COMMERCIAL MATTERS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—May 1.

U.S.6s,'68, coup.		Chic. & N. W. 1st.		N. Y. Central.	
3,000	115	7,000	85	300	92½
U. S. 6s, 1881, cp.		Clev. & Tol. s.f. b.		N. J. Central.	
29,000	108	5,000	96	40	105
U. S. 6s, 5-20c, '62.		American Gold.		Erie.	
4,000	x. 101½	5,000	125½	100	74½
2,500	x. 102	Am. Exch. Bank.		400	74
5,500	indor'd. 101½	5	110	5	75
U. S. 6s, 5-20c., '64		Gallatin Na. Bank.		200. 2d call	74
10,000	x. 101½	100	103	New-York & N. H.	
U.S.6s,5-20 cp.'65.		Bank of N. Amer.		175	97
25,000	x. 101½	10	106	Reading.	
U. S. 5s, 10-40 con.		Ninth Nat. Bank.		1,000	105½
3,500	94½	10	110	400	2d call. 105½
Treasury 7 3-10s.		Cumb'd Coal pref.		Mich. S. & N. Ind	
2d series.		100	45	1,900	78
5,000	101½	200	45½	400	77½
U. S. 6s, 1 y. c.s.t.		Spring Mountain.		300	b30. 78
4,000	10½	100	53	100	77½
Tennessee 6s.		100	53½	100. 2d call	78½
10,000	90½	200	53½	Illinois Central.	
N. Carolina 6s.		500	54	100	130½
6,000	83½	West. Un. Tel.		200	b30. 120
Mo.6s,H&S.J.is.		100	57½	200. 2d c.	s30. 118
4,000	77	West. Union Tel.		Cleve. & Pitts.	
Mo. 6s, Pa. R. i.		Russian Ext'n.		200	86½
4,000	74	100	107	Chicago & N.W.	
Missouri 6s.		Quicksilver.		400	28
2,000	74	300	54½	Chicago & N.W. pf	
N.Y. 7s, B'ty L'n		200	55	100	58½
9,000	103½	200	54½	200	58½
5,000	103½	Mariposa Pref.		50	b30. 58½
N. Y. C. 7s, 65 Cvt		100	24½	Indianap. & Cin.	
4,600	102½	400	24½	13	65
Erie 1st mtge.		400	24½	Chicago & Alton.	
1,000	ex in. 97	500	24½	200	91
Erie 2d mtge.		300	2d call. 24	Marietta&Cin. 1 p	
1,000	94½	Mariposa.		100	40
Buff.N.Y.&E.1 m.		200	13	Mil. & St. P. pref.	
1,800	94	Spruce Hill.		150	60
P., F. W. & Chic.1		300	5½	Chicago & G. E.	
3,000	100½	Mich. Central.		100	43
Toledo & Wab'h 2.		30	108	P. F.W.& Chic.	
5,000	73½	50	b30.108½	300	98

1 O'CLOCK BOARD.

U. S. 6s,5-20c, '62.		Clev. & Pitts.		N. Y. Central.	
21,500	101½	400	80½	200	s3. 92½
Canton.		Chicago & N.W.pf		Erie.	
100	56½	400	58½	600	74½
200	57	Mil. & St. Paul pf.		200	s30. 72
Mariposa preferred		100	60	Mich.South.& N.I	
100	24			400	78½

2½ O'CLOCK BOARD.

U. S. 6s, 5-20 cp.'62		Canton.		Erie.	
2,000	101½	100	57	400	74½
20,000	101½	100	57½	100	74½
U. S. 5s, 10-40 cp.		100	57½	100	s10. 74
25,000	94½	Quicksilver.		Erie preferred.	
Treasury 7 3-10s.		100	54½	100	77½
2d series.		West. Union Tel.		Reading.	
12,500	101½	10	57	500	b10. 105½
3d series.		Mariposa preferred		Cleve. & Pitts.	
4,000	101½	100	24	400	81½
Tennessee 6s.		Spruce Hill Coal		Chic. & N. W. pri.	
10,000	90½	200	5½	300	58½
Virginia 6s.		Mich. So. & N. I.		Pit., Ft.W.& C.	
5,000	67½	700	b10. 78½	21	98
		400	b30. 78½		

OPEN BOARD OF BROKERS—1 P. M.

