,014,850	.....
Indianapolis	1,129,657	93,133

LOCAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

A Week of Quiet Trade, With But Few Changes in Values.

In the week ended April 6, trade was disappointing, largely due to unseasonable weather and the fact that the grain markets on Good Friday and Saturday were not open. The dry goods market carries a weak tone on cotton goods at the reductions of Thursday last. Leather and hides ruled easy, as does flour, although in neither case was there any important change in prices. On Commission row fruits and vegetables, if choice, brought good prices, but inferior stock sold slowly. The provision market is active at advances on nearly all descriptions of hog products. Seed merchants are very busy. The week closed with strong steady prices for poultry and eggs, with only moderate receipts. Butter is weak on increasing arrivals. Other lines are without new features. The local grain market continues dull at prices given below, as furnished by the secretary of the Board of Trade:

Wheat—No. 2 red, 70½c; No. 2 red, on milling freight, 70½c; No. 3 red, 66½@68½c; wagon wheat, 70c.

Corn—No. 1 white, 44¼c; No. 2 white, 44¼c, No. 3 white, 44¼c; No. 4 white, 40¼@42¼c; No. 2 white mixed, 42¼c; No. 3 white mixed, 42¼c; No. 4 white mixed, 38¾@40¾c; No. 2 yellow, 43c; No. 3 yellow, 43c; No. 4 yellow, 39@41c; No. 2 mixed, 42¾c; No. 3 mixed, 42¾c; No. 4 mixed, 38¾@40¾c; ear corn, 42c; wagon corn, 42@44c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 29½c; No. 3 white, 28½c; No. 2 mixed, 27½c; No. 3 mixed, 26½c.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, $12.75@13.25; No. 2 timothy, $11.25@12.25.

Inspections—April 5—Wheat: No. 2 red, 2 cars; No. 3 red, 3; total, 5 cars. Corn: No. 2 white, 12 cars; No. 3 white, 4; No. 3 yellow, 4; No. 2 mixed, 3; No. 3 mixed, 1; ear, 1; total, 25 cars. Oats: No. 2 white, 1 car. Hay: No. 1 timothy, 2 cars; No. 1 prairie, 3; total, 5 cars. Rejected straw, 1 car.

Inspections—April 6—Wheat: No. 2 red, 1 car; rejected, 2; total, 3 cars. Corn: No. 2 white, 5 cars; No. 3 white, 4; No. 3 white mixed, 2; No. 3 yellow, 1; No. 2 mixed, 1; No. 3 mixed, 5; total, 18 cars. Oats: No. 2 mixed, 2 cars; rejected, 1; total, 3 cars. Hay: No. 1 timothy, 2 cars.

Poultry and Other Produce.

(Prices paid by shippers.)

Turkey hens, 7@8c per lb; young toms, 6c; young chickens, 7c; hens, 5c; cocks, 4c; ducks, 6c; geese, full feathered, $5.40@6 per doz.

Cheese—New York full cream, 12c; domestic Swiss, 17c; brick, 14c; limburger, 13c.

Butter—Choice roll, 11c per lb; poor, No. 2, 6@7c.

Eggs—11c per doz.

Feathers—Prime geese, 30c per lb; prime duck, 20c per lb.

Beeswax—30c for yellow, 25c for dark.

Wool—Medium, unwashed, 19@20c; tub-washed, 28@30c; burry and unmerchantable, 3@5c less; fine merino, 15@17c; coarse braid, 17c.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

Greenhalted Hides—No. 1, 8c; No. 2, 7c; No. 1 calf, 9½c; No. 2 calf, 8c.

Grease—White, 4c; yellow, 3½c; brown, 2½c.

Tallow—No. 1, 4c; No. 2, 3½c.

THE JOBBING TRADE.

(The quotations given below are the selling prices of the wholesale dealers.)

Candies and Nuts.

Candies—Stick, 7c per lb; common mixed, 7c; 7½c; grocers' mixed, 6½c; Banner twist stick, grocers' mixed, 6c; Banner twist stick, 8c; Banner cream mixed, 10@11c; old-time mixed, 5c.

Nuts—Soft-shelled almonds, 18@20c; English walnuts, 12@14c; Brazil nuts, 10c; filberts, 14½c; peanuts, roastd, 7@8c; mixed nuts, 12c.

