

SMALL CHANGES IN STOCKS.

LAST PRICES AT RECEPTIONS.

GOVERNMENT BONDS HIGHER—MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

Closing prices yesterday of the principal securities and not changes from Monday's last quotations were as follows:

Table of stock prices including columns for stock names, prices, and changes.

BONDS.

Table of bond prices including columns for bond names, prices, and changes.

RAILROAD AND OTHER STOCKS.

Covering of shorts and moderate commission-house buying led to a further recovery in yesterday's early stock market.

The support which is essential to a sustained upward movement is totally lacking in the current market.

Closing prices showed an average advance from Saturday of over 3 per cent for the majority of stocks dealt in.

THE DAY'S OPERATIONS IN BONDS.

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Market inactive, with final quotations higher as follows:

Table of government bond prices including columns for bond names, prices, and changes.

SALES AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

BONDS AND BANK STOCKS.

Table of bond and bank stock prices including columns for names, prices, and changes.

THE FEDERAL TREASURY.

THE TREASURY STATEMENT—The daily Washington statement, covering actual results of two days ago, compared with the last preceding statement, gives the following balances:

Table showing Treasury statement balances for March 15 and 16, 1898.

RAILROAD AND OTHER STOCKS.

Table of railroad and other stock prices including columns for names, prices, and changes.

WHEAT.

Table of wheat prices including columns for grades, prices, and changes.

WALL STREET AND EXCHANGES.

GOLD IMPORTS—Including engagements made yesterday, the total gold import movement to date and the firms importing are as follows:

Table of gold imports including columns for firm names, amounts, and dates.

COAL PRODUCTION.

The official statement of the anthracite production places the February output at about 2,762,000 tons, as compared with a production in January of about 3,075,000 tons.

OUTSIDE SECURITIES.

Market dull and generally higher. Standard Oil opened at 260, advanced to 262, and sold down to 258 1/2, closing at 257 1/2.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED.

The directors of the Merchenthaler Linotype Company have declared the regular quarterly dividend of 2 1/2 per cent, and an extra dividend of 2 1/2 per cent payable March 31.

HOMESTEAK MINING COMPANY.

The Homestake Mining Company has declared a dividend of 25 cents a share, making \$6.75, 100 paid in dividends to date, payable March 25 at the office of the transfer agents, Lounsbury & Co., Mills Building. Transfer books close March 19.

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

MONEY RATES—Money on call, 2 1/2 per cent. Time money, 4 per cent for two months.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE.

Market weak on a small volume of business. Actual closing rates as follows:

PHILADELPHIA STOCKS.

Table of Philadelphia stock prices including columns for names, prices, and changes.

RAILROAD EARNINGS.

Table of railroad earnings including columns for names, earnings, and changes.

ELECTRIC STORAGE BATTERY.

The Electric Storage Battery Company reports for the year ended December 31:

Table of Electric Storage Battery company financials for 1897 and 1898.

FONDA, JOHNSTOWN & GLOVERSVILLE.

The Fonda, Johnstown and Gloversville Railroad Company reports for the quarter ended December 31:

Table of Fonda, Johnstown & Gloversville financials for 1897 and 1898.

BURLINGTON, CEDAR RAPIDS AND NORTHERN.

The report of the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern Railway Company for the year ended December 31:

Table of Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern financials for 1897 and 1898.

STREET RAILROADS IN OTHER CITIES.

Table of street railroad financials for other cities including Buffalo, Cleveland, etc.

MISCELLANEOUS SECURITIES.

Table of miscellaneous securities including American Mail, etc.

BOSTON STOCKS.

Table of Boston stock prices including columns for names, prices, and changes.

CHICAGO STOCKS.

Table of Chicago stock prices including columns for names, prices, and changes.

AMERICAN SECURITIES ABROAD.

London, March 15, 4 p. m.—The market for American securities after a firm opening was quiet and declining, but recovered before the close on New York buying.

BANK CLEARINGS.

New York—Exchanges, \$17,278,481; balances, \$11,875,408. Chicago—Exchanges, \$16,074,111; balances, \$11,709,810. Philadelphia—Exchanges, \$13,316,082; balances, \$14,028,208.

THE CHICAGO, ROCK ISLAND AND PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Chicago, Ill., February 19th, 1898. To the holders of First Mortgage, Extension and Collateral Bonds of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company; and To Whom It May Concern:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company has executed the right reserved to it in and by Article IX of that certain mortgage of deed of trust of the said Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railway Company to the United States Trust Company of New York, as Trustee, dated the fourth day of July A. D. 1884, and known as the First Mortgage, Extension and Collateral of said Company to redeem any bonds secured by said mortgage which might be outstanding at any time after the fourth day of July, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, and has decided its purpose to redeem, in accordance with the provisions of said mortgage and of said Article IX thereof all and every of the bonds secured by said mortgage and now outstanding.

PROPOSALS TO SELL said First Mortgage, Extension and Collateral Bonds at prices not exceeding par, five per centum premium thereon, and accrued interest, are hereby invited to be received at the office of Central Trust Company of New York, No. 54 Wall Street, in the City of New York, N. Y., on THURSDAY, THE FOURTH DAY OF MARCH, A. D. 1898, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Any and all of said First Mortgage, Extension and Collateral Bonds outstanding after purchase are made in pursuance of this notice will be redeemed at par, five per centum premium thereon, and accrued interest, in accordance with the provisions of said Article IX of said mortgage on the 15th day of March, A. D. 1898, at which date interest will cease to accrue on said bonds.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, W. G. PURDY, Secretary.

Mortgage Investors.

can secure choice mortgages and absolute safety of principal and interest by purchasing the guaranteed mortgages of this company.

BOND & MORTGAGE GUARANTEE CO.

146 Broadway, 175 Remsen St., New York, Brooklyn. CAPITAL & SURPLUS, \$1,380,000.

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