Canton.	56½	Chic. & N. W.		Erie.	
Spruce Hill.		300	c. 27½	200	s30. 73
1,800	5½	200	b30. 28	100	s20. 73½
800	b3. 5½	200	27½	2,500	74½
900	s3. 5½	Chic & N.W.prf.		500	b3. 74½
Mariposa pref.		500	58½	200	b10. 74½
100	24½	100	s3. 58½	Hud. River ex div.	
400	s3. 24½	P. F. W&C. ex div.		200	110½
500	24½	200	98½	Mich. S. & N. I.	
Illinois Central.		200	s3. 98½	500	b3. 78½
100	122	200	b3. 98½	100	s3. 78½
				300	78½

OPEN BOARD OF BROKERS—3 P. M.

Canton.		Illinois Central.		Mich. S. & N. I.	
300	57½	100	119½	200	78½
1,600	57	Cleve. & Pitts.		200	s3. 78½
200	s3. 57	200	s3. 81½	200	b3. 78½
100	b10. 57½	200	s3. 81½	Chi. & N.W. prf	
Spruce Hill.		400	b3. 81½	100	b10. 59
800	5½	Chi. & R. I. ex dv.		500	58½
Mariposa pref.		100	stw. 123½	200	s3. 58½
300	24½	Erie.		500	b30. 59
100	24½	500	74½	500	b3. 59
100	s3. 24½	400	s3. 74½	P. F.W. & C. ex d.	
100	b10. 24½	100	b5. 74½	200	s3. 98½
N. Y. Central.				Reading	
100	92½			200	105½

TUESDAY, May 1—P. M.

Gold opened at 125½, and sold freely upon the street, before the regular call, at 125½; sold up to 127, and closed at 126½.

The 5-20s were quoted at the Stock Exchange at 101½@102, equal to ½ per cent decline upon yesterday's rates, calling the coupon worth $3 76½ in currency for $100. The 7.30s are unchanged, and continue in demand. In State bonds and the miscellaneous shares no material change. Mariposa Preferred is wanted at 24½@24¾. Boston Water Power, 36@37. For Atlantic Mail the quotation is 120@122. An installment of 30 per cent has been called on the stock, making it full paid. The Railway Share market is quite irregular. Erie was in special demand, and sold as high as 75. Michigan Southern was not in request, and it is stated that the clique lately manipulating it has sold out, and put their stock upon the street. The market is largely controlled by cliques, and firmly held by an abundance of money. At the Second Board the market was dull and steady, with but a small amount of business. After the call prices improved, and the market closed firm at quotations. Reading, Michigan Southern and Pittsburgh were the strongest stocks. The deliveries of Erie are made with difficulty, and the stock is in active borrowing demand. The closing prices were: Canton, 57¼@57½; Cumberland Coal, 44½@45½; Quicksilver, 54½@54¾; Mariposa Preferred, 24½; New-York Central, 92½@92¾; Erie, 74@74¼; Hudson River, 110½@110¾; Reading, 106@106¼; Michigan Central, 108½@109; Southern, 78½@79; Illinois Central Scrip, 119½@120; Cleveland and Pittsburgh, 81½@81¾; Cleveland and Toledo, 104@104¼; Rock Island, 123½@123¾; North Western, 28½@28¾; do. Preferred, 58¼@59; Fort Wayne, 98½@98¾.

Money is abundant on call, at 4@5 per cent, and stock houses are unable to use the capital offered. Appearances indicate that, before May closes, call loans to leading houses will be quoted at 3 per cent. In commercial paper no change. Best passes at 6@7, and second grade at 8@9 per cent.

Foreign exchange closes very firm. Bills at 60 days on London are quoted at 107¼@108¼ for Commercial, 108½@109½ for Banker's; do. at short sight, 109½@109¾.

Freights are dull. The engagements to Liverpool per steamer are 7,000 bush. Corn at 3d., and 50 tuns Tallow at 12s.6d.

The business of the Sub-Treasury was: Receipts, $5,057,583 69—for Customs, $478,500; Payments, $8,469,-170 24; Balance, $95,573,792 24; Gold Notes, $910,000.

The aggregate amount of exports (exclusive of specie) from the port of New-York to foreign ports for the week ending May 1 was $1,718,633.

By the Scotia we learn that on the 21st instant at the London Stock Exchange the monetary improvement continued. Consols closed at 87¼@87¾, Five-twenties at 70½@70¾, Illinois Central at 80@80½, Erie at 53½.