Canned Goods.

Corn, 75c@$1.25. Peaches—Eastern standard, 3-lb, $2@2.25; 3-lb seconds, $1.90@2; California, standard, $2.10@2.40; California seconds, $1.90@2. Miscellaneous—Blackberries, 2-lb, 85@90c; raspberries, 3-lb, $1.25@1.30; pineapples, standard, 2-lb, $1.85@1.90; choice, $2@2.10; cove oysters, 1-lb, full weight, $1.05@1.10; light, 60@65c; string beans, 3-lb, 90@95c; Lima beans, $1.20@1.25; peas, marrowfats, 95c@$1; early June, $1.10@1.15; lobsters, $1.85@2; red cherries, 90c@$1; strawberries, 85@90c; salmon, 1-lb, 95c@$2; 3-lb tomatoes, 85@90c.

Coal and Coke.

Anthracite, $7; C. & O. Kanawha, $4; Pittsburg, $4; Winifrede, $4; Raymond, $4; Jackson, $4; Island City lump, $3; lump coke, 11c per bu, $2.25 per 25 bu; crushed coke, 12c per bu, $3.25 per 25 bu; Blossburg, $5 per ton; Connellsville coke, $6 per ton; smokeless lump, $5 per ton; Brazil block, $3.50 per ton; smokeless coal, $5 per ton.

Drugs.

Alcohol, $2.50@2.70; asafoetida, 40c; alum, 2½@4c; camphor, 68@70c; cochineal, 50@55c; chloroform, 58@65c; copperas, brls, 90c; cream tartar, pure, 20@33c; indigo, 65@80c; licorice, Calab, genuine, 35@40c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz, 20@22c; morphine, P. & W., per oz, $2.45@2.70; madder, 14@16c; oil, castor, per gal, $1.15@1.25; oil, bergamot, per lb, $3; opium, $3.75@3.90; quinine, P. & W., per oz, 39@44c; balsam copaiba, 55@60c; soap, castile, Fr., 13@16c; soda, bicarb, 2½@6c; salts, Epsom, 1½@4c; sulphur, flour, 2¾@5c; saltpeter, 10@14c; turpentine, 40@45c; glycerine, 17@20c; iodide potassium, $2.65@2.70; bromide potassium, 55@60c; chlorate potash, 15@20c; borax, 9@12c; cinchonida, 40@45c; carbolic acid, 38@48c.

Dry Goods.

Bleached Sheetings—Androscoggin L, 7c; Berkley, No. 60, 8½c; Cabot, 6¾c; Capitol, 5½c; Cumberland, 7¼c; Dwight Anchor, 7¾c; Fruit of the Loom, 7¼c; Farwell, 6¾c; Fitchville, 6½c; Full Width, 6c; Gilt Edge, 5½c; Gilded Age, 4½c; Hill, 7¼c; Hope, 7c; Linwood, 7c; Lonsdale, 7½c; Peabody, 6c; Pride of the West, 10½c; Ten Strike, 6½c; Pepperell, 9-4, 19c; Pepperell, 10-4, 21c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 20c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 22c.

Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 6c; Argyle, 6c; Boott C, 4½c; Buck's Head, 6c; Clifton CCC, 6c; Constitution, 40-inch, 6½c; Carlisle, 40-inch, 6c; Dwight's Star, 7c; Great Falls E, 5½c; Great Falls J, 5½c; Hill Fine, 7c; Indian Head, 6c; Pepperell R, 9-4, 19c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 18c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 20c.

Prints—Allen dress styles, 4¾c; Allen's staples, 5c; Allen TR, 4½c; Allen's robes, 5½c; American Indigo, 4¾c; Arnold long cloth, B, 8c; Arnold LLC, 7c; Cocheco fancy, 5c; Hamilton fancy, 5c; Merrimac pinks and purples, 5½c; Pacific fancy, 5c; Simpson's mourning, 4½c; Simpson's Berlin solids, 5½c; Simpson's oil finish, 6c; American shirting, 4c; black white, 4½c; grays, 4½c.

Kid-finished Cambrics—Edwards, 3¾c; Warren, 3¾c; Slater, 3¾c; Genesee, 3¾c.

Tickings—Amoskeag ACA, 11½c; Conestoga, BF, 13½c; Cordis 140, 11½c; Cordis T, 11½c; Cordis ACE, 11½c; Hamilton awnings, 9c; Kimono fancy, 17c; Lenox fancy, 18c; Methuen AA, 10½c; Oakland AF, 8c; Portsmouth, 11½c; Susquehanna, 13½c; Shetucket SW, 6c; Shetucket F, 6½c; Swift River, 5½c.

Grain Bags—Amoskeag, $15.50; American, $15.50; Harmony, $15.50; Stark, $18.

Ginghams—Amoskeag staples, 5c; Amoskeag dress, 7c; Bates, 5c; Lancaster, 5c; Lancaster Normandies, 7c; Fall Du Nord, 8c.

Flour.

Straight grades, $4@4.20; patent flour, $4.20@4.45; spring wheat patents, $5.40@5.65.

Groceries.

Coffee—Good, 10@12c; prime, 12@14c; strictly prime, 14@16c; fancy green and yellow, 18@22c; Java, 28@32c. Roasted—Old Government Java, 32½@33c; Golden Rio, 24c; Bourbon Santos, 24c; Gilded Santos, 24c; prime Santos, 22c. Package coffee—City prices: Ariosa, 12.25c; Lion, 12.25c; Jersey, 12.25c; Caracas, 11.50c; Dutch Java blend, 16.50c; Dillworth's, 12.25c; Mail Pouch, 12.25c; Gates's blended Java, 12.25c; Jav-Ocha, 16.50c; Elite (cartoons), 16.50c; Good Luck, 15.50c; Good Luck (½ cases), $7.80.

Sugar—City prices: Dominoes, 6.17c; cut loaf, 6.17c; powdered, 5.77c; XXXX powdered, 5.32c; standard granulated, 5.57c; fine granulated, 5.57c; extra fine granulated, 5.67c; granulated (5-lb bags), 5.72c; granulated (2-lb bags), 5.72c; cubes, 5.92c; mold A, 6.02c; confectioners' A, 5.37c; Colorado A, 5.22c; 3 Windsor A, 5.17c; 3 Ridgewood A, 5.17c; 4 Phoenix A, 5.12c; 5 Empire A, 5.07c; 6 Ideal Golden Ex. C, 5.02c; 7 Windsor Ex. C, 4.92c; 8 Ridgewood Ex. C, 4.82c; 9 Yellow Ex. C, 4.77c; 10 Yellow C, 4.72c; 11 Yellow, 4.67c; 12 Yellow, 4.62c; 13 Yellow, 4.62c; 14 Yellow, 4.57c; 15 Yellow, 4.57c; 16 Yellow, 4.57c.

Salt—In car lots, $1.20@1.25; small lots, $1.25@1.50.

Flour—Straight grades, $4@4.25; patent, $4.25@4.50; spring wheat, first grade, $4.30@4.50; second grade, $3.75@4; bakery, $3.50@3.65.

Spices—Pepper, 17@18c; allspice, 15@18c; cloves, 15@18c; cassia, 15@18c; mixed spices, 50@60c per lb.

Beans—Prime marrow, bu, $2.55@2.65; do pea or navy, bu, $2.15@2.20; do red kidney, bu, $2.75@2.85. Lima beans, lb, 7@7¼c; German Lima beans, 5¼@5¾c.

Molasses and Syrups—New Orleans molasses, fair to prime, 28@33c; choice, 35@40c; syrups, 20@22c.

Rice—Louisiana, 4½@6½c; Carolina, 6½@8½c.

Shot—$1.40@1.50 per bag for drop.

Lead—6½@7c for pressed bars.

Wood Dishes—No. 1, per 1,000, $2@2.50; No. 2, $2.50@2.75; No. 3, $2.50@3; No. 5, $3@3.25.

Twine—Hemp, 12@18c per lb; wool, 8@10c; flax, 20@50c; paper, 25c; jute, 12@15c; cotton, 18@25c.

Woodenware—No. 1 tubs, $6.50@7; No. 2 tubs, $5.50@6; No. 3 tubs, $4.50@5; 3-hoop pails, $1.60; 2-hoop pails, $1.40@1.50; double washboards, $2.25@2.75; common washboards, $1.50@1.75; clothes pins, 60@65c per box.