The Bank of England return shows that the private deposits, which last week increased £1,604,939 on the payment of the dividends, have this week been drawn upon to the extent of nearly a million, but as loans on private securities to the amount of £406,115 have been repaid to the bank, the decrease in the reserve becomes £603,446. There is also a decrease of £345,-000 in the coin and bullion, and as the sum withdrawn for export during the week on balance did not exceed £150,000, evidence of an internal drain is afforded. The amount of notes in circulation is £22,303,795, being an increase of £258,440; and the stock of bullion in both departments is £15,888,112, showing a decrease of £345,006 when compared with the preceding statement.

The following shows the earnings, expenses and cost of the Erie Railway Company since it came from the hands of the Receiver:

	Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Leases, Taxes, &c.	Net Earnings.
1862	$8,400,334	$4,860,748	$503,928	$3,035,758
1863	10,469,481	6,380,511	579,908	3,509,062
1864	13,429,643	8,834,918	1,393,610	3,201,115
1865	15,434,774	10,368,264	1,818,539	3,247,971

The Road, in four years, shows an increase of traffic of $7,034,440
Its net income has increased 212,213

The stock and debt of the concern show the following changes:

	Dec. 31, 1861.	Dec. 31, 1865.	Increase.
Stock and Debt	$40,104,700	$47,476,782	$7,372,082

Equal to an annual interest of $576,045, to say nothing of the loans made by the Corporation, the cost of which is represented in 1865 by $1,818,539, less the amount paid for taxes.

The road has reduced its assets during the year as follows:

Assets Dec. 31, 1865.	
Page 11 of Report—"Long Dock Company"	$834,475
Fourth Mortgage Bonds	900,000
Assets in the form of bonds	$1,734,475
Assets Dec. 31, 1866.	
Page 11 of Report—"Long Dock Company"	215,520
Reduction in the year	$1,518,955
The Construction account for the year is charged with	$4,941,293
Derived from Stationery Loan	$3,816,582
Balance from sales of Bonds, Long Dock and Fourth Mortgages	1,124,711— 4,941,293

Leaving $394,244 to be used for working expenses, supplies, or any of the numerous ways the Company has of absorbing money.

The statement made up in any form is discreditable. A merchant arranging the figures of 1865, would get the following result, apart from construction account:

Earnings for 1865		$15,434,774
Operating expenses	$10,368,264	
Interest, rents, taxes, etc.	3,216,310	
"Increase of supplies," pp. 28 of report.	609,127	
Dividends paid as of July 1, $906,641		
Div. paid as of Jan. 1, '65, $283,579	1,190,220—	15,385,991
Remaining for dividend on C. stock Jan. 1, 1866		$48,783
This dividend calls for	$662,804	
Add interest on floating debt of March 1, 1865	253,576—	$916,380
Borrowed for dividend interest in 1865		$867,597

But one opinion can be formed of the figures of the annual report. They conceal the condition of the Corporation, which has reached the point when dividends on its common stock must cease, and when a change of administration is called for at the next election. A few years more of such "growth" as it has suffered in the past will place the common shareholders as much out of danger of dividends as when the Corporation passed into chancery.

The Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company and the Milwaukee and Prairie du Chien Company have agreed to consolidate their earnings. The St. Paul Company puts in 275 miles of road and halves 54 per cent of the earnings; the Prairie du Chien Company puts in 235 miles of road and halves 46 per cent of the earnings. It is immaterial now over which road the business goes. This will largely reduce the operating expenses of the two companies, and, of course, add thus much to the net results. By the great saving resulting from this agreement, the joint companies will be enabled to do the business of the public at reduced rates.

The National Bankers' Express Company yesterday paid over to the Adams, American and United States Express Companies three-quarters of the $5,000,000 which the first-named Company obliged itself to contribute to the respective capitals of the two other companies, under the arrangement entered into on the 1st of January, by which the National Bankers' Company will be merged into the old companies. The arrangement will be completed by payment of the remaining quarter on the 1st of June.

Markets—CAREFULLY REPORTED FOR THE N. Y. TRIBUNE.

TUESDAY, May 1, 1866.

ASHES—The market is dull and unchanged; sales at $6 75@$7 for Pots, and $12 75@$13 for Pearls.

BEESWAX is only in limited demand, and steady, at 38@40c. for Yellow Western and Southern.

CANDLES are without change; sales of 100 boxes Adamantine at 21@22c.; Sperm at 50c., and Patent at 50c.