Iron and Steel.

Bar iron, 2.50c; horseshoe bar, 2.75@3c; nail rod, 7c; plow slabs, 3c; American cast steel, 9@11c; tire steel, 3@3½c; spring steel, 4½@5c.

Leather.

Oak sole, 31@34c; hemlock sole, 27@31c; harness, 31@37c; skirting, 26@40c; single strap, 41@45c; city kip, 60@85c; French kip, 90%@$1.20, city calfskin, 90c@$1.10; French calfskin, $1.20@1.85.

Nails and Horseshoes.

Steel cut nails, $2.65; wire nails, from store, $2.65 rates; from mill, $2.65 rates. Horseshoes, per keg, $4; mule shoes, per keg, $4.50; horse nails, $4@5 per box. Barb wire, galvanized, $3.25; painted, $3.10.

Oils.

Linseed, raw, 62c per gal; linseed oil, boiled, 63c per gal; coal oil, 5 test, 9½@14½c; bank, 47@50c; best straits, 50c; Labrador, 60c; West Virginia lubricating, 20@30c; miners', 40c; lard oils, winter strained, in brls, 50@60c per gal; half brls, 3c per gal extra.

Produce, Fruits and Vegetables.

Bananas—Per bunch, No. 1, $1.75@2; No. 2, $1.25@1.50.

Oranges—California navels, $2.50@3; seedling, $2@2.50.

Lemons—Messina, fancy, 360 to box, $3.25; California lemons, $3.25.

Potatoes—$1.35 per brl; 45c per bu; 10c extra charge for each barrel or bag.

Sweet Potatoes—Illinois, $2.25@2.50; Kentucky, $2.

Cabbage—Holland seed, $1.50 per 100 lbs.

Celery—California, 70c per doz; $4.50 per case; small, 40@45c per doz; Florida celery, 40@65c per doz.

Yellow Onions—$1.50 per bu; red onions, $1.50 per bu; red and yellow, $3.50 per brl.

Onion Sets—Yellow, $1.50@1.90 per bu; white, $2.25 per bu; top sets, $1.65 per bu.

Honey—New white, 17c per lb; dark, 15c.

Cocoanut—50c doz; per bag, $3.50.

Parsnips—70c per bu; $2 per brl for best; unwashed, $1.50.

Radishes—35@30c per doz bunches.

Southern Green Onions—45c (Shallots) per doz bunches; home grown, 10c doz.

Rhubarb—Home grown, 25@35 per doz.

Spinach—$1@1.50 per brl.

Kale—$1@1.25 per brl.

Lettuce—12½c per lb.

Cucumbers—$1.20@1.50 per doz.

Tomatoes—60@65c per basket.

Carrots—60c per bu.

Old Beets—50@75c per bu.

Turnips—$1 per brl; 35c per bu for washed.

Strawberries—30@40c qt.

Cranberries—Jersey, $2@2.50 per bu.

Apples—Baldwin, $3.50 per brl; Bellflower, $4.50 per brl; Greenings, $3.50 per brl; Northern Spy, $4 per brl; Ben Davis, $3.

Provisions.

Hams—Sugar cured, 18 to 20 lbs average, 11¼@12c; 15 lbs average, 11¼@12c; 12 lbs average, 11¾@12¼c.

Lard—Kettle rendered, 10¼c; pure lard, 9¾c.

Pork—Bean, clear, $18.50; rump, $15.

Bacon—Clear sides, 50 to 60 lbs average, 10¼c; 30 to 40 lbs average, 10½c; 20 to 30 lbs average, 10¾c; clear bellies, 25 to 30 lbs average, none; 18 to 22 lbs average, 10¾c; 14 to 16 lbs average, 11¼c; clear backs, 20 to 25 lbs average, 10c; 12 to 16 lbs average, 10¼c; 6 to 9 lbs average, 10¾c, in dry.

Shoulders—16 lbs average, 9½c; 10 to 12 lbs average, 9¾c.

Seeds.

Clover, choice, prime, $7@7.50; English, choice, $7@7.50; alsike, choice, $7@8; alfalfa, choice, $6@7; crimson or scarlet clover, $5@6; timothy, 45 lbs, prime, $2.30@2.40; strictly prime, $2.20@2.25; choice, $2.15@2.20; fancy Kentucky, 24 lbs, $1.20; extra clean, 60@75c; orchard grass, extra, $1.50@1.75; red top, choice, 80c@$1.75; English bluegrass, 24 lbs, $2@2.50; German millet, 75c@$1.25; Western German millet, 90c@$1, common millet, 80@90c.

An Absent-Minded Beggar.

Albany Letter in Brooklyn Eagle.

At a little dinner given here the other night by a few select members of the "House of Commons," one of the leaders acted as toastmaster. He has a habit of forgetting names, although his memory for events and dates is excellent. He went into a long and very enthusiastic description of the record of one of the men present and concluded by saying:

"Such a record makes the name of a man famous the world over. Such a name can never be forgotten. Such a man is—is—[long pause] what the devil is your name, old man?"

The reception given to the man introduced was marred by the hilarity occasioned by the introduction.

CORN IS AGAIN RAMPANT

VERY ACTIVE AND STRONG AT A NEW HIGH PRICE FOR MAY.

Oats Higher in Sympathy, but Wheat Is Increasingly Weaker—Declines in All Hog Products.

CHICAGO, April 6.—Corn displayed great activity and strength to-day and attained a new high price, May closing ⅞c higher. Oats, in sympathy, closed a shade up, but the wheat market, in contrast, succumbed to a formidable array of bearish influences and closed 1½c under Thursday. May pork at the close was 35c depressed, while lard and ribs each showed a loss of 7½c.

May corn opened wild, with bids ranging from 44c to 44⅞c, the highest price of the crop for delivery next month. These prices were ¾c to 1⅝c higher than the close the previous session, and marked a complete recovery from the demoralizing break of the first two sessions of the week. Phillips, the bull leader, who is credited with having control of the market, bought moderately for customers, and declared that he sold nothing. The demand was broad and heavy from country interests, and at times frantic from local shorts. The aggregate amount of the day's transactions was undoubtedly enormous. For a few minutes at the opening offerings were light, but they became freer soon. Longs, profiting by recent experience, realized that the market still has two sides and took profits. There was, however, no indication of any bear movement, but on the contrary some of the shorts who covered were those who had led in the raid Monday and Wednesday. The market yielded with the greatest stubbornness. Sortly before noon May touched 44c. From this it reacted to 44⅛@44¼c, and closed ⅞c higher at 44⅛c. The strong opening was due to wet weather West and to light country offerings. The reaction was influenced to a moderate degree by the pronounced weakness of wheat. Receipts for two days were 507 cars, 105 of contract grade.

The wheat market was a striking contrast to corn. It was easy at the opening, weaker as trading progressed and weakest at the close. May opened unchanged to ¼c lower at 70¼c to 72c, for one brief moment supported by the corn strength. There were no cables, and the array of news offered anything but cheer to the holders. Argentine shipments were 1,696,000 bu, and Snow's crop report averred that in twenty years the spring growth had never been better at this season. The lightness of Australian shipments and reports of a sharp cash inquiry and heavy flour sales did little to check the decline. Bears hammered the market down to 71c during the first two hours. At this point stop-loss orders were reached and a further slump to 70⅝@70¾c followed. The close was weak, 1½c lower at 70¾c. Seaboard clearances in wheat and flour were equal to 676,000 bu. Primary receipts were 822,000 bu, compared with 559,000 bu last year. Minneapolis and Duluth reported 498 cars, against 369 last week and 463 a year ago. Local receipts were 155 cars, one of contract grade.

Oats were handled in considerable quantities, and the market showed an undertone of strength in sympathy with corn and on the wet weather which was said to be delaying seeding. May sold between 26¼c and 25⅝c, and closed a shade higher at 25⅝@25¾c. Receipts were 381 cars.

Provisions, especially pork, were easier on liquidation by longs, although there was nothing of a particularly bearish character apparent on the surface. Trade on the whole was dull. May pork sold between $15.25 and $14.82½ and closed 35c lower at $14.85; May lard 7½c down at $8.37½, and May ribs between $8.17½ and $8.20, the close being 7½c depressed at $8.12½.