COFFEE—We have no sales to report, but prices remain steady at 20@20½c. for Fair to Prime Rio; 19@19½c. for good do.; 17½@18c. for fair do.; 15½@16½c. for ordinary do.; 17½@19c. for fair to good Cargoes do.; 25½@26½c. for Java; 21@23c. for Ceylon; 19½@22½c. for Maracaibo; 18½@20c. for Laguayra, and 17½@17½c. for St. Domingo, all gold, duty paid.

Stock of Rio and Santos Coffee on the 1st day of May, 1866: 76,682 bags; stock of Java Coffee, Government bags, 1,655 bags; stock of Cuba Coffee, 4,294 bags; stock of Maracaibo Coffee, 6,509 bags; stock of Laguayra Coffee, 21,740 bags; stock of St. Domingo Coffee, 500 bags; stock of Ceylon Coffee, 8,434 bags; stock of other descriptions, 9,302 bags; total, 129,206 bags. Stock of Rio—New-Orleans, 17,000 bags; Mobile, 2,700 bags; Baltimore, 14,000 bags; New-York, 76,682 bags; total, 104,382 bags.

COPPER—American Ingot is in moderate demand, and steady; sales of 50,000 lb. Balto at 18c., and 25,000 lb Portage Lake at 28½@29c. New Sheathing and Yellow Metal are unchanged.

COTTON—The market is quiet, but prices are without material change; sales of 600 bales at 33@34c. for Middling.

FLOUR AND MEAL—The market for Western and State Flour is dull, and, with more liberal arrivals in prospect of the low grades, prices are lower; White Family brands are better and in small supply; the sales are 5,000 bbls. at $7 10@$7 50 for Superfine State; $7 50@$8 35 for Extra State; $8 40@$8 90 for Fancy State; $8 05@$8 60 for the low grades of Western Extra; $8 80@$9 40 for Shipping Ohio, $9 50@$13 for Trade and Family brands, and $12 80@$16 50 for St. Louis Extras. Canadian Flour is unchanged; the supply of Family brands is moderate; sales of 300 bbls. at $8 40@$8 80 for the low grades of Extra, and $9@$9 25 for Trade and Family Extras. Southern Flour is irregular, with a moderate demand from the trade; sales of 400 bbls. at $10@$11 for mixed to good Superfine Country Baltimore, &c., and $11@$16 75 for Trade and Family brands. Rye Flour is in fair demand and steady; sales of 200 bbls. at $4 75@$5 75. Corn Meal is less active and is steady; sales of 200 bbls. at $4 for Jersey, and $4 50 for Brandywine.

GRAIN—The market for Wheat has been somewhat unsettled to-day and prices favored the buyer; the demand is confined to millers, who purchase sparingly; sales of No. 2 Spring at $1 75; Old Milwaukee Club at $1 80, and Old Red Western at $2 15. Barley and Barley Malt are both dull, and prices are nominal. Oats are dull and heavy; the sales are 20,000 bush., at 58@60c. for Canadian; 58@60c. for Old Western; 47@49c. for New do., and 62@64c. for State. Rye is quiet, but prices are without change; the sales are 2,000 bush. Western at 75c. Corn is dull and lower; the inquiry is chiefly for the home trade; sales of 24,000 bush., at 77@82c. for Unsound; 83c. for Mixed Western, in store, and 85@86½c. delivered, and 90c. for Jersey Yellow.

GREASE—We note sales of 47,000 lb at 11½@13c.

HAY—The market is fairly active and firm; sales of 200 bales at 60@65c. for Shipping, and 70@75c. for Retail lots.

HEMP—Manila continues dull and heavy at 10c., gold; other kinds are dull and nominal.

HOPS continue firm and in fair demand for home consumption; we quote at from 20@40c.@70c., as to growth and quality.

LEAD—Pig is in moderate demand; sales of 100 tuns Spanish, German and English, at $6 50, gold; Bar, 8½c., and Sheet and Pipe, 11½c., currency.

MOLASSES—We have no sales to note, but the market is dull. Stock, May 1, 1866: Cuba Clayed, 344 hhds.; Cuba Muscovado, 3,333 hhds.; Porto Rico, 1,234 hhds.; New-Orleans, 94 hhds.; total, 4,810 hhds. and 94 bbls.

NAVAL STORES—Spirits of Turpentine has been in moderate request and steady; sales of 200 bbls. at 87@90c. Rosins are quiet, but prices show no particular variation. Tar is dull and nominal.