Estimated receipts on Monday: Wheat, 80 cars; corn, 175 cars; oats, 220 cars; hogs, 27,000 head.

Leading futures ranged as follows:

Articles.	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
May	72 -72¼	72¼	70⅝-70¾	70¾
July	72½-72⅝	72⅝	71⅝	71⅝
Corn—				
Apr	....	....	....	43⅝
May	44 -44⅛	44⅞	44	44⅛
July	44 -44⅛	44¼	43¾	43⅞
Oats—				
May	25⅞-26⅛	26⅛	25⅝	25⅝-25¾
July	25⅞-26⅛	26⅛	25½	25½
Pork—				
May	15.20	15.25	14.82½	14.85
July	15.05	15.05	14.85	14.87½
Lard—				
May	8.37½	8.37½	8.32½	8.35
July	8.22½	8.27½	8.22½	8.27½
Sep	8.25	8.27½	8.25	8.25
Ribs—				
May	8.15	8.15	8.12½	8.12½
July	8.10	8.10	8.00	8.02½
Sep	8.05	8.05	8.00	8.00

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour weak. No. 3 spring wheat, 68@69c; No. 2 red, 70½@73c. No. 2 corn, 43⅝c; No. 2 yellow, 43¾c. No. 2 oats, 26@27¼c; No. 2 white, 29@29½c; No. 3 white, 28@29½c. No. 2 rye, 53c. Fair to choice malting barley, 48@58c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1.53½; No. 1 Northwestern, $1.54½. Clover seed, contract grade, $11. Prime timothy seed, $4.05. Mess pork, per brl, $14.75@14.80. Lard, per 100 lbs, $8.47½@8.50. Short-rib sides (loose), $8.05@8.25. Dry-salted shoulders (boxed), $8.75@8.87½. Short clear sides (boxed), $8.40@8.50. Whisky, basis of high wines, $1.27.

Receipts—Flour, 72,000 brls; wheat, 230,000 bu; corn, 442,000 bu; oats, 598,000 bu; rye, 10,000 bu; barley, 47,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 71,000 brls; wheat, 150,000 bu; corn, 282,000 bu; oats, 779,000 bu; rye, 15,000 bu; barley, 9,000 bu.

Milwaukee Market Rules.

MILWAUKEE, April 6.—The Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce to-day, by an almost unanimous vote, adopted an amendment to the rule of the Milwaukee Chamber providing that on contracts for the future delivery of wheat, corn and oats warehouse receipts of the licensed public elevators of Chicago, approved by the board of directors of the Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce, may be delivered in this market in fulfillment of such contracts. The amendment also provides for like action with regard to Chicago registered warehouse receipts of beef, sheep or hog products. The action of the Milwaukee Chamber is expected to start an exodus of Chicago traders to this market at once.

AT NEW YORK.

Corn and Provisions Very Strong, Wheat Steady and Flour Weak.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Flour—Receipts, 64,972 brls; exports, 10,116 brls; weak and lower to sell, with trade light. Winter patents, $3.60@4; winter traights, $3.40@3.50; winter extras, $2.40@2.80; winter low grades, $2.20@2.35; Minnesota patents, $4@4.25; Minnesota bakers, $2.90@3.25. Rye flour firm; fair to good, $2.85@3.10; choice to fancy, $3.20@3.45. Corn meal quiet; yellow Western, 81c; city, 90c. Brandywine, $2.45@2.50. Rye dull; No. 2 Western, 61c f. o. b. afloat; State, 56@57c c. i. f. New York carlots. Barley quiet; feeding, 46@48½c c. i. f. New York; malting, 62@70c c. i. f. New York. Barley malt dull; Western, 65@72c.

Wheat—Receipts, 135,800 bu; exports, 139,549 bu. Spot weak; No. 2 red, 78¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 red, 77c elevator; No. 1 northern Duluth, 85¾c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Duluth, 88c f. o. b. afloat. Options, after a steady opening on light covering, became more or less demoralized under liquidation impelled by further short selling, predictions of bearish statistics on Monday, and fine weather West; closed barely steady at ⅝c net decline: May, 76⅞@77¼c, closed at 77¼c; July, 77c@77¾c, closed at 77¾c; September, 76½@77½c, closed at 76¾c.