OILS—Linseed continues firm, and a fair demand prevails; sales of 10,000 gallons at $1 42@$1 44. Fish Oils are unchanged; small sales of Crude at $1 for Whale, and $2 35 for Sperm. Lard Oil is quiet but firm at $1 20@$1 75 for New No. 1 and Prime.

OIL CAKE—We have had a fair demand for Cake, and, with limited arrivals, prices have again improved, and are steady at the close; sales of 220 tuns, at $47 and $48 for Western, and $48@$52 for City.

PETROLEUM—The market is firm but quiet; small sales to refiners at 26½c., and 500 bbls. buyer May, at 27c. Refined in bond is firm and in moderate request; sales of 500 bbls. at 42½c. Free Oil is firm but quiet, at 59@61c.

PROVISIONS—We have had a good demand for Pork today; prices early in the day were heavy, but toward the close improved; for future delivery, sales of 11,500 bbls. Mess, at $27 25, and $28, seller and buyer May, June and July; the sales, cash and regular, are 11,600 bbls. Mess, at $27 12½@$27 75, closing firm at the latter rate, and $26 75 for Western Prime Mess. Beef is in fair jobbing demand, and prices are firm; sales of 800 bbls. at $11@$14 for Old Plain Mess, $16@$19 50 for New do., $13@$16 for Old Extra, and $20@$24 for New do. Tierce Beef is dull and nominal. Beef Hams are firm; sales of 140 bbls. Western, at $40@$41. Cut meats are firm and in fair demand; sales of 300 pkgs., at 11@12c. for Shoulders, Common to Prime, and 16@17½c. for Hams. Bacon is moderately active; sales of 270 boxes, at 14½@14¾c. for C. C., and 15½ for S. R. Lard is dull, heavy and lower; sales of 650 pkgs., at 18½@19½c. for No. 1, 19½@20c. for City, 20½@20¾ for Fair to Prime Steam and Kettle Rendered, and small lots, choice, at higher figures.

AFTERNOON PROVISION MARKET, 5½O'CLOCK—Pork advanced, and a good demand prevailed; sales of 4,000 bbls. Mess, at $28@$28 35, and 500 bbls. buyer June, at $28 62½. Lard ruled heavy and closed dull, at 20½ for Prime.

Stock of Pork and Beef in packing yarks, New-York and Brooklyn, May 1, 1866:

OLD AND NEW PORK.

Qualities.	Total Old and New.	Last month	This date Last year.
Clear	227	268	104
Mess	69,804	61,608	46,787
Thin Mess	221	328	1,207
Prime Mess	4,445	1,762	27,961
Flank	....	....	26
Prime	3,836	3,797	4,883
Rumps	223	195	350
Refuse Mess	367	268	353
Refuse Prime Mess	79	71	829
Refuse Prime	78	271	601
Other Refuse	756	574	693
Uninspected	9,828	30,024	8,270
Totals	90,494	99,246	91,974

OLD AND NEW BEEF.

Qualities.	Total.	Total New and Old.	Last month.	This date Last year.
City Mess	1,320	1,320	530	....
Repacked Mess	2,141	7,178	5,277	17,257
Rep. Chicago Mess	2,153	6,191	8,425	29,407
Railroad Beef	108	117	118	316
Refuse Mess	38	81	93	727
Other Refuse	352	352	106	208
Tcs. Prime Mess	1,131	1,265	1,008	4,968
Country Mess	90	2,126	2,396	8,519
Country Prime	....	....	....	67
Uninspected tcs	2,804	2,804	3,817	2,696
Uninspected bbls	3,440	3,440	5,521	13,309
Totals	13,577	24,874	27,361	77,474

RICE—The market is quiet, but holders are firm in their views.

SUGAR—Raw Sugars are in fair demand, but without change to note in prices; we quote at 10½@10¾c. for fair to good Refining; sales of 673 hhds. at 10½@10¾c. for Cuba, 10½c. for Porto Rico, and 11c. for Barbadoes.

Stock May 1, 1866: Cuba, 40,392 hhds.; Porto Rico, 4,309 hhds.; St. Croix, 58 hhds. Total, 44,669 hhds. Boxes, 49,764; bags, 116,144; hhds. Milado, 975.

SPELTER is quiet; sales of 25 tuns; sales are at 7c. gold. Lehigh is dull and nominal.

STEARIN—The market is firm, with a fair demand; sales of 46,000 lb at 17½@18½c.

SEEDS—The demand for Clover Seed is moderate and the market steady at 8½@10½c. Timothy Seed is firm and in fair demand at $6@$6 50. Rough Flax Seed is in limited demand and steady at $2 50@$2 75. Calcutta Linseed continues firm and in good demand at $3 25 in Boston and $3 35@$3 40 here.

TALLOW—The market is steady and fairly active; sales of 14,000 lb at 10½@11½c. for Western, and 11½@11¾c. for City.

WHISKY—The market is quiet and unchanged; sales of 27 bbls. at $2 26@$2 27 for Western.

NEW-YORK CATTLE MARKET.

RECEIPTS
FOR THE WEEK ENDING TUESDAY, May 1, 1866.

Beeves.	Cows.	Veals.	Sheep and Lambs.	Swine.	Total.
5,369	81	2,198	11,636	9,030	28,314

These were sold at the following Market Places:

	Beeves.	Cows.	Veals.	Sheep and Lambs.	Swine.	Total.
At Allerton's	3,929	29	617	437	9,030	....
At Browning's	78	11	70	7,144	....	....
At O'Brien's	20	8	8	....	....	....
At Chamberlin's	51	33	153	2,985	....	....
At Yorkville	65	....	....	....	....	....
At Bergen	943	....	....	570	....	....
Sent from the cars direct to butchers	283	....	1,350	500	....	....
Average weekly receipts last year	5,255	118	1,500	16,091	11,023	33,872
Receipts last week	6648	75	2,240	12,089	10,183	31,135

PRICES OF BEEF AT THE PRINCIPAL MARKET, THIS WEEK.

The following are the quotations per pound, upon the estimated net weight of meat—seller sinking offal. That is, a bullock whose quarters will weigh 8 cwt., at 10 cents a pound, amounts to $80.

	Cents per pound.
Prime, or extra Holiday Beef	None.
The next best on sale to-day	17½@18
That generally rated first quality	16½@17
Medium, or good, fair quality	15 @16
That of ordinary thin Steers, Oxen and Cows	14 @15
Inferior, or lowest grade of Cattle	13 @14
The general average of the market to-day, estimated at	15½@15½
Extreme range of prices from	13 @18
The most of the sales are from	14½@17

WHERE THE CATTLE ARE FROM.

The Bullocks sold at Allerton's are reported from the following States:

New-York	37	Iowa	110
Pennsylvania	311	Missouri	144
Ohio	320	Kentucky	51
Michigan	104	New-Jersey	22
Indiana	49	Canada	51
Illinois	2,730		

They came by the following routes: Erie Railroad, 98; Harlem Railroad, 2,033; Camden and Amboy Railroad, 238; Newark and Jersey Central Railroad, 635; by Hudson River boats, 923; on foot, 2. About 3,900 were in the yards on Monday.

LIST OF DROVERS.

The following are the names of drovers, owners or consignees of the principal droves, and where the cattle are reported from:

P. McComville, Ohio	45	W. Snider, Ohio	48
P. McComville, Ill	17	J. R. Resick, Ohio	50
P. McComville, Pa	72	H. Miller, Pa	65
Selgle & Lauterbeck, Ill	223	A. Reeves, Canada	51
S. Goldsmith, Ill	69	Lawless & Trainer, Ohio	18
H. Eisner, Ill	127	J. Wilson, N. Y	11
J. Levy, Ill	96	Richardson & Goff, Ill	122
S. Schuester, Ill	325	Conners & Ryan, Ill	90
S. Schuester, Mich	104	S. R. Richardson, Ill	367
S. Schuester, Iowa	110	Healey & Co., Ill	54
H. Eckstein, Ill	47	J. Moss, Ohio	48
W. E. Yezel, Ohio	17	Eastman & Bro., Ill	165
Murray & Glover, Ill	53	B. Bartram, Ill	101
Thompson & Coon, Ky	51	P. G. Driscoll, Ill	70
T. Gillis, Mo	144	W. H. Platt, Ill	68
E. S. Boyne, N. J	22	J. Keller, Pa	14
D. Reynolds, Pa	30	D. Kilbanger, Pa	39
J. McPherson, Ill	220	F. Goldstein, Ill	82
E. Greenwalt, Pa	47	P. McCaffrey, Ohio	50
G. W. Martin, Ill	81	P. McCaffrey, Ill	59
J. Fleshauer, Ill	89	Westheimer & Hard, Ill	199
Sage & Hughes, Ill	55	May, Ill	71
J. Moses, Pa	44	Boice & Chase, Ind	49
S. W. Allerton, Ill	109	Harlem Local, N. Y	21
C. Leeds, Ohio	61		

REMARKS ABOUT BEEF CATTLE.