Corn—Receipts, 112,000 bu; exports, 270,948 bu. Spot firm; No. 2, 49½c; elevator, 50⅞c f. o. b. afloat. Options opened strong on good covering, bull support and bad weather West, but subsequently reacted a little with wheat, finally rallied on covering and closed strong at ⅞@1⅛c net advance: May, 49⅜@49½c, closed at 49½c; July, 48¼@48⅜c, closed at 48½c; September, 48⅛@48 5-16c, closed at 48¼c.

Oats—Receipts, 243,000 bu; exports, 50,925 bu. Spot dull; No. 2, 30½c; No. 3, 30c; No. 2 white, 32½@32¾c; No. 3 white, 32c; track mixed Western, 30@31½c; track white, 31½@36c. Options firm.

Feed steady; spring bran, $20@20.50; middlings, $19.50@20; winter bran, $19@23; city, $20@21. Hay quiet; shipping, 75@77½c; good to choice, 90@92½c.

Hops quiet; State common to choice, 1900 crop, 17@25c; 1899 crop, 11@15c; old, 2@8c. Pacific coast, 1900 crop, 16@18c; 1899 crop, 11@15c; old, 2@6c.

Hides firm; Galveston, 20 to 25 lbs, 18@18½c; California, 21 to 25 lbs, 18½@19c; Texas dry, 24 to 50 lbs, 14@14½c. Leather steady; hemlock sole, Buenos Ayres light to heavy weights, 24@25c; acid, 23½@24½c.

Beef quiet; family, $10.50@11.50; beef hams, $7.50@9; city extra india mess, $14@16. Cut meats firm; pickled bellies, 8@8.75@10.50; pickled shoulders, $7; pickled hams, $6.75@10.25. Lard quiet; Western steamed, $8.87½. Refined steady; continent, $8; S. A., $9.75; compound, $6.50. Pork steady; family, $16.50@17; short clear, $15@17; mess, $15.50@16.50. Tallow steady; city, 5⅝@5¾c; country, 5⅝@5¾c. Cotton-seed oil quiet; prime crude, 35c; prime yellow, 35½c.

Rice steady; domestic fair to extra, 3¾@6¼c; Japan, 4¾@4⅞c. Molasses dull; New Orleans open kettle, good to choice, 32@40c.

Sugar—Raw quiet but firm; fair refining, 3½@3 17-32c; centrifugal, 96 test, 4 1-16c; molasses sugar, 3 9-32c. Refined steady; No. 6, 4.70c; No. 7, 4.60c; No. 8, 4.50c; No. 9, 4.45c; No. 10, 4.40c; No. 11, 4.35c; No. 12, 4.30c; No. 13, 4.35c; No. 14, 4.20c; standard A, 5.05c; confectioners' A, 5.05c; mold A, 5.60c; cut loaf, 5.75c; crushed, 5.75c; powdered, 5.25c; granulated, 5.25c; cubes, 5.50c.

TRADE IN GENERAL.

Quotations at St. Louis, Baltimore, Cincinnati and Other Places.

ST. LOUIS, April 6.—Flour dull and heavy. Patents, $3.50@3.65; extra fancy and straight, $3.10@3.25; clear, $2.70@2.90. Corn meal steady at $2.10. Bran steady; sacked, east track, 76@77c. Wheat—No. 2 red, cash, 69¾c; May, 70⅛@70¼c; July, 69c; No. 2 hard, 71@71½c. Corn—May, 42⅛@42¼c; July, 42⅝c. Oats—No. 2, cash, 27c; May, 26¾c; July, 25⅝c; No. 2 white, 29@29½c. Pork lower; jobbing, $15. Lard lower at $8.35. Dry-salt meats (boxed) easier; extra shorts, $8.37½; clear ribs, $8.50; clear sides, $8.62½. Bacon (boxed) easier; extra shorts, $9.12½; clear ribs, $9.25; clear sides, $9.37½. Timothy seed steady; average receipts, $3.25@4; prime worth more. Hay—Timothy firm at $11.50@13; prairie scarce and strong at $10.50@11. Whisky steady at $1.27. Iron cotton ties, $1. Bagging, 6¼@7c. Hemp twine, 9c. Receipts—Flour, 11,000 brls; wheat, 46,000 bu; corn, 88,000 bu; oats, 58,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 14,000 brls; wheat, 41,000 bu; corn, 62,000 bu; oats, 10,000 bu.