The total number this week, 5,369 head, compares with 6,648 head last week, and with 5,255 head, average per week last year, and with 4,243 for the corresponding week one year ago.

The number sold yesterday and to-day at the principal market, 3,100 head, compares with 3,837 head last week, and with 3,650 head, the average per week last year, and with 3,456 head, at market one year ago.

THE OPENING, OR PRINCIPAL DAY OF THE MARKET.

MONDAY, APRIL 30.—The cattle market at Forty-fourth st. opened in the morning with about 2,000 bullocks in the sale-pens, for which the brokers asked a cent a pound higher than they were willing to take last Monday, and at this they continued to sell the choice of the stock at 16@17c. ℔ lb net, and once in a while one at 18c., but the general rate of the market was 15@17c., the very best drove here averaging 17c. upon 8 cwt. for top Illinois steers; and the next best drove, Ohio Durhams, averaged 16½c., upon 7½ cwt. All of the morning sales were 50@75c. ℔ cwt. better than the afternoon. Indeed the advance of the morning drove a good many purchasers out of the market, so that after 2 o'clock it looked more like Sunday than it did like a business day. Several of the wholesale butchers declared that they would not pay a fraction higher than they did last week, knowing if they did that there would be a rush of cattle during the week, which would sell so low that it would cut off all chance of any profit, at the rates cattle sold at this morning. It is no wonder that prices declined after the first flurry of the morning was over, as it was known that 20,000 sold had been held back, at Albany and Buffalo, and that one or more large droves would be in to-morrow, and others before Saturday, which would insure a decline below the rates current this morning. Under this state of feeling with the heaviest buyers, it is no wonder that prices have declined this afternoon—some of the yearlings say a cent a pound—we think a fair half cent upon all grades since morning, and that it closes just about a half cent higher than it did last Monday, and perhaps with better estimates of weight, as the weather is very favorable, being dry, clear, and rather cool for the last day of April. The quality of stock, though good, does not average as high as last week, which was rather remarkable. The average of the market we gave last week at 14½c. ℔ lb, and shall make it 15½c. this week, the advance being nearly all upon the best stock and upon first sales. The supply of the week so far as reported, is 5,185, of which 732 were sold here during the week; 943 at Bergen; 150 at the down town stables; 65 at the Yorkville yards, and 183 direct to butchers.

CLOSE OF THE MARKET.

Tuesday, May 1.—Trade is a cold, raw May-day, bad for flower-gatherers, but good for butchers and drovers. Indeed, yesterday was half a cent in favor of drovers, on account of the improvement in the weather over that of last Monday, while to-day is still cooler, with appearances of rain. Still the market this morning bears but poor comparison with yesterday morning, so far as drovers' interests are concerned. Then sellers named their own terms. To-day the buyers name theirs. Indeed they began to do it last night. This morning we had 160 head of fresh cattle, the owners of one drove of 117 head concluded not to accept the low offers made, and turned them out. The few left over last night were sold at reduced rates, and the market closed as dull as can well be imagined—quite as dull as last Tuesday, and full a cent lower than yesterday morning.

BROKERS' SALES OF BULLOCKS.

Coney & Conger, at Bergen, 112 for W. V. Wood; Illinois steers, just fair 7 cwt., at 15@17c.; 60 for Sims & Co., Illinois steers, good 7 cwt., at 16c. average, and at Forty-fourth-st., for themselves, 54 Illinois steers, fair 6½ cwt., at strong 16c.

R. Bartram had 101 for himself, Illinois steers, bought at Albany, a fair 7 cwt. drove, run out here at 15½@17c.

S. G. Woodruff & Bro., for J. McPherson, 108 Illinois steers, common 6½ cwt., at 15@16c., and at Bergen 103 for same owners, fair 6½ cwt., at 14½@16c.; 65 for Hedges & Clemens, Ohio steers, fair 6½ cwt., at 15@16c.

A. Reeves had 51 Canada steers, pretty good, 6½ cwt., wholesaled at $93 50 each. They were a little oxey.

Sage & Hughes had 55 Illinois steers for themselves, 5½ cwt., fair, sold at 15½c., average, and 61 bought of C. Leeds & Co., Ohio steers, 6½ cwt., good, sold at 15@17c.