BALTIMORE, April 6.—Flour quiet. Receipts, 23,794 brls; exports, 15,250 brls. Wheat depressed; spot and the month, 75⅞@76¼c; May, 76@76¼c; steamer No. 2 red, 73⅝@73¾c. Receipts, 48,296 bu; exports, 24,000 bu. Southern by sample, 72@77c; Southern on grade, 74½@78c. Corn strong; mixed spot, the month and May, 48@48¼c; steamer mixed, 47@47½c. Receipts, 125,749 bu; exports, 199,142 bu. Southern white corn, 48½c; Southern yellow corn, 48c. Oats quiet; No. 2 white, 33@34c; No. 2 mixed, 31@31½c. Receipts, 97,159 bu; exports, 210,000 bu.

KANSAS CITY, April 6.—Wheat—May, 65¼@65⅝c; July, 65¾c; cash, No. 2 hard, 67½@68c; No. 2 red, 68@70c. Corn—May, 40⅝c; July, 40⅝c; cash, No. 2 mixed, 41c; No. 2 white, 41½c. Oats—No. 2 white, 28½@29c. Receipts—Wheat, 67,200 bu; corn, 21,600 bu; oats, 22,000 bu. Shipments—Wheat, 156,800 bu; corn, 24,000 bu; oats, 8,000 bu.

CINCINNATI, April 6.—Flour dull. Wheat steady; No. 2 red, 73c. Corn stronger; No. 2 mixed, 45c. Oats steady; No. 2 mixed, 28c. Rye dull; No. 2, 55c. Lard firm at $8.27½. Bulk meats firm at $8.75. Bacon firm at $9.25. Whisky, distillers' finished goods, quiet on basis of $1.27. Sugar firm.

TOLEDO, April 6.—Wheat active and weak; cash, 72⅝c; May, 73⅝c; July, 73⅝c. Corn active and strong; cash, 44c; May, 44⅝c; July, 44½c. Oats dull; cash, 27c; May, 26⅝c. Rye, 52c. Clover seed active and steady, 1898 crop, prime, $6.50; cash, $6.75; October, $5.55.

DULUTH, April 6.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, cash, 72⅞c; No. 2 northern, cash, 70⅞c; May, 72⅝c; July, 73½c; No. 2 northern, 65⅝@69⅝c; No. 3 spring, 60⅝@65⅝c. Corn, 40½c; May, 41c. Oats, 27@27¼c.

MINNEAPOLIS, April 6.—Wheat—Cash, 70⅝c; May, 70½c; July, 72⅛@72¼c; on track, No. 1 hard, 72½c. No. 1 northern, 70⅝c; No. 2 northern, 67½@68½c.

MILWAUKEE, April 6.—Barley steady; No. 2, 57½c; sample, 40@57c.

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

NEW YORK, April 6.—Butter firm; fresh creamery, 16@22c; factory, 10@14c; imitation creamery, 14@18½c; State dairy, 15@21c. Cheese firm; fancy large, colored, 11½c; fancy large, white, 11@11¼c; fancy small, colored, 12¼@12½c; fancy small, white, 12@12½c. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania, at mark, 14@14½c; storage Western, 14@14½c; fresh Western, 14c; Southern, at mark, 13@13½c.

PHILADELPHIA, April 6.—Butter firm; fancy Western creamery, 22½c; fancy Western prints, 22½c; fancy near-by prints, 23c. Eggs easier; fresh near-by, 13½c; fresh Western, 14c; fresh Southwestern, 13¾c; fresh Southern, 12½c. Cheese quiet; New York full creams, fancy small, 12@12¼c; New York full creams, fair to choice, 10¾@11¾c.

CHICAGO, April 6.—On the Produce Exchange to-day the butter market was easier; creameries, 15@20½c; dairies, 11@18c. Cheese firm at 11@12¼c. Eggs dull; fresh, 12½c.

KANSAS CITY, April 6.—Eggs easy; fres