J. R. Resick wholesaled his 50 Ohio steers and oxen at $101 each; rated 6½ cwt., a mixed lot.

W. Thompson had 51 Kentucky steers for Thompson & Coon, good grade Durhams, fat, 7½ cwt., sold at 16@17½c.; and at Bergen, 76 for same owners, 6½ cwt., fair Illinois steers, at 14½@15½c.

Eastman & Bro., for themselves, 11 Ill. steers, 5½ cwt., at 15c., and 119 Ill. steers, 8 cwt., good, bought of Messenger, Gillett & Co., at 17c., and 24 Ill. steers, 7 cwt., at 16c. The Messenger drove were very fine.

Conners & Ryan sold 90 of their own, Ill. steers, a fair bunch, 6½ cwt., at 14½c. average.

Murray & Glover bought 54 good Ill. steers at Albany, and retailed them here at 16@17½c. on 7½ cwt., and 39 Pa. oxen, rough, 8½ cwt., at 16@16½c.; 27 Ky. steers, good, 8 cwt., at 17c.

Teed & Wheeler for J. Moss, 48 fair Ohio steers, 7½ cwt., at 16@17c.

Henry Westheimer sold for himself, 199 Ill. steers, bought of Snider at Albany. Rated 6½@7 cwt., and selling here at 15@17c.

S. Ullery, for W. H. Platt & Co., 68 Illinois steers a good fat lot, some coarse, strong 7½ cwt., at 15@17½c.; and for W. E. Yezzel, 17 Ohio steers, light, 6½@6½ cwt., at 15c.; and 22 New-Jersey steers for E. S. Boyne, a good lot, 8½ cwt., strong, sold at 16½c.

P. F. Cary, for H. Miller, 65 Pennsylvania steers, a good fat No. 1 drove, 7½ cwt., running out at 16@16c.; also, 49 bought of J. R. Resick, a mixed lot of Ohio steers and oxen, 6½ cwt., strong, costing $101 each, sold at about 16c.

D. Kilinger wholesaled his 39 Lancaster County, Pa., oxen and steers to Murray & Glover at $102 each; rated 8½ cwt.

Mead & Sherman for J. McPherson, 112 Illinois steers, 7½ cwt., at 16c. average. A fair to good lot.

W. Sherman for J. W. Allerton, 102 Illinois steers, 5½@8 cwt., at 14½@16½c., tops 17c.

H. F. Burchard had 53 Illinois steers and heifers, light, uneven 6½ cwt., ordinary, selling at 14@16c.

J. H. Merritt sold 33 Illinois steers, bought at the yards, 7½ cwt., run out at 15@17c.

Church, Hurd & Co., had 36 Illinois steers for themselves, fairish, 7 cwt., selling at 16@17½c. They had a good top.

J. H. Williams had 78 Illinois steers, bought here, 6½ cwt., sold at 15@16c.

Lawless & Trainor had 17 Ohio steers, good, 7½ cwt., sold at 16c. average.

T. Gillies sold 144 Missouri steers at 15@16c., on 6½@6½ cwt.

Boice & Chase had 49 Indiana steers, fair, 1,050 lb gross, wholesaled Tuesday at $94 each.

MILCH COWS—Fresh cows are in better demand and prices about $5 per head higher than last week. The continued light receipts at a time when many persons are arranging housekeeping for the year, adding a cow to their other necessaries, causes a scarcity, and fine milkers are wanted. Prices range from $50@$60 for poor little cows, to $65@$75 for fair milkers of good size, and up to $80@$90 for fine cows, calves included, but these latter are of little account, a young calf not selling for more than $1 50@$2 50, and even then has to be killed on the sly if sold as veal. We notice sales of two extra cows for $180, or $90 each.

VEAL CALVES—An upward turn in the beef, sheep and swine market helps the veal trade, and prices are about 1c. per lb better than last week. The cool weather also favors trade, and stock goes off with considerable briskness, generally at 7@9c., at which latter price we saw very fair calves of 160 lb sold. For the best, if selected, 10c. is asked—in a few cases 11c. Little calves of 100 lb and less sell at 5@6c., below which the "bobs" are disposed of by the head, or nearly given away, few butchers choosing to take the risk of "confiscation." We are glad to announce that a very small number, comparatively, of these "kittens" are now coming in. It is to be hoped that the trade in these unhealthy meats will be entirely broken up.